Opening day at Falconi Field is May 29, 2002 at 7:05 p.m.

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Washington Sunday

Also covering Greene County and the Mid Mon Valley

where the WILD THINGS play

State Rep. Leo J. Trich's "wild" idea comes to fruition Wednesday.

About four years after Trich proposed bringing minor-league baseball to his district, the Washington Wild Things will play their first regular season game at 7:05 p.m. in the new 3,200-seat Falconi Field in North Franklin.

Staff writer Joe Smydo looks at the team, the Frontier League and the business of independent professional baseball in a story on **Page W-4.**

Sports writer Pohla Smith introduces the prospects for this season's squad and looks to see how they measure up to their Frontier League rivals. Also, read about Brad Hensler, a Chartiers Valley High School graduate who has used his versatility — he can play five positions — to become a Wild Thing. **Roster and coverage, Page W-9.**

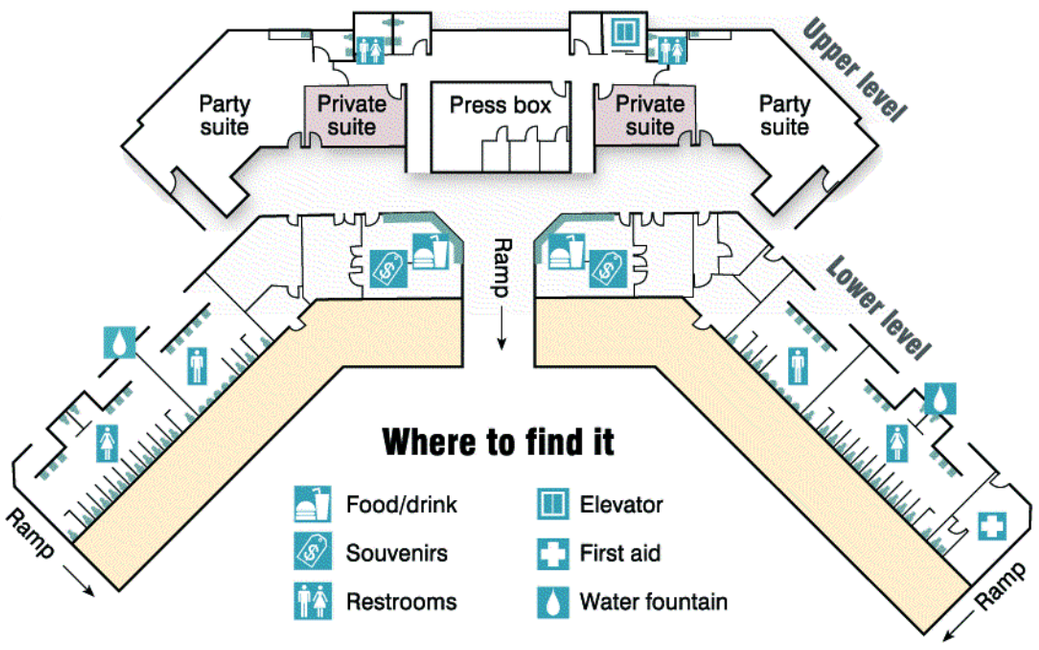
Ticket prices

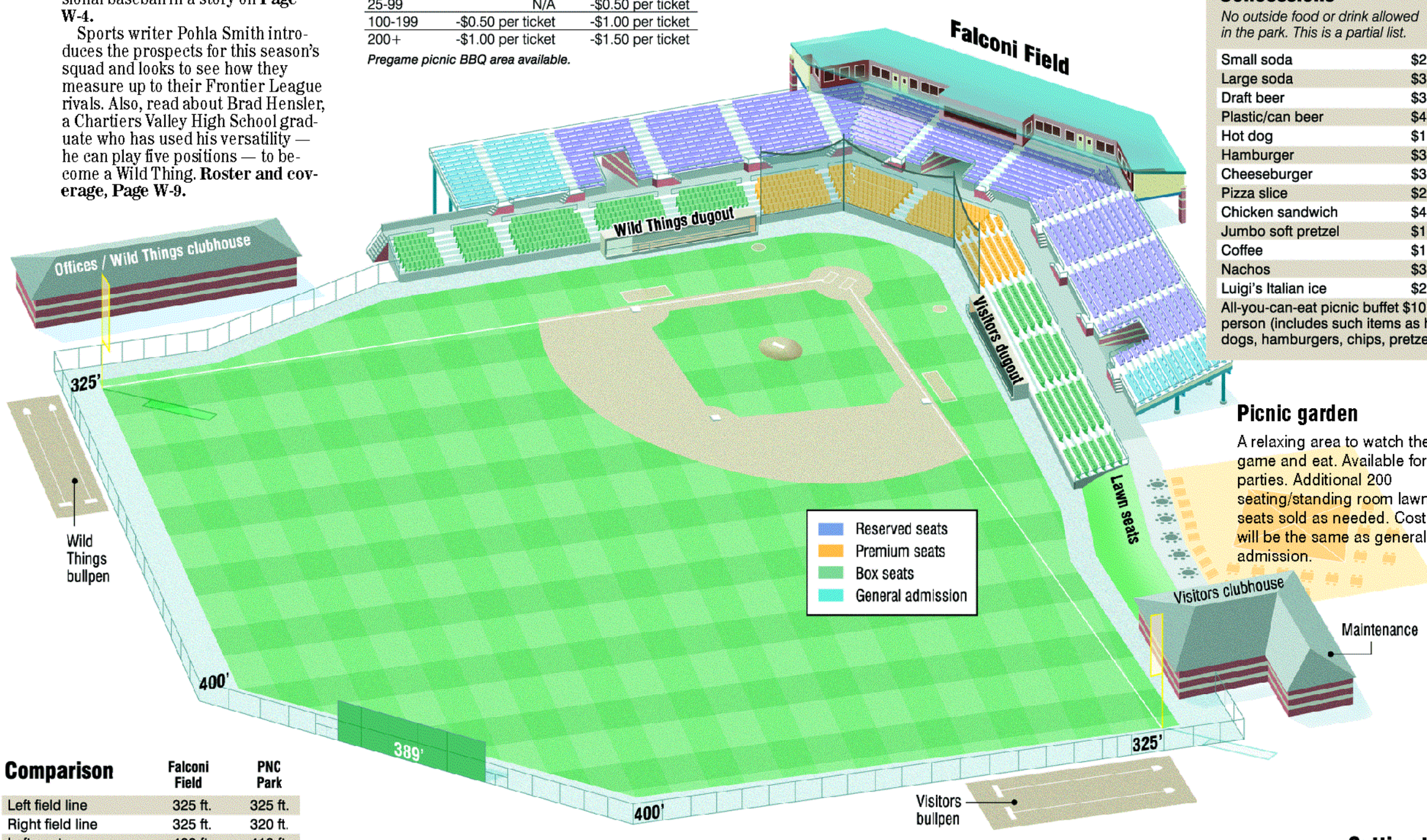
Seat type	Game	Full	Half	Mini	Flex	# of seats
Premier box seat	$10	SOLD		OUT		345
Box seat	$8	$336				542
Reserved seats	$7	$294	$140	$70	$56	1,633
General admission	$5*	$210	$100	$50	$40	404
Private suites	NOT	FOR		SALE		40
Party suites	NOT	FOR		SALE		100
Total (not counting up to 200 lawn seats)						3,064

*Seniors and children 4-12 only $4

Group size	Premium dates (Fri. - Sun.)	Non-premium dates (Mon. - Thurs.)
25-99	N/A	-$0.50 per ticket
100-199	-$0.50 per ticket	-$1.00 per ticket
200+	-$1.00 per ticket	-$1.50 per ticket

Pregame picnic BBQ area available.





Concessions

No outside food or drink allowed in the park. This is a partial list.

Small soda	$2.00
Large soda	$3.00
Draft beer	$3.00
Plastic/can beer	$4.00
Hot dog	$1.50
Hamburger	$3.25
Cheeseburger	$3.50
Pizza slice	$2.50
Chicken sandwich	$4.00
Jumbo soft pretzel	$1.50
Coffee	$1.00
Nachos	$3.00
Luigi's Italian ice	$2.00

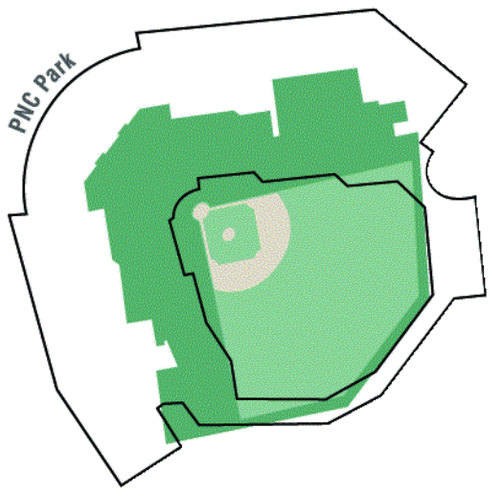
All-you-can-eat picnic buffet $10 a person (includes such items as hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, pretzels)

Picnic garden

A relaxing area to watch the game and eat. Available for parties. Additional 200 seating/standing room lawn seats sold as needed. Cost will be the same as general admission.

Comparison

	Falconi Field	PNC Park
Left field line	325 ft.	325 ft.
Right field line	325 ft.	320 ft.
Left center	400 ft.	410 ft.
Right center	400 ft.	375 ft.
Straight-away center	389 ft.	399 ft.



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2002 Wild Things Schedule

Home games

MAY/JUNE

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			29 CAN	30 CAN	31 CAN	1 Rch
2 Rch	3 Rch	4 CHC	5 CHC	6 CHC	7 JHN	8 JHN
9 JHN	10	11 Kzo	12 Kzo	13 Kzo	14 GWY	15 GWY
16 RKF	17 RKF	18 RIV	19 RIV	20 Gwy	21 Gwy	22 Rkf
23 Rkf	24 Riv	25 Riv	26	27 KZO	28 KZO	29 KZO
30 Can						

JULY

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1 Can	2 Can	3 CHC	4 CHC	5 CHC	6 Jhn
7 Jhn	8 Jhn	9	10 All ★	11	12 Rch	13 Rch
14 Rch	15 Kzo	16 Kzo	17 Kzo	18 CAN	19 CAN	20 CAN
21 DC	22 DC	23 Evn	24 Evn	25 CC	26 CC	27 DC
28 DC	29 EVN	30 EVN	31 CC			

AUGUST

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1 CC	2 Chc	3 Chc
4 Chc	5	6 JHN	7 JHN	8 JHN	9 RCH	10 RCH
11 RCH	12	13 Jhn	14 Jhn	15 Jhn	16 Can	17 Can
18 Can	19 RCH	20 RCH	21 RCH	22 Chc	23 Chc	24 Chc
25 KZO 6:05 p.m.	26 KZO	27 KZO	28 Playoffs begin	29	30	31

Eastern Division

CAN	Canton (Ohio) Coyotes
CHC	Chillicothe (Ohio) Paints
JHN	Johnstown (Pa.) Johnnies
KZO	Kalamazoo (Mich.) Kings
RCH	Richmond (Ind.) Roosters
WAS	Washington (Pa.) Wild Things

Western Division

CC	Cook County (Ill.) Cheetahs
EVN	Evansville (Ind.) Otters
DC	Dubois County (Ind.) Dragons
RKF	Rockford (Ill.) River Hawks
GWY	Gateway (Ill.) Grizzlies
RIV	River City (Mo.) Rascals

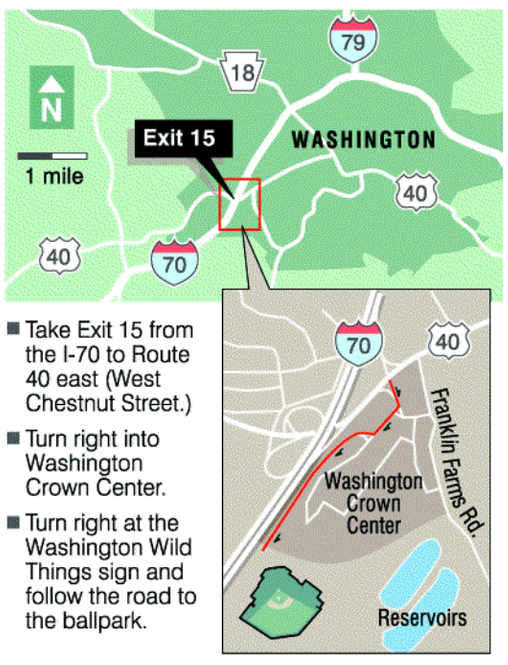
Game times

Monday-Saturday/7:05 p.m.; Sunday/1:35 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

Listen to radio broadcast on WJPA 95.3 FM

www.washingtonwildthings.com

Getting there



- Take Exit 15 from the I-70 to Route 40 east (West Chestnut Street.)
- Turn right into Washington Crown Center.
- Turn right at the Washington Wild Things sign and follow the road to the ballpark.

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