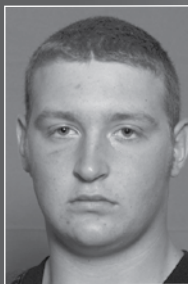


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**CHRIS  
AARON**

**63**

R-So., Center/Guard  
6-3, 290  
Palos Verdes, Calif.  
Palos Verdes HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** A transfer lineman from Lehigh (Pa.) University, Aaron displayed solid run-blocking techniques in spring drills. Likely to focus at center in camp, Aaron also can play either guard role.

**2007** Did not play as walk-on after transferring from I-AA Lehigh University... Served as practice squad offensive lineman... Named team's Offensive Scout of the Week after Kentucky game.

**2006** Participated as tackle/guard at Lehigh University as a freshman, getting action in junior varsity games.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year starter on offensive line... Helped team to state playoffs during senior season... Named team's top OL... Earned all-conference recognition... Recipient of National Football Foundation/College Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete Award.

**ACADEMICS** Aaron is working toward a degree in Human and Organizational Development.

**PERSONAL** Christopher William Aaron... Son of Tony and Beth Petak-Aaron... Born May 5, 1988... Only child... Transferred to Vanderbilt after one year at Lehigh.



**MACKENZI  
ADAMS**

**9**

R-Jr., Quarterback  
6-3, 215  
Tulsa, Okla.  
Union H.S.

**2008 PROSPECTS** Adams demonstrated duel abilities, leadership skills and solid understanding of the offense as a first-year starter in six games last season. He and senior Chris Nickson shared snaps during spring drills, and should compete for the starting job in preseason camp. As a fill-in starter, Adams guided the Commodores to big wins in first two assignments, but occasionally struggled. A strong runner, Adams has worked to both strengthen his arm and improve accuracy.

**2007** Provided quality leadership as first-year starting signal caller... Started final six games at quarterback in relief of opening-game starter Chris Nickson... Saw action in every game... Finished year as team passing leader in completions (101), attempts (182), yards (1,043) and touchdowns (9)... Also ended year as team's third lead-

## More on Adams

*The son of a coach, Adams was an Oklahoma track star, winning two individual hurdle state titles as a senior. He also guided Union to the 2004 football state crown.*



ing rusher with 289 yards and three touchdowns... Passing yardage total ranks sixth all-time by Commodore sophomore QB... Completed 55.5 percent of pass attempts, throwing just six interceptions in 192 attempts... Guided Commodores to road victory over No. 6 South Carolina in first career start, rushing for team-high 84 yards and throwing two touchdown passes... In second start, led Commodores to 24-13 home win over Miami (Ohio)... Completed career-high 20 passes – two for touchdowns – in narrow loss to Kentucky... Threw three touchdown passes at Tennessee – another career high – to give Vanderbilt a 15-point lead before Volunteers stormed back late to win... Rushed for two scores at Florida... Completed 13 of 23 passes for 108 yards and a touchdown early in season versus Alabama... Inserted into lineup at Auburn after injury to Nickson... Named team's Offensive Player of the Week after solid performance in narrow loss to Georgia... Completed seven of 10 passes for 125 yards and a score and rushed for 46 yards vs. Bulldogs... Guided late drive deep into Georgia territory for potential game-winning drive only to have Bulldogs recover fumble by Vanderbilt running back at 8-yard line.

**2006** Saw action in every game as redshirt freshman... Was team's No. 2 quarterback behind Chris Nickson, and served as primary holder in all placekicking situations... Played three games at quarterback, including most of the Commodores' road contest at Ole Miss... Subbing for Nickson in Oxford, Adams threw for 176 yards and ran for 51 yards... Also saw action at quarterback in wins over Tennessee State and Duke... Earned team's Specialist of the Week honors after Florida and Georgia games.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman... Named team's Offensive Scout of the Week after Richmond and Florida games.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Team captain... Led Tulsa Union to 6A state title, avenging early season loss with victory over nationally ranked Jenks HS in finals... Threw for 220 yards in title game... Completed 95 passes for 1,635 yards and 23 TDs for team that finished 13-1 and No. 19 nationally... Named 2005 Male Athlete of the Year...

Transferred to Union as senior from Tulsa Metro Christian... Passed

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for 5,146 yards and 49 TDs and rushed for 11 TDs in Metro Christian career... Two-time All-State... Won 110-meter and 300-meter hurdles state titles as senior... Ran 49.0 leg on 4x400-meter relay.

**ACADEMICS** Adams is majoring in Human and Organizational Development. He is a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** John Mackenzi Adams... Son of Jeff and Laurie Adams... Born March 24, 1986... Dad was head coach at Metro Christian before joining coaching staff at Union HS in 2004... Mom is personal trainer... Has a younger sister... Involved in FCA activities... Plays guitar.

## Adams' Career Offensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

**COMPLETIONS:** 20, vs. Ky., 11/10/2007 **PASSING YARDS:** 193, vs. Ky., 11/10/2007  
**RUSHING YARDS:** 84, at South Carolina, 10/20/2007

2007	ATT/COMP-INT	YDS.	PCT.	TD	LONG	RUSH-YDS	AVG	TD	LONG
Richmond	1-0-0	0	0.0	0	0	1-44	44.0	0	44
Alabama	23-13-0	108	56.5	1	17	7--2	-0.3	0	6
Ole Miss	1-1-0	0	100.0	0	0	3--3	-1.0	0	8
East. Mich.	-	-	-	-	-	2-12	6.0	0	12
@Auburn	9-4-1	24	44.4	0	8	4-4	1.0	0	10
Georgia	10-7-0	125	70.0	1	39	14-46	3.3	0	21
@USC	16-8-1	123	50.0	2	24	13-84	6.5	0	19
Miami (Ohio)	14-9-1	108	64.3	0	40	8-47	5.9	0	11
@Florida	32-16-2	159	50.0	0	35	11-19	1.7	2	7
Kentucky	31-20-0	193	64.5	2	30	12-15	1.3	1	16
@Tennessee	26-14-0	139	53.8	3	30	7-23	3.3	0	9
Wake Forest	20-9-1	64	45.0	0	17	5-0	0.0	0	6
<b>2007</b>	<b>181-101-6</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>87-289</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>29-15-1</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>51.7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>19-86</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>211-116-7</b>	<b>1267</b>	<b>55.0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>106-375</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>44</b>



**JOSH  
ALLEN**

**14** R-Sr., Cornerback  
5-10, 182  
Roswell, Ga.  
Roswell HS

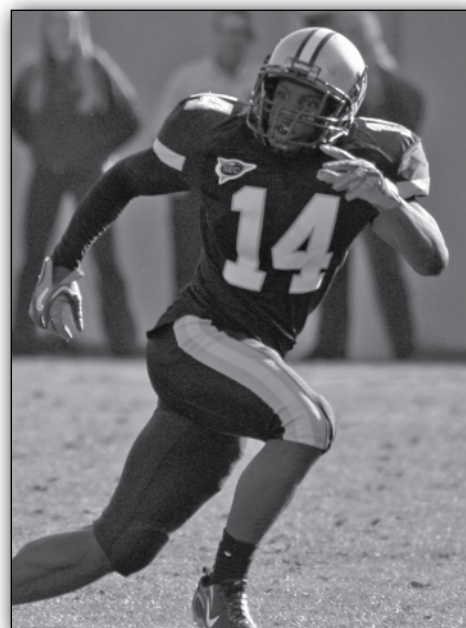
**2008 PROSPECTS** A dependable presence in the secondary, Allen returns for his fifth year in the best shape of his career. Though likely destined for a key reserve role behind returning starters D.J. Moore and Myron Lewis, Allen brings solid coverage skills and increased athleticism to the position. He also plays on several special team units.

**2007** Saw action in every game, either at cornerback or on special teams... Earned starting assignment at cornerback in victory over Miami (Ohio) where he contributed two defended passes to winning effort... Picked off first career interception and had two tackles in win over Eastern Michigan... Pass deflection deep in Vanderbilt territory on South Carolina lateral helped persevere double-digit 'Dore margin.

**2006** Played every game on special teams, along with serving valuable role as defensive cornerback... Earned a late-season start in secondary at Kentucky, contributing season highs in solo tackles (4) and total tackles (6)... Ended season with 19 total tackles, 13 solo stops and three defended passes... One of team's top kickoff returners, averaging 19.9 yards on 12 returns.

**2005** Developed into a starting cornerback during redshirt freshman campaign... After earning first career start in win over Ole Miss, Allen was in the starting lineup seven of the last eight games... Finished season ranked sixth on the team with 31 solo tackles... Accumulated 42 total tackles, seventh best among Commodores... Topped squad

with five defended passes... Sterling performance in first collegiate action, setting career highs with six solo tackles and eight total tackles in victory at Wake Forest... Two defended passes at Wake Forest came deep in Commodore territory.



## More on Allen

*A jazz enthusiast, Allen began taking piano lessons at five years of age, continuing through middle school. Allen has also composed some of his own music.*

**2004** Redshirted... Earned scout team defensive player of the week honors after South Carolina game.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year starter for top 5A programs... Named Atlanta North Metro team by *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*... Two-time team Offensive MVP...

Started as a sophomore at RB, moving to CB as senior... Totalled more than 3,600 yards in total offense as prep... Also participated in basketball and track & field.

**ACADEMICS** Allen is expected to graduate this May with a degree in Human and Organizational Development. He is a 2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Joshua Kian Allen... Born Jan. 8, 1986... "Rev"... Son of Ken and Ina Allen... Has two brothers: Jordan and Zachariah... Jordan is a redshirt freshman running back at Jacksonville (Ala.) State University... Dad played college football at Western Carolina... Dad works in information technology sales; mom is a nurse.

## Josh Allen's Career Defensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

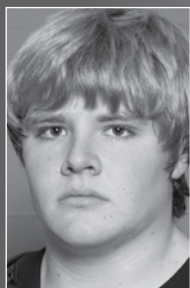
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 8, at Wake Forest, 9/1/2005

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
<b>2007</b>	<b>3-2-5</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>13-6-19</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2005</b>	<b>31-11-42</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>47-19-66</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>11</b>





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**ROB**  
**ASHABRANNER**  
**55** R-Fr., Off. Line  
6-2, 280  
Beaumont, Texas  
Cathedral Christian

**2008 PROSPECTS** Ashabranner showed effort, instincts and ability after moving from defensive line during spring drills. The guard-center candidate needs to keep building strength and quickness in the weight room.

**2007** Ashabranner spent first year on campus as a redshirt defensive tackle... Worked to add bulk through Commodore conditioning program... Earned Defensive Scout of the Week honors after Miami (Ohio) win.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-time captain... Three-time Division III All-State selection... Named All Southeast Texas Private School Player of the Year... Three-year starter for squad that won Bi-District title in 2005... Played several offensive line positions, but ended prep career as a quarterback, throwing for 1,198 yards and 12 TDs... Amassed 289 total tackles and 16.5 QB sacks in career as DT... Two-time All-State selection as catcher in baseball.

**ACADEMICS** Ashabranner is working toward a degree in Secondary Education from the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** Robert Daniel Ashabranner... Son of Bob and Dee Ashabranner... Born Oct. 9, 1988 in San Antonio... Oldest of three siblings: sister, Hannah, and brother, Wesley... Dad played football collegiately at Stephen F. Austin (Texas) University... Dad is coach and teacher at Cathedral Christian; mom is a registered nurse.



**BO**  
**BAGGARLEY**  
**40** Sr., Linebacker  
6-1, 210  
Forsyth, Ga.  
Stratford Academy

**2008 PROSPECTS** A team player and effective scout contributor for the last three seasons, Baggarley will again attempt to work his way onto the field on special teams or as a reserve linebacker.

**2007** Did not see action as junior walk-on... Named team's Defensive Scout of the Week after Eastern Michigan and Tennessee games.

**2006** Did not play as a sophomore... Earned Defensive Scout of the Week honors after Alabama and Tennessee State games.

**2005** Walk-on, did not see action as freshman... Named team's postseason Defensive Scout Team Player of the Year.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Helped team to state title in 2004... Two-time All-State LB... Also participated in wrestling, track and baseball... Four-time Eagle Pride Award winner... High honors student,

receiving Wofford Scholar and Brake Memorial Math Scholarship.

**ACADEMICS** Baggarley is majoring in History from the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2007 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Sherman Glenn Baggarley... Son of Buddy and Cindy Baggarley... Oldest of four siblings... Dad is a forester; mom is a homemaker... Hopes to attend medical school... Involved in various community service projects.



**JOEY**  
**BAILEY**  
**71** R-So., Center  
6-4, 280  
Trussville, Ala.  
Hewitt-Trussville HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Bailey blossomed in spring drills as center behind starter Bradley Vierling, showing added maturity and toughness. Bailey's continued physical development and ability to broaden knowledge of position responsibilities could lead to enhanced role.

**2007** Worked as reserve center behind starter Hamilton Holliday and Bradley Vierling... Saw limited action in four games at center...

Continued to add bulk from weightroom effort... Named team's Offensive Scout of the Week after season opener vs. Richmond.

**2006** Redshirted as a freshman... Earned postseason Offensive Scout Most Valuable Player Award from coaches... Received top offensive scout honors after Ole Miss and Duke games.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Selected as offensive team captain... Three-year letter-winner, two-year starter on offensive line... Allowed one quarterback sack playing left tackle as senior, helping team to 6-5 record and first round of 6A playoffs...

Named Second Team All-Metro squad by *Birmingham News* behind one of nation's top recruits, Andre Smith... Squad went 7-4 in 2004, again advancing to first round of playoffs... Played catcher on baseball squad as a junior... National Honor Society member... Involved in CA activities.

**ACADEMICS** Bailey is majoring in Human and Organizational Development from the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** William Joseph Bailey II... Son of Joe and Stacy Bailey... Born Dec. 30, 1987... Dad is self-employed; mom is a teacher at rival high school... Has two younger brothers, Jacob and Joshua... Former SEC QBs Brandon Cox (Auburn) and Jay Barker (Alabama) also graduated from Hewitt-Trussville.



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**BRANDON  
BARDEN**

**87** R-Fr., Tight End  
6-5, 245  
Lincolnton, Ga.  
Lincoln Co. HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Barden has enough talent to become an early offensive contributor for the Commodores. Showed athleticism, sure hands and ability to stretch the field during spring drills. As strength and ability to run block improve, future looks bright to this former prep QB.

**2007** Did not play as redshirt freshman... Named Offensive Scout of the Week after Wake Forest game... Transferred to Vanderbilt after originally signing and enrolling at Virginia Tech for one semester.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Versatile QB who helped pilot history-rich Georgia school to consecutive A state titles in 2005-06 seasons... As senior, passed for 520 yards, rushed for 604 yards and caught 10 passes for 181 yards... Played TE as sophomore... Team's baseball MVP.

**ACADEMICS** Barden is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Brandon Michael Barden... Son of Mike Barden and Becky Barden... Had an older sister, Brittany... Born March 15, 1989... Mom is principal at H.S.; dad is private constructor... School produced former Georgia Bulldogs' standout TB Garrison Hearst.



**PATRICK  
BENOIST**

**30** Jr., Linebacker  
6-0, 222  
Southlake, Texas  
Carroll Sr. HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** What Benoist lacks in size, he compensates with a nose for the football, excellent position instincts and a solid understanding of schemes. Injuries have kept Benoist from developing into an every-down role at linebacker. A versatile defender, Benoist is expect to take a bigger leadership role among the linebacking corps.

**2007** Played in nine games as outside linebacker... After recovering from preseason foot injury, moved into starting role by midseason... Concluded season with four starts... Set career single-highs of 18 solo tackles and 32 total tackles... Four-sack total tied for second among 'Dore defenders... Also credited with three quarterback hurries, a forced fumble and recovered

fumble... First career start came against Georgia... Superb play in road win at South Carolina – four solo tackles, six total tackles, a QB sack

## More on Benoist

*As a high school senior, Benoist starred for the USA Today's No. 1-ranked prep team. he helped Carroll Senior H.S., located northwest of Dallas, to consecutive 5A titles and a 32-0 overall record.*

and forced fumble – resulted in sharing team's Defensive Player of the Week honors... Also had sacks against Auburn, Kentucky and Tennessee...

First career fumble recovery came at Tennessee, resulting in Commodore field goal... Matched season high of six total tackles in Kentucky game... Posted at least three tackles in final seven games.

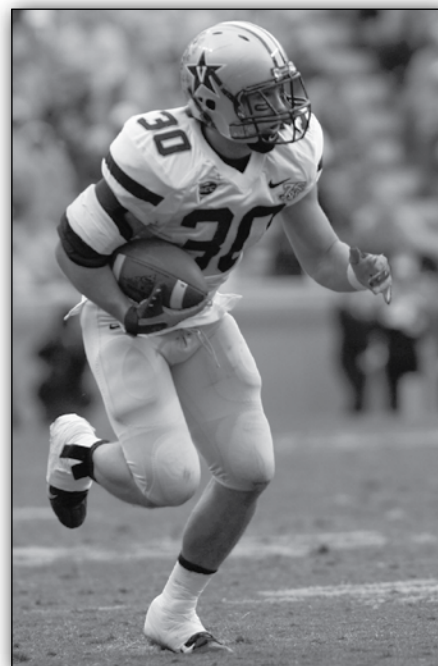
**2006** Initial season ended early with foot injury... Played in first seven games of season before

sustaining the injury while covering opening kickoff of South Carolina contest... Injury kept Benoist out of uniform for last four games... Contributed 14 total tackles as reserve linebacker... Posted six solo stops, eight total tackles in win over Temple.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior co-captain... Two-year starter at linebacker, helping Dragons to Texas 5A state titles in 2004-05... Voted defensive MVP as senior, contributing 172 total tackles, 29 tackles for loss and three sacks... Named First Team 5A All-State Linebacker by Texas Sports Writers Association and finalist for Jack Pardee Award, given to Texas' top LB... Earned school's Green Jacket Award for overall achievement... National Honor Society... Academic All-State honoree.

**ACADEMICS** Benoist is majoring in Economics in the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2007 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** R. Patrick Benoist... Son of Glenn and Tanya Benoist... Dad is in commercial real estate... Has an older brother and younger sister... Brother, Jake, played football at Sam Houston (Texas) State... Collects autographed NFL jerseys and enjoys hunting... Carroll has produced many football standouts, including 2008 Heisman candidate QB Chase Daniel of Missouri.



## Benoist's Career Defensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

TOTAL TACKLES: 8, vs. Temple, 9/23/2006

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
<b>2007</b>						
@ Auburn	2-0-2	1.0-7	1.0-7	-	-	-
Georgia	1-2-3	-	-	-	-	1
@ So. Carolina	4-2-6	1.0-10	1.0-10	-	1/0	2
Miami (Ohio)	2-1-3	1.0-8	1.0-8	-	-	1
@Florida	1-2-3	-	-	-	-	1
Kentucky	3-3-6	1.0-10	1.0-10	-	-	-
@ Tennessee	2-3-5	-	-	-	0/1	-
Wake Forest	3-1-4	-	-	-	-	-
<b>2007</b>	<b>18-14-32</b>	<b>4-35</b>	<b>4-35</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>10-4-14</b>	<b>0-0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>28-18-46</b>	<b>4-35</b>	<b>4-35</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>3</b>





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**GREG BILLINGER**

**98** Jr., Def. Tackle  
6-3, 290  
Lilburn, Ga.  
Parkview HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Coaches believe Billinger can be a standout at defensive tackle when all phases come together. Still little more than two years away from serious injuries suffered in car accident, Billinger enjoyed a superb Spring Practice, stamping himself as a probable starter to help fill void left by graduation losses of Theo Horrocks and Gabe Hall.

## More on Billinger

*As a high school senior, Billinger was seriously injured in a car accident as his family returned to their north Georgia home from Nashville following a Vanderbilt football game.*

**2007** Played in 10 games, missing Alabama and Miami (Ohio) contests to injury... Served key role as reserve behind senior defensive tackles Theo Horrocks and Gabe Hall... Contributed two tackles in narrow loss to Georgia and added a tackle and interception in victory over Eastern Michigan...

Shared in tackle for loss vs. Kentucky.

**2006** Developed into key reserve defensive tackle, becoming the



only true freshman to see action on either of Vanderbilt's interior lines... Ended season with six total tackles... Saw action in every game... Contributed two tackles in first career game at Michigan.  
**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-year starter at OT and DE for powerful school that went 11-2 in 2005, advancing deep in AAAAA playoffs... Team also won state title during three-year varsity career... Named "Super Southern" by *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*... Missed the second half of senior season due to injuries suffered in a family car accident near Nashville... Posted 60 tackles as junior DE... Also played basketball and threw discus... Participated in Gwinnett Student Leadership Conference and IDEALS Leadership training... Honors student.

**ACADEMICS** Billinger is working toward a major in Communication Studies from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Gregory Billinger II... "Tank"... Son of Greg and Lora Billinger... Born March 12, 1988... Younger sister, Morgan, participates in volleyball and track & field at Parkview... Dad is a graphic artist; mom is a paralegal... Volunteered in various community projects... Enjoys going to movies, hanging out with friends and cooking.

## Billinger's Career Defensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

TACKLES: 2, (2x), last vs. Georgia, 10/13/2007

2007	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
Richmond	0-1-1	-	-	-	-	-
Eastern Mich.	0-1-1	-	-	1-0	-	-
Georgia	0-2-2	-	-	-	-	-
@ So. Carolina	1-0-1	-	-	-	-	-
Kentucky	0-1-1	0.5-1	-	-	-	-
<b>2007</b>	<b>1-5-6</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
2006	5-1-6	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>6-6-12</b>	<b>0.5-1</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>



**JAKE BRADFORD**

**85** Sr., Tight End  
6-6, 265  
St. Simons Isl., Ga.  
Glynn Academy

**2008 PROSPECTS** Bradford has the physical tools to become a starter in his fourth season on campus, though he is expected to face stiff competition from a trio of younger players – sophomores Austin Monahan and Justin Green and redshirt freshman Barden Barden. Though he saw the football rarely as a sophomore, a pair of catches went for big yardage. With his size, Bradford should be a force in run situations and two-tight end sets.

**2007** Saw action in every game, starting in two-tight end sets at South Carolina and vs. Wake Forest... Playing time increased as season endured... Caught passes against Alabama, Florida, Kentucky and Wake Forest... First touchdown catch came on 30-yard reception that gave Commodores three-point advantage over Kentucky... Career long catch of 35 yards led to first Commodore score at Florida... Also

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saw substantial time on kickoff return units, including one return of 13 yards.

**2006** Developed into the Commodores' No. 2 tight end midway through the season... Played in all 12 games... Minutes increased after FB/TE Steven Bright was lost to lower leg fracture... Did not register a catch.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman, working as tight end during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter at tight end for run-emphasizing squad... Caught seven passes for 156 yards and four touchdowns as senior... Earned season blocking grade of 82 percent, including 29 pancake blocks... Squad used Wing-T offense to notch best recordschool history... Named to *Jacksonville Times Union's* Super 24 squad... Also named first team AAAAA All-State punter by *Associated Press*, All-Area by *Brunswick News* and Region 3-A AAAA Special Teams Player of the Year... Also earned three letters in basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Bradford is expected to graduate in May with a degree in Economics from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Robert Jacob Bradford... Son of Rowland and Jody Bradford... Born June 2, 1987... Has two older sisters... Dad is corporate vice president; mom is teacher... Dad played football at Georgia Tech... A National Honor Society member, participated in Model U.N. and Congressional Youth Leadership Conference... School produced Kwame Brown, No. 1 pick of the 2002 NBA Draft.

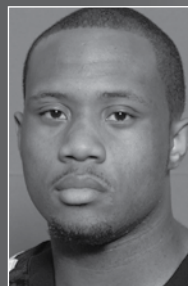
## CARRYING THE ANCHOR

At both home and away games, the Commodores travel with an authentic anchor as a symbol of team unity between players, coaches and staff.

On Thursday prior to each game, Coach Johnson announces which two players will carry the anchor. The players are selected by a vote of the team's Leadership Council.

## Bradford's Career Receiving Statistics

2007	RECEPTIONS-YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
Alabama	1-9	9.0	0	9
@ Florida	1-35	35.0	0	35
Kentucky	1-30	30.0	1	30
Wake Forest	1-6	6.0	0	6
<b>2007</b>	<b>4-80</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>35</b>
2006	0-0	0.0	0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>4-80</b>	<b>20.0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>35</b>



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**BRANNON**

**89**

R-So., Def. End  
6-3, 238  
Spartanburg, S.C.  
Broome HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Commodore defense coaches will look for Brannon to take his game up a notch, and develop into a contributor at end. Brannon showed promise in spring drills, but needs to improve strength, consistency and willingness to attack the ball.

**2007** Played sparingly as a redshirt freshman end, seeing action only in win over Eastern Michigan... Earned assisted tackle vs. EMU.

**2006** Redshirted as a freshman... Participated as scout team end, earning Defensive Scout of the Week honors after Georgia game.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-year starter at defensive end and tight end... Twice named All-State at TE, hauling in receptions for 455 yards as senior... On defense, totalled 17 tackles for loss, 15 QB sacks and 10 deflected passes... Helped Centurions to AA state title in 2004... Two-year post starter for state's two-time AA champion basketball team... Also participated in triple jump and discus in track.

**ACADEMICS** Brannon is enrolled in the Peabody College, working toward a degree in Human and Organizational Development.

**PERSONAL** Terrell Marcu Moore Brannon... Son of Robert and Lesene Brannon... Born Nov. 9, 1987... Has a twin brother, Jerrell... Also has an older sister, Latonia... Raised in Spartanburg area... Active in student government... Prep teammate of Commodore cornerback D.J. Moore.

## LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

For the fourth consecutive year, the Commodore squad will be served by a Leadership Council. Initiated by Coach Johnson in 2005, the player council meets periodically to address team and student-athlete issues and serves as a players' voice communicating with coaches.

The Leadership Council, elected by teammates based on position groupings, includes co-captains Reshard Langford, George Smith, Bradley Vierling, and Mackenzi Adams, Patrick Benoist, Jake Bradford, Bryant Hahnfeldt, Jeff Jennings and Steven Stone.





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**BRANDON  
BRYANT**

**35** R-Jr., Linebacker  
6-1, 228  
Cincinnati, Ohio  
St. Xavier HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** The athletically gifted Bryant hopes to enter the season fully healthy for the first time in two seasons. After missing action with wrist and leg injuries last year, Bryant missed all of Spring Practice to rehabilitate a leg fracture. Coaches will look for a healthy Bryant to compete for a starting role in a linebacker corps without two starters from a year ago.

**2007** Promising sophomore campaign hindered by leg injury... Played in eight games at outside linebacker, but never was totally healthy, opening the year wearing a protective arm cast and sustaining lower foot injury during midseason game at Auburn... Started three games (Alabama, Ole Miss and Auburn), then missed four straight games after the injury at Auburn... Limited duties in final three games... Concluded year with career-best 30 total tackles, including 17 solo stops... Also contributed a quarterback sack, 1.5 tackles for loss and a pair of quarterback hurries... Effective through the first five games, contributing at least five tackles in each appearance... Matched career high with seven-tackle effort in win over Eastern Michigan... Lone QB sack ended third quarter Ole Miss drive with Vanderbilt leading 14-10... Fearless and effective on cover-

## More on Bryant

*Regarded among teammates as one of the team's top physical hitters, Bryant enjoys reading and writing poetry away from the gridiron field.*



age teams, was named team's Specialist of the Week for his contribution in Eastern Michigan victory.

**2006** Athletic reserve linebacker who played in 11 of 12 games... Earned reputation as heavy hitter and sure tackler in redshirt freshman campaign... Ended season with 18 total tackles, including 17 solo stops... Also contributed two forced fumbles and a pair of tackles for loss in limited minutes... Posted career high seven tackles in win over Temple... Also had three tackles against Florida... Solid performer on coverage units, Bryant shared team's Specialist of the Week honors after win over Duke.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman, working at LB during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain for Bombers... Team MVP in 2004 when he totalled 56 tackles, including a school-record 14 sacks... Recorded 24 tackles for loss and five forced fumbles... Played inside linebacker for Bombers as junior, moving to outside linebacker during senior campaign... Named Second Team Division I All-Ohio, First Team All-Southwest Ohio and First Team All-City by *Cincinnati Enquirer*... Selected as conference's 2004 Defensive Player of the Year... Squad went 11-1 in 2004, losing in second round of playoffs.

**ACADEMICS** Bryant is working toward a degree in Human and Organizational Development.

**PERSONAL** Brandon Kyle Bryant... Son of Clinton and Deborah Bryant... Born Oct. 5, 1986... Has an older brother, Clint, and older sister, Brittany... Tragically lost younger sister, Brianna, to a sudden illness in June... Dad is business banker, mom is security officer... Planning a career in construction management.

## Bryant's Career Defensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

**TACKLES: 7**, most recently vs. Eastern Michigan, 9/29/2007

**SOLO TACKLES: 5**, vs. Alabama, 9/13/2007

2007	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	QH
Richmond	3-2-5	-	-	-	-	-
Alabama	5-1-6	-	-	-	-	1
Ole Miss	3-2-5	1.0-3	1.0-3	-	-	-
Eastern Mich.	4-3-7	1.0-4	-	-	-	-
@ Auburn	2-3-5	-	-	-	-	-
<b>2007</b>	<b>17-11-28</b>	<b>2.0-7</b>	<b>1.0-3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-/-</b>	<b>1</b>
2006	5-1-6	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>22-12-34</b>	<b>2.0-7</b>	<b>1.0-3</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>1</b>



**MATT  
BUBIS**

**32** R-Jr., H-Back  
6-0, 230  
Brentwood, Tenn.  
Montgomery Bell

**2008 PROSPECTS** A walk-on prospect, Bubis provided depth at H-back, tight end and on special teams as a sophomore. If fully healthy, he should continue to serve in those roles this season.

**2007** Played in nine games, seeing action as return unit blocker and reserve TE/FB... Did not register a rushing attempt or pass

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reception... Returned a kickoff for eight yards against Auburn.


**2006** Walk-on who enjoyed first collegiate action as blocking fullback vs. South Carolina... Did not register a rushing attempt.

**2005** Walk-on as freshman... Did not see action, though named team's top defensive scout after Wake Forest game.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-year starter on DL... Two-time D-II All-State... Averaged nine yards per carry as senior... Helped lead team to a *USA Today* Top 25 ranking and two state titles... Also lettered in wrestling and track.

**ACADEMICS** Bubis is working toward a degree in Economics from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Matthew David Bubis... Son of Martin and Jayne Bubis... Has two brothers... Dad is real estate investor; mom is an event planner... Enjoys fishing... Prep teammate of Commodore junior placekicker Bryant Hahnfeldt.



**JOEL CALDWELL**

**29** R-Jr., Safety  
6-1, 195  
Hoover, Ala.  
Hoover HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** A versatile player in the defensive secondary, Caldwell enters preseason camp as a top reserve for both returning safety starters. With experience at cornerback and safety, Caldwell has a solid understanding of the defensive scheme. His value to the Commodores also is evident on special team coverage units.

## More on Caldwell

*An older brother, Jason, played four years as wide receiver at Vanderbilt. He is currently enrolled in medical school at the University of Louisville. Another brother, John, was a walk-on running back at the University of Alabama.*

**2007** Served different defensive roles as redshirt sophomore... Moved from cornerback to safety, working into a key reserve role behind two-year starter Ryan Hamilton... Saw action in every game, and contributed to Commodore coverage units on special teams... Concluded year with 14 total tackles,

including 10 solo stops, and forced one fumble... Shared team's Specialist of the Week honors after Tennessee game... Forced fumble came on kickoff coverage in Commodores' win at South Carolina.

**2006** Played in every game at cornerback as a redshirt freshman, starting the final 11 games... Played first month of season with a dislocated elbow suffered in preseason practices... First collegiate start came in his home state against Alabama... Concluded the year with 33 solo tackles, 42 total tackles and a pair of defended passes... In second start, contributed seven solo tackles in narrow loss to Arkansas... Ended season by posting career highs in solo tackles (10) and total tackles (12) at Kentucky, then following up with five-tackle effort against Tennessee.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman... Impressed coaches as cornerback last fall... Named team's Defensive Scout of the Week after Tennessee game.



**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starter for Alabama powerhouse... Started two years in talented secondary... As senior, netted 62 total tackles, two interceptions and five defended passes, helping Bucs to 15-0 record and 6A state title... As a junior, contributed 30 tackles and an interception as defensive back... Earned three varsity letters, with squad winning state championship each season... Named honorable mention All-Metro by *Birmingham News*... Also earned three varsity track letters, helping Hoover to three consecutive indoor state titles.

**ACADEMICS** Caldwell is working toward a degree in Economics from the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2006 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Joel Thomas Caldwell... Son of John and Charlene Caldwell... Youngest of four siblings... Dad is salesman for Proctor & Gamble; mom is retired junior high counselor... Member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity.. Served internship with local law firm; worked as carousel operator at nearby Riverchase Galleria... Active in FCA chapter on campus.

## Caldwell's Career Defensive Statistics

### SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

**SOLO TACKLES:** 10, at Kentucky, 11/11/2006

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 12, at Kentucky, 11/11/2006

2007	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
Richmond	2-0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Alabama	1-1-2	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Ole Miss	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Eastern Mich.	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ Auburn	0-0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Georgia	0-1-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ So. Carolina	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	1/0	0
Miami (Ohio)	0-1-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ Florida	2-0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Kentucky	0-1-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ Tennessee	2-0-2	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Wake Forest	0-0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
<b>2007</b>	<b>10-4-14</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2006</b>	<b>33-9-42</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>43-13-56</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>2</b>



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**NATHAN CAMPBELL**

**52** R-So., Linebacker  
6-3, 228  
Hazen, Ark.  
Hazen HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Coaches anticipate Campbell competing for starting job at outside linebacker after solid Spring Practice showing. Has improved overall strength and quickness with excellent work in weightroom since arriving on campus. Though relatively inexperienced, Campbell will be given every opportunity to earn playing role.

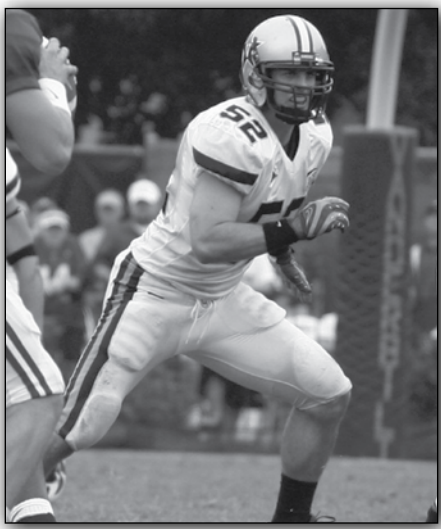
**2007** Saw action in every game, contributing on special teams and as a reserve linebacker... Contributed eight total tackles, including six solo stops... Posted two tackles in opener vs. Richmond.

**2006** Redshirted as freshman... Worked as scout linebacker.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Team captain as senior... Three-year starter at LB and QB... Guided team to 2A state playoffs each season... As senior LB, garnered 148 total tackles, three INTs and three fumble recoveries... Credited with more than 350 tackles in varsity career... Amassed 2,500 yards of total offense as QB during junior and senior seasons... Two-time first team All-State and three-time All-Conference pick... Also was standout in basketball, baseball and track & field.

**ACADEMICS** Campbell is undecided on his major. He is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Nathan Marcus Campbell... Son of David and Susan Campbell... Born Dec. 17, 1987... Has two younger sisters... Dad is business manager; mom is bank employee... Vice president of student council... Enjoys outdoor activities, including hunting.



**Campbell's Career Defensive Statistics**

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
<b>2007</b>						
Richmond	1-1-2	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Alabama	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Ole Miss	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ So. Carolina	0-1-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Miami (Ohio)	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ Florida	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
@ Tennessee	1-0-1	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
<b>2007</b>	<b>6-2-8</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>



**TOM CARROLL**

**50** R-Jr., Placekicker  
5-9, 165  
Columbus, Ga.  
Brookstone School

**2008 PROSPECTS** A third-year walk-on, Carroll showed big kicking improvement in Spring Practice, demonstrating both more strength and better accuracy. He continues to compete for top reserve role.

**2007** Showed improved accuracy and leg strength, but did not see action during third season as a backup placekicker.

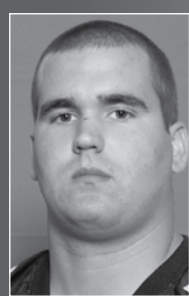
**2006** Did not see action as a sophomore placekicker.

**2005** Did not see action in first year... Practiced at placekicker.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year varsity letterwinner as starting placekicker... Named All-Region as junior and senior, converting 52 of 63 PAT attempts and seven of 13 FG tries... Also earned three varsity letters in soccer and basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Carroll is majoring in Mechanical Engineering. He is a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Thomas Banks Carroll... Son of Drs. Banks and Cheryl Carroll... Has two younger brothers... Dad is family practice doctor; mom is a pediatrician.



**BO CRAMER**

**92** R-Fr., Def. Tackle  
6-3, 280  
Charlotte, N.C.  
Country Day

**2008 PROSPECTS** A walk-on, Cramer gives full effort in pursuit of playing time at defensive tackle. His continued development will help at position grouping affected by graduation loss of three graduates.

**2007** Did not see action as a freshman walk-on candidate at defensive tackle... Named team's Defensive Scout of the Week after Kentucky game.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year letterwinner... Played on both sides of the line... Named All-State, all-conference and second team All-Area by *Charlotte Observer* as senior lineman.

**ACADEMICS** Cramer is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a major in Economics.

**PERSONAL** Robert Wayne Cramer... Son of Bob and Ann Cramer... Born on June 22, 1988... Dad is a corporate law attorney... Middle of three siblings: older sister, Ashley, and young brother, Mac... Played with Commodore TE Austin Monahan at Country Day... Enjoys participating in FCA activities on campus.

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**CHRIS  
CROOKS**

**81** R-Fr., Receiver  
6-3, 208  
Cummings, Ga.  
Chattahoochee HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Crooks showed athleticism as a first-year walk-on receiver. He returns in preseason camp hoping to compete for reserve playing role in bunched receiving corps.

**2007** Did not see action as a freshman walk-on receiver.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter... Played WR as junior and senior, safety as sophomore... All-Region recipient... Caught 59 passes as senior, helping team to AAAAA playoffs... Standout hurdler/vaulter in track: as senior, inished third in pole vault at state clearing 14'6.

**ACADEMICS** Crooks is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Christopher Arthur Crooks... Son of Mathew and Sandra Crooks... Born on Jan. 26, 1989... Both parents teach in public schools... Oldest of four siblings... Earned school's top scholar-athlete award.



**RYAN  
CUSTER**

**73** R-Jr., Guard  
6-3, 295  
Troy, Ohio  
Troy HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Coaches hold high expectations for Custer, who has played both guard positions in two previous seasons. As experienced as any 'Dore lineman, Custer needs to claim the left guard slot in preseason camp while showing foot speed and agility improvement.

**2007** After enjoying three starts at guard as a redshirt freshman, Custer served as one of the offensive line's top reserves in 2007, rotating in with senior starter Josh Eames at left guard... Played in nine games, missing the Richmond, Alabama and South Carolina contests.

## More on Custer

*Custer was part of a dynamic defensive tackle tandem in high school. Positioned next to Custer at Troy H.S. was Todd Denlinger, projected to start this season as a defensive tackle at Ohio State.*

**2006** As a redshirt freshman, Custer saw action in every game as an offensive guard, playing his way into a more substantial role during the second half of the season... Role expanded in Georgia game after injury sidelined veteran guard Josh Eames... Started at left guard in the next three games – South Carolina, Duke and Florida – until Eames returned to the lineup.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman... Worked as OG during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starter... Started at DT for 8-3 squad that



advanced to playoffs in largest Ohio classification... Credited with 59 tackles and 17 tackles for loss as a defensive standout... Occasional starter at OT... Named to the First Team All-Dayton and All-Area as DL.

**ACADEMICS** Custer is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a degree in Economics.

**PERSONAL** Ryan James Custer... Son of Jerri Custer... "General"... Born Sept. 6, 1986... Middle of three siblings: older brother, Corey, and younger sister, Lindsay... Mom is an executive assistant at headquarters for Nelson Tree Co... First played football in ninth grade after family relocated to Ohio... Played soccer and baseball prior to starting football... Raised near Syracuse, N.Y... Big NASCAR fan.



**CHRIS  
DEGEORGE**

**84** R-Jr., Tight End  
6-2, 225  
Portland, Tenn.  
Portland HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** A transfer from Middle Tennessee, DeGeorge worked at tight end/H-back slot in Spring Practice. Stellar in the weightroom, DeGeorge could find time on special teams.

**2007** Redshirted, after transferring from MTSU.

**2005-06** Practiced as TE/FE at MTSU... Did not see action.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter at OT and DE at squad that advanced to playoffs every year... Earned All-County and team's OL & DL MVP as senior... Also lettered in basketball.

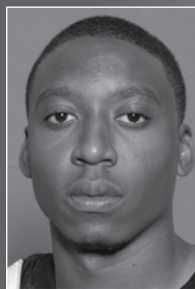
**ACADEMICS** DeGeorge plans to graduate this May with a Political Science degree from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** James Christopher DeGeorge... Son of Dick and Beverly DeGeorge... Born on Nov. 22, 1986... Dad is human resources manager; mom is a teacher... Dad was member of Spirit of Gold Marching Band as Vanderbilt undergraduate... Has a younger brother and sister.





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**ANDREW  
DIOMANDE**

**26** R-Sr., Receiver  
6-2, 204  
Miami, Fla.  
Columbus HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Diomande has an opportunity to play key role in receiving corps with NFL departure of Earl Bennett. One full year after arriving from Clemson, Diomande showed flashes of big-time ability during Spring Practice.

**2007** Did not play... Transferred from Clemson football squad.

**AT CLEMSON** During two-year stint as wide receiver at Clemson, Diomande caught four passes for 70 yards.

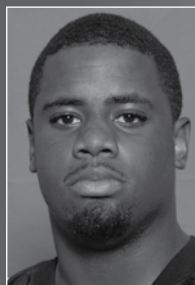
**HIGH SCHOOL** As senior, caught 42 passes for 621 yards and six TDs... Played one season at Columbus after transferring from Miami Palmetto HS.

**ACADEMICS** Diomande is majoring in Human and Organizational Development.

**PERSONAL** Andrew Hassan Diomande... Son of Leona Diomande... Born June 25, 1986 in Miami... An only child... Mom works for Miami-Dade court system... An uncle, Andre Wadsworth, was standout DE at Florida State and No. 3 overall pick in 1998 NFL Draft.

**Diomande's Receiving Statistics at Clemson**

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TDs
2006	3	55	18.3	0
2005	1	15	15.0	0
<b>Career at Clemson</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>0</b>



**JERMAINE  
DOSTER**

**41** R-Fr., Tailback  
5-11, 205  
Tampa, Fla.  
Robinson HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** In a crowded field of tailbacks, Doster needs to stamp himself as a candidate for playing time in preseason camp. In his first year on campus, Doster showed solid rushing ability, but needs more consistency to contend for playing time.

**2007** Redshirted as freshman... Worked at running back.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year starter at RB... Four-year varsity letterwinner... As senior, earned all-count honors, rushing for 770 yards and seven TDs... Helped Knights to state playoffs as junior.. Two-time team MVP running back... Ended career with more than 2,300 rushing yards and 32 TDs... Played in postseason Hillsborough County East-West Game... Earned basketball and track letters.

**ACADEMICS** Doster is working toward a degree in Human and

Organizational Development from the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** Jermaine Tino Doster... Son of Kelly Doster... Born Nov. 7, 1987 in Tampa... Younger brother of a beloved former Commodore, tailback Kwane Doster, the 2002 SEC Freshman of the Year who died tragically from a shotgun attack on Dec. 26, 2004 while on holiday break from classes... Has an older sister, Chaka Howard.



**DERRIUS  
DOWELL**

**99** R-Jr., Def. Tackle  
6-3, 285  
Atlanta, Ga.  
Douglass HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Dowell needs to step forward and show coaches that he wants to be part of the equation at defensive tackle where the Commodores open camp without the services of 2007 starters Theo Horrocks and Gabe Hall.

**2007** Did not play as redshirt sophomore... Failed to break into the team's two-deep at DT... Named top defensive scout after season finale.

**2006** Did not see action as a redshirt freshman defensive tackle... Earned Defensive Scout of the Week honors after Florida game.

**2005** Redshirted as freshman... Worked as defensive lineman.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year letterwinner for one of state's top programs... As a senior, earned All-Area honors... Started at DE and DT, finishing with 94 tackles, 18 tackles for loss and seven sacks... Squad went 10-2 and advanced to second round of AAAAAA playoffs.

**ACADEMICS** Dowell is majoring in Human and Organizational Development. He is enrolled in the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** Derrius Deonte Dowell... Son of Patricia Reid-Dowell and Derrick Dowell... Born April 13, 1987... Dad is contractor; mom is para-legal... Has one younger brother... Two uncles played college football.



**JAMES  
ELLEDGE**

**95** R-Fr., Def. Tackle  
6-4, 285  
Birmingham, Ala.  
Mtn. Brook HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Showed progress during spring drills after moving across the line of scrimmage to defensive tackle position. Needs to continue getting stronger in effort to secure gameday role.

**2007** First-year walk-on did not play... Helped team as a practice squad offensive lineman.


**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starter at DE and TE... Earned 65 tackles, 4 sacks as senior, playing in tough 6A Birmingham region... Senior starter as center in basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Elledge is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science,

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planning to major in History.

**PERSONAL** James M. Elledge... Son of Scott Elledge and Marian Bell... Born on Nov. 4, 1988... Dad is physician; mom is psychologist... Has older brother, Whitaker, and younger sister, Grace.



**JARED  
FAGAN**

**20** R-Sr., Cornerback  
5-10, 182  
Waldorf, Md.  
Westlake HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** Fagan comes into his final preseason camp looking to become more of a factor than a year ago when he complemented starters Myron Lewis and D.J. Moore at cornerback. A Commodore hero due to clinching interception in 2006 win over Tennessee, Fagan gives coaches a veteran presence.

**2007** Played in every game, contributing as a reserve cornerback and member of coverage and return units on special teams... Finished season with nine total tackles, including five solo stops... Recorded three tackles in SEC games against Alabama and Florida... Also posted pair



of stops in narrow loss to Georgia... Returned one kickoff return for 16 yards at Tennessee.

**2006** Played much of the season as reserve cornerback behind freshman D.J. Moore... Started the finale against Tennessee at cornerback, and saw action in every game as defensive back and special team contributor... Concluded season with 12 solo tackles... Top individual effort came

against Tennessee, with career high five solo stops... Had three tackles against Arkansas and Tennessee State... Forced a fumble in TSU game.

**2005** Played in every game as defensive back while contributing on special teams... Started at Wake Forest in first collegiate appearance... In season finale, came up with game-winning interception on final play of Tennessee game... Ended season with six solo tackles and 10 total tackles along with the lone interception... Also contributed three solo tackles in the victory at Tennessee.

**2004** Redshirted.


**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter... Senior captain... Earned All-Metro and First Team 3A All-Southern Maryland honors by *Washington Post*... Rushed for 1,345 yards and 18 TDs on 170 carries for 10-2

state playoff squad as senior... Also had five INTs as DB... Started in secondary as sophomore... Averaged a score every seven touches during career... In track, won 100 and 200 outdoor state titles, and indoor 55-meter dash... 100 PR of 10.63.

**ACADEMICS** Fagan is expected to conclude his undergraduate degree this May in Human and Organizational Development. He is a 2007 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Jared LaMar Fagan... Son of Harold and Harriet Fagan... Youngest of three boys... Born March 11, 1986 in Miami, Fla.... Dad is a financial consultant and retired U.S. Air Force officer; mom is high school teacher... Three-time All-Academic selection.

Fagan's Career Defensive Statistics						
SINGLE-GAME HIGHS						
TACKLES: 5, vs. Tennessee, 11/18/2006						
	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PD
2007	5-4-9	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	0/0	0
2006	12-0-12	0.0-0	0-0	0-0	1/0	0
2005	6-4-10	0.0-0	0-0	1-3	0/0	0
Career	23-8-31	0.0-0	0-0	1-3	1/0	0



**KYLE  
FISCHER**

**72** R-Fr., Guard/Tackle  
6-6, 300  
Columbia, S.C.  
Spring Valley HS

**2008 PROSPECTS** A naturally gifted big man, Fischer has the ability to play either tackle or guard. As he improves footwork and pass protection techniques, Fischer is likely to work his way into a gameday responsibility. Coaches believe Fischer has a chance to become an outstanding offensive prospect.

**2007** Sat out first year on campus as a redshirt freshman... Showed promise as a practice squad offensive lineman... Named team's Offensive Scout of the Week after win over Ole Miss.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year OL starter for one of state's top programs... Started at LT as junior and senior, earning team's line MVP honor both seasons... Earned prep All-American honors after playing in Max Emfinger All-Star Bowl... Named All-State by SCVarsity.com in 2006 for a Viking squad that went 9-3 and won pair of region titles... Tied school mark with 17 knockdown blocks against Rock Hill, and set school career mark with 120 knockdown blocks... Also participated in postseason North-South All-Star Game in South Carolina... Also lettered in wrestling and track & field.

**ACADEMICS** Fischer is enrolled in the Peabody College, working toward a degree in Human and Organizational Development.

**PERSONAL** Kyle Marcus Fischer... Son of Ivey Gilliam and Debra Hamilton... Born June 16, 1988 in Germany... Youngest of five siblings: three sisters and a brother... Dad is policeman; mom works in medical field... Three graduates of Spring Valley are on NFL rosters, including DB Michael Boulware of the Seahawks.

