UNC Better Have Plan B Ready | Tar Heels

K, stop me if you've heard this one before. A man with ties to the state of North Carolina is the top candidate for a prominent head coaching posi-tion at UNC.

This coach is already in a good situ-tation at another school, so picking up this belongings and moving them to Chapel Hill is not a no-brainer.

He wants to check out the scene at UNC to see what he might be getting into, so he makes the trip south to visit Director of Athletics Dick Baddour.

They have some fun and crunch some numbers. The coach says that Chapel Hill is a pretty nice place, but he still isn't sure he wants to come – the fans at his current school love him and want him to stay. So do his players.

Still, almost everyone expects him to leave. After all, who can turn down the chance to work and live in the "southern part of heaven?" You can't say no to the Tar Heels, can you? Roy Williams could.

And, as everyone found out Monday, so could Frank Beamer

Now, the question facing Baddour and UNC is where they go from here. The hunt for a new basketball coach became chaotic after Williams bailed out, and the search for a new football coach could be headed in that direction. Baddour has never revealed who is on his list of potential replacements for Carl Torbush, but Beamer's name was obviously at the top of it. Baddour wanted Beamer so much

at as of Monday's announcement, he had not contacted two other coaches

North Carolina tight end Alge Crumpler and defensive end Julius

Peppers were named to the 2000 All-ACC first team Monday.

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who are worthy of consideration. Southern Mississippi had not gotten a call from Baddour about coach Jeff Bower. Western Michigan Athletics Director Kathy Beauregard had heard from Missouri, Oklahoma State and Rutgers about talking with coach Gary Darnell, but she had not received a call from UNC.

Those two coaches aren't necessari-on Baddour's list. But if they are, he

had better start calling them. With Monday's firing of Paul Hackett, Southern California has now joined UNC, Alabama and several other schools in the race for a new football coach.

Because of the number of jobs available, a top coaching candidate will be able to weigh offers from different schools before deciding where he wants to go. That doesn't help Baddour.

Baddour also faces the pressure of having to hire someone quickly. This weekend is huge in terms of recruiting, and the Tar Heels aren't going to be too appealing to prospective players if they don't have a coach. So, Baddour must get them one. He

isn't looking too great in the eyes of UNC football fans after Monday's developments, and he's only going to look worse if his search drags on. But Beamer's decision probably isn't Baddour's fault. If Baddour offered him

Baddour's fault. It Baddour overea man the huge deal that is being reported and Beamer declined, then there's not much else Baddour could do. He went after his man hard and didn't get him,

so it's time to pursue other options. It's similar to what happened with Williams this summer. Williams said no, which also wasn't Baddour's fault, and Baddour moved on.

It's still early in the hoops season, but it's not too early to tell that Baddour hit a home run with his decision to hire Matt Doherty.

Now he's got to do it again, with one small difference.

Baddour had to find a men's basketball coach – Bill Guthridge's retirement forced him into it. But he did not have to find a new football coach. He had a perfectly fine coach in Torbush and decided that he wasn't good enough. Now it's time for Baddour to come up with a better alternative. Losing Beamer was tough for him, but all that matters in this business is that Baddour

lost Just ask Torbush, who knows all too well the position Baddour now finds himself in: fourth-and-long, from deep

in his own territory. The difference for Baddour is that punting is not an option

South Road near Fetzer Field.

Game times for the semifinals and finals of the Women's College Cup have been established. Games will be played this Friday and Sunday at Spartan Stadium on the campus of San Jose

State University. Top-seeded Notre Dame will face fifth-seeded North Carolina at 8 p.m. EST on Friday, and unseeded Portland will battle sixth-seeded UCLA at 10:30

Scrap Out Victory

The women's basketball team put together an 18-7 run in the second half to put away the Lady Bucs.

By RACHEL CARTER sistant Sports Edito

Cherie Lea landed with a thud on Carmichael Auditorium's floor. The North Carolina guard lay on her stom-ach long enough for her coaches, teammates and trainers to rush to see what was the matter.

East Tennessee State's Racquel Ellis had knocked

Lea to the ground while fighting to E.Tennessee steal a pass in the two teams'

Monday night meeting. Lea picked herself up, calmly went to the free throw line and missed the front

end of her one-and-one. But Lea exacted her revenge soon enough. On the Tar Hels' next posses-sion, Lea took charge of the ball in front of UNC's basket and drove hard to the Lady Bucs', leaving her defenders in the

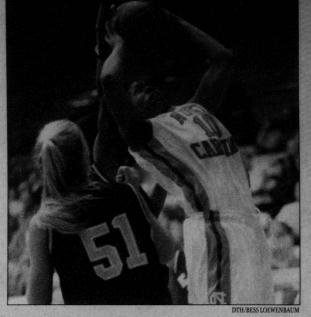
Lawy bucs, leaving her delenders in the dust to score an easy layup. The plays seemed to fit perfectly for the game. The Tar Heels got knocked around but then dominated as they grabbed an 84-63 win.

"Well, it wasn't real pretty, but we had some spurts out there when we were doing pretty good," UNC coach Sylvia Hatchell said. "Coming off the bench, I thought (the players) really helped us out." One of UNC's key reserves was for-

ward Jennifer Thomas. Thomas made the most of her 13 minutes, contributing 15 points and five rebounds.

Hatchell also got production from the usual suspects. Sophomore point guard Coretta Brown continued her stellar play with 15 points and six assists.

Backcourt mate Juana Brown tallied 17 points, and senior forward LaQuanda I points, and senior forward LaQuanda Barksdale led the team with 19 points and 16 rebounds. ETSU was simply not tall enough to handle Barksdale's rebounding and Thomas' inside scoring. "They were a lot shorter team,"



UNC sophomore forward Jennifer Thomas attempts a shot from close range against the Lady Bucs. Thomas scored 15 points off the bench.

Thomas said. "The coaches told us if we just ran down the middle and got good position, then we should get the ball for the guards to look inside."

Freshman center Candace Sutton enjoyed the biggest height advantage. At 6-6, she was 5 inches taller than Lady Bucs center Lauren Trantham. Sutto proved too much for Trantham and company to handle. She had a season-high five blocked shots and added eight

"Their size was definitely a factor and their athletic ability," ETSU coach Kathy Kemp said. "That kind of wears you down." you down.

It took UNC (3-2) a while to wear down the Lady Bucs (0-4). The Tar Heels held an eight-point lead at half-time after closing the half on a 9-0 run. UNC struggled in the opening min-

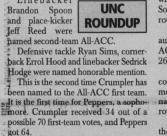
utes of the game. In her postgame com-ments, Hatchell said she thought about calling a timeout two minutes into the first half because the team was "flat." While Hatchell was frustrated by her

team's first-half woes, the second half showed a different Tar Heel squad. UNC padded its lead during an 18-7 run in the first eight minutes of the sec-ond half. Still, Hatchell wasn't happy with her team, saying that the Tar Heels should have used their inside game more. Hatchell said, "We've got to take what other teams give us." what other teams give us.

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Crumpler, a senior, also was named one of three finalists for the inaugural John Mackey Award for the nation's best tight end. Crumpler caught 23 passes for 287 yards and one touchdown this

Peppers, who led the ACC with 15 sacks, also was named a first-team All-America by CollegeFootballNews.com.

Peppers had 64 tackles, including a school-record 24 tackles for loss this seaon. His 15 sacks were one shy of

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Lawrence Taylor's school-record of 16 set in 1980. Of Peppers' 15 sacks, 13 came on the road. **Volleyball Heads to Florida**

Crumpler, Peppers Named All-ACC

The North Carolina volleyball team will head to Gainesville, Fla., to face Southeast Missouri State in the first

round of the NCAA Championships. Southeast Missouri State received an automatic bid. UNC, which won the ACC tournament, finished the season 26-7 and also received an automatic bid.

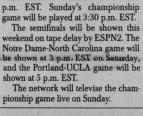
The Tar Heels are making their third consecutive trip to the NCAA tourna-ment. In both previous trips to the tour-nament, UNC has made it to the second

round. UNC defeated Oral Roberts 3-2 in the first round in 1998 and Northern Arizona 3-0 in the first round in 1999.

Game Times Set for Soccer

The North Carolina men's soccer team will host two-time defending NCAA champion Indiana on Saturday at 1 p.m. at Fetzer Field. Because of Saturday's men's basket-ball game between UNC and Kentucky

at 3:30 p.m., free parking for the soccer game will be available until 1:30 p.m. in the N.C. 54 and Bell Tower lots off





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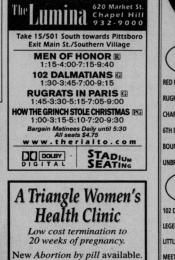
The North Carolina Department of Transportation and the Town of Chapel Hill will hold a joint Citizens' Informational Workshop on December 13, 2000, between the hours of 4 PM and 7 PM in the Town Council Meeting Room in the Chapel Hill Town Hall, 306 N. Columbia Street, Chapel Hill.

Interested individuals may attend this informal workshop at their convenience during the above stated hours. Department of Transportation representatives and representatives from the Town of Chapel Hill will be present to answer questions and receive comments relative to the proposed project.

The purpose of this workshop is to present information, answer questions, and receive comments regarding the project. The proposed project consists of intersection improvements to US 15-501 and NC 751 (Erwin Road) in Chapel Hill.

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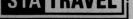


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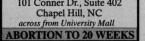


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