



The Aggies

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The Deacons



The Terps

Hanes Hosiery Rec Center begins summer league

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The Hanes Hosiery has begun its summer basketball league for young ballers, aged 6-10 and 11-14. Both divisions are composed of six teams, with a variety of young, talented players.

The games are played every Tuesday from 2 until 4 p.m. Last week's games were very exciting as the league began its season with a bang. The first game was between the Rams and the Aggies. This game was very close, but the Aggies were able to squeak away with an 18-16 victory. Jordan Battle

scored 10 points to lead the Aggie charge. Genice Lane and Breannah Davis both had four points to help the Aggies to a thrilling win over the Rams. Deon Fowler finished with 13 points to lead the Rams. Derion Shaton contributed with five points.

Deacons 21, Tar Heels 13: The Deacons' Kerry Campbell dazzled the crowd with his ball handling ability and shooting skills en route to a 21-13 victory over the Tar Heels in the second game of the day. Campbell finished the game with seven points. Young Kayla Blevins contributed with six

points to lead the Deacons to the eight-point victory. The Deacons were also helped by Greg King (four points), Mark Thomas and Mallory Boyd (both had two points). The Tar Heels were paced by Jared Smith (seven points), Xavier Jackson (four points) and R.J. McDowell (two points).

Terps 18, Blue Devils 19: The final game of the 6-10-year-old division was between the Young Terps and the Blue Devils. The Terps pulled off an 18-10 victory. "Rackie" Badger drilled 13 points, while Erik Autry and Jaquan Squire combined for five more points

to lead the Terps to the eight-point victory. Rashad Blue finished with six points to lead the Blue Devils. Bryce Blue and Erik Peguese both finished with two points in a losing effort.

The players in the 11-14-year-old division also put on some good performances last week.

76ers 47, Mavericks 29: The biggest blowout took place after the 76ers destroyed the Mavericks 47-29. The 76ers used a balanced attack, with each player scoring in the contest. Charelle Maxwell and Chelsey Powers led the win-

ning team. Shaun Scrivens scored nine points to lead the Mavs. Jamel Summers chipped in with six points, while Jarrell Tomlinson also finished with six points.

Knicks 29, Pistons 22: John Osborne and Adam Muse combined for 17 points to lead the Knicks to a 29-22 victory over the Pistons. Gerry O'Neal, Terrence Shelton and Trashaun Blocker all added four points. Antonio Pitts finished with nine points to lead the Pistons. Cedric Spann finished with six points. Nathan Walker and C.J. Tucker combined for seven points in a losing effort.

Magic 32, Lakers 26: The final game was between the Magic and the Lakers. The contest turned into the Nicole Little show, as she rocked the Lakers for 14 points. Marketta Carter contributed with a strong nine points to help lead the Magic to the six-point victory. Also scoring for the Magic were: Brandon Mitchell, Davon Gray and Tyrone Taylor. The Lakers were led by the hot-shooting guards, Anthony Byers (16 points) and Antonio Bennett (six points). John Clinzer and Anthony Thomas also scored for the Lakers.

Rick Rembielak to lead Wake Forest baseball program

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Wake Forest University Director of Athletics Ron Wellman announced Tuesday that Rick Rembielak, the all-time winningest coach of any sport in Kent State University history, has been named head baseball coach.

"Rick has all the characteris-

tics that were important for us in the search for our new head baseball coach," Wellman said. "He has been a head coach for many years and been tremendously successful in that position. He is as high-quality as they come in the development of collegiate players."

"He is not only recognized as

an excellent recruiter, but understands the importance of top-caliber student-athletes, both on the field and in the classroom," Wellman said. "He has an outstanding record in terms of graduating his student-athletes, as well as winning numerous conference championships."

Rembielak added: "What

attracted me to Wake Forest was the university's excellent reputation. It is the perfect combination of academics and athletics. I cannot think of a better place to further my career than at Wake Forest. It is an ideal position. My excitement and enthusiasm to start the recruiting process and spread Wake Forest's name is immediate."

Rembielak arrives in Winston-Salem after an 11-year stint with Kent State of the Mid-American Conference (MAC). He is the all-time winningest coach of any sport in Golden Flashes history with a career record of 373-251-1 (.597). Against other MAC teams,

Rembielak sports an even more impressive record of 200-100 (.667). He won four Mid-American Conference regular season championships and three MAC tournament titles, including this past season's 2004 Mid-American Conference Tournament. The Golden Flashes have made 12 consecutive appearances in the MAC Tournament. Dating back to 1992, when postseason play was reinstated, Kent State is the only MAC team to appear in every tournament.

Rembielak was named the Mid-American Conference Coach of the Year three times (1996, 2000 and 2003). In 1996, the

Golden Flashes won the conference regular-season title with a 21-7 league record and a 30-20-1 overall mark.

A Cleveland native who graduated from Central Catholic High School, Rembielak earned a bachelor's degree in business education from the University of Akron in 1988 and earned a master's degree in sports administration from Kent State in 1992. He is a member of the Greater Akron Baseball Hall of Fame and the Stark County Hall of Fame.

Rembielak, 43, and his wife of 19 years, Sharon, have two daughters, Nicole, 17, and Megan, 14, and a son Matthew, 11.

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32, isn't as gracious and athletic as he was when he was this young rim-breaker from Orlando. None of this is a surprise to me. I immediately noticed the weirdness of Shaq, and his need for attention after he made a few statements during the final news conference of the NBA Finals.

"It's going to be a funny summer," O'Neal said. "Everyone's going to take care of their own business and do what's best for them."

Do you all remember that statement? Shaq said he sensed things would turn "funny" when he turned down Buss' request to take a pay cut months ago. "They said it's about the money. It's not about the money," O'Neal told the Associated Press. "It's about honesty, and the honesty me and Jerry West had. That's been gone for four years now. They say I'm getting older. Of course, I am. But can't nobody mess with me. I'm like toilet paper, Pampers and toothpaste. I'm definitely proven to be effective."

Leave it up to Shaq to put matters in perspective and help us understand him better.

Kudos for Women of Destiny Camp

I spoke with a friend of mine last Friday at the State Games Gold Medal Reception at the Coliseum. She had a daughter who participated in the Women of Destiny girls basketball camp

last week at Carl Russell Recreation Center.

The first thing she told me was that her daughter learned more in that weeklong camp than she has the entire time she's known how to play basketball.

"It's just amazing how much that camp helped Erica (Hutchins)," Sylvia Hutchins said. "She's been to numerous camps, like the Wake Forest camps and all, but she's learned more at Carl Russell than she has at any of the camps she's been to before. She came home so happy after each day."

That's just a testament to the hard work that Aaron Bailey and Angela Lambson put in to present a great camp for the young ladies of this community to enjoy.

"We basically just set out to give young ladies an avenue to learn the game," Bailey said. "You always see camps where girls don't get the attention and guidance they need. I thought that there should be a camp for them, especially in this area. Women's basketball is just as exciting as men's basketball in some instances, and it can only get better."

I agree, Aaron. That really was a great camp and a wonderful idea. Keep up the good work, and continue making a difference with the kids.

Carver and Reynolds take gold

Winston-Salem has the best two high school basketball teams

in the state. Well, we can at least say that after the Demons and Yellowjackets captured gold medals at the 2004 State Games. Reynolds dumped Dudley 78-59 while Carver skated past Red Springs 43-37 to win the gold medal in the girls basketball final of the State Games of North Carolina.

The Demons received great play from Mike Copeland, a 6-7, 235-pound senior. Young Justin Henderson also did his thing, as he's been doing ever since he was a ninth-grader. Copeland finished the game with 25 points for Reynolds. Former Carver star Brandon Massey also did his thing for the Demons as he finished with 15 points. Another former Yellowjacket, Kelvin Hayes, scored 12 points.

Katrice Teal, Brittany Strachan and Casey Jones led Carver. I have a feeling there will be a lot to talk about the Yellowjackets when the season begins. The Carver girls should be a real treat to watch next season. I just hope that Lashanda Pratt will be OK. She went down hard with an ankle injury in the second half. She's a real weapon the Yellowjackets will need to make a title push next season.

No matter what happens next season, the building blocks have been planted for greatness, for both Reynolds and Carver. Let's see how far they will take them.

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