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## Winston-Salem State's Athletics Director search at a standstill?

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With only three months left before Al Roseboro leaves his job as the athletics director at Winston-Salem State the school still hasn't begun interviews to find his successor.

Roseboro announced his resignation nearly two months ago and it is scheduled to take effect on June 31.

Although the chancellor's office at Winston-Salem State, hasn't made any public statements regarding Roseboro's replacement, sources told the

Chronicle that the search is currently at a standstill.

That might be because of the way the job description is written, according to several sources. In the job description, which has been listed in several national publications, the job requires five years experience in teaching, coaching and administration on the college level and/or five years experience in private business.

The successful candidate for the job will be required to have acquired a masters degree at minimum and "preferably a doctorate degree." It also

requires the successful candidate to manage the athletic department's coaches.

In addition, the new AD at WSSU will be required to head the newly formed Red and White Club, which will serve as the chief fundraising unit of the university's athletic department.

When the search was initially announced Alvin J. Schexnider, WSSU's chancellor, stated through a press release that he would personally hand pick Roseboro's successor. He has, in recent months, backed off that posture and stat-

ed that he would pick the new AD with the help of key administrative personnel at WSSU.

Early on in the search it was

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rumored that Alfreeda Goff, the athletic director at Virginia State, was the front runner for the position because of her personal association with

Schexnider.

Goff worked alongside Schexnider at Virginia Commonwealth, where she served as the associate athletic director, before becoming the AD at VSU.

Goff stated in February that she had some interest in the WSSU job. However, after reading the job description she has lost interest in pursuing it, even remotely.

"No, I am not a candidate for the position and I have no intention of applying for the job," she told the Chronicle in a recent interview. "I think there

are some unrealistic expectations for the job as stipulated in the job description. It is not at all something that I would be interested in pursuing."

Goff stated that she thinks the job is one that would be attractive to a host of qualified candidates if there weren't so many responsibilities.

"I think the university is setting itself up," she said. "To expect someone to come into a job like that and be successful at all the things that are required is too much for one person."

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## Woods' victory could signal emergence of black golfers

There is something about sports that brings out the best and worst in all of us.

Sports can draw people, who have little else in common, together.

They can also draw people together that

and social systems of our society.

For years it was Michael Jordan. Jordan's heroics on the basketball court peaked even the interest of the novice basketball player and, more importantly from a commercial point of view, the television viewer.

Now Tiger Woods comes along.

He's just as brash, he's just as exciting and he has the "made-for-TV look about him". And, in just a few years he has torn down barriers that have stood for centuries.

American's hold fast to tradition. For years golf has been considered a "gentleman's" game. The strategy, the years it takes to acquire the requisite skills, the nuances and the mental capacity that it takes to play the game, not to mention the financial commitment it takes to get started, were thought to be barriers that African-Americans would struggle to overcome.

Not too long ago African-Americans weren't even allowed on the greens at the Masters in Augusta, Georgia. Until Woods broke through with his record pace two weeks ago, an African-American hadn't ever won the prestigious championship.

Of course African-Americans are happy to see one

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Antonio Pitts of the Orioles in Twin City's Little League's T-Ball division gets ready to take a swing in his team's opening day game at the League's complex. More photos on page 3.

## Top 50 players gather to show basketball talent

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Fifty of the best high school players in the Triad gathered at Mount Tabor High School to display their hardwood talents for college coaches and scouts last Tuesday night.

The 5th Annual Triad Top 50 Showcase, as it is so aptly named, was also enjoyed by the general public, who found the \$5 admission a small price to pay for the basketball showmanship.

The Showcase is the brainchild of area coaches, Andy Muse (Mount Tabor) and Mike Muse (North Forsyth). The two coaches felt the Showcase could be a way to get high school students from the Piedmont more exposure and

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Aaron Bailey of Mount Tabor struts his stuff at last week's Showcase.

## Workman signs pact with Miami Dolphins

▲ Former WSSU star set to begin rookie camp

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All seven rounds of the NFL draft came and went last



Tori Workman (91) was the CIAA's defensive player of the year.

weekend without Tori Workman's name being called, but the 6-4, 284-pound defensive lineman from Winston-Salem wasn't dejected.

"Whenever you figure you put a lot of effort into something you can't help but be a little disappointed if things don't work out the way you plan," said Workman. "But I have a lot to fall back on, I'm used to obstacles, this is just another one I have to overcome."

Workman has begun the task of overcoming by securing a free agent contract with the Miami Dolphins. The Dolphins coaching staff were impressed with Workman's speed and

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## Johnson C. Smith Univ. names Bill Davis head football coach, athletics director

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Bill Davis, a former head football coach at South Carolina State, Savannah State and Tennessee State, has assumed the head football coaching position and athletic director's job at Johnson C. Smith.

Davis, who led South Carolina State to an MEAC championship in his first season at the helm after replacing Willie Jeffries, before going on to experience success at Savannah State and Tennessee State, took over the job in time to finish up the Golden Bulls' spring football drills.

Davis replaced Gerald McNeil, who resigned to accept the vacant head coaching job at

Savannah State. McNeil led the Golden Bulls' program for two seasons and under his direction Smith recorded its first winning season in more than a decade.

Steve Joyner, who served as the athletic director at Smith for nearly two years, will continue as the Golden Bulls' head basketball coach. However, he told the Chronicle that he gladly relinquished his position as athletics director. But he will also stay in administration as the assistant athletics director.

"I am very happy with the situation," said Joyner, a native of Winston-Salem and a member of Atkins High's undefeated 1969 State 4-A championship team. "Now I can concentrate on coaching basketball without having a lot of outside distract-

tions."

Joyner said the athletic department is still in the transition process and he is continuing to carry out many of the duties that he performed while the athletics director. However, he said he looks forward to relinquishing many of those responsibilities to Davis.

"Often times in small programs you end up with a title and doing a lot of duties that you wouldn't expect," Joyner said. "I've always done the things to promote the program and help it go forward."

After assuming the athletics director's position Joyner's teams didn't fare as well on the court as they did before he became head of the Bulls' sports program. The 1996-97

team finished with a sub-500 record after the Golden Bulls posted an 11-16 record during the 1995-96 season.



Steve Joyner (right) joins brother Ed Joyner during a break at this year's CIAA Basketball Tournament.