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University still mum on Davis details

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When the Board of Trustees meets next week, the most scrutinized item of business it will face is something it might not be facing at all — the contract of the next football coach.

Director of Athletics Dick Baddour does the searching and hiring, but the BOT will have to confirm the new coach's contract.

Both the Winston-Salem Journal and InsideCarolina.com reported Wednesday that former University of Miami and Cleveland Browns coach Butch Davis had signed a deal to be North Carolina's next head coach. He would replace John Bunting, who was fired Oct. 22, effective at the end of the season.

Trustee Richard "Stick" Williams said that if any contract had been signed, he would know about it. But as of Thursday afternoon, Williams said that he had not heard anything, and that there was no such item on the agenda for the BOT meetings, which start Wednesday.

"I don't have a clue," he said. "I know what I've seen in the paper,



Butch Davis is reported to have inked a deal with UNC, but trustees say they haven't seen a contract.

which is just a lot of speculation. The trustees would be involved in those kinds of decisions."

Davis' agent, Marvin Demoff, did not return a phone call Thursday. Baddour refused to comment on any questions related to the search.

"It is in the best interest of this process that I don't talk about, talk

around or to anyone about the process until it's drawn to a conclusion," Baddour said Thursday.

Though they have the authority to approve the new coach, the trustees have had little involvement to date.

"The process was developed through the AD's office," Trustee Rusty Carter said. "I have respected their desire to keep it a fairly closed circle. I think that was advisable."

Carter and Williams said they don't foresee any problems that could cause the trustees not to confirm a candidate submitted by Baddour.

"I don't anticipate any circumstances where it would come to the board and be derailed," Carter said.

"... Any questions of integrity and responsibility would be answered before the contract got to the Board of Trustees."

The biggest question now involves timing. If the reports that have surfaced in recent days are correct, an announcement could come within the next few days. Technically, no coach can be hired before the final whistle of the Nov. 25 Duke game.

Under NCAA rules a program can employ only 10 football coaches at one time, and UNC has all spots filled. If Davis, or anyone, was named coach before the end of the season, he would not be able to contact recruits or fulfill any coaching duties.

Conducting a search before the end of the season has given UNC the first crack in pursuing desirable coaches — especially Davis, who is not employed by a team.

"It allows us to move forward and not be a part of the feeding frenzy that is there every year," Carter said.

But Williams said he expected Baddour to wait until after the season to announce a coach, mainly out of respect for the games left to play.

"The thing I'm proud of about our University is that we generally do things with a lot of class," Williams said. "I think we'll be mindful of

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LEADERS MARKET HEALTH SERVICES



Freshmen Rachel Aaron (left) and Kate Crockett fill a bag with assorted nuts during the farmer's market held in the Ram's Head Plaza Thursday. The second annual Fall Produce Market featured tables of fresh produce, baked goods and other treats for students to buy.

Event focuses on students' nutrition, fitness

BY ELIZABETH BEAVERS
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Fruit, free throws and fitness activities drew waves of students Thursday afternoon to Rams Head Plaza.

The second annual Fall Produce Market emphasized two components of healthy living — nutrition and physical activity.

Tables laden with preserves, baked goods, caramel apples, fresh produce and small green salads dotted the brick walkway.

Shoppers could browse the market's displays, then purchase food using One Cards or cash. Breads, pies and dried fruits were among the most popular items.

Carolina Dining Services, the Nutrition Coalition, Counseling and Wellness Services, student government and Campus Recreation put the market together.

Officials originally scheduled the event for Wednesday, but it was postponed because of the weather.

Students eager to take advantage of the fresh local produce flocked to the market on their way to and from class.

"There's not a lot of fresh fruit available in the dining halls," freshman Amy Humphrey said. "That's why I'm here buying these strawberries."

Another freshman, Mary Hope Willard,

noticed the market on her way back to South Campus from class. "It's really easy to get sick in dorms, so nutrition is important for the lifestyle we're developing here in college."

One table hosted by Campus Dining Services gave away samples of healthy food, including small green salads, baked sweet potatoes and sliced fruit with flavored cream cheese.

CAWS set up a display with a spinning wheel. Students spun the wheel, then answered questions about diets and lifestyles depending on where the wheel stopped. Students who answered correctly were rewarded with prizes.

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Officials eye E. coli source

Take hard look at McAlister's Deli

BY ANDREW DUNN
STAFF WRITER

The Orange County Health Department is investigating McAlister's Deli on Franklin Street as the source of a recent E. coli outbreak, according to a statement released Thursday.

Six of seven confirmed E. coli cases have been linked to the restaurant, according to the health department's press release. But health officials stress that it is still safe to eat there.

"There is no reason to avoid dining at McAlister's," Orange County Health Director Rosemary Summers said in the release.

Donna King, public information officer at the department, said six of the seven people reporting the illness ate in the restaurant between Oct. 23 and Oct. 25.

The Daily Tar Heel contacted three students with confirmed cases of E. coli infection, and all reported eating at McAlister's Deli on Oct. 24 — three days before they began

to show symptoms, which include diarrhea that turns bloody.

The disease causes inflammation of the stomach and intestines, and can lead to kidney failure

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site states that the average time for symptoms to develop after eating the contaminated food is three to four days, and no new cases have developed since Oct. 29.

Nick Stacey, a manager at McAlister's, said the restaurant is cooperating with the health department.

"There is no proof that it is," he said. "There is no source known to the health department."

Inspection records obtained from the Orange County Health Department show that the restaurant was last inspected Oct. 24 — the same day that at least three infected students reported eating there.

According to the inspection, McAlister's has a raw score of 89 out of 100. Two points were added to the score because the restaurant has a manager on staff who has taken the Serve Safe training

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UNC to welcome home its alumni

Weekend events kicking off today

BY ASHLEIGH MCARTHUR
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Whether you're looking to bond with old friends, make new ones or be a part of the sporting revelry, there's something for everyone at this year's Homecoming.

UNC celebrates its annual Homecoming weekend starting today.

"If you look at the schedule, I think that in itself demonstrates a great start," Anita Walton, manager of student and young alumni programs, said last week. "We truly have something for everybody."

The weekend kicks off today with the Carolina Club Leaders Conference and the inaugural UNC Dance Marathon Homecoming Golf Classic. But not all Homecoming activities are alumni-centric.

"I think some folks would say that Homecoming is more about alumni because they're the ones that are returning home, but ... you can't have a tradition with-

Homecoming weekend events

Friday

► UNC Dance Marathon Homecoming Golf Classic 10:30 a.m.
The Preserve at Jordan Lake Golf Club

► Feast Before the Fight 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.
The Pit

► Carolina Performing Arts presents pianist Peter Serkin 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.
Memorial Hall

Saturday

► Ram Run 5K 7 a.m.
Trails around Finley Golf Course

► Bell Tower Climb 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

► Tar Heel Town 9 a.m.
Polk Place

out some foundation as a student," Walton said.

Students can participate in the annual Senior Class Powder Puff game this afternoon and mingle with alumni in the Pit this evening

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Campus plans festivities to honor veterans

BY LAUREN HARVEY
STAFF WRITER

The University will continue its ceremonial Veterans Day tradition a day early this year.

The holiday will be celebrated with enthusiasm and pride across the country this weekend, but UNC will present the colors today while the campus is still enlivened.

The campus will host two events to commemorate the military contributions of veterans and current military personnel.

"Students should show up just to recognize the contributions that soldiers make for those at home," said Maj. Rob Schmoldt, instruc-

tor of UNC's Air Force ROTC unit. "I think it's good to acknowledge those who serve in the military."

The University's Air Force ROTC Unit will sponsor the

INSIDE A list honors veterans who attend or work at UNC.

PAGE 4 "There used to be a lot of parades and ceremonies for veterans, but there aren't many of those anymore," Schmoldt said. "Any effort we can make to elevate the contributions of veterans should be made."

The ceremony, which begins at noon on the steps of the Morehead Building, is open to retired military personnel as well as students and community members.

Each year, the ROTC invites a guest speaker, and this year's is Chuck Stone, a World War II veteran and former Tuskegee Airman. Stone also is a faculty emeritus member in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

"Chuck was one of the prominent black soldiers in this country, so he would be the perfect speaker for this," said Richard Cole, for-

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Today's events to honor veterans

NOON The annual ceremony will be outside Morehead Planetarium and Science Center and will include guest speaker Chuck Stone, a World War II veteran, former Tuskegee Airman and emeritus faculty member in the School of Journalism and Mass Communication.

1 p.m. The Wilson Library will showcase a tour of veteran materials from each of the library's three unique collections — rare books, manuscripts and N.C. collections.

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BASKETBALL BEGINS

See the special section inserted in your paper for a look at the high expectations set for the men's and women's basketball teams.

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Voters in Michigan vote to ban affirmative action, forcing University of Michigan-Ann Arbor leaders to rethink their admissions policies.

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The Achordants, an all-male cappella group with a unique performance style, will hold the first of its two fall concerts today.

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