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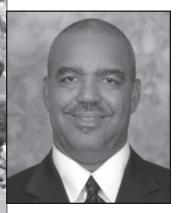






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Now in his eighth year as head cross country and track and field coach at South Carolina, Curtis Frye has established a program that is widely regarded as one of the nation's elite. In 2003, he guided his women's team to its eighth consecutive top-10 outdoor finish, a claim that can only be made by two other schools, while his men's team finished in the top-10 outdoors for the sec-

ond straight year. During the 2003 indoor season, the Carolina women placed second at the NCAA Championships, finishing in the top-five for the fourth consecutive season. The Gamecock men's team finished fourth, their highest finish since fourth-place in 1999. Additionally, Frye's women's team finished atop the United States Track Coaches Association's "Team Power Rankings" for the indoor season, the first "poll title" for USC.

Individually, Frye had three women win NCAA individual titles in 2003: Aleen Bailey in both the 100 and 200m outdoors and Lashinda Demus in the 400m indoor. A pair of USC athletes combined to collect three U.S. Junior Championships (Kenneth Ferguson 110m hurdles and 400m hurdles; Tawana Watkins 400m hurdles) and represented Team USA in the Junior Pan American Games.

Additionally, Bailey went on to earn SEC Outdoor Athlete of the Year while Ferguson was named the conference's Freshman of the Year.

Frye also coached athletes to international success in 2003 at the World Championships in Paris. Allen Johnson won an unprecedented fourth title in the 110m hurdles while USC alum Terrence Trammell placed second in the event. Former Gamecocks Lisa Barber and Demetria Washington helped Team USA claim the 4x400 relay crown.

Away from the track, Frye collected several honors in 2003. He gained prestigious selection as one of five honorary referees, wearing the "yellow hat" at the Penn Relays. Furthermore, he was bestowed with honorary life membership by the Carolina Alumni Association and was honored by the South Carolina Athletic Hall of Fame with a special achievement award in addition to being named to Team USA's 2004 Olympic track and field coaching staff.

Continuing to build a program on the national and international level, Frye saw years of hard work pay off in 2002. The women carried home the national championship trophy from the NCAA Outdoor Championships, South Carolina's first national championship in any sport. This finish made the USC women one of three programs, nationally, to finish in the top 10 for the past seven years. The women also carried home the championship trophy from the 2002 SEC Outdoor Championships.

In 2002, the men were in the top 10 indoors and outdoors, finishing sixth in both. That tied their best finish in school history. The two programs crowned three NCAA individual champions in Lashinda Demus (400m Hurdles, Outdoors) and Otukile Lekote (800m, Indoors and Out-

CURTIS FRYE - ONE OF THE USA'S BEST COACHES

- Named to USA's Olympic Track and Field staff for Athens 2004. Will serve as a USA Women's Assistant Coach for Sprints and Hurdles.
- Head Coach of an NCAA champion team (2002 Gamecock Women)
- Head Coach of two SEC Championship Teams (1999 Women's Outdoor, 2002 Women's Out door)
- 1999, 2002 USTCA Women's Outdoor National Coach of the Year
- 1999 USTCA Men's National Indoor Coach of the Year
- 1999, 2002 SEC Women's Coach of the Year
- In 2002 coached athletes who won 7 NCAA titles and 4 gold and one silver medal at the World Junior Championships. In addition had 2 named National Athletes of the Year and 1 named Men's National Scholar-Athlete of the Year
- 2001 Nike Coach of the Year
- 2001 Goodwill Games U. S. Men's Head Coach
- 2000 USTCA Women's Region Outdoor Coach of the Year
- 1999 Assistant Coach for the USA at the World Track and Field Championships
- 1997 USOC Track and Field Coach of the Year
- 1980 North Carolina High School Coach of the Year
- Founder of Speed Elite, formerly South Carolina Elite, a track and field club for serious athletes with the goal of making the 2000 Sydney Olympics and the 2004 Athens Olympics
- Assistant Coach of 18 ACC Championship Teams
- Coached 6 Olympic medalists
- Coached 17 Olympians
- Coached over 50 NCAA Champions
- Coached over 300 NCAA All-Americans
- Coached over 75 SEC Champions
- Coached over 75 ACC Champions

HEAD COACH CURTIS FRYE

doors); and also saw its women's 4x400m relay set the collegiate outdoor record with its national title victory. The women's 4x400m indoors relay team, the women's 4x100m outdoors relay team, and the men's 4x400m relay team also won national championships. The two teams combined to collect over 52 All-American honors and put 33 on the SEC Academic Honor Roll, as well.

Frye also earned 2002 National Coach of the Year and SEC Women's Outdoor Coach of the Year honors. In addition, Demetria Washington was named the National Indoor Female Athlete of the Year, while Track and Field News tabbed Lashinda Demus as its National Female Athlete of the Year. Otukile Lekote was named National Scholar Athlete of the Year.

For his efforts, Frye has been named Assistant Coach to the United States Olympic Track and Field Team for the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece. Frye was also named

the 1999 SEC Women's Outdoor Coach of the Year. Recognized as one of the top sprint coaches in the country, Frye was an assistant coach for the United States at the 1999 World Championships in Seville, Spain. Frye was named the women's regional Coach of the Year in 2000. This follows up his 1999 Men's Indoor National Coach of the Year and the 1999 Women's Outdoor National Coach of the Year.

Year after year, Frye has continued to lead the Game-cock men's and women's track and field programs to national prominence. For his efforts, he also was named the Outdoor U.S.T.C.A., Region Coach of the Year in 1998 and the 1997 USATF and USOC Track and Field Coach of the Year.

Frye entered the 2002 season with the best recruiting class the South Carolina women's track and field program has ever seen, including nine stars who made an immediate impact on the success of the team. This class was heralded by Track & Field News as the No.1 class in the coun-



Born: October 20, 1951 in Vass, North Carolina **High School Education:** Graduated from Union Pine in Cameron, NC in 1970

College Education: Bachelor of Science in Physical Education from East Carolina University in 1974 High School Athletics: Lettered in track, football and baseball

College Coaching Career: 1974-79, assistant coach, East Carolina University; 1984-88, assistant coach, N.C. State; 1988-92, assistant coach, University of Florida; 1992-96, assistant coach, University of North Carolina; 1996-present, head coach, University of South Carolina.

High School Coaching Career: 1979-84, Douglas Byrd High School

Wife: Wilma

Children: Daughters Crystal and Curtrell; Son Curtis II



The Frye Family (I to r): Crystal, Coach Frye, C.J. wife Wilma and Curtrell

try. Aleen Bailey, Khalilah Carpenter, Lashinda Demus, Keri Groover, Jenny Lake, Shevon Stoddart, Alexis Joyce, Tiffany Ross and Erica Whipple made up the highly-anticipated recruiting class.

Athletes from Coach Frye's founding organization, Speed Elite, won or placed in the top eight at the 2002 USATF Indoor and Outdoor Championships. Leading the way was Allen Johnson who won both indoor and outdoor hurdles. Other Speed Elite finishes consisted of Terrence Trammell, won 60m dash, second in 110mH outdoors and the 60m hurdles indoors; Melissa Morrison, won 60 mH indoors, sixth in 100mH outdoors; Monique Hennagan, 400m champion; Pap Howard, sixth in 200m; Dawn Ellerbe, second in weight throw indoors and second in hammer outdoors.

Already recognized as one of the nation's top coaches, Frye and the elite athletes he coached in 2001 had an extraordinary year, which earned Frye the prestigious 2001 Nike Coach of the Year Award. Allen Johnson won his third World Championship gold medal in the 110m hurdles, his fourth U. S. Outdoor crown in this event, as Frye sent a total of 11 athletes to the 2001 World Championships.

Adding more coaching honors to his distinguished list, Coach Frye was the men's coach for the United States at the 2001 Goodwill Games. He coached Johnson and Terrence Trammell to Championships in their respective events. Johnson won the 110m hurdles, while Trammell won the 60m hurdles at the World Indoor Championships.

The 2000 season was another stellar year for Frye as the women's indoor team finished the season with an unprecedented second place finish at the NCAA Championships. The outdoor women's team successfully finished second at the SEC meet and also went on to finish sixth at the NCAA Championships.

The men's outdoor team finished the season with an 11th place showing at the NCAA Championships. Indoors, the men behind Terrence Trammell's 20 points, finished eighth. The Gamecock men and the Arkansas Razorbacks are the

only two teams nationally to finish in the top 10 four straight years at the NCAA Indoor Championships.

To conclude the 2000 season, USC standouts Terrence Trammell and Miki Barber were both named National Outdoor Track and Field Athlete of Year for 2000. For his efforts, Frye was named the women's regional coach of the year.

But, Frye wasn't done yet as he accompanied 12 current or former USC athletes and coaches to the Sydney Olympics. His athletes brought home four medals: a gold to volunteer coach Monique Hennagan (USA 4x400m relay); a silver for alum Charmaine Howell (Jamaica 4x400m relay); a silver for Terrence Trammell (USA 110m hurdles) and a bronze for volunteer coach Melissa Morrison (USA 100m hurdles).

In 1999, Frye took the Gamecocks to unprecedented success as the women won the SEC Outdoor Championship. The women were a school-best third at the SEC Indoor Championship. After finishing fourth indoors, the women were seventh at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

The men finished in the top-six both indoors and out-doors. Bringing home a trophy for its fourth place finish at the NCAA Indoor Championships, the men finished sixth outdoors. The men finished a school-best second at the SEC Indoor Championships and were sixth outdoors.

The two programs combined to set 35 school records. The Gamecocks won three individual NCAA titles, an NCAA relay title, 14 SEC titles and crowned 29 All-Americans.

USC also featured two Academic All-Americans in Keith Hall and Michelle Fournier. Hall, who went on to Emory Medical School, was a finalist for the SEC's Boyd McWhorter Scholar Athlete, winning a \$5000 postgraduate scholarship. Fournier was granted an NCAA Postgraduate scholarship.

For the efforts of Frye and his staff in 1999, Frye was named the Men's Indoor National Coach of the Year and the Women's Outdoor National Coach of the Year. Frye was also named the SEC Women's Outdoor Coach of the Year. It is the first time in the history of the U.S.T.C.A. a



coach has won the award indoors (men) and outdoors (women).

"We have outstanding support from Athletics Director Mike McGee, all the way down the line," said Frye. "Our track and field staff includes an academic counselor, a number of highly qualified trainers, a massage therapist, a sports psychologist and a public relations specialist. We have collected a number of titles and awards due to hard work throughout the entire university."

Recognized as one of the top sprint coaches in the country, Frye was an assistant coach for the United States at the 1999 World Track and Field Championships in Seville, Spain. In Spain, Frye assisted in coaching the sprinters and hurdlers. But, equally as impressive was that Frye assisted U.S. race walker Curt Clausen (NYAC) to a fourth place finish at the World Championships, the highest finish since 1972 for a U.S. race walker.

In 1998, his second year at Carolina, Frye led the Gamecock men's and women's track and field programs to national prominence. Indoors, the Gamecock men were seventh and the women finished 11th at the NCAA Championships. Outdoors, the two teams flipped places as the women finished seventh and the men 11th at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. For his efforts he was named the Outdoor U.S.T.C.A. Region Coach of the Year in 1998. Individually, Carolina won four NCAA titles, 13 SEC titles and garnered 23 All-American honors indoors and outdoors.

In his first season at Carolina, 1997, Frye hit the ground running and the fruits of his labors paid off as the women's track and field team finished fourth at the NCAA Indoor Championships and fifth Outdoors. The men also had an impressive track and field season, finishing seventh indoors, with a team that had no seniors. Frye was named both the 1997 USATF and USOC Track and Field Coach of the Year.

Frye, who has coached or overseen over 50 NCAA National Champion student-athletes and over 300 NCAA All-Americans, was hired on July 29, 1996 — the same day his pupil Allen Johnson won the gold medal in the 110m hurdles at the 1996 Summer Olympics — setting the Olympic record.

In a new event in 1998, Johnson was the runner-up in the 200m at the USATF Championships and the runner-up in the 4x100m relay World Cup. Johnson continued his hot streak in 1997, as he won the World Championships again. Johnson was the only male athlete to win two gold medals at the World Championships in Greece as he ran a leg of the gold medal winning 4x400 m relay and won the 110 m hurdles.

Johnson was rewarded for his efforts in December 1997 when he won the Jesse Owens Award. Frye coached both the men's 110m hurdles and the women's 100m hurdles USATF National champions, as Melissa Morrison won her first title. In 1998, Morrison improved her world ranking to No. 3 and obtained a personal best of 12.53 in the 100m hurdles under the third year of Frye's tutelage.

In addition to his work with Morrison and Johnson, Frye has also overseen the development of a new training club in South Carolina, Speed Elite. The club, founded in 1996, was formerly known as South Carolina Elite. Speed Elite includes a number of outstanding former collegiate athletes

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who are NCAA, SEC, ACC, Southwest Conference, US and World Champions. Since its inception in 1996, the group has crowned eight US champions, two World Champions, a World Championship bronze medalist and saw an American record fall in the women's 4x400m relay indoors. The club shows Frye's commitment to furthering the athletes' career after their college eligibility is finished.

"Having Speed Elite and the kind of athletes that are training here provides us an opportunity for our athletes to see what can happen through hard work and dreams. I look for a number of these athletes to make an impact on their countries' Olympic movements in the years ahead," said Frye. "Sometimes we have to do things for the sport outside of what we do for our own university teams. This is my commitment to giving back to a sport that has given so much to me."

Frye, a master recruiter, again saw the fruits of his labor pay off in 1998 as he signed some of the nation's top talent. That year Track and Field News ranked USC's women's class No. 3 in the nation. This class included Char Foster, Tacita Bass and SEC champions Demetria Washington, Ellakisha Williamson, Miki and Me'Lisa Barber. That class, which broke 14 school records, propelled USC to the SEC Outdoor title and its fourth top 10 finish in a row at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

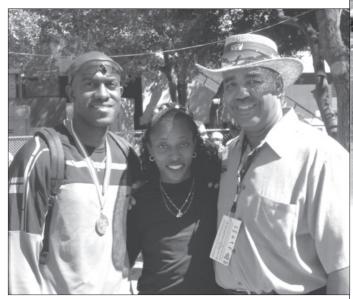
Frye came to the Gamecocks after four years as the Assistant Head Coach at the University of North Carolina, where he headed up the sprints, hurdles and relays. At the 1996 NCAA Outdoor Championships, he helped coach UNC's men to fourth place and the women's team to fifth place — its highest finishes ever. He also saw the men capture the NCAA 4x100m relay title. During Frye's tenure at UNC, he was part of 13 Atlantic Coast Conference championship teams and helped coach 21 NCAA Indoor qualifiers and 24 Outdoor qualifiers in 1996 alone.

Prior to his stint at UNC, Frye coached at the University of Florida from 1988-1992. While with the Gator program, he coached three NCAA individual and one relay champion as the Gators claimed 29 All-America honors. One of Frye's top proteges at Florida, Dennis Mitchell, won the 100m at the U.S. Trials in 1992 and went on to earn a bronze medal at the Summer Olympics. Mitchell, a captain of the 1996 Olympic team, was a member of the 4x100m relay team that won the silver medal for the USA in 1996. In addition to Mitchell, Frye helped coach Earl Diamond, the 1989 NCAA 55m hurdles champion, and Tyrone Kemp, the collegiate record holder in the 400m.

Prior to coaching at UF, he served four years as an assistant coach at N.C. State. While in Raleigh, the Wolfpack won four ACC titles and the 4 x 100m relay won the 1985 national title. Frye helped lead the Pack to 27 All-America honors, four individual NCAA runner-up finishes and 37 conference champions.

While coaching at Florida and N.C. State, he also served as a coach on the Junior National Team in 1989. He was the Director of the Junior Olympic Nationals in 1988 and was a member of the Olympic Sports Festival coaching staff in 1991.

A native of Vass, N.C., Frye graduated from East Carolina in 1974 with a degree in physical education. Follow-



Coach Frye (right) visits with USA Champions Allen Johnson, his own pupil, and Gail Devers.

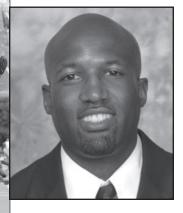
ing graduation, he served as an assistant track coach at ECU and also was head coach of the men's soccer team. Frye was also the director of facilities while at ECU. In 1978, he became the head track coach at Douglas Byrd High School in Fayetteville, NC. He coached at Byrd for six years, also assisting with football and basketball where he coached former Carolina football star Brad Edwards and former Clemson star Donnell Woolford. In 1980, he was named the North Carolina State High School Coach of the Year.

Remarkably, Frye, his wife Wilma, daughter Curtrell and son Curtis II, all were born on October 20. The date is also Frye and his wife's wedding anniversary. Their daughter, Crystal, was born on December 26. All three children graduated with honors from Irmo High School and continue to enjoy outstanding careers. Crystal qualified for the ECAC for the first time in her career, throwing a personal best 45' in the shot put. She was a top scorer in the Colonial Conference. She attended Frye's alma mater East Carolina University where she improved to 47' 11 in 2001.

In 1999, Curtrell repeated as the 400m hurdles, triple jump and 100m hurdles state champion and was the runner-up in the long jump. She led her team to two state titles in her three years at Irmo High School. She is currently competing at the University of Virginia as a heptathlete where she scored 16 points at last year's ACC meet. She was rated one of the top female athletes of the 1990's.

The two-time heavyweight state wrestling champion, CJ had a career record in high school of 120-12. He also won two state discus titles. An all-state defensive tackle, Frye played in the 1998 Shrine Bowl. He wore No. 58 for the Gamecock football team and was a four-year letterwinner. CJ was a member of the football squad that defeated Ohio State in both the 2001 and 2002 Outback Bowls in Tampa, Fla.

Currently, CJ is a graduate assistant coach for the Game-cocks serving on Lou Holtz's staff after earning a master's degree in mathematics at South Carolina State. Crystal and Curtrell are in Sherman Chiropractic School in Spartanburg, S.C.



Kevin Brown enters his fourth season with the Gamecock track program this year. His primary responsibility is developing the pole vaulters and assisting with the sprinters and jumpers. Another primary responsibility is working as the track and field recruiting coordinator. Brown aided in USC signing the nation's No. 1 recruiting

class, as judged by Track and Field News, in 2001. Brown joined the Gamecock squad after two years as assistant coach at the University of Akron.

Brown was named to the Team USA coaching staff for the 2003 Junior Pan American Games and served as an assistant coach during the competition in Barbados. In December 2002, he was voted to the Team USA staff by the USATF Coaches Championship Selection Committee, a group that selects national coaching staffs for International competition including the Pan American Games and Goodwill Games. Brown became the second USC assistant coach to serve as a part of a Team USA staff.

Under Brown's tutelage, pole vaulter Chris Steddum earned three first-place finishes during the 2003 outdoor season, including a meet record 17'0.75" to win the Orange and Purple Classic at Clemson, a vault that earned him SEC Athlete of the Week honors. Steddum finished second at the SEC Indoor Championships. In 2002, Steddum finished fourth at the NCAA Outdoor Championships in 2002 and was named All-American. He also finished fourth at the SEC Indoor Championships, second

at the SEC Outdoor Championships and eighth in the NCAA Indoor Championships in the pole vault, garnering All-American honors.

In 2001, Brown coached Jared Farabee and Steddum to a one-two finish at the SEC Outdoor Championships. Steddum also qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships and set a school record with a height of 17' 8. Farabee posted a first place finish in the pole vault at the Penn Relays.

Brown joined the Gamecock squad after two years as assistant coach at the University of Akron. While at Akron, Brown assisted with the sprints on the track and field team and specialized as the team's field events and jumps coach.

A pole vault All-American in 1994, Brown placed fourth for the University of North Carolina at the NCAA meet, clearing 18 feet, 1/2 inch. Brown was the only college vaulter in the state of North Carolina to clear 18 feet in 1994. He was an Atlantic Coast Conference scorer in five different events including the pole vault, long jump, triple jump, 4 x 400, and the 4 x 100. He joins UNC former roommate and Olympic gold medalist Allen Johnson at South Carolina.

A native of Richmond, Va., Brown attended Henrico High School where he was the 1989 Virginia state high school champion in the pole vault. Brown also was a Junior Olympic Regional Champion while he lettered in football, wrestling and track and field.

A 2000 and 1996 Olympic Trials qualifier, his personal best in the pole vault is 18-6.

Brown graduated from North Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Recreational Administration. He and his wife Ebonic have three children, Dymonic, Daija and Dorien, and reside in Columbia.



The Brown Family (I to r): Back Row: Coach Brown, Dymonic and wife Ebonic. Front Row: Daija and Dorien.

The Kevin Brown File

Born: August 15, 1971 in Richmond, Va.

High School Education: Henrico HS in Richmond, Va. **College Education:** Bachelor of Arts in Recreation

Administration, North Carolina

High School Athletics: Lettered four years in football and track and three years in wrestling; Junior Olympic Regional Champion, State Champ Pole Vault in both Indoors and Outdoors

College Track: Two-time All-American; Eight-time All-ACC in the Pole Vault; Team captain for two years; All-Conference in the Long Jump; Triple Jump; 4x100 relay; 4x400 relay

Coaching Career: Assistant Coach, North Carolina, 1995; Assistant Coach, Akron University, 1998-2000; Assistant Coach, South Carolina, 2000-Present

Wife: Ebonic (Nikki)

Children: Dymonic, Daija, Dorien

ASSISTANT COACH DELETHEA QUARLES



Delethea Quarles is in her seventh year with the USC program and her 15th year as a collegiate coach. Her primary responsibilities include coaching the multi-event performers and the jumps. Quarles also oversees eligibility and is the academic liaison.

During the 2003 season, Quarles coached Chelsea Hammond and Tony Allmond to All-American long jump honors at the NCAA Outdoor Championships while pupils Antoinette Wilks (heptathlon and long jump) and Fred Townsend (decathlon), also

qualified for nationals. Townsend earned All-American honors while Allmond set a school record during the NCAA competition and Wilks posted a school record and top national mark earlier in the season. The duo also earned All-American status at the NCAA Indoor Championships.

In addition to her Gamecock responsibilities, Quarles was the USA Heptathlon coach for the USA vs. Dutch National Championship meet held in the Netherlands in July, 2002.

Under Quarles' coaching in 2002, Wilks, the SEC MVP, finished sixth in the long jump and 13th in the triple jump at the NCAA Championships while earning All-American status. In 2001, Wilks led the SEC with a jump of 21'8. During the 2000 season Wilks placed third in the long jump at the USA Indoor Nationals and competed at the U.S. Olympic Trials. She also competed at the Indoor and Outdoor NCAA Championships. Wilks also placed second in the long jump at the 2002 SEC Outdoor Championships.

At the 2002 NCAA Outdoor Championships, Tacita Bass finished third in the heptathlon to earn All-American honors. Bass also won the heptathlon at the SEC Outdoor Championships. Also in 2002, Fred Townsend finished third in the decathlon at the SEC Outdoor Championships.

In 2001, Bass was Texas Relays heptathlon champion, just missing the school record and qualified for the NCAA Championships with a score of 5632. Bass, an All-American, also qualified for nationals in the 4X400 relay, 400 hurdles and the heptathlon.

Quarles guided Wilks in 2001 to a national leading jump of 21'8. During the 2000 season Wilks placed third in the long jump at the USA Indoor Nationals as a freshman and competed at the U.S. Olympic Trials. She also competed at the Indoor and Outdoor NCAA Championships.

In 2000, Bass competed in the heptathlon, as well as earned All-American honors in the 4x400m relay at the NCAA Championships. All-American Rodena Barr recorded a personal record of 44-2 in the triple jump, and competed at the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Championships.

As a freshman Wilks, who finished third at the SEC Indoor Championships in the long jump, qualified both indoor and outdoors in the same event for the NCAAs. Bass, then a sophomore, qualified for the NCAA Championships in the heptathlon.

At the 1999 SEC Outdoor Championships, heptathlete Erin Narzinski won her second title in three years and got USC off on the right foot en route to winning the SEC Women's title. Bass, competing in her first collegiate heptathlon, was the runner-up at the Penn Relays, scoring a lifetime best 5,192 points. She later ran a leg of the NCAA qualifying 4x400m relay. On the men's side at the SEC Championships, CJ Anderson finished fifth in the decathlon. In the classroom six student-athletes were on the Dean's List in 1998-99 and three on the SEC Academic Honor Roll.

In 1998 she saw Narzinski shatter the school record in the heptathlon with 5,664 points, finishing second at the SEC Championships, fifth at the NCAA Championships and eighth at the USATF Championships. Indoors, Narzinski qualified for the NCAA Championships with a school record leap of 20' 10 and had a personal best in the shot put. Other All-SEC athletes included CJ Anderson and Rodena Barr. Highlights for Anderson included qualifying for the finals of the 55m hurdles finals at the SEC

Championships, and outdoors he received USATF Junior All-American honors in the decathlon. Barr's personal bests included a school record in the indoor triple jump (40' 2) and a sixth place finish at the SEC Outdoor Championships at 44' 3.

Prior to coming to South Carolina, Quarles served as an assistant coach at Liberty for eight years. While at Liberty, Quarles saw the men's and women's teams win the Big South Conference titles from 1994-97. The men were the runner-up in 1994 and '95 in the IC4A Champion-ship, which includes over 100 schools. In 1996, the men won the IC4As, beating seven-time champion George Mason University.

Quarles' male athletes hold 14 of the 21 Big South records, while the women hold nine of the 19 Big South records. The women had 12 IC4A qualifiers at the most recent championship.

Quarles, is a native of Clifton-Forge, Va., and was raised in Covington, VA. Quarles is a 1989 graduate of Liberty University. She holds a bachelor's degree in Psychology.

As a student-athlete at Liberty, Quarles was a three-time All-American. Quarles won the 1989 Penn Relays title in the 100 hurdles. She was also the 1989 Penn Relays runner-up in the heptathlon. Her teams won six Conference titles from 1986-88. Coached by Brant Tolsma, she was ranked nationally in the heptathlon and still holds several school records at Liberty.

Quarles graduated from Allegheny High School in 1984. She lettered in basketball and track and field four years. She also lettered in the band four times, playing the trumpet. She was the first female athlete to score over 1,000 points on the basketball team and was the team captain twice. She was named to the Who Who's Among American High School Students, as well. She was voted the school's most valuable athlete twice in track and field and three times in basketball.

Quarles enjoys giving back to the youth and community. A lover of the outdoors, she enjoys the mountains and water-skiing. Her greatest athletic thrill was winning the Penn Relays and her favorite food is seafood. She is the daughter of Rudolph and Dianne Quarles and has three sisters and a brother.



The Delethea Quarles File

Born: February 2, 1966 in Clifton-Forge, Va. High School Education: Allegheny HS, 1984 College Education: Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology, Liberty, 1989

High School Athletics: Four-year letterwinner in track, band and basketball; Four-year state qualifier in track; first female in school history to score over 1,000 points in basketball

College Track: Three-year letterwinner at Liberty; Threetime All-American; Penn Relays champ in 1989; Team won six conference titles

Coaching Career: Assistant Coach, Liberty University, 1989-97; Assistant Coach, South Carolina, 1997-Present



As head cross country coach, Stan Rosenthal enters his third year at Carolina, looking to continue build upon the success he began in 2001.

During the 2003 season, Rosenthal guided Otukile Lekote to three All-American honors and a top-five ranking throughout the outdoor season. In cross country, Rosenthal coached Jenny Lake to an All-SEC and NCAA All-Region performance during the 2003 sea-

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Coach Rosenthal led the cross country team to a seventh-place finish at the 2001 SEC Championships and took the team to compete at the NCAA Southeast Regional. Rosenthal was also instrumental in working with the distance runners during track and field season as South Carolina's women finished fourth at the NCAA Indoor Championships and won the SEC Outdoor and NCAA Outdoor Championships, giving the Gamecocks their first national title in any sport. He saw his own pupil, Lekote, win two NCAA titles (800m indoors and outdoors) and run the second leg of USC's NCAA champion 4x400m relay.

Prior to coming to USC, Rosenthal was the head women's and men's cross country and track and field coach at UNC Asheville. During his seven year tenure, the women won four Big South Conference Cross Country Championships. In the three years the women did not win, they finished as the runners-up. The men's cross country teams were Big South Conference runners-up in three of Rosenthal's last four years. The men's team also claimed three third place finishes.

Coach Rosenthal's runners have achieved success from the conference level to the world championship level. Two of his freshmen runners earned spots on the USA Junior team and competed in the IAAF World Cross Country Championships, where

they placed 40th and 43rd. Two other runners competed in the USA Olympic Trials. Several of his runners have qualified for the NCAA Track and Field Championships, while numerous runners won individual conference championships. During his seven years as a high school coach in Virginia, two runners qualified for the Kinney/Foot Locker National Cross Country Championships.

Rosenthal has served on several USA International coaching staffs. He coached on three USA staffs for the IAAF World Cross Country Championships, most recently in 1994. He also was a coach at the USA Olympic Festival. In 2001, he was appointed to the NCAA Track and Field Committee. As a member of the Executive Committee for the Women's Cross Country Coaches Association, Rosenthal also serves as the Southeast Region Representative. He holds the USA Track and Field Level I and II certification for the endurance events.

Academic success is very important to Rosenthal. His athletes have achieved individually and as a team. Two of the women's cross country teams coached by Rosenthal were ranked in the NCAA Division I Top 20, posting a 3.46 GPA. Seven athletes were selected as Conference Scholar-Athletes of the Year. During his coaching career, almost 90% of the athletes he has recruited and coached have graduated. Many went on to earn their graduate level degrees. The three most recent pre-med graduates are in medical schools, one at North Carolina, one at East Carolina, and one at Virginia Tech.

In addition to his coaching stint at UNC-Asheville, Rosenthal coached at Long Beach State, Georgia, South Alabama and was a graduate assistant coach at Tennessee. He also coached at Albemarle High School in Charlottesville, Va., and Spotsylvania, Va., where he started his coaching career in 1976. Coach Rosenthal earned his master's degree in Education from the University of Tennessee in 1983. His undergraduate degree came from Indiana University of Pennsylvania in 1975, where he majored in History and Elementary Education. While at IUP, he was a four-year varsity letter winner. In 1973 he competed in the six-mile at Nationals. He was a member of two national qualifying cross country teams for IUP, in 1970 and 1972.



The Rosenthal Family: Coach Rosenthal and Gayle.

The Stan Rosenthal File

Born: Feb. 21, 1952 in Philadelphia, Pa.

High School Education: Pennsbury HS, Levittown, Pa.

College Education: Bachelor of Arts in History and

Elementary Education, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 1975; Master's in Education, University of Tennessee, 1983

High School Athletics: Lettered in track and cross country for two years

College Track: Four-year letterwinner; Competed in sixmile race at Nationals in 1973; Member of the two-time qualifying cross country team in 1970 and 1972

Coaching Career: Graduate Assistant, Tennessee, 1982-83; Head men's and women's track & field and cross country coach, South Alabama, 1984-87; Assistant Coach for cross country and track & field, Georgia, 1988-89; Cross Country coach, assistant track & field, Long Beach State, 1990-91; Head cross country and track & field coach, UNC Asheville, 1993-2000; Assistant Coach, South Carolina, 2001-Present

Wife: Gayle

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ASSISTANT COACH MIKE SERGENT



Mike Sergent enters his seventh year as USC assistant coach with the Gamecock track program. His primary responsibilities are coaching the throwers and coordinating the strength and conditioning program. With four Olympians, five NCAA Champions, 18 All-Americans and 11 SEC Champions, Sergent ranks among the best throw coaches in the nation.

2003 was another great year as Sergent helped guide Nicole Kendrick to a second-place shot put finish at the SEC Indoor Championships and a berth in the NCAA Indoor Championships. During the outdoor season, Adam Bishop (shot put), Tony Antonio (hammer and discus), Scott Alsup (javelin), India Odum (shot put and

discus) and Keri Groover (discus) all were NCAA qualifiers. Former Gamecock Dawn Ellerbe reached the World Championships in Paris under Sergent's tutelage.

Additionally, Sergent is regarded as one of the nation's best at developing strength room programs to increase speed for sprinters. His programs at USC include summer training and have helped increase the strength and speed development of such athletes as Allen Johnson, Melissa Morrison, Demetria Washington, Lisa Barber and Aleen Bailey.

Únder Sergent's leadership in 2002, India Odum placed third at the SEC Championships in the shot put and Mamee Groves was 19th in the weight throw nationally. Freshman Keri Groover threw a personal best at the SEC Championships to place her fifth and move her to No. 3 on the all-time list at Carolina. On the professional level, Sergent continued working with Dawn Ellerbe. She was the USATF National runner-up in both the weight and hammer throws. She finished her year ranked 12th in the world in the hammer and also ranked eighth nationally in the discus throw.

In 2001, Sergent's throwing corp was led by captain Lynette Keppler. The graduating senior capped her career with the SEC Champion title in the shot put and also was an NCAA qualifier. Alana Robinson, Mamee Groves and India Odum were all NCAA qualifiers and contributed heavily at the SEC level in the discus, weight throw and shot put, respectively. Robinson was SEC runner-up in the discus, Groves missed the 60-foot club in the weight by a quarter of an inch and Odum put the shot over 50 feet and was named the team's Rookie of the Year. On the men's side, Adam Bishop was an SEC scorer in the shot put at both the indoor and outdoor Championships.

At the elite level, Sergent worked with former Gamecocks Bert Sorin and Dawn Ellerbe, who returned to Columbia after three years as an assistant coach at the University of Wyoming. Sorin improved to 227-2 in the hammer and eighth place at the USA Championships. Ellerbe continued her world domination in the weight throw during the indoor season and repeated as the USA National Champion in both the weight and hammer throws. At the Penn Relays, Ellerbe set a new American record in the hammer throw at 231-8. She competed at the World Championships, Goodwill Games and was a Grand Prix finalist. She completed her year ranked eighth in the world

In 2000, he saw three former USC athletes make Olympic teams. Michelle Fournier set the Canadian hammer record in making Canada's team; Lisa Misipeka threw the hammer for American Samoa in her second Olympics and Brad Snyder threw the shot put for Canada, also for the second straight Olympics. At the SEC Championships, Sergent's pupil Mamee Groves finished third in the 20lb. weight, Alana Robinson finished third in the discus for the second straight year and Candy Mitchell was the runner-up in the SEC javelin event. In the classroom Loren Thouvenot was awarded the 2000 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship.

During the 1999 season, Sergent continued to lead the Gamecock throwers to national and international prominence. All told, the program collected four SEC titles, an NCAA title and seven All-American honors. Brad Snyder won the NCAA indoor shot put title and finished as the runner-up outdoors. Snyder won his fifth Canadian National shot put title and finished third in the discus. Michelle Fournier, an Academic All-American and NCAA hammer runner-up, was awarded an NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship and was the runner-up at the Canadian Nationals.

Former 11-time All-American Lisa Misipeka added a bronze medal at the 1999 World Championships — the school's first in a major international meet. Other highlights included Ryan Harrison breaking the American collegiate and school records in the weight (73' 6), and Bert Sorin shattering the SEC record to win the weight at 72' 1, breaking four school records.

In 1998, his first year at the helm of the throwing program, Sergent's throwers completed a remarkable season. The USC throwers tallied up four NCAA titles, seven SEC titles, two SEC runner-ups and 10 All-American honors. The group also posted one NCAA record, two SEC records, two Canadian National records and four school records.

Brad Snyder and Lisa Misipeka led the way, each winning two NCAA titles. Snyder and Misipeka both finished their seasons undefeated and ranked among the top 10 in the world in the shot put and hammer throw, respectively. Snyder was only

the sixth shot putter in NCAA history to win both the indoor and outdoor title in one year, while Misipeka capped off a career with a school-record 11 All-American honors.

Seven-time All-American Crystal Brownlee wrapped up an outstanding career at USC, winning the last five of six SEC shot put titles.

Prior to coaching at Carolina, Sergent served as an assistant coach at Virginia Tech for five years. Tech became a dominant throws power in the

Metro and Atlantic 10 Conferences. During his five years at Virginia Tech, Sergent coached five NCAA qualifiers, one ECAC Champion, 12 conference champions (seven Metro, five Atlantic 10) and seven school record holders. He assisted in one Metro Conference and four Atlantic 10 Conference Championship teams from 1993 to 1997.

Sergent is a USATF Level I and Level II certified coach in the throwing events and is working on his Level III certification.

A native of Alexandria, Va., Sergent is a 1992 graduate of Virginia Tech. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Exercise Physiology and also has a master's degree from Virginia Tech in Sports Management.

As a student-athlete at Tech, Sergent was a 1992 All-American and U.S. Olympic Trials qualifier in the hammer. He set several school records in the weight events during his career as a Hokie, including the hammer throw (64.04m, 210'1) and 35 lb. weight throw (19.25m, 63' 2). An all-conference selection in the shot, discus and hammer during each of his four years as a Hokie, Sergent won Metro Conference championships in the hammer and discus.

in 1990, Sergent was ranked by the USATF among the top 15 nationally in the weight throw. He was also ranked in the hammer throw by Track and Field News three consecutive years.

Sergent graduated from Brentsville District High School in 1987 in Nokesville, Va. The two-time high school state discus champion also won the state title in the shot put. He was named to the Who Who's Among American High School Students.

Sergent married the former Karen McLaughlin on November 3, 2001 in Columbia. Sergent and his wife Karen have a daughter, Kelsey (13), from Karen's previous marriage. Karen is a USC graduate of the College of Nursing and works in the medical field



Karen, Kelsey and Coach Sergent.

The Mike Sergent File

Born: September 5, 1969 in Alexandria, Va.
High School Education: Brentsville HS, Nokesville, Va.
College Education: Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science,
Virginia Tech, 1992; Master of Science in Sport
Management, Virginia Tech, 1994

High School Athletics: Lettered in track & field and football three times; Lettered in wrestling twice; Three-time State Champion in the discus (2) and shot put (1); Still holds district and region discus records; All-District and All-County in football

College Track: Lettered in track & field four years at Viginia Tech; All-American in the hammer; Won Metro Conference titles in the discus and hammer in 1992; 1992 U.S. Olympic Trials participant (hammer)

Coaching Career: Assistant Coach, Virginia Tech, 1992-97, Assistant Coach, South Carolina, 1997-Present
Wife: Karen Child: Kelsey (13)



Dawn Ellerbe

Volunteer Coach Throws

Dawn Ellerbe, who placed seventh in the hammer at the Sydney Olympics, enters her fourth year as a volunteer coach

at South Carolina. Ellerbe joined USC in 2000 after serving as an assistant track and field coach for the University of Wyoming.

Ellerbe placed third in the hammer throw at the 2003 U.S. Outdoor Championships, advancing her to the World Championships in Paris.

In 2002, she was national runner-up in both the weight and hammer throws, ranking second and 12th in the world, respectively. Ellerbe won the U. S. Nationals in the hammer throw (outdoors) and the 20 lb. weight (indoors) in 2001 and also competed at the World Championships.

The current American record holder in the hammer (231'1/2), Ellerbe holds the world's best performance in the 20lb. weight (75'1 2 1/2). Ellerbe has won 12 US titles in her storied career and is only one of three women in the world to throw over 231 feet with the hammer.

Ellerbe graduated with her Master's in Marketing last December at Wyoming. She graduated with a degree in Advertising from Carolina in 1997.

Ellerbe led the Gamecock women to a fourth place finish indoors in 1997. A former four-time NCAA champion at South Carolina, Ellerbe won five SEC titles and picked up six All-American honors in a Gamecock uniform. She still holds the NCAA and USC indoor records in the 20lb. weight.

Ellerbe and Misipeka, former roommates, went 1-2 at four consecutive NCAA Championships in the 20lb. weight and the hammer. A year after Ellerbe's graduation Misipeka won both titles.



Allen Johnson

Volunteer Coach Hurdles

Olympic gold medalist Allen Johnson is in his eighth year with the Gamecocks as a volunteer coach. He works with the hur-

dlers and is a member of Speed Elite.

Johnson reached a historic milestone in 2003 and earned the title of "World's greatest hurdler" when he won his four World Championship in the 110 hurdles in Paris. He be-

came the first athlete to win four World titles. Earlier in the year, Johnson won the U.S. Outdoor Championship and earned gold at the World Indoor Championships in the 60m hurdles.

In 2002, he ran the 110m hurdles at USA's and finished the year ranked No. 2 in the world. Indoors, he won the 60m hurdles title at Nationals. In 2001, Johnson was the champion in the 110m hurdles at the U. S. Nationals and World Championships. Johnson finished fourth at the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

Johnson was named the USATF Jesse Owens Award winner three years ago after winning two gold medals at the 1997 World Championships (110 hurdles and 4x400m relay). Johnson was the only double gold medal winner at the Championships.

The gold medalist in the 110 m hurdles at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta, Johnson also set the Olympic record in that race.

Johnson is the only hurdler ever to run under 13.00 three times in the same year. Johnson holds the American record at 12.92, just .01 off the world record. He began competing in the 200 meters in 1998 and a ran a personal best of 20.26.

Johnson came to USC after a brief stint as a volunteer coach at North Carolina. He owns the school records in the 55 m hurdles, 110 meter hurdles and the long jump. Johnson was the NCAA Champion in the 55 m hurdles in 1992, a four-time ACC Champion and four-time All-American.

Born in Washington D.C., Johnson attended Lake Braddock High School in Burke, Va.



Mechelle Lewis

Team Manager

Mechelle Lewis enters her second season as the Gamecock track and field team manager after spending four years competing for

the Garnet and Black as an underclassman. Lewis will assist the coaches in various duties throughout the year in addition to her team manager duties.

A three-time All-American, Lewis graduated with an Advertising major from the University of South Carolina in 2002 and ended her collegiate career in style, winning the 2002 NCAA Outdoor Championship in Baton Rouge, La. At the 2002 NCAA Championships, Lewis was an alternate on the NCAA Champion 4x100m and 4x400m relay teams.

A graduate of Oxon Hill High School in Ft. Washington, Md., Lewis lettered in soccer and track and field while in high school. Lewis currently holds the Maryland state record in the 55m dash.



Melissa Morrison

Volunteer Coach Sprints/Hurdles

Olympic bronze medalist Melissa Morrison is in her eighth year at South Carolina as a volunteer assistant coach.

Morrison works with the sprints and hurdles groups at Carolina.

Morrison placed fourth at the U.S. Outdoor Championships in the 100m hurdles. In 2002, she won the Indoor National 60m hurdle title. Morrison had an injury plagued year in 2001, but qualified for the 100m hurdle finals at the U.S. Nationals.

Morrison won the bronze medal in the 100m hurdles at the 2000 Sydney Olympics. She is a member of Speed Elite.

Morrison spent two years as the women's assistant sprints and hurdles coach at Appalachian State University prior to coming to USC. While at ASU she coached three Southern Conference Champions.

Morrison has a B.S. in Psychology from Appalachian State. She received All-American honors in both the 55 and 100m hurdles. She was named the Southern Conference Athlete of the Year.

Morrison was fifth at the 1997 World Indoor Championships. She was the 1997 USTAF National Champion in the 100 hurdles. Morrison ran 12.61, the second fastest time by an American. She was ranked No. 4 in the world in 1997 in the 100 hurdles. In the 1996 Olympic trials, Morrison finished seventh in the 100m high hurdles.

A native of Kannapolis, N.C., she graduated in 1989 from Al Brown High School. She won state titles in the 100m hurdles (1987-89) and the triple jump (1989).

She is currently pursuing her master's degree at USC.



Angela Murphy

Assistant Coach Cross Country

Angela Murphy is in her second year assistant cross country head coach Stan Rosenthal with the USC distance runners.

She has produced terrific work in her two seasons on the coaching staff.

A two-time NCAA qualifier at Coastal Carolina University, Murphy has added her insights as a national class athlete. She was named Big South Conference Female Scholar Athlete of the Year in both 1996

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and 1997.

Murphy, a native of Cork, Ireland, is currently pursuing her Ph. D. in Exercise Science at USC.



Aaron Aviani

Massage Therapist

Aaron Aviani is in his fifth year working with the Gamecock student-athletes. The native of San Mateo, Calif., runs his own

professional massage clinic, Top Performance Therapy, in Columbia, S.C.

Aviani attended the National Holistic Institute from 1996-98 where he received his massage therapy training. He is certified in massage therapy and as an athletic trainer.

In 1995 Aviani received an Associate degree in Liberal Studies from Canada College in Redwood City, Calif. He also earned a Bachelor of Science in Physical Education at the University of South Carolina in 2000. While at USC he earned a NASPE scholarship.

Aviani is single and resides in Columbia, S.C.



David Brauer

Sports Information

David Brauer is in his second year as an Assistant Sports Information Director at South Carolina. He coordinates publicity

for the track and field, cross country and women's tennis teams, along with assisting with football media operations and managing the athletics department web site.

Prior to joining USC's sports information staff, Brauer worked as a Sports Information Assistant at Purdue University, including serving as baseball SID. Along with his baseball duties with the Boilermakers, he was the contact for wrestling and cross country, while assisting with men's basketball and football.

A native of Tolono, Ill., Brauer is a 2000 graduate of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Sports Management. He attended Parkland College in Champaign prior to transferring to Illinois.

At Illinois, Brauer spent three years as a student assistant in the Athletic Public Relations department for Dave Johnson, where he worked primarily with football and men's tennis. He served as a media relations intern for the Buffaly

Bills during the team's 1998 summer training camp in Fredonia, N.Y.

Brauer spent one year as the Publicity/ Media Relations intern for the Cleveland Browns. He assisted in a full-time capacity with the team's day-to-day publicity efforts from June 2000 through May 2001 under the direction of Todd Stewart.

He and his wife, Kendra, were married in July 2002 and reside in Lexington.



Brainard Cooper

Athletic Trainer

With the studentathletes health and wellness at the forefront, Brainard Cooper is in his 13th year working the

Gamecock track and field program. Cooper was promoted to Associate Head Trainer last summer

He received the Bachelor of Arts degree in History from the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga in 1983 and the Master of Arts in Teaching from the University of South Carolina in 1986, beginning at USC as a graduate assistant in 1983.

Cooper began his training career as a freshman at UT-Chattanooga. He also serves as trainer for the baseball team and the men's and women's soccer teams. The men's soccer team has been to the NCAA Tournament 11 of the past 15 years, and played in the NCAA championship game in 1993. Gamecock baseball teams have participated in five NCAA tournaments, including the 2002 and 2003 College World Series, during Cooper's career as a trainer and won the SEC title in 2000 and 2002.

Cooper, 42, grew up in Dayton, Tenn., graduating from Rhea County High School.



Annette Hass

Administrative Assistant

Annette Hass is in her eighth year at USC as the administrative assistant with the South Carolina track and field program.

Her primary responsibilities include all clerical work, administrative meet management and assisting with home meets.

Hass has worked in the USC athletics department for 28 years. A dedicated employee, she began working at the University in 1975.

Born and raised in Columbia, S.C., Hass graduated from Brookland-Cayce High School.

Hass has two sons: Keith and Kevin. Both are married and she has three grandsons (Devin, Brandon and Kristofer) and one granddaughter (Miranda).



William Gill

Academic Advisor

William Gill enters his second year in the C.A.R.E.S Center (Carolina Academic Resources and Enrichment Services),

where he helps plan academic programs for graduation; class schedules and overall empowering student-athletes to further develop their intellectual, social and cultural skills.

Gill's responsibilities include working with track and field and football. He coordinates all tutoring, including hiring, training, supervision and evaluation of the tutoring staff. He is also an active member in the National Association of Athletic Academic Advisors.

Prior to working at South Carolina, Gill worked on the athletic advising staffs at Arizona State University and Purdue University. His work experience also includes counseling and supervising juveniles in the Virginia State Juvenile Justice Department.

In 1994, Gill received his B.A. from the University of Richmond, graduating with a degree in Leadership Studies. While at the University of Richmond, he participated on the football team for three years before becoming a student/coach, responsible for the scout team, due to injuries. In addition, he received his M.A. in Counseling/College Student Development from Hampton University in 1997.

Gill, who was raised in Richmond, Va., and his wife, Leona, reside in Columbia.



Cornell Young

Team Manager



Eric Goldstein

Team Manager



Laurie Massa

Senior Associate Athletics Director/ Senior Women's Administrator

Laurie Massa is in her 11th year as the Senior Women's Athletic Administrator at South Carolina, with more than 25 years of experience as an administrator and a coach. Massa oversees the development of the men's and women's Olympic sports programs.

Since coming to Carolina, Massa has helped enhance the program development of the

Olympic sports, including a number of facility improvements and personnel upgrades, while continuing to monitor equity planning in the athletics department. She also has worked to attract both SEC and NCAA Championship events to the Carolina campus, including the 1997 Women's Basketball Mideast Regional and 2002 First and Second Rounds, the 1999 Women's Golf East Regional, Baseball Regional and Super Regionals, NCAA Men's Soccer playoff action, and Tennis and Softball Regionals. During Massa's tenure, USC has also hosted SEC Championships in Outdoor Track and Field, Women's Tennis, Women's Golf, and Swimming and Diving.

Massa was also a four-year member of the NCAA Women's Volleyball Committee.

Massa came to Carolina after serving for 17 years at Xavier University in Cincinnati, where she held down roles as associate athletics director, compliance coordinator, and primary women's administrator, and also served as the women's volleyball and basketball coach. Massa was inducted into the Xavier Athletic Hall of Fame in 1990.

Massa earned a Bachelor's degree in Physical Education from Quincy College in 1976 and a Master's degree in Physical Education from Xavier in 1978

Massa has been recognized for enhancing women's sports opportunities in the Midlands and was one of four individuals nominated for the 1997 Athena Award. She is on the Board of Directors of Birthright of Columbia. A native of Cincinnati, Ohio, Massa is a graduate of the Sports Management Institute as well as the NACWAA Institute for Athletics Executives.



Brad Edwards

Senior Associate Athletics Director/ Business & Development

Brad Edwards, who starred on Gamecock football teams from 1984-87 and enjoyed a sterling nine-year career in the National Football League, is in his fifth year at his alma mater and is the senior associate athletics director for business and development.

Edwards, who was tri-captain of Carolina's 1987 team that finished 8-4, played in the Gator Bowl

and ended the year ranked 15th, has a variety of responsibilities in his role with the Gamecocks. His primary responsibilities are serving as the department's chief financial officer and overseeing the business office. He is also the department liason to all the various agencies and licensees for the Colonial Center and Williams-Brice Stadium. This includes marketing and multimedia, concessions and arena management companies. Edwards' other responsibilities include the securing of major financial gifts for the department, the sale of executive skyboxes in the Colonial Center and in Williams-Brice Stadium.

Edwards was an All-America free safety his senior year in 1987. A two-year starter for the Gamecocks, he led the 1987 club with 130 total tackles and eight interceptions. Edwards was a second round draft pick of the Minnesota Vikings in 1988. He went on to enjoy a 10-year career in the professional ranks, playing for Minnesota, Atlanta, Washington and Green Bay. He was a starter and defensive co-captain on Washington's Super Bowl XXVI championship team in 1992.

Edwards retired from the NFL in 1997 and spent five years working in the financial services business during and after his NFL career.

Edwards earned his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from South Carolina in 1988. He is married to Susan Rawls Edwards and they have two sons: Jackson (12), and Thomas Walker (10).



Shawn Burke

Assistant Athletic Director/ Event Management

Shawn Burke, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, is in his third year as Assistant Athletics Director/Event Management. Prior to his recent promotion, Burke was the Director of Events at South Carolina from 1997-2000.

Burke began his career with the Gamecock athletics department as an intern with the Olympic Sports from 1985-87. He

then joined the University of Dayton as the events coordinator for the UD Arena from 1987-88. He rejoined USC as assistant ticket manager from 1988-92 and in 1992, Burke was promoted to assistant business manager. The following year, he was promoted to assistant business and ticket manager/game management director. Burke served in that capacity until 1997.

While in college at Ohio University, Burke lettered in tennis three years conference during his final season. The Ohio University graduate received a Master's Degree in Sports Administration in 1985. He also attended the Sports Management Institute in 1995.

Burke and his wife Dana have three children, Connor (8), Dylan (6) and Kyle (2).



Jeff Davis

Associate Athletics Director/ Grounds/Facilities Operations

Jeff Davis is in his third year at the University of South Carolina, and is associate athletics director for operations, facilities, grounds and maintenance. Davis came to USC in 2001 after spending two and one-half years as the associate athletics director for facilities and operations at the University of Houston.

In his time at Houston (1999-2001),

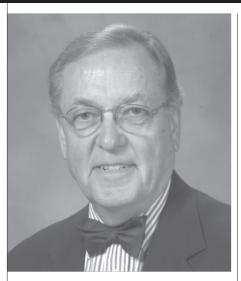
Davis was responsible for all UH athletics facilities and, during his first year, he served as the athletics department liaison/project manager for the renovation and expansion project for Robertson Stadium — UH's football facility. He was responsible for the planning, supervision and maintenance of all UH athletics facilities and grounds and had significant game management responsibilities.

Davis came to Houston after spending 14 years at his alma mater, East Carolina University. During his final eight years at ECU, he served as assistant athletics director for operations and equipment where he managed the daily operations for ECU's athletic facilities, games and special events. He also supervised the maintenance and management of five outdoor practice and competition facilities, including the Dowdy-Ficklen Stadium and Williams Arena at Minges Coliseum. In addition, he planned and scheduled all athletics and practice facility usage on the athletics campus and coordinated team travel for ECU's Olympic sports teams. He was director of operations at East Carolina for six years before being promoted to assistant athletics director in 1991. During his tenure at ECU, Davis served as the site coordinator for the North Carolina Eastern Regional High School Basketball tournaments and several conference championships. He was the facility coordinator for the state Special Olympics for two years, and served on the game management committee

for the Colonial Athletic Association Men's Basketball Tournament for eight years, and was chairman of the committee from 1995-99.

A native of Wilson, N.C., Davis earned his bachelor's degree in Health and Physical Education from East Carolina in 1984. In 1987, Davis earned his Master of Arts degree in Education from ECU, where he had been a member of the Phi Epsilon Kappa Honor Fraternity. Davis and his wife, Nicole, have two daughters, Hunter Nicole 6) and McKenna Lee (3).

PRESIDENT DR. ANDREW A. SORENSEN



Andrew A. Sorensen President

In 2001, USC celebrated the bicentennial anniversary of its 1801 charter, which laid the foundation for USC to become the state's flagship university. Since that 200th-year celebration, USC has welcomed a new president, Andrew A. Sorensen, and made important strides toward becoming one of the nation's top 50 public universities. As Carolina moves forward in its third century of service to the people and state of South Carolina, its recent accomplishments include:

Scholarships and Research Productivity

USC's best academically qualified freshman class ever enrolled in fall 2003. In addition, more than 20 undergraduate students won national awards in the 2002–03 academic year, including a Truman Scholarship, three Fulbright Fellows, three Udall Scholarships, and two Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Scholarships. Since 1994, University students have won 204 national awards, earning more than \$5 million for advanced academic study.

USC faculty have garnered more than \$130 million in externally funded grants and contracts in fiscal year 2003. Those efforts include multi-million dollar grants to study colon cancer, foster positive parenting skills, develop hydrogen fuel cell technology, increase the number of minorities entering public health professions, and explore and develop nanoscience capabilities.

Selected program rankings

• University 101, USC's freshman seminar,

is ranked No. 1 in *U.S.News* & World Report, 2003 Best Colleges Guide, in the category "Programs that Really Work."

- USC's international business degree for undergraduates is ranked No. 1 in *U.S.News & World Report*, 2003 Best Colleges Guide. The graduate international business program is ranked No. 2 in the country, also in U.S. News & World Report, Best Graduate Schools issue, 2002.
- USC libraries rank in the top 50 for overall size of collections among more than 3,000 college and university libraries in the United States and Canada, according to the Association of Research Libraries' 2002 report.

Leadership

Shortly after his arrival at USC in July 2002, President Andrew A. Sorensen and his wife, Donna, embarked upon the Bow Tie Bus Tour, criss-crossing South Carolina to meet with alumni, supporters, and prospective students. In 2003, the get-acquainted tour went nationwide with the Bow Tie Sky Tour; destinations to date have included Florida, Texas, New York, and Washington, D.C. Dr. Sorensen's investiture ceremony as USC's 27th president was held in December 2002. Earlier this year, Hudson Akin joined USC as vice president for University Advancement. Akin, a veteran development executive whose most recent appointment was at Ball State University, is responsible for public and governmental affairs, development, media relations, alumni relations, and publications and printing.

Dr. Andrew A. Sorensen

Andrew A. Sorensen came to USC after serving as president of the University of Alabama (1996-2002) and provost and vice president for academic affairs at the University of Florida (1990-1996).

Dr. Sorensen also has been executive director of the AIDS Institute at the Johns Hopkins Medical Institutions and director of the School of Public Health at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He was a faculty member at Lincoln University, the University of Rochester, and Cornell University. He also has been a visiting faculty member at the Harvard University School of Medicine and at the University of Cambridge School of Medicine.

Author or editor of seven books and more than 100 articles. He is professor of epidemiology and biostatistics in USC's Arnold School of Public Health. Dr. Sorensen has focused his work on health policy, health services research, and epidemiology. He holds a bachelor's degree in ethics and master's and doctoral degrees in medical sociology from Yale University. He also earned a B.A. in history from the University of Illinois and a master of public health degree from the University of Michigan.

Currently, he serves as president of the Southern University Conference, past chair of the Southern Universities Research Association Council of Presidents, and a trustee of the Universities Research Association. He was a member of the Public Health Task Force on AIDS for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Education Advisory Committee for President Bush's Transition Team during 2000-2001. He was appointed in 2001 to U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Tommy Thompson's Advisory Council on Public Health Preparedness.

Donna Ingemie Sorensen holds a baccalaureate degree in chemistry from Wheaton College and master's degrees in nutrition from Cornell University and in chemistry from Wesleyan University. She was recently appointed by S.C. Department of Education Superintendent Inez Tenenbaum to serve on the S.C. Department of Education Task Force on Nutrition and Health in Our Youth, a new effort that will examine the problem of childhood obesity. She also is a board member of the Girl Scout Council of the Congaree Area and a board member of the S.C. Arts Foundation. She currently serves as vice chair of the national Board of Directors for the American Social Health Association.

Mrs. Sorensen has focused her volunteer efforts in working with children and young adults, AIDS outreach, Easter Seals, Success by Six, and the Girl Scouts.

The Sorensens have two sons, Aaron and Ben, and a grandson, Art.





Dr. Mike McGee Athletics Director

Under the capable and strong leadership of Mike McGee, the University of South Carolina athletics department has steadily continued its climb toward the elite in collegiate athletics. During his tenure at Carolina, McGee has helped put together a program that is committed to excellence, with the goals of winning championships, graduating its student-athletes and having a positive impact in the community.

The Gamecocks have just put together the most successful two-year period in the program's history, which includes consecutive top 20 finishes in the NACDA Director's Cup national all-sports rankings. Carolina finished 11th in the Director's Cup in 2002 and 18th in 2003. The highlights over the past two years include:

- The women's basketball team, which advanced to the NCAA Elite Eight in 2002; put together two straight top 20 finishes and 20-plus win seasons.
- The women's track team won the school's first-ever national team championship, claiming the 2002 NCAA Outdoor crown.
- The baseball team, which finished national runners-up at the 2002 College World Series, made a second straight trip to Omaha last year and was among the final six teams competing.
- * The football team, which won the 2002 Outback Bowl by defeating Ohio State, compiled back-to-back top 10 nationally ranked recruiting classes a first in the program's history.
- * The men's track team has finished in the top 10 at both the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor championships.

- USC has won three SEC championships (baseball, women's golf, women's outdoor track).
- A record 17 teams competed in postseason competition in 2001-02, with 16 teams qualifying in 2002-03.
- Opened the 18,000-seat Colonial Center in grand style, with the facility serving as home to Gamecock basketball and entertainment never before seen in the Midlands area.
- Continued the upward trend in academic performance, with a record-tying 11 teams having grade point averages for the 2003 spring semester which exceeded the USC student- body rate (2.960).
- Seen its fund-raising have record-breaking years, with more than \$11.7 million raised through the Gamecock Club this past year, the most in the program's history.

McGee assumed his duties with South Carolina on Jan. 1, 1993, having brought with him a wealth of administrative experience, national respect among his colleagues and peers and strong leadership skills. Since arriving at Carolina, McGee has made a multitude of positive moves in enhancing the total Gamecock program. Under his direction, the USC program has successfully moved from the Metro Conference (now Conference USA) to the nation's most competitive all-sports conference, the SEC. Last year, 13 Gamecock teams finished in the top 25 rankings according to the Director's Cup points system. As a point of comparison, in 1992, USC's first year in the SEC, the Gamecocks only had three teams ranked in the top 25.

McGee has taken steps to improve the department's sports programs by upgrading facilities and making staff additions across the board. Under his watch, the department continues to be a leader in addressing the gender equity issue in a proactive manner, as two women's sports have been added since his arrival. In addition, USC is a leader for hiring female head coaches, as the Gamecocks feature six female head coaches, tops in the SEC.

McGee has been a leader in facilities improvements and additions since coming to South Carolina. With the completion of the new arena, he has overseen more than \$105 million in facilities improvements.

The new \$65 million Colonial Center, which opened in November, 2002, has drawn rave reviews, and is recognized as one of the premier sports and entertainment facilities in the Southeast. On the drawing board next is a \$3 million remod-

eling of the south end zone at Williams-Brice Stadium, including a new weight room, meeting and recruiting rooms.

Under his leadership, fan support at Carolina has never been better. The overall athletics budget has also increased significantly during McGee's tenure. The athletics department generates more than \$42 million in annual revenues, reflecting a \$24 million increase since McGee came to Carolina.

The academic progress of the athletics department has continued its steady climb under McGee's watch. USC's graduation rate for its student-athletes consistently has ranked as high as second in the SEC, while the current football graduation rate, as calculated by the American Football Coaches Association, is at an all-time high of 76 percent.

McGee has served on numerous NCAA and conference committees. During the last two years of his tenure at Southern California, he represented the Pac-10 Conference on the NCAA Council and served on the Special NCAA Committee to Review Financial Conditions in Intercollegiate Athletics. He currently serves on the NCAA Management Council and is a member of the Division 1 Incentives and Disincentives Working Group. McGee was previously a member of the NCAA Division I Working Group to Study Basketball Issues. For four years he served as chair of the NCAA Recruiting Sub-Committee. Together with the athletic departments and business schools of the University of North Carolina and University of Notre Dame, he founded the Sports Management Institute to train future college and professional sports administrators. SMI's partner schools now include South Carolina, Southern Cal, North Carolina. Texas and Michigan.

Last year, McGee received the Order of the Palmetto by the Governor, which is the highest honor a civilian can receive in the State of South Carolina.

McGee and his wife, Ginger, have four children and 13 grandchildren. Kathy, her husband, Tom, and their children, Lauren, Kyle and Luke; Michael Jr., his wife, Amy, and their children, Alex, Michael III and Samantha; Matthew, his wife, Chantal, and their daughters, Maddison, Abby Grace, Rebekah and Eden; and Jerry, his wife, Alana, and their sons, Graham, Emmett, and Charlie. Four members of the McGee family — Michael Jr., Matthew, Chantal and Tom — are current or former U.S. Air Force pilots.

GAMECOCK HEAD COACHES



Mark Berson Men's Soccer



Puggy Blackmon Men's Golf



Kim Christopher Women's Volleyball



Kristi Coggins Women's Golf



Joyce Compton Softball



Women Outdoor

Kent DeMars Men's Tennis



Arlo Elkins Women's Tennis



Don Gibb Swimming



Boo Major-Duncan Equestrian



Shelley Smith Women's Soccer



Ray Tanner Baseball

Gamecocks Feature Championship-Caliber Athletics Program

The University of South Carolina is committed to excellence, both athletically and academically. That commitment rings true through the recent performances of Carolina's athletic teams. Here's a glance back at some of the highlights from the recently completed 2002-03 Gamecock sports season:

- For the second consecutive year, Carolina recorded a top 20 finish in the NACDA Director's Cup national all-sports standings. The Gamecocks finished the year at #18 in the final Director's Cup rankings. That is the program's second best showing ever, as Carolina finished #11 in the national rankings last year.
- For the second year in a row, the Carolina baseball team advanced to the NCAA College World Series in Omaha. The Gamecocks won their fourth SEC Eastern Division title in the past five years and David Marchbanks was named SEC Pitcher of the Year.
- For the second straight year, Carolina compiled a football recruiting class that was ranked among the nation's top 10. Coach Lou Holtz and his staff have put together back-to-back top 10 recruiting classes for the first time in school history.
- For the second consecutive year, USC had 11 football athletes sign NFL contracts.
- The current football graduation rate, as calculated by the American Football Coaches Association, is 76 percent, which is the highest in school history and ranks as one of the top 16 in Division 1-A
- A record-tying 11 Gamecock sports teams recorded grade point averages this past spring semester that exceeded the overall student body GPA of 2.960.
- The women's basketball team made their second straight NCAA Tournament appearance and won 20 or more games for the second year in a row. Jocelyn Penn was named All-America and first-team All-SEC.
- USC opened its new 18,000-seat basketball arena The Colonial Center. The facility received rave reviews from the beginning and not only provides the Gamecocks with an outstanding basketball venue, it also is the home to class A entertainment ranging from concerts, family shows, Disney on Ice, and professional wrestling. Big-time acts such as Bruce Springsteen, Jimmy Buffett, Billy Joel, Elton John, The Eagles and LL Cool J have already performed at the new arena. The Colonial Center also ranked 16th world-wide among arenas in concert ticket sales during the first quarter of this past year.
- The Gamecock Club continued to establish itself as one of the country's top collegiate

fundraising organizations, topping the \$11.7 million mark in donations.

- The Gamecock track and field team continued to show that it is indeed one of the elite programs in the country. Both the men and women placed among the top 10 at both the NCAA Indoor and Outdoor Championships. Head Coach Curtis Frye, a multiple National Coach of the Year honoree, was chosen as an assistant coach for Team USA for the 2004 Summer Olympic Games in Athens, Greece.
- The women's golf team advanced to the NCAA Championships for the second straight year. Kristy McPherson, a three-time All-America and two-time SEC champion, concluded an outstanding career and goes down as one of the top female golfers in USC history.
- The volleyball team earned its third consecutive NCAA berth, marking the sixth time in the past eight years the Gamecocks had made it to the NCAA Tournament. Megan Hosp was selected first-team All-SEC for the third year in a row
- The softball team earned its fifth straight NCAA Tournament berth and Head Coach Joyce Compton was inducted into the National Fastpitch Coaches Association Hall of Fame.
- The women's tennis team made its ninth consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance, marking the longest active postseason streak of any USC women's team.
- The men's soccer team competed in the NCAA Tournament for the third straight year and 16th time in the program's history.
- Under the direction of second-year coach Shelley Smith, the women's soccer team continued its advancement towards becoming one of the top teams in the SEC.
- The men's golf team qualified for the NCAA Championships and Eirik Johansen was named Freshman All-America.
- The men's tennis team made its 10th NCAA Tournament appearance in a row and Seth Rose was named first-team All-America after advancing to the Round of 16 in the individual competition.
- At the NCAA Swimming Championships, the men finished 20th and the women 24th, with diver Andy Bradley placing second in the onemeter competition, marking the highest finish ever by a USC diver at the NCAAs.
- The equestrian team had a pair of riders qualify for the IHSA Nationals, with senior Michelle Jenkins finishing 10th nationally in the Walk/Trot competition.



Curtis Frye Track/Cross Country



Lou Holtz Football



Dave Odom Men's Basketball



Todd SherrittDiving



Susan Walvius Women's Basketball