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stars including The Chronicle Player of the Year, Josh Howard (Glenn); team captain, Charles Dearmon (Carver); Mike Dubose (West Forsyth); Antoine Barnes (Carver); Jonathan Butler (North Forsyth); Tyree Manns (East Forsyth); Eric Jones (North Forsyth); Craig Clarke (Mount Tabor); Cliff Crawford (Parkland); Sam Lekwauwa (Mount Tabor); Correy Watkins (North Stanley); and Octavius Fulton (North Davidson).

Hollingsworth has assembled this team to play in the National Invitational Tournament in Los Angeles, July 19-24.

"This tournament is designed to be a showcase for the top players in the country, especially the ones on the West Coast," said Hollingsworth.

The exposure the tournament offers is an added bonus for these 12 players as they try to make a statement to college coaches and scouts. The tournament also gives North Carolina and the city of Winston-Salem, in particular, a chance to prove its round ball genius on an national stage.

Hollingsworth believes that in the past North Carolina teams have acquitted themselves well

and that even on the left coast there is a hefty amount of respect for the caliber of teams from this region.

"Izzy Washington, the coordinator of this tournament, only invites what he believes are the country's best teams," said Hollingsworth. "The fact that we are invited to the tournament that we are respected and he has confided in me that programs year-in and year-out North Carolina, especially the North Carolina Select, are among the nations best."

Hollingsworth himself is no stranger to the world of AAU basketball. He used to run the Patterson Ave. YMCA's AAU team and moved to Winston Lake when the YMCA moved. In fact, Hollingsworth began AAU basketball at Winston Lake and while in charge of their program Hollingsworth's teams won seven state titles in nine years. Teams that included the likes of Rodney Rodgers, Ray Agnew and Kevin Thompson. He then moved to Charlotte and coached the Charlotte Royals and players like Todd Fuller, Ishua Benjamin and Antawn Jamison. He returned to Kernersville in 1994 to take over the North Carolina Select team and lead the 1995 version of that team to the National

Invitational Tournament in Los Angeles.

Now Hollingsworth readsies another group of young men for a trip out West. He believes that they will play extremely well if they can get there. The trip will cost approximately \$600 per player and that financial burden continues to be a road block to this team's chance to play.

Hollingsworth believes the team has only reached half of their monetary goal. The team has been and will continue to fund raise. They have held a car wash and a donut sale, and are in the process of a most interesting capital raising activity, a Shoot-A-Thon.

The players will shoot 25 free throws each and are securing pledges for each made shot from individuals in the community. The Shoot-A-Thon is scheduled to be held this Friday. Hollingsworth says that in the past he has relied on donations from his former players and prominent individuals in the community.

Ray Agnew, Rodgers, Thompson, and Roger Doggett have been contributors in the past and Hollingsworth is hoping to again get donations to defer their traveling expenses. The donations are tax-deductible through the Kernersville Family YMCA.

The team's lack of funding means that they may not be able to accept an invitation to the Las Vegas Grand Finale, an even more prestigious tournament than the National invitational.

"Because of the cost of going to Los Angeles we are just going to concentrate on that trip for the time being," said Hollingsworth.

As a warm-up Hollingsworth and his team will play in the Charlotte Royals Invitational Tournament, June 28-29. They are slated to play three of the nations best AAU teams in their first three games.

"The Charlotte Royals Tournament will host a really strong field, with three of the pre-eminent teams in AAU playing," said Hollingsworth. "We are happy to be invited and look do well."

He is quick to acknowledge that he is not in this alone he has an outstanding staff including: associate head coach, Paul Shelf; Robert Brown; and R.J. Clark.

And while he can't speak for his other coaches Hollingsworth says that his father is his motivation for contributing his leadership to this team.

"I believe that my father as a local legend, the late William Hollingsworth. He was always involved with kids first at Atkins

High School and then at Kennedy Junior High and I guess that his constant giving back has rubbed off on me."

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**Wallace and other NBA players to attend basketball bazaar in Winston**

Rasheed Wallace of the Portland Trailblazers and a host of other NBA players will be on hand to lend their support to the second annual Gipson/Singleton Basketball Bazaar June 23-28, at the LJV Coliseum in Winston-Salem.

This week-long camp is open to boys and girls, 7 years to rising high school seniors. It will feature a hands-on basketball clinic, motivational talks from NBA players, an awards program where NBA players present trophies and an exhibition game. The registration deadline for the basketball bazaar is June 23.

Rick Hughes, Head basketball coach at Wabash College in Mt. Carmel, Ill., along with 14 college coaches from North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee, will conduct the camp. Shaquille O'Neal of the Los Angeles Lakers, who was the featured guest at last year's camp, is expected to return this year. Other NBA players scheduled to appear during the week are Malik Sealy and Rodney Rogers of the Los Angeles Clippers, Corey Alexander of the San Antonio Spurs; Travis Best of the Indiana Pacers; and Tray Alan of the Milwaukee Bucks.

The event will climax with a celebrity game featuring NBA

to take a shot from the three-quarter court mark. If they score, they win \$1 million!

The Gipson-Singleton Basketball Bazaar (which is in no way connected with the NBA) was started a year ago by Sean Gipson and Vernell Singleton, two professional players who played at Louisiana State University where they met O'Neal. Gipson is a former prep stand-out at Reynolds High School in Winston-Salem. Singleton is from Natchez, Miss. Both currently play professional basketball overseas.

The camp is sponsored by the "For the Children Foundation," of which Gipson and Singleton are co-presidents. Their mission is to make an impact on the many problems children face, from drug abuse to child abuse, from homelessness to hopelessness. As they travel around the country, the foundation will make contributions from the basketball bazaar to charitable organizations in each host city to support motivational and self-esteem programs for children in those communities.

"This is one way that I can take the god-given gift of basketball and make a difference in the lives of children. I always dreamed of becoming a professional basketball player and being



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Players and special musical guests on June 28 and a star-studded celebrity ball later that evening. These events are open to the public. Tickets can be purchased at the coliseum box office and all TicketMaster centers. During the celebrity game, two campers and one other person will be eligible to receive a shot at winning a million dollars. Each will be allowed

able to give back to the community," Gipson said.

The basketball bazaar has received backing from local and national businesses such as Sara Lee Corporation, Wachovia Bank, BB&T, Coca-Cola Bottling Co., Champion, Spaulding, The Winston-Salem Housing Authority and Segmented Marketing Services.

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