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## **Crawdads' stadium an impressive park**

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Letters to the Editor

On Aug. 8, I was one of a group of 18 people who attended a baseball game at L.P. Frans Stadium. I've been listening to Crawdad games on the Internet this year and answered a series of trivia questions posed by Crawdad announcer Dave Friedman.

As a result, I've become a friend of Dave's and an admirer of his knowledge of baseball, not to mention his broadcasting style.

When I told my Yancey County relatives that I was coming to North Carolina and was looking for people to accompany me to a Crawdad game, 17 people immediately signed up. To say we had a great time would be an understatement.

I felt especially honored when Dave invited me to the broadcast booth for a couple of innings. I was very impressed with the Crawdads' management and the way they work to make sure fans have a good time. I've been to a lot of minor league ballparks, and L.P. Frans is probably the most picturesque I've ever been to.

To Hickory folks who've never attended a Crawdad game and are looking for a night of good clean family fun, I would suggest that a Crawdad game would be hard to beat. On those nights you can't attend, tune into Dave Friedman. You'll feel like you have a box seat.

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