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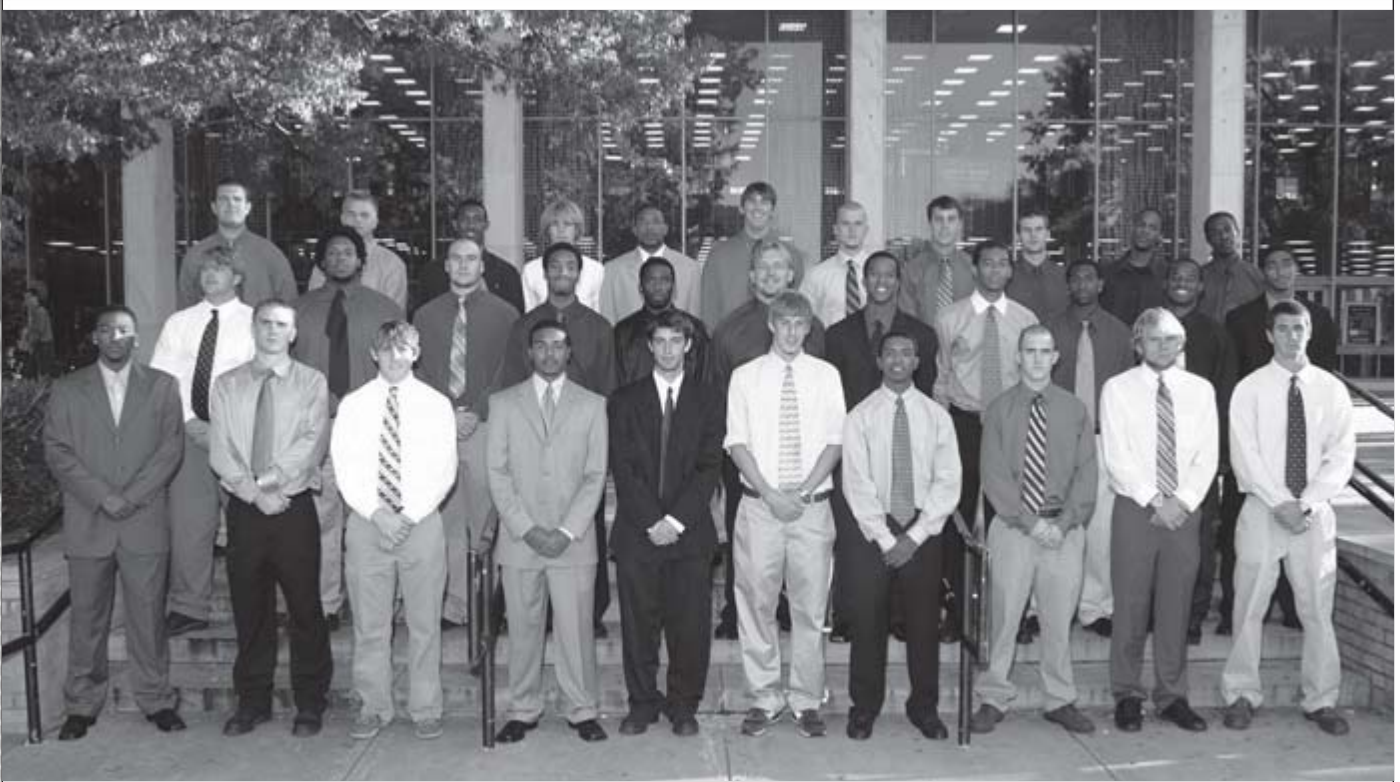


CAROLINA



Men's
Team





First Row (L to R): Hamilton Whipper, Matt Hoffman, Brad Kieber, Derek Pressley, Daniel Williams, Evan Slack, Shawn Cunningham, Ricky Johnson, Steve Mance, Dan McKenzie. **Second row (L to R):** David Zaycek, Brook Antonio, Jason Cook, Jamil James, Leroy Dixon, Jacob Minsky, Nick Lytle, Thomas Hilliard, Keith Hinnant, Rodney Martin, Jason Richardson. **Third row (L to R):** Anthony Faulkner, Joseph Schroeder, Greig Cryer, David Johannesmeyer, Cornelle Young, Tyler Trout, Trey Bell, Jonathan Fortenberry, Derron Flood.

Geographical Roster

UNITED STATES (32)

SOUTH CAROLINA (12)

Columbia - Greg Royster
 Easley - Derek Pressley
 Goose Creek - Tyler Trout
 Hilton Head - Shawn Cunningham
 Irmo - Trey Bell
 North Charleston - Greig Cryer
 Piedmont - Anthony Faulkner
 Simpsonville - Joe Schroeder
 Spartanbur- Nicolas Lytle
 Summerville - David Johannesmeyer, Brad Kieber
 Swansea - Johnathan Benton

ARIZONA (1)

Sierra Vista - Brook Antonio

FLORIDA (2)

Jacksonville - Aaron Luster
 Port Charlotte - Jacob Minsky

GEORGIA (1)

Marietta - Jonathan Fortenberry

INDIANA (1)

South Bend - Leroy Dixon

MARYLAND (1)

Salisbury - Daniel McKenzie

MICHIGAN (1)

Royal Oak - Steve Mance

NEBRASKA (1)

Omaha - Matt Hoffman

NEVADA (1)

Las Vegas - Rodney Martin

NEW JERSEY (2)

Manasquan - David Zaycek
 Teaneck - Adrian Durant

NEW YORK (1)

Bay Shore - Keith Hinnant

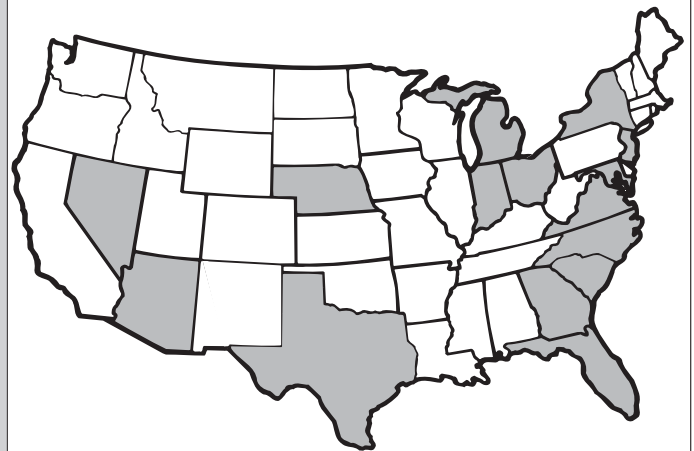
NORTH CAROLINA (3)

Charlotte - Nick Loper
 Raleigh - Thomas Hilliard
 Summerfield - Evan Slack

TEXAS (1)

Cedar Hill - Jason Richardson

VIRGINIA (2)



Bristow - Jason Cook
 Mechanicsville - Daniel Williams

INTERNATIONAL (2)

Trinidad - Jamil James
 Kenya - William Emase

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class (I/O)</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Events</u>	<u>Hometown</u>	<u>High School/College</u>
Brook Antonio	R-Jr/R-Jr	6-3	Throws	Sierra Vista, Ariz.	Buena/Northern Arizona
Trey Bell	Jr/So	6-2	Pole Vault	Irmo, S.C.	Dutch Fork
Johnathan Benton	Fr/Fr	6-1	Pole Vault	Swansea, S.C.	Spring Valley
Jason Cook	Fr/Fr	6-2	Throws	Bristow, Va.	Brentsville District
Greig Cryer	Jr/Jr	6-3	Jumps	N. Charleston, S.C.	R.B. Stall
Shawn Cunningham	Jr/Jr	5-6	Middle Distance	Hilton Head, S.C.	Hilton Head
Leroy Dixon	Jr/Jr	5-10	Sprints	South Bend, Ind.	Lasalle/KCKCC
Adrian Durant	Jr/Jr	5-7	Sprints	Teaneck, N.J.	Teaneck
William Emase	R-Jr/R-Jr	6-2	Distance	Kitale, Kenya	Kenyatta Univ.
Anthony Faulkner	R-So/R-So	6-6	Throws	Piedmont, S.C.	Wren
Jonathan Fortenberry	R-Jr/R-Jr	6-1	Sprints	Marietta, Ga.	Marietta
Thomas Hilliard	Jr/Jr	6-1	Sprints	Raleigh, N.C.	Southeast Raleigh
Keith Hinnant	Fr/Fr	5-10	Sprints	Bay Shore, N.Y.	Bay Shore
Matt Hoffman	Fr/Fr	6-0	Distance	Omaha, Neb.	Burke
Jamil James	Fr/Fr	6-0	Sprints	Marabella, Trinidad	Presentation College
David Johannesmeyer	Fr/Fr	6-0	Distance	Summerville, S.C.	Summerville
Brad Kieber	Fr/Fr	5-9	Pole Vault	Summerville, S.C.	Summerville
Nicholas Loper	Fr/Fr	5-11	Pole Vault	Charlotte, N.C.	Weddington
Aaron Luster	Sr/	5-10	Sprints	Jacksonville, Fla.	Andrew Jackson/Mt. Sac
Nicholas Lytle	Fr/Fr	5-11	Sprints	Spartanburg, S.C.	Spartanburg
Steve Mance	Jr/Jr	5-10	Distance	Royal Oak, Mich.	Bishop Foley
Rodney Martin, Jr.	Sr/Sr	5-9	Sprints	Las Vegas, Nev.	Western
Daniel McKenzie	So/So	5-11	Pole Vault	Salisbury, Md.	James M. Bennett
Jacob Minskey	So/So	6-1	Throws	Port Charlotte, Fla.	Port Charlotte
Derek Pressley	Fr/Fr	5-8	Jumps	Easley, S.C.	Wren
Jason Richardson	Fr/Fr	6-1	Sprints/Hurdles	Cedar Hill, Texas	Cedar Hill
Greg Royster	Sr/Sr	6-3	Pole Vault	Columbia, S.C.	Spring Valley
Joseph Schroeder	Fr/Fr	6-4	Throws	Simpsonville, S.C.	Mauldin
Evan Slack	So/So	6-1	Distance	Lynchburg, Va.	E.C. Glass
Tyler Trout	So/So	6-5	Throws	Goose Creek, S.C.	Stratford
Daniel Williams	Fr/Fr	6-2	Distance	Mechanicsville, Va.	Atlee
David Zaycek	Fr/Fr	6-1	Throws	Manasquan, N.J.	Wall

USC Track and Field
Fall 2004 Academic Success

GPA's
Semester

Cumulative

President's List...4.0

Rebecca Chain
 Jennifer Lake
 Emily Pease
 Callie Rabun
 Karen Wigal
 Amy Wike
 David Johannismeyer
 Steven Mance
 Daniel Williams

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 Jennifer Lake
 Emily Pease
 Callie Rabun
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 Amy Wike
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 Daniel Williams

Dean's List...3.5-3.9

Precious Akins
 Birgitta Cap
 Khalilah Carpenter
 Ashley Cruse
 Marisa Garcia-Quintana
 Natasha Hastings
 Chelsea Kaczmarek
 Christine Mudd
 Amberly Nesbitt
 Tiffany Ross
 Jessica Smith
 Keli Walker
 Brook Antonio
 Greig Cryer
 Anthony Faulkner
 Dan McKenzie
 Jason Richardson
 Kenneth Trout

Ashley Cruse
 Marisa Garcia-Quintana
 Natasha Hastings
 Chelsea Kaczmarek
 Christine Mudd
 Amberly Nesbitt
 Tristan Rackow
 Jessica Smith

Brook Antonio
 Thomas Hilliard
 Steve Mance
 Dan McKenzie
 Jason Richardson

Dean's List/Freshman...3.25-3.9

Sarah Maggie Davis
 Shalonda Solomon
 Matthew Hoffman
 Nick Lytle

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Students that earned at least a 3.0

Ronnetta Alexander
 Nicole Breves
 Keri Groover
 Chelsea Hammond
 Lauren Jaynes
 Caitlin McGroerty
 Tristan Rackow
 Shevon Stoddart
 Reanna Townsend
 Tawana Watkins
 Kemesha Whitmire
 Adrian Durant
 Evan Slack

Ronnetta Alexander
 Nicole Breves
 Precious Akins
 Khalilah Carpenter
 Lauren Jaynes
 Caitlin McGroerty
 Evan Slack
 Joseph Schroeder
 Kenneth Trout



Jonathan Fortenberry

Sprints

R-Jr/R-Jr ■ 6-1

Marietta, Ga. (Marietta)

Retailing

6X ALL-AMERICAN



**2003 USTCA Southeast Indoor Athlete of the Year
2X SEC Champion; NCAA Champion**

**2002 World Junior Gold and Silver Medalist
3X Junior All-American**

OUTLOOK: Coming off a severe injury and is expected to come back strong and be back on top... Has a tough work ethic and is expected to be one of America's greats.

2004: Redshirted due to an achilles injury.

2003: Named co-Southeast Region Athlete of the Year (with teammate Otukile Lekote) for indoor season by United States Track Coaches Association ... Opened indoor season with first-place finish in the 400m at George Mason Early Invitational ... Established new school-record with time of 46.19 en route to first-place finish in the 400m at SEC Four-Way Meet ... Topped 400m field at Florida Invitational ... Took second in the 400m at the Meet of Champions in New York ... Finished second in the 400m at the SEC Indoor Championships with a mark of 46.38 after pacing the field during preliminaries ... Made late charge on anchor leg to lead 4x400 relay team with Kenneth Ferguson, Otukile Lekote and Otis Harris to SEC Championship ... Placed fourth at the NCAA Indoor Championships and helped lead 4x400 team to third-place finish and school-record time of 3:05.10 while collecting two All-America honors ... Outdoor season was plagued with injuries ... Won the 400m dash at the Weems Baskin Sprint Relays ... Finished eighth in the 400m dash at the SEC Quad Meet ... Finished second in his heat at the SEC Championships in the 400m dash qualifying him for the finals, but did not run in finals due to injury ... Ran the anchor leg of the 4x400m relay team that finished third at the NCAA East Regional with a time of 3:07.26 ... Won his heat of the 400m dash at the NCAA East Regional then went on to place fifth in the finals, despite competing injured ... Qualified for NCAA Outdoor Championships and competed in 400m preliminaries, but did not advance due to injury ... Qualifier for U.S. Outdoor Championships.

2002: During the indoor season, finished second in the 400m dash at the UNC Early Invitational and was on the winning 4x400m NCAA relay at the same meet ... Placed ninth in the 400m dash at the Virginia Tech Invitational ... Finished second in the 400m dash at the Five Way SEC Meet ... Finished eighth in the 400m dash at the SEC Championships ... 4x400m relay was third at the SEC Championships ... Ran on USC's 4x400m relay that finished third at the NCAA Indoor Championships, clocking a 3:05.90 to break the school record ... All-American ... Outdoors, finished third in the 400m dash at the Four Way SEC Meet and at the Georgia Tech Invitational ... Finished second in the 400m dash at the Florida Relays and at the Spec Town Relays ... Finished fifth in the 400m dash at the Sea Ray Relays ... Was on the winning Sprint Medley Relay at Penn Relays - combining with Thomas Lewis, Otukile Lekote and James Law to win the race with a time of 3:16.25 - the fastest time in the USA in 2002 ... Placed sixth in the 400m dash at the SEC Championships ... Ran the anchor leg of the 4x400m relay that won the SEC title, breaking a nine-year old SEC record at 3:02.81 ... Ran the anchor leg of the NCAA Champion 4x400m relay - crushing the field with a 44.4 split where he wore his jersey backward for 'good luck' ... Team ran a 3:02.16 to shatter the school record they broke earlier in the season ... Finished ninth in the 400m dash at the NCAA Championships and collected All-America honors ... Moved to No. 3 on

USC's all-time 400m list, posting a season-best 45.67 at the NCAA meet ... Finished second in the 400m dash at the USATF Outdoor Junior Championships ... Qualified for the World Junior Championships in the 400m dash and as a member of the USA's 4x400m relay ... Finished third in the 400m at the Canada vs. USA dual meet ... Won the silver medal in the 400m at the World Junior Championships in Jamaica ... Ran the anchor leg of the USA's gold-medal winning 4x400m relay.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Marietta High in Marietta, Ga. ... Two-time high school All-American ... Georgia Track Athlete of the Year in 2001 ... National champion at Junior Olympics in the 4x400m relay with an anchor leg split of 45.0 flat with the team running a 3:09.1 ... Four-year Cobb All-County Track member ... 1999 Golden South Champion in 800m ... Four time Georgia State Champion ... Team state champions in 2000 and 2001 ... *Marietta Daily Journal* Athlete of the Year in 2001 ... *Atlanta Journal Constitution* Athlete of the Year in 2001 ... Georgia Dome Indoor champ in the 400m and 800m in 2000 and 2001 ... 2001 Meet of Champions in Mobile, Ala. 400m champ and record holder in the 400m ... 1999 Junior Olympic National Champion in the 800m ... High school team has the national record in the Swedish medley with a time of 1:25.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of Birth/Location: July 19, 1983/St. Louis, Mo.

Parents: Glen and Linda Fortenberry

Major: Retail

Nickname: "Candyman"

Admires the most: Michael Johnson

Favorite food: A double patty melt

In my free time, I enjoy: Playing video games and telling jokes

TOP TIME - 400m: 45.67

Brook Antonio



Throws
R-Jr./R-Jr. 6-3
Sierra Vista, Ariz.
(Buena/N. Arizona)
Criminal Justice



OUTLOOK: Excellent athlete...Won team's Most Improved award for the 2004 season...Scored at the SEC Championships in both the hammer and the weight throws...Finished season with personal best throw of 66-7.75 and narrowly missed competing at the national championship...Recognized by US Track Coaches Association as an Academic All-American...Will be someone to watch as he contends for SEC and NCAA honors.

2004: Indoors, at the Carolina Big 12 meet finished third in the weight throw ... At the Kentucky Invitational in Lexington placed seventh in the weight with a throw of 57'4.25" ... Placed fourth at the SEC Invitational in Gainesville in the weight with a throw of 56'8.5"... Placed third in the weight at the Gator Invitational with a throw of 62'3" ... At the Meet of Champions in New York, placed sixth in the weight with a throw of 62'11.5" ... Finished second at the at the USC Invitational in the Weight ... Finished the indoor season with a personal best throw of 66-7.75...Outdoors at the Weems Baskin Relays placed first in discus and second in the hammer ... At the Georgia Tech Invitational placed seventh in the hammer ... Claimed first and second place at the SC State Championships in the discus and the hammer, respectively, ... At the Sea Ray Relays placed seventh with a throw of 192'5" in the hammer ... At Penn Relays, won the discus and finished eighth in the hammer ... At the SEC Championships placed seventh in his flight of the discus and finished seventh in the hammer with throw of 190'10".

2003: Finished third in weight throw with mark of 52'7.25" at George Mason Early Invitational ... Recorded top-10 finish in weight throw at UNC Invitational ... Placed sixth in the weight throw and seventh in the shot put at USC Inviational ... Finished 16th in the weight throw at the SEC Indoor Championships ... Outdoors, third place finisher in both the discus and the hammer throw at the Weems Baskin Relays ... Finished fourth in the hammer throw at the Florida Relays with a season best and regional qualifying mark of 54.24m/177'11 ... At the SEC Quad Meet, finished third in the discus and the hammer throw ... Finished fifth in the hammer throw at the Orange & Purple Classic ... Won the hammer throw at the South Carolina State Championships and notched a second-place finish in the discus ... Recorded a 13th-place finish in the discus and an 11th-place finish in the hammer throw at the Sea Ray Relays ... At the SEC Championships, recorded a personal best and qualifying mark in the discus with a throw of 51.57m/169' 2" ... Also recorded an 11th-place finish in the hammer throw at the SEC Championships

... Finished sixth in the discus at the NCAA East Regional with another personal best mark of 53.49m/175'5.5 ... Also at the NCAA East Regional, placed 22nd in the hammer throw with a mark of 51.85m/173-4.

NORTHERN ARIZONA: Competed in track at Northern Arizona where he trained under former Gamecock and NAU assistant coach Lisa Misipeka.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Buena High School ... Lettered in track and field (2000, '01) and football (2001) ... Was Regional Champion in 2000 and '01 ... Named all-state in 2001 ... Named all-region in 2000 and '01 ... Was state runner-up in 2001 ... Team was regional champs in 2000 and regional runner-up in 2001.

PERSONAL PROFILE

Date of birth/Location: June 15, 1983/Washington, D.C.
Major: Criminal Justice
Nickname: Tony
Hobbies: Playing basketball
Favorite book: The Giver
Person who I admire the most and has the greatest influence on my life: My mother
Why I chose USC: Because of the high standards set by the coaches and the excellent track and field program

Top Marks - Discus 176'9 , Hammer 192'5", Weight 66'7.75"

Trey Bell



Pole Vault
R-Jr./So. 6-2
Irmo, S.C.
(Dutch Fork)
Sociology



OUTLOOK: Returning from an injury that sidelined him last season... Stronger and fitter than ever and expected to be back on track to be one of the top vaulters at USC and in the SEC.

2004: Redshirted due to injury.

2003: Indoors, finished eighth in pole vault in USC debut at George Mason Early Invitational ... Placed sixth in pole vault at UNC Invitational ... Recorded season-best vault of 16'0.75" and finished second at USC Invitational ... Placed fifth in pole vault with mark of 15'9" at Last Chance Meet in Chapel Hill, N.C. ... Outdoors, placed fifth in the open pole vault competition at the Florida Relays ... Was the sixth-place finisher at the SEC Quad Meet ... At the Sea Ray Relays, recorded an eighth-place finish as

well as a season high and personal best mark of 15'9 in the pole vault ... Placed sixth in the pole vault at the Orange & Purple Classic.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Irmo and Dutch Fork High Schools ... Coached by USC Volunteer Coach Rusty Shealy ... Lettered in track and field for five years (1998-02) ... Was state champion in 2000 ... Placed 13th at the 2001 World Youth Championships ... 2001 USATF Silver Medalist ... 2001 YAC Silver Medalist ... 2000 USATF Bronze Medalist ... Two-time county champion and record setter in the pole vault.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: February 8, 1984/Columbia, S.C.

Parents: Pamela White and Hugh Bell

Major: Sociology

During my free time, I enjoy: Listening to music

Person I admire the most: My father

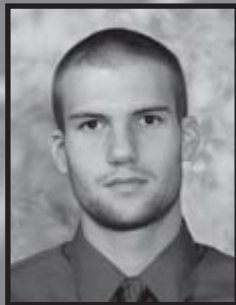
Favorite movie: The Usual Suspects

Athletes in the family: Father and Grandfather both played football at South Carolina

Why I choose USC: Because I am a third generation Gamecock athlete and I know Coach Frye's coaching staff is one of the best staffs in the nation

Top mark - Pole Vault: 16'2.75"

Johnathan Benton



Pole Vault
Fr./Fr. 6-1
Swansea, S.C.
(Spring Valley)
Biology



OUTLOOK: Has worked extremely hard to secure his spot on the team after an injury plagued senior year in high school...Ability on the runway and desire to vault high will be a winning combination.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in track and field at Spring Valley High School from 2001-04 ... Named the Most Valuable Vertical Jumper in 2004 and named to the All-Region team in 2003-04 ... Was on the Honor Roll all four years of high school.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: December 2, 1985/Monterey, Calif.

Parents: Steve and Debbie Benton

Major: Biology

Favorite sports team: USC equestrian team

Fantasy dinner guest: Jessica Simpson

What I love most about USC: The distance from home

Top Mark - Pole Vault: 14'6

Jason Cook



Throws
Fr./Fr. 6-2
Bristow, Va.
(Brentsville District)
Mechanical
Engineering



OUTLOOK: State Champion from Virginia with strong potential...Redshirt candidate as he learns the hammer and transitions to collegiate level competition...Broke Coach Sergeant's 17-year old high school records at Brentsville District in Virginia.

HIGH SCHOOL: Was a two-time state champion in shot put and discus ... Is a two-time All-State team member in the shot put and a four-time member of the All-State teams in the discus ... Was a national qualifier in the 2004 discus and was the *Washington Post* Athlete of the Year ... Lettered in football, indoor track, outdoor track, and wrestling at Brentsville District High School in Nohesville, Va.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Birth date/Location: January 3, 1986/Manassass, Va.

Parents: Gerald and Janet Cook

Major: Chemical Engineering

Fantasy dinner guests: My grandparents and all of my coaches.

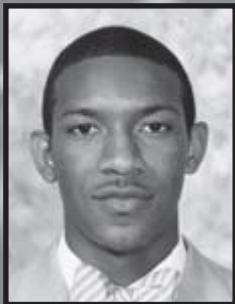
What I want most out of life: To be happy with someone I can share my life with

My most memorable moment: Winning state in the discus my junior year and qualifying for nationals my senior year.

Person I look up to the most: My father, because he has worked harder than any man I've known to give me the best life I could have

Top Marks - Discus: 172'10" ; Shot put: 55'10"

Greig Cryer



Jumps
Jr./Jr. 6-3
North Charleston, S.C.
(R.B. Stall)
Psychology



2005 Team Captain

OUTLOOK: Team captain expected to lead the long and triple jumps crew this season...Expected to earn All-America honors in both jumps.

2004: Indoors finished as runner-up in the long jump and took fifth in the triple jump with 47'9" at Carolina Big 12 Meet at Chapel Hill ... Finished third in the long jump with 24'0.25" and finished in fourth with a leap of 48'1.25" in the triple jump at the Kentucky Invitational ... Placed third in the long jump with a jump of 24'1.75" and 47'7.25" in the triple jump ... Also ran time of 6.59 in the 55m dash to finish ninth at SEC Invitational in Gainesville ... At the Gator Invitational in Gainesville, long jumped 24'3.5" to place ninth, and placed third in triple jump with a jump of 49'8.5" ... Finish fifth in the long jump and placed seventh in the triple jump at the Meet of Champions ... Outdoors, at the Weems Baskin Relays, long jumped into a second-place finish and triple jumped 49'5.75" for first ... At Florida Relays finished seventh in the triple jump with 48'1.75" ... At the Georgia Tech Invitational finished seventh in the long jump with 23'8" and finished seventh in the triple jump ... Placed second in the long jump at SC State Championships ... At the Sea Ray Relays finished third with jump of 49'2.25" ... At Penn Relays placed 10th in the long jump and 13th in the triple jump ... At the Orange and Purple Classic placed sixth in the triple jump ... At the SEC Championships placed eighth in the long jump with a jump of 23'8" ... Finished ninth in the triple jump at the NCAA East Regional meet with jump of 49'6.75".

2003: Indoors, finished as runner-up in long jump and took third in triple jump during USC debut at George Mason Early Invitational ... Placed second in triple jump with season-best mark of 50'9.25" at Virginia Tech Invitational ... Finished first in long jump and second in triple jump at SEC Four-Way Meet ... Placed second in triple jump at UNC Invitational ... Recorded a sixth-place finish in the triple jump and a top-10 long jump finish at the Meet of Champions ... Placed 15th in the triple jump and 17th in the long jump at the SEC Indoor Championships ... Outdoors, won the triple jump and was the runner-up in the long jump at the Weems Baskin Relays ... At the Florida Relays, finished fourth in the long jump as well as sixth in the triple jump with a season best and regional qualifying mark of 15.35m/50'4.5 ... Fourth-place finisher in the long jump and champion of the triple jump at the SEC Quad Meet ... Won the long jump at the

South Carolina State Championships ... At the Sea Ray Relays, placed fourth in the long jump Notched a third-place finish in the long jump and a placing of 12th in the triple jump at the Penn Relays ... Was the runner-up in the long jump at the Orange & Purple Classic with a qualifying mark and season best of 7.71m/25'3.5 ... Also recorded a fourth-place triple jump finish at the Orange & Purple Classic ... At the SEC Championships, jumped to a seventh-place finish in the long jump and 10th-place finish in the triple jump ... Finished eighth in the long jump with a mark of 7.48m/24'6.5 at the NCAA East Regional while also finishing 29th in the triple jump ... Placed third in the long jump with a mark of 24'1.75" at U.S. Junior National Championships ... Was first alternate for U.S. Junior National Team.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended R.B. Stall High School ... Coached by William Clerc and Cliff Doctor ... Lettered in basketball for four years (1999-02) ... Also lettered in track and field (2000-02) and football (2001-02) ... Two-time state champion in long jump and triple jump ... Named all-state and all-region in 2000, '01, and '02 ... A USATF Honorable Mention selection in South Carolina.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: September 25, 1984/Charleston, S.C.

Parents: Eugene and Paulette Cryer

Major: Psychology

What I enjoy most: Listening to music and playing football and basketball

Fantasy dinner guests: My future wife and my friends

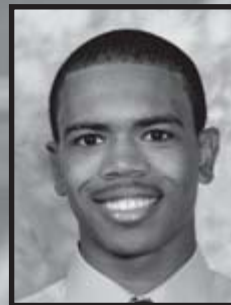
Who I admire the most: Anthony Reed because he's the type of Christian gentleman I aspire to become.

Career goal: To become a criminal defense lawyer

What I love most about USC: Student life

Top Marks - Long Jump: 25'3.5";
Triple Jump: 50'9.25"

Shawn Cunningham



Mid-Distance
Jr./Jr. 5-6
Hilton Head, S.C.
(Hilton Head)
Mathematics



OUTLOOK: Won the Most Improved award for track in 2004...Trained well during the summer and fall and has a goal of 1:48 in the 800m for the 2005 season... Will run the 800 leg on the distance medley relay and will see relay duty on the 4x800m relay and as an alternate on the 4x400m relay.

2004: Indoors, at the Carolina Big 12 meet finished fourth in the 800m with a time of 1:55.93 ... At the Kentucky Invitational placed third in the 800m with a time of 1:53.44 ... Placed first in the 800m.

at the SEC Invitational in Gainesville with a time of 1:55.29 ... Finish sixth in the 800m at the Gator Invitational in Gainesville ... At the Meet of Champions placed fourth in the 800m with a time of 1:53.19 ... Outdoors, at the Weems Baskin Relays claimed first with a time of 1:52.78 ... Placed 12th at the Georgia Tech Invitational with time of 1:52.78 ... Placed fifth in the 400m at the SC State Championships with a time of 49.66 ... At the Sea Ray Relays finished 24th in the 800m with time of 1:52.50 ... At the Orange and Purple Classic finished 14th with tie of 1:55.61 ... At the SEC Championships ran 1:50.99 to finish in fifth place in heat.

2003: Indoors, placed seventh in the 800m during USC debut at George Mason Early Invitational ... Placed 18th in 800m at Florida Invitational ... Finished 17th in 800m at Meet of Champions ... Outdoors, finished 10th in the 800m run at the SEC Quad Meet ... At the Orange & Purple Classic, placed eighth in the 800m run with a season best time of 1:56.93 ... Ran 800m leg on DMR at SEC's.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Hilton Head High School ... Coached by Chuck Rudolph ... Lettered in track and field (2000-02), cross country (1998-01) and basketball (2000-02) ... State champ in the 800m run in 2001 and 2002 ... Ran on state champion 4x800m relay team in 2000 ... Relay team finished third at the state championships in 2001 ... Named track team's most valuable athlete in 2001 and 2002 ... Cross country most valuable athlete in 2000 and 2001 ... Placed fourth at the South Carolina State Championship.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: July 26, 1984/Columbia, S.C.
Parents: Bobby and Linda Cunningham
Major: Mathematics
Hobbies: Juggling and playing pool
Favorite movie: The Patriot
Favorite professional athlete: NBA star Sam Cassell
What I love most about USC: The people

Top Time - 800m 1:50.99

Leroy Dixon



Sprints
Jr./Jr. 5-10
South Bend, Ind.
(Kansas City CC)
Criminal Justice



2004 CC: Was Junior College National runner-up in 200m with a time of 20.95.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in track, basketball, and football at Lasalle High School in South Bend, Ind. ... Was a three-time

state champion.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of Birth/Location: June 29, 1983; South Bend, Ind.
Parents: Leroy and Sherlyn Dixon
Favorite sports team: Indiana Pacers
Hobbies: Shopping and playing video games
Favorite food: Fish and spaghetti

Top Time - 200m 20.95

Adrian Durant



Sprints
Jr./Jr. 5-7
Teaneck, N.J.
(Teaneck)
Computer Science



2004 Olympian (US Virgin Islands)

OUTLOOK: More focused after a strong finish in outdoor season with an Olympic appearance... One of the most talented sprinters in the country and is expected to be a great contributor for the Gamecocks at the SEC and NCAA championships.

2004: Indoor at the Gator Invitational in Gainesville ran 6.32 in the heat of the 55m dash to finish sixth with a time of 6.35, and finished fourth in the 200m with a time of 21.67 ... At the Meet of Champions in New York finished in eighth place in the 60m dash and second in his heat of the 200m with a time of 21.61 ... At the SEC Indoor Championships finished in seventh place in the 60m dash with a time of 6.80 and placed 11th in the 200m with a time of 21.34 ... At the NCAA Last Chance meet in Gainesville placed second with a time of 6.23 in the 55m dash ... Outdoors at Florida Relays ran 10.68 in heats of the 100m ... At Georgia Tech ran 10.58 in the 100m to place third ... Placed first in the 100m at the SC State Championships with time of 10.57 ... At the Sea Ray Relays finished second in the 100m with time of 10.43 ... At the Orange and Purple Classic ran 10.47 in heats to finish seventh with time of 10.56 ... At the SEC Championships ran 10.70 in the 100m and 21.72 in the 200m.

2003: Indoors, finished seventh in the 200m at the SEC Four-Way Meet ... Was second in 400m heat and fifth in 299m heat at Meet of Champions ... Won 200m and 400m heats at SEC Indoor Championships ... Outdoors, placed 17th in the 100m dash at the Florida Relays ... Finished fifth in the 100m dash at the SEC Quad Meet ... Ran a 21.08 in the 200m dash at the SEC Quad Meet, a personal and season best as well as a regional qualifying mark, finishing third ... Placed eighth in the 100m dash and 20th in the 200m dash at the Sea Ray Relays ... Ran a season and personal best in the 100m dash at the Orange & Purple Classic with a time of 10.37, a regional qualifying mark ... Finished fourth in his heat of the 100m dash and third in his heat of the 200m

dash at the SEC Championships ... Ran the opening leg of the 4x400m relay team that finished first at the SEC Championships with a time of 3:04.66 ... Finished eighth in the finals of the 100m dash at the NCAA East Regional, as well as seventh in the 200m dash ... Ran the opening leg of the 4x100m relay team that finished fifth at the NCAA Regional ... Also at the NCAA Regional, finished third in his preliminary heat of the 100m dash and third in his heat of the 200m dash with a season best time of 20.89, a new career best for him ... Qualified for World Championships and ran for native U.S. Virgin Islands at the competition in Paris ... Ran a time of 21.11 in the 200m, but did not advance.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Teaneck High School ... Coached by Michelle McMillan ... Lettered in track for all four years (1999-02) ... Team was state sectional champion in 2002 ... Named first-team All-North New Jersey in the 400m dash in 2002 ... State group champion in 55m and 400m dashes in 2002 Indoors ... State section champ in 200m and 400m dashes in 2002.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: October 18, 1984/Christansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands
Parent: Celestine Durant
Major: Computer Science
In my free time I enjoy: Playing flag football
Favorite professional athlete: Michael Johnson
Career goal: To become an entrepreneur and own my own business one day
Why I chose USC: Because of the great athletic program and the warm weather

Top Times - 55m: 6.32; 100m: 10.37; 200m: 20.89; 400m: 48.61

William Emase



Distance Redshirt
R-Jr./R-Jr. 6-2
Kitale, Kenya
(Starehe Center /Kenyatta Univ.)
Finance & Economics



OUTLOOK: Healthy and should be a scorer at the SEC in either the 800m or 1500m ... Anchor man on the Distance Medley Relay running the mile leg, which he hopes to lead to the NCAA Indoor Championships.

2004: Redshirted due to injury.

2003: Indoors, won the mile run with a time of 4:20.54 on Feb. 1 ... Finished in 11th place in the 800m at the Meet of Champions ... Took first in the mile run with a season-best time of 4:13.51 at the Last Chance Meet in Chapel Hill, N.C. ... Outdoors, won both the 800m and 1500m runs at the Weems Baskin Relays ...

Finished second in the 1500m run and eighth in the 800m run at the Florida Relays ... At the SEC Quad Meet, won the 1500m and placed second in the 800m run ... Placed 12th in the 1500m run at the Sea Ray Relays ... Won the 800m run at the Orange & Purple Classic ... At the SEC Championships, ran a season-best time of 1:50.30 in the 800m to place 14th and qualified for the NCAA Regional Championships ... Set a personal and season best mark of 3:49.07 in the preliminaries of the 1500m run... Ran 3:50.33 in the finals of the 1500m run, finishing sixth at the SEC Championships ... At the NCAA East Regional at George Mason, finished 17th in the preliminaries of the 1500m run.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in track and field for three years ... Named Nairobi Secondary Schools Provincial Champion in 800 meters for two consecutive years ... Won the Athlete of the Year award ... Coached by Mr. Wesonga.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: January 12, 1980/Kenya
Parent: Mary Echakan Lobeyo
Major: Finance & Economics
Hobbies: Reading magazines and newspapers; and listening to music
Favorite movie: Air Force One
Aspirations: To be a professional athlete
Greatest athletic thrill: When I defeated well-known athletes in 800m race during the university time trials

Top Times - 800m: 1:49; 1500m: 3:49.07

Anthony Faulkner



Throws
R-So/R-So. 6-6
Piedmont, S.C.
(Wren)
Health & Exercise Science



OUTLOOK: Tremendous work ethic... Is working to become SEC competitive...Redshirted in 2003... For 2004, saw action at several meets including the SEC Indoor Championships... Team Leader.

2004: Outdoors, Placed 10th in the discus at the South Carolina State Championships, while also finishing eighth in the hammer ... At the Orange and Purple Classic, finished 12th in the discus.

2003: Redshirted.

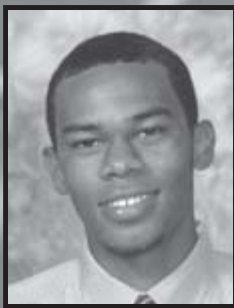
HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Wren High School ... Coached by Chris Worrick ... Lettered in track and football in 2001 and 2002 ... Member of the Beta Club and National Honor Society.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: March 21, 1984/Greenville, S.C.
Parent: Charlotte Faulkner
Major: Exercise Science
Favorite food: Shrimp and grits
Fantasy dinner guests: Colin Powell, Bobby Bowden, Lou Holtz, Suletsana Khorkina
Favorite sports team: Raiders

Top Marks - Discus: 134'7"

Thomas Hilliard



Sprints
Jr./Jr. 6-1
Raleigh, N.C.
(Southeast Raleigh)
Accounting



OUTLOOK: Former soccer player and first year track athlete... Expected to add depth to relays and a great potential IM hurdler.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in golf in 1998, soccer from 2000-02, and track and field in 2002 ... Attended Southeast Raleigh High School in Raleigh, N.C.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: July 16, 1984/Raleigh, N.C.
Parents: Thomas Hilliard III and Phyliss Hilliard
Favorite food: Crab legs
What I love most about USC: Student life
Favorite place to visit: Busch Gardens
Fantasy dinner guests: Bruce Lee, Tiger Woods, Martin Lawrence

Top Time - 400m: 49.0

Keith Hinnant



Sprints
Fr./Fr. 5-10
Bay Shore, N.Y.
(Bay Shore)
Journalism



OUTLOOK: Ran the mile relay at the World Juniors... Runs in the 46 second range in the quarter and 1:51 in the 800m... Expected to give a lot of versatility to the team and contribute in big ways this season.

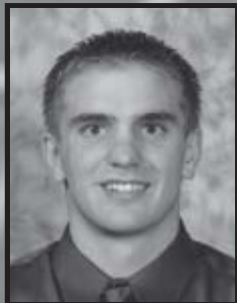
HIGH SCHOOL: 2004 High School All-American... Lettered in basketball and track all four years in high school ... Member of the 2004 World Junior team that went to Italy ... Placed 7th at the World Juniors ... Named the Long Island Male Runner of the Year.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: June 25, 1986/Bay Shore, N.Y.
Parent: Loretta Young
Major: Journalism
Favorite actor: Mike Epps
Favorite store: NBA store in NYC
What I want most out of life: To be a graduate of USC and become a better person.
The people I look up to the most: My mother, and my coaches Rich Degnan, Jim Meglynn and basketball coach Ken Parham.
I chose USC over: Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Georgia

Top Times - 400m: 46.54; 800m: 1:51

Matt Hoffman



Distance
Fr./Fr. 6-0
Omaha, Neb.
(Burke)
Business



OUTLOOK: Will contend for the lead off spot of the distance medley relay...Will race the mile and 800 during the season as well as the 4x800.

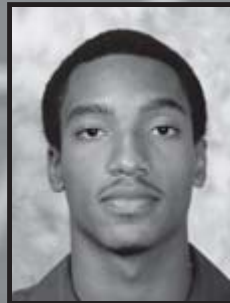
HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in cross country and track for four years...Received Academic All-Metro Conference track athlete honors for 2003 and 2004, as well as Academic All-Metro Conference for cross country in 2004...Was a member of the Youth Athletic National Champion 4x800m relay team.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: December 6, 1985/Omaha, Neb.
Parents: Gary and Kris Hoffman
Major: Business
Favorite place to visit: Sydney, Australia
Five people I would include in my hall of fame: Steve Prefontaine, Sammy Sosa, Hicham El Guerouj, Michael Johnson, Michael Jordan
The person I look up to the most: My grandpa. He's taught me so much and is an amazing person.
What I love most about USC: The warm weather

Top Times - 800m: 1:55; mile: 4:21

Jamil James



Sprints
Fr./Fr. 6-0
Marabella, Trinidad
(Presentation College)
Mgmt. Science



200m World Junior Bronze Medalist

OUTLOOK: Runner-up in the 2004 World Juniors...Has great potential in the 200m and 400m...Expected to make a big contribution in relays as well.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in track and field and soccer...Was a runner-up in the 2004 World Juniors in the 400m...Awarded Most Outstanding Athlete in 2002.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: September 16, 1986/Tobago, Trinidad
Parents: Trevor and Margaret James
Major: Management Science
Favorite food: Paleau Roti
The best advice my parents ever gave me: "Yuh better do good in school or me and you!!"
If I could go back in time, I would: Enjoy it all over again.
What I love most about USC: The dorm rooms. They are very big.

Top Times - 200m: 20.95; 400m: 46.68

David Johannesmeyer



Distance
Fr./Fr. 6-0
Summerville, S.C.
(Summerville)
Biology/German



Carolina Scholar

OUTLOOK: Will be USC's lone entry in the 10,000m this season...May race the 5,000m indoors, but could redshirt.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in cross country and track for four years... Received track honors for 2004 All-Region 6-4A Team, 2004 Region Champion and track team 2004 MVP... For cross country, was a member of the All-Region 6-4A team from 2001-2003, selected for the 2003 Coaches' Award, and member of the 2003 All-Lowcountry Team... Member of Region 6-4A Championship track team 2001-2003, member of 2002 State 4A cross country runners-up team, member of 2003 Region 6-4A Cross Country Championship team as well as Lowcountry Team of the Year 2001-2003...2004 valedictorian, national merit finalist, among a number of other academic accolades.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: April 5, 1986/North Charleston, S.C.
Parents: Dale and Carla Johannesmeyer
Major: Biology and German
Fantasy dinner guests: My future family
What I want most out of life: Being able to stop and look back on my life and feel accomplished.
Favorite video game: Halo
My most memorable moment: Being named valedictorian of my high school
Favorite store: Target
What I love most about USC: The amount of fun you can have

**Top Times - 1600m :4:37; 3,200m :10:15;
5,000m: 16:37**

Brad Kieber



Pole Vault
Fr./Fr. 5-9
Summerville, S.C.
(Summerville)
Physics



OUTLOOK: Coming off a stellar prep career...Competitive and expected to make a name for himself at USC.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in football, wrestling and track and field at Summerville High School... Member of 2004 Track State Championship team.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: June 6, 1986/Summerville, S.C.
Parents: Scott and Dana Kieber
Major: Physics
Fantasy dinner guests: Larry Bird, George Washington and George Bush
The person I look up to the most: My Mom because she's the most caring and honest person.
Favorite food: French fries.
What I love most about USC: The people.

Top Mark - Pole Vault:13'6

Nicholas Loper



Pole Vault
Fr./Fr. 5-11
Charlotte, N.C.
(Weddington)
Exercise Science/
Pre-med



OUTLOOK: Has the highest competition jump of freshmen trio...With technically sound vault and competitive spirit, he is expected to make a great contribution in pole vaulting for USC.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in football and track for four years at Weddington High School in Weddington, N.C....Earned MVP honors in track in 2003 and 2004... Was a three-time All-Conference choice in track and football and three-time All County in football...Member of 2003 Conference Championship team in football and 2003 and 2004 Conference Championship team in track, as well as 2004 Regional Championship team in track... Gold medalist in the state Junior Olympics...Named *Charlotte Observer* Athlete of the Year in 2004.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: December 23, 1984/Charlotte, N.C.
Parents: Peter and Helen Loper
Major: Exercise Science/Pre-med
Five people I would include in my hall of fame: Michael Jordan, Walter Payton, Larry Bird, Barry Sanders, Emmitt Smith
Favorite music group: Linkin Park
My most memorable moment: Winning 2004 state track meet
The person I look up to the most: My brother. I trust his opinion and character and he is a perfect role model. He is the only person I can count on 100 percent of the time.
What I love most about USC: The people and the environment

at the Sea Ray Relays ... Set a season best mark of 10.69 in the 100m dash at the Orange & Purple Classic, finishing 15th ... Also at the Orange & Purple Classic, placed 12th running a season best time of 21.53 in the 200m dash ... At the SEC Championships, finished third in his heat of the 400m dash with a season best time of 47.87 and placed fifth in his heat of the 200m dash.

JUCO: Southcoast Conference Champion in the 200m in 2002 ... Named All-American in 2001 and 2002.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Andrew Jackson High School ... Coached by Booker Hill ... Lettered in track for three years ... Was the Florida State Champion in 1998 and 2000 ... Finished fourth at the National Scholastic Outdoor Championships in 1998 ... Finished second at the National Scholastic Indoor Championships in 2000 ... Named the *Florida Times-Union* Track and Field Athlete of the Year in 1998 and 2000.

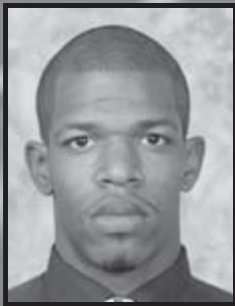
PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: October 30, 1981/Jacksonville, Fla.
Parents: Arden and Mildred Luster
Major: Marketing
Nickname: Scoot, given by his parents because when he was a child because he wouldn't crawl but would just scoot around
In my free time, I enjoy: Spending time with my son and my family
Favorite foods: Chicken, hot dogs and French fries
Career goals: Making the 2008 Olympics
Why I chose USC: Because of the excellent coaching staff and the ability to learn

Top Marks - Pole Vault: 15'1

Top Times - 100m: 10.38; 200m: 20.70;
 400m: 46.80.

Aaron Luster



Sprints
 Sr./Sr. 5-10
 Jacksonville, Fla.
 (Jackson/
 Mt. SAC JC)
 Marketing



OUTLOOK: Senior who provides leadership to the sprint program... Has been a reliable relay runner.

2004: Indoors, at the Carolina Big 12 Meet was 12th in the 400m ... Finished eighth in the 400m at Kentucky Invitational ... Placed fifth in the 55m and third in the 400m at the SEC invitational in Gainesville ... At the Gator Invitational placed fourth in the 400m with a time of 47.93 ... At the Meet of Champions in New York placed third in the 400m with a time of 48.21 ... At the USC invitational placed 11th in heat of 55m ... Outdoor at the SEC Championships place seventh in heat of the 400m.

2003: Indoors, finished 11th in the 200m and 14th in the 400m at the SEC Four-Way Meet ... Placed 13th in the 400m at the UNC Invitational ... Finished third in 400m heat, but did not place in finals at SEC Indoor Championships ... Outdoors, placed eighth in the 200m dash and fifth in the 400m dash at the SEC Quad Meet ... Was the runner-up in the 400m dash at the South Carolina State Championships ... Finished sixth in the 400m dash

Nicholas Lytle



Sprints
 Fr./Fr. 5-11
 Spartanburg, S.C.
 (Spartanburg)
 Accounting



OUTLOOK: South Carolina freshman expected to add depth to the sprint program.

HIGH SCHOOL: Graduated from Spartanburg High School where he lettered in track and field five years and football two years.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: October 13, 1985/Spartanburg, S.C.
Parents: Ronnie and Lula Lytle
Major: Accounting

Favorite sports team: Minnesota Vikings
What I want most out of life: To make a lasting impression
The best advice my parents ever gave me: To make my decision and have no regrets
The person I look up to the most: Glover Smiley, my high school track coach.

Top Time - 100m:10.99

Steve Mance

Distance
Jr./Jr. 5-10
Royal Oak, Mich.
(Bishop Foley)
Political Science
Honors College



OUTLOOK: Will run the 3,000m and 5,000m indoors and add the steeplechase during the outdoor season... Improved greatly as a sophomore and is expected to be a contender as a SEC scorer in 2005.

2004: Indoors, finished second in the 3,000m at the Carolina Big 12 meet... At the Kentucky Invitational in Lexington placed 19th in the mile run and 24th in the 3000m ... At the SEC invitational in Gainesville finished second in the 3000m with a time of 8:40.15 ... At the Gator Invitational placed seventh in the 5000m ... Outdoor, at the Weems Baskin Relays claimed first place in the 3000m steeplechase with a time of 9:34.10 ... Placed 16th in the 3000m steeplechase at the SEC Championships.

2003: Indoors, finished 10th in the mile run and 14th in the 3000m in USC debut at the George Mason Early Invitational ... Had season-best mile time of 4:27.14 at the SEC Four-Way Meet ... Outdoors, finished 10th in the 1500m run at the Weems Baskin Relays ... Placed fourth in the 3000m Steeplechase with a season best time of 10:11.01 at the SEC Quad Meet ... Finished fifth in the 3000m Steeplechase at the South Carolina State Championships.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Bishop Foley High School ... Lettered in cross country and track in 1999-2002 ... Named all-state in cross country in 2001 ... Named all-state in indoors in the 4x800m relay and the DMR in 2001 ... Named team's most valuable player in cross country (1999-2001) and in track (2000-02) ... Set the school record in the 3200m run (9:30.8).

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: April 24, 1984/Royal Oak, Mich.
Parents: Andrew and Susan Mance
Major: Political Science
What I enjoy doing in my free time: Playing hockey and running
Favorite book: Once a Runner
Career goal: To go into politics

Why I chose USC: Because of the warm weather, the excellent track program and the excellent academics within the Honors College

Top Times - Steeple: 9:33.10; 3000m 8:40.80.

Rodney Martin

Sprints
Sr./Sr. 5-9
Las Vegas, Nev.
(Western)
Criminal Justice



2005 Team Captain

OUTLOOK: Had an excellent fall and looking for him to step up to the next level ...Extremely hard worker who has set big goals...Competitive spirit will lead him to being a contender for All-American honors in the 100m, 200m and in the relays this season.

2004: Indoors, at the Carolina Big 12 meet ran the 60m dash and placed fourth with a time of 6.78 and ran the 200m in a first-place performance time of 21.55 ... At the Kentucky Invitational ran a time of 6.78 in the 60m dash to take fifth place and ran 21.11 in the 200m to claim second ... Placed second in the 55m dash with a time of 6.37 to finish in second place and ran 21.07 to win the 200m ... At the meet of Champions in New York ran 20.84 in the 200m for a third-place finish ... At the SEC Invitational, ran the 55m dash in a time of 6.35 for third place ... At the SEC Championships in Kentucky finished 15th in the 60m dash with a time of 6.92 and finished third in the 200m with a time of 20.85 ... At the NCAA last chance meet ran a time of 6.38 in the 55m dash ... Outdoors, at the Georgia Tech Invitational meet ran 20.90 in the 200m to take first ... At the SEC Championships in Oxford ran the 200m in a time of 20.84 to finish in third place.

JUCO: Transferred to South Carolina after attending a junior college ... Posted personal best indoor 200m time of 21.04 and outdoor time of 20.54 as a sophomore ... Was awarded team's MVP honor.

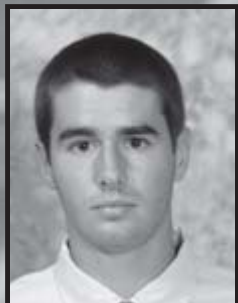
HIGH SCHOOL: Prepped at Western High in Las Vegas ... Lettered in football, wrestling and track ... Was high school team's MVP ... Earned Silver Scholar Award.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: Born December 22, 1982 in Las Vegas
Major: Criminal Justice
What I love most about USC: Everything

Top Time - 200m: 20.54

Daniel McKenzie



Pole Vault
 So./So. 5-11
 Salisbury, Md.
 (James M. Bennett)
 Chemical
 Engineering



OUTLOOK: Impressive walk-on last season...expected to be a contender for the Gamecocks' top spot this season, as well as a scorer at the SEC Championships.

2004: Outdoors, jumped 15' at the Weems Baskin Relays to finish in sixth place ... Finish sixth at the Georgia Tech Invitational with a height of 14'5.25" ... Placed third at the SC State Championships with a height of 15' ... Finished in 13th place at the Sea Ray Relays with a vault height of 14'7.25" ... Placed ninth in the vault at the Orange and Purple Classic with a season best of 15'5".

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in wrestling, indoor and outdoor track at James M. Bennett High in Salisbury, Md. ... Won Maryland state championship both indoors and outdoors in the pole vault ... Owns state indoor pole vault record ... Personal best vault was 13'0" as a senior ... Member of National Honor Society.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: August 16, 1985/Salisbury, Md.
Parents: Frank and Jo-Ann McKenzie
Major: Chemical Engineering
Hobbies: Playing the guitar and surfing

Top Marks - Pole Vault: 15'5"

Jacob Minskey



Throws
 So./So. 6-1
 Port Charlotte, Fla.
 (Port Charlotte)
 Chemistry/
 Anthropology



2005 Team Captain

OUTLOOK: Made great strides in 2004 with the hammer throw... Expected to be a factor in SEC scoring in the hammer and weight throws.

2004: Indoors, finished in fourth place at the Carolina Big 12 meet finished in the weight throw with a distance of 50'9.25" ... finished seventh at the SEC invitational in Gainesville in the weight with a throw of 50'1.25" ... Placed 15th at the Gator invitational with a weight throw of 51'4.25" ... At the Meet of Champions in New York finished tenth in the Weight throw ... Placed 10th at the SC Invitational in the weight ... Placed fourth at the Last Chance meet in Gainesville, Fla. ... Outdoors, placed fourth in the shot put at the SC State Championships with a throw of 41'1" and fifth in the hammer with a throw of 135'11" ... Set a personal best of 165'4" for fifth place in the hammer throw at Clemson's Orange and Purple Classic ... Finished sixth in the hammer at SEC Outdoor Championship with a throw of 154'5".

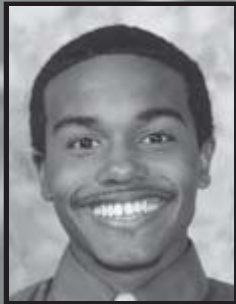
HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Port Charlotte High School... Lettered in football (2000-02), track (2000-02), weightlifting (2000-02) and wrestling (2001-02)... Named first team all-district in football his senior year (2002)... Member of National Honor Society.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: April 17, 1984/St. Petersburg, Fla.
Parents: Jimmy and Mary Geer Minskey
Major: Chemistry and Anthropology
Favorite athlete: Mike Alstot
The best advice my parents ever gave me: Relax and think
My most memorable moment: Getting engaged
The person I look up to the most: My mother
What I love most about USC: The area and people

*Top Marks - Shot Put: 45'0;
 Weight Throw: 51'4.25; Hammer: 165'4*

Derek Pressley



Jumps
Fr./Fr. 5-8
Easley, S.C.
[Wren]
Exercise Science



OUTLOOK: One of the top jumpers in the state of South Carolina...Expected to add depth in both the long jump and the triple jump and make an impact in the conference and nationally in the triple jump.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in football, basketball and track for the Wren Hurricanes...2004 State Champion and member of the All-State team...Member of the 2004 South Carolina State Champion Track and Field Team...Also lettered one year in basketball and football.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: July 31, 1986/Greenville, S.C.
Parents: Eddie and Beverly Pressley
Major: Exercise Science
Favorite actor: Denzel Washington
The best advice my parents ever gave me: Make the right decision and put God first
The person I look up to the most: My cousin, Gerald Pressley I've always wanted to group up to be just like him
I chose USC over: Winthrop and Clemson

Top Marks - Triple Jump: 48'9; Long Jump: 22'2

Jason Richardson



Sprints/Hurdles
Fr./Fr. 6-1
Cedar Hill, Texas
[Cedar Hill]
Sport and Entertainment Mgmt.



National Gatorade Athlete of the Year
Two-Time World Youth Champion

OUTLOOK: Ran the third-fastest time ever run by a high school athlete in the 400m hurdles...Expected to make a major contribution athletically and academically.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered four years in track and field at Cedar Hill High School in Cedar Hill, Texas.... Gatorade National Athlete of the Year... 2004 High School All-American... Named Great Southwest Top Performer...Captain of the Cedar Hill debate team ... Verizon Youth Athlete of the Year.

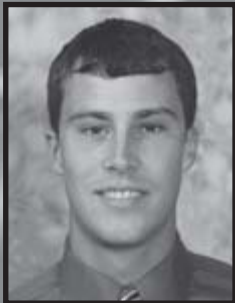
PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: April 4, 1986/Houston, Texas
Parents: Charles and Sandra Richardson
Major: Sports and Entertainment Management
Favorite athlete: Allen Johnson
My most memorable moment: adidas Outdoor Championships: greatest and worst race ever
The best advice my parents ever gave me: Balance life with what you need to do and what you have to do
Favorite food: Chicken wings
I chose USC over: Tennessee and Southern California

Top Times - 110m hurdles: 13.38;
400m hurdles: 49.79

Greg Royster

Multis/Pole Vault
Sr./Sr. 6-3
Columbia, S.C.
(Spring Valley)
Economics



2005 Team Captain

OUTLOOK: Double threat as both pole vaulter and decathlete...Has unique ability of being able to score at SECs and at nationals in both events...Expected to have a great season.

2004: Indoors, placed fourth in the pole vault at the Carolina Big 12 meet ... Finished third in the pole vault at the SEC Invitational in Lexington, Ky. ... Placed fourth in the pole vault at the Meet of Champions in New York, scored 5,197 points in the heptathlon ... Finished fifth in the Heptathlon at the SEC Championships with a score of 5,293 to provisionally qualify for the NCAA in the Heptathlon ... Finished fifth in the 400mH and fourth in the pole vault at the Weems Baskin Relays ... At the Florida Relays placed eighth in the pole vault ... At the SC State Championships was runner-up in the pole vault and seventh in the 110mH ... Placed sixth in the pole vault at Penn Relays.

2003: Indoors, placed ninth in both the pole vault and long jump at George Mason Early Invitational ... Finished ninth in the pentathlon at Virginia Tech Invitational ... Placed eighth in the pole vault at the SEC Four-Way Meet ... Was fifth in the pole vault and 10th in the long jump at UNC Invitational ... Recorded an eighth-place finish in the high jump and a ninth-place finish in the pole vault at the Meet of Champions ... Won pole vault competition and placed ninth in the shot put at the USC Invitational ... Finished in a tie for fourth-place in the pole vault with a mark of 16'8.75" at SEC Indoor Championships ... Placed fourth in the pole vault at Last Chance Meet in Chapel Hill, N.C. ... Outdoors, placed 18th in the 110m hurdles and 14th in the shot put at the Weems Baskin Relays ... At the Florida Relays, finished eighth in the decathlon ... Was the third-place finisher in the long jump at the SEC Quad Meet with a personal best jump of 23'3.25 ... Was the runner-up in the high jump at the South Carolina State Championships ... Finished third in the pole vault at the Sea Ray Relays ... Fifth place finisher in the pole vault at the Penn Relays ... Set a season and career best mark of 16'8.75" in the pole vault at the Orange & Purple Classic ... Also set a season best mark of 36'3.5 in the shot put at the Orange & Purple Classic ... At the SEC Championships, finished tied for sixth with teammate Jared Farabee in the pole vault with a mark of 16'4.75 ... Finished 16th in the pole vault at the NCAA East Regional.

2002: During indoor season, competed at the Reno Pole Vault Summit ... Placed 11th in the shot put at the USC Indoor

Invitational ... Competed in the pentathlon at the SEC Championships, finishing 15th with 3400 points ... Outdoors, at the South Carolina State Championships, finished second in the pole vault, fourth in the high jump and seventh in the javelin and long jump ... Placed fourth in the decathlon at the Florida Relays ... Finished fourth in the pole vault, hitting 15' 9", and fifth in javelin at the Weems Baskin Sprint Relays ... Finished ninth in the pole vault at the Sea Ray Relays ... Finished ninth in the decathlon at the SEC Championships with a PR of 6,519 points ... Competed in the USA Junior Nationals in Berkeley, Calif., and finished third in the decathlon with a score of 6,679, garnering Junior All-American honors.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Spring Valley High School in Columbia ... Lettered in football (1998-2001) and track (1998-2001) ... Named USATF Jr. Olympic All-American in the decathlon and pole vault in 2001 ... Set school record in pole vault (16'0) ... Named most valuable vertical jumper in 1999, 2000 and 2001 ... Was SC State AAAA Champ in pole vault in 1999 & 2001 ... Named to All-Region in 1998-2001 ... Named all-state in 1999-2001... Broke old South Carolina state record of 15'3 with a vault of 15'6 in 2001 state meet.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: January 7, 1983/Columbia, S.C.

Parents: James and Jane Royster

Major: Economics

Career highlight: Winning the state title and setting the state record in the pole vault

Favorite foods: Chicken, steak and pizza

Favorite athlete: Michael Jordan

Why I chose USC: Because of the great coaches, the good track program, the proximity to home, the excellent school of engineering and the great facilities

Top Marks - Decathlon: 6,673 pts.;
Pentathlon: 5197 pts; Long Jump: 23'3.25";
Pole Vault: 16'9"; Javelin: 160';
High Jump: 6'6"

Joseph Schroeder

Throws
R-Fr./R-Fr. 6-4
Simpsonville, S.C.
(Mauldin)
Business



OUTLOOK: Has made significant progress in the weight room and is making the move to the collegiate level... Expected to contribute at the SEC's in the javelin and discus.

2004: Redshirted.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in track and football and Mauldin High ... Was track team MVP for three consecutive seasons ... Posted personal best discus throw of 164'3" and shot put of 47'6" during senior season ... Best javelin throw came as a junior with a distance of 179'4'.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: July 3, 1984/Dayton, Ohio

Parents: Dan and Marcia Schroeder

Major: Business

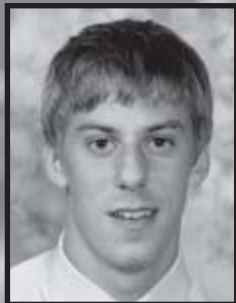
Favorite Athlete: Lance Armstrong

Favorite store: Best Buy

Why I choose USC: Because I have always has been a fan of Gamecock athletics

**Top Marks - Javelin: 179'4"; Discus: 164'3";
Shot Put: 47'6"**

Evan Slack



**Distance
So./So. 6-1
Lynchburg, Va.
(E.C. Glass)
Engineering**



OUTLOOK: Hard worker who will focus on the mile/1500m during the 2005 season... Could earn a spot on the 4x800m relay.

2004: Indoors, finished first in the mile at the USC invitational and fourth in the 800m ... Outdoors, was the runner up in the 1500 at the Weems Baskin Relays ... Placed 22nd in the 1500m at the Florida Relays ... At the Georgia Tech Invitational placed 27th in the 1500m ... At the SC state Championships placed eighth in the 800m and was runner-up 1500m.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered in cross country, track and swimming at E.C. Glass High ... Earned all-state 4x400 honors ... Placed third in the 1600m at indoor regionals ... Named team's outdoor track MVP and Athlete of the Year ... Set personal best mark in 800m with time of 1:59 as a senior ... Also had personal bests in the 1600m with a time of 4:29 and 3200m with a time of 10:05 during senior season.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of Birth/Location: May 22, 1985/Philadelphia, Pa.

Parents: Sean and Carol Slack

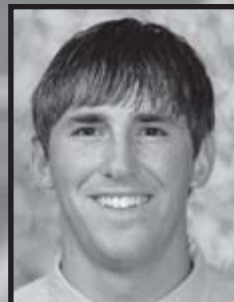
Major: Engineering

Person I admire the most: My father

Favorite athlete: NBA Star Dirk Nowitski

Top Times -1600m: 4.29; 800m: 1.59

Tyler Trout



**Throws
So./So. 6-5
Goose Creek, S.C.
(Stratford)
Graphic Design**



OUTLOOK: Traveled consistently and made big improvements to his discus and hammer... Has benefited from work in the weightroom... Should be ready to take on the SEC and the NCAA East Region in the discus and hammer throws.

2004: Indoors, placed 12th at the Carolina Big12 meet ... Finished in sixth at the USC invitational ... At the SEC indoor Championships placed 20th in the Weight ... Outdoors At the Weems Baskin Relays was the runner-up in the discus and finished third in the Hammer ... Georgia Tech Invitational placed 17th in the hammer and 12th in the Javelin ... At the SC state Championships finished 3rd in both the discus and hammer and placed 5th in the javelin ... At the Sea Ray Relays placed 16th in the hammer.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Stratford High School... Coached by Todd Griffin... Lettered in track and field all four years of high school (1999-02)... Named track and field most valuable player in 2002... Named all-state and all-region in 2002... Also named all-region in 2001.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: February 23, 1984/Fayetteville, N.C.

Parents: Bob and Beth Trout

Major: Graphic Design

Favorite video game: Tiger Woods Golf 2005

Fantasy dinner guests: Elisabeth Hurley

What I want most out of life: To never regret anything I do and be happy with whatever I do

If I could go back in time, I would: See a dinosaur

Five people I would include in my Hall of Fame: Jim Carey, Grandpa, Joey Timmerman, Daniel Leach and Shannon Elisabeth or Molly Sims

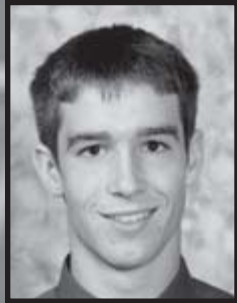
Favorite food: Queensland Chicken and Shrimp

What I love most about USC: The people and sports

**Top Marks - Discus 154'3", Hammer 160'10";
Weight: 46'6 1/4**

Daniel Williams

Distance
Fr./Fr. 6-2
Mechanicsville, Va.
(Atlee)
International
Business



McNair Scholar

OUTLOOK: Will be USC's 5,000m runner during the indoor and outdoor seasons.

HIGH SCHOOL: Attended Atlee High School where he lettered in cross country and indoor and outdoor track...2002 Most Valuable Runner in the Lynchburg Invite...Capital District Champion in the 1,600m in 2002 and 2003... Fourth in central region in the 3,200m in 2004 and third in region in the 4x800m relay in 2002-2003...member of outdoor 2002 Central Region Championship track team and indoor 2002 and 2003 Central Region Championship teams...High School class of 2004 valedictorian.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: December 18, 1985/Newport News, Va.
Parents: Todd and Amy Williams
Major: International Business
Hobbies: Playing Frisbee, golf, soccer, and listening to music
Favorite athlete: Eric Liddel
What I want most out of life: To know God and make him known
My most memorable moment: Going to Japan
The person I look up to the most: My older sister-an awesome woman
What I love most about USC: The school spirit

Top Times - 3,200m: 9:34; 1,600m: 4:26

David Zaycek

Throws
Fr./Fr. 6-1
Manasquan, N.J.
(Wall)
Sport and
Entertainment
Mgmt.



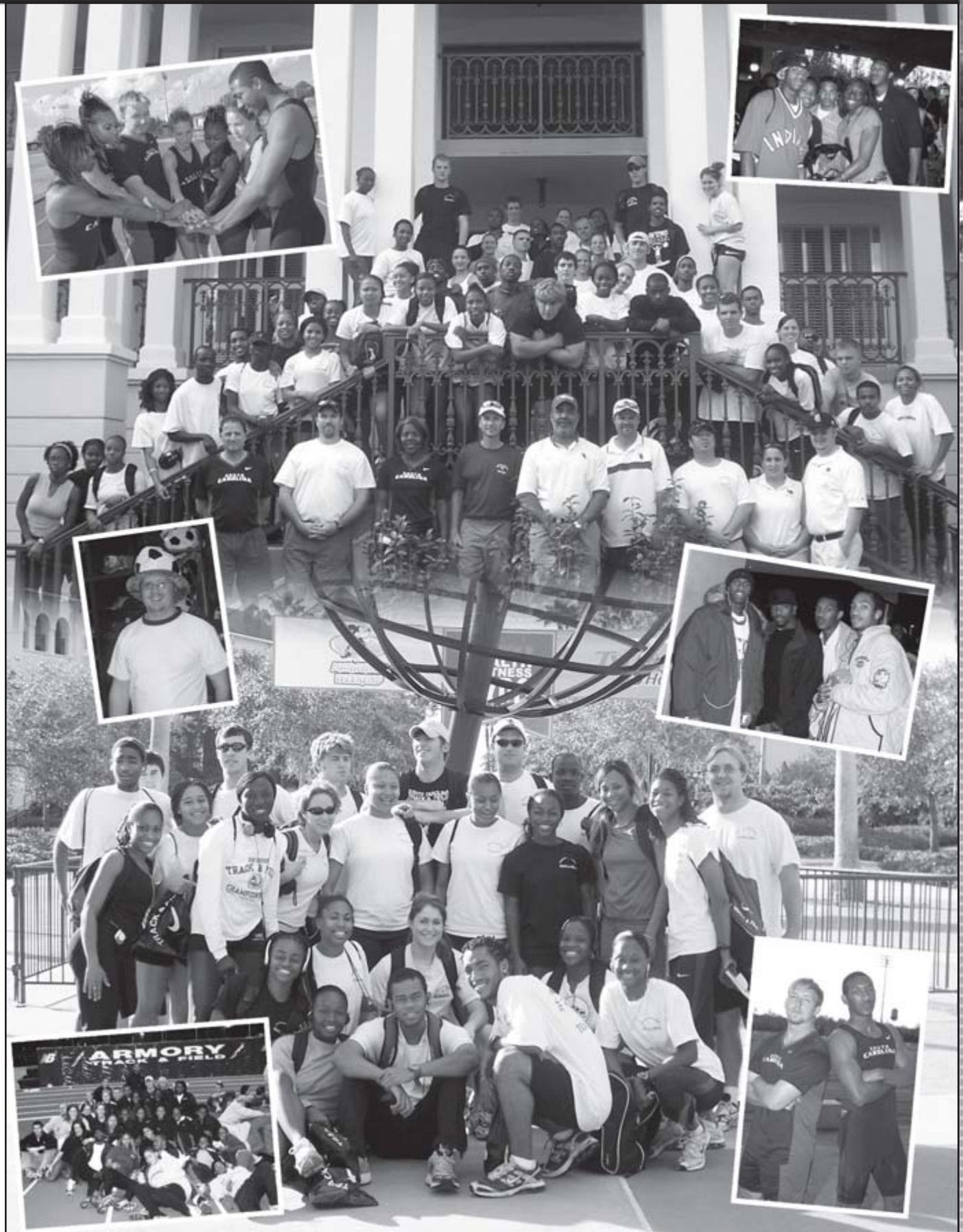
OUTLOOK: Champion from New Jersey...expected to make an impact as a freshman in the SEC and NCAA East Region Championships...Hard worker and very competitive.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lettered three times in football and six times in track and field... All-state, county and conference in track and field.

PERSONAL PROFILE:

Date of birth/Location: October 5, 1985/New Jersey
Parents: Wayne and Gail Zaycek
Major: Sport & Entertainment Management
Favorite athlete: Pat Tillman
If I could go back in time, I would: Be four years old again
My most memorable moment: Winning the state title in shot put
What I love most about USC: The weather, coaches and teachers

Top Marks - Discus: 171' ; Shot Put: 58'9



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