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## 94 Torey AGEЕ

**Defensive Line**  
**Junior ★ 6-4 • 282**  
**Opelika, Ala. ★ Opelika HS**

**Agee**

**2014** Participated in five games, playing defensive tackle in team's 3-4 scheme... Limited action came against Temple, Ole Miss, Georgia, South Carolina and Old Dominion... Struggled with injuries during latter part of season... Credited with four assisted tackles, including career-high three stops in opener vs. Temple.

**2013** Saw action as reserve defensive tackle in eight games as a redshirt freshman... Finished the year with four total tackles... Made his collegiate debut vs. Austin Peay making two assisted tackles... Also added tackles at

### Agee's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES: 3, vs. Temple, 8/29/2014**

Texas A&M and UAB.

**2012** Agee redshirted during his first year on campus, working hard in the weight room to add bulk.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starter at DE for Alabama public school... Earned three varsity letters... Named All-Area DE honors as junior and senior... As a prep senior in 2011, produced 40 solo tackles, six tackles for loss and five quarterback sacks for squad that advanced to 5A state playoffs... Played in Alabama-Mississippi All-Star Game after senior campaign.

**ACADEMICS** Agee is working toward a degree in psychology. Agee is a 2013 and 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Torey LeMarcus Agee... Son of Tommy and Anchylus Agee... Born March 8, 1994... Dad is assistant director of Opelika Parks & Recreation;

mom is kindergarten teacher... Has an older brother, Tyler, and younger sister, Angelic... Dad was a standout FB at Auburn and six-year NFL veteran, and was lead blocker for two of the top running backs in gridiron history, Bo Jackson and Emmitt Smith... Played the trombone in school symphonic band.

### Agee's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	SACKS	TFL	FF/FR	QBH
<b>2014</b>	<b>0-4-4</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>1-3-4</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Career</b>	<b>1-7-8</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>



## 55 Caleb AZUBIKE

**Defensive End**  
**Senior ★ 6-4 • 260**  
**Nashville, Tenn. ★ McGavock HS**

**2014** Azubike started at both outside linebacker and defensive end in Vanderbilt's 3-4 scheme as a junior... Earned seven starts - six at DE and one at OLB... Played in 11 of 12 games... Set single-season career high with 39 total tackles and matched another with four quarterback sacks... Contributed six tackles for loss and a pair of QB hurries... Opened the year in sensational fashion, posting two QB sacks against both Ole Miss and UMass... Also matched single-game career high with seven total tackles against Ole Miss and UMass... Also registered at least four tackles against Kentucky, Old Dominion and Missouri... Set single-game career with three tackles for loss in win over UMass... Nagging injuries limited production in team's closing three games.

**2013** Azubike became one of the Commodores' top defensive linemen without earning a start... Part of five-player rotation at defensive end... Showed considerable improvement from start of season to closing stretch... Served as top reserve DE, seeing action in 10 games... Did not play against Tennessee, Wake Forest or BBVA Compass Bowl opponent Houston... Finished the regular season with 21 solo tackles and 31 total tackles, both career highs... Also topped the defense with 10 tackles for loss and shared the team lead with four quarterback sacks... Earned Southeastern Conference Defensive Lineman of the Week honors for superb performance in win at Florida - four tackles, two QB sacks, 2.5

### Azubike's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES: 7, (3x), most recently vs. UMass, 9/13/2014**  
**SOLO TACKLES: 5, vs. Missouri, 10/5/2013**  
**QB SACKS: 2, (3x), most recently vs. UMass, 9/13/2014**  
**TACKLES FOR LOSS: 3.0, vs. UMass, 9/13/2014**

tackles for loss, and a pair of hurries... Recorded career-best seven tackles, including two resulting in losses, against

Missouri... Contributed five tackles at South Carolina, and registered first sack of season vs. Austin Peay... Added two tackles, a defended pass and quarterback hurry in opener against Ole Miss.

**2012** Azubike enjoyed one of the finest campaigns ever by a Commodore true freshman defensive end, earning SEC All-Freshman recognition from ESPN.com... Saw action in all 13 games, playing more snaps than any other Vanderbilt first-year player... Set team record for true freshmen with four quarterback sacks... Ended season with 15 solo tackles, 21 total tackles, 4.5 tackles for loss, two fumble recoveries and a pair of QB hurries... Played well in Music City Bowl win, earning three tackles and fumble recovery... Set season high with three solo tackles, including a sack, at Northwestern... Added key sack in win over Tennessee.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain, two-year starter at DE... As senior,



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## 24 Jalen BANKS

**Safety**

**Sophomore ★ 5-11 • 195**

**Markham, Ill. ★ Thornton Township HS**

**Banks**

**2014** Banks saw action in all 12 games as a first-year contributor... Participated on special teams and as reserve safety... Registered solo tackles against Missouri and Miss. State.

**2013** Banks did not see action as a true freshman... He worked hard to build strength and quickness during the fall, and showed excellent DB instincts during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year starter for large public school located in south Chicago suburb... As senior DB, posted 60 tackles, three INTs and four forced fumbles for squad that advanced to state playoffs... Named All-State by both state coaches' and *Chicago Tribune*... As junior, contributed four INTs, three fumble recoveries to go with 55 tackles... During career, registered 156 tackles, 10 INTs and 23 pass breakups.

**ACADEMICS** Banks is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He is working toward a major in communication studies.

**PERSONAL** Jalen Aaron Banks... Son of Frederick Banks and Amani Wesley... Born Sept. 10, 1994... Has younger brother, Jauan... Participated with Big Brothers/Big Sisters in hometown.

contributed 117 tackles, 30 tackles for loss, 10 QB sacks and six forced fumbles for Raiders... Two-time team MVP... All-State and *Tennessean* Dream Team recipient as senior... Posted three sacks at postseason Offense-Defense All-American Bowl... Earned defensive MVP honors in Tennessee East-West All-Star Game after setting record with 17 tackles... Finalist for Hume Award, given to Nashville school's top scholar-athlete.

**ACADEMICS** Azubike is working toward a medicine, health and society interdisciplinary studies degree.

**PERSONAL** Chukwuemeka Caleb Azubike... Son of Chuck and Nkechi Azubike... Born March 31, 1994 in Nigeria... Dad is private businessman; mom is a nurse... Has two brothers, Onochie and Ifeatu, and two sisters, Adaobi and Chinazor... Family moved from England prior to ninth grade... Played trumpet in McGavock marching band as freshman.

### Azubike's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	SACKS	TFL	FF/FR	QBH
2014	18-21-39	4.0-25	6.0-30	0/1	3
2013	20-11-31	4.0-40	9.5-53	0/0	3
2012	15-6-21	4.0-22	4.5-22	0/2	1
<b>Career</b>	<b>53-38-91</b>	<b>12.0-87</b>	<b>20.0-105</b>	<b>0/3</b>	<b>7</b>

### Banks' Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	SACKS	TFL	FF/FR	QBH
2014	0-4-4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0
2013	1-3-4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0/0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>1-7-8</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0.0-0</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>0</b>



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## 42 Ladarius BANKS

**Fullback**

**Sophomore ★ 6-2 • 255**

**Dallas, Ga. ★ East Paulding HS**

**Banks**

**2014** Banks did not see action in his second year on campus... Participating on practice squads as defensive lineman... Moved to fullback during spring by new offensive staff.

**2013** As redshirt freshman, Banks saw action in nine games... Contributed at DT and on special teams... Posted one tackle on defense, coming at Texas A&M... Also played in wins over Wake Forest, Tennessee, Kentucky, Florida and Austin Peay... First career action came in opener vs. Ole Miss.

**2012** Banks did not play as a true freshman interior defensive lineman...

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain... Three-year defensive line starter... As senior tackle, earned MVP honors posting 65 total tackles, 36 solo tackles and four QB sacks for 11-2 Raider squad that advanced to AAAA state quarter-finals... Named to Georgia's Top 75 seniors by *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* and All-Region as senior... Helped 2011 defense post five shutouts... Vice president of senior class.

**ACADEMICS** Banks is working toward a degree in political science from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Ladarius Bernard Banks... Son of Eddie and Tiffany Banks... Dad is entrepreneur; mom is nursing director... Has two younger siblings: a sister, Ladajah; and brother, Dallas... Enjoys public speaking.



## 4 Tre BELL

**Cornerback**

**Sophomore ★ 6-0 • 178**

**Union, N.J. ★ St. Peter's Prep**

**Bell**

**2014** Bell played in 11 of 12 games as a first-year contributor... Participated as cornerback and member of special team coverage units... Made first career start against Temple in opener... Also was in starting secondary against Ole Miss, UMass and South Carolina... Finished the year with 19 total tackles, 15 solo tackles and a pair of defended passes... Posted six total tackles vs. Ole Miss and five solo tackles vs. UMass... Also registered five tackles vs. Temple.



**2013** Bell did not see game action as a true freshman, but impressed coaches with superb ball skills and secondary instincts as scout team participant during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starting cornerback for one of New Jersey's top private schools... As senior, posted two INTs, 12 pass breakups and accounted for three TDS for 8-2 St. Peter's team... Selected as Non-Public School All-State and All-League, Bell also participated in postseason

### Bell's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 6, vs. Ole Miss, Sept. 6, 2014

**SOLO TACKLES:** 5, vs. UMass, Sept. 13, 2014

Chesapeake All-Star Game...

As junior, totalled three INTs and 12 passes defended for 7-4 Marauders' squad.

**ACADEMICS** Bell is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a

communication studies major.

**PERSONAL** Marion Tre'Quan Bell... Son of Marion and Vivian Bell... Born Jan. 14, 1995... Has two younger siblings, Jasmyn and Jaylen... Dad serves as head coach at nearby East Orange (N.J.) HS... Was involved in high school's campus ministries, peer tutoring and community service projects.

### Bell's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	15-4-19	0.0-0	0-0	2	0/0

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## 53 Jake BERNSTEIN

**Offensive Guard**

**Senior ★ 6-4 • 310**

**Lake in the Hills, Ill. ★ Crystal Lake South HS**

**2014** Bernstein started all 12 games at left guard... Has 29 starts at guard during his three-year varsity career and concluded the year on a 23-game consecutive starts streak... Brought stability to Commodore offensive line, playing nearly 90 percent of team's offensive snaps... Commodores have 17-12 overall record with Bernstein in the starting lineup... Produced twice as many pancake blocks (59) than any other offensive linemen.

**2013** Bernstein played in 12 games, earning 11 starts at left guard... Has 17 career starts on the Commodore offensive line... After missing starts in the team's first two games, Bernstein finished with 11 straight starts... Played virtually every meaningful snap at guard during the second half of season as Commodores finished with five-game win streak and 7-2 mark over their last nine games... Provided excellent experience and punishing run-blocking abilities for the offensive line... Was part of superb left side of Vanderbilt OL with All-SEC tackle Wesley Johnson... Credited with 46 knockdown blocks, 17 intimidation blocks and 67 blocks that led to Commodore first downs and touchdowns... Consistently earned positive blocking grades from coaching staff... Commodores have 14-3 record with Bernstein in the starting lineup.

**2012** After starting the season as a reserve guard, Bernstein became one of the Commodores' most valuable and dependable players during the team's six-game win streak to conclude the season... Played virtually every meaningful snap on the line over the team's last seven games, seeing

action in both guard roles... Earned six starting assignments... Increased playing time began in win over Auburn... First career start came at right guard in win over UMass, followed by starts at same position in road wins against Kentucky and Ole Miss... Started at left guard in late-season wins against Tennessee, Wake Forest and N.C. State in the Music City Bowl. **2011** Bernstein did not play as a freshmen... Used redshirt campaign to add strength while impressing coaches with blocking techniques as a prospective guard on the offensive front.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starter at left tackle for one of the top Chicago suburban powers... As a senior, helped team to first undefeated regular season in team history and into 6A state quarter-finals... Credited with 69 pancake blocks as senior, helping two teammates surpass 1,000-mark rushing mark... Named IHSA 6A All-State and *Chicago Tribune* second-team All-State... Two-time All-Area... Played in All-World Gridiron Classic... Also lettered in baseball, track & field and lacrosse.

**ACADEMICS** Bernstein is working toward a human and organizational development degree (leadership emphasis) from the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** Jacob Bernstein... Son of Steven and Shawn Bernstein... Born June 18, 1993... Has one older sister, Samantha... Dad is sales manager; mom works in corporate finance... Big Chicago Bears fan... Enjoys golf and baseball... Worked with children as an employee of Lifetime Fitness.



## 23 Khari Blasingame

**Inside Linebacker**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-1 • 228**

**New Market, Ala. ★ Buckhorn HS**

**Blasingame**

**2014** Blasingame did not see action as a true freshman... Impressed as a scout team safety during fall practices and continued to add strength in the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain and two-way starter... As senior, posted 64 solo tackles and pair of INTs as safety for 6-5 Bucks' squad that advanced to 6A state playoffs... Also rushed for 966 yards and 10 TDs... Earned Second Team All-State DB and All-Tennessee Valley DB honors... Started at cornerback during junior and sophomore seasons... Also lettered as sprinter-jumper in track & field and on baseball squad.

**ACADEMICS** Blasingame is undeclared on a major. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Khari Thomas Blasingame... Born July 1, 1996... Son of Stanley and Tara Blasingame... Has an older sister, Camara... Dad is an engineer; mom is a podiatric surgeon... Mom is related to U.S. gold medal sprinter Evelyn Ashford... Plays the saxophone.



## 52 Nigel BOWDEN

**Inside Linebacker**

**Sophomore ★ 6-1 • 240**

**Macon, Ga. ★ Macon Central HS**

**Bowden**

**2014** Bowden capped off an excellent season by earning Freshman All-SEC honors from the league's 14 head coaches... Topped all SEC first-year players in total tackles, and become the first freshman to pace Vanderbilt in total tackles since LB Jamie Winborn did so in 1998... Participated and started at inside linebacker in 11 of 12 games, missing the Mississippi State due to injury... Concluded the season with 78 total tackles, 37 solo stops, 2.0 tackles for loss, one quarterback sack and a forced fumble... Posted at least five tackles in first eight games... Season high of 11 tackles came in stellar performance at Missouri... Had nine tackles at Kentucky.



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**2013** Bowden did not see game action as a true freshman... He impressed coaches as a prospective middle linebacker on scout teams during the fall. **HIGH SCHOOL** Captain and team MVP as senior... Enjoyed incredibly productive career as four-year LB starter... As senior, posted 117 tackles, 17

## Bowden's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 11, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 6 (2), most recently at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
**QB HURRIES:** 2, vs. Ole Miss, 9/6/2014

tackles for loss, four sacks and four forced fumbles for Chargers... Named First Team AAA All-State as senior... Also played TE on offense... Nominated to play in postseason Offense-Defense All-American Bowl... Two-time Region Player of the Year recipient... As junior,

posted 155 tackles and five sacks... Contributed 88 tackles, seven sacks and three forced fumbles as sophomore.

**ACADEMICS** Bowden is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a degree in communication studies. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Nigel Lorenzo Bowden... Son of Phyllis Nathan-Holt and Larry Bowden... Born Dec. 20, 1994... Father is retired from the military... Parents work for U.S. Postal Service... Has a brother, Joe, and sister, Janelle... An older brother, Jason, died in the line of duty early in the Iraq War.

## Bowden's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FE/FR
2014	37-41-78	2.0-12	1.0-7	1	1/0



## 20 Oren BURKS

**Safety**

**Sophomore ★ 6-3 • 215**

**Fairfax Station, Va. ★ South County HS**

**2014** Burks became a key contributor in the Commodore secondary as a redshirt freshman... Registered seven starting assignments at safety while setting action in eight total games... Starts

## Burks' Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 7, (2x), most recently at Miss. State, 11/22/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 4, vs. Temple, 8/28/2014

came against Temple, Ole Miss, UMass, Old Dominion, Florida, Miss. State and Tennessee... Missed four midseason games due to injury... Ended the year by leading the defense with seven defended passes, and ranked 10th with 37 total tackles... Also

contributed 16 solo tackles and registered one fumble recovery... Posted single-game high with seven total tackles against Ole Miss and Miss. State. **2013** Burks did not see game action as a true freshman on campus... Showed physicality and agility as practice squad defensive contributor.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain... Three-year defensive starter... As senior LB, named First Team All-State, district's Defensive Player of the Year and team MVP after accumulating 123 tackles, 17 tackles for loss, 3.5 sacks,



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six forced fumbles and three INTs... Also added three TD catches and four blocked punts for 2012 squad that advanced to second round of Group 5 playoffs... Participated in postseason Chesapeake Bowl... As junior, posted 128 tackles, 22 tackles for loss, 11 sacks, two INTs and three defensive TDs – as Stallions advanced to state title game.

**ACADEMICS** Burks is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He is majoring in economics. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Oren Spencer Burks ... Son of Orlanda and Wanda Burks... Born March 21, 1995... A younger sister, Whitney, is a softball player at Stanford... Dad works as senior system engineer; mom works as program operations manager.

## Burks' Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	16-21-37	0.0-0	0-0	7	0/1



Butler

## 69 Adam BUTLER

**Defensive Tackle/End**

**Junior ★ 6-5 • 300**

**Duncanville, Texas ★ Duncanville HS**

**2014** Butler continued to develop into one of the team's top defensive lineman as sophomore... Played in all 12 games, earning nine starts at defensive end... Has started 14 games during first two seasons as contributor... Established new single-season highs with 35 tackles, 2.5 QB sacks and 7.5 tackles for loss... Consistent performer who registered at least one tackle in every game... Quarterback

sacks came against So. Carolina and Tennessee... Season-high tackle total of five stops came at Missouri... Also had at least four tackles against five other opponents... Posted second career block of extra point or field goal at Georgia... Notched first career TD by recovering a UMass fumble in the end zone.

## Butler's Career Highs:

TOTAL TACKLES: 7, at UMass, 9/21/2013  
SOLO TACKLES: 3, at UMass, 9/21/2013  
QB SACKS: 2, at Florida, 11/9/2013  
TACKLES FOR LOSS: 2.0 (x), most recently vs. Kentucky, 11/16/2013

**2013** Butler developed into a key playmaker in the interior of the Vanderbilt defensive line as the season developed... Showed steady improvement and lots of energy through the season... Earned a start in opener vs. Ole Miss after switching from offensive guard/center to defensive tackle during spring drills... Made 12 appearances during his first season as a contributor at DT... Also earned starts against UMass, UAB, Missouri, Tennessee and Houston in the BBVA Compass Bowl... Finished with 25 total tackles, including 16 solo stops and six tackles for loss... Added a forced fumble and fumble recovery, along with two defended passes and a QB hurry... Was superb in win over Kentucky, contributing two tackles for loss and two defended passes along with a huge play on special teams when his block of a Wildcat PAT attempt resulted in two points... Set career highs with three solo tackles and six total tackles – and added a forced fumble and fumble recovery – in victory at UMass... Registered six tackles at South Carolina... Had two tackles for loss in victory over UAB.

**2012** Butler did not play during his true freshman season, working during fall practices as DT.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-time captain for large suburban Dallas public school... Started at LT as junior and senior after playing DE as sophomore... As senior, also blocked eight field goal attempts... Two-time first team 5A All-District recipient... Named All-Area as senior, earning team MVP honors... Helped squad to 5A playoff appearances in 2010 and 2011...



Played in postseason Offense-Defense All-American Game.

**ACADEMICS** Butler is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a degree in environmental science.

**PERSONAL** Adam Oneal Butler... Son of Clarence and Kim Butler... Dad is manager at Staples; mom is group nursing & facility administrator... Has one brother, Josiah, and one sister, Kim... Descendant of Texas children's rights campaigner Edna Gladney, subject of 1940s film "Blossoms in the Dust"... Enjoys fishing and singing.

## Butler's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	SACKS	TFL	FF/FR	QBH
2014	16-19-35	2.5-13	7.5-22	0/1	3
2013	16-9-25	0.0-0	6.0-8	1/1	2
Career	32-28-60	2.5-13	13.5-30	1/2	5

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**Canty**

## 11 Rashad Canty

**Wide Receiver**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-3, 205**

**Riverdale, Ga. ★ Riverdale HS**

**2014** Canty did not see action as a true freshman... Participated as scout team receiver during the fall.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Offensive captain... Four-year varsity letterwinner, three-year starter on offense... As senior captain and team MVP, posted 52 catches for 822 yards and nine TDs for squad that lost starting QB for five weeks... Helped Raiders to Class AAAA playoffs... Earned Second Team All-State honors from state sportswriters... Played in postseason Georgia-Florida High School All-Star Game... Playing TE as junior, registered 30 receptions, 567 yards and nine TDs... Two-time All-Area recipient.

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

**PERSONAL** Gary Rashad Canty... Born April 8, 1996... Son of Gary and Angela Canty... Has an older brother, Anthony Alston... Gary is a commercial truck driver; mom is a crew scheduler for Delta Airlines... Plays the trumpet.



**Clark**

## 90 Sekou Clark

**Defensive End**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-3 • 264**

**Denton, Texas ★ Ryan HS**

**2014** Clark did not see game action during his first year on campus... Participated as defensive lineman

during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year team captain... Three-year starter at DE for Class 5A school located north of Dallas-Fort Worth... Helped Raiders to 10-3 mark and 5A state quarterfinals as senior... As senior, named First Team All-District after registering 28 solo tackles, five tackles for loss, five quarterback sacks and deflecting four passes... Also started at DE as sophomore and junior, contributing to Raiders' 12-1 campaign in 2011... Two-year starting forward in basketball... As thrower in track & field, posted shot put PR of 52'6".

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

**PERSONAL** Sekou (SAY-koo) Toole Clark... "Koo"... Born May 31, 1996... Only child of Kevin Clark and Iris Royal... Dad works for U.S. Post Office; mom is a teacher.



**Cooke**

## 16 Colby COOKE

**Punter**

**Junior ★ 6-3 • 215**

**Goochland, Va. ★ Goochland HS**

**2014** Cooke served as team's primary punter throughout his sophomore season... Ranked eighth in the Southeastern Conference with a 42.4-yard average on 66 punts... Booted a punt of 50 or more yards in 9 of 12 games, including a season long of 68 yards vs. Charleston Southern... Placed 19 of his 66 punts inside the opponent 20-yard line... Only seven punts resulted in touchbacks... Opposing teams averaged 7.7 yards on 23 returns.

**2013** Cooke saw limited action as a redshirt freshman, but when called upon, he handled the team's punting chores in fine fashion... Averaged 45.1



yards on 14 attempts... Was superb in team's BBVA Compass Bowl victory, averaging 45.2 yards on 10 punts... Six of Cooke's punts in the bowl landed inside the Houston 20-yard line... On the season, eight of Cooke's 14 punts were downed inside the 20-yard line... Posted season-long effort of 67 yards in finale vs. Wake Forest.

### Cooke's Career Highs:

**SINGLE-GAME AVERAGE:** 53.5 yards,  
vs. Wake Forest, 11/30/2013  
**LONGEST PUNT:** 68, vs. Charleston So.,  
10/11/2014

**2012** Cooke did not play as a true freshman, practicing as a punter-kicker.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Named Parade All-American placekicker as senior... Three-year starting PK for school near Richmond... As senior, converted 17 of 21 field goals... 17 field goals

is second highest single-season total by Virginia prep kicker... Helped Bulldogs to 14-1 record and Division 2 state finals where he made field goals of 48 and playoff-record 51 yards... Earned All-State honors.

**ACADEMICS** Cooke is enrolled in the Peabody College, majoring in human and organizational development (leadership emphasis).

**PERSONAL** Colby Neal Cooke... Son of Jeff Cooke and Donna Coffey... Born July 20, 1994... Born and raised near Richmond... Dad is sales manager... Has a younger sister, Marley... Stepfather (Mark) played collegiate soccer... Enjoys snowboarding.

### Cooke's Career Punting Statistics

	PUNTS	YARDS	AVG.	LONG	TB	FC	I-20
2013	14	631	45.1	67	2	6	8



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## 64 Delando CROOKS

**Offensive Line**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 315**

**Atlanta, Ga. ★ Atlanta-Carver HS**

**2014** Crooks played in every game as a first-year contributor, participating as an offensive lineman and on special teams... Played nearly 100 snaps at left guard, seeing initial OL duties on the road at Kentucky... Enjoyed snaps at OG in the team's final eight games... Credited with six pancake blocks at guard... Also served as a blocker on FG and PAT conversion units.

**2013** Crooks did not see action as a true freshman... Showed quick feet and explosiveness working as a guard during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain for Atlanta public school... As senior, started at OT and DT, helping Panthers go 9-2 and advance to AAAA state playoffs... Named Second Team MaxPreps All-American after senior campaign... In 2012, also earned First Team AAAA All-State OL, All-Region and All-City from *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* by producing 40 pancake blocks.

**ACADEMICS** Crooks is working toward a degree in communication studies.

**PERSONAL** Delando Lamar Crooks... "Lando"... Son of Lester Crooks and the late Janice Crooks... Born April 11, 1995... Has four brothers: Damien, Damion, Dominic and Kenard; and three sisters: Kareen, Corlett, and Alisha... Mentored and coached by his uncle, Troy Vaccianna... Named school's Homecoming King as senior... Enjoys playing chess.



## 41 Zach CUNNINGHAM

**Inside Linebacker**

**Sophomore ★ 6-4 • 230**

**Pinson, Ala. ★ Pinson Valley HS**

**2014** Cunningham capped off a solid redshirt freshman campaign by closing the season among the team's most productive defenders... Participated in 11 games, missing only the Charleston Southern encounter... Earned starts at inside linebacker in team's 3-4 scheme during last five games against Missouri, Old Dominion,

Florida, Mississippi State and Tennessee... Averaged 8.2 tackles as a starting LB... Finished the year with 37 solo tackles, 67 total tackles, 1.5 QB sacks, 6.5 tackles for loss and a forced fumble...

Posted a team single-game high of 13 total tackles at Miss. State... Registered 11 tackles, including a sack, vs. Florida... Had multiple tackles for loss vs. Georgia and Tennessee.

### Cunningham's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 13, at Miss. State, 11/22/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 8 (2), vs. Florida, 11/8/2014  
**TACKLES FOR LOSS:** 2.5, vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014



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**2013** Cunningham redshirted as a freshman.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-year starter at LB for school just north of Birmingham... Concluded prep career by receiving Alabama 5A Lineman of the Year and Birmingham News' Lineman of the Year honors after 2012 campaign... Amassed 448 total tackles during three-year varsity career... As a senior, earned First Team All-State after leading Indians to 8-4 record and second round of 5A playoffs... Contributed 194 total tackles, including 41 tackles for loss and 12 sacks along with four blocked punts during the season... Participated in postseason Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl... As junior, earned All-State recognition after registering 152 tackles.

**ACADEMICS** Cunningham is working toward a degree in economics.

**PERSONAL** Zachary Daniel Cunningham... Son of Fred and Sophie Cunningham... Born Dec. 12, 1994... Dad works in landscaping... Has four brothers: Frederick, Ethan, Nathan and Zapheth; and two sisters, Gabriel and Danica... Plays the guitar.

## Cunningham's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	PBU	FF/FR
2014	37-30-67	6.5-13	1.5-7	2	1/0



## 39 Brian Doney

**Wide Receiver**

**Sophomore ★ 5-10 • 184**

**Westerville, Ohio ★ St. Charles Prep**

**2014** Doney joined the program during fall practices as a walk-on receiver.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Did not play football as prep athlete... Earned All-Region recognition in varsity lacrosse as junior and senior.

**ACADEMICS** Doney is working toward a degree in biomedical engineering.

**PERSONAL** Brian Patrick Doney... Born June 13, 1995... Son of Timothy and Kristine Doney... Has two brothers, Evan and Justin.



## 18 Chandler DORRELL

**Wide Receiver**

**Sophomore ★ 5-11 • 185**

**Nashville ★ St. Thomas Aquinas HS ★ Stanford**

**2014** Dorrell became a valuable contributor at wide receiver during his first year on campus after transferring from Stanford... Played in 11 of 12 games, missing the opener vs. Temple... Finished the year tied for fifth on the squad with 10 receptions, good for 118 yards... Posted two receptions against South Carolina and Tennessee... Longest catch was a 36-yarder against Georgia that gave offense possession inside the UGA

5-yard line... Also had catches against UMass, Kentucky, Charleston Southern, Old Dominion and Florida.

**2013** Did not play as a true freshman on Stanford campus... Participated

as a defensive back on practice squad units that helped Cardinal to Pac-12 championship and Rose Bowl appearance vs. Michigan State.

## Dorrell's Career Highs:

RECEPTIONS: 2 (2x), most recently vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014

LONGEST CATCH: 36 yards, at Georgia, 10/4/2014



**HIGH SCHOOL** Earned two varsity letters at powerful St. Thomas Aquinas in Fort Lauderdale... Played WR and punter for squad that earned Florida state title during junior season... As senior, caught 37 passes for 412 receiving yards and six TDs... A four-year member of Principal's Honor Roll and recipient of Broward County Scholar-Athlete Award... Member of National Honor Society and Spanish National Honor Society.

**ACADEMICS** Dorrell is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, majoring in economics.

**PERSONAL** Chandler Westley Dorrell... Born March 26, 1995... Son of Karl and Kim Dorrell... Has a younger sister, Lauren... Dad served as Vanderbilt offensive coordinator in 2014 and is currently wide receivers coach with New York Jets... Enjoys playing golf and basketball.

## Dorrell's Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG.	TDS	LONG
2014	10	118	11.8	0	36

# THE PLAYERS



## 89 Sean DOWLING

**Tight End**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 270**

**Fallbrook, Calif. ★ Fallbrook Union HS**

**2014** Dowling contributed on offense and special teams as a redshirt freshman... After opening the season as a reserve offensive tackle through six games, switched to a blocking tight end for the second half of season... As OT/TE, registered four pancake blocks... Also saw action on FG and PAT conversion units.

**2013** Dowling did not see action, working as a practice squad lineman during the season... An early enrollee, Dowling also enjoyed a strong conditioning effort during his first year.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Team captain as junior and senior... Two-year starting offensive lineman at Fallbrook Union... As a senior, earned All-CIF First Team Offensive Line recognition and all-conference status and team's MVP OL award... Participated in the Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl after senior campaign... Played varsity as ninth grader at North Kingstown (R.I.) H.S.

**ACADEMICS** Dowling is working toward a degree in communication studies. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Sean M. Dowling... Son of Christopher and Karen Dowling... Born March 31, 1995 near Washington DC... Has a younger brother, Collin... Dad holds rank of colonel in U.S. Marine Corps; mom is an attorney and retired from active duty in the Marine Corps as a Lieutenant Colonel... Maternal grandfather also retired as a Marine Corps officer... Interned in office of Davidson (Tenn.) County Circuit Judge Steve Dozier last summer.



## 19 C.J. DUNCAN

**Wide Receiver**

**Sophomore ★ 5-11 • 200**

**Montgomery, Ala. ★ St. James School**

**2014** Duncan was one of the Commodores' most productive wide receivers as a redshirt freshman contributor... Played in 11 of 12 games, missing the season finale due to injury... Earned nine starts at WR, with initial career start coming versus Ole Miss... Finished the season as the team's third leading receiver with 28 catches... Duncan's

441-yard receiving total ranked second to TE Steven Scheu... Shared team high with four touchdown catches... Posted a catch in 10 of 11 appearances... Set career highs with seven catches and 119

### Duncan's Career Highs:

**RECEPTIONS:** 7, vs. Charleston Southern, 10/11/2014

**RECEIVING YARDS:** 119, vs. Charleston Southern, 10/11/2014

**LONGEST CATCH:** 65 yards, vs. Charleston Southern, 10/11/2014

receiving yards in victory over Charleston Southern... 65-yard touchdown catch from Johnny McCrary vs. Charleston Southern marked the team's longest offensive play... Had four catches in wins over UMass and Old Dominion, and notched three receptions against SEC foes Kentucky and Georgia... Also had two rushing attempts and four kickoff returns for 69 total yards.

**2013** Duncan did not play as a true freshman, who opened eyes during fall practices as one of the team's most versatile athletes... Worked at QB, RB and WR on scout teams.



**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain... Started as QB and DB for Montgomery private school... Two-time All-Metro pick by *Montgomery Advertiser*... As senior QB, guided Trojans to 4A state playoffs, rushing for 861 yards and 12 TDs and passing for 1,010 yards... Played every snap, including on special teams, in final game of career, a narrow loss to eventual 4A state champion... As junior, accounted for 33 TDs and compiled 2,885 total yards... Produced 2,227 yards of total offense and 12 TDs as sophomore QB... Multi-year starter on varsity basketball and baseball teams.

**ACADEMICS** Duncan is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a degree in political science.

**PERSONAL** Clarence J. Duncan... Son of Clarence and Helena Duncan... Born March 24, 1995... Has one brother, Collin... Dad serves as CEO at Adam/Synergy; mom is regional President for Liberty Bank and Trust... Interned in office of Davidson (Tenn.) County Circuit Judge J. Randall Wyatt last summer... Involved in community service efforts at school.

### Duncan's Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG.	TDs	LONG
2014	28	441	15.8	4	65



# THE PLAYERS



## 36 Trey ELLIS

**Return Specialist/Wide Receiver**  
**Sophomore ★ 5-10 • 168**  
**Charlotte, N.C. ★ Ardrey Kell HS**

**2014** A walk-on prospect, Ellis served as team's punt returner in his first year on campus... Averaged 5.4 yards on nine returns... Had two key returns vs. UMass totaling 24 yards.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Recipient of Greater Charlotte Leadership Spirit Award as senior... Named team's Offensive Player of the Year, All-City and all-conference as senior WR... Topped Kell in receptions during junior and senior seasons... High academic achiever... President of school's Fellowship of Christian Athletes organization.

**ACADEMICS** Ellis is undecided on a major. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Trey Allen Ellis... Born Oct. 18, 1995... Son of Tracy and Priscilla Ellis... Dad played collegiately at University of Florida.

### Ellis' Career Punt Return Statistics

	RETURNS	YARDS	AVG.	TDS	LONG
2014	9	49	5.4	0	16



## 3 Taurean FERGUSON

**Cornerback**  
**Sophomore ★ 5-9 • 185**  
**Jonesboro, Ga. ★ Jonesboro HS**

**2014** Ferguson became a key starter in the Commodore defensive secondary in his first varsity season... Participated as a cornerback and on special teams in all 12 games... Earned starting assignments at cornerback in the team's final six games... First career start came against Charleston Southern... Ended the season sharing the team lead with two interceptions... Also contributed



25 solo tackles, 30 total tackles, four defended passes and 1.5 tackles for loss... Virtually all of Ferguson's production came as a member of starting lineup... Garnered an interception and four tackles in initial start... Also had pick in victory over Old Dominion... Posted season high of five solo tackles vs. Tennessee... Registered six total tackles vs. Miss. State.

### Ferguson's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 6, at Miss. State, 11/22/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 5, (3x), most recently vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014

**2013** Ferguson did not see action as a true freshman... Impressed staff with coverage abilities and athleticism as a practice squad cornerback.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year starter in secondary school south of Atlanta... As senior, contributed five INTs and eight pass breakups for 9-2 squad that advanced to first round of AAAA playoffs... As senior WR, posted 36 catches for 498 yards and eight TDs, earning honorable mention All-State... Played in Georgia East-West All-Star Game... As junior, contributed four INTs, 60 receptions and six TDs... Standout hurdler in track.

**ACADEMICS** Ferguson is working toward degrees in sociology and human and organizational development.

**PERSONAL** Taurean Arnaud Ferguson... Son of Deonte and Crystal Burden... Born Nov. 23, 1994... Has three brothers: Chuntney, Chris and William... Dad is an accountant; mom is a flight attendant... Worked as baseball umpire and football referee in hometown youth leagues.

### Ferguson's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	25-5-30	1.5-2	2-0	4	0/0

# THE PLAYERS



**Freebeck**

## 12 Wade FREEBECK

**Quarterback**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 226**

**Davie, Fla. ★ St. Thomas Aquinas HS**

**2014** Freebeck was one of four quarterbacks to see action during the season... One of three true freshmen signal callers to play in the Southeastern Conference during the 2014 season... Participated in five midseason games, earning starts against UMass, Kentucky, Georgia and Charleston Southern... Concluded season completing 34-of-72 passes for 376 yards and one touchdown... Best

performance came against South Carolina when he completed 11-of-20 passes for 168 yards subbing for injured Patton Robinette... Left Charleston Southern game early with an injury and did not return in final five games.

### Freebeck's Career Highs:

ATTEMPTS: 25, at Kentucky, 9/28/2014

COMPLETIONS: 11, at So. Carolina, 9/20/2014

PASSING YARDS: 168, at So. Carolina, 9/20/2014

**HIGH SCHOOL** Earned three varsity letters playing quarterback at two schools in the Fort Lauderdale area, St. Thomas Aquinas HS and Western HS... As a senior, helped powerful St. Thomas Aquinas to 10-3 overall mark and quarterfinals of Class 7A playoffs... Completed 100 of 179 passes for 1,626 yards and 16 TDs during senior campaign... Transferred to St. Thomas Aquinas after starting at QB as sophomore and junior at nearly Western HS... At Western, threw for 3,476 yards and 33 touchdowns as a two-year

starter... Helped Western to 7-3 record as junior in 2012... High academic achiever.

**ACADEMICS** Freebeck is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He is undecided on a major. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Wade Robert Freebeck... Born on May 17, 1996... Son of Bob and Meg Freebeck... Has an older sister, Audrey... Raised in Fort Lauderdale area... Dad works as manager for Nice Systems; mom works as a marketing manager.

### Freebeck's Career Quarterback Statistics

	ATT-COMP-INT	YDS.	PCT.	TDS	LONG
2014	72-34-5	376	47.2	1	44



**Fromang**

## 66 Blake FROMANG

**Offensive Tackle**

**Junior ★ 6-7 • 305**

**Orlando, Fla. ★ Lake Highland Prep**

**2014** Fromang played in all 12 games for the Commodores, seeing action as a tight end and special teams contributor... After switching from tackle to tight end during preseason camp, Fromang's snaps came in jumbo offensive alignments.

**2013** Fromang showed plenty of progress during his first season as an offensive line contributor... Played in 10 games as reserve tackle and conversion unit lineman.

**2012** Fromang redshirted during his first season on campus, while contributing as a practice squad offensive lineman.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain for one of central Florida's top private schools... Three-year starter at offensive tackle, moving to left tackle as junior... As senior, named All-District and All-County OL... Listed among Top 60 players in central Florida... Helped Lake Highland to state playoffs in 2010-11... Played in Central Florida All-Star Game.

**ACADEMICS** Fromang is majoring in human and organizational development. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient

**PERSONAL** Blake Andrew Fromang... Son of Jennifer Eden and Lilburn Bailey... Born June 6, 1994... Both parents are attorneys... Has an older sister, Whitney, and three brothers: Brian, Hunter and Spencer... Two of the brothers, Brian and Hunter, measure 7'0" and play college basketball... Men's basketball coach at Lake Highland Prep is former Commodore standout Jeff Turner.





# THE PLAYERS



## 56 Barrett GOUGER

**Off. Guard/Center**

**Junior ★ 6-4 • 308**

**Soddy Daisy, Tenn. ★ Baylor School**

**2014** Gouger participated in all 12 games as sophomore, seeing action as a reserve offensive lineman and on special team conversion units... Took snaps at center and guard.

**2013** Gouger saw action on the offensive line in 11 games as a redshirt freshman... Primarily played guard, but also enjoyed starting assignment against Missouri in tackle eligible position.

**2012** Gouger did not play as a true freshman, but showed plenty of promise as an inside offensive line prospect during the season.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year letterwinner and three-year starter at offensive tackle... Recipient of 2011 Division II Mr. Football Lineman Award, helping Red Raiders to school's first D-II regional championship game... Also earned All-State and All-Region as senior... Three-year letterwinner and D-II heavyweight state champion in wrestling.

**ACADEMICS** Gouger is working toward a degree in sociology.

**PERSONAL** Barrett David Gouger... Son of Mark and Beverly Gouger... Born Sept. 30, 1993... Dad works as sales manager; mom is school teacher... Has one brother, Chandler... Enjoys fishing and hunting.



## 75 Bailey GRANIER

**Offensive Tackle**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-6 • 315**

**Galliano, La. ★ South LaFourcade HS**

**2014** Granier did not see action as a true freshman... Participated as offensive lineman on scout teams

during fall practices while improving overall strength in the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starting left tackle for school located

south of New Orleans... Produced nearly 90 pancake blocks as senior, earning honorable mention 5A All-State and All-Region honors... Participated in postseason State Farm Prep All-Star Classic... As junior, helped Tarpons to 9-1 mark and state playoffs... Also lettered as thrower in track & field.

**ACADEMICS** Granier is working toward a major in special education from the Peabody College. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Bailey Paul Granier... Born June 13, 1996... Son of Stephen and Stella Granier... Has a younger sister, Abby... Dad is a commercial fisherman; mom works as a nurse.



## 85 Curtis GRAVES

**Wide Receiver**

**Junior ★ 6-2 • 198**

**Alpharetta, Ga. ★ Alpharetta HS**

**2014** In his second year as a walk-on prospect, Graves enjoyed playing time in the Commodores' final six games... Participation came as reserve wide receiver and special teams contributor... Did not register a reception.

**2013** Graves joined the Commodores prior to the season as a walk-on receiver candidate.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Missed entire senior season due to injury... Played WR as a junior for Alpharetta HS after family relocated to Atlanta area from New Jersey... Also lettered in football and basketball at Absegami (N.J.) HS.

**ACADEMICS** Graves is working toward a degree in economics from the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Curtis Warren Graves... Born Dec. 5, 1993... Son of Christopher Graves and Stacie Graves... Stepmom is Shawnee Graves... Has nine siblings... Dad is managing partner of investment firm.



## 60 Cole HARDIN

**Center**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-4 • 300**

**Florence, Ala. ★ Florence HS**

**2014** Hardin did not see game action as a true freshman... Displayed solid blocking skills as a

center-guard on offensive scout teams during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starter, three-year letter winner on offensive line for Class 6A school in northwest Alabama... As senior left tackle, earned sportswriters' first team All-State and All-Region OL honors helping 9-4 Falcons to state quarterfinals and best finish in program history... Participated in postseason Alabama-Mississippi All-State Game... Started at tackle as junior, helping Florence to 7-4 record and 6A playoffs.

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

**PERSONAL** Coleman Lee Hardin... Born April 27, 1996... Son of Tony and Yana Hardin... Has one younger brother, Bryant... Dad is a banker; mom is a hair stylist.

# THE PLAYERS



## 11 Harding HARPER

**Inside Linebacker**

**Junior ★ 6-2 • 240**

**Montgomery, Ala. ★ Carver HS**

**Harper**

**2014** The team-oriented Harper missed most of the season due to injury... The interior linebacker saw action on defense and special teams against Temple and Ole Miss before being sidelined for the season.

**2013** Harper played much of the season at linebacker, moving to fullback late in the year... Played in all 13 games... Did not post a rushing attempt on offense... On defense, registered three solo tackles and an assisted stop.

### Harper's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 3, vs. *Austin Peay*, 9/7/2013

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain as starting linebacker for 6A Montgomery public school power... Only played 2011 season at Carver, registering 108 tackles, 11 tackles for loss, three quarterback sacks and four interceptions... Returned two of the picks for scores, including one over 100 yards... Helped 7-4 Wolverines into state playoffs.

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

**PERSONAL** Harding Harper... Son of Harding and Catherine Harper... Born on Sept. 28, 1993... Has a brother, Montarius, who plays football at Alabama A&M... First cousin to former Saints' safety Roland Harper.

### Harper's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	0-0-0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	0
2013	3-1-4	2.0-4	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	0
Career	3-1-4	2.0-4	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	0



## 31 Tre HERNDON

**Cornerback**

**Sophomore ★ 6-1 • 185**

**Chattanooga, Tenn. ★ East Hamilton HS**

**Herndon**

**2014** Herndon was among four true freshmen to see action in the Commodore defensive secondary during the season... Participated in all 12 games as reserve defensive back and special teams contributor... Concluded season with seven solo tackles and nine total tackles... Posted two tackles against Temple, South Carolina and

### Herndon's Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES:** 2, vs. *Old Dominion*, 11/1/2014  
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 2 (3x), most recently vs. *Old Dominion*, 11/1/2014

*Old Dominion*... Also had stops vs. *UMass*, *Georgia* and *Florida*... Averaged 26 yards on three kick returns.  
**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter... Two-way starter as senior, helping Hurricanes to 10-3 record and 5A state

playoffs... In 2013, posted 46 total tackles and an interception as CB and 30 catches for 417 yards as WR... Also averaged 47.2 yards and produced two TDs on kick returns... Named to *Chattanooga Times-Free Press* "Best of Preps Team" and sportswriters' First Team All-State squad... Participated in Tennessee East-West All-Star Game... As a junior, posted 63 tackles and four picks, helping school to a 11-2 record.

**ACADEMICS** Herndon is undecided on a major. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Willie Herndon III... Born March 5, 1996 in Detroit... Son of Sabrina and Willie Herndon Jr... Has a younger sister, Sierra... Both parents work at Unum, an insurance company headquartered in Chattanooga... First SEC signee in school history... Enjoys juggling and playing Xbox video games.

### Herndon's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	7-2-9	0.0-0	0-0	0	0/0



# THE PLAYERS



## 35 Darreon HERRING

**Inside Linebacker**  
**Senior ★ 6-2 • 230**  
**Stone Mountain, Ga. ★ Stephenson HS**

**Herring** 2014 Herring showed versatility playing among the linebacking corps and secondary in team's new 3-4 defensive scheme... Participated in all 12 games, earning 11 starts... Earned eight starting assignments at inside linebacker and three starts at nickel back... Finished the season with 23 solo tackles, 45 total tackles and 3.5 quarterback sacks... Ranks as the team's active career leader with

### Herring's Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES:** 5 (3x), most recently at Florida, 11/9/2013  
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 10, vs. Georgia, 10/19/2013  
**PASSES DEFENDED:** 3 (2x), most recently at Texas A&M, 10/26/2013

162 total tackles and 89 solo stops... Posted at least two tackles in every game... Season high tackle totals (8) came against SEC foes Ole Miss and Kentucky.  
**2013** Herring was one of the Commodores' top defensive performers as a first-year starting sophomore... Started all 13 games at linebacker, finishing the season ranked second on team with 84 total tackles and 12 passes defended, and third with 47 solo tackles... Also registered an INT and one QB sack... Herring was extremely consistent, contributing at least five tackles in 11 of 13 games... Set career high with 10 total tackles in win over Georgia... In other SEC games, added nine tackles

at South Carolina and at Texas A&M, and eight stops vs. Missouri... Posted 8-yard sack among five solo tackles in opener vs. Ole Miss... Interception came against UAB... Contributed four stops, including 1.5 tackles for losses, in team's BBVA Compass Bowl win.

**2012** Minutes increased as the season endured as Herring moved into key reserve role at linebacker... Played in all 13 games... Finished the year with 33 total tackles and 19 solo tackles... Also contributed a tackle for loss and two forced fumbles... Played well in team's Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl win over N.C. State, registering three tackles and a forced fumble... Enjoyed superb game in victory over UMass, posting seven tackles, a forced fumble and an interception that he returned 40 yards.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starting LB for one of Atlanta's top schools... As senior, contributed 65 solo tackles, 109 total tackles, 19 tackles for loss, five QB sacks, four forced fumbles and an INT for 9-2 Jaguars team that reached AAAAA state playoffs... Earned team MVP and All-Region honors as senior... As junior, posted 52 tackles, six sacks and two forced fumbles at Stephenson after transferring from Martin Luther King H.S. following sophomore campaign.

**ACADEMICS** Herring is expected to graduate this December with a degree in human and organizational development (leadership emphasis).

**PERSONAL** Darreon Franz Herring... Son of Sheldon and Jennifer Herring... Born Nov. 23, 1993... One of four siblings: two older brothers, Dominique and Dameon; and one sister, Destiny... Attended same high school as fellow Commodore student-athletes Jonathan Wynn and Dallas Rivers.

### Herring's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	23-22-45	3.5-7	0.5-4	0-0	0/0	0
2013	47-37-84	3.0-14	1.5-11	1-3	0/0	11
2012	19-14-33	1.0-5	0.0-0	1-40	2/0	2
Career	89-73-162	7.5-26	2.0-15	2-43	2/0	13



## 74 Will HOLDEN

**Offensive Tackle**  
**Sophomore ★ 6-7 • 312**  
**Green Cove Springs, Fla. ★ Clay HS**

**Holden** 2014 Holden put together an excellent season during his first year as a starter on the offensive line... After earning limited snaps during the 2013 season, Holden played in all 12 games, seeing action at right tackle... Earned 10 starts during the season, with first career start coming against Ole Miss... After being inserted into the lineup, registered 26 pancake blocks and eight domination blocks.

**2013** Holden played in 12 games during the regular season, participating on the offensive line and conversion units... Utilized as both offensive guard and tackle.

**2012** Holden redshirted during his first season on campus, while helping out the offensive line on the practice squad... Added strength through efforts in weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter on offensive front for Class 5A school near Jacksonville... Starting left tackle as senior for district runners-up, earning first team All-State honors by Florida sportswriters... Name to *Jacksonville Times-Union's* prestigious Super 24 Team as senior.

**ACADEMICS** Holden is majoring in human and organizational development (leadership emphasis). He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** William Thomas Holden... Son of Kevin and Rita Holden... Born Sept. 14, 1993... Has one brother, Kevin... Dad is retired from U.S. Navy; mom is food service manager... Eagle scout... Aspires to become an FBI agent.

# THE PLAYERS



**Jasper**

## 56 Bradyn JASPER

**Outside Linebacker**

**Junior ★ 6-3 • 238**

**Washington, Mo. ★ St. Francis Borgia HS**

**2014** Jasper joined squad as a walk-on outside linebacker candidate during spring drills.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Jasper did not participate in football as a prep athlete...

Two-time varsity letterwinner in wrestling... High academic achiever.

**ACADEMICS** Jasper is working toward a degree in neuroscience.

**PERSONAL** Bradyn Channing Jasper... Born Oct. 4, 1993... Son of Dean and Deanna Jasper... Mom owns daycare business... Has two sisters, Aly and Victoria, and a brother, Adam.



**Jelks**

## 50 Andrew JELKS

**Offensive Tackle**

**Junior ★ 6-6 • 307**

**Paris, Tenn. ★ Henry County HS**

**2014** Jelks started all 12 games at left tackle despite playing at less than full health... Moved from playing right tackle as redshirt freshman to left tackle where he replaced All-SEC performer Wesley Johnson... Has started 21 consecutive games on the



offensive front... Participated in nearly 90 percent of team's offensive snaps, contributing 16 pancake blocks and 14 domination blocks.

**2013** Named Freshman All-America OT by Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) and SEC All-Freshman OL by league's head coaches... Jelks became a starter along the offensive front as a redshirt freshman... Participated in 12 games, earning 10 starting assignments, including nine at right tackle... Commodores registered 7-2 start with Jelks as starter... First career start came in win at UMass... Registered 41 blocks that led directly to Commodore first downs or TDs... Also credited with 28 knockdown blocks.

**2012** Jelks drew attention from the staff despite redshirting as a true freshman... Jelks displayed excellent agility and techniques during fall practices and also added bulk through the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year offensive line starter... As senior left tackle, contributed over 70 pancake blocks as Henry County went 15-0 and earned first state title in school history... Finalist for 5A Mr. Football Lineman of the Year as senior... First Team 5A All-State and named to *Tennessean's* Dream Team, Dandy Dozen and All-Midstate squads... Started on varsity hoops team.

**ACADEMICS** Jelks is working toward a human and organizational development degree (leadership emphasis) from the Peabody College. He is a 2014 Southeastern Conference Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Andrew Moore Jelks... Son of Bill and Debbie Jelks... Born Dec. 6, 1993... Dad is an insurance agent; mom is a physical therapist... Has two brothers, Will, who played football at Southeast Missouri State, and Ben.



# THE PLAYERS



## 37 Wilson JOHNSON

**Snapper**

**Junior ★ 6-2 • 210**

**Nashville, Tenn. ★ Montgomery Bell Academy**

**2014** Johnson did not participate in a game as a second-year special teams' contributor... Competed for much of the year as the top backup to senior snapper Andrew East.

**2013** Johnson did not play in his first year with the Commodores... Worked as a practice squad snapper on conversions.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year letterwinner and starter for one of Middle Tennessee's top private schools... Started at WR, safety and as snapper for Big Red, helping school to three straight Division II state playoff appearances... Also lettered on baseball.

**ACADEMICS** Johnson is working toward a degree in economics. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** James Wilson Johnson... Born April 5, 1994... Son of Joseph and Nancy Johnson... Has three siblings: sister, Mary, and brothers, Stephen and Camden... Dad serves as MBA's Director of Alumni and Development; mom teaches at Westminster Kindergarten in Nashville.



## 82 Kris KENTERA

**Wide Receiver**

**Senior ★ 6-4 • 218**

**Colorado Springs, Colo. ★ Pine Creek HS**

**2014** Kentera participated in all 12 games, seeing action as a wide receiver and special teams contributor... Ended season with seven receptions, good for 113 yards and a touchdown... Best performance came against South Carolina, catching two passes for 46 yards, including one resulting in 39-yard score... Also had catches against UMass, Ole Miss, Missouri, Mississippi State and Tennessee...

Contributed eight total tackles on special team coverage units.

**2013** Kentera participated in all 13 games in a tight end or H-back role... Earned starting assignments in wins over UAB, Kentucky

### Kentera's Career Highs:

RECEPTIONS: 5, vs. Missouri, 10/5/2013

REC. YARDS: 45, vs. South Carolina, 9/20/2014

LONGEST CATCH: 39, vs. South Carolina, 9/20/2014

and Tennessee... Finished the regular season with 10 catches for 100 yards and one touchdown... Posted career highs of five receptions and 39 yards against Missouri... Notched 13-yard touchdown reception in victory over Kentucky.

**2012** Kentera appeared in all 13 games, earning four starts at tight end after switching from quarterback... As receiving threat out of the backfield, Kentera hauled in 10 catches for 98 yards and two TDs... His 10 catches were tops among the team's tight ends corps, and tied for third among all receivers... Switched to tight end during spring drills.

**2011** Kentera used his first semester on campus to increase strength while gaining familiarity with the Commodore playbook... Demonstrated excellent arm strength and athleticism as a scout team contributor.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior team captain... Team MVP as senior... Three-year letter-winner at QB and safety... Helped lead team to three consecutive league championships... During senior campaign, passed for 1,650 yards and 16 TDs while rushing for 649 yards and seven TDs... As senior safety,



contributed 45 total tackles... Earned First Team All-Southern Colorado All-State QB honors... Also earned All-State honors as senior safety... Named 5A-4A All-Area as junior and senior... Also lettered in basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Kentera is majoring in human and organizational development (leadership track) from the Peabody College.

**PERSONAL** Lawrence Kris Kentera... Born Aug. 24, 1992... Son of Kris and Kim Kentera... Dad is a traveling businessman; mom is a consultant... Has three sisters: Nicole, Alex and Bailey... Dad played receiver at Georgia Tech; granddad played linebacker and fullback, then coached at Arizona State... Worked summer job cleaning carts at nearby golf club... Enjoys snowboarding and golf.

### Kentera's Career Offensive Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
<b>2014</b>	7	113	16.1	1	39
<b>2013</b>	10	100	10.0	1	23
<b>2012</b>	10	98	9.8	2	25
<b>Career</b>	27	311	11.5	4	39



## 77 Nifae LEALAO

**Defensive Tackle**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5, 315**

**Sacramento, Calif. ★ Capital Christian HS**

**2014** Lealao was the only true freshman to see action on the interior defensive front, serving as a reserve to veteran defensive tackle Vince Taylor... Saw action in nine games... Finished the season with seven total tackles and one fumble recovery... Posted pair of tackles against Temple and South Carolina... Contributed fumble recovery at Kentucky.

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**HIGH SCHOOL** Multi-year captain... Four-year varsity letterwinner... Two-time team MVP... As senior starter at DE/OT, helped Capital Christian to 9-2 mark and Division IV state playoffs... As a three-year starting defensive end, produced 58 tackles for loss, including 22 for losses as a sophomore, and 16 quarterback sacks... Registered 229 total tackles and blocked 17 opponent punt or field goal attempts during varsity career... Three-time Cal-Hi All-State and All-Region selection... As senior, played in postseason U.S. Army All-American Game... Versatile athlete who ranks among region's top basketball and volleyball players... Also has earned letters as thrower in track & field... Honor roll and Dean's List recipient.

**ACADEMICS** Lealao is undeclared on a major. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Nifae Penitala Lealao Jr... Born Aug. 16, 1995... Son of Mary and Nifae Lealao Sr... Dad is a senior technician; mom works in the medical field... Enjoys singing... Wants to become an entrepreneur.

## Lealao's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FE/FR
2014	2-5-7	0.0-0	0-0	0	0/1



## 93 Hayden LEKACZ

**Placekicker**  
**Sophomore ★ 6-0 • 195**  
**Glen Ellyn, Ill. ★ Glenbard West HS**

**2014** A first-year contributor, Lekacz has participated as a placekicker and kickoff specialist... Saw action in five games during first half of season... Did not have a field goal conversion.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starting placekicker for Chicagoland power... As senior, named All-Area after helping Glenbard West to 11-2 record and



second round of 7A state playoffs... As junior, earned All-Area recognition after kicking game-winning field goals in playoffs and state championship game... Nearly 80 percent of kickoffs resulted in touchbacks... Also earned letters in varsity lacrosse... High academic achiever.

**ACADEMICS** Lekacz is majoring in economics from the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Hayden Bernard Lekacz... Born Oct. 23, 1985... Son of Eric and Patricia Lekacz... Has one brother, Alex... Dad is corporate executive vice president... Prep teammate of Vanderbilt TE Nathan Marcus.



## 30 Bryce LEWIS

**Cornerback**  
**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-0 • 180**  
**Lilburn, Ga. ★ Parkview HS**

**2014** Lewis did not see action as a true freshman... Displayed excellent coverage skills as a scout team cornerback during fall practices... Also added strength during solid conditioning effort.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Multi-year captain... Three-year starter at CB for Class AAAAAA school located northeast of Atlanta... As senior, was Parkview's MVP after recording 84 total tackles, 12 passes defended, two forced fumbles and an interception... Played in postseason East-West All-Star Game... Helped team to 9-4 mark and state quarterfinal appearance as junior, posting 40 tackles, two INTs and eight passes defended... Played in postseason Junior Bowl for top-rated rising seniors in Georgia... Honorable mention All-State DB and two-time All-Gwinnett County recipient... Versatile sprinter-jumper on track & field squad.

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

**PERSONAL** Bryce Marshall Lewis... Born Oct. 5, 1995... Son of Marshall and Mershara Lewis... Mom works with children's ministries; dad is entrepreneur with BackFire Intelligence.



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## 83 Nathan MARCUS

**Tight End**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 240**

**Glen Ellyn, Ill. ★ Glenbard West HS**

**Marcus**

2014 Marcus played in 11 games as a first-year contributor on the Commodore offense... Earned starts against South Carolina, Georgia and Old Dominion - in multiple tight end formations... Ended season with six receptions, good for 56 yards and two touchdowns... All of his receptions came in the team's last six games... Set season bests with three receptions, including one for a score, in victory over Old Dominion... Also had a 9-yard TD catch at Missouri... First career

catch, a 25-yarder vs. Charleston Southern, was his longest of the season.

2013 Marcus has not seen action as a true freshman... Added strength in the weight room while impressing as a practice squad tight end.

### Marcus' Career Highs:

RECEPTIONS: 3, vs. Old Dominion, 11/1/2014  
RECEIVING YARDS: 25, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
LONGEST CATCH: 25, at Missouri, 10/25/2014

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter and two-way contributor for one of nation's elite prep programs... Named First Team All-State by Illinois Coaches Association and *Chicago Tribune* after helping 2012 Hitters' squad to 14-0 campaign and 7A state championship... Team ended season ranked No. 20 in *USA Today* national prep Top 25 poll... In 2012, named team's MVP after posting 56 catches for 939 yards and eight TDs as TE, and 25 tackles and eight sacks as DE/LB... Also earned First Team All-Conference as a senior... In 2011, contributed 30 receptions and six TD catches... Helped team to 34-3 overall record as starter... Also earned varsity letters in basketball and track & field.

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

working toward a degree in communication studies.

**PERSONAL** Nathan Marcus... Son of Bruce and Danae Marcus... Born Sept. 14, 1994... Has one sister, Meredith, and one brother, Ben... Dad is a manufacturer's rep... Enjoys skiing and golf.

### Marcus' Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2014	6	56	9.3	2	25



## 41 Chris MARTIN

**Fullback**

**Senior ★ 5-10 • 240**

**Princeton, N.J. ★ Don Bosco Prep**

**Martin**

2014 Martin did not see action during his third year on campus... Participated as a fullback on offensive scout.

2013 Martin did not see action as a walk-on fullback prospect.

2012 Martin has not seen playing time during his first season on campus... Spent the year working at fullback on practice squad teams.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Played DE during preparatory year at Hun School... Earned three letters on DL at Don Bosco Prep, one of the nation's top HS programs... Lettered in wrestling and track... National Honor Society member.

**ACADEMICS** Martin is working toward a degree in political science. He is a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient (2013-14).

**PERSONAL** Christopher Herman Martin... Born Sept. 17, 1992... Son of Herman and Elizabeth Martin... Has a younger sister, Catherine... Parents are commercial real estate agents in New York City... Studied abroad in Australia during May 2015.



## 78 Kevin McCOY

**Offensive Line**

**Junior ★ 6-5 • 305**

**Tampa, Fla. ★ Armwood HS**

**McCoy**

2014 McCoy did not see action during his third year on campus... Participated as a guard-tackle on

offensive scout teams during fall practices.

2013 McCoy played in two games on the offensive front as a redshirt freshman, serving as a reserve at both guard and tackle.

2012 McCoy redshirted during his first season on campus, participating as scout team offensive lineman.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year OL starter for one of state's strongest 6A programs... As senior, started at OT, helping Hawks to 15-0 record and 6A state title... Named First Team 6A All-State as senior... Also selected to All-Sun Coast squad... Team went a combined 29-1 in junior and senior seasons.

**ACADEMICS** McCoy is majoring in psychology from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Kevin Patrick McCoy Jr. ... Son of Kevin and Trina McCoy... Born July 27, 1994... Has a brother, Demetrius; and two sisters, Taniesha and Krya... Dad works as an auto claim adjuster; mom is a child care provider... Brother played Arena Football... Enjoys acting and writing poetry.

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**McCrary**

## 2 Johnny McCRARY

**Quarterback**  
**Sophomore ★ 6-4 • 220**  
**Decatur, Ga. ★ Cedar Grove HS**

**2014** McCrary was one of four Commodore quarterbacks that saw action during the 2014 season... Participated in seven games, earning starting assignments in the team's final five games... Concluded the season completing 78 of 152 passes (51.3 percent) for 985 yards and nine touchdowns...

### McCrary's Career Highs:

ATTEMPTS: 31, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
 COMPLETIONS: 20, vs. Old Dominion, 11/1/2014  
 PASSING YARDS: 281, vs. Old Dominion, 11/1/2014  
 TOUCHDOWN PASSES: 5, vs. Old Dominion, 11/1/2014  
 LONGEST PASS: 65 yards, vs. Charleston So., 10/11/2014

over Old Dominion, tying school record with five touchdown passes after hitting 20-of-29 passes... 281-yard passing total vs. ODU also marked team season high... ODU effort also earned McCrary SEC Freshman of the Week honors... Completed 17-of-31 passes for 186 yards and two touchdowns at Missouri.

**2013** McCrary enrolled in Vanderbilt during 2013 spring semester, participating in spring drills as prospective quarterback.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain at Cedar Grove... Concluded career as leading passer in DeKalb County history, posting staggering career pass stats: 567 of 831 (68.2%) for 9,025 yards and 78 TDs... Guided team to three straight AAA playoff berths... As senior at Atlanta school, was 203 of 270 (75.2%) for 2,927 yards, 25 TDs and just nine INTs, earning First Team All-State and *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* "Super 11" honors... Also surpassed 300 passing yards in five games as senior... Participated in postseason U.S. Army All-American Bowl... Achieved rarity by earning AAA All-State QB recognition for three straight years.

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

**PERSONAL** Johnathon Malcom McCrary... Son of the late Gregory McCrary Sr... Born Sept. 6, 1994... Has one brother, Gregory Jr., and one sister, Leah... Dad was a school teacher and also enjoyed seven-year career as NFL tight end... Involved in youth activities at hometown church.

### McCrary's Career Quarterback Statistics

	ATT-COMP-INT	YARDS	PCT.	TD	LG
2014	152-78-8	985	51.3	9	65



**McGaster**

## 5 Torren McGASTER

**Cornerback**  
**Junior ★ 6-0 • 200**  
**Daphne, Ala. ★ Daphne HS**

**2014** McGaster developed into the Commodores' most consistent cornerback as a first-year starter... Played in all 12 games, McGaster earned 11 starting assignments in the secondary... Finished the year with two interceptions, sharing team lead with cornerback Taurean Ferguson... Ranked first on the squad with 46 solo tackles, second with five defended passes, and third with 66 total tackles... Also contributed 3.5 tackles for loss and a forced fumble... Concluded

### McGaster's Career Highs:

SOLO TACKLES: 7, at Miss. State, 11/22/2014  
 TOTAL TACKLES: 9, at Miss. State, 11/22/2014  
 INTERCEPTIONS: 2, vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014

All season totals marked new career highs for McGaster... Registered seven total tackles and a forced fumble vs. South Carolina... Also posted at least four tackles in 11 of 12 games.

**2013** McGaster played in all 12 regular season games, and earned a start in the secondary at Texas A&M... Finished the year with 14 total tackles and a fumble recovery... Contributed pair of tackles against UMass, UAM, Missouri, Texas A&M and Wake Forest... Fumble recovery came in win over Georgia.

**2012** Though McGaster never played as a true freshman, he received valuable practice time working frequently with the team's travel roster. **HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter in defensive secondary for one of state's top 6A programs... Three-year letterwinner... As senior, posted 37 tackles, two interceptions, seven passes defended, four fumble recoveries as DB for 10-2 Trojans squad... Returned four kickoffs for TDs as senior.

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



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**PERSONAL** Torren McGaster... Son of Alane Perdue and Robert McGaster... Stepdad is Johnnie Perdue... Born May 25, 1993... Mom works with Daphne schools; dad is self-employed... Has three brothers, Brandilion, Jonathan and Johnnie; and three sisters, Amber, Fredrika and Nastisa.

## McGaster's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	46-20-66	3.5-9	2-6	1/0	4
2013	10-5-15	0.0-0	0-0	0/1	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>56-25-81</b>	<b>3.5-9</b>	<b>2-6</b>	<b>1/1</b>	<b>4</b>



## 27 Jahmel MCINTOSH

**Safety**

**Senior ★ 6-1 • 202**

**Cleveland, Miss. ★ Cleveland HS**

**2014** McIntosh saw the most action of his career as a redshirt junior... Participated in all 12 games, earning nine starts at safety... Finished the year setting single-season highs with 26 solo tackles and 40 total tackles... Also contributed an interception, two defended passes and 1.5 tackles for loss... Started the team's last nine games, earning initial starting assignment against South Carolina... Posted at least four tackles in six games, topped by a career high eight-tackle effort vs. Ole Miss... Contributed five solo tackles at Kentucky... Had three stops and a 35-yard interception return at Georgia.

**2013** McIntosh saw the most action of his career as a third-year safety...



Played in every game, earning a starting assignment at strong safety against Wake Forest... Finished the year with nine solo tackles and 17 total tackles, both career highs... Set season high with four tackles in win over Wake Forest... Also registered three tackles against Austin Peay and Missouri... Had important 25-yard interception return in fourth quarter of BBVA Compass Bowl victory over Houston.

**2012** McIntosh saw action in nine games as a reserve safety and special teams contributor registering eight total tackles.

## McIntosh's Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES:** 6, vs. Ole Miss, 9/6/2014  
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 8, vs. Ole Miss, 9/6/2014

**2011** McIntosh did not play, participating as a safety on practice squads.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year

starter at safety/LB for Mississippi squad... Also contributed as WR for Cleveland... As senior, earned team MVP after helping Wildcats to strong finish, district title and 4A playoff berth despite missing first three games... Had 56 solo tackles, four INTs, five forced fumbles as senior... Named to Coaches' 4A first team All-State team... Played in Mississippi North/South All-Star Game... As junior, posted 119 total tackles playing LB and safety.

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

**PERSONAL** Jahmel Ra'Shan McIntosh... Adopted son of James and Serena Shumpert... Born Feb. 25, 1993... Has a brother, Austin Shumpert... Graduated from Itawamba H.S. in Fulton, Miss... Mentored young children during summer as park commission worker.

## McIntosh's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT-YDS	FF/FR	PBU
2014	24-16-40	1.5-2	1-35	0/0	2
2013	9-8-17	0.0-0	1-25	0/0	0
2012	4-3-7	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	0
<b>Career</b>	<b>37-27-64</b>	<b>1.5-2</b>	<b>2-60</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>2</b>

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## 8 Ronald MONROE

**Wide Receiver**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-3 • 200**

**Houston, Texas ★ Fort Bend Bush HS**

**2014** Monroe did not see action as a true freshman, but displayed plenty of abilities as a scout team wide receiver during fall practices... Also worked effectively to improve overall strength in the weight room during first year on campus.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year captain, four-year varsity letterwinner... Three-year starting QB for 5A school located west of Houston... As senior, named District MVP after amassing 4,258 total yards, including 3,331 passing yards, and accounting for 56 TDs... One of his favorite passing targets was twin brother Donald Monroe... Production helped Bush to 9-3 mark and state playoffs... As junior, threw for 1,881 yards and 21 TDs for 10-2 squad... Was district's Newcomer of the Year as a sophomore after passing for 1,451 yards and 10 TDs... Played with brother on basketball squad that captured district title... Also earned letters as sprinter in track & field.

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

**PERSONAL** Ronald Bernard Monroe... Born May 1, 1996... Son of Donald and Sherrie Monroe... In addition to his twin brother Donald, has two sisters, Kerin and Brianna... Dad works internationally.



## 97 Reid NELSON

**Punter**

**Sophomore ★ 6-2 • 215**

**Hueytown, Ala. ★ Hueytown HS**

**2014** Nelson did not see game action as a first-year punter prospect.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Earned three varsity letters... Two-year starting punter and placekicker for Birmingham-area school... Named All-Area punter as senior after averaging 43 yards... Also lettered on golf team... Recipient of the state's Bryant-Jordan Scholarship and school's top scholar-athlete as senior.

**ACADEMICS** Nelson is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He has not declared a major.

**PERSONAL** William Patrick Reid Nelson... Born Nov. 16, 1995... Son of Robert and Ronee Nelson... Has two older brothers, Evan and Kyle, and older sister, Melissa... Dad is retired, mom is nurse at Birmingham children's hospital.



## 17 Tommy OPENSHAW

**Kicker/Punter**

**Redshirt Sophomore ★ 6-2 • 185**

**Jacksonville, Fla. ★ Creekside HS**

**2014** Openshaw saw action in 11 games, serving as the team's primary placekicker in his redshirt freshmen season... Made 72.7 percent of field goals, converting 8-of-11... Was 6-of-6 on field goals inside 40 yards... Last two conversions came from 48 and 46 yards... Made all 21 PATs on the season... Also served as team's primary kickoff specialist during last two months of season.



**2013** Openshaw did not see action as a true freshman... Displayed excellent leg strength and accuracy as a kicker-punter.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Ranked among nation's top kicking specialists by several

### Openshaw's Career Highs:

FGS IN GAME: 2 (2x), most recently vs.  
Charleston So., 10/11/2014  
LONGEST FG: 48, vs. Florida, 11/8/2014

services... Started three years as kicker... Became team's kicker as sophomore, adding punting duties as a senior... Became school's first player to earn First Team 6A All-State from writers after making five

FGs and 45.6-yard punting average as senior... Also named All-District as senior... Was 16-of-22 on field goals as junior, including team record 56-yarder, as team advanced to state playoffs.

**ACADEMICS** Openshaw is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, but is undecided on a major. He is a 2014-15 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Thomas Reilly Openshaw... Son of Mark Openshaw and Susanne Openshaw... Born Sept. 30, 1994... Has three younger sisters: Colleen, Tara and Claire... Dad works as a construction manager; mom is retired from the U.S. Navy... Mom was a gymnast at U.S. Naval Academy... High academic achiever... Active in youth activities at hometown church... Enjoys golf.

### Openshaw's Career Kicking Statistics

	FG-FGA	FG%	LONG	PATS	POINTS
2014	8-11	72.7	48	21-21	45



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## 77 Spencer PULLEY

**Center**

**Senior ★ 6-4 • 300**

**Memphis, Tenn. ★ Evangelical Christian**

**Pulley**

**2014** Named to Rimington Trophy preseason watch-list... A quiet leader on the offense, Pulley became one of the Commodores' most dependable and consistent interior blockers as a second-year starter... Earned 12 straight starts at right guard, running his consecutive starts streak to 25 games... Concluded the season with 29 career starts... Earned All-Southeastern Conference consideration after playing virtually every offensive snap... Registered 28 pancake blocks and 10 additional domination blocks during the season.

**2013** Pulley became one of the Commodores' most dependable and effective interior blockers during the team's 9-4 campaign... Started at right guard in all 13 games... Also earned snaps as center during three late-season games... Registered 46 knockdown blocks, and 67 blocks that led to touchdowns or first downs.

**2012** Pulley started four early games at center, helping pave the way for rushing attack that averaged 167 yards and passing attack that averaged 222 yards.

**2011** One of five true freshmen to see action during the season, Pulley participated as a reserve offensive guard and contributed on special team conversion units... Played in six games.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year starter at OT at powerful

Memphis private school... As senior, anchored offensive line that helped Evangelical average 37.2 points per game... As DE, contributed 29 tackles and 11 QB sacks... Recipient of Division II-Class A Mr. Football Award as state's top lineman as senior LT... Named to writers' first team Division II-A All-State team, *Commercial Appeal's* Best of Preps and captured district OL MVP as senior... Played in Tennessee East-West All-Star Game... Squad went 24-9 during three-year varsity career, twice reaching Division II state semifinals... Earned three letters as thrower in track.

**ACADEMICS** Pulley is on schedule to complete a degree in human and organizational development (leadership emphasis) this December. He was a three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient (2012-14).

**PERSONAL** Spencer Kyle Pulley... Son of Lee and Karen Pulley... Born April 4, 1993 in Memphis... Has an older sister, Kayla... Dad is certified accountant; mom is homemaker.



## 86 Latevius RAYFORD

**Wide Receiver**

**Junior ★ 6-1 • 198**

**Memphis, Tenn. ★ Whitehaven HS**

**Rayford**

**2014** Rayford enjoyed his finest season as a Commodore receiver, ranking among the team's top aerial targets in virtually every stat category... Participated in all 12 games, earning 10 starting assignments at wide receiver... Finished the campaign ranked second in the receiving corps with 36 catches and third with 350 receiving yards... Registered a catch in 11 of 12 games... Set career highs with eight receptions against Florida and 79 receiving yards vs. Old Dominion... Totaled 20 catches and 203 receiving yards in final four appearances... Touchdown grab came in win over Old Dominion.

**2013** Rayford was one of three true freshmen WR who earned playing time... Saw action in six games... Posted two receptions for 29 yards.

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**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year starter at WR for Warriors... As a senior, averaged 26.2 yards on 19 receptions for run-oriented offense... Also

## Rayford's Career Highs:

RECEPTIONS: 8, vs. Florida, 11/8/2014  
REC. YARDS: 79 (2), vs. ODU, 11/1/2014  
LONGEST CATCH: 24, vs. Austin Peay, 9/7/2014

produced 11 TDs as a WR/returner and had two INTs as senior safety... Impressed in postseason Semper Fi All-American Bowl.

**ACADEMICS** Rayford is majoring in communication studies from the College of

Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Latevius D'Vonte Rayford... Son of Marcus and LaKeydra Brown... Born May 3, 1995... Has two brothers, Marcus and Shuntrell... Mom works for the Memphis Board of Education; dad works in retail... Mentored youngsters through variety of community efforts in hometown.

## Rayford's Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2014	36	350	9.7	1	20
2013	2	29	14.5	0	24
Career	38	379	10.0	1	24



## 61 Bruno REAGAN

Offensive Guard

Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-3 • 315

Clarksville, Tenn. ★ Clarksville HS

**2014** Reagan did not see action as a true freshman... Participated as an offensive lineman on scout teams during fall practices, and continued to add strength in the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year letterwinner, two-year starter on OL... Earned Class 5A All-State and All-Region honors as a senior, finishing the season with more than 20 pancake blocks... Finalist for 2013 Harry Galbreath Lineman of the Year Award... Played in Tennessee East-West All-Star Game... Ranks among Tennessee's top prep wrestlers... As a junior, was state heavyweight champion, finishing the year with a 57-0 individual record... Earned national recognition in wrestling and judo competitions.

**ACADEMICS** Reagan is studying in the College of Arts and Science. He has not decided on a major.

**PERSONAL** Bruno Ricardo Reagan... Born May 24, 1996... Son of Mackel and Isabel Reagan... Has one brother, Eduardo, and one sister, Gabriela... Dad works as a state recreation consultant; mom works as a nurse... Parents participated in collegiate sports at Austin Peay: dad as a football player; mom as an All-Ohio Valley Conference volleyball player.



## 28 Dallas RIVERS

Running Back

Sophomore ★ 6-1 • 224

Stone Mountain, Ga ★ Stephenson HS

**2014** As a true freshman, Rivers played in all 12 games, serving as the Commodores' No. 2 running back behind Ralph Webb... Finished the season with 218 rushing yards and two touchdowns on 61 carries... Rivers' powerful built gave Commodore rushing



attack different dimension from Webb's style... Set single-game highs with 73 rushing yards on 17 carries in victory over Old Dominion... Had 47 yards and

a score in win over Charleston Southern... First career rushing touchdown came at Georgia.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starting RB for two Atlanta area schools, Stephenson HS and Tucker HS... As

## Rivers' Career Highs:

RUSHING YARDS: 73, vs. ODU, 11/1/2014  
RUSH ATTEMPTS: 17, vs. ODU, 11/1/2014  
LONGEST RUSH: 12, vs. ODU, 11/1/2014

senior RB, rushed for 1,127 yards and 22 TDs for 9-3 Stephenson squad that advanced to second round of Class AAAAA playoffs... Earned First Team All-Area honors as senior... Played in postseason DeKalb County All-Star Game... Transferred to Stephenson prior to senior season... As a junior at nearby Tucker HS, was DeKalb County's leading rusher with 1,110 yards and 14 TDs, helping Tucker to 10-3 and state quarterfinals... As sophomore, rushed for 882 yards and 18 TDs helping Tucker to 15-0 record and AAAA state title... Honors student, Atlanta Carson Scholar recipient.

**ACADEMICS** Rivers is undecided on a major. He is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Dallas James Rivers... Born May 25, 1996... Son of Rhonda and Lester Rivers III... Has two younger brothers, Dawson and Dylan... Involved in Young Life organization, worked as counselor at local summer camps... Video game enthusiast... Attended same high school as fellow Commodore student-athletes Darreon Herring and Jonathan Wynn.

## Rivers' Career Rushing Statistics

	ATT	YARDS	AVG.	TDs	LONG
2014	61	218	3.6	2	12



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Opened the season against Ole Miss with a 2-catch, 43-yard performance that included a 34-yard TD reception... Closed the year impressively, catching three passes for 48 yards in win over Wake Forest.

## Scheu's Career Highs:

**CATCHES:** 6, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
**REC. YARDS:** 83, vs. So. Carolina, 9/20/2014  
**LONGEST CATCH:** 44, vs. So. Carolina, 9/20/2014

**2012** Scheu played in 12 games during the season, earning seven starts at tight end... Arguably best blocker among team's TE corps... Caught eight passes for 48 yards and a touchdown on the season... Had a career-

high three catches for 21 yards versus Florida... Lone touchdown was acrobatic grab against Presbyterian... Also contributed two catches in team's Franklin American Mortgage Music City Bowl win over N.C. State.

**2011** Scheu did not earn playing time as true freshman, but impressed coaches and teammates with blocking and receiving abilities during practices... Added weight and bulk since arriving on campus.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year starter at TE... As senior, hauled in 33 catches for 378 yards and five TDs for 7-5 squad that advanced to state 3A quarterfinals... Named All-State as senior by Indiana H.S. Coaches... In 2009, posted 43 receptions and 10 TDs helping Memorial to second straight state finals appearance... As sophomore, had five TD catches... Finished career with 93 receptions, 1,433 receiving yards and 20 TD catches.

**ACADEMICS** Scheu is working toward an interdisciplinary degree in medicine, health, and society. He is a three-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient (2012-14).

**PERSONAL** Steven Scheu... Son of Ben and Martha Scheu... Born July 7, 1992... Dad works in the packaging industry; mom is medical assistant... Has one brother, Brad, and a sister, Caroline... An uncle, Steve Ernst, earned football letters playing center for Vanderbilt in 1967-68... Enjoys golf.

## Scheu's Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2014	39	525	13.5	4	44
2013	9	123	13.7	1	34
2012	8	45	6.0	1	11
<b>Career</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>12.4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>44</b>



## 81 Steven SCHEU

**Tight End**

**Senior ★ 6-5 • 245**

**Evansville, Ind. ★ Reitz Memorial HS**

**Scheu**

**2014** Scheu capped his finest season as a Commodore by earning All-Southeastern Conference honors from the Associated Press... Started all 12 games at tight end in new offensive scheme... Established new career highs with 39 receptions, 525 receiving yards and four touchdown catches, sharing or leading the team in all three categories... Posted more catches than any other SEC tight end, and ranked second in yardage... Receiving yardage total was the most by a Commodore tight end since 1983... Team's active career leader with 56 catches, 693 receiving yards and six touchdown catches... Registered at least one catch in all 12 games... Established new single-game career highs against SEC foes Missouri (six receptions) and South Carolina (83 receiving yards)... Amassed 20 catches, 256 receiving yards and three touchdowns in last five appearances... Also posted five catches of 25 yards or longer... Represented the offense at preseason SEC Media Days.

**2013** Scheu played in 12 games, earning six starting assignments at tight end... Finished year with nine catches, good for 123 yards and a TD...



## 60 Jacob SCHULTZ

**Snapper**

**Sophomore ★ 6-4 • 230**

**Murfreesboro, Tenn. ★ Siegel HS**

**Schultz**

**2014** Schultz did not see action in his second year... Participated during fall camp as a reserve snapper on

special teams.

**2013** Schultz did not play in first year as a snapper.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year letterwinner, two-year starter for Middle Tennessee public school... As senior, started as center and snapper for 13-1 squad that advanced to state semifinals... National Merit Semifinalist and National Honor Society president.

**ACADEMICS** Schultz is majoring in biology and medicine, health & society. He is a 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Jacob Daniel Schultz... Born Dec. 30, 1994... Son of Jack and Kristine Schultz... Has an older brother, Josh.



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## 9 Caleb SCOTT

**Wide Receiver**  
**Sophomore ★ 6-2 • 195**  
**Suwanee, Ga. ★ North Gwinnett HS**

**Scott**

**2014** Scott saw action in 11 of 12 games during his first year on campus... Participated at wide receiver... Earned first start in season finale vs. Tennessee... Leader among the team's true freshmen with six catches and 78 receiving yards... Longest reception

### Scott's Career Highs:

**CATCHES:** 2, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
**LONGEST CATCH:** 39, vs. Old Dominion, 11/1/2014

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year letterwinner... Two-year starting WR for Class AAAA power northeast of Atlanta... As senior captain, amassed 1,057 yards and 10 TDs on 72 catches helping North Gwinnett to 13-2 record and state title game... Top game – 12 catches for 211 yards – came against rival Collins Hill... Two-time All-State, All-Area recipient... Played in postseason North-South Georgia All-Star Game... As a junior, posted 38 receptions for 684 yards and 11 TDs... Captured regional hurdles title in track & field... High academic achiever.

**ACADEMICS** Scott is studying in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a medicine, health and society degree. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Caleb Gregory Scott... Born Feb. 8, 1996... Son of Chuck and Julie Scott... Has one brother, Chad, and one sister, Jenna... Both parents graduated from Vanderbilt and work with Young Life ministry... Dad was an All-America tight end at Vanderbilt who played in the NFL. Brother plays WR at Furman.

**2014** Sherfield played in seven games, and was one of two true freshmen to see action at wide receiver... Ended the year with one reception and three rush attempts... Nine-yard catch came at Missouri... First career rush resulted in 25-yard carry vs. South Carolina... Posted two rushes for 15 yards in victory over Old Dominion.

### Scott's Career Receiving Statistics

	RECEPTIONS	YARDS	AVG	TD	LONG
2014	6	78	13.0	0	39



**Sherfield**

## 10 Trent SHERFIELD

**Wide Receiver**  
**Sophomore ★ 6-0 • 200**  
**Danville, Ill. ★ Danville HS**

**2014** Sherfield played in seven games, and was one of two true freshmen to see action at wide receiver... Ended the year with one reception and three rush attempts... Nine-yard catch came at Missouri... First career rush resulted in 25-yard carry vs. South Carolina... Posted two rushes for 15 yards vs. Old Dominion.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-time captain... Four-year letter varsity winner for Class 6A school... Three-year starter on offense and defense... Started at QB as junior and senior, accounting for 4,790 yards and 64 total TDs on offense...

As three-year DB starter, amassed 146 tackles and six interceptions... As senior QB, accumulated 2,429 total yards, threw 22 TD passes and rushing for 11 TDs passed for 22 TDs and rushed for 11 TDs... Also registered 83 tackles as senior... Accounted for 443 total yards and seven TDs – four rushing and

### Sherfield's Career Highs:

**LONGEST CATCH:** 9 yards, at Missouri, 10/25/2014  
**LONGEST RUSH:** 25 yards, vs. So. Carolina, 9/20/2014

three passing – in 2013 season opener, ... Two-time honorable mention All-State and All-Area recipient who played in postseason Offense-Defense All-American Bowl... Three-year letterwinner as guard in basketball and sprinter-jumper in track & field.





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**ACADEMICS** Sherfield is studying in the College of Arts and Science. He has not decided on a major.

**PERSONAL** Trent Nyrrell Sherfield... Son Feb. 26, 1996... Son of Tedrone Sherfield... Step-dad, DaJuan Gouard, is basketball head coach at Danville Area Community College... Has a younger brother, Thomas.

## Sherfield's Career Offensive Statistics

	REC.	AVG	TDS	LONG	RUSHES	AVG	TDS	LONG
2014	1-9	9.0	9	0	3-40	13.3	0	25



**Sims**

**6 Darrius SIMS**

**Wide Receiver/Return Specialist**

**Junior ★ 5-9 • 188**

**Memphis, Tenn. ★ Whitehaven HS**

**2014** The Commodores' most versatile player, Sims saw action in all three phases of the game... Participated in all 12 games, seeing action as a running back and wide receiver on offense, nickel back on defense, and return specialist... Ranked among the leading SEC kick returners, averaging 24.5 yards on 31 returns... Put together one of the greatest individual performances in team history against South Carolina, becoming first player in SEC history to return two kicks for touchdowns in the same game... Touchdowns against Gamecocks came on returns on 91 and 100 yards... Performance vs. South Carolina earned SEC Specialist of the Week honors... On offense, Sims had two rush attempts and caught a pair of passes... On defense, Sims totaled five tackles and an interception... Provided team's only points vs. Kentucky with a 13-yard interception for



touchdown.

**2013** Sims was one of three true freshmen to see action for the 'Dores during the regular season, contributing as a cornerback and return specialist... Played in all 12 games... Finished 10 total tackles, including eight solo

## Sims' Career Highs:

**LONGEST RUSH:** 5 yards, vs. Charleston So., 10/11/2014  
**LONGEST CATCH:** 14 yards, at Georgia, 10/4/2014  
**LONG KICK RETURN:** 100 yards, vs. So. Carolina, 9/20/2014  
**KICK RETURN TDS:** 2, vs. So. Carolina, 9/20/2014

stops... Also contributed a fumble recovery and pass defended... Was one of the SEC's top kickoff returners, averaging 23.1 yards on 22 returns... Posted season best return of 71 yards in win at Tennessee... Registered three solo tackles at South Carolina, and a pair of unassisted stops against both Texas A&M and UAB.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year starter at cornerback... Played instrumental role as CB and WR in Whitehaven's first state title campaign... Was named Defensive MVP in thrilling 36-35 6A state championship victory over Maryville that capped 15-0 record... As senior, earned First Team All-State honors after contributing 68 tackles, four INTs and 13 pass breakups... Accounted for seven TDs as senior, including two INT returns and three punt returns... Hauled in a pair of INTs in postseason AutoZone Liberty Bowl All-Star Game... Sprinted in track and lettered in basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Sims is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, majoring in communication studies.

**PERSONAL** Darrius D. Sims... Son of Phyllis Carter... Born Oct. 26, 1994... Has two brothers, DeMario and DeMarcus; and two sisters, Joselyn and DeeLeon... Godparents are Marvin and Trione Cooper.

## Sims' Career Offensive, Kick Return Statistics

	RUSHES	AVG	LONG	REC.	AVG	LONG	KOR	AVG	TDS	LONG
2014	2-2	1.0	5	2-14	7.0	14	31-760	24.5	2	100
2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	22-509	23.1	0	71
Career	2-2	1.0	5	2-14	7.0	14	53-1269	23.9	2	100



**Smith**

**7 Emmanuel SMITH**

**Safety**

**Sophomore ★ 6-2 • 218**

**Murfreesboro, Tenn. ★ Oakland HS**

**2014** Smith saw action in 10 games as a true freshman, contributing three solo tackles... Participated on special teams and as safety/nickel back in defensive secondary.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-way starter as junior and senior... In 2013, helped Patriots to superb 12-1 record, district title and Class 6A quarterfinals... Posted 34 solo tackles, 54 total stops, three interceptions and four forced fumbles as DB... Caught 16 passes for 201 yards as WR... Named to sportswriters' 6A First Team All-State squad and Tennessean's Dandy Dozen and All-Midstate teams... Played in postseason Semper Fi All-American Game... Started at QB and DB as junior... As QB, rushed for 777 yards, passed for 628 yards and accounted for 10 TDs; as DB, had 77 total tackles, an INT and two forced fumbles.

**ACADEMICS** Smith is studying in the College of Arts and Science. He is undecided on a major.

**PERSONAL** Emmanuel Demetric Smith... "Man"... Born July 25, 1995... Son of Demetrius and Stephanie Smith... Dad is a police officer; mom works at Dupont... Younger brother, Josh, is a Commodore freshman linebacker... Dad played at Middle Tennessee.

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## Smith's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	1-2-3	0.0-0	0-0	0	0/0



## 10 Shawn STANKAVAGE

### Quarterback

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-1 • 195**

**Durham, N.C. ★ Cardinal Gibbons HS**

### Stankavage

**2014** Stankavage did not see game action as a true freshman... Impressed teammates as a scout team quarterback during fall camp... Added weight through solid conditioning effort during first year on campus.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starter for Raleigh private school power... As senior QB, completed 247 of 408 passes for 3,564 yards and 34 TDs, helping Crusaders to 9-4 record and 3A state playoff run... Also rushed for 1,058 yards and 13 TDs... Named region Offensive Player of the Year and First Team Big 8 as senior... In 2012, threw for 1,920 yards and 28 TDs, helping school to 11-1 record and conference title... Played varsity basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Stankavage is undecided on a major. He is a 2015 SEC Freshman Academic Honor Roll recipient.

**PERSONAL** Shawn Anthony Stankavage... Born Oct. 3, 1995... Son of Scott Stankavage and Sue Walsh... Has four sisters, Sarah, Shelby, Ella and Jordan, and a brother, Leo... Dad played QB at University of North Carolina and in NFL with Denver Broncos; mom was an elite swimmer, qualifying for the 1980 Moscow Olympics in the 200-meter backstroke which was boycotted by the United States.



## 99 Landon STOKES

### Outside Linebacker

**Sophomore ★ 6-4 • 240**

**Orlando, Fla. ★ Lake Highland Prep**



### Stokes

**2014** Stokes participated in 10 of 12 games as a redshirt freshman... Earning playing time at outside linebacker in 3-4 defensive scheme... Served as key reserve to starters Kyle Woestmann and Stephen Weatherly... Registered four total tackles during the season.

**2013** Stokes did not see action as a true freshman... Improved strength while impressing coaches as a practice squad defensive end.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year starter for Orlando school... Started as DE/LB on defense and WR/TE on offense... As a senior, contributed 54 tackles, and eight sacks... Also added 15 catches for 264 yards and three TDs on offense... Named Second Team 4A All-State and listed as a top prospect by *Orlando Sentinel* as senior... Posted nearly 20 sacks and more than 175 tackles during career... Started on Highlanders' basketball team coached by former Vanderbilt basketball standout Jeff Turner... Also lettered in track & field.

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

**PERSONAL** Landon Foster Stokes... Son of Fred and Regina Stokes... Born Oct. 31, 1993... Has two brothers, Lance and Luke... Dad owns food distribution firm and played defensive end for 10 years in the NFL; mom serves as director of children's ministry at Orlando World Outreach Center... Prep teammate of Vanderbilt offensive lineman Blake Fromang... Plays saxophone.

## Stokes' Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	QH	FF/FR	PBU
2014	2-2-4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0/0	0



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**Tarpley**

## 2 Arnold TARPLEY

**Safety**

**Sophomore ★ 6-0 • 202**

**Pittsburgh, Pa. ★ Central Catholic HS**

**2014** Tarpley was among four true freshmen to see action in the Commodore defensive secondary during the 2014 season... Participated in 11 games, missing the season finale vs. Tennessee... Contributed at safety and nickel back, and saw action on special team coverage units... Contributed a team-high two forced fumbles

during the year... Concluded with 14 solo tackles, 18 total tackles and a pair of tackles for loss... Forced fumbles came against Temple and Missouri... Set career high with five solo tackles at Kentucky.

### Tarpley's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 5, at Kentucky, 9/27/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 5, at Kentucky, 9/27/2014

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year defensive starter for Pittsburgh private power... As senior DB, posted 75 tackles, including 10 for losses, four interceptions and a pair of forced fumbles for 15-1 Viking squad that captured Western Pennsylvania Interscholastic Athletic League (WPIAL) Class AAAA title and finished runnerup in the PIAL state championship... Earned All-State and All-League honors as senior DB... Named to Pennsylvania roster for Big 33 Pennsylvania-Ohio Prep Football Classic.

**ACADEMICS** Tarpley is studying in the College of Arts and Science. He has not declared a major.

**PERSONAL** Arnold Lee Tarpley III... Born June 18, 1996... Son of Darieth and Arnold Tarpley Jr... Dad is a podiatrist; mom is former Pittsburgh TV news anchor who currently works as marketing entrepreneur... Looking to work toward pre-law degree.

### Tarpley's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	14-4-4-18	2.0-13	0-0	2/0	0



**Thomas**

## 40 Ja'Karri THOMAS

**Inside Linebacker**

**Junior ★ 6-1 • 230**

**Tallahassee, Fla. ★ Godby HS**

**2014** Thomas played in 11 of 12 games as inside linebacker... Missed an early-season encounter vs. Ole Miss... Only career start came in win over Charleston Southern... Ended the season with 22 total stops, including six solo stops, and a defended pass... Had nine tackles, a career high, vs. Charleston Southern... Also posted five stops vs. Old Dominion, four vs. Florida and three at Miss. State.

**2013** Thomas played in all 13 games, seeing action at linebacker and on special team coverage units... Finished with 23 tackles, including nine solo stops and 2.5 tackles for loss... Posted four total tackles against UMass, UAB and Florida... Also registered a forced fumble vs. Missouri.

### Thomas' Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 9, Charleston So., 10/11/2014  
**SOLO TACKLES:** 2 (2x), most recently vs. Old Dominion, 1/1/2014

**2012** Thomas showed plenty of ability as the practice squad linebacker.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior co-captain... Four-year defensive starter for 5A school, seeing action along the defensive front and linebacker positions... As senior OLB/DE, posted 57 tackles, five QB sacks and an interception for 9-3 squad that advanced for second straight year to second round of 5A state playoffs... Earned First Team 5A All-State and All-Area as senior... Had 73 tackles, 6.5 sacks and pair of forced fumbles as junior... Started at DE as true freshman when Godby advanced to state finals.

**ACADEMICS** Thomas is majoring in sociology from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Ja'karri Mar'quise Thomas... Son of Morris Knight and the late Catina Ponder... Born Aug. 15, 1993... Has four younger siblings: two brothers, E'yelle, and E'mmanuel; and two sisters, O'sha and I'mani.

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## Thomas' Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	6-16-22	0.5-1	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	1
2013	9-14-23	2.5-10	0.0-0	0-0	1/0	0
Career	15-30-45	3.0-11	0.0-0	0-0	1/0	1



**Tindol**

## 95 Riley TINDOL

**Defensive End**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-5 • 262**

**Billingsley, Ala. ★ Autauga Academy**

**2014** Tindol did not see game action as a true freshman... Participated on the defensive line for scout teams during fall camp, and worked effectively to add strength in the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and two-year starter at private school near Montgomery... Earned two varsity letters in nearby Billingsley H.S. before transferring to Autauga Academy... Started at LT and DE the last two years... As a senior DE, had 69 tackles, eight quarterback sacks and 16 tackles for loss for Generals' squad that went 9-3 and advanced to private school state quarterfinals... On offense, paved way for 2,500-yard rusher Eric Graham... Named AIA First Team All-State and All-Area OT... As junior, was instrumental in 11-2 season... Started as post for varsity basketball squad, pitcher & first baseman in baseball and throws shot put in track..

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

**PERSONAL** Harrison Riley Tindol... Born on June 8, 1996... Son of Brian Tindol and Regina Ferrell... Has a brother, Russell, and two sisters, Rachel and Reagan... Mom was state HS pentathlon champ in Alabama... Enjoys singing.



of hurries in narrow loss at Missouri... First career forced fumble came at Kentucky.

**2013** Weatherly played in 12 of 13 games, rotating at DE among a 5-player position corps... Contributed eight solo tackles, 2.5 QB sacks and a fumble recovery in first active season... Played best against SEC competition, garnering 14 of 15 total tackles vs. SEC opponents... Registered three tackles and 1.5 sacks in win at Tennessee... Contributed fumble recovery at Texas A&M.

**2012** Weatherly did not play as true freshman, using the year to build strength and bulk in the weight room.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Four-year starter at OLB/DE and WR...

Contributed 79 tackles and 8.5 QB sacks as senior at Shiloh, earning All-Area honors... Played in postseason Gwinnett County All-Star Game... Transferred to Shiloh after playing three years at North Atlanta HS.

**ACADEMICS** Weatherly is majoring in sociology from the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Stephen Dian Weatherly... Son of Carla Johnson-Weatherly... Mom works as non-profit administrator... Middle name pays tribute to grandmother, a Harvard and MIT graduate... Enjoys chess and math... Traveled through Germany with Fulton County Youth Commission... Plays several musical instruments.

## Weatherly's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	FF/FR	QH
2014	30-25-55	12.5-47	4.5-22	1/0	2
2013	8-7-15	3.0-26	2.5-25	0/1	0
Career	38-32-70	15.5-73	7.0-47	1/1	2



**Weatherly**

## 45 Stephen WEATHERLY

**Outside Linebacker**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 250**

**Snellville, Ga. ★ Shiloh HS**

**2014** During the course of season, Weatherly developed from uncertain outside linebacker in new 3-4 scheme to one of the SEC's most promising defenders... Participated in all 12 games, earning starts at OLB in nine encounters... Early-season starts came against Temple, Ole Miss, Kentucky and Georgia... Also started in team's

final five games... Concluded season with career highs in every defensive category, including 30 solo tackles, 55 total tackles, 4.5 quarterback sacks, 12.5 tackles for loss, a forced fumble and two quarterback hurries... Weatherly's tackle for loss total has been bettered by just one

## Weatherly's Career Highs:

**TOTAL TACKLES:** 10, at Missouri, 10/25/2014

**SOLO TACKLES:** 7, vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014

**QB SACKS:** 2.0, at Missouri, 10/25/2014

**TACKLES FOR LOSS:** 5, vs. Tennessee, 11/29/2014

**QB HURRIES:** 2, at Missouri, 10/25/2014

player (Tim Fugger, 13.5) since 1998... Blossomed late in the year, contributing 28 total tackles, 10.5 tackles for loss and four QB sacks in his last five appearances... Broke modern-day team record with five tackles for loss in sensational seven-tackle performance vs. Tennessee... Set career high with 12 total tackles vs. Mississippi State... Registered two QB sacks and a pair



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**Webb**

## 7 Ralph WEBB

### Running Back

**Sophomore ★ 5-10 • 202**

**Gainesville, Fla. ★ Gainesville HS**

**2014** Webb enjoyed arguably the greatest season ever by a Vanderbilt freshman running back... Established new freshman team records with 907 rushing yards and 212 rush attempts... Broke Kwane Doster's 12-year-old freshman rushing mark against Florida... Garnered SEC All-Freshman recognition but did not make coaches' team... Rushing total ranks No. 7 all-time among Commodore backs... Finished the

### Webb's Career Highs:

RUSH ATTEMPTS: 31, vs. ODU, 11/1/2014  
RUSHING YARDS: 166, vs. ODU, 11/1/2014  
LONGEST RUSH: 28, vs. Ole Miss, 9/6/2014

year ranked ninth in the SEC in rushing yards and 10th with 76.0-yard per game average... Only one freshman in conference - UGA's Nick Chubb (1,281 yards) - topped Webb's season total... Remarkably consistent, Webb rushed for at least 45 yards in 10 of 12 games... Ranked second in SEC to Auburn's Cameron Artis-Payne in rush attempts... Broke Rodney Williams' 1998 freshman single-game rushing record by gaining 166 yards on 31 carries in victory over Old Dominion... Rushed for 116 yards in win over UMass.

**2013** Webb did not see game action during his first year on campus...

Impressed observers with explosiveness as practice squad running back.  
**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year letter winner for one of Florida's top 6A programs... Started as junior and senior at RB... As senior, named First Team All-State and All-Area by *Gainesville Sun* after leading Hurricanes to 6A state championship game for the first time in 30 years... Named MVP of 14-1 team as senior... Rushed for 2,020 yards and 28 TDs... Produced nearly 800 rushing yards in five playoff games, including 155-yard, 2-TD effort in title game... Rushed for eight TDs as junior, helping Hurricanes' to 10-3 record and state quarterfinals... Captured back-to-back long jump 3A state titles... Owns LJ PR of 23'8".

**ACADEMICS** Webb is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward a major in sociology. A 2014 SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient, Webb joined dozen other Vanderbilt students in May 2015 to study bio-diversity along the Great Barrier Reef and rainforests of western Australia.

**PERSONAL** Rapheal Webb... Son of Pertina Davis and Douglas Webb... Born Nov. 21, 1994... Has an older sister, Latoria; and five brothers, Doug, Dewayne, Deion, Jacques and Jaquan... Dad is painting contractor; mom works with mentally challenged patients... Enjoys water sports, including wakeboarding, tubing and fishing... Roller coaster enthusiast... Twice monthly, mentors students at Nashville's Whites Creek H.S... Served as camp counselor this summer at East Nashville YMCA.

### Webb's Career Rushing Statistics

	ATT	YARDS	AVG.	TDS	LONG
2014	212	907	4.3	4	28



**White**

## 14 Ryan WHITE

### Safety

**Sophomore ★ 5-9 • 190**

**Louisville, Ky. ★ Trinity HS**

**2014** In his first varsity season, White played in nine games as a safety and special teams contributor... Earned his career as starting nickel back in opener vs. Temple... Concluded season with 34 total tackles, 19 solo stops, 3.5 tackles for loss, two

### White's Career Highs:

TOTAL TACKLES: 8, vs. So. Carolina, 9/21/2014  
SOLO TACKLES: 4, vs. Temple, 8/28/2014

defensed passes and a forced fumble... Registered career performance vs. South Carolina, contributing eight total tackles and a forced fumble... Had four solo tackles, including 2.5

tackles for loss, vs. Temple... Posted at least three tackles in each of team's first seven games... Playing time in secondary diminished late in the season.

**2013** White redshirted during first year on campus.  
**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain for one of nation's elite prep teams... Three-year starter at cornerback for Trinity squad that captured three straight 6A Kentucky state titles, going 42-1 during 2010-12 seasons... As senior, earned All-State and All-Region recognition after 44 total tackles, three interceptions and 10 defensed passes for 13-1 squad that ranked No. 16 in *USA Today's* national high school Top 25.

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

**PERSONAL** Ryan Andrew White... Son of Robin Woolfolk and Ryan White... Born June 26, 1995 in Louisville... Has a brother, Roman, and sister, Reagan... Mom works as a nurse... An uncle, Oliver White, played tight end at Kentucky in mid-1980s... Aspires to become a business owner.

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## White's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	PBU	FF/FR
2014	19-15-34	3.5-14	0-0	2	0/0



## 13 Ladarius WILEY

**Cornerback**

**Sophomore ★ 6-1 • 205**

**Los Angeles, Calif. ★ Cathedral HS**

**Wiley**

**2014** Wiley saw limited action during early-season games, but was forced to sidelines for much of the season by injury... Played limited snaps in defensive secondary against Ole Miss prior to being sidelined... Wiley did not register any defensive statistics during playing time.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Multi-year captain for Los Angeles private school... Two-way starter at CB and WR... As senior CB, posted 35 tackles, five interceptions and 18 passes defended for Phantoms' squad that finished 6-5... Also produced seven TDs and 503 yards as WR... As junior, helped Cathedral to Division IV state playoffs and 10-3 mark by contributing 38 tackles, two interceptions and five forced fumbles on defense... Also registered 13 TDs on 45 receptions as an WR... Earned team's co-Offensive MVP as junior... Also lettered in track & field and basketball.

**ACADEMICS** Wiley is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He has not decided on a major.

**PERSONAL** LaDarius R. Wiley... Born on June 3, 1996... Son of Sue Markham Wiley and Lincoln Wiley Jr... Has five brothers: Larry, Lincoln, London, Logan and LaVario... Dad works for Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway; mom works for U.S. Postal Service; Worked summers as counselor at local Boys & Girls Club... Video game enthusiast.



## 32 Andrew WILLIAMSON

**Safety**

**Senior ★ 6-1 • 212**

**San Antonio, Texas ★ John Paul Stevens HS**

**Williamson**

**2014** Williamson became one of the team's top defensive performers as a first-year starter at safety... Played in all 12 games, earning starts in first nine encounters across from fellow safeties Jahmel McIntosh and Oren Burks... Concluded season four on

## Williamson's Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES: 5, vs. So. Carolina, 9/21/2014**  
**TOTAL TACKLES: 8, at Kentucky, 9/27/2014**

defense with 32 solo tackles and fifth with 54 total tackles... Also contributed four tackles for loss, three defended passes and a quarterback hurry... Posted at least four tackles in nine games... Registered seven stops, including two tackles for loss, vs. Florida... Season high in tackles (8) came at Kentucky... Also added six stops against South Carolina and Tennessee, and five tackles in the Temple and Mississippi State games... Posted two defended passes in win over Old Dominion.

**2013** Williamson played in 12 of the team's 13 games, serving as the team's top reserve at safety... Finished with 19 total tackles, including 11 unassisted stops, two interceptions and a fumble recovery... Posted INTs in back-to-back wins over Florida and Kentucky... Had at least three tackles vs. Ole Miss, South Carolina, UMass and Tennessee.



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**2012** Played in every game as safety and special teams contributor... Registered 20 tackles... Blocked punt at Wake Forest.

**2011** Williamson did not see action as a true freshman safety.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Started two years in defensive secondary for Falcons squad that went 11-5 and advanced to the 5A-D1 state semifinals... Amassed 168 total tackles, an INT and four forced fumbles as senior... Honorable mention All-State as senior.

**ACADEMICS** Williamson is expected to complete a degree in economics in December.

**PERSONAL** Andrew Thomas Williamson... Born Nov. 18, 1992 ... Son of Rickie and Brenda Williamson... Both parents served in U.S. Army and work in civil service... Has two older sisters, Jacqueline and Brianna... Part of military family that has lived in Germany, the Netherlands, Virginia and Texas.

## Williamson's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	INT	FF/FR	PBU
2014	32-22-54	4.0-9	0-0	0/0	3
2013	11-8-19	1.0-2	2-40	0/1	2
2012	14-6-20	0.0-0	0-0	0/0	1
Career	57-36-93	5.0-11	2-40	0/1	6



Winkle

## 51 Davis WINKLE

**Snapper**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-4 • 248**

**Cumming, Ga. ★ South Forsyth HS**

**2014** Winkle did not see action as a true freshman... Worked as snapper during first fall on campus.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year letterwinner for school located north of Atlanta... Regarded as one of the nation's top long snapper prospects... Started two years for War Eagles as snapper... As senior, also started offensive center, helping South Forsyth to 7-3 overall record... Lettered in baseball earlier in prep career... National Merit semifinalist.

**ACADEMICS** Winkle is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, working toward majors in history and the classics.

**PERSONAL** Jonathan David Winkle... Born April 11, 1996... Son of Jonathan and Ashleigh Winkle... Dad is an engineer; mom is a middle school teacher... Has a younger brother, Jack... Hopes to become a history teacher and football coach.



Woods

## 15 DeAndre WOODS

**Tight End**

**Sophomore ★ 6-3 • 235**

**Clay, Ala. ★ Clay-Chalkville HS**

**2014** Woods saw action as a reserve receiver in four games... Did not register a reception during playing time.

**2013** Woods did not see game action as a true freshman... Worked as a wide receiver early in the fall, but was forced off the practice field by injuries.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain for one of north Alabama's top 6A programs... Started for three seasons at WR for Cougars... As senior, posted 51 receptions for 733 yards and nine TDs, helping north Birmingham squad to 12-2 season and 5A state semifinals... Named to *Birmingham News'* All-Metro team as senior... 6A All-State WR as a junior after posting 36

catches, good for 460 yards and 10 TDs... Became a starter as sophomore, hauling in 30 catches for nearly 400 yards and six TDs... Sprinted in track.

**ACADEMICS** Woods is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science, majoring in communication studies.

**PERSONAL** DeAndre Deon Woods... Born Feb. 10, 1995... Son of Sonya Woods... Has two younger sisters, Jonae and Amiya... Mentored athletes at Clay-Chalkville Junior High... Nominated for state's prestigious Bryant-Jordan Student-Athlete Achievement Award.



Woods

## 74 Jay WOODS

**Defensive Tackle/End**

**Sophomore ★ 6-3 • 280**

**Jackson, Ga. ★ Jackson HS**

**2014** Woods became a key contributor in the interior defensive front as a first-year player in team's 3-4 scheme... Participated in all 12 games, earning five starting assignments at defensive end... Starts came in opener against Temple, and later in season vs. South Carolina, Kentucky, Georgia and Charleston Southern... Ended the season with 12 solo tackles, 31 total stops and 1.5 tackles for loss... Season high of five tackles came at Georgia... Posted four tackles vs. SEC opponents Ole Miss, South Carolina and Florida.

**2013** Woods did not play as a true freshman... Impressed coaching staff with abilities as a practice squad defensive tackle.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Multi-year captain for school located between Atlanta and Macon... Earned four varsity letters... As senior DT, named First Time AAA



# THE PLAYERS

All-State and All-Region after contributing 117 tackles, 22 tackles for loss, six sacks and three forced fumbles... Red Devils advanced to AAA state playoffs during senior campaign... Participated in postseason Offense-Defense All-American Game... Named All-Region after posting 99 tackles

## Woods' Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES:** 2 (4x), most recently vs. Florida, 1/8/2014  
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 5, at Georgia, 10/4/2014

and seven sacks as junior... Also lettered as thrower in track and field.

**ACADEMICS** Woods is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science. He is working toward a degree in medicine, health and society.

**PERSONAL** Jachovia LaTrez

Woods... "Beast"... Son of Vickie Williams and Arthur Woods... Born Sept. 27, 1994... Has an older sister, Arkeriya... Was active in leadership and community service programs at school... Involved in church activities in hometown... Named school's homecoming king.

## Woods' Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	QH	FE/FR
2014	12-19-31	1.5-8	0.0-0	0/0	0



## 47 Charles WRIGHT

**Outside Linebacker**

**Redshirt Freshman ★ 6-3 • 236**

**Irvine, Calif. ★ Beckman HS**

**2014** Wright did not see action as a true freshman defensive player... Participated as linebacker on

practice squads.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain and defensive starter... As senior DE, posted 7.5 quarterback sacks and 13 tackles for loss among 74 total tackles... Added two forced fumbles and pair of fumble recoveries... Also posted a touchdown among eight receptions as TE... Team MVP and Southern California All-State DL recipient... As a junior, registered 46 total tackles, including four sacks... Superb power forward on Patriot varsity basketball squad... Earned All-State honors as a junior after leading Orange County with a 14.6-rebound average... High academic achiever.

**ACADEMICS** Wright has not decided on a major. He is enrolled in the College of Arts and Science.

**PERSONAL** Charles Eugene Wright... "Chuck"... Born May 24, 1996... Son of Ryan and Tyra Wright... Dad is an engineer; mom is a financial analyst... Has one brother, Ryan Jr... Family moved to California from Florida.



## 49 Jonathan WYNN

**Defensive End**

**Sophomore ★ 6-5 • 250**

**Stone Mountain, Ga. ★ Stephenson HS**

**2014** As first-year defensive contributor, Wynn played in all 12 games, seeing action as outside linebacker... Also participated on various special team units... Finished the year with 13 total tackles, one quarterback sack and 1.5 tackles for loss... Earned early-season starts vs. UMass and South Carolina... Set several career highs - six total tackles, three solo tackles - in win over UMass...



Also registered lone quarterback sack vs. UMass.

## Wynn's Career Highs:

**SOLO TACKLES:** 3, vs. UMass, 9/21/2014  
**TOTAL TACKLES:** 6, vs. UMass, 9/21/2014

**2013** Wynn did not see action, spending his first year on campus getting stronger and adding bulk in the weight room... Impressed as a defensive end prospect during fall practices.

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain for one of Atlanta's top public school

programs... Started two years at DE for Jaguars... As senior earned First Team All-State and All-District DL recognition after posting 19 tackles for loss and 11 sacks among 87 total tackles... Also contributed a pair of forced fumbles and an INT helping 2012 Jags advance to second round of AAAAA state playoffs... As a first-year starter in 2011, registered 51 tackles and eight sacks for 9-2 team that also reached srhrhrhwate playoffs... Two-year letterwinner in track & field.

**ACADEMICS** Wynn is enrolled in the Peabody School, working toward a degree in secondary education.

**PERSONAL** Jonathan Paul Wynn... Son of Todd and Donna Wynn... Born Sept. 21, 1994... Has a sister, Sierra... Dad is an engineer; mom works in technical support and is a Nashville native... Attended same high school as current Commodore LB Darreon Herring and RB Dallas Rivers.

## Wynn's Career Defensive Statistics

	TACKLES	TFL	SACKS	QH	FE/FR
2014	5-8-13	1.5-10	1.0-8	0	0/0



# THE NEWCOMERS

SIGNEES	POSITION	HT	WT	RESIDENCE	HIGH SCHOOL/OTHER
Kyle Anderton	Tight End	6-4	255	Hendersonville, Tenn.	Station Camp HS
Josh Crawford	Running Back	5-10	200	Wetumpka, Ala.	Edgewood Academy
Darion DeBrossard	Def. Line/Off. Line	6-4	340	Snellville, Ga.	Shiloh HS
Egidio DellaRipa (So.)	Off. Line	6-4	300	Castaic, Calif.	West Ranch HS/College of the Canyons
Sam Dobbs	Tight End	6-4	220	Douglasville, Ga.	Landmark Christian HS
Jaire George	Running Back	6-1	218	Hyattsville, Md.	DeMatha Catholic HS
Jordan Griffin	Linebacker	6-1	215	Tampa, Fla.	Armwood HS
Jay Hockaday	Athlete	6-3	215	Nashville, Tenn.	Christ Presbyterian Academy
Nehemiah Mitchell (Jr.)	Linebacker/Def. End	6-4	262	Hayward, Calif.	Bishop O'Dowd HS/CC of San Francisco
Dare Odeyingbo	Linebacker	6-2	252	Irving, Texas	Cistercian Prep HS
Caleb Peart	Linebacker	6-1	230	Gilbert, Ariz.	Hamilton HS
Ean Pfeifer	Off. Line	6-4	285	Bentonville, Ark.	Bentonville HS
Jared Pinkney	Wide Receiver	6-4	240	Norcross, Ga.	Norcross HS
Andrew Rector	Safety	6-0	205	Nashville, Tenn.	Father Ryan HS
Donovan Sheffield	Cornerback	5-11	182	Nashville, Tenn.	Ensworth HS
Kyle Shurmur	Quarterback	6-4	226	Philadelphia, Pa.	La Salle College HS
Justin Skule	Off. Line	6-7	305	Clifton, Va.	Centreville HS
Josh Smith	Linebacker	6-3	236	Murfreesboro, Tenn.	Oakland HS
Jared Southers	Off. Line	6-5	315	South Orange, N.J.	Seton Hall Prep HS

## Kyle ANDERTON

Tight End, 6-4, 255

Hendersonville, Tenn. • Station Camp HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Three-year team captain, two-time team MVP... Two-way-starter (QB/DE)

as senior...Three-year starter at quarterback, helped Bison to 2013 district and region titles and state playoffs.... Produced more than 1,800 yards of total offense and 21 total TDs as senior QB... Earned 2014 Music City Bowl Tradition of Service Award... Invited to play in postseason

Tennessee East vs. West Game... Starting center on Station Camp's basketball team.

**PERSONAL** Mark Kyle Anderton Jr... Born Feb. 26, 1996 in Pensacola, Fla... Son of Mark Anderton and Yvonne Duncan... Dad is a high school coach/physical education instructor; mom is a women's athletic director/basketball coach... Dad coached collegiate football; mom played collegiate basketball... One of seven siblings: brothers Payton, Steven and Matt; sisters Matkie, Katie and Avery... Served as youth basketball coach.



Anderton

## Josh CRAWFORD

Running Back, 5-10, 200

Wetumpka, Ala. • Edgewood Academy

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year team captain and three-year starter at RB for Alabama private school power... Helped Edgewood to 41-0 record and three straight state titles from 2012-14... Named state's AISA Back of the Year as senior after rushing for 1,198 yards and 27 touchdowns... Two-time Montgomery AISA All-Metro Player of the Year, two-time AISA All-State, and three-time All-Region recipient... Amassed 101 TDs and more than 4,000 rushing yards during Edgewood varsity career... Also earned three letters in basketball and track & field.

**PERSONAL** Joshua Jamal Crawford... Born Oct. 11, 1996 in Montgomery, Ala... Son of Stanley Crawford Sr. and Cherie O'Neal... Dad works with Montgomery transportation system, mom is a medical analyst... One of seven siblings: brothers Stanley Jr., Janius and Nehemiah; sisters Quintoria, Autumn and Nevach... Served as Sunday school teacher.



Crawford

## Darion DEBROSSARD

Def. Line/Off. Line, 6-4, 340

Snellville, Ga. • Shiloh HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** DeBrossard didn't start playing organized football until junior year of high school... As senior, started nine of 10 regular season games for Generals at left tackle... Earned recognition in Atlanta-area conference as dominating blocker after registering nearly 30 pancake blocks... Named October Lineman of the Month by Gwinnett

Touchdown Club... Earned letters in basketball and track & field... Earned school's Scholar-Athlete Award... Georgia Governor's Honors finalist.

**PERSONAL** Darion Andre DeBrossard... "Big D"... Born Sept. 26, 1996... Son of Kimberlyn J. DeBrossard and Derrick Von Hubbard... Mom is a higher education administrator; dad is a general contractor... Has a younger sister, Bethany... Beta Club president... Participated in school's theatre program... Enjoys rapping and playing piano... Attended same school as current Commodore OLB Stephen Weatherly.



DeBrossard

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## Dare ODEYINGBO

Linebacker, 6-2, 252  
Irving, Texas • Cistercian Prep HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain for Dallas-Fort Worth metro area private school... Started all four years at RB... Also started at DE and LB during junior and senior seasons... Two-time Texas-Oklahoma Private School All-State and All-Area recipient... As senior, rushed for 1,178 yards and seven touchdowns... Rushed for 1,791 yards and 23 TDs as a junior...

Amassed 5,456 rushing yards and 74 total TDs during four-year varsity career... Helped squad to state playoff appearances in 2012 and 2013... Also earned letters in basketball and track & field... National Merit Semifinalist.

**PERSONAL** Oluwadamilare Odeyingbo... "Dar-A Oh-dah-YING-bow"... Born Nov. 25, 1996 in New York... Son of Gary and Betty Odeyingbo... Has a younger brother, Dayo... Parents are natives of Nigeria... Dad works as software consultant; mom is a nurse practitioner... Avid soccer fan.



Odeyingbo

## Caleb PEART

Linebacker, 6-1, 230  
Gilbert, Ariz. • Hamilton HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-year DE starter for Phoenix-area power... Recipient of NFF's 2014 Curley Culp Award given to Arizona's top high school defensive lineman... Three-time recipient of All-State DL and All-Region DL honors... Team's defensive MVP as senior after posting 82 tackles, 15 quarterback sacks and two forced fumbles for 12-2 squad

that played in state's Division AIA state championship... Participated in prestigious Semper Fidelis All-American Bowl following senior season... As junior helped Hamilton to another state runnerup finish after starting on Division 1 state title squad as a sophomore.

**PERSONAL** Caleb Jamal Peart... Born Nov. 13, 1996... Native of Phoenix metro area... Son of Jacqueline and Carl Peart... Has a younger sister, Keturah... Mom is a personal trainer; dad is a general contractor.



Peart

## Ean PFEIFER

Offensive Line, 6-4, 285  
Bentonville, Ark. • Bentonville HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Three-year offensive line starter, helping Bentonville to 32-5 overall record and consecutive 7A state titles in 2013 and 2014... Named First Team 7A All-State OL and All-Region as senior, posting 50 knockdown blocks and helping Tigers overcome 0-4 start with nine-game win streak to conclude season... As senior received Willie Roaf

Award as Arkansas' top high school offensive lineman from Little Rock Touchdown Club... Also earned All-State, All-Region honors as junior.

**PERSONAL** Ean Paul Pfeifer... Born Feb. 4, 1997 on Maryland's Eastern Shore... Son of Tom Pfeifer and Carla Burns... Has five siblings: brothers Stefan and Garrett; sisters Elise, Erika and Jaclyn... Dad works in automotive sales; mom is a mammographer... Plans to major in economics.



Pfeifer

## Jared PINKNEY

Wide Receiver, 6-4, 240  
Norcross, Ga. • Norcross HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Multiple-year captain and standout WR/HB for one of north Georgia's top public school programs... Received team's "Iron Man" Award after senior season... Earned three varsity letters, helping Blue Devils to 2012 and 2013 Class AAAAAA state titles and playoff appearance in 2014... As senior WR, caught 32 passes for 480 yards and three touchdowns for 7-4 squad, earning honorable mention All-State and First Team All-Region honors... Played in two Georgia postseason all-star games... Earned school's Scholar-Athlete Award.

**PERSONAL** Jared B. Pinkney... Born Aug. 21, 1997... Lifelong resident of Georgia... Son of Anika Bowles-Pinkney and Horace Pinkney... Oldest of three siblings: a brother, Jalen, and sister, Alayna... Mom is an event planner, dad works in restaurant management.



Pinkney

## Andrew RECTOR

Safety, 6-0, 205  
Nashville, Tenn. • Father Ryan HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain, three-year starter in secondary for Nashville private school... Started at CB as sophomore, then moved to safety prior to junior season... As senior, registered 56 tackles, three interceptions and three forced fumbles in six games prior to suffering injury... Earned First Team Division II-AA All-State DB honors from sportswriters

as senior... Also played WR/RB as senior... As junior, recorded 38 tackles, six INTs and five defended passes.

**PERSONAL** Andrew Hardisen Rector... Born Jan. 25, 1997 in Nashville... Son of Steve and Suzanne Rector... Oldest of three siblings: a sister, Ally, and a brother, Wyatt... Dad works in health care administration... Dad played collegiately at Western Kentucky.



Rector

## Donovan SHEFFIELD

Cornerback, 5-11, 182  
Nashville, Tenn. • Ensworth HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain and three-time starter in secondary for one of Tennessee's most powerful private schools... As two-way starter, helped Ensworth to 34-3 overall record, Division II-AA state titles in 2012 and 2013, and the D-II state title game in 2014... As senior, registered 33 tackles and six INTs as CB, and posted 16 touchdowns as RB, earning First Team D-II All-State and

All-Midstate honors... Named to *Tennessean's* Dandy Dozen All-Region team... Ended prep career with 12 INTs, 121 tackles and 21 defended passes on defense, and 23 total touchdowns and more than 2,000 rushing yards on offense... Captured state triple jump title as a junior with 46'11" leap.

**PERSONAL** Donovan Alexander Sheffield... Born May 31, 1997 in Nashville... Son of Robert and Tamara Sheffield... Has four siblings: three sisters, Symone, Mykah and Jai; and a brother, Ryan... Dad played cornerback at Vanderbilt from 1993-96... Will become third-generation college football player in family.



Sheffield

# THE NEWCOMERS

## Kyle SHURMUR

Quarterback, 6-4, 226  
Philadelphia, Pa. • La Salle College HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starting QB for Philadelphia private school, helping Explorers to 16-6 overall record and two Class AAAA runnerup finishes... As senior, completed 180 of 307 passes for 2,472 yards and 25 touchdowns, earning AAAA First Team All-State and All-League honors... Named Maxwell Club's Penn. State Player of the Year as senior... Played in 2014 Semper Fidelis All-American Game... Passed for 4,996 yards and 53 TDs as two-year starter... Standout swimmer, helping team to 2014 state title... Member of state record-setting 200-medley relay... Transferred to La Salle College as junior.

**PERSONAL** Kyle Patrick Shurmur... Born Nov. 6, 1996... Son of Pat and Jennifer Shurmur... Has three sisters: Allyson, Erica and Claire... Dad is offensive coordinator for Philadelphia Eagles and former head coach of Cleveland Browns... Dad played football and mom swam at Michigan State.



Shurmur

## Justin SKULE

Offensive Line, 6-7, 305  
Clifton, Va. • Centreville HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Senior captain... Two-year starter at LT for Northern Virginia power... Helped Wildcats to 27-3 overall record, including 2013 Class AAA state championship and 2014 state title appearance... As senior, registered nearly 30 pancake blocks as Wildcats' Wing-T offense produced nearly 4,600 rushing yards... Named to sportswriters' First Team AAA All-State and *Washington Post's* prestigious All-Metro Team as senior... Totalled more than 50 pancake blocks and allowed just one QB sack as two-year starter... Threw shot put and discus on track & field team as junior... Honors student.

**PERSONAL** Justin Grant Skule... Pronounced "School"... Born Nov. 23, 1996... Son of Josh and Christy Skule... Dad works for the FBI; mom is an office assistant... Has three siblings: two brothers, Jackson and Joe, and a sister, Taylor... Dad played offensive line at the U.S. Naval Academy.



Skule

## Josh SMITH

Linebacker, 6-3, 236  
Murfreesboro, Tenn. • Oakland HS

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year captain and two-year starter at linebacker for one of Tennessee's top public schools... Posted 128 tackles, nine quarterback sacks, four forced fumbles and 25 tackles for loss as senior, leading Patriots to 14-2 record and 6A state championship game... Named *Murfreesboro Daily News Journal's* Defensive Player of the Year as senior... Played in prestigious U.S. Army All-American Game as senior... Two-time First Team All-State and All-Region selection... As senior, named to preseason watchlist for Butkus Award presented to nation's top prep linebacker... top As junior, registered 81 tackles, helping Oakland to 12-0 regular season.

**PERSONAL** Joshua D. Smith... Born Feb. 25, 1997 in Nashville... Son of Demetrius and Stephanie Smith... An older brother, Emmanuel, is a sophomore safety for the Commodores... Dad is a police officer, mom works in factory management... Dad played football at Middle Tennessee State.



Smith

## Jared SOUTHERS

Offensive Line, 6-5, 315  
South Orange, N.J. • Seton Hall Prep

**HIGH SCHOOL** Two-year starter on offensive line for New Jersey private school power... As senior OT, registered 83 pancake blocks for 6-4 Seton Hall Prep squad... Also saw action on defensive line as senior... Named Second Team All-State and First Team All-Private School recipient after senior season... Earned three varsity letters for Seton Hall Prep... Also earned letter in wrestling... National Honor Society member.

**PERSONAL** Jared Daniel Southers... Born May 14, 1997 in New Jersey... Son of Virginia and David Southers... Has one older sister, Arianna... Mom is an attorney; dad is a social worker... Plans to major in engineering... Enjoys cooking.



Southers

