

Spartans in the "D"

MSU football team to play first-ever game at Ford Field on Sept 11

EAST LANSING, Mich. – Tickets for the Michigan State-Florida Atlantic football game on Sept. 11 at Ford Field in Detroit will go on sale to the general public Saturday, July 10 at 10 a.m. In addition, there is a pre-sale on July 8 for all Lions season-ticket holders and on July 9 for all friends of MSU, including season-ticket holders and alumni. All tickets will be available at ticketmaster.com, ranging from \$39 to \$79. Kickoff for the game is set for 12 p.m. EDT.

For MSU students, tickets are available for \$19 through the Spartan Ticket Office (limit three) at msuspartans.com or by phone at 517-355-1610. Away football tickets are only available to MSU students who have purchased the student season admission; however, students who are

not season ticket holders will be automatically refunded, minus the \$12 handling fee. All student away tickets must be picked up in person by the student at the visiting team will call on game day. Two forms of photo ID and e-mail confirmation are required for pick-up on game day.

The Ford Field game marks the first time MSU has played a football game in Metro Detroit since Oct. 27, 1944, when Coach Charlie Bachman led the Spartans to a 32-0 victory over Wayne State in a contest played at University of Detroit Stadium.

"In the past, we have participated in special basketball events at Ford Field, including the 2003 BasketBowl game against Kentucky, the 2008 regular-season game against North Carolina and the 2009 NCAA

Men's Final Four," MSU Athletics Director Mark Hollis said. "It would be awesome if we could help recapture some of the spirit that made Detroit simply electric during the 2009 Final Four.

"Our football team is looking forward to playing its first-ever game in Ford Field, and since MSU hasn't played a football game in Detroit more than 60 years, we expect Spartan Nation to paint the town Green."

The Sept. 11 game also marks just the second-ever meeting between Michigan State and FAU, as the Spartans posted a 17-0 victory over the Owls in East Lansing, Mich., during a steady rain in Week 3 of the 2008 season. MSU's defense recorded its first shutout since Nov. 13, 1999, as the Spartans limited FAU to nine first

downs and 225 total yards, and recovered two fumbles. All-American Javon Ringer rushed 43 times for a career-best 282 yards against the Owls and scored on touchdown runs of 21 and 11 yards.

FAU, who will be hosting the event, will receive the gate

proceeds from the Michigan State matchup to be put toward the funding of the Owls' anticipated state-of-the-art, on-campus stadium. The game was originally scheduled to be the first game at Florida Atlantic's new facility but was moved to Ford Field once the

completion date for the project was pushed back to 2011.

Check back to msuspartans.com throughout the summer as pre-game and post-game festivities for "Spartans in the D" are finalized.

Serena Williams wins fourth Wimbledon title, 13th major

Serena Williams won Wimbledon again, on July 3, 2010, beating Vera Zvonareva 6-3, 6-2 for her fourth title. It was her 13th major title overall, passing Billie Jean King into sixth place on the all-time list.

Williams is five major titles behind Martina Navratilova and Chris Evert, who don't hold the record -- Margaret Court does with 24.



Serena Williams

The Richard D. Letts Memorial Golf Scholarship Committee announces scholarship winners

The Richard D. Letts Memorial Golf Scholarship Committee, Inc. is pleased to announce its 2010 Scholarships Awards. Students will be presented with a Certificate of Scholarship Award at their high school awards program. The actual scholarship award of \$500 will be made at the 13th Annual Letts Memorial Golf Outing Saturday, July 24, 2010, at MSU-University Club. All awardees are asked to attend the Presentation Program Luncheon and be prepared to make brief comments about how they intend to use the funds to advance their educational and career goals.

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 - ABIGAIL DeLaPORTILLA - Eastern High School
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- EVERETT HIGH SCHOOL
 - JA'MARI GLOVER - Everett High School
 - DESHAWN THOMPSON - Everett High School
 - KERIANN SHELTON - Everett High School
- WAVERLY HIGH SCHOOL
 - DAIRRIA BYNUM - Waverly High School
 - ERICA JOHNSON - Waverly High School
 - LACYE RYAN - Waverly High School
 - BRENDA WHITE - Waverly High School

This scholarship recognizes the legacy of Richard D. Letts who supported young people, believed they ought to have an opportunity to be successful, and embraced community service as a personal responsibility. The Letts Memorial Golf Scholarship Committee Inc. is a partnership initiative of the Capitol City Golfers and Lansing ParMakers Golf Clubs. The 13th Annual Letts Memorial Golf Outing will be held Saturday, July 24, 2010 at Michigan State University Forest Akers East at 8:30AM (shot-gun start). For more information about the golf event, please contact - RL Hester at (517) 372-4075 or Clark Cooper at (517) 882-4238.

LaBron's Signing

By Ernie Boone

All the hoopla over LeBron James signing with the Heat is much ado about nothing. How soon we forget! Kobe and the Lakers are NBA champions. And they did it by beating a team with three pretty good players. James, Dwayne Wade and Chris Bosh do not equal automatic NBA titles. Does signing those three increase Miami's chances of making its way to the top of the NBA heap? You bet it does! But there are no guarantees in basketball. The trio doesn't make the Heat a lock! Yeah, with James and Bosh just 26 years old, and Wade a seasoned 28, it puts them in the best position to dethrone Kobe and the Lakers, and

assuming no major mishaps (injuries, personality issues), multiple championships are clearly a possibility. But that's all it is - a possibility. High expectations have brought down more than one "sure thing great hope." Wade is the only one of the three who has taken a team to the promise land. James won state championships in high school, but failed to lead Cleveland to the top as the Cavs were swept by San Antonio. While he played well, his 22 point playoff average was five point fewer than his regular season production. Cleveland owner, Dan Gilbert, accused LeBron of quitting in this year's Boston series. I see those comments

as sour grapes, but many have questioned King James' heart, especially since the 32-point drubbing the Cavs took in game five. While Bosh is an all-star and a fine young player, his is a support role in the trio's championship quest. He won't be a go-to-guy. He'll just play a key role in the success of the trio, doing the dirty work that's necessary. Much has been made of their ages, all under 30. There are simpletons who predict six, seven, even eight championships. Ridiculous! They haven't won one yet. Kobe, 32, Pau Gasol, 30, Ron Artest, 31, and Lamar Odom, 31, are not exactly decrepit old men ready for rocking chairs. They can be expected

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