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COACHES STEVE SPURRIER AND DABO SWINNEY HIGHLIGHT “FOURTH ANNUAL SOUTH CAROLINA COACHES FOR CHARITY”

Columbia, SC (July 22, 2013) – South Carolina Football Coach **Steve Spurrier** and Clemson Football Coach **Dabo Swinney** highlight an annual gathering of the top college football coaches in the state during the *Fourth Annual South Carolina Coaches for Charity*, to be held on Wednesday, July 31, 2013 at the Marriott in downtown Columbia. It is expected to break last year’s record attendance of 300 guests.

Fisher DeBerry, South Carolina native and legendary former head football coach of the U.S. Air Force Academy, hosts the event through the Fisher DeBerry Foundation, which assists children of single-parent families. Football coaches from around the state come together for the event, all in the name of charity. In addition to Spurrier and Swinney, active head coaches attending are **Mike Ayers** (Wofford), **Bruce Fowler** (Furman), **Kevin Higgins** (Citadel) and **Buddy Pough** (South Carolina State).

Each coach chooses a charity that benefits from his participation. In the first three years of the event, over \$120,000 has been raised for these organizations across South Carolina.

“We really look forward to this night every year,” said The Citadel’s Kevin Higgins, whose charity of choice is the Lowcountry FCA in Charleston. “It’s not often that all of the coaches can get together, and doing so in the name charity makes it quite meaningful.”

Guests will be treated to a cocktail reception, a dinner program emceed by WIS News 10’s **Rick Henry** and former coach **Art Baker**, entertainment, football highlight videos and each of the coaches speaking. The event also features live and silent auctions.

“The coaches and I are honored by the support we have received from friends across the state,” said Fisher DeBerry, who serves as Chairman of the Fisher DeBerry Foundation. “It is because of their generosity that we are able to make a difference in the lives of so many kids.”

Tables and individual tickets are now on sale for the event, which is nearly sold out. The more tickets and tables purchased by fans of each of the schools, the more money that will go towards that particular coach’s charity. For information, visit www.SouthCarolinaCoaches.com, or contact Fisher DeBerry Foundation representative Burt Trembly at (702) 622-2275 or Burt@CoachingCharities.com.

