

2012 USC TROJANS FOOTBALL

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2012 SCHEDULE (5-1)

DATE	<u>OPPONENT</u>	TIME/RESULT
Sept. 1	Hawaii	W 49-10
Sept. 8	vs. Syracuse	W 42-29
	(@ E. Rutherford,	N.J.)
Sept. 15	at Stanford	L 14-21
Sept. 22	California	W 27-9
Oct. 4 (Th.)	at Utah	W 38-28
Oct. 13	at Washington	W 24-14
Oct. 20	Colorado	3 p.m. (Pac-12 Net.)
Oct. 27	at Arizona	TBA
Nov. 3	Oregon	TBA
Nov. 10	Arizona State	TBA
Nov. 17	at UCLA	TBA
Nov. 24	Notre Dame	TBA (ABC/ESPN)

PAC-12 STANDINGS

	PAC-12		OVERALL	
	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
<u>SOUTH</u>				
ASU	3	0	5	1
USC	3	1	5	1
UCLA	2	2	5	2
COLO	1	2	1	5
ARIZ	0	3	3	3
UTAH	0	3	2	4
<u>NORTH</u>				
ORE	3	0	6	0
OSU	3	0	5	0
STAN	2	1	4	2
CAL	2	2	3	4
WASH	1	2	3	3
WSU	0	4	2	6

AP POLL **USA TODAY POLL**

1.	Alabama	1.	Alabama
2.	Oregon	2.	Oregon
3.	Florida	3.	Kansas State
4.	Kansas State	4.	Florida
5.	Notre Dame	5.	Notre Dame
6.	LSU	6.	LSU
7.	Ohio State	7.	Oklahoma
8.	Oregon State	8.	South Carolina
9.	South Carolina	9.	USC
10.	Oklahoma	10.	Florida State
11.	USC	11.	Oregon State
12.	Florida State	12.	Georgia
13.	Georgia	13.	Clemson
14.	Clemson	14.	Louisville
15.	Mississippi State	15.	West Virginia
16.		16.	Mississippi State
17.	West Virginia	17.	Rutgers
18.		18.	Cincinnati
19.	Rutgers	19.	Texas A&M
20.	Texas A&M	20.	Texas Tech
21.	Cincinnati	21.	TCU
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USC FOOTBALL

11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 31 BOWL VICTORIES 159 ALL-AMERICANS **6 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNERS 457 NFL PLAYERS** 22 ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

NO. 11 USC RETURNS HOME TO HOST COLORADO

FACTS

USC (5-1 overall, 3-1 Pac-12 South) vs. Colorado (1-5 overall, 1-2 Pac-12 South), Saturday, Oct. 20, 3 p.m. PT, Los Angeles Coliseum.

THEMES

No. 11 USC, after playing 4 of its last 5 games on road, returns home to the sold-out Coliseum, where it now will play 4 of its final 6 regular season contests, starting with Colorado this Saturday. USC and CU have played only 6 times in history (Troy has never lost to the Buffaloes). Colorado is making its first visit to the Coliseum since 2000. USC is going for its 300th October victory. The Trojans set the school scoring streak record last Saturday while winning at Washington. Head coach Lane Kiffin's Trojans feature such outstanding offensive players as QB Matt Barkley (3 TDs away from the Pac-12 career touchdown pass record), All-American WRs Robert Woods (4 catches shy of the USC career receptions mark) and fellow Biletnikoff Award candidate Marqise Lee (he is in the national Top 11 in receptions, receiving yards and all-purpose running), 1,000-yard TBs Curtis McNeal and Penn State transfer Silas **Redd** (he has 10 career 100-yard outings) and Rimington Award nominee C **Khaled Holmes**. The Trojan defense, which is in the Top 25 nationally in sacks, tackles for loss, rushing defense and total defense, features All-American S T.J. McDonald, fellow Thorpe Award nominee CB Nickell Robey, LBs Dion Bailey (fourth nationally in interceptions) and Hayes Pullard and DE Morgan Breslin (he is seventh in the nation in sacks and tackles for loss). Colorado head coach Jon Embree (the former All-Big 8 tight end for the Buffs) has seen his squad drop all but 1 game in 2012, including losing by 34 points last Thursday against Arizona State. CU ranks in the bottom 20 nationally in total offense and total defense. The Buffalo offense is led by QB **Jordan Webb**, young TBs **Christian Powell** and **Tony Jones** and equally young WRs **Nelson Spruce** and **Tyler McCullouch**. Top CU defenders are \$\$ **Terrel Smith**, ILB Derrick Webb, CB Kenneth Crawley and OLB Jon Major, plus DE Chidera Uzo-Diribe (he is in the national Top 20 in sacks). The game will be aired live nationally on the new Pac-12 Networks. It's Trojan Family Weekend. USC's 1972 national champ football team will be saluted during the game on their 40th anniversary. USC and CU also battle in women's volleyball and soccer in Los Angeles the day after the football game.

USC is ranked 11th in the AP poll and ninth by USA Today. Colorado is not ranked.

USC has won all 6 of its meetings with Colorado, including going 3-0 in Los Angeles encounters, and has outscored the Buffaloes, 180-41.

Last year on a cold (high 30s/low 40s) Friday night in Boulder, QB Matt Barkley threw a school-record 6 touchdown passes to lead No. 21 USC to an overwhelming 42-17 win over new Pac-12 member. The victory kept the Trojans undefeated in 6 tries against the Buffaloes. After Colorado scored on the game's opening series (a 37-yard pass from QB Tyler Hansen to WR Toney Clemons), Barkley threw 4 TDs in the first half (a 33-yarder to WR Marqise Lee midway through the opening quarter, a 5-yarder to TE Xavier Grimble at the top of the second quarter, a 15-yarder to WR Robert Woods midway through the second quarter and a 25-yarder to Lee late in the half). Colorado got a 30-yard field goal by PK Will Oliver to pull within 28-10 right before halftime. Barkley hit Woods on a 45-yard TD late in the third

RADIO-TV—Live national TV: 3 p.m. (PT), Pac-12 Networks, Kevin Calabro, Adam Archuleta, Yogi

<u>Live national radio</u>: 3 p.m. (PT), ESPN Radio, Rich Cellini, John Mackovic, Brett McMurphy.

Live local radio: 10:30 a.m. (PT), 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Pete Arbogast, Paul McDonald, John Jackson, Brandon Hancock, Steve Mason, Colin Cowherd, Jeff Biggs, Darrell Rideaux, Harvey Hyde, Garry Paskwietz, Mark Willard, Kevshawn Johnson (includes four-and-a-half-hour pre-game and 3-hour post-game shows). Five other stations are included on the USC radio network: KSPA-AM 1510 in Ontario/ San Bernardino County/Inland Empire, KXPS-AM 1010 in Palm Springs, KVEN-AM 1450 in Ventura, KSZL-AM 1230 in Barstow and Fox Sports Radio AM 1340 and 1400 in Visalia/Fresno. Fans also can hear the live 710 ESPN Radio broadcast on <u>USCTrojans.com</u>, on SIRIUS XM satellite radio (Channel 139/197) or by dialing 1-800-846-4675 ext. 5933.

Live Spanish-language local radio: 3 p.m., (PT), Univision America 1020 am (KTNQ-AM), Pepe Mantilla, Daniel Arreola, Erika Garza. Fans can also the live broadcast univisionamerica.univision.com.

Trojan Talk: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (PT), Tuesdays, 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Mark Willard, Steve Mason, John Ireland

<u>USC Coaches Show:</u> 7-8 p.m. (PT), Wednesdays, 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Lane Kiffin, Pete Arbogast.

Pac-12 Playbook: 7 p.m. (PT), Tuesdays, Pac-12
Networks Los Angeles, Lane Kiffin segment.

<u>Irojan Brunch</u>: 9-11 a.m. (PT), Sundays, 710 ESPN
Radio (KSPN-AM), Pete Arbogast, Harvey Hyde.

USC Trojan Talk: 7 p.m. (PT), Thursdays, KSHP-AM 1400 in Las Vegas and 10 a.m. (PT), Saturdays, KCAA-AM 1050 in Inland Empire, Harvey Hyde.

USC VS	. COL	ORADO (6	-0-0)
1927	W	46-7	Н
1963	W	14-0	Α
1964	W	21-0	Н
2000	W	17-14	Н
2002	W	40-3	Α
2011	W	42-17	Α

FUN FACT I

In its history, USC has had only 11 lettermen hail from Colorado, including 4 from Boulder's Fairview High in CU's backyard (ILB Joe Barry lettered in 1992-93, OT Tony Boselli in 1991-94, C Chris Foote in 1977-79 and FB-TB Scott Lockwood in 1987-88 and 1990-91). The other Trojan Coloradoans: T Ward Bond in 1928-30, FB Rory Brown in 1990 and 1992-93, OG-C Jeff Byers in 2004 and 2007-09, CB-S Brian Kelly in 1994-97, WR Ryan Lenderman in 1993-94, OG-OT Butch Lewis in 2007-10 and TB LenDale White in 2003-05. Of those, 4 were members of USC national championship squads (Bond in 1928, Foote in 1978, Byers in 2004 and White in 2003-04), Boselli was a 2time All-American first teamer, 6 played in the NFL (Boselli, Byers, Foote, Kelly, Lockwood and White), Lewis was on NFL practice squads and Barry is an NFL assistant coach. Bond became an actor best known for his role in "Wagon Train."

FUN FACT II

Both USC and Colorado have a player on the 2012 roster named **Alex Wood** (USC's freshman placekicker from Mercer Island, Wash., and CU's junior fullback from Steamboat Springs, Colo.).

USC ONLINE—USC's official athletic website is USCTrojans.com. Live GameTracker stats are available there. USCTrojans.com also can be followed on Facebook (Facebook.com/pages/USC-Trojans-Official-Page/124984464200434) and Twitter (Twitter.com/USC_Athletics), with many of the videos also posted on YouTube (YouTube.com/USCAthletics). The USC Trojan Text Alert program allows fans to get real-time news about the Trojans (text "Trojans" to 51234). There is also an iPhone application for USCTrojans.com, as well as USC Game Day and Project Tro7an apps. Local AT&T U-verse customers can watch free on-demand videos from USCTrojans.com in the "College Football Extras" category. USC's Game Day Central page is at ReturnOfTroy.com.

PAC-12 ONLINE—The Pac-12's official website is **Pac-12.org**.

PAC-12 COACHES TELECONFERENCE—Pac-12 football coaches are available for 10 minutes each on a media teleconference beginning at 10 a.m. (PT) every Tuesday (through Nov. 20) during the season. USC coach Lane Kiffin comes on at 11:45 a.m. (PST). Beginning at 3:30 p.m. (PT) each of those Tuesdays, a taped replay of the teleconference is available until the next call (the replay can also be heard on Pac-12.com). Call the Pac-12 office (925-932-4411) or USC sports information office (213-740-8480) to obtain the media-only phone numbers for the Pac-12 Coaches Teleconference.

quarter and then, after Hansen connected with Clemons on a 10-yard score early in the fourth quarter, Barkley broke the school record with a 19-yard scoring screen pass to TB Amir Carlisle. Barkley was 25-of-39 for 318 yards but threw an interception, Woods (130 yards) and Lee (124 yards) each caught 9 passes, Carlisle ran for a gamehigh 90 yards on 10 carries off the bench, TB Curtis McNeal added 87 yards on 10 carries in his first career start and TB **D.J. Morgan** had 56 yards on 9 tries. CB Isiah Wiley led USC with 5 tackles. TE Rhett Ellison and TE Randall Telfer each blocked a field goal. For Colorado, Hansen hit 17-of-37 passes for 250 yards, TB Rodney Stewart ran for 88 yards on 21 carries and caught 6 passes for 67 yards and Clemons had 5 receptions for 112 yards. USC had decisive margins in first downs (31 to 19), total yards (561 to 384) and plays (72 to 62) while holding the ball for 32:42. CU converted just 5-of-14 third downs. USC started 4 true freshmen (Lee, OG Marcus Martin and LBs Lamar Dawson and Tre Madden), plus PK Andre Heidari. It was the first time ever that USC started 3 freshmen linebackers (redshirt frosh LB Hayes Pullard joined Dawson and Madden). It was USC's first Friday game since 1999 and Colorado's first-ever Friday home game.

In 2000 in the last meeting between the teams in Los Angeles, PK David Newbury, who had missed a pair of field goals earlier in the game, nailed a 24-yarder with 13 seconds to play to give No. 11 USC a thrilling 17-14 home opening victory over Colorado. It was the first meeting between USC and Colorado since 1964. Newbury's game-winner (the latest in a game that a Trojan kicked a game-winning field goal since Don Shafer did so at the gun at Baylor in 1986) culminated a 9-play, 72-yard drive that began with 1:14 left on the clock after Buffalo PK Mark Mariscal missed a 40-yard field goal. USC QB Carson Palmer, who was an astonishing 25-of-30 for 275 yards on the day (3 of his passes were dropped), was 6of-6 for 68 yards on that winning drive. Newbury was named Pac-10 Special Teams Player of the Week for his performance. USC got on the board first, as Palmer hit former walk-on WR Matt Nickels with an 8-yard scoring pass late in the second quarter. But CU responded on the ensuing possession, driving 80 yards in 12 plays, capped by an 11-yard TD pass from QB Zac Colvin to WR Javon Green with 4 seconds to go in the half. USC DE Matt Childers stripped Colvin on the opening possession of the second half, S Troy Polamalu recovered on the CU 21-yard line, and 3 plays later TB Sultan McCullough—who rushed for 91 yards on 28 carries in the game—ran 5 yards up the middle for a touchdown. But the Buffaloes struck back late in the third quarter on a 36-yard TD pass from QB Bobby Pesavento to TE Daniel Graham to tie the score. USC blew scoring chances on its first 2 possessions of the game after WR Kareem Kelly-who caught a career-high 10 passes for 145 yards overall—couldn't hold onto a 17-yard TD pass and Colorado FS Robbie Robinson intercepted the ball in the end zone and then Newbury missed a 30-yard field goal. Defensively, LB Markus Steele and S Ifeanyi Ohalete had a game-best 9 tackles each (Steele had 2 sacks), LB Zeke Moreno added 7 stops, DT Ennis Davis had 5 tackles (with 2 sacks) and DT Bernard Riley blocked a first quarter field goal attempt. USC had 6 sacks overall. For Colorado, true freshman TB Marcus Houston had a game-high 150 yards on 25 carries (becoming the first Buffalo to open a season with back-to-back 100-yard games), Green caught 6 passes for 64 yards, Colvin was 13-of-21 for 150 yards and Pesavento was 3-of-5 for 54 yards. The Trojans averaged 6.3 yards per play and outgained the Buffaloes, 433 to 368.

IN OCTOBER

USC has a 299-112-19 (.717) all-time record while playing in the month of October. (Five of those wins were later vacated due to NCAA penalty.)

VERSUS PAC-12

USC has won 70.7% (436-172-29) of its games against Pac-12 opponents (9 wins were later vacated due to NCAA penalty).

IN THE COLISEUM

USC has a 418-129-27 (.752) all-time record in the Coliseum since the stadium opened in 1923. (Six wins later vacated due to NCAA penalty.)

CONNECTIONS

USC has no players from Colorado, while the Buffaloes have 34 players from California...USC offensive coordinator/running backs coach Kennedy Polamalu coached CU's running backs in 1997 and 1998...USC C Abe Markowitz's cousin is former Colorado offensive guard Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner...Colorado defensive line coach Mike Tuiasosopo is the brother of former USC offensive guard Titus Tuiasosopo (1990-92)...USC assistant sports information director Darcy Couch is a 2000 graduate of Colorado...USC P Kris Albarado will celebrate his 20th birthday on Saturday (Oct. 20).

SCHEDULE

As usual, USC's 2012 schedule is challenging. The Trojans face 8 teams that played in a bowl in 2011, 6 teams that won at least 7 games last year and 4 squads that are guided by new coaches. Troy plays 6 home games in the Coliseum in 2012. The Trojans play the nation's 23rd toughest schedule according to the Sagarin/USA Today ranking and 43rd by the NCAA. USC opened with a Sept. 1 home contest against Norm Chow-led Hawaii, just the third time that the Warriors played the Trojans in the Coliseum. Troy then made its first visit to the New York City area since 2000 when it met Syracuse on Sept. 8 in 82,500-seat MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J. USC then began Pac-12 play by facing the Bay Area schools, traveling to Stanford on Sept. 15 (the Pac-12's first conference game of 2012) and hosting California on Sept. 22. After a bye, USC resumed league play with a Thursday game at Utah on Oct. 4 (its first time there since 1917), followed by a trip to Washington and CenturyLink Field on Oct. 13. The Trojans return to the Coliseum for an Oct. 20 game against Colorado before going to Arizona (under new mentor Rich Rodriguez) on Oct. 27. Troy opens the month of November with home games against 3-time defending league champion Oregon on Nov. 3 and Arizona State (and new coach Todd Graham) on Nov. 10. USC then plays its traditional rivals, first facing new coach Jim Mora's UCLA team in the Rose Bowl on Nov. 17 and then hosting Notre Dame on the Saturday (Nov. 24) of Thanksgiving weekend. <u>USC's home games against</u> Oregon and Notre Dame were sold out by

mid-August of 2012, its home opener against Hawaii sold out a week before that game and its home game against Colorado sold out 2 weeks prior to that game; Troy's home game against Arizona State has limited tickets available. The 4 home sellouts in 2012 are the most in a season since 2008, when there were 5 (the school record is 6 in 2006).

PRE-SEASON HONORS

QB Matt Barkley (Athlon, Lindy's, ESPN.com, Sl.com, Phil Steele's, CBSSports.com, Sporting News, Blue Ribbon, Playboy), S **T.J.** McDonald (Athlon, Lindy's, ESPN.com, Sl.com, Phil Steele's, CBSSports.com, Sporting News, Blue Ribbon), WR Robert Woods (Athlon, Lindy's, ESPN.com, Sl.com, Phil Steele's, CBSSports.com, Blue Ribbon), C Khaled Holmes (Sporting News, Playboy), CB Nickell Robey (Playboy) and WR Margise Lee (Sporting News) were named to various 2012 pre-season All-American first teams. LB Dion Bailey made some preseason All-American third teams. Besides the above-mentioned players, DE Wes Horton, LB Hayes Pullard, OT Kevin Graf and PK Andre Heidari were selected to various preseason All-Pac-12 first teams.

WATCH LISTS

The following Trojans have made the official "Watch Lists" for national 2012 post-season awards:

LB Dion Bailey

Bednarik Award (top defensive player) Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player) Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker) Butkus Award (top linebacker)

QB Matt Barkley

Walter Camp Award (top player)
Maxwell Award (top player)
Davey O'Brien Award (top quarterback)
Manning Award (top quarterback)
Senior CLASS Award (top senior student-athlete)

PK **Andre Heidari**

Groza Award (top placekicker)

C Khaled Holmes

Outland Trophy (top interior lineman) Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker) Rimington Trophy (top center)

$\mathsf{DE}\, \mathbf{Wes}\, \mathbf{Horton}$

Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker) Hendricks Award (top defensive end)

DE Devon Kennard

Hendricks Award (top defensive end)

$\mathsf{WR}\,\mathbf{Marqise}\,\mathbf{Lee}$

Maxwell Award (top player) Biletnikoff Award (top receiver) Hornung Award (most versatile)

ST.J. McDonald

Walter Camp Award (top player) Bednarik Award (top defensive player) Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player) Thorpe Award (top defensive back) Lott Trophy (top defensive impact player)

TB Curtis McNeal

Maxwell Award (top player)
Doak Walker Award (top running back)

P Kyle Negrete

Good Works Team (top community service)

LB Hayes Pullard

Lombardi Award (top lineman/linebacker)

TB **Silas Redd**

Walter Camp Award (top player) Maxwell Award (top player) Doak Walker Award (top running back)

S Nickell Robey

Bednarik Award (top defensive player) Nagurski Trophy (top defensive player) Thorpe Award (top defensive back) Hornung Award (most versatile)

WR Robert Woods

Walter Camp Award (top player) Maxwell Award (top player) Biletnikoff Award (top receiver) Hornung Award (most versatile) Jet Award (top return specialist)

LAST GAME

No. 11 USC, taking advantage of getting 4 turnovers and 5 sacks, blocking a punt and running for more than 200 yards, held on to beat Washington, 24-14, before 66,202 fans at Seattle's CenturyLink Field and a national FOX-TV audience. In the process, the Trojans set a school record for consecutive games without being shut out (187). USC jumped out to a 24-7 halftime lead while gaining 233 total yards to UW's 87, but Troy managed just 138 total yards without scoring in the second half as the Huskies came alive. USC scored on its first 2 possessions of the game, first on a 23-yard field goal by PK **Andre Heidari** and then on an 11-yard run by TB Silas Redd (3 plays after an interception by LB **Dion Bailey**). Late in the first quarter, Washington converted an interception into a 17-yard TD pass from QB Keith Price to WR Kasen Williams. But USC responded on its ensuing possession by driving 76 yards, capped by an 18-yard scoring toss from QB Matt Barkley to TE Xavier Grimble. Then, late in the half, CB Anthony Brown blocked a Husky punt and returned it 21 yards for a touchdown to build USC's lead to 17 points. After Washington blocked a Heidari field goal midway through the third quarter, Price hit TE Austin Seferian-Jenkins on a 29-yard TD strike to pull within 10 points. The Huskies threatened on their next 2 possessions, but on the first they missed a field goal and on the second on second-and-goal Price lost the ball on the USC 3 as S Jawanza Starling forced and recovered the fumble (UW's next 2 possessions also resulted in turnovers, first an interception by CB Josh Shaw and then DT **Leonard Williams** recovered a fumble that Bailey forced. Overall, USC had 371 total yards (204 rushing) to UW's 299, but converted just 2-of-12 third downs and had 10 penalties. Redd rushed for 155 yards on 26 carries and TB Curtis McNeal added 58 yards on 11 tries, Barkley was 10of-20 for 167 yards and WR Robert Woods had 5 catches for 88 yards. Bailey posted 7 tackles, along with S T.J. McDonald and LB Hayes Pullard, while Williams and DE Morgan Breslin each had 1.5 sacks. For Washington, Price was 20-of-28 for 198 yards (he completed 16 consecutive throws at one point), Seferian-Jenkins had 5 receptions for 83 yards and TB Bishop Sankey ran for 54 yards on 14 tries. The Huskies converted just 3-of-12 third downs and held the ball just 27:57. UW's 2012 home games were played at CenturyLink Field while Husky Stadium underwent renovations.

LANE KIFFIN

Third-year USC head football coach Lane Kiffin is regarded as one of the game's brightest young coaches. At just 37 (he is the fourth youngest current FBS head coach), he already has been a head coach at football's top levels, both professionally and collegiately. He is known for his high football IQ, as well as for being a master playcaller, a vibrant leader and a superb recruiter. The one-time Trojan offensive coordinator who then became the head coach of the Oakland Raiders and the Tennessee Volunteers returned to the USC program on Jan. 12, 2010, when he was named its head football coach. His 3-year record at USC is 23-8 (.742), and he is 30-14 (.682) in 4 years as a college head coach. Only College Football Hall of Famers Howard Jones and John Robinson (with 19 wins) had more victories in their first 2 years

as a Trojan head coach than Kiffin's 18. Among Kiffin's signature USC wins are road victories at No. 18 Arizona in 2010 and at both Notre Dame and No. 4 Oregon in 2011. Four of his USC losses came on opponent scores late in the game (2 on field goals at the gun, 1 in triple overtime and 1 on a TD with 2:23 to go), while a fifth came on a TD with 10 minutes to play.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT LANE KIFFIN

Steve Greenberg, Sporting News: "He performed as well as any coach in America in 2011."

David Leon Moore, USA Today: "Lane Kiffin is just flat out getting it done, in recruiting, in organizing and in play-calling. The coaching has been excellent. When a team gets better and better and better all season, that says a lot about coaching."

Ted Miller, ESPN.com: "USC returned to the action's elite in Year Two under coach lane Kiffin

nation's elite in Year Two under coach Lane Kiffin. With no hope for a conference or national title or even the postseason (in 2011), Kiffin had the Trojans playing their best football."

John Taylor, NBCSports.com: "Considering the sanctions with which Kiffin and the football program had to deal, the coach that everybody loves to hate has done an outstanding job."

Richard Cirminiello, CollegeFootballNews.com: "Troy is back. And much faster than anyone could have imagined. USC is on the verge of reclaiming its old familiar spot as a Pac-12—and national—contender following a month (November 2011) of domination that'll go down as one of the most crucial in recent program history. With nothing tangible to play for, such as bowl berths or hardware, the Trojans used November to build a head of steam, not recapture some of its lost swagger in the wake of the sanctions levied by the NCAA."

Matt Hayes, Sporting News: "Kiffin has more than proved he can develop quarterbacks and expose defenses as a play-caller."

Greg Biggins, ESPNRise.com: "To the recruits and parents we've talked to, USC hired Vince Lombardi."

ASSISTANT COACHES

The Trojan staff features 3 new full-time assistant coaches: Tennessee's 1998 national championship quarterback and NFL veteran **Tee Martin** (wide receivers), former Nebraska assistant and North Carolina defensive coordinator Marvin Sanders (secondary) and Scottie Hazelton (linebackers), who was the defensive coordinator for North Dakota State's 2011 NCAA FCS national championship team. They join holdovers **Ed Orgeron** (defensive coordinator/recruiting coordinator/ defensive line), Monte Kiffin (assistant head coach), Kennedy Polamalu (offensive coordinator/running backs), John Baxter (associate head coach/special teams), Clay Helton (passing game coordinator/ quarterbacks) and James Cregg (offensive line). Justin Mesa returned as the tight ends graduate assistant, while Shawn Howe became the defensive line graduate assistant after serving as a defensive administrative assistant in 2011. New graduate assistants are former USC special teams standout Ross Cumming (special teams/linebackers) and former Drake assistant Mark Watson (secondary).

OFFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Nine starters returned on offense from 2011: quarterback Matt Barkley, wide receivers Robert Woods and Marqise Lee, tailback Curtis McNeal, center Khaled Holmes, guards Marcus Martin and John Martinez, tackle Kevin Graf and co-starting tight ends Randall Telfer and Xavier Grimble. Others back with starting experience are tailback D.J. Morgan, tackle-guard Jeremy Galten and tailback Tre Madden, along with Penn

State tailback transfer **Silas Redd**. USC will look to build upon 2011's outstanding offensive showing. The Trojans return a 3,500-yard passer, a pair of 1,000-yard receivers, a 1,000-yard rusher (plus a transfer who had a 1,000 yards) and a pair of tight ends who combined for 9 touchdowns. USC's passing (294.2), total offense (456.8) and scoring (35.8) averages last year increased from 2010. Only its rushing average (162.6) showed a slight decline from 2010 (-26.7). The Trojans were sixth nationally in passing efficiency (161.1) and in the nation's Top 25 in passing (15th), scoring (16th) and total (21st) offense. USC's vardsper-play average (6.5) was the third highest in school history, while its averages for total offense and passing offense were the fourth highest and its scoring offense average was the fifth highest. Troy's 8 sacks allowed were the fewest at USC since records were kept in 1987 (despite not starting a senior on the offensive line) and ranked the Trojans second nationally in 2011. USC led the Pac-12 in fewest penalty yards and was in the league's Top 3 in first downs, third down conversions and time of possession.

BARKLEY

USC is led in 2012 by perhaps the best player in college football, senior quarterback Matt Barkley (121-of-193, 62.7%, 1,475 yds, 16 TD, 6 int in 2012). He is a contender for the Heisman Trophy as he enters his fourth year as a starter (he was sixth in the 2011 Heisman voting). Last season when he was a finalist for the Manning Award and Wuerffel Trophy, he set a Pac-12 record for touchdown passes (39) and a USC record for completion percentage (69.1%) while becoming just the fourth Trojan signalcaller to pass for more than 3,500 yards in a season. He also set 4 USC game records (35 completions, 468 passing yards, 6 TD passes and 470 yards of total offense). He is on pace to become Troy's career leader in pass completions, yardage and TDs and total offense yardage.

***He is <u>second on USC's career</u> passing (876 completions, behind Heisman winner Carson Palmer) and third in total offense (10,423 yards, behind Palmer and fellow Heisman winner Matt Leinart) lists.

***He is second on the Pac-12 career touchdown pass chart (96, second on the USC list and 18th on the NCAA list), seventh in pass yardage (10,529, third on the USC list) and sixth in total offense (10,423).

***He has thrown at least 1 TD pass in 37 of his 42 career games, at least 2 TDs in 25 games, at least 3 TDs in 16 games, at least 4 TDs 9 times and at least 5 TDs 6 times (the only Trojan to have done so), including 3 times with a school record 6 TDs.

***He has thrown for at least 200 yards in 27 career games (12 times over 300 yards and twice over 400 yards).

***He has $\underline{42}$ career starts (he is $\underline{32-10}$ as a starter).

—He completed 23-of-38 passes for 372 yards and 4 TDs (including a 75-yarder on the first play of the game) against <u>Hawaii</u>, with 304 yards and 3 scores coming in the first half, to earn <u>Manning Award Star of the Week</u>.

—He threw a USC record-tying 6 TDs while completing 76.7% of his passes (23-of-30) for 187 yards with 1 interception at Syracuse (he was 10-of-13 in the second half) to earn Manning Award Star of the Week as he became the first FBS quarterback in the past 12 seasons to throw that many touchdowns in a game with fewer than 200 passing yards.

—He hit 20-of-41 passes for 254 yards but threw 2 interceptions at <u>Stanford</u>.

—He was 22-of-34 for 192 yards and 2 TDs (with 2 picks) against <u>California</u>.

—He completed 76.7% (23-of-30) of his passes for 303 yards and 3 TDs (including a career-long 83-yarder) at <u>Utah</u>.

—He was 10-of-20 for 167 yards with a TD and an interception at <u>Washington</u>.

USC CAREER PASSING LEADERS

(Based on Number of Completions — Includes bowl games)

PA PC INT NYG Pct. TD
1. Carson Palmer 1569 927 49 11818 .591 72
2. Matt Barkley 1368 876 38 10529 .640 96

USC CAREER TOTAL OFFENSE LEADERS

(Includes bowl games)

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT MATT BARKLEY

Oregon head coach Chip Kelly: "He was the best quarterback we faced (in 2011). I thought Matt was outstanding. A couple of those deep balls were right on target. He always seemed like he had the answer. Every time we came back and scored, he came back with an answer. "

Ted Miller, ESPN.com: "There isn't a better representative for college football heading into 2012 than Barkley. Beyond his being the leading 2012 Heisman Trophy candidate and almost certain top-10 NFL draft pick in 2013, and even his volunteer work, he was Pac-12 All-Academic second team. How can you not be impressed with all that?"

David Leon Moore, USA Today: "Barkley's circumstances, skill and personality have admirers thinking he can be the greatest Trojan of them all. He has the second-best GPA on the team. He is active in the inner-city community, working with underprivileged children. And he was a tremendous, classy spokesman for the team the past two years as it served its NCAA probation. Also, he is becoming legendary on the field."

Andy Staples, Sl.com: "His return makes Barkley, who probably deserved an invitation to New York last year, a Heisman contender. His decision is great for college football because college football fans get to watch a phenomenal athlete for one more season. Barkley didn't owe anything to USC. He had every right to turn pro. But he made the best choice for himself."

Hawaii head coach Norm Chow, a former USC offensive coordinator: "Carson (Palmer) and Matt (Leinart) were great players, smart players, tough players and good young men. Matt Barkley fits that bill. Matt Barkley is bit like Carson and Matt....everything that is good in college football, I think Matt is."

OTHER QUARTERBACKS

Two untested young quarterbacks are battling to be Barkley's backup: highpotential redshirt freshmen Max Wittek (3-of-3, 100.0%, 22 yds in 2012) and Cody Kessler, with Wittek being named No. 2 at the end of fall camp. Also available are 3 walk-ons in seniors John Manoogian, who took a few end-of-game snaps in 2 contests last fall, and Emon Saee, who got into a game last season as a wideout for 1 snap, and freshman Conner Sullivan.

—While seeing their first USC action, Wittek completed all 3 of his passes for 22 yards and Kessler took the game's final snap against <u>Hawaii</u>.

—Wittek played the final series at <u>Syracuse</u>, against <u>California</u> and at <u>Utah</u>, but did not throw a pass.

—Kessler served as the holder against <u>Utah</u> and Washinaton.

TAILBACKS

USC features a trio of high-quality tailbacks in 2012. Last season's co-starting tailback, bruising Marc Tyler (he had 1,751 career rushing yards and 5 100-yard games), will be missed. Senior Curtis McNeal (44 tcb, 283 yds, 6.4 avg in 2012, plus 1 rec, 20 yds, 20.0 avg) returned after becoming USC's 27th 1,000-yard season rusher. He posted a quartet of 100-yard outings as a co-starter in 2011. The short but elusive McNeal's 6.9yard average per carry last season was the best by a Trojan since 2005. He had USC's 5 longest runs of 2011, including 3 in excess of 60 vards. He is also an effective kickoff returner. He has 5 career 100-yard rushing games. Sophomore D.J. Morgan (16 tcb, 71 yds, 4.4 avg in 2012) started USC's first 2 games of 2011 and then saw backup action the rest of the way. He was the first USC freshman tailback to start an opener in 5 years. He entered the 2012 season finally 100% after a serious knee injury in his 2009 senior year of high school. He also competed on a limited basis for the USC track team in 2012, placing fifth in the high hurdles at the Pac-12 Championship. Just before 2012 fall camp opened, junior tailback Silas Redd (101 tcb, 570 yds, 5.6 avg, 6 TD in 2012, plus 2 rec, 39 yds, 19.5 avg and 1 tac) transferred to USC from Penn State after running for 1,241 yards there last fall and he is eligible to compete for Troy in 2012. He has 10 career 100-yard rushing games (the first 7 were at Penn State). Redshirt freshman Javorius "Buck" Allen (4 tcb, 18 yds, 4.5 avg in 2012), a physical-style tailback, is also available. Then there are 4 walk-ons: senior Robert Mojica (he transferred this fall from SMU, where he saw frequent action as a cornerback), junior John Akiba (3 tcb, 15 yds, 5.0 avg in 2012) and sophomores Alec Jaffe and Taylor Ross. Sophomore Tre Madden was switched from linebacker to tailback in 2012 spring practice and was very impressive before suffering a knee injury that will sideline him in 2012. He played on special teams in 2011 and even started once at strongside linebacker for an injured Dion Bailey.

—Against <u>Hawaii</u>, Redd ran for 56 yards on 9 carries, with a 31-yard TD, and caught a 41-yard pass in his first game as a Trojan after transferring from Penn State, while Morgan added 25 yards on 7 carries and McNeal getting 10 yards on 5 tries along with a 20-yard reception.

—Redd had a game-high 107 yards on 15 carries at <u>Syracuse</u>, while McNeal added 63 yards on 11 tries and Allen had 6 yards on 2 carries.

—Redd scored a pair of 1-yard TDs while rushing for 17 yards on 13 carries at <u>Stanford</u> and McNeal had 37 yards on 7 carries.

—Against <u>California</u>, Redd rushed for a seasonhigh 158 yards on 21 carries (7.5 yards per carry) with a 33-yard TD (he also caught a pass for minus 2 yards) and McNeal had 115 yards on 10 carries (with a 62-yard gain) to give USC its first pair of 100-yard rushers in a game since the 2008 Washington State contests, while Allen added 12 yards on 2 carries and Akiba had a 3-yard run.

—Redd had a game-best 77 yards on 17 carries with a 3-yard TD at <u>Utah</u>, while Morgan added 46 yards on 9 tries and Akiba had 12 yards on 2 rushes.

—Redd had a game-high 155 yards on 26 carries, with an 11-yard TD (he also had a 57-yard non-scoring run on USC's first play of the game to set up a field goal), and he added a tackle at <u>Washington</u>, while McNeal had 58 yards on 11 carries.

FULLBACKS

The Trojans needed to develop a new fullback in 2012 because Rhett Ellison moved on to the NFL, where he was a fourth round selection. In his career, the versatile Ellison played both fullback and tight end (he had 53 career receptions) and was a top special teams performer (he earned 2011 All-Pac-12 first team laurels as a special teamer). His replacement is 250pound redshirt freshman Soma Vainuku (5 tcb, 16 yds, 3.2 avg in 2012, plus 6 rec, 37 yds, 6.2 avg and 4 tac). Backing up Vainuku are freshman Jahleel Pinner (1 tac in 2012), a prep All-American who arrived this fall. and redshirt freshman Charles Burks, who moved from defensive end in 2012 fall practice. Also in the fullback grouping are walk-ons **Hunter Simmons**, a junior who saw brief action in 4 contests in 2010, and senior **Chandler Larsen**, who can also play tight end.

—Vainuku had 2 catches for 23 yards and a tackle against <u>Hawaii</u>.

—Vainuku had a 6-yard catch, a run for 0 yards and 2 tackles at $\underline{\text{Syracuse}}$, while Pinner made a tackle.

—Vainuku had 6 yards on 2 carries at <u>Stanford</u>.
—Vainuku had 10 yards on 2 carries and added a tackle against <u>California</u>.

Vainuku had 2 catches for 3 yards at <u>Utah</u>.Vainuku had a 5-yard catch at <u>Washington</u>.

WOODS AND LEE

USC has the best pair of wide receivers in college football in 2012 in junior Robert Woods (36 rec, 360 yds, 10.0 avg, 5 TD in 2012, plus 1 tcb, 76 yds, 76.0 avg and 4 PR, 40 yds, 10.0 avg and 1 tac) and sophomore Marqise Lee (54 rec, 681 yds, 12.6 avg, 7 TD in 2012, plus 2 tcb, 34 yds, 17.0 avg and 10 KOR, 264 yds, 26.4 avg, 1 TD). The Biletnikoff Award candidates, who both had 1,000 receiving yards last fall, combined in 2011 for the most receptions (184) and receiving yards (2,435) by a pair of Trojans in a season. And they became the first Trojan duo with at least 10 catches in a game when they did so versus UCLA in 2011 (they did it again at Syracuse in 2012). Woods had 7 100yard games in 2011 and Lee added 4. They also will be used in USC's return game in 2012 (both have scoring kickoff returns in their careers).

The quick Woods, who is starting for his third season, could become Troy's career pass catching and kickoff return leader sometime in his junior season. He was a consensus All-American and Biletnikoff finalist in 2011 when he caught a Pac-12 record 111 receptions and set a USC game mark with 17 catches. He was the only unanimous selection on the 2011 All-Pac-12 first team. He was one of just 2 players in the nation last season in the national Top 16 in receptions, receiving yards and allpurpose running. He had 4 games last fall with double digit receptions. He is one of only 3 Trojans in history to have a pair of career 200-yard receiving outings. He ranks fourth on USC's career kickoff return list (1,364 yards) and second on the career pass catching ladder (212 receptions, 13th on the Pac-12 career chart). He has 9 100-yard receiving games in his career, including twice with 200 yards (joining Keyshawn Johnson and Dwayne Jarrett as the only Trojans to have done that), a school-record 6 career outings with double digit receptions and 10 career games with multiple TDs. His 13 games with 8-plus receptions is a school record. His 26 career TDs is second most at USC (tied for 12th on the Pac-12 career list). He has a reception in his past 26 games.

The high-leaping Lee earned Freshman All-American first team and Pac-12 Freshman Offensive Co-Player of the Year notice in 2011. His 11 TD catches (10 of which were at least 24 yards) were the most nationally by a freshman last fall. His 73 receptions were the second most ever by a USC freshman and his 13 grabs against UCLA tied the Trojan freshman record. He also competed for the USC track team, placing fourth in the long jump at the 2012 Pac-12 Championship (he ran a leg on Troy's sixth place spring relay squad) and then qualifying for the NCAA Championship with a personal-best 25-5 ½ leap at the NCAA West Preliminary Rounds (he was 17th at the NCAAs). He currently is fifth nationally in receptions (9.0, first in Pac-12), ninth in receiving yards (113.5, second in Pac-12) and 11th in all-purpose running (164.5, first in <u>Pac-12</u>). <u>He made the 2012 Phil Steele's</u> Mid-Season All-American first team. He is 14th on USC's career pass catching list (127 receptions) and is tied for 18th on USC's career kickoff return list (549 yards). He has <u>career 100-yard receiving games,</u> including a 3-game stretch from 2011 to 2012 (Oregon, UCLA, Hawaii) with 608 receiving yards that is the most prolific in USC history, plus 5 career games with double digit receptions and 4 career contests with multiple TDs. He has 2 career scoring kickoff returns. He has had at least 8 receptions in 10 games in his career, including 9 in a row at one point (last 4 of 2011, first 5 of 2012). He has had 13 receiving TDs in the past 10 games, with at least 1 in 7 of those contests.

Lee had 297 all-purpose yards against Hawaii, including 197 on 10 receptions (with 8 for 176 yards in the first half), as he turned a hitch route into a career-long 75-yard TD on the game's first play and then he returned a kickoff 100 yards for a score on USC's first possession of the second half to become just the second Trojan with a 100-yard scoring kickoff return (joining Anthony Davis, who did so twice in 1974), earning Pac-12 Special Teams <u>Player of the Week, College Football Performance</u> <u>Awards National All-Purpose Performer of the</u> <u>Week, College Football Performance Awards</u> National Kickoff Returner of the Week and Paul Hornung Award Weekly Honor Roll, while Woods caught 6 passes for 42 yards with 2 TDs (20 and 2 yards) and had a tackle.

—For the second time in their careers, Lee (11 catches for 66 yards with a school record-tying 3 TDs) and Woods (10 catches for 93 yards with 2 TDs, including a 29-yarder) became the only USC duo with at least 10 catches in a game when they did so at Syracuse: Woods had 200 all-purpose yards, including a 31-yard punt return that led to a USC fourth quarter TD after the Orange had pulled within 5 points and then a 76-yard reverse on the following series that led to another USC TD, and Lee had a 23-yard reverse run and returned 3 kickoffs for 40 yards.

—Lee had 8 catches for 100 yards and 3 kickoff returns for 59 yards at <u>Stanford</u>, while Woods had 4 receptions for 38 yards.

—Lee caught 11 passes for 94 yards with 2 TDs (11 and 3 yards) and returned 2 kickoffs for 41 yards against <u>California</u>, while Woods had 5 grabs for 30 yards.

—Lee had a game-best 12 receptions for 192 yards, with a career-long 83-yard TD, and added an 11-yard rush at <u>Utah</u> to earn <u>College Football Performance Awards National Wide Receiver of the Week</u>, while Woods had 6 catches for 69 yards (with a 6-yard score) and he also returned 3 punts for 9 yards.

—Woods had 5 catches for 88 yards (both game bests) at <u>Washington</u>, while Lee had 2 receptions for 32 yards and returned a kickoff 24 yards.

USC CAREER PASS CATCHING LEADERS

(Includes bowl games)

		NO.	YDS	AVG.	TD
1.	Dwayne Jarrett	216	3138	14.53	41
2.	Robert Woods	212	2444	11.53	26
14.	Margise Lee	127	1824	14.36	18

USC CAREER KICKOFF RETURN LEADERS

(Includes bowl games)

		NO	YDS	AVG	TD
1.	Curtis Conway	73	1723	23.60	1
2.	Reggie Bush*	67	1523	22.73	1
3.	R. Jay Soward	56	1414	25.25	3
4.	Robert Woods	55	1364	24.80	1
18.	Marqise Lee	20	549	27.45	2
*Participation in 2 games in 2004 and all of 2005 later					

vacated due to NCAA penalty.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT ROBERT WOODS

Matt Hayes, Sporting News: "Woods is a beast and will beat any cornerback on any team." Stanford head coach David Shaw: "For a guy like Woods, you don't say you're going to shut him out. What you do say is you want to limit him. You want to make sure when he catches the ball, you have guys around him, you gang tackle him. You keep him from making the big play and the momentumchanging play. You just try to corral and minimize the yards he gets after the catch because if you don't he can be special. Woods is about the best route running receiver I've seen in college football in 10 years. The guy can run every single route and he makes it look easy. He's been playing at a high level. He's a guy who can take over a game. And you don't usually say that about a receiver. I'm a guy who spent nine years in the NFL evaluating every receiver who came into the draft every single year. He's as good of a route runner at this age as I've ever seen."

Former NFL scout Dave Razzano: "He is a difference maker as both a receiver and kick returner. He has size, speed and outstanding hands. He can get open anywhere on the field. He is both a deep threat and a possession type who is not afraid to catch balls over the middle in traffic. He has some of the best hands I have seen on tape. He has an uncanny ability to pluck the ball quickly and burst upfield. He is a semi-long stride runner with a definite second gear burst in the open. A young talent with unlimited potential. He has future NFL star written all over him."

Former USC All-American and NFL star Keyshawn Johnson: "Robert Woods is extraordinary in terms of his skill set. He has big hands. He runs extremely good routes."

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT MARQISE LEE

USC head coach Lane Kiffin: "I think he'll be the best USC receiver ever when it's all said and done. I've been saying that for a year now."

Former Dallas Cowboys personnel director Gil Brandt: "Keyshawn (Johnson) caught a lot of passes because of muscle. Lee is going to catch passes because he has flat-out more ability and speed."

Matt Hayes, Sporting News: "Sonofagun if Marqise Lee isn't the most exciting player in college football, I don't know who is."

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT ROBERT WOODS AND MARQISE LEE

Stanford head coach David Shaw: "In all the years I was in the NFL and studied college wide receivers, and since I've been here at Stanford studying different offenses, I've never seen a college team with two guys like this. There's never been (a pair like them) in the modern era. There are three explosions for a receiver. There's explosion off the ball, explosion into the cut, and explosion after the catch. Usually, they decrease, with the last one not as big as the two before. With Woods, all three are explosive. It's like Joey Galloway in his prime. You see the same thing from Marqise Lee, except a bigger version."

Gary Klein, Los Angeles Times: "Woods and Lee could be on track to set a new college football standard for receiver tandems. And they're doing it without an apparent need for ego gratification...They are the talk of college football. And by the time they are done, perhaps a Trojans tandem for the ages."

OTHER WIDE RECEIVERS

Speedy sophomore George Farmer (1 rec, 7 yds, 7.0 avg in 2012), a high school teammate of Woods and Lee, figures to get key playing time at wideout in 2012 and also could be used as a returner. Last fall, he worked at both receiver and tailback. The others in the wide receivers mix are junior De'Von Flournoy and redshirt freshman Victor Blackwell (1 rec, 9 yds, 9.0 avg in 2012), as well as 7 walk-ons in senior Eric Matranga, junior Cody Skene, soph Spencer Darlin, redshirt freshman Troy Cardona, a converted safety, and first-year freshman Cole Cottrell, George Katrib and Christian Tober. Joining the wide receiver corps in the fall as a freshman was prep All-American Nelson Agholor (5 rec, 98 yds, 19.6 avg in 2012, plus 3 KOR, 69 yds, 23.0 avg and 2 tac).

—Blackwell (9 yards), Farmer (7 yards) and Agholor (6 yards) each had 1 reception against Hawaii.

—Agholor had 3 catches for 77 yards (including a 49-yarder) and 2 tackles at <u>Stanford</u>.

—Agholor had a 15-yard reception against California.

—Agholor had a 19-yard kickoff return at <u>Utah</u>.
 —Agholor returned 2 kickoffs for 50 yards at <u>Washington</u>.

TIGHT ENDS

USC is loaded at tight end in 2012. Last year's co-starters, sophomores Randall Telfer (8 rec, 71 yds, 8.9 avg, 2 TD in 2012, plus 1 BLK FG) and Xavier Grimble (10 rec, 175 yds, 17.5 avg, 2 TD in 2012, plus 1 tac), returned after combining for 9 TDs. Telfer's 26 catches in 2011 set a record for USC freshmen tight ends. Then there are soph Christian Thomas, who missed the last 10 games of 2011 with a hip injury, and redshirt freshman Junior Pomee (1 tac in 2012), along with junior walk-ons Kevin Downey Jr., Bryson Lloyd and J.T. Kerr (a transfer this fall from Nebraska). Prep All-American Jalen Cope-Fitzpatrick joined this group in the fall as a freshman.

—Grimble had 2 catches for 38 yards against Hawaii, while Telfer had an 11-yard TD catch.

—Grimble fought off 4 tacklers to score on a 22-yard reception at <u>Syracuse</u>.

—Telfer had 4 catches for 20 yards at <u>Stanford</u> and Grimble added a 19-yard reception.

—Grimble (38 yards) nad Telfer (17 yards) each had 2 catches against <u>California</u>.

—Grimble had 2 catches for 16 yards at <u>Utah</u>, Telfer had a one-handed 23-yard TD pass and blocked a field goal to earn <u>Pac-12 Special Teams</u> <u>Player of the Week</u> honors and Pomee had a tackle.

—Grimble had 2 catches for 42 yards, including an 18-yard TD, at <u>Washington</u>.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

Four-fifths of USC's offensive line returned in 2012, which bodes well for the Trojan offense, but the one loss was a huge one. Troy had to develop a new left tackle, as 2-year starter Matt Kalil declared for the NFL draft following an All-American first team junior season that saw him win the Pac-12's Morris Trophy. He was the fourth pick in the 2012 NFL Draft. Anchoring the line in 2012 is senior center Khaled Holmes, the top Rimington Award candidate who is starting on the line for his third season. He also is an Academic All-American prospect. Both guards returned, sophomore Marcus Martin on the left side after earning Freshman All-American first team honors in 2011, and junior **John** Martinez on the right side. Martin was the first USC true freshman to start at guard since 2004. Junior tackle Kevin Graf is back after starting 2011 at right tackle. Assuming Kalil's left tackle spot is sophomore **Aundrey**

Walker, who saw action in 11 games last fall. The only other Trojan lineman with significant playing experience is senior tackle-guard Jeremy Galten, appeared in all 12 games last year and even started the 2011 opener. He was the first player since 1990 to go directly from a junior college and start an opener at guard for USC (and the first to start on the line since 2004). Other offensive linemen looking to get into the mix are senior center Abe Markowitz (foot injuries sidelined him most of the past 2 seasons), who also shot puts on the USC track team, plus junior tackleauard David Garness (he is sidelined after back surgery), sophomore center-guard Giovanni Di Poalo, who missed last year with a shoulder injury, and redshirt freshman center-guard Cyrus Hobbi. There are also several walk-on linemen: soph tackle-guard Nathan Guertler, who got into 4 games last year, and redshirt freshmen guard-centers Erick Jepsen and John Katnik. Freshman tackle Chad Wheeler graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC this past spring. Three prep All-Americans arrived in the fall as freshmen: tackle Zach Banner and tackle-guards Jordan Simmons and Max Tuerk.

—Walker, Martin, Holmes, Martinez and Graf started against <u>Hawaii</u>, <u>Syracuse</u>, <u>Utah</u> and <u>Washington</u>.

—Walker, Martin, Hobbi, Martinez and Graf started at <u>Stanford</u>.

—Walker, Markowitz, Holmes, Martinez and Graf started against <u>California</u>.

DEFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Seven defensive starters returned from 2011: safeties T.J. McDonald and Jawanza Starling, linebackers Dion Bailey, Hayes **Pullard** and **Lamar Dawson**, cornerback Nickell Robey and co-starting ends Wes Horton and Devon Kennard. Others back with starting experience are cornerbacks Torin Harris and Anthony Brown, tackle George Uko, safety Drew McAllister and linebacker Tony Burnett. USC's top 4 tacklers from 2011 are back, as are its leaders in interceptions, pass deflections and fumble recoveries. The Trojans' 2011 numbers improved from 2010 in rushing (111.4), total (374.8) and scoring (23.6) defense, with the rushing defense and sack (2.6) averages ranking in the national Top 20. USC held 8 of its 12 opponents to 17 points or less last fall. USC was in the Pac-12's Top 3 in red zone defense. But Troy must improve on its pass defense, which allowed 263.3 yards a game in 2011 after allowing 259.5 the previous year (those are 2 of the 4 highest totals in school history).

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

USC's defensive front suffered the most losses of any position unit from 2011, as 3 starters moved on. All-Pac-12 first team end Nick Perry, a 2-year starter, left for the NFL (he was a first round pick) after a junior season that saw him be a finalist for the Hendricks Award and finish 10th nationally in sacks with 9.5. Tackles Christian Tupou, a 3-year starter, and 2-year starter DaJohn Harris also are gone. Senior ends Wes Horton (13 tac, 3 for loss, 3 sack in 2012) and Devon Kennard, who shared starts in 2011, figured to both start in 2012 but Kennard tore a chest muscle prior to the start of 2012 fall practice and is sidelined. Horton, with 26 starts spread out over the past 4 seasons, has 11 sacks among his 87 career tackles. Kennard, with 135 career tackles, has 18 starts over the last 4

years (including some at middle and strongside linebacker). Last year's oftenemployed backup tackles, sophomores George Uko (13 tac, 5 for loss, 3 sack, 1 FF in 2012), who started twice in 2011, and J.R. Tavai (7 tac, 1.5 for loss in 2012), entered this season as starters, although Tavai at end in place of Kennard. Three redshirt freshmen are challenging for playing time at tackle-Christian Heyward (1 tac, 1 FR in 2012), Antwaun Woods (8 tac, 1.5 for loss, 1.5 sack in 2012), who has emerged as the starting nose tackle, and converted center Cody Temple, who is sidelined with an ankle injury—along with walk-ons Zack Kusnir, a senior, and sophomore Yonatan Aviv. Ends looking to get into the playing rotation are junior Kevin Greene (2 tac in 2012) and redshirt freshman Greg Townsend Jr. (7 tac, 1 for loss, 1 sack in 2012). Then there is junior end Morgan Breslin (26 tac, 12 for loss, 7 sack, 1 FR in 2012), a junior college All-American who enrolled at USC this past spring after leading the state's jucos in sacks and tackles for losses the past 2 years. He currently is seventh nationally in sacks (1.2, third in Pac-12) and tied for seventh in tackles for loss (2.0, third in Pac-12). Freshman end DeVante Wilson, who was set to enroll at USC for the 2011 fall semester after a prep All-American career but tore knee ligaments and took off that semester while recuperating, came aboard in the spring of 2012 but will miss the 2012 season after suffering a knee injury in 2012 fall camp. Also available at end are walk-ons Michael Arakelian, a junior, and first-year freshmen Ryan Bernstein and Jeff Miller. Bolstering the line as first-year freshmen ends are prep All-Americans Leonard Williams (18 tac, 8.5 for loss, 5.5 sack, 2 FR, 1 dfl in 2012), who is also being used at tackle, and Jabari Ruffin, who can also play linebacker.

—Against <u>Hawaii</u>, Breslin had 5 tackles, including 2 for losses (with a sack), to become the first junior college transfer to start on the USC defensive line since end Marcus Bonds did so in 4 midseason games in 1994, while Townsend added 3 tackles (including a sack), Tavai had 3 tackles (0.5 for a loss), Uko had 2 tackles (1.5 for a loss, with a sack), Williams had 2 tackles (with a sack), recovered a fumble and had a deflection and Heyward had a fumble recovery (to set up a USC TD).

—At <u>Syracuse</u>, Breslin had 5 tackles, including 2 for losses (with a sack), Williams had 2 tackles with a sack, Tavai had 2 tackles (1 for a loss), Woods, Uko, Townsend and Greene each had 2 tackles and Heyward had 1 stop.

—At <u>Stanford</u>, Horton had 5 tackles, Breslin had 3 tackles (1 for a loss), Uko had 1 tackle and Williams also had 1 stop as he became the first USC true freshman to start at defensive tackle since Shaun Cody did so against Utah in the 2001 Las Vegas Bowl.

—Breslin had 4.5 tackles for loss (including 3.5 sacks) among his 6 tackles against <u>California</u> to earn <u>College Football Performance Awards National Defensive Player of the Week and National Defensive Lineman of the Week honors and become the first Trojan with that many since Lawrence Jackson set school records for tackles for loss (5.5) and sacks (4, fied with 3 others) against Arizona State in 2007, while Uko and Williams each added 3 tackles for a loss (2 sacks) among their 4 tackles, Horton had 3 tackles (with 1 sack), Woods had 3 tackles (0.5 sack) and Townsend had 1 tackles.</u>

—At <u>Utah</u>, Breslin and Williams each had 5 tackles, including 1 for a loss (Breslin also recovered a fumble to set up a USC TD), Horton had a sack among his 4 tackles, Uko had 3 tackles (0.5 for a loss) and Townsend had a tackle.

—At <u>Washington</u>, Williams had 4 tackles, including 2.5 for loss (with 1.5 sacks), and recovered a fumble, while Breslin had 1.5 sacks among his 2 tackles, Woods had a sack among his 2 tackles, Tavai had 2 tackles, Horton had a sack and Uko had a tackle.

LINEBACKERS

Troy returned a trio of acclaimed sophomore starters at linebacker in 2012 in Dion Bailey (42 tac, 3 for loss, 4 int, 2 dfl, 1 FF in 2012) on the strong side, Hayes Pullard (39 tac, 1.5 for loss, 1 int for TD, 1 FF in 2012) on the weak side and Lamar Dawson (28 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2012) in the middle. In their careers, Bailey has 123 tackles and 6 interceptions, while Pullard has 120 tackles. And there is some capable young depth behind them. Butkus Award candidates Bailey and Pullard were 2011 Freshman All-American first teamers and were the first freshmen to lead USC in tackles. They each posted a USC season-high 14 tackles in a game in 2011. Bailey was the Pac-12 Freshman Defensive Player of the Year. Bailey currently is tied for fourth nationally in interceptions (0.7, tied for second in Pac-12). Dawson emerged as the starter for the final 4 games of 2011 after backing up Chris Galippo, who had 166 tackles and 6 interceptions in his career while starting 28 times. Angling for playing time are seniors Tony Burnett (10 tac, 1 for loss in 2012), a converted cornerback who played often in extra defensive back formations and on special teams (he also won a pair of 2012 triple jump competitions for the Trojan tracksters), and Dallas Kelley, juniors Marquis Simmons (1 tac in 2012), who sat out most of 2011 with a neck injury, and Simione Vehikite (2 tac in 2012) and redshirt freshman **Anthony Sarao** (13 tac, 1 for loss, 1 sack, 1 dfl in 2012). Then there are walk-ons Will Andrew (4 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2012), Luke Freeman, Kyle Yatabe and Julian Coleman, all juniors, senior Doug Scott and first-year freshman **Nick Schlossberg**. Freshman **Scott** Starr (2 tac in 2012), a prep All-American, graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC this past spring, but he is sidelined with a neck injury.

—Bailey had a team best 7 tackles (1 for a loss) against <u>Hawaii</u>, while Pullard added 6 stops (0.5 for a loss) while starting in the middle and returned an interception 27 yards for a TD, Sarao started on the weak side and had 4 tackles (with a sack), Andrew had 3 stops (0.5 for a loss), Starr had 2 tackles and Simmons had 2 tackle.

—Against <u>Syracuse</u>, Bailey had 8 tackles (1 for a loss) and 2 interceptions, Pullard had 8 tackles (1 for a loss), Burnett had 3 tackles and Sarao and Dawson each had 1 stop.

—Dawson had a game-best 10 tackles at <u>Stanford</u>, Bailey added 9 stops (1 for a loss), a deflection and an interception and Pullard had 7 tackles.

—Dawson had 9 tackles against <u>California</u>, Bailey added 8 stops, Pullard had 4 and Sarao and Vehikite each had 1.

—Pullard had 7 tackles and forced a fumble at <u>Utah</u>, Dawson had 4 tackles (0.5 for a loss), Burnett had 4 tackles, Bailey and Sarao each had 3 tackles and a deflection and Andrew and Vehikite each had a tackle.

—At <u>Washington</u>, Bailey had 7 tackles, an interception to set up a TD and forced a fumble, Pullard also had 7 tackles, Dawson and Sarao each had 4 tackles and Burnett had 3 tackles (including 1 for a loss).

DEFENSIVE BACKS

Three-fourths of USC's starting secondary returned in 2012, as did most of the backups from 2011. The secondary is led by hard-hitting senior free safety **T.J. McDonald** (45 tac, 3 for loss, 3 dfl, 1 int, 1 BLK FG in 2012), a 2011 All-American and All-Pac-12 first team selection who is starting for his third year. He is a leading candidate for the Thorpe Award and Lott Trophy. He led the Trojans in interceptions (3) last fall and was third in tackles (67) after being the team's tackle

leader in 2010. He has 208 stops and 7 picks in his career. Like McDonald, senior strong safety Jawanza Starling (10 tac, 1 for loss, 1 FR, 1 FF, 2 int, 2 dfl in 2012) is starting for his third season. He will long be remembered for his 80-yard fumble return for a touchdown that swung the momentum to USC's favor in last year's victory at Notre Dame. Junior Nickell Robey (24 tac, 2 dfl, 1 int for TD, 1 FF in 2012, plus 8 PR, 76 yds, 9.5 avg), a lockdown cornerback, is starting for his third season and is a Thorpe Award nominee after winning All-Pac-12 first team honors in 2011. He led the Trojans in pass deflections (9) and was fourth in tackles (63) last year. In his career, he has 135 tackles, 7 interceptions and 15 deflections. He has <u>returned 3 interceptions for TDs in his career,</u> tying the USC career record first set by All-American Charles Phillips (1972-74). He also was one of Troy's top punt returners last fall, a task he is handling again in 2012. Last spring, he also competed for the Trojan track team at times, finishing second in the long jump at the USC-UCLA dual meet. Two of the 3 players who manned the other cornerback spot in 2011—junior Torin Harris (21 tac, 1 for loss, 4 dfl in 2012) and sophomore Anthony Brown (11 tac, 1 dfl, 1 $\dot{\rm BK}$ P in 2012, plus 1 PR, 21 yds, 21.0 avg, 1 TD)—returned this season. Harris started the first 4 games of 2011 before being sidelined by a shoulder injury, then Brown took over for the next 2 games before a broken ankle knocked him out of action. experienced safeties are senior Drew McAllister (10 tac, 1 dfl in 2012), who has 2 career starts, and junior **Demetrius Wright** (5 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2012). Also available at cornerback are senior Brian Baucham (6 tac, 1 dfl in 2012), who sat out 2011 while ineligible, and redshirt freshman Ryan **Henderson**. Then there are 7 walk-ons: junior safeties John Auran and Luis Nevarez, junior cornerback William Tober (1 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2012), redshirt freshman cornerback Christian Sutton and first-year freshmen Elijah Steen and Rob Dooley (both safeties) and cornerback Ryan Dillard (3 tac in 2012). Sophomore safety Josh Shaw (4 tac, 1 int in 2012) transferred to USC this past spring from Florida, where he played in 10 games last season (starting once). He was granted a hardship waiver by the NCAA and is eligible to play in 2012 without having to sit out a year after transferring. Adding to the secondary mix are junior safety Gerald Bowman (3 tac in 2012), a juco transfer, plus prep All-American Kevon Seymour (5 tac in 2012) and Devian Shelton, both freshman cornerbacks.

—Brown had 6 tackles and a deflection while starting against <u>Hawaii</u>. McDonald added 5 tackles (2 for a loss) with a deflection, McAllister had 3 tackles and a deflection, Wright had 3 tackles (0.5 for a loss), Starling had 3 stops, Robey had 2 tackles, 2 deflections and returned 2 punts for 34 yards, Bowman and Seymour had 2 tackles each, Shaw had a tackle and an interception, Tober had a tackle (0.5 for a loss) and Dillard had a tackle.

—At <u>Syracuse</u>, Harris had 8 tackles (1 for a loss), McDonald added 6 stops, Robey had 5 tackles and a 12-yard punt return, Brown had 5 tackles, Baucham had 3 stops and a deflection, Seymour had 3 tackles and Wright, Starling, Starr, McAllister and Dillard each had 2 tackles.

—At <u>Stanford</u>, McDonald had 9 tackles and blocked a field goal attempt, Robey had 5 tackles, Harris had 4 tackles and a deflection, McAllister had 3 stops and Starling had 1 tackle and an interception that he returned 34 yards.

—McDonald had 9 tackles, an interception and a deflection against <u>California</u>, Harris added 5 tackles and a deflection, Robey had 4 tackles and returned 2 punts for 6 yards, Baucham had 3 tackles, Starling had a tackle and an interception and McAllister had a tackle.

—McDonald had a team-high 9 tackles at <u>Utah</u>, Robey had 7 tackles, returned a fourth quarter interception 38 yards for a TD (the third of his career to tie a USC record), forced a fumble that USC recovered to set up a TD and returned a punt 22 yards, Harris had 2 tackles and 2 deflections, Starling had a tackle and 2 deflections and McAllister and Shaw each had a tackle.

—McDonald had 7 tackles (including 1 for a loss) at <u>Washington</u>, Shaw had 5 tackles and an interception, Starling had 2 tackles (including 1 for a loss in which he forced a fumble and recovered it as on second-and-goal at the USC 3 in the fourth quarter as the Huskies were threatening to tighten the game), Harris had 2 tackles, Robey had a tackle and returned 2 punts for 2 yards, Bowman had a tackle and Brown blocked a punt and returned it 21 yards for a TD.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT T.J. McDONALD

Tony Pauline, Sl.com: "The Trojans have a storied history of sending talented defensive backs into the NFL, and McDonald is next in line. His cover skills are good enough that he can be relied upon to play over the slot receiver, and he displays a large degree of toughness against the run. McDonald is easily the most complete next-level secondary prospect from USC since Troy Polamalu."

Former NFL scout Dave Razzano: "One of the more talented safeties to come out of USC in the last decade, McDonald combines size, speed and aggressiveness to make his presence felt in every game he plays. He is a big time hitter who can create turnovers on his own with his aggressive style of play. He also displays the necessary speed/burst to come off the hash and break up plays downfield with very good timing and anticipation. He can go up and get the ball in compete situations due to his leaping ability. He shows up most in the run game as he is quick to react up field and stuff running lanes as he appears to relish the physical part of the game. The leader of the USC secondary comes to play each and every Saturday and will undoubtedly take his game to the next level in the future.

SPECIAL TEAMS OVERVIEW

USC's placekicker (Andre Heidari) and punter (Kyle Negrete) are back from 2011, as are its leading kickoff (Robert Woods, Marqise Lee) and punt returners (Woods, Nickell Robey) and its holder (Matt Barkley). But the Trojans have a new snapper. The Trojans continued to make big plays on special teams in 2011. For the second consecutive year, USC blocked 7 kicks (1 was returned for a touchdown). Troy led the Pac-12 in field goals and PATs, allowed only 10 punt returns, had a scoring kickoff runback and turned a fake punt into a 35yard gain. But conversely, USC allowed 2 kick returns for TDs, ranked only 38th nationally in punt returns and 79th in kickoff returns, converted just 1-of-4 2-point tries and had a net punting average of just 37.4 yards.

SPECIALISTS

Senior Kyle Negrete (42.9 avg in 2012, plus 2 tac) returned after an effective 2011 The candidate for the campaian. Burlsworth Trophy is a master at directional punting, as 19 of his 39 punts in 2011 pinned foes within the 20-yard line (none were touchbacks, the best ratio in the nation) and only 10 were returned. None of his 51 career punts has been a touchback. He is one of 11 FBS players named to the 2012 Allstate AFCA Good Works Team, recognized for their commitment to making a difference in their communities. He is backed by redshirt freshman Kris Albarado. USC has one of the nation's top young placekickers in sophomore Andre Heidari (15-of-15 PAT, 5-of-8 FG in 2012). Now a Groza Award candidate, he earned Freshman All-American and All-Pac-12 first team notice in 2011 after hitting 15-of-17 field goals and all 50 of his PATs. His 88.2% field goal

percentage was third best in the nation last fall (tops among freshmen) and his 50-yard field goal versus Stanford was USC's longest since 1990. He hit 9 consecutive field goals at one point last year and was 4-of-5 on 3pointers of at least 40 yards. Almost a third of his 76 kickoffs pinned opponents within the 20-yard line (10 were touchbacks). Behind him is walk-on sophomore Craig McMahon (3 tac in 2012), who kicked off twice last year and is handling that duty this year, and walk-on first-year freshman **Alex Wood** (8-of-8 PAT in 2012). Chris Pousson, who flawlessly handled USC's short snaps for the past 4 years and the long snaps for the last 2 seasons, graduated. Redshirt freshman Peter McBride (1 tac in 2012) inherited both jobs, with senior walkon quarterback John Manoogian backing him. Senior quarterback Matt Barkley returned for his second season as the holder on all placekicks and his quarterbacking ability has come in handy whenever the Trojans use an unorthodox formation for 2point conversions. But redshirt freshman quarterback Cody Kessler has assumed the holding role midseason. USC sports some dangerous return men. Junior wide receiver Robert Woods (4 PR, 40 yds, 10.0 avg in 2012), who set school season records for kickoff returns and yardage in 2010 and led the Trojans in that category for the second consecutive year in 2011, is fourth on USC's career kickoff return list (1,364 yards). He also shared punt return duties last fall with junior cornerback Nickell Robey (8 PR, 76 yds, 9.5 avg in 2012). Sophomore wide receiver Marqise Lee (10 KOR, 264 yds, 26.4 avg, 1 TD in 2012) also got into the kickoff return act last year, even returning one for a touchdown. Lee is tied for 18th on USC's career kickoff return list (549 yards). Others with experience as returners who might be used again this year include senior tailback Curtis McNeal and soph wide receiver George Farmer. Some redshirted or new players also might be tried as returners in 2012, including freshman wide receiver Nelson Agholor (3 KOR, 69 yds, 23.0 avg in 2012), who has been deep on kickoffs.

—Against <u>Hawaii</u>, Negrete averaged 45.7 yards on his 3 punts, with a 50-yarder, and one pinned the Warriors within the 20, while Heidari hit a 28-yard field goal, all 4 of his PATs and his kickoff pinned the Warriors within the 20 and McMahon kicked off 7 times, with 3 touchbacks and 1 pinning the Warriors within the 20.

—At <u>Syracuse</u>, Negrete averaged 50.0 yards on his 3 punts (all 3 pinned the Orange within the 20), with a career-long 65-yarder, Wood hit all 6 of his PATs and McMahon kicked off 7 times, with 3 touchbacks.

—At <u>Stanford</u>. Negrete averaged 42.5 yards on his 6 punts, with 3 pinning the Cardinal within the 20, while Wood nailed both of his PATs and 1 of McMahon's 3 kickoffs pinned the Cardinal within the 20

—Against <u>California</u>, Heidari returned after missing the previous 2 games with a knee injury that required arthroscopic surgery and nailed both of his field goals (40 and 41 yards) and all 3 of his PATs, while Negrete averaged43 yards on his 2 punts and McMahon kicked off 6 times, with 2 touchbacks.

—At <u>Utah</u>, Negrete averaged 38.5 yards on his 2 punts (with a 53-yarder that pinned the Utes within the 20), Heidari hit all 5 of his PATs and a 32-yard field goal (but missed from 40 and 44 yards) and also kicked off twice (both pinned the Utes within the 20) and McMahon had touchbacks on all 5 of his kickoffs.

—At <u>Washington</u>, Negrete averaged 39.7 yards on his 6 punts, including a 59-yarder, and 3 pinned the Huskies within the 20, Heidari hit all 3 of his PATs and was 1-of-2 on field goals (making a 23-yarder) and McMahon kicked off 5 times, with 2 touchbacks.

STATS OF NOTE

WINS/RANKINGS

***USC has <u>won</u> 100 of its last 117 games and 118 of its last 140 (14 wins and 1 loss later vacated due to NCAA penalty).

***USC has won 59 of its past 67 home games (6 wins later vacated due to NCAA penalty), although 6 of those losses have come within the past 17 home contests.

***USC has won its past 14 non-conference road

games (not including 9 neutral site wins and 1 neutral site loss), a school record (5 wins later vacated due to NCAA penalty; revised streak: 9 games, 2006-current, not including 5 neutral site wins).

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***USC has been ranked in the <u>AP Top 25</u> for 121 of its past 135 games.

*** USC has been in the <u>AP Top 10</u> for 90 of its past 127 games, including a since-snapped school record of 62 consecutive games.

***USC has been in the <u>APTop 5</u> in 65 of the last 123 aames.

SCORING

***USC has outscored opponents in the first half in 2012, 128-41, including 77-13 in the second quarter.
***USC has scored at least 20 points in 125 of its past 137 contests (including a since-broken NCAA record 63 consecutive games, a streak that was snapped in the 2006 UCLA game).

***USC has <u>scored at least 30 points</u> in 85 of its last 127 games.

***USC has <u>scored at least 40 points</u> 55 times since the start of the 2001 season (including 19 times with at least 50 points).

***USC has a knack in recent years for scoring <u>20 or</u> more unanswered points in a game (twice in 2012, 5 times in both 2010 and 2011, 3 times in 2009, 11 times in 2008, 8 times in 2007, 5 times in 2006, 13 times in 2005, 12 times in 2004 and 11 times in both 2003 and 2002), including 85 in a row from the 2011 UCLA game to the second half of the 2012 Hawaii agme.

game.
***Since the start of the 2001 season, USC has nearly doubled the score of its opponents in the <u>second</u> half of games (2,427 to 1,378 points).

***Since 2003, USC has scored touchdowns of 20plus yards 209 times.

***USC has scored in its past 187 games, a school record.

DEFENSE

***USC's <u>defense</u> currently is fifth nationally in sacks (3.7, second in Pac-12), 16^{th} in tackles for loss (7.7, fourth in Pac-12), 23^{cd} in rushing defense (110.7, third in Pac-12) and 25^{th} in total defense (331.5, second in Pac-12).

****USC has <u>intercepted a pass</u> in 96 of the last 131

games.

***USC has held 80 of its last 134 opposing teams to 100 rushing yards or less (3 times in 2012, 5 times in 2011, 4 times in 2010, 9 times in 2009, 10 times in both 2007 and 2008, 6 times in 2006, 5 times in 2005, 8 times in 2004, 10 games in both 2002 and 2003).

***Only 24 opposing runners have rushed for 100 yards against USC in the past 120 games (most recently, Stanford's Stepfan Taylor in 2012 with 153

yards).

***Since the start of the 2001 season, USC is 61-4
when holding opponents to less than 300 yards of
total offense (the losses were against UCLA in 2006,
Stanford in 2007, Washington in 2009 and Notre
Dame in 2010).

MISCELLANEOUS

***USC's special teams currently are 19th nationally in kickoff returns (25.6, first in Pac-12). ***Of the 74 Trojans who have played in 2012, 34 were seeing their first USC action, including 11 true freshmen and 14 redshirt freshmen.

***Of the 70 Trojans who traveled to the 2012 Utah game, 14 were <u>walk-ons</u> (20%).

***USC has <u>blocked 17 kicks</u> since 2010 (2 punts, 2 field goals and 3 PATs in 2010, 4 field goals, 2 PATs, 1 punt in 2011 and 2 field goals and a punt in 2012).

***USC has <u>sold out</u> 3 of its last 5 home games.

***USC has played in 2 stadiums in 2012 that are home to NFL teams (MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., and CenturyLink Field in Seattle, Wash.)

RANDOM NOTES

***The USC football program is on probation until June 9, 2014 for NCAA reported violations involving agent and amateurism issues, lack of institutional control, impermissible inducements, extra benefits, exceeding coach staff limits and unethical conduct. The penalties include: public reprimand and censure; four years of probation through June 9, 2014; postseason ban for the 2010 and 2011 seasons; one-year show cause penalty (through June 9, 2011) for an assistant football coach; vacation of wins, a loss and the individual records of a former football player from December 2004 through the 2005 season and the reconfiguration of the records of the University and the head coach to reflect those actions; limit of 15 initial scholarships and 75 total scholarships for each of the 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 years; \$5,000 fine; disassociation of a former football player; prohibit non-university personnel from traveling on team charters, attending practices and camps, and having access to sidelines and locker rooms.

***USC's 2012 captains, as elected by their teammates during fall camp, are: QB Matt Barkley, S T.J. McDonald, CB Nickell Robey and C Khaled Holmes. Barkley, who also was a captain in 2010 and 2011, is USC's first-ever 3-time captain. McDonald, who also was a captain in 2011, is USC's 11th 2time Trojan captain (along with Foster Wright in 1896 and 1898, Logan Wheatley in 1899 and 1901, Dan Caley in 1902-03, Chad Morton in 1998-99, Troy Polamalu in 2001-02, Matt Leinart in 2004-05, Dallas Sartz in 2005-06, John David Booty in 2006-07, Jeff Bvers in 2008-09 and Barkley). He joins his father, Tim McDonald (USC's captain in 1986), as the only father-son captains in Troian history.

***The new John McKay Center, a \$70-million, 110,000-square-foot facility directly west of Heritage Hall on the USC campus, opened in late July of 2012. It houses meeting rooms, coaches offices and a locker room for the football program, as well as the Stevens Academic Center (which features tutoring, counseling, study and computer rooms for USC's student-athletes), a weight room, an athletic training room and a state-of-the-art digital media production facility for all of USC's sports.

***"<u>Trojans</u>," one of the most iconic monikers in sports history, marked its 100th anniversary in 2012 as the nickname of USC's athletic teams. "Saying you are a Trojan is not just a moniker, it is a way of life," said Pat Haden, USC's Charles Griffin Cale Director of Athletics' Chair. The unveiling of the Trojans nickname 100 years ago occurred without fanfare. On Feb. 24, 1912, Los Angeles Times sports editor Owen R. Bird referred to the USC track team as "Trojans" in the opening paragraph of a preview story about that week's meet between USC and Occidental. "The Oxy Tiger will be seen in action for the first time this season, in the clash with Dean Cromwell's U.S.C. Trojans on the Bovard cinder trail," Bird wrote. Previously, USC teams had been called by various names, including the Methodists and Wesleyans, nicknames that were not looked upon with favor by university officials. In fact, in the weeks leading up to Bird's historic Feb. 24 article, stories in the

Times referred to USC teams as the Cards, apparently in reference to one of USC's school colors (cardinal). Warren Bovard, director of athletics and son of university president Dr. George Bovard, asked Bird to select an appropriate nickname. "At this time, the athletes and coaches of the university were under terrific handicaps," Bird recalled in a 1950-era document he authored. "They were facing teams that were bigger and better-equipped, yet they had splendid fighting spirit. The name 'Trojans' fitted them. "I came out with an article in which I called attention to the fighting spirit of USC athletes and named them 'Trojans.' From then on, we used the term 'Trojan' all the time, and it stuck. "The term 'Trojan' as applied to USC means to me that no matter what the situation, what the odds or what the conditions, the competition must be carried on to the end and those who strive must give all they have and never be weary in doing so."

***USC is the only FBS school never to have had <u>surnames on the back of its jerseys</u>.

***USC is 2 wins shy of the 800th victory in the program's history. The Trojans currently are 798-315-54 for a winning percentage of 70.7% (14 wins and 1 loss later vacated due to NCAA penalty). The 798 wins are ninth most among NCAA FBS schools and the 70.7% is eighth best.

***USC has not been shut out in its past 187 games, breaking the previous school record of 186 set from 1967 to 1983 (14 wins and 1 loss later vacated due to NCAA penalty). USC's last shutout loss was in 1997 at Washington, 27-0.

***USC is 189-54-10 (.767) in seasons that the <u>Summer Olympics</u> have been held (2 wins—including 1 bowl win—later vacated due to NCAA penalty). The Trojans won 4 national titles (1928, 1932, 1972, 2004) and played in 11 bowls (winning 8) during those Olympic seasons.

***USC is 205-61-14 (.757) during presidential election years (1 win later vacated due to NCAA penalty). Coming into the 2012 season, the Trojans were 118-26-5 (.809) in years when Republicans won the White House and 82-34-9 (.700) when Democrats won. USC has won 4 national championships (1928-32-72-2004) during presidential election years. Since 1929, USC has played in the Rose Bowl during the term of every U.S. President except Barack Obama.

***USC, which in 2012 played a Thursday (Oct. 4) game at Utah, has a 23-10-3 (.681) record on Thursday, including 11-6-3 on Thanksgiving. Ten of the Thursday games have been bowls (1925 Christmas Festival, 1948-53-70-2004-09 Rose, 1987 Citrus, 1993 Freedom, 1998 Sun, 2003 Orange), with Troy going 7-3. The 5 non-Thanksgiving/non-bowl Thursday games were wins against Oregon State (in Portland) in 1926 and at Boston College in 1988, a loss at Oregon State in 2008 and wins at Hawaii in 2010 and at California (in AT&T Park) in 2011. USC has opened its season 3 times (1891, 1988, 2010) on a Thursday.

***Former USC All-American end Hal Bedsole, who helped the Trojans win the 1962 national championship and twice was Troy's season leader in receiving and scoring, was named to the 17-member 2012 Football Bowl Subdivision Class of the College Football Hall of Fame. Also named to this year's class was former USC assistant coach R.C. Slocum (1981), who was selected based on his 14-year tenure (1989-2002) as Texas A&M's head coach, where he won 72.1% of his games (123-47-2). They are the 38th and 39th inductees with USC ties, including 30 players, in the College Football Hall of Fame. A Trojan has been elected into the Hall in 10 of the past 13 years. Bedsole and Slocum will be inducted at a Dec. 4 dinner in New York City and then enshrined into the College Football Hall of Fame in ceremonies in the summer of 2013. One of the original "big" (6-5, 221 pounds) wide receivers in college football, Bedsole was a consensus All-American on USC's 1962 national championship team. A 3-year letterman (1961-63) and 2-time All-Conference first teamer (1961-62), his 82 career catches was a USC record at the time. He had 1,717 career receiving yards with 20 touchdowns. He still owns the USC career record for highest average per catch (30 or more receptions) at 20.94. Nicknamed "Prince Hal" because of his selfassured, outspoken ways, he led the Trojans in receiving and scoring in 1961 (27 catches, 38 points) and 1962 (33 catches, 68 points). He established USC season records for receptions in 1961 and again in 1962. He was the first Trojan to have 200 receiving yards in a game (201 yards versus California in 1962, a school record which stood for 21 years). He caught 2 touchdown passes in USC's win over Wisconsin in the 1963 Rose Bowl. A second round draft pick of the Minnesota Vikings (he was also drafted by the AFL's Kansas City Chiefs, he played tight end in Minnesota for 3 seasons (1964-66), then was a radio broadcast sales manager and was in business marketing. He was inducted into the USC Athletic Hall of Fame in 2001.

***In addition to its local radio coverage on 710 ESPN Radio in Los Angeles and various Southern California markets from Fresno to San Diego, USC signed a multiyear agreement in 2012 with ESPN Radio in which the network will have exclusive national broadcast rights for all Trojan home football games. Every USC home game can be heard outside of the local radio network on ESPN Radio affiliates nationwide and streaming on ESPN Radio.com, the ESPN Radio Mobile App, Slacker, and TuneIn. It is ESPN Radio's first nationally exclusive broadcasting agreement with a college football program and only the second such agreement in the industry (Notre Dame and IMG Sports). The ESPN Radio-USC agreement also provides Spanish-language rights for ESPN Deportes Radio, the country's first and only 24/7 national Spanish-language sports radio network, with every USC home and away game being cleared in the LA market. USC Sports Properties will retain the right to sell local radio inventory in packages as part of its overall sales efforts for USC athletics. ESPN Radio will present USC games on up to 300 affiliates nationwide. USC game broadcasts also are aired nationally on satellite radio on SiriusXM Radio.

***Whenever USC games are shown on FOX in 2012, they will also air live in Spanish on FOX Deportes, the No. 1 U.S. Latino sports network. The network's coverage of 17 games (14 regular-season games live in Spanish, primarily from the Pac-12 or Big 12 conferences, plus the Pac-12 and Big Ten Football Championship games and the AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic) is the most-ever carried in one season in the history of U.S. Latino media.

***USC's 2 <u>conference "misses"</u> in 2012 (as in 2011) are Oregon State and Washington State. Before last season, the last time USC did not face Oregon State was 2005 and the last time it missed Washington State was 2001, while the last time USC played neither OSU nor WSU in a season was 1980.

***For the second consecutive year, USC's 2012 schedule features only 1 "State" opponent (Arizona State). Previously, the last time that happened was in 1980 when the Sun Devils were the Trojans' only "State" foe.

***USC first started playing football in 1888, but 100 years ago in 1912 the university was in the second of a 3-year run when it fielded rugby teams in place of football.

***Sixteen USC football players spent 5 days in Haiti during 2012 spring break in May to build houses and deliver more than 2,000 pounds of supplies for orphanages and schools as part of the efforts of Hope Force International, an organization that specializes in quick strike disaster relief. They centered their efforts around the Sous Savanne community, an area that was hard hit by the country's catastrophic 2010 earthquake. The Trojans who went were: QB Matt Barkley, S T.J. McDonald, WR Robert Woods, C Khaled Holmes, CB Nickell Robey, DE Devon Kennard, LBs Dion Bailey and Hayes Pullard, P Kyle Negrete, LBs Scott Starr and Luke Freeman, S Josh Shaw, C-OG Cyrus Hobbi, DE Kevin Greene and QBs Max Wittek and Cody Kessler. For an eyeopening video recap of the trip, go to: http://www.usctrojans.com/blog/2012/05/ haiti-2012-usc-trojan-football.html.

***In addition to the above-mentioned Haiti trip, numerous USC football players have participated with other Trojan student-athletes in community service activities. Last year, many players were part of the Community Bowl at nearby Weemes Elementary School (they spent a winter Saturday reading to and doing art projects with the young students, as well as organizing games and helping re-paint the school), and they also swam at the Swim With Mike swim-a-thon to benefit the USC Physically Challenged Athletes Scholarship Fund and visited patients at USC University Hospital. QB Matt Barkley and P Kyle Negrete have a long history of community service. Both spent 2010 Christmas break in Nigeria visiting orphans, widows, villagers and prisoners, doing construction work, distributing supplies and gifts and sharing daily fellowship. Barkley was one of 11 FBS players named to the 2011 Allstate American Football Coaches Association Good Works Team (recognized for their commitment to making a difference in their communities). While in high school, he helped build homes for the poor in Mexico,

volunteered at an orphanage in South Africa and spearheaded the Monarchs For Marines program that raised money for the families of wounded and fallen soldiers. While at San Diego, Negrete created "Best Buddies," a mentoring program for studentathletes to befriend people with autism (he still mentors Joel Anderson, a noted autistic young adult artist).

***TE Randall Telfer was among USC's representatives at the 2012 NCAA Career in Sports Forum, where student-athletes explored and learned about careers in sports, with a primary focus on intercollegiate athletics. DEs Devon Kennard and Kevin Greene were among USC's representatives at the 2011 APPLE [Athletic Prevention Programming and Leadership Education) Conference in Austin, Tex., designed to promote student-athlete health and wellness.

***USC currently has 8 players who graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC in the spring. QB Matt Barkley enrolled in the spring of 2009, PK Andre Heidari, QBs Cody Kessler and Max Wittek, SNP Peter McBride and FB Soma Vainuku all enrolled in the spring of 2011 and LB **Scott Starr** and OT **Chad Wheeler** both enrolled in the spring of 2012. Since 1999, 22 Trojans have graduated at least a semester early from high school and come to USC (including 1 who graduated a full year early). Also, TB Silas Redd, who transferred to USC from Penn State in the fall of 2012, graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at Penn State in the spring of 2010.

***C **Khaled Holmes** received his bachelor's degree in the spring of 2011 and is working on a <u>master's degrees</u> in communication management. TB **Robert Mojica** received his bachelor's degree from Sommunication management in the spring of 2012 and the transfer is working on his MBA at USC.

***QB Matt Barkley was ranked No. 2 (behind Kobe Bryant) on the 2012 Los Angeles Times' L.A. Sports Star Power Rankings list, derived partly on ratings based on Q Scores' popularity, General Sentiment's social media presence and Forbes Magazine's most powerful athletes.

***The <u>Twitter handles</u> of many of USC's football players are listed in the depth chart of these game notes.

***Eight Trojans previously <u>played at other 4-year schools</u>: TB **Silas Redd** (Penn State), S **Josh Shaw** (Florida), TE **J.T. Kerr** (Nebraska), TB **Robert Mojica** (SMU), DT **Zack Kusnir** (San Diego State), LB **Doug Scott** (Western Michigan), LB **Kyle Yatabe** (Willamette) and DE **Michael Arakelian** (Chapman).

***FB-DE **Charles Burks** had some of his artwork displayed at the 2012 "<u>Artletics</u>" oncampus exhibits that featured the works of USC student-athletes.

***Who's the <u>fastest</u> among the 2012 Trojans? It might be WR **Robert Woods** (bests of 21.01 in the 200 and 46.17 in the 400), who at the 2010 California state was second in the 400 and third in the 200 (he also was third in the 400 in the 2009 state meet). Or perhaps TB **D.J. Morgan** (bests of 10.6 in the 100, 21.8 in the 200 and 13.28 in

the 110-meter high hurdles), who won the 2009 California state high hurdles and was second in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles (he also won the highs at the 2009 IAAF World Youth Championships). Or maybe WR **George Farmer**, with bests of 10.40 in the 100 meters and 21.22 in the 200 meters (he was second in the 100 meters and seventh in the 200 at the 2010 California state meet).

***Speaking of <u>track and field</u>, several other Trojan footballers shined in high school at their state meets. CB **Brian Baucham** won the 300-meter intermediate hurdles title at the 2008 California state meet despite taking up the event in just the final 6 weeks of his senior season. C **Abe Markowitz** was second at the 2008 Hawaii state meet in the shot put and discus. OT **Kevin Graf** was third in the shot put at the 2009 California state meet. WR **Marqise Lee**, who had the nation's second best prep long jump mark in 2011 (24-8), was second in the long jump at the 2011 California state meet.

***Several USC football players have participated on other Trojan athletic teams. WR Margise Lee was a long jumper and sprinter on the 2012 track team (he was fourth in the long jump at the Pac-12 Meet and 17th at the NCAAs). CB Nickell Robey was a long jumper and sprinter on the 2012 track team. TB D.J. Morgan was a hurdler on the 2012 track team (he was fifth in the 110-meter high hurdles at the Pac-12 Meet). LB Tony Burnett was a jumper and sprinter on the 2010, 2011 and 2012 track teams, C Abe Markowitz was a thrower on the track squad in 2009, 2010 and 2012. S Jawanza Starling was on the baseball team in 2010.

***FB Hunter Simmons previously participated in <u>rugby</u> as a member of the 2008 USA Under-18 National Rugby Team that competed in England and DE Morgan Breslin also played rugby while in high school. WR Cody Skene and FB-TE Chandler Larsen were members of their high school's state championship <u>lacrosse</u> team in 2007 (TBs Silas Redd and Taylor Ross, S Rob Dooley and LB Nick Schlossberg also played lacrosse as prepsters).

***C **Abe Markowitz** is a member of one of Samoa's <u>royal families</u>, the Aiga Sa Malietoa, and he was selected as a "Talking Chief" of the family. He also is a cousin of the King of Tonga.

***OT-OG **David Garness**, who prepped at Bartlett High in Anchorage (Ak.), could become the first Trojan letterman to claim Alaska as his home. Last season, LB **Lamar Dawson**, from Boyle County High in Danville (Ky.), became just the second Trojan letterman from <u>Kentucky</u> (joining LB Kurt Barber, who lettered 1988-91 after prepping at Paducah Tilghman High). TB **Silas Redd**, from King Low Heywood Thomas School in Stamford (Ct.), could become just the fifth Trojan letterman from <u>Connecticut</u> (joining LB-G Pat Cannamela and LB-DE Willie Hall, both All-American first teamers, and OLB Garry Cobb and DT Vinny Van Dyke).

***USC OT **Aundrey Walker** has <u>17 siblings</u>. He is the youngest of 14 brothers.

***WR-TB **Nelson Agholor** was born in <u>Nigeria</u>.

***TB **John Akiba** speaks fluent <u>Japanese</u> and S **Luis Nevarez** is fluent in <u>Spanish</u>.

***S T.J. McDonald's initials stand for Tim Jr., TB D.J. Morgan's for Dale Jr. and DT-DE J.R. Tavai's for John Robert. TB Tre Madden's real first name is Curtis, TE Junior Pomee's is Kapelieli and assistant coach Tee Martin's is Tamaurice. TB Javorius Allen goes by the nickname of "Buck."

***Three Trojans have the first name of <u>Cody</u>: QB **Cody Kessler**, WR **Cody Skene** and DT **Cody Temple**.

***There are 3 Trojans with the <u>last name</u> of Simmons—FB **Hunter Simmons**, OT-OG **Jordan Simmons** and LB **Marquis Simmons**—but they are not related, nor are DT **Antwaun Woods** and WR **Robert Woods**. However, WR **Christian Tober** and CB **William Tober** are brothers.

***Frankie Telfort, a 2009 USC freshman linebacker signee from Gulliver Prep in Miami (Fla.), did not receive medical clearance because of a heart defect (hypertrophic cardiomyopathy), but he has remained with the Trojans as a <u>student assistant</u> coach.

***Student assistant coach **Frankie Telfort** spent a month in the summer of 2012 teaching football to youngsters in Tokyo, Japan, as part of a coaching internship.

***In 2009, USC was named <u>"Team of the Decade"</u> by both CBSSports.com and Football.com, as well as the "Program of the Decade" by Sl.com, plus was No. 1 in CollegeFootballNews.com's "5-Year Program Rankings" and was ranked No. 2 in ESPN.com's "Prestige Rankings" among all schools since 1936 (behind Oklahoma).

***USC's current coaching staff has a combined 38 years of experience coaching in the NFL. Monte Kiffin spent 26 years coaching in the NFL, followed by Kennedy Polamalu (6), Lane Kiffin (3), James Cregg (2) and Ed Orgeron (1). Between them, they have coached with 15 NFL playoff teams, including 1 Super Bowl winner. In all, the Trojan staff has 232 years of coaching experience at all levels. Collegiately, they have coached in 83 bowls or playoffs, including on 10 national championship teams. The staff also has 42 years of college playing experience and 7 years of pro playing experience.

***Defensive coordinator/recruiting coordinator/defensive line coach **Ed Orgeron** has been recognized as one of the country's <u>top recruiters</u>. In 2012, Sporting News selected him as the nation's No. 2 recruiter and Rivals.com named him one of the nation's Top 25 recruiters. In 2011, he was named the Scout.com/FOXSports.com National Recruiter of the Year, ESPNU/ESPN The Magazine named him the top recruiter in college football (and third best in all of collegiate athletics) and Rivals.com ranked him as the second-best recruiter of the previous 10 years (2002-11).

***Defensive coordinator/recruiting coordinator/defensive line coach **Ed Orgeron** played himself in the 2009 Oscarnominated movie, "The Blind Side."

***Wide receivers coach **Tee Martin's** wife, Toya, is a <u>recording artist</u> with hit singles "I Do!" (2001) and "No Matta What (Party All Night)" (2002).

***The Trojan Marching Band and the USC Song Girls were named the <u>nation's best</u> by ESPN.com in 2009: "Nothing says 'glamour school' more than the ubiquitous presence of the USC Song Girls and the Trojans Marching Band...The Spirit of Troy brings one of the most stirring sounds in college football, while the USC Song Girls give Trojans games one of the sport's most indelible sights."

***PROJECT TRO7AN, a unique free mobile application for iOS and Android devices that highlights and promotes the 2012 USC football team to fans and media by providing statistical information, videos and interactive games and chats, is available for download from the iTunes Store (search "Project Trojan") and Google Play. Fans get unprecedented access to this year's highly-ranked Trojans through social and video platforms. Under the Trojan Buzz header, fans are able to participate in live chats with their favorite players, coaches and legends. Media and postseason awards voters are able to closely follow the Trojan honors candidates under the Awards Watch section, which features easily sortable data, biographic information and highlight videos. The app is loaded with exclusive video content, including two featurettes, "Matt Vs.," in which Heisman Trophy quarterback candidate **Matt** Barkley takes on athletes from other USC sports to learn their game and test his mettle, and "Playbook," which provides a breakdown of the game-changing play in the previous week's football contest. An interactive photo booth enables fans to customize and share a picture of themselves in Trojan football gear and accessories. USC merchandise and tickets also is available for purchase within the app. As the season develops, USC will continue to release exciting features on the app. Barkley, All-American safety T.J. McDonald and Rimington Award center candidate **Khaled Holmes** were among several Trojan players who provided concept and design input on the PROJECT TRO7AN app.

***<u>WE PLAY</u>, an innovative all-sports USC marketing and branding campaign that utilizes various distribution platforms to present a vibrant and thought-provoking image of Trojan athletics, was launched by the Trojan athletic department in August of 2012. WE PLAY images will be released throughout the 2012-13 season on billboards, videoboards, print ads and athletic department publications, as well as on TV and radio commercials and Trojan websites and social media, including the recently-redesigned USCTrojans.com official site. The iconic WE PLAY logo features cardinal-colored letters W, E, P and Y and gold-colored L and A emblazoned atop stylized black-and-white photos, with images of USC athletes and moments colorized within the photos. The concept for the WE PLAY campaign and all of its design elements were produced entirely inhouse by USC athletic department staff.

***USC, which has produced more Olympians, gold medalists and overall medalists than any other U.S. university, was represented by 41 current, former and future athletes in the 2012 London Olympics (they competed in 7 sports and represented 18 countries). They won more total medals (25, including 12 golds, 9 silvers and 4 bronzes) in London than any American university, making these Games the most successful in Trojan history. USC's 25 total medals and 12 gold medals are school records for a single Olympics, breaking the previous highs of 24 total medals at the 1984 Los Angeles Games and 10 golds at both the 1948 London Games and the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Troy's 12 gold medals in London (and its 41 Olympians) tied with Stanford for the most by a university in 2012. USC continued its streak of having won a gold medal at every Summer Olympics from 1912. If USC athletes had competed as a country in 2012, they would have placed sixth in the gold medal standings at the London Games and 11th in overall medals. Since 1904, 418 Trojan athletes have competed in the Games (they have won 628 places on Olympic teams), taking home 135 gold medals (with at least 1 gold in every summer Olympics from 1912), 87 silver and 65 bronze. If USC competed as a country, its 287 total medals would be 16th among all countries (while its 135 gold medals would be 12th). USC Olympians have represented 57 different countries and have participated in 28 different sports.

***Speaking of the Olympics, 2 former football lettermen have won Olympic gold medals: fullback Fred Kelly (1914,15,16) in the high hurdles in the 1912 Games (he is USC's first gold medalist) and right tackle Ken Carpenter (1934,37) in the discus in the 1936 Games. Although 2-time gold medalist Quincy Watts (400 meters and 1600-meter relay in the 1992 Olympics) never lettered in football, he was a receiver on the 1990 Trojans (he didn't get into a game).

***The USC athletic department, one of the nation's most successful and storied collegiate athletic programs, launched this August a \$300 million fundraising drive called the "<u>Heritage Initiative</u>." Funds raised for the initiative—the most ambitious in the department's history—will ensure that the university's student-athletes have access to state-of-the-art facilities for honing their athletic skills and continuing to achieve academic success. The Initiative will support capital projects, scholarships for student-athletes, academic support and programming costs, endowments, and recruitment and retention of coaches and staff. The USC athletic department is approaching the halfway mark in achieving its fundraising The Initiative will include the department's 125th anniversary season in 2013-14 and is part of USC's overall \$6 billion fundraising campaign, which was announced last fall. The Campaign for the University of Southern California is one of the largest fundraising campaigns in the history of American higher education. John Robinson, one of USC's most popular and successful football coaches, and Barbara Hedges, who developed the USC women's athletics program during her tenure as a Trojan athletics administrator, will serve as co-chairs of the "Heritage Initiative."

***A campaign to reduce tailgate waste at USC homes games in 2012 was launched by USC's athletic department, Office of Sustainability and Facilities Management Services. The Tailgate Waste Diversion Education program will have student facilitators educate tailgaters on how to sort their waste and divert recyclable and compostable materials from the waste stream, creating a more sustainable and aesthetic game day experience for all Trojan football fans. The Zero Waste Tailgate Certification program is designed to build enthusiasm and promote friendly competition among fans as they make changes to create a zero waste tailgate experience. More information is available at http://green.usc.edu/node/5160.

***Four Trojans have relatives who played on national championship USC football squads: OT Kevin Graf (father, Allan, was on the 1972 team), C Khaled Holmes (brother, Alex, was on the 2003 and 2004 teams), OG-C **John Katnik** (cousins Norm and Kurt were on the 2003 team and cousin, Brad Walker, was on the 2004 team) and LB Marquis Simmons (brother, Melvin "Champ," was on the 2003 team). Also, head coach Lane Kiffin and assistant coach **Ed Orgeron** were USC assistant coaches on the 2003 and 2004 teams and assistant coach **Kennedy Polamalu** was a Trojan assistant on the 2003 team. Assistant coach **Tee Martin** quarterbacked Tennessee to the 1998 national championship. Assistant coach Scottie Hazelton was an assistant on the 2011 North Dakota State team that won the NCAA FCS national championship.

***Several Trojans have other relatives with USC football connections. QB Matt Barkley's cousin, Robbie Boyer, was a 2-year (2010-11) letterman wide receiver at USC whose only reception as a Trojan came on a Barkley pass on the final series of the season-ending 2011 UCLA game. OT Kevin Graf's brother, Derek, lettered at center at USC in 2002. C Khaled Holmes' brother-in-law is former USC (1999-2002) All-American safety Troy Polamalu. DE Wes Horton's brother, Shane was a linebacker at USC (2009-11) who transferred to Troy after playing at UNLV in 2007. OG-C John Katnik's father, John, started at center for USC in 1986 and 1987. TB Tre Madden's uncle is former USC (1995-98) cornerback Daylon McCutcheon. C Abe Markowitz's grandfather, Larry, played football at USC in the early 1950s, while his cousin is former USC offensive lineman Faaesea Mailo (1996, 1999-2002) and his distant cousins are former (2005-08) Trojan linebackers Rey Maualuga and Kaluka Maiava. S T.J. McDonald's father, Tim was a 2-time (1985-86) All-American and 4-year (1983-86) letterman safety at USC, where he was the team MVP his final 2 seasons, was Troy's 1986 captain and helped the Troians win the 1985 Rose Bowl. WR **Christian Tober** and CB **William Tober** are brothers. FB Soma Vainuku's cousin is former USC All-American (2005-08) linebacker Rey Maualuga. Assistant coach Kennedy Polamalu's nephew, Troy Polamalu, was a 2-time (2001-02) All-American first team safety at USC.

***Speaking of genes: WR-TB **Nelson** Agholor's father, Felix, played soccer in Nigeria. QB Matt Barkley's father, Les, lettered for 4 years (1976-79) in water polo at USC, captaining the Trojans his final 2 seasons and earning All-American second team notice in 1979, while his brother, Sam, is a sophomore hurdler on USC's track team. S Gerald Bowman's cousin, Maalik, Wayns, is a senior guard on Villanova's basketball team. CB **Anthony Brown's** cousin, Bryan Harper, is a freshman wide receiver at Arizona. CB Ryan Dillard's cousin is Detroit Lions wide receiver Calvin Johnson, who played at Georgia Tech. S Rob Dooley's father, Robert, played football at Yale, while his sister, Grace, is a junior on Notre Dame's lacrosse team. WR George Farmer's father, George, was a wide receiver at Southern and then in the NFL with the Los Angeles Rams (1982-84) and Miami Dolphins (1987). TE Xavier Grimble's cousin, Jalen Grimble, is a sophomore defensive end at Miami (Fla.). C Khaled Holmes' father, Mike, lettered at defensive end at Michigan (1974-75). DE **Wes Horton** is the son of Myke Horton, who lettered 2 years (1973-74) as an offensive tackle at UCLA, was drafted by the New England Patriots in 1975, played professionally in the USFL (with Washington and Memphis) and the CFL (with Calgary), then was one of the original members of the syndicated TV show "American Gladiators" (he was Gemini from 1989 to 1992); his mother, Julie, played tennis at South Alabama and his sister, Taylor, was on the Fresno State women's volleyball team in 2009 and 2010. OG-C John Katnik's uncle, Norm Katnik, was a 2-year starting center at Arizona (1978-79). DE Devon Kennard's father, Derek, was an All-American offensive lineman at Nevada (lettering from 1981 to 1983) who then played 2 years in the USFL (Los Angeles Express) and 11 seasons in the NFL (St. Louis/ Phoenix Cardinals, New Orleans Saints and Dallas Cowboys), including on the Cowboys' 1995 team that won the Super Bowl, while his brother, Derek Jr., was a 4year (2000-03) football letterman at Nevada. DT Zack Kusnir's father, Michael, played football at Clarion. TB Tre Madden's father, Curtis, was a fullback and defensive end at Kansas State (1988-91), while his grandfather is Lawrence McCutcheon, a Colorado State and NFL All-Pro running back with the Los Angeles Rams (1972-79), Denver Broncos (1980) and Buffalo Bills (1981) who set the since-broken Rams career rushing record (6,186 yards), led the Rams in rushing 5 times and played in Super Bowl XIV (he then was a scout and now is Director of Player Personnel with the Rams). C Abe Markowitz's father, Barry, lettered as a linebacker at UCLA in 1974, his great grandfather, Richard Love, played basketball and tennis at UCLA in the 1920s and his other cousins include former UCLA and Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Frank Manumaleuga, ex-Arizona and NFL (St. Louis Rams, San Diego Chargers, Chicago Bears) tight end Brandon Manumaleuna, former Hawaii and San Francisco 49er offensive lineman Jesse Sapolu, former Colorado offensive guard Maxwell Tuioti-Mariner, Kansas State sophomore offensive lineman Tomasi Tuioti-Mariner and BYU sophomore defensive tackle Travis Tuiloma. OG Marcus Martin's cousin is Oregon defensive end sophomore Tonv Washington. OG John Martinez's cousins,

Henry (1994-95), Jeff (1994-96), Doug (1998-2001) and Jason (2000-03) Kaufusi all played football at Utah, with Doug later playing in the NFL and CFL, and cousins Steve (1985-87) and Rich (1989-90) played football at BYU, with Steve now an assistant coach at BYU, while his brother Keni Kaufusi is a junior defensive lineman at California. S Drew McAllister's father, Ken, lettered as a defensive back at California in 1976 and 1977 (he led the team in punt returns both season and in kickoff returns in 1976), while his mother was a Golden Bears' cheerleader. S **T.J. McDonald's** brother, Tevin, is a sophomore safety at UCLA. P **Kyle Negrete's** father, Jeff, played linebacker at Fresno State (1983-84), while his grandfather, Jim Sweeney, was the head football coach at Montana State (1963-67), Washington State (1968-75) and Fresno State (1967-77, 1980-86), posting 200 career wins, his uncle, Kevin Sweeney, played at Fresno State (1983-86) and his cousins are Cornell senior tight end Beau Sweeney (he previously played at California) and Washington senior safety Nate Fellner. LB Hayes Pullard's uncle, Robert Pullard, was a pole vaulter at USC (1971-74) who finished third at the 1973 NCAA meet and fourth in 1974. CB Nickell Robey's cousin, Carlton Thomas, was a tailback at Georgia (2009-11), while another cousin, Alvin Harper, played football and track at Tennessee and then was a wide receiver with the NFL's Dallas Cowboys (1991-94, 1999, including in Super Bowls XXVII and XXVIII), Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1995-96) and Washington Redskins (1997) and the XFL's Memphis Maniax (2001). LB Marquis Simmons' brother, Marvin, lettered in 2004 at linebacker for Kansas State. S Jawanza Starling's cousin, Bryan Evans, was a cornerback at Georgia (2006-09). CB Christian Sutton's grandfather ran track at Houston, his uncle played football at South Carolina, his father was a swimmer at Texas A&M and his cousin, Ashley, ran track at Ohio State. DE Greg Townsend Jr.'s father, Greg, played at TCU (1981-82) and then was a 4-time All-Pro defensive end with the NFL's Los Angeles/Oakland Raiders (1983-93, 1997) and Philadelphia Eagles (1994). WR Robert Woods' father and grandfather (both also named Robert) played football at Grambling. Head coach Lane Kiffin's father, Monte (now USC's assistant head coach), has 46 years of coaching experience on the collegiate and NFL levels, having been on the staffs of programs that won 2 national championships (at Nebraska) and a Super Bowl (Tampa Bay Buccaneers); his brother, Chris, was a defensive lineman at Colorado State (2001-04) who was then an offensive intern at Nebraska, a defensive assistant at USC in 2010, the defensive line coach at Arkansas State in 2011 and now the defensive line coach at Mississippi; his father-in-law, John Reaves, was a former quarterback at Florida and 11 years in the NFL (Philadelphia Eagles, Cincinnati Bengals, Minnesota Vikings, Houston Oilers, Tampa Bay Buccaneers) and 3 years in the USFL (Tampa Bay Bandits) who then was an assistant coach at Florida and South Carolina; his brother-in-law, David Reaves, was a quarterback at Appalachian State and then an assistant at South Carolina, Tennessee and New Mexico and now is a quarterback instructor at the IMG Football Academy; and another brother-in-law, Stephen Reaves, played quarterback at Michigan State and Southern Miss and for the CFL's Toronto Argonauts (he then was an offensive assistant at USC). Associate head coach/special teams coordinator John Baxter's father-in-law is former Utah and Weber State head coach Ron McBride. Passing game coordinator/ quarterbacks coach Clay Helton's father, Kim, was Houston's head coach from 1993 to 1999, as well as an assistant in college (Florida, Miami and Alabama Birmingham), the NFL (Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Houston Oilers, Los Angeles Raiders, Washington Redskins) and the CFL (Toronto Argonauts) following his playing career at Florida; his brother, Tyson, is the running backs coach at Alabama Birmingham after assistant coaching stops at Memphis and Hawaii and playing at Houston. Offensive coordinator/running backs coach **Kennedy** Polamalu's brother, Ao Polamalu, played football at Penn State (1985-87), his nephew, Nicky Sualua, played running back in the NFL with Dallas and Cincinnati after attending Ohio State, while 4 other nephews played college football: Leie Sualua was a defensive lineman at Oregon, Joe Polamalu was at Oregon State in 1987 and 1988, Kaio Aumua played at UTEP and Maika Polamalu is a sophomore fullback at Navy. Strength and conditioning coach **Aaron Ausmus'** wife, Andrea, was a former thrower on Tennessee's track squad who previously worked in the USC football office.

ACADEMICS

Thirteen Trojans have cumulative grade point averages of 3.00 or higher (through summer 2012 semester), including 5 with 3.50 or better. Among the top scholars on the 2012 Trojan squad are: LB Kyle Yatabe (3.72, economics), DE Michael Arakelian (3.67, communication), WR Spencer Darlin (3.60, biological science), WR Troy Cardona (3.58, business administration), FB-DE Charles Burks (3.49), C Khaled Holmes (3.31, communication management master's program), QB John Manoogian (3.30, business administration), P Kyle Negrete (3.29, business administration), WR Cody Skene (3.25, business administration), DE Devon Kennard (3.23, communication/ communication management master's program), QB Matt Barkley (3.21, communication), CB William Tober (3.18, broadcast journalism) and S John Auran (3.06, business administration). Holmes received his bachelor's degree in the spring of 2011 and is working on his master's degree. Barkley, Holmes, Kennard and S Drew McAllister made the 2011 Pac-12 All-Academic second team, while Negrete was honorable mention. Kennard made the 2010 Pac-10 All-Academic second team, while Barkley and Holmes were honorable mention. McAllister made 2009 Pac-10 All-Academic honorable mention. In its history, USC football has produced 22 Academic All-American first teamers (tops in the Pac-10 and among the Top 10 in the nation), 20 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners, 12 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes, 6 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award winners, 4 NCAA Today's Top Eight winners, 1 Rhodes Scholar (current athletic director Pat Haden) and 1 Academic All-American Hall of Famer (Haden).

ANNIVERSARIES

The 2012 season marks the anniversaries of several significant USC football seasons:

—The 90th anniversary of USC's first bowl team. The 1922 Trojans, coached by Elmer "Gloomy Gus" Henderson, went 10-1, including a 14-3 victory over Penn State in the Rose Bowl. It was the first Rose Bowl game played in the present Pasadena stadium. USC was a substitute Western entry for California, which had declined the invitation. USC's first touchdown was set up by Harold Galloway, who caught a pass while flat on his back at the two-yard line. Penn State arrived at the game 45 minutes late after being caught in a traffic jam (nearly resulting in a pre-game fight between Henderson and Nittany Lions coach Hugo Bezdek), and the game concluded in moonlight as sportswriters had to strike matches to complete their stories.

—The 80th anniversary of USC's 1932 national championship team, regarded as one of the greatest teams in college football history. The Trojans breezed to their second consecutive national championship in 1932 as the Howard Jones era reached its pinnacle. The line, one of the greatest in Trojan history, included All-Americans Tay Brown, Aaron Rosenberg and Ernie Smith. The offense, directed by Homer Griffith and featuring back Cotton Warburton and ends Ray Sparling and Ford Palmer, was potent despite losing star Orv Mohler to injury. Meanwhile, the defense shut out its first five opponents and allowed only 13 points all season (while the offense scored 201). USC smashed Pittshurah 35.0 in the Rose Rowl

all season (while the offense scored 201). USC smashed Pittsburgh 35-0 in the Rose Bowl.

—The 50th anniversary of USC's 1962 national championship team, as John McKayled USC to its first national championship in 30 years and inaugurated one of the greatest dynasties in college football history. McKay's third team featured the talented quarterback tandem of Pete Beathard and Bill Nelsen, who combined to pass for 18 touchdowns while tossing only three interceptions. A then-school-record 11 of those touchdowns went to consensus All-American end Hal Bedsole, who also set the standard for passes caught (33) and yards receiving (827). The ground attack was run from the I-formation, led by the versatile Willie Brown at tailback and co-captain Ben Wilson at fullback. The Trojan defense allowed only 92 points all season. All-Ámerican linebacker Damon Bame led a unit that had three shutouts (including a 25-0 blanking of Notre Dame) and allowed more than 10 points only twice during the allowed more findn 10 points only twice during the regular-season. Troy capped the year by outlasting Wisconsin, 42-37, in one of the most exciting games in Rose Bowl history.

—The 40th anniversary of USC's 1972 national championship team, considered to be John McKay's finest at USC and one of the greatest college teams of all time. USC averaged 39 points

college teams of all time. USC averaged 39 points per game (scoring 467 points) and never trailed in the second half. The defense intercepted 28 passes, limited the opponents to 2.5 yards per rush and never gave up a run longer than 29 yards. Senior Mike Rae and sophomore Pat Haden handled the quarterback duties. Sophomore Anthony Davis rushed for 1,191 yards despite not starting until the eighth game. All-American fullback Sam "Bam" Cunningham was an outstanding blocker and a tremendous leaper, especially in goal-line situations. Tight end Charles Young was equally adept blocking and receiving, while split ends Lynn Swann, Edesel Garrison and J.K. McKay were excellent pass catchers. Sophomore linebacker Richard Wood burst onto the scene with 18 tackles in the season-opener on his way to garnering All-American honors. John Grant and Jeff Winans anchored the defensive line, while Artimus Parker. Charles Phillips and Charles Hinton led the secondary. USC's smallest margin of victory was nine points (versus Stanford). The Trojans beat No. 4-ranked Arkansas 31-10, No. 18 Washington 34-7, No. 14 UCLA 24-7, No.10 Notre Dame 45-23 and No. 3 Ohio State 42-17. USC was unanimously chosen No. 1 in the final AP and UPI polls, the first team to be so honored.

—The 10th anniversary of Carson Palmer's 2002 Heisman Trophy season. After a 21-year drought, Palmer became USC's fifth Heisman Trophy winner (and the first from the West Coast since 1981), as well as Troy's first quarterback winner ever. A 4-year starter, he set or tied 33 Pac-10 and USC total offense and passing records, including becoming the league's career leader in total offense and passing yards. In 2002, he completed 309-of-489 passes (63.2%) for 3,942 yards and 33 TDs, all USC records. He threw for 300-plus yards in a USC-record 7 games that season, including 3 in a row. He completed at least 60.0% of his passes 9 times.

IN THE NFL

USC is always well-represented in the NFL. <u>Eleven former Trojan players are in the Pro</u> Football Hall of Fame (more than any other school). A Trojan has appeared in all but 4 of the 46 Super Bowls and Trojans have been selected to play in the Pro Bowl 216 times. Troy has produced more NFL draft picks (476) than any school and there have been 457 USC players who have played in the NFL or its sister leagues. USC has had more first round NFL draft picks (77) than any school and is tied with Notre Dame for most players (5) selected as the top pick in the NFL draft. There were 59 ex-Trojans on NFL rosters at the start of training camp this summer and there were 44 Trojans on 2012 opening day NFL rosters (7 more than any school), including the most of any school at quarterback (4), offensive tackle (5), tight end (5), defensive tackle (5) and linebacker (8). Among those players were QBs Matt Cassel, Carson Palmer and Mark Sanchez, RBs Reggie Bush and Joe McKnight, LBs Clay Matthews, Keith Rivers, Brian Cushing and Rey Maualuga, DBs Troy Polamalu, Terrell Thomas and Taylor Mays, DLs Sedrick Ellis and Lawrence Jackson, WRs Steve Smith and Damian Williams, OLs Taitusi Lutui, Ryan Kalil, Matt Kalil, Winston Justice, Sam Baker and Tyron Smith, TE Fred Davis and PK David Buehler. Four NFL head coaches have USC ties (either as former players or coaches): Seattle's Pete Carroll, St. Louis' Jeff Fisher, San Diego's Norv Turner and Indianapolis' Chuck Pagano. Thirteen current USC players have relatives with NFL playing backgrounds: OT Zach Banner (father, Lincoln Kennedy), WR George Farmer (father, George), C Khaled Holmes (brother, Alex, and brother-in-law, Troy Polamalu), OG-C **John Katnik** (cousin, Norm Katnik), DE **Devon Kennard** (father, Derek), TB Tre Madden (grandfather, Lawrence McCutcheon, and uncle, Daylon McCutcheon), C **Abe Markowitz** (cousins, Jesse Sapolu, Frank Manumaleuga and Brandon Manumaleuna), OG John Martinez (cousin, Doug Kaufusi), S T.J. McDonald (father, Tim), P Kyle Negrete (uncle, Kevin Sweeney), CB Nickell Robey (cousin, Alvin Harper), DE Greg Townsend Jr. (father, Greg) and FB Soma Vainuku (cousin, Rey Maualuga). Myke Horton, father of DE Wes Horton, played in the USFL and CFL. Assistant coach Kennedy Polamalu's nephew, Troy Polamalu, now stars in the NFL with the Pittsburgh Steelers. Additionally, head coach Lane Kiffin was an NFL head coach and assistants Monte Kiffin, Ed Orgeron, Kennedy Polamalu and James Cregg were NFL assistants. Assistant coach Tee Martin played in the NFL, NFL Europe and CFL and assistant coach Monte Kiffin played in the CFL.

ON TV

USC is one of America's most televised teams. The Trojans have appeared on live national, regional or local telecasts 430 times, including 296 of the past 298 games (USC's last 137 games have been televised live, a school record). USC also had a streak of 111 consecutive games on some form of live television from 1988 to 1997 (snapped against Oregon State) and another streak of 48 in a row from 1997 to 2001 (broken against California).

GAME PROMOTIONS

It is **Trojan Family Weekend**, with thousands of Trojan parents and family members joining their USC students at the game...Members of USC's 40th anniversary **1972 national championship football team** will be recognized during an on-field presentation... Former USC and major league pitcher **Brian Bannister** will be saluted during the game...More than 2,000 youngsters from local youth groups and schools will be in attendance as part of the annual **Touchdown For Youth** program.

OTHER USC SPORTS IN ACTION

It's a full weekend of USC sports action at home. The highly-ranked USC women's **volleyball team** hosts Utah on Friday (Oct. 19) at 6 p.m. and Colorado on Sunday (Oct. 21) at 11 a.m., both in the Galen Center. The **USC** women's soccer team hosts Utah on Friday (Oct. 19) at 3:30 p.m. and Colorado on Sunday (Oct. 21) at 1 p.m., both at McAllister Field. The USC women's swim team hosts San Diego on Friday (Oct. 19) at 2 p.m., while the **USC men's swim team** hosts North Carolina State on Friday (Oct. 19) at 2 p.m. and Saturday (Oct. 20) at 11 a.m., all in the McDonald's Swim Stadium. The USC men's volleyball team is hosting the 9-team USC Fall Tournament on Friday and Saturday (Oct. 19-20) all day in the Galen Center Pavilion.

SCOUTING COLORADO

Colorado, under second-year head coach Jon Embree (CU's former All-Big 8 tight end), has lost all but once (a 35-34 victory at Washington State) this season, including falling last Thursday against Arizona State, 51-17. Statistically, CU ranks in the bottom 20 nationally in total offense (327.3) and total defense (494.2). The Buffalo offense is guided by junior QB Jordan Webb (109-of-193, 56.5%, 1,141 yds, 8 TD, 4 int in 2012). Freshman FB/TB Christian Powell (69 tcb, 294 yds, 4.3 avg, 3 TD in 2012, plus 3 rec, 16 yds, 5.3 avg) and sophomore TB Tony Jones (39 tcb, 218 yds, 5.6 avg, 2 TD in 2012, plus 14 rec, 55 yds, 3.9 avg) are the top groundgainers, while redshirt freshman WR Nelson Spruce (27 rec, 291 yds, 10.8 avg, 2 TD in 2012) and soph WR Tyler McCullouch (20 rec, 243 yds, 12.2 avg, 2 TD in 2012) are the leading pass catchers. On defense, watch for junior SS Terrel Smith (52 tac, 3 dfl, 2 FR in 2012), junior ILB **Derrick Webb** (48 tac, 4 for loss, 1 sack in 2012), frosh CB Kenneth Crawley (45 tac, 2 for loss, 4 dfl in 2012, plus 9 PR, 57 yds, 6.3 avg) and senior OLB **Jon** Major (43 tac, 3 for loss, 1 sack, 2 dfl in 2012), plus junior DE Chidera Uzo-Diribe (24 tac, 8 for loss, 6 sack, 2 dfl in 2012), who is tied for 17th nationally in sacks (1.0, sixth in Pac-12). Soph P Darragh O'Neill (43.4 avg in 2012) is 20th nationally in punting (43.4, fourth in Pac-12).

ROSTER UPDATES

Here are updates from the roster in the 2012 USC football media guide:

—Add as scholarship players: #25 **Silas Redd** (TB, 5-10, 200, 3/1/92, Jr./Jr., TR, Norwalk, CT, King Low Heywood Thomas HS/Penn State) and #36 **Simione Vehikite** (LB, 5-11, 225, 3/13/91, Jr.*/Sr., 1V, Kapolei, HI, Kapolei HS). Their bios are below. Also, P **Kyle Negrete** received a scholarship this fall, while LB **Will Andrew** is no longer on scholarship.

-<u>Add as walk-ons</u>: #14 **Christian** Sutton (CB, 5-10, 160, 6/25/93, Fr.*/So., TR, Suwanee, GA, North Gwinnett HS/Point): #16, Conner Sullivan, (QB, 6-1, 180, 6/17/ 92, Fr./Fr., —, Orange, Orange Lutheran HS); #24 Eric Matranga (WR, 5-10, 180, 1/13/90, Sr.*/Sr., TR, Carmichael, Jesuit HS/San Joaquin Delta JC/Glendale JC); #27, Robert Mojica (TB, 5-9, 180, 10/26/89, Sr.*/ Sr., TR, Dana Point, Mater Dei HS/SMU); #28, Christian Tober (WR, 5-9, 175, 11/13/93, Fr./ Fr., —, San Clemente, San Clemente HS); #38 **Elijah Steen** (S, 6-1, 205, 11/23/94, Fr./Fr., —, Irvine, Beckman HS); #39 Alex Wood (PK, 5-10, 175, 11/11/93, Fr./Fr., —, Mercer Island, WA, Mercer Island HS); #41, J.T. Kerr (TE, 6-4, 230, 11/17/90, Jr.*/Sr., TR, San Diego, Scripps Ranch HS/Nebraska); #44, Rob **Dooley** (S, 6-1, 190, 8/1/93, Fr./Fr., Chicago, IL, Loyola Academy); #49 Ryan Dillard (CB, 5-10, 185, 3/25/94, Fr./Fr., Buford, GA, Buford HS); #49 **Bryson Lloyd** (TE, 6-3, 225, 7/30/91, Jr.*/Sr., SQ, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara HS); #50 Julian Coleman (LB, 6-2, 240, 4/10/91, Jr.*/Sr., JC, Columbus, OH, Bexley HS/East Los Angeles JC); #57, Nick Schlossberg (LB, 6-2, 215, 11/ 1/93, Fr./Fr., —, San Diego, La Jolla Country Day); #64, Ryan Bernstein (DE, 5-10, 225, 5/ 20/94, Fr./Fr., —, Canyon Country, Canyon HS); #79, Jeff Miller (DE, 6-2, 225, 4/27/94, Fr./Fr., —, Southlake, TX, Carroll); #81, Cole Cottrell (WR, 5-10, 170, 3/10/94, Fr./Fr., Newport Beach, Corona del Mar HS); #83 George Katrib, WR, 6-1, 180, 2/17/94, Fr./Fr., –, Diamond Bar, Diamond Bar HS).

—Add as graduate assistant coaches: Ross Cumming, Special Teams/Linebackers (USC, 2012), and Mark Watson, Secondary (McPherson, 2010). Their bios are below.

—<u>Change the jersey number</u> of **Charles Burks** to #45, **David Garness** to #67, **Max Tuerk** to #75, **Nelson Agholor** to #15, **Gerald Bowman** to #27, **Cody Skene** to #34
and **Troy Cardona** to #48.

—<u>Change the position</u> of **Jabari Ruffin** to DE-LB, **Charles Burks** to FB-DE, **J.R. Tavai** to DT-DE and **Leonard Williams** to DE-DT.

—<u>Correct spelling</u> of first name is **Javorius Allen**.

—<u>Change the hometown</u> of **D.J. Morgan** to Pacoima and **Zach Banner** to Tacoma.

—<u>Delete</u> Cody Gifford (quit), Isiah Wiley (ineligible) and **Darreus Rogers** (did not enroll).

REDD: Career: He ran for 1,678 yards on 321 carries (5.2 avg.) with 9 TDs in his 2-year Penn State career, and added 13 receptions for 67 yards (5.2 avg.). He had 7 100-yard rushing games at Penn State 2011: Redd earned 2011 All-Big Ten second team and Walter Camp Connecticut Player of the Year honors as a sophomore tailback at Penn State. Overall in 2011 while appearing in all 13 games (starting 11), he ran for 1,241 yards (10th most in a season in Penn State history) on 244 carries (5.1 avg.) with 7 TDs, plus caught 9 passes for 40 yards (4.4 avg.) and had 1 tackle. He had 6 100-yard rushing games, with the last 5 coming consecutively (104 yards with 2 TDs on 12 carries against Indiana State, 129 yards on 29 carries at Indiana, 142 yards on 28 carries versus Iowa, 131 yards with 1 TD on 28 carries against Purdue, a career-high 164 yards with 1 TD on 18 carries at Northwestern and 137 yards with 1 TD on 30 carries versus Illinois). He was the first Nittany Lion with at least 5 consecutive 100-yard rushing games since Curtis Enis had 8 in a row in 1997. An injury to his collarbone and sternum slowed him during the final 3 games of the regular season. 2010: Redd, who enrolled at Penn State in January of 2010 after graduating a semester early from high school, ran for 437 yards (second on the team) on 77 carries (5.7 avg) with 2 TDs, plus had 4 receptions for 27 yards (6.8 avg.) and 7 kickoff returns for 147 yards (21.0 avg.), while appearing in 12 games as a firstyear freshman backup tailback in 2010. He had 131 yards on 11 carries with a TD versus Northwestern. HIGH SCHOOL: He was a 2009 U.S. Army All-American and Rivals.com Connecticut Player of the Year as a senior running back at King Low Heywood Thomas School in Stamford (Ct.) As a senior in 2009, he ran for 1,924 yards on 137 carries (14.0 avg.) with 25 TDs on offense and 47 tackles and an interception on defense. He had 1,346 yards on 120 carries (11.3 avg.) with 15 TDs as a 2008 junior, along with 2 interceptions. He also played basketball and lacrosse in high school.

VEHIKITE: 2012: Simione Vehikite (pronounced seemee-OWN-nay vay-hee-KEY-tay) will serve as a reserve linebacker as a junior in 2012. He missed 2012 spring practice because of legal issues. 2011: Vehikite was a reserve linebacker who played on special teams and also worked at times at fullback as a sophomore in 2011. Overall in 2011 while appearing in all 12 games, he had 6 tackles. He had 2 tackles against Syracuse. 2010: Vehikite, who was moved to linebacker from fullback prior to 2010 spring practice, saw brief action on special teams in 2 games (Hawaii, UCLA) in 2010, but did not make a tackle. He missed 8 games (Virginia, Minnesota, Washington State, Washington, Stanford, California, Oregon, Arizona State) with a strained hamstring suffered at Hawaii. 2009: Vehikite redshirted as a freshman fullback in 2009, his first year at USC. HIGH SCHOOL: His 2008 honors included Super Prep All-Farwest Prep Star All-West, Tacoma News Tribune Western 100 and All-State first team as a senior fullback and linebacker at Kapolei (Hi.) High. He ran for 610 yards and 10 TDs on offense and had 119 tackles, 12 tackles for losses and 10 sacks on defense in 2008. As a junior in 2007, he played defensive line at Lahainaluna High in Lahaina (Hi.). PERSONAL: He's a sociology major at USC.

CUMMING: Ross Cumming, a standout special teams performer the past 4 years at USC, joined the Trojan coaching staff in August of 2012 as a graduate assistant working with the special teams and linebackers. Originally a walk-on who earned a scholarship in 2010, the 25-year-old Cumming was a 4-year (2008-11) letterman at USC. He was a reserve linebacker and special teams player who as a 2011 senior also served as the backup fullback and worked some at tight end. He had 35 career tackles while appearing in 47 games. He had 3 tackles as a first-year freshman in 2008, then added 9 stops in 2009 and 8 in 2010. He made 15 tackles, returned a blocked punt 17 yards (at Oregon) and caught 2 passes for 16 yards (8.0 avg.) in 2011 while winning USC's Special Teams Player of the Year Award. He spent 2006 and 2007 at the Naval Academy Prep School, but did not play football because of an injury. He was a tight end and linebacker at Santa Margarita High in Rancho Santa Margarita (Calif.), where he made All-Serra League as a 2004 junior. He earned his bachelor's degree in public policy, management and planning at USC in 2012. He is working on his master's degree in communication management at USC. Born Sept. 28, 1987, he is single.

WATSON: Mark Watson, an assistant coach at Drake the past 2 seasons, joined the Trojan coaching staff in August of 2012 as a graduate assistant working with the secondary. Watson, 25, coached the cornerbacks at Drake in 2010 and 2011. Drake, a member of the NCAA FCS, led the Pioneer Football League in pass interceptions both seasons. In 2011, the Bulldogs won the PFL championship while finishing seventh in the NCAA FCS in scoring defense and 10th in total defense. He spent 3 years (2008-10) as a position coordinator at the Elite Football Academy in St. Louis, Mo. He played cornerback and safety in college, beginning his career at NCAA Division II Missouri Southern State in 2006 (getting 14 tackles, 1 interception, 1 fumble recovery, 3 deflections and 6 kickoff returns) and 2007 (with 4 tackles) before transferring to the NAIA's McPherson College, where he started in 2008 and 2009 (he was a captain as a senior). He starred in football (he was an all-league quarterback), basketball, baseball (he was on the 2003 Missouri Class 4A state titlist) and track (he was ran on the school record-setting 400-meter relay team) at Francis Howell High in St. Charles, Mo. He earned his bachelor's degree in business management and marketing at McPherson in 2010. He is working on a master's degree in communication management at USC. Born March 6, 1987, he is single.

INJURY/STATUS UPDATE
OUT: TB Tre Madden (knee), DE Devon
Kennard (chest), DE DeVante Wilson (knee),
TE J.T. Kerr (transfer sit out), LB Scott Starr
(neck), OT-OG David Garness (back).

USC IN NCAA/PAC-12 STAT RANKINGS

			NCAA	PAC-12
NAME	CATEGORY		RANK*	RANK**
Dion Bailey	Ints.	0.7	4 T	2 T
Marqise Lee	Receptions	9.0	5	1
Morgan Breslin	Sacks	1.2	7	3
Morgan Breslin	Tac. For Loss	2.0	71	3
Marqise Lee	Rec. Yards	113.5	9	2
Marqise Lee	All-Purp. Yds.	164.5	11	1
L. Williams	Fum. Rec.	0.3	_	1T
Marqise Lee	Kickoff Ret.	26.4	_	2
Matt Barkley	Passing Eff.	148.0	_	3
Silas Redd	Rushing	95.0	_	5
USC	Sacks	3.7	5	2 4
USC	Tac. For Loss	7.7	16	4
USC	Kickoff Ret.			2
USC	Rushing Def.	110.7	23	3
USC	Total Def.	331.5	25	2
USC	PAT Kicking	1.000	_	1T
USC	Ints.	1.8	_	2 3
USC	Passing Eff.	148.3	_	3
USC	Passing Eff. Scoring Def.	18.5	_	3 3 3
USC	Sacks Allow.	1.7	_	3
USC	Pass Def.			3
USC	TO Margin Opp. Pens. Red Zone Off.	+0.8	_	3
USC	Opp. Pens.	72.0	_	3
USC	Red Zone Off.	82.6	_	3
USC	Pass Eff. Def.	114.7	_	4
USC	Scoring Off.	32.3	_	4
USC	Punt Returns	10.5	_	5 5
USC	Red Zone Def.	77.8	_	5
USC	Opp.3rd D.Con.	34.1	_	5

^{*}Top 25 only **Top 5 only

RED ZONE PRODUCTION

GAME HAW	USC 4-of-4 (TD, TD, FG, TD	
SYR	4-of-4 (TD, TD, TD, TD)	5-of-5 (FG, TD, TD, TD, TD)
STAN	2-of-3 (TD, TD, fail 4th)	0-of-1 (miss FG)
CAL		3-of-5 (miss FG, FG, FG,
	TD, end game)	
UTAH	3-of-4 (TD, FG, TD, end game)	3-of-3 (TD, TD, TD)
WASH	3-of-4 (FG, TD, TD, miss FG)	1-of-2 (TD, lost fum)
TOTAL	19-of-24 (.792)	14-of-18 (.778)
	15—TD	9—TD
	4—FG	5—FG
	1—failed 4 th	2—missed FG
	1—int	1—int
	2—end of game 1—miss FG	1—lost fum

KYLE NEGRETE PUNTS

GAME	PUNTS	WITHIN 20	50+ YARDS
HAW	3	1	1
SYR	3	3	1
STAN	6	3	1
CAL	2	0	0
UTAH	2	1	1
WASH	6	3	1
TOTAL	22	11	5

ANDRE HEIDARI KICKOFFS

GAME	KICKO	FFS WITHIN 20 (TOUCHBACKS)
HAW	1	1 (0)
UTAH	2	2 (0)
TOTAL	3	3 (0)

CRAIG McMAHON KICKOFFS

GAME	KICKOFFS	WITHIN 20 (TOUCHBACKS)
HAW	7	1 (3)
SYR	7	3 (3)
STAN	3	1 (0)
CAL	6	0 (2)
UTAH	5	0 (5)
WASH	5	0 (2)
TOTAL	33	5 (15)

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DEPTH CHART

OFFENSE

SE —	2 8	Robert Woods (6-1, 190, Jr.) George Farmer (6-1, 205, So.) OR	@HeismanWoods
	85	Victor Blackwell (6-1, 190, Fr.*)	@VicDeMone4
LT —	70 75 72	Aundrey Walker (6-6, 300, So.) Max Tuerk (6-6, 285, Fr.) Chad Wheeler (6-7, 265, Fr.)	@Rozay_YoLo @maxtuerk
LG —	66 50 63	Marcus Martin (6-3, 325, So.) @S Abe Markowitz (6-1, 310, Sr.*) Giovanni Di Poalo (6-4, 290, So.*)	ScreamMulahASAP
c —	78 50 69	Khaled Holmes (6-4, 305, Sr.*) Abe Markowitz (6-1, 310, Sr.*) Cyrus Hobbi (6-3, 290, Fr.*)	@KhaledHolmes
RG —	59 74	John Martinez (6-2, 300, Jr.*) Jeremy Galten (6-5, 295, Sr.)	
RT —	77		@kevingraf77
	76 73	Nathan Guertler (6-5, 270, So.*) Zach Banner (6-9, 335, Fr.)	@FOE_ZB73
TE —	82 86 88 87 89	Randall Telfer (6-4, 255, So.*) OR Xavier Grimble (6-5, 260, So.*) Jalen Cope-Fitzpatrick (6-5, 250, Fi Junior Pomee (6-3, 255, Fr.*) Christian Thomas (6-3, 250, So.*)	@randalltelfer @JustFollowZAE23 r.) OR
FL —	9 15 10	Marqise Lee (6-0, 195, So.) Nelson Agholor (6-1, 180, Fr.) OR De'Von Flournoy (6-0, 180, Jr.*)	@TeamLee1 @NelsonAgh3 @USCDFLO10
QB —	7	Matt Barkley (6-2, 230, Sr.)	@MattBarkley
	13 6	Max Wittek (6-4, 235, Fr.*) Cody Kessler (6-1, 215, Fr.*)	@codykessler6
FB —	31 38 46 45	Soma Vainuku (6-0, 250, Fr.*) Jahleel Pinner (5-11, 225, Fr.) Hunter Simmons (6-1, 250, Jr.*) OR Charles Burks (6-0, 230, Fr.*)	@somavainuku @YesItsMe_JP
тв —	22 25 30 37	Curtis McNeal (5-7, 190, Sr.*) OR Silas Redd (5-10, 200, Jr.) D.J. Morgan (5-10, 190, So.*) OR Javorius Allen (6-1, 215, Fr.*)	@Trojanmoodster @djmorgan30

CDECLALICE

		<u>SPECIALISTS</u>	
P —		Kyle Negrete (6-0, 225, Sr.*) Kris Albarado (5-10, 195, Fr.*)	@kylenegrete @Albarado19
PK —	46	Andre Heidari (5-10, 200, So.)—PAT/FC Craig McMahon (6-1, 195, So.*)— Alex Wood (5-10, 175, Fr.)—PAT/FC	-KO
SNP —	18	Peter McBride (6-1, 220, Fr.*) John Manoogian (6-0, 220, Sr.*) Bryson Lloyd (6-3, 225, Jr.*)	R
HLD —	7	Cody Kessler (6-1, 215, Fr.*) Matt Barkley (6-2, 230, Sr.) Kyle Negrete (6-0, 225, Sr.*)	@codykessler6 @MattBarkley @kylenegrete

DEFENSE

DE —	96 93 81	Wes Horton (6-5, 255, Sr.*) Greg Townsend Jr. (6-3, 260, Fr.*) Kevin Greene (6-4, 255, Jr.*)	@G_Townsend93 @KevinGreene81
NT —	90 99 97 98	George Uko (6-3, 275, So.*) OR Antwaun Woods (6-1, 305, Fr.*) Christian Heyward (6-2, 285, Fr.*) Cody Temple (6-3, 285, Fr.*)	@uk0sc90 @FIGHTONTWOCKA
DT —	94 90	Leonard Williams (6-5, 270, Fr.) O George Uko (6-3, 275, So.*)	R @LWtrojan94 @uk0sc90
DE —	91 58 40	Morgan Breslin (6-2, 245, Jr.) J.R. Tavai (6-2, 265, So.) Jabari Ruffin (6-4, 230, Fr.)	@Jayruff7
SLB —	1 8 34 52	Dion Bailey (6-0, 210, So.*) Tony Burnett (6-1, 205, Sr.*) Dallas Kelley (5-11, 225, Sr.)	@dbailey_18 @NoCutz
MLB —	55 51	Lamar Dawson (6-2, 235, So.) Will Andrew (6-2, 235, Jr.*)	@WILLIAM
WLB —	10 56 53	Hayes Pullard (6-1, 235, So.*) Anthony Sarao (6-0, 215, Fr.*) Marquis Simmons (6-1, 220, Jr.*)	@FightOn10
CB —	21 23	Nickell Robey (5-8, 165, Jr.) Kevon Seymour (6-0, 170, Fr.)	@RDR_21
	15	Ryan Henderson (5-10, 170, Fr.*)	@TL_FI
FS —	7 19 27	T.J. McDonald (6-3, 205, Sr.) Drew McAllister (6-1, 205, Sr.*) Gerald Bowman (6-1, 215, Jr.)	@tmacUSC7 @DMAC_19 @Gerald_Bowman
ss —	29 24 26	Jawanza Starling (6-1, 200, Sr.) Demetrius Wright (6-1, 195, Jr.) Josh Shaw (6-1, 190, So.*)	@JayStar_29 @TeamDWright24
CB —	4 26 16 49 17	Torin Harris (6-0, 190, Jr.*) Josh Shaw (6-1, 190, So.*) Anthony Brown (5-9, 180, So.*) Ryan Dillard (5-10, 185, Fr.) Devian Shelton (6-2, 185, Fr.)	@SmOOveKatTC

RETURNERS

15 2 22 8	Marqise Lee (6-0, 195, So.) AND Nelson Agholor (6-1, 180, Fr.) Robert Woods (6-1, 190, Jr.) OR Curtis McNeal (5-7, 190, Sr.*) OR George Farmer (6-1, 205, So.) OR Nickell Robey (5-8, 165, Jr.)	@TeamLee1 @NelsonAgh3 @HeismanWoods @Trojanmoodster @RDR_21
PR — 21 2 9	Nickell Robey (5-8, 165, Jr.) Robert Woods (6-1, 190, Jr.) OR Marqise Lee (6-0, 195, So.)	@RDR_21 @HeismanWoods @TeamLee1
*Used up @Twitter h	edshirt year andles	

2012 USC FOOTBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

HARRIS Torin	<u>No.</u>	Name WOODS Pahart	Pos.	Hgt.	<u>Wgt.</u>				Hometown(HighSchool/JC/College)
KSSIER, Cody	2 4	WOODS, Robert HARRIS Torin	W R CB	6-1 6-0	190 190	4/10/92 5/12/91	Jr./Jr. Ir */Sr	2V 2V	
BARKLEY, Mall									
7 McDONALD, 1.J. S						11/11/93	Fr./Fr.		Mercer Island, WA (Mercer Island)
RAMMER, Coorge W.R. 6-1 205 7/4/73 50/50. V Los Angeles (Serral)									
FE. Marcquise									
Deputing No. Deputing Deput		<u> </u>							
WITTER, Max							Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Studio City (Birmingham)
SUTTON, Christian									
HENDERSON, Ryon									
Achtologa, Netson									
BROWN, Anthony									
SHELTON, Devian		BROWN, Anthony				10/15/90	So.*/Jr.	1٧	
SAEE_Bron									
BallEF, Dion									
MANDOGIAN, John QB 6-0 220 67970 Sr.*/Sr. SQ Los Angeles (Windward)									
McNEAL Curlis						11/12/89	Sr.*/Sr.		
SEYMOUR, Kevon									
JAFFE, Alec									
24 WRIGHT, Demefritios S 6-1 195 12/19/99 Jr./Jr. 2V Corona (Corona) 24 MATRANIGA, Eric WR 5-10 200 3/1/92 Jr./Jr. TR Coronal (Corona) 25 REDD, Silas TB 5-10 200 3/1/92 Jr./Jr. TR Nomalk, Cliga (Owbeywood Ihomas/Penn State) 26 SHAW, Josh S 6-1 190 3/1/92 Jr./Jr. TR Nomalk, Cliga (Owbeywood Ihomas/Penn State) 27 BOWLAR, Gerald S 6-1 215 10/19/39 Jr./Jr. Jr. Demotral (Oxorona)									
Second									Corona (Corona)
SHAW, Josh S	24	MATRANGA, Eric	WR	5-10	180	1/13/90	Sr.*/Sr.	TR	
DARIIN, Spencer BOMANAN, Gerold S 6-10 170 2/12/92 SON-/Jr. DEnicities (Lá Costa Canyon) J. Philadeploshi, PA (Imhotep/Los Angeles Pierce JC) WOJICA, Robert B 5-9 180 10/26/88 Sr./Sr. TR Dana Point (Mader Dei/SMU) Denick Willage (Westlake) San Clementel San Clementel Tober, Christian WR 5-9 STARLING, Jawanza S 6-11 SON-/Jr. WOJIKU, Somo BR HOLHAM, Brian BR 6-10 SON-/Jr. WR SAN BRIAN, Luke BR HOLHAM, Brian BR H									
BOWMANI, Gerold S									
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35						10/30/91	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Oak Park (Oak Park/Moorpark JC)
AKIBA, John			-						
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		TAVAI, J.R.				9/23/93	So./So.		Redondo Beach (Mira Costa)

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59	MARTINEZ, John	OG	6-2	305	7/23/91	Jr.*/Jr.		Murray, UT (Cottonwood)
59	YATABE, Kyle	LB	6-0	215	5/2/91	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	El Segundo (El Segundo/Willamette)
60	KATNIK, John	OG-C	6-2	260	9/26/92	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Rolling Hills Estates (Palos Verdes)
61	McBRIDE, Peter	SNP	6-1	220	7/26/93	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Scottsdale, AZ (Chaparral)
62	AVIV, Yonatan	DT	6-0	295	7/25/90	So.*/Jr.	_	Los Angeles (Yula)
63	Di POALO, Giovanni	OG	6-4	280	6/16/91	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Ventura (St. Bonaventure)
64	BERNSTEIN, Ryan	DE	5-10	225	5/20/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Canyon Country (Canyon)
65	JEPSEN, Erick	С	6-2	285	12/31/92	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Moreno Valley (La Quinta)
66	MARTIN, Marcus	OG	6-3	325	11/29/93	So./So.	1V	Los Angeles (Crenshaw)
67	GARNESS, David	OT-OG	6-5	285	4/25/90	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Anchorage, AK (Bartlett/San Francisco CC)
68	SIMMONS, Jordan	OT-OG	6-5	335	7/15/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Inglewood (Crespi)
69	HOBBI, Cyrus	C-OG	6-3	285	5/9/93	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Scottsdale, AZ (Saguaro)
70	WALKER, Aundrey	OT	6-6	300	1/15/93	So./So.	1V	Cleveland, OH (Glenville)
72	WHEELER, Chad	OT	6-7	270	1/19/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Santa Monica (Santa Monica)
73	BANNER, Zach	OT	6-9	335	12/25/93	Fr./Fr.	_	Tacoma, WA (Lakes)
74	GALTEN, Jeremy	OT-OG	6-5	290	3/22/91	Sr./Sr.	1V	San Mateo (Hillsdale/San MateoJC)
75	TUERK, Max	OT-OG	6-6	285	1/27/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Trabuco Canyon (Santa Margarita)
76	GUERTLER, Nathan	OG	6-5	270	1/13/93	So.*/Jr.	1V	Norco (Norco)
77	GRAF, Kevin	OT	6-6	300	6/17/91	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Agoura Hills (Agoura)
78	HOLMES, Khaled	С	6-4	305	1/19/90	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Santa Ana (Mater Dei)
79	MILLER, Jeff	DE	6-2	225	4/27/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Southlake, TX (Carroll)
81	GREENE, Kevin	DE	6-4	255	5/14/90	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Oakland (Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep)
81	COTTRELL, Cole	WR	5-10	170	3/10/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Newport Beach (Corona del Mar)
82	TELFER, Randall	TE	6-4	255	5/16/92	So.*/Jr.	1V	Rancho Cucamonga (Rancho Cucamonga)
83	KATRIB, George	WR	6-1	180	2/17/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Diamond Bar (Diamond Bar)
84	DOWNEY JR., Kevin	TE	6-3	210	8/27/90	Jr.*/Sr.	_	West Hills (El Camino Real/Pierce JC)
85	BLACKWELL, Victor	WR	6-1	190	1/22/93	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Cerritos (Mater Dei)
86	GRIMBLE, Xavier	TE	6-5	255	9/2/92	So.*/Jr.	1V	Las Vegas, NV (Bishop Gorman)
87	POMEE, Junior	TE	6-3	250	1/9/92	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Perris (Rancho Verde)
88	COPE-FITZPATRICK, Jalen	TE	6-5	245	4/14/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Rocklin (Whitney)
89	THOMAS, Christian	TE	6-3	245	12/16/91	So.*/Jr.	1V	Palmdale (Highland)
90	UKO, George	DT	6-3	275	2/11/92	So.*/Jr.	1V	Chino (Don Lugo)
91	BRESLIN, Morgan	DE	6-2	250	7/8/91	Jr./Jr.	JC	Walnut Creek (Las Lomas/Diablo Valley JC)
92	KUSNIR, Zack	DT	6-5	265	2/6/89	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	La Jolla (La Jolla Country Day/San Diego State)
93	TOWNSEND JR., Greg	DE	6-3	260	12/11/92	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Los Angeles (Beverly Hills)
94	WILLIAMS, Leonard	DE-DT	6-5	270	6/20/94	Fr./Fr.	_	Daytona Beach, FL (Mainland)
95	WILSON, DeVante	DE	6-5	245	12/15/92		_	Corona (Corona)
96	HORTON, Wes	DE	6-5	255	1/18/90	Sr.*/Sr.		Chatsworth (Notre Dame)
97	HEYWARD, Christian	DT	6-2	285	12/5/92	Fr.*/So.		San Diego (Point Loma)
98	TEMPLE, Cody	DT	6-3	285	12/29/92		SQ	Bakersfield (Liberty)
99	WOODS, Antwaun	DT	6-1	305	1/3/93	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Los Angeles (Taft)

^{*}Used up redshirt year

HEAD COACH: Lane KIFFIN (Fresno State, 1998), Third Year

ASSISTANT COACHES: John BAXTER, Associate Head Coach/Special Teams Coordinator (Loras, 1985); James CREGG, Offensive Line (Colorado State, 1997); Ross CUMMING, Special Teams (USC, 2012); Scottie HAZELTON, Linebackers (Fort Lewis, 1995); Clay HELTON, Passing Game Coordinator/Quarterbacks (Houston, 1994); Shawn HOWE, Defensive Line (Rocky Mountain, 2005); Monte KIFFIN, Assistant Head Coach (Nebraska, 1963); Tee MARTIN, Wide Receivers (Tennessee/U.S. Sports Academy, 2004); Justin MESA, Tight Ends (USC, 2006); Ed ORGERON, Defensive Coordinator/Recruiting Coordinator/Defensive Line (Northwestern State, 1984); Kennedy POLAMALU, Offensive Coordinator/Running Backs (USC, 1987); Marvin SANDERS, Secondary (Nebraska, 1990); Mark WATSON, Secondary (McPherson, 2010)

STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH: Aaron AUSMUS (Tennessee, 1998)



TEAM STATISTICS			ı	USC	OPP
SCORING				194	111
Points Per Game				32.3	18.5
FIRST DOWNS				119	118
Rushing				41	42
Passing				63	65
Penalty				15	11
RUSHING YARDAGE				994	664
Yards gained rushing	9			1134	848
Yards lost rushing				140	184
Rushing Attempts				195	198
Average Per Rush			,	5.1	3.4
Average Per Game			'	65.7	110.7
TDs Rushing PASSING YARDAGE				6 1497	1325
Comp-Att-Int			124-1		130-217-11
Average Per Pass			124-1	7.6	6.1
Average Per Catch				12.1	10.2
Average Per Game			2	249.5	220.8
TDs Passing			-	16	9
TOTAL OFFENSE				2491	1989
Total Plays				391	415
Average Per Play				6.4	4.8
Average Per Game			2	115.2	331.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yard	S		13	3-333	20-446
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yard	ds		13	3-137	10-97
INT RETURNS: #-Yards			11	-117	6-11
KICK RETURN AVERAG	Ε			25.6	22.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAG	ЭE			10.5	9.7
INT RETURN AVERAGE				10.6	1.8
FUMBLES-LOST				11-5	10-5
PENALTIES-Yards			60)-470	50-432
Average Per Game			00	78.3	72.0
PUNTS-Yards Average Per Punt			22	2-943 42.9	34-1334 39.2
Net punt average				38.5	33.4
KICKOFFS-Yards			36-	2218	22-1340
Average Per Kick				61.6	60.9
Net kick average				48.5	36.7
TIME OF POSSESSION/	Game		3	30:27	29:33
3RD-DOWN Conversion			2	2/73	29/85
3rd-Down Pct				30%	34%
4TH-DOWN Conversion	ns			9/17	5/7
4th-Down Pct				53%	71%
SACKS BY-Yards			22	2-120	9-65
MISC YARDS				1	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCOR				26	14
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPT	TS .			5-8	5-11
ON-SIDE KICKS			(10.00)	0-0	0-2
RED-ZONE SCORES			(19-23)		(14-18) 78%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDO'	MN2		(15-23)		(9-18) 50%
PAT-ATTEMPTS			(23-23)		(12-12) 100%
ATTENDANCE Games/Avg Per Gar	~~~			7028 8514	202106 4/50526
Neutral Site Games	HE		2/0	0314	4/30326
NEOHAL SHE GAILIES					0/0
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
USC	51	77	14	52	194
Opponents	28	13	43	27	111



RUSHIN	IG
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<u>Player</u>	GP	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Redd, Silas	6	101	594	24	570	5.6	6	57	95.0
McNeal, Curtis	6	44	294	11	283	6.4	0	62	47.2
Woods, Robert	6	1	76	0	76	76.0	0	76	12.7
Morgan, D.J.	3	16	74	3	71	4.4	0	16	23.7
Lee, Marqise	6	2	34	0	34	17.0	0	23	5.7
Allen, Javorius	2	4	18	0	18	4.5	0	7	9.0
Vainuku, Soma	6	5	17	1	16	3.2	0	7	2.7
Akiba, John	2	3	15	0	15	5.0	0	8	7.5
Wittek, Max	4	2	1	11	-10	-5.0	0	1	-2.5
Team	3	2	0	14	-14	-7.0	0	0	-4.7
Barkley, Matt	6	15	11	76	-65	-4.3	0	7	-10.8
Total	6	195	1134	140	994	5.1	6	76	165.7
Opponents	6	198	848	184	664	3.4	4	59	110.7

<u>Player</u>	G	Effic	Cmp-Att-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
Barkley, Matt	6	148.03	121-193-6	62.7	1475	16	83	245.8
Wittek, Max	4	161.60	3-3-0	100.0	22	0	9	5.5
Total	6	148.24	124-196-6	63.3	1497	16	83	249.5
Opponents	6	114.75	130-217-11	59.9	1325	9	37	220.8

RECEIVING

Player	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
Lee, Marqise	6	54	681	12.6	7	83	113.5
Woods, Robert	6	36	360	10.0	5	41	60.0
Grimble, Xavier	6	10	175	17.5	2	31	29.2
Telfer, Randall	5	8	71	8.9	2	23	14.2
Vainuku, Soma	6	6	37	6.2	0	16	6.2
Agholor, Nelson	6	5	98	19.6	0	49	16.3
Redd, Silas	6	2	39	19.5	0	41	6.5
McNeal, Curtis	6	1	20	20.0	0	20	3.3
Blackwell, Vict	4	1	9	9.0	0	9	2.2
Farmer, George	4	1	7	7.0	0	7	1.8
Total	6	124	1497	12.1	16	83	249.5
Opponents	6	130	1325	10.2	9	37	220.8

PUNT RETURNS

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Robey, Nickell	8	76	9.5	0	34
Woods, Robert	4	40	10.0	0	31
Brown, Anthony	1	21	21.0	1	21
Total	13	137	10.5	1	34
Opponents	10	97	9.7	0	39

KICK RETURNS

<u>Player</u>	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Lee, Marqise	10	264	26.4	1	100
Agholor, Nelson	3	69	23.0	0	28
Total	13	333	25.6	1	100
Opponents	20	446	22.3	0	64

INTERCEPTIONS

<u>Player</u>	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Bailey, Dion	4	4	1.0	0	2
Starling, Jawan	2	34	17.0	0	34
Shaw, Josh	2	14	7.0	0	14
McDonald, T.J.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Robey, Nickell	1	38	38.0	1	38
Pullard, Hayes	1	27	27.0	1	27
Total	11	117	10.6	2	38
Opponents	6	11	1.8	0	7

FUMBLE RETURNS

<u>Player</u>	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Total	0	0	0.0	0	0
Opponents	3	4	1.3	1	8

SCORING

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<u>Player</u>	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
Lee, Marqise	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	48
Redd, Silas	6	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0-0	0	0	36
Woods, Robert	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Heidari, Andre	0	5-8	15-15	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
Telfer, Randall	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Grimble, Xavier	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
Wood, Alex	0	0-0	8-8	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	8
Pullard, Hayes	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Robey, Nickell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Brown, Anthony	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
Barkley, Matt	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-2	0	0	0
Total	26	5-8	23-23	0-1	0	0-2	0	0	194
Opponents	14	5-11	12-12	0-1	0	0-1	0	0	111

TOTAL OFFENSE

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G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
6	208	-65	1475	1410	235.0
6	101	570	0	570	95.0
6	44	283	0	283	47.2
6	1	76	0	76	12.7
3	16	71	0	71	23.7
6	2	34	0	34	5.7
2	4	18	0	18	9.0
6	5	16	0	16	2.7
2	3	15	0	15	7.5
4	5	-10	22	12	3.0
3	2	-14	0	-14	-4.7
6	391	994	1497	2491	415.2
6	415	664	1325	1989	331.5
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FIELD GOALS

<u>Player</u>	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	Lg	Blk
Heidari, Andı	re 5-8	62.5	0-0	2-2	1-1	2-5	0-0	41	1
FG SEQUENC	E	USC	:		OP	PONE	NTS		
Hawai'i		(28)			(36)			
Syracuse		-			(37	·)			
Stanford		-			47,	23,51			
California		(40)	,(41)		35,	(24),(2	26),(35)	
Utah		(32)	,40,44		48				
Washington		(23)	,41		45				

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	120	50+ BII	<u>(d</u>
Negrete, Kyle	22	943	42.9	65	0	3	11	0	
Total	22	943	42.9	65	0	3	11	0	
Opponents	34	1334	39.2	67	3	8	5	1	

KICKOFFS

Player	No.	Yds	Avg	TB	ОВ	Retn	Net	YdLı	
McMahon, Crai	g 33	2023	61.3	15	0				
Heidari, Andre	3	195	65.0	0	0				
Total	36	2218	61.6	15	0	446	38.8	26	
Opponents	22	1340	60.9	8	0	333	36.7	28	

ALL PURPOSE

<u>Player</u>	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	<u>Tot</u>	Avg/G
Lee, Marqise	6	34	681	0	264	0	979	163.2
Redd, Silas	6	570	39	0	0	0	609	101.5
Woods, Robert	6	76	360	40	0	0	476	79.3
McNeal, Curtis	6	283	20	0	0	0	303	50.5
Grimble, Xavier	6	0	175	0	0	0	175	29.2
Agholor, Nelson	6	0	98	0	69	0	167	27.8
Robey, Nickell	6	0	0	76	0	38	114	19.0
Morgan, D.J.	3	71	0	0	0	0	71	23.7
Telfer, Randall	5	0	71	0	0	0	71	14.2
Vainuku, Soma	6	16	37	0	0	0	53	8.8
Starling, Jawan	6	0	0	0	0	34	34	5.7
Pullard, Hayes	6	0	0	0	0	27	27	4.5
Brown, Anthony	5	0	0	21	0	0	21	4.2
Allen, Javorius	2	18	0	0	0	0	18	9.0
Akiba, John	2	15	0	0	0	0	15	7.5
Shaw, Josh	6	0	0	0	0	14	14	2.3
Blackwell, Vict	4	0	9	0	0	0	9	2.2
Farmer, George	4	0	7	0	0	0	7	1.8
Bailey, Dion	6	0	0	0	0	4	4	0.7
Wittek, Max	4	-10	0	0	0	0	-10	-2.5
Team	3	-14	0	0	0	0	-14	-4.7
<u>Barkley, Matt</u>	6	-65	0	0	0	0	-65	-10.8
Total	6	994	1497	137	333	117	3078	513.0
Opponents	6	664	1325	97	446	11	2543	423.8

2012 USC FOOTBALL RESULTS

Record:		Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES		5-1	2-0	3-1	0-0
CONFERENC	CE	3-1	1-0	2-1	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE		2-0	1-0	1-0	0-0
Date	Opponer	nt	W/L	Score	Attend.
Sept. 1	HAWAI'I		W	49-10	93,607
Sept. 8	vs. Syrac	use #	W	42-29	39,507
Sept. 15	at Stanfo	ord *	L	21-14	50,360
Sept. 22	CALIFOR	NIA *	W	27-9	83,421
Oct. 4 (Th.)	at Utah *		W	38-28	46,037
Oct. 13	at Washii	ngton *	W	24-14	66,202
Oct. 20	COLORA	DO *			
Oct. 27	at Arizon	a *			
Nov. 3	OREGON	*			
Nov. 10	ARIZONA	STATE *			
Nov. 17	at UCLA	*			
Nov. 24	NOTRE D	AME			

^{*} Pac-12 Conference game Home game in **BOLD** # at MetLife Stadium | East Rutherford, N.J.

				To	ickles	1	Sacks	Pass d	efense	Fumbles		blkd	
##	Defensive Leaders	gp	υa	а	tot	tfl/yds	no-yds	int-yds		rcv-yds	ff	kick	saf
7	McDonald, T.J.	6	23	22	45	3.0-6		1-0	2 1			1	
18	Bailey, Dion	6	25	17	42	3.0-3		4-4	2 .		1		
10	Pullard, Hayes	6	21	18	39	1.5-3		1-27	. 1		1		
55	Dawson, Lamar	5	15	13	28	0.5-1							
91	Breslin, Morgan	6	22	4	26	12.0-67	7.0-39		2 .	. 1-0			
21	Robey, Nickell	6	17	7	24			1-38	2 .		1		
4	Harris, Torin	5	14	7	21	1.0-1			4 .				
94	Williams, Leona	6	11	7	18	8.5-34	5.5-31		1 .	. 2-0			
90	Uko, George	6	4	9	13	5.0-19	3.0-16				1		
96	Horton, Wes	5	8	5	13	3.0-19	3.0-19						
56	Sarao, Anthony	6	9	4	13	1.0-8	1.0-8		1 .				
16	Brown, Anthony	5	7	4	11				1 .			1	
19	McAllister, Dre	6	4	6	10				1 .				
29	Starling, Jawan	6	6	4	10	1.0-1		2-34	2 .	. 1-0	1		
34	Burnett, Tony	6	4	6	10	1.0-1							
	Shaw, Josh	6	2	7	9			2-14					
	Woods, Antwaun	6	3	5	8	1.5-4	1.5-4						
93	Townsend Jr, G.	4	4	3	7	1.0-3	1.0-3						
58	Tavai, J.R.	3	4	3	7	1.5-3							
30	Baucham, Brian	4	3	3	6				1 .				
24	Wright, Demetri	6	3	2	5	0.5-0							
23	Seymour, Kevon	6	3	2	5								
31	Vainuku, Soma	6	4		4								
51	Andrew, Will	6	2	2	4	0.5-1							
27	Bowman, Gerald	6	2	1	3								
4F	McMahon, Craig	6	2	1	3								
49	Dillard, Ryan	5	3		3								
1E	Agholor, Nelson	6	2		2								
TM	Team	3	2		2								
31	Vehikite, Simio	5	1	1	2								
81	Greene, Kevin	5		2	2								
47	Starr, Scott	3		2	2								
35	Negrete, Kyle	6	1	1	2								
86	Grimble, Xavier	6		1	1								
	Tober, William	1		1	1	0.5-0							
	Heyward, Christ	4		1	1					. 1-0			
	Pomee, Junior	6	1		1								
3H	Pinner, Jahleel	6		1	1								
53	Simmons, Marqui	5	1		1								
61	McBride, Peter	6	1		1								
2	Woods, Robert	6	1		1								
25	Redd, Silas	6	1		1								
82	Telfer, Randall	5			•							1	
	Total	6	236	172	408	46-174	22-120	11-117	19 2		5	3	
	Opponents	6	221	182	403	41-167	9-65	6-11	28 4	5-4	6	1	

2012 GAME-BY-GAME STATS

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

(USC game highs in **bold face**)

Name	Hawaii	Syracuse	Stanford	California	Utah	Washington Colorado	Arizona	Oregon	Arizona St.	UCLA	No. Dame
Rushing: TCB-NET-TD Redd McNeal Woods Morgan Lee Allen Vainuku Akiba Wittek Team Barkley	9-56-1 5-10-0 7-25-0 2-(-10)-0	15-107-0 11-63-0 1-76-0 1-23-0 2-6-0 1-0-0 1-(-17)-0	13-17-2 7-37-0 2-6-0 5-(-34)-0	21-158-1 10-115-0 2-12-0 2-10-0 1-3-0 4-(-2)-0	17-77-1 9-46-0 1-11-0 2-12-0 1-(-14)-0 1-(-3)-0	26-155-1 11-58-0					
Passing: PA-PC-INT-YD Barkley Wittek	8-70 38- 23 -0 372 -4 3-3-0 22-0	30 -23 -1 187 -6 	41 -20 -2 254 -0 	34- 22 -2 192 -2 -	30 -23- 0 303- 3 -	20 -10 -1 167 -1					
Receiving: NO-YDS-TD Lee Woods Grimble Telfer Vainuku Agholor Redd McNeal Blackwell Farmer	10-197-1 6-42-2 2-38-0 1-11-1 2-23-0 1-6-0 1-41-0 1-20-0 1-9-0 1-7-0	11-66-3 10-93-2 1-22-1 1-6-0 	8-100-0 4-38-0 1-19-0 4-20-0 3-77-0 	11-94-2 5-30-0 2-38-0 2-17-0 1-15-0 1-(-2)-0 	12-192-1 6-69-1 2-16-0 1-23-1 2-3-0 	2-32-0 5-88- 0 2-42-1 1-5-0 					
Punting: NO-YDS-LONG Negrete	3-137-50	3-150-65	6-255-50	2-86-48	2-77-53	6-238-39.7					
Punt Returns: NO-YDS- Robey Woods Brown *Includes 1 touchdow	2-34-0 	1-12-12 1-31-31 	 	2-6-7 	1-22-22 3-9-5 	2-2-1 1*-21-0					
Kickoff Returns: NO-YL Lee Agholor *Includes 1 touchdow	1*-100-10 	0 3-40-19	3-59-28 	2-41-25 	 1-19-19	1-24-24 2-50-28					
Interceptions: NO-YDS Bailey Starling Robey Pullard Shaw McDonald Shaw	- TD 1-27-1 1-14-0	2-2-0 	1-0-0 1-34-0 	 1-0-0 1-0-0	 1-38-1 	1-2-0 1-0-0					

Name Defensive Statistics: TA	Hawaii CEOD LOSS I	Syracuse	Stanford M DEC	California	Utah	Washington Colorado	Arizona	Огедоп	Arizona St.	UCLA	No. Dame
McDonald	5-2-1-0	6-0-0-0	9-0-1*-0	9 -0-1-0	9 -0-0-0	7 -1-0-0					
	5-2-1-0 7 -1-0-0	8 -1-0-0	9-0-1 -0								
Bailey				8-0-0-0	3-0-1-0	7 -0-0-0					
Pullard	6-0.5-0-0	8 -1-0-0	7-0-0-0	4-0-0-0	7-0-0-0	7 -0-0-0					
Dawson		1-0-0-0	10 -0-0-0	9 -0-0-0	4-0.5-0-0	4-0-0-0					
Breslin	5-2-2-0	5-2-0-0	3-1-0-0	6-4.5-0-0	5-1-0-0	2-1.5-0-0					
Robey	2-0-2-0	5-0-0-0	5-0-0-0	4-0-0-0	7-0-0-0	1-0-0-0					
Harris		8 -1-0-0	4-0-1-0	5-0-1-0	2-0-2-0	2-0-0-0					
Williams	2-1-1-1	2-1-0-0	1-0-0-0	4-3-0-0	5-1-0-0	4-2.5-0-1					
Uko	2-1.5-0-0	2-0-0-0	1-0-0-0	4-3-0-0	3-0.5-0-0	1-0-0-0					
Horton			5-0-0-0	3-1-0-0	4-1-0-0	1-1-0-0					
Sarao	4-1-0-0	1-0-0-0		1-0-0-0	3-0-1-0	4-0-0-0					
Brown	6-0-1-0	5-0-0-0				0-0-1**-0					
McAllister	3-0-1-0	2-0-0-0	3-0-0-0	1-0-0-0	1-0-0-0						
Starling	3-0-0-0	2-0-0-0	1-0-0-0	1-0-0-0	1-0-2-0	2-1-0-1					
Burnett	_	3-0-0-0	_		4-0-0-0	3-1-0-0					
Shaw	1-0-0-0	2-0-0-0			1-0-0-0	5-0-0-0					
A. Woods	1-0-0-0	2-0-0-0		3-0.5-0-0		2-1-0-0					
Townsend Jr.	3-1-0-0	2-0-0-0		1-0-0-0	1-0-0-0						
Tavai	3-0.5-0-0	2-1-0-0		1000		2-0-0-0					
Baucham	3-0.3-0-0 	3-0-1-0		3-0-0-0		2-0-0-0					
	3-0.5-0-0	2-0-0-0									
Wright	3-0.5-0-0 2-0-0-0	3-0-0-0									
Seymour				4.0.0.0	-						
Vainuku	1-0-0-0	2-0-0-0		1-0-0-0							
Andrew	3-0.5-0-0			-	1-0-0-0	-					
Bowman	2-0-0-0					1-0-0-0					
McMahon	1-0-0-0					2-0-0-0					
Dillard	1-0-0-0	2-0-0-0									
Agholor		-	2-0-0-0	-	-	-					
Team			2-0-0-0		-						
Vehikite				1-0-0-0	1-0-0-0						
Greene		2-0-0-0									
Starr	2-0-0-0										
Negrete	1-0-0-0					1-0-0-0					
Grimble	1-0-0-0										
W. Tober	1-0.5-0-0										
Heyward	0-0-0-1	1-0-0-0									
Pomee	-				1-0-0-0						
Pinner		1-0-0-0									
M. Simmons	1-0-0-0										
McBride	1-0-0-0			1-0-0-0							
R. Woods	1-0-0-0			1-0-0-0							
R. Woods Redd	1-0-0-0					1-0-0-0					
Telfer		-	_		0-0-1*-0						
*Includes 1 blocked fi											
**Includes 1 blocked	punt										

USC TEAM STATISTICS

Name	Hawaii	Syracuse	Stanford	California	Utah	Washington Colorado	Arizona	Oregon	Arizona St.	UCLA	No. Dame
First Downs	20	17	16	29	22	15					
Rush	2	8	2	14	8	7					
Pass	14	9	11	12	10	7					
Penalty	4	0	3	3	4	1					
Rush Attempts	23	33	27	40	32	40					
Yds Gain	99	279	70	307	152	227					
Yds Lost	18	21	44	11	23	23					
Net Yards	81	258	26	296	129	204					
Net Yds Pass	394	187	254	192	303	167					
Pass Att	41	30	41	34	30	20					
Pass Com	26	23	20	22	23	10					
Had Int	0	1	2	2	0	1					
Tot Off Plays	64	63	68	74	62	60					
Tot Net Yards	475	445	280	488	432	371					
Avg/Play	7.4	7.1	4.1	6.6	7.0	6.2					
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0	2-1	2-1	3-2	2-0					
Penalties-Yds	8-74	12-82	8-79	8-65	14-100	10-70					
Punts-Yds	3-137	3-150	6-255	2-86	2-77	6-238					
Avg/Punt	45.7	50.0	42.5	43.0	38.5	39.7					
Punt Ret-Yds	2-34	2-43	0-0	2-6	4-31	3-23					
KO Ret-Yds	1-100	3-40	3-59	2-41	1-19	3-74					
Int-Yards	2-41	2-2	2-34	2-0	1-38	2-2					
Fum Ret-Yds	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0					
Poss Time	27:29	30:46	28:05	31:28	32:53	32:03					
3rd Down Con	4-14	6-12	0-12	5-12	5-11	2-12					
4th Down Con	4-6	1-3	3-5	1-2	0-0	0-1					
Sacks By-Yds	5-27	2-10	0-0	9-56	1-3	5-24					

Game-By-Game Starters

Name	Hawaii	Syracuse	Stanford	California	Utah	Washington Colorado	Arizona	Oregon	Arizona St.	UCLA	No. Dame
Offense WR LT LG C RG RT TE QB FB	Walker Martin Holmes Martinez Graf Telfer Barkley Redd* McNeal	R. Woods Walker Martin Holmes Martinez Graf Grimble Barkley Vainuku McNeal	Walker Martin Hobbi Martinez Graf Telfer Barkley Grimble# McNeal	Walker Markowitz Holmes Martinez Graf Telfer Barkley Vainuku McNeal	Walker Martin Holmes Martinez Graf Telfer Barkley Grimble# McNeal	Walker Martin Holmes Martinez Graf Grimble Barkley Vainuku Redd					
WR	Lee	Lee	Lee	Lee	Lee	Lee					
Defense DE NT DT DE SLB MLB WLB CB FS SS CB *USC used 2 tailback **USC used 3 corner! #USC used 2 tight en	back starters	Uko Tavai Bailey Pullard Seymour** Robey McDonald Starling Brown	Uko A. Woods Williams Breslin Bailey Dawson Pullard Robey McDonald Starling Harris	Horton A. Woods Uko Breslin Bailey Dawson Pullard Robey McDonald Starling Harris	Horton Uko Williams Breslin Bailey Dawson Pullard Robey McDonald Starling Harris	Horton Uko Williams Breslin Bailey Dawson Pullard Robey McDonald Starling Harris					

OPPONENT TEAM STATISTICS

Name	Hawaii	Syracuse	Stanford	California	Utah	Washington Colorado	Arizona	Oregon	Arizona St.	UCLA	No. Dame
First Downs	19	27	22	21	15	14					
Rush	7	8	8	8	5	6					
Pass	9	16	11	12	9	8					
Penalty	3	3	3	1	1	0					
Rush Attempts	32	41	37	36	22	30					
Yds Gain	108	153	213	142	105	127					
Yds Lost	52	20	11	65	10	26					
Net Yards	56	133	202	77	95	101					
Net Yds Pass	208	322	215	173	209	198					
Pass Att	39	46	32	34	38	28					
Pass Com	24	30	15	18	23	20					
Had Int	2	2	2	2	1	2					
Tot Off Plays	71	87	69	70	60	58					
Tot Net Yards	264	455	417	250	304	299					
Avg/Play	3.7	5.2	6.0	3.6	5.1	5.2					
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0	0-0	1-0	3-1	2-2					
Penalties-Yds	9-83	5-40	10-83	7-54	13-122	6-50					
Punts-Yds	7-260	6-228	4-212	4-172	6-275	6-187					
Avg/Punt	37.1	38.0	42.4	43.0	45.8	31.2					
Punt Ret-Yds	1-39	2-(-6)	0-0	2-15	1-6	4-43					
KO Ret-Yds	5-106	4-72	3-87	3-66	2-32	3-83					
Int-Yards	0-0	1-0	2-4	2-0	0-0	1-7					
Fum Ret-Yds	1-(-4)	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-8	0-0					
Poss Time	32:31	29:14	31:55	28:32	27:07	27:57					
3rd Down Con	7-16	8-17	5-14	3-14	3-12	3-12					
4th Down Con	0-0	2-2	0-0	1-2	2-2	0-1					
Sacks By-Yds	1-11	2-17	4-21	0-0	0-0	2-16					