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Gibbs Stadium
Spartanburg, SC
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SHRINE BOWL

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EVENTS

Breakfast @ Shrine Club

Team Practice @
Spartanburg High

Lunch @
Shrine Club

Team Practice @
Spartanburg High

Dinner @ First Baptist
Church

Games & Entertainment
@ First Baptist Church

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Early Mornings and Prayer. The North and South Carolina athletes listened in on an incredible speech delivered by Jack Easterby the Chaplain of the New England Patriots was brought in by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at the Shrine center this morning. As the energy escalated in the room, Easterby spoke to the hearts of these young men. Easterby spoke of pressure and the different rufes of pressure these athletes deal with. Whether it be the pressure of an upcoming game or even big life events such as signing to a college or asking a girl to marry you. He spoke of how all of the pressure will get to you at some point, something is not going to go as planned and then you're going to find out how solid your plan was. "You find out

a lot about your plan when you have to go through pressure, "... a lot of times in pressure we find out who we really are," Easterby said. All the pressure of the world was on

Jesus as he headed to the cross of Calvary to die for our sins. "The crazy thing about Jesus is, he knew before he did things how it would be drug out, and what was at stake," Easterby said. As he read a few verses from Luke 22 those listening in could understand the pressure that Jesus went through before going to the cross. He was under the most amount of pressure known to mankind. "Everyone has a source and a why, something that gets them up in the morning... Jesus knew his source would get him from the most amount of pressure...evaluate whether your source can get you through the most amount of pressure, verse father if you are willing remove this cup for me and never less my will but let your will be done," God knew that this life would be a

battle of will. Just as football is a game of personality, Jesus knew that this world would struggle with knowing who is in charge and whose will is to be done; that's why Jesus's two prayers were so significant and holds so much meaning. "The will of God is going to get the most amount of glory in this life, because God made you in his image, he makes you different than any other creation...let us make man in my image father, son, and holy spirit... God made you and said that's my boy I made you but I want you to adopt my will. Easterby ends his message with "What's your source and what will you live by?"

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WORDS FROM COACH KIRBY



“I think that this week, we as coaches are honored because we are around the best players that we think are in the state of North Carolina. I mean they are 44 of the best I’m not going to say they are the best but they are 44 of the best. The best characters, they are leaders in their school, and it’s an honor to be around them. Hopefully we will learn something from them and they will learn something from us. It’s amazing to have this many talented kids in one group. As a high school coach you have many good players but not in this high of a caliber, which makes it special. I think it is an honor for us, the coaches, to be here and to be apart of the shrine. We are privileged to be here and blessed to be here.” - Coach John Kirby

SUNNY AND 75°

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Arriving at Spartanburg High School for day two of practices, the North and South Carolina teams prepared for a long a day. North Carolina athlete Najee Reams of Hill Side High School said, “I feel great, it felt good to be back on the field, shoulder pads and all it just felt good.” After completing two practices the prior day the players have become very familiar with each other’s personalities and playing styles. South Caro-

lina athlete Demarcus Gilmore of Newberry High School said, “We meet everyday, the offensive line is clowns, but everything is good, we are getting there.” The atmosphere players are creating is described as ‘energetic and exciting. North Carolina athlete Hezekiah Banks of West Rowan High School said, “Everybody gets along, everybody works hard, and everybody does their job.”



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“It is not good to eat much honey, nor is it glorious to seek one’s own glory,”

-Psalms 25:27

WHAT IS A SHRINER?

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Some are not familiar with what a Shriner actually is or does. The shrine organization is an appendant body of Freemasonry and was founded in the 1870's. In order to be member of the society one must ask a current member. They do not solicit for more people. At that instant the door has been knocked on and the process begins. One will then go through the petitioning process of the fraternity. There are certain degrees that you have to go through in the masonic

lodge, but it's all done by memory and nothing is written down. Once you become a master mason you can join a multitude of organizations that are related to Freemasonry, Shriners International being one of them. Shriners gain their members from the masonic fraternity and have principles that are based on religious beliefs. They accept members of all faiths, but you have to believe in a Deity. "It's a great organization you meet so many people that are connected and all it takes is wearing the masonic ring or having a masonic logo on your car and it'll just open up a conversation," Kevin Hall said. The Shriners are all for supporting the twenty- two Shriner

hospitals in North America. It becomes a lifestyle for some who are involved. Other Masonic organizations are about helping kids such as the grand lodge in North Carolina, they run a home for children, " Its for families that are in need and can't support themselves, if something is to happen we can take them in," Ben Harmon said. All in all the Shriners derive from the masonic fraternity and are heavily involved in charitable deeds across North America, their main focus is the children who are in need. They live by Masonic principles of brotherly love, relief, and truth.



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