



# BACKSTAGE AT THE JOEL

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## Warthogs Close Out An Era In Professional Baseball



"Goodbye Old Friend"

After 53 years as home of professional baseball in Winston-Salem, Ernie Shore Field hosted its final regular season game on Thursday night, August 28. But don't lock the gates just yet as the Warthogs hosted two playoff games against the Myrtle Beach Pelicans. One on Friday, September 5 and game 4 was played at Ernie Shore Field on Saturday, September 6 at Noon. A six-run seventh inning was too much for the Winston-Salem Warthogs to overcome as they fell 11-5 to the Myrtle Beach Pelicans in game four of the Southern Division playoffs. The loss marks the end of the 2008 season as Winston-Salem lost the best-of-five series with the Pelicans three games to one. A new downtown park is currently under construction and will be ready to play in April for the opening of the 2009 Carolina League season.

The Warthogs clinched the second half wild card spot in the southern division with a 42-28 record, while finishing the season with an overall record of 71-68. It is the first time Winston-Salem has finished over .500 since 2005, which is the last time they qualified for the postseason.

Myrtle Beach was awarded home field advantage because they won the first half title and will host the first two games of the best-of-five series.

During its time at the historic stadium, the Winston-Salem franchise has won a Carolina League best 11 championships.



"The Tar Heel Cutlery Club Show was held at the Neil Bolton Home and Garden Building on Friday and Saturday, August 15-16. Many vendors displayed their merchandise."



"Many Job Seekers Fill Out Applications On Site."

## Large Crowd Attends Winston-Salem Journal Job Fair In Windsor Club

Over 1,000 people attended a job fair sponsored by the Winston-Salem Journal on Tuesday August 26. This points to the Triad's 7.1 percent unemployment rate. The jobless rate appears to be hitting all segments of the workforce, with everyone from new college graduates to the self-employed at the job fair. Organizers said they noticed more people over 40 years of age attended than before.

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## Chris Paul Presents Ludacris As Headliner Of Special Concert In Joel Coliseum



"Ludacris returns to Joel Coliseum."

**Chris Paul** and the **CP3 Foundation** have announced that three-time Grammy Award winning artist **Ludacris** will headline a special public concert on Thursday, September 18, 2008 at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum to tip-off the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual **Chris Paul's Winston-Salem Weekend**.

The show will be suitable for all ages and also feature opening acts Ray J. and Hot Stylz. In line with Paul's desire to make this concert a gift to the residents of Winston-Salem, the show will offer unprecedented ticket prices for a concert of this caliber. The max ticket price will be \$20.00 along with many available tickets at the \$15.00 and \$10.00 price points.

Ludacris is a three-time Grammy Award winner and one of the most successful hip-hop artists of all time with the most Top 40, Top 25 and Top 10 Billboard Hot 100 Hits. Ludacris has released five albums and is currently working on his highly anticipated sixth album ("Theater of the Mind") slated for release this October. Away from music, Ludacris has starred in two Oscar winning films ("Hustle and Flow" and "Crash") and has emerged as a strong advocate for environmental awareness. He is currently involved in a new television series called "Battleground Earth" also featuring rocker Tommy Lee. The duo will battle against each other in a 10-episode tour around America to see who can do the most to help preserve the environment.

Tickets are on sale now and are available at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum box office, Ticketmaster outlets including FYE, Macy's and Lowes Food Stores, by phone in Winston-Salem at 336.722.6400 or Greensboro at 336.852.1100 and also online at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or [www.ljvm.com](http://www.ljvm.com).

### Upcoming Events At The Winston-Salem Entertainment-Sports Complex

#### September

- 13 WSSU vs. Savannah State
- 16 Gourd Society
- 17-18 Northwest Piedmont Council of Government's Aging Conference
- 18 Chris Paul Winston-Salem Weekend Concert with Ludacris
- 20-21 C&E Gun Show
- 20 WSSU vs. Morgan State
- 26 MAZE featuring Frankie Beverly with guest Carl Thomas
- 27 WFU vs. Mary
- 27 WSSU vs. South Carolina State

#### October

- 3-12 Dixie Classic Fair
- 4 WSSU vs. Howard
- 9 WFU vs. Clemson
- 18 Auction Game Sales
- 20 American Red Cross Blood Drive
- 21 Gourd Society
- 23 The Classic Rock Experience featuring *The Pink Floyd Experience, Back in Black and Led Zepplica*
- 24 Carrie Underwood with Little Big Town
- 24 Circle of Fury—Mixed Martial Art and Boxing
- 25 Rabies Clinic
- 25 WSSU vs. Bethune Cookman (Homecoming)
- 25 Twin City Cyclones Exhibition Game
- 25-26 American Bead Shows
- 26 Northwest Midget Cheerleading Competition
- 26 Twin City Cyclones vs. Huntsville
- 28 Winston-Salem Rose Society Meeting
- 31 Twin City Cyclones vs. Columbus

