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2012-13 PAC-12 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HONORS STANFORD'S OGWUMIKE NAMED PAC-12 PLAYER OF THE YEAR AND DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR COLORADO'S ROBERSON NAMED PAC-12 FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR STANFORD'S VANDERVEER VOTED JOHN R. WOODEN PAC-12 COACH OF THE YEAR

WALNUT CREEK, Calif. -- In a vote of the league's 12 women's basketball head coaches, STANFORD junior **Chiney Ogwumike** was voted the Pac-12 Player of the Year and Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year, Commissioner Larry Scott announced today. Commissioner Scott also announced that COLORADO's **Arielle Roberson** was selected the Pac-12 Freshman of the Year. Additionally, STANFORD head coach **Tara VanDerveer** was also voted the John R. Wooden Coach of the Year by her colleagues, the 13th time in her career and third-straight year she has won the award.

The Conference Coach of the Year honor was renamed in honor of the late John R. Wooden, former legendary UCLA coach, during the 2010-11 campaign.

The complete list of honors are listed below:

ALL-PAC-12 (15 members)				
Name	School	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown
Brittany Boyd	California	G	So.	Berkeley, Calif.
Gennifer Brandon	California	F	Jr.	Sylmar, Calif.
Alyssia Brewer	UCLA	F	Sr.	Tulsa, Okla.
Layshia Clarendon**	California	G	Sr.	San Bernardino, Calif.
Jazmine Davis*	Washington	G	So.	San Jose, Calif.
Cassie Harberts	USC	F	Jr.	San Clemente, Calif.
Chucky Jeffery**	Colorado	G	Jr.	Colorado Springs, Colo.
Kristi Kingma**	Washington	G/F	Sr.	Mill Creek, Wash.
Atonye Nyingifa	UCLA	F	Jr.	Torrance, Calif.
Chiney Ogwumike***	Stanford	F	Jr.	Cypress, Texas
Amber Orrange	Stanford	G	So.	Houston, Texas
Michelle Plouffe	Utah	F	Jr.	Edmonton, Alberta
Joslyn Tinkle	Stanford	F	Sr.	Missoula, Mont.
Markel Walker**	UCLA	G/F	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Davellyn Whyte****	Arizona	G	Sr.	Phoenix, Ariz.

two-time All-Pac-12 honoree; *three-time All-Pac-12 honoree

HONORABLE MENTION (receiving at least one point): Jillian Alleyne, ORE (Fr., F); Ariya Crook, USC (G, So.); Janae Fulcher, ASU (F, RS-Sr.); Lia Galdeira, WSU (G, Fr.); Tia Presley, WSU (G, So.); Jen Reese, COLO (So., F); Arielle Roberson, COLO (F, RS-Fr.); Iwalani Rodrigues, UTAH (G, RS-Sr.); Talia Walton, WASH (F, RS-Fr.); Jamie Weisner, OSU (G, Fr.); Taryn Wicijowski, UTAH (F, RS-Jr.).

ALL-FRESHMAN TEAM

Name	School	Pos.	Hometown
Jillian Alleyne	Oregon	F	Fontana, Calif.
Lia Galdeira	Washington State	G	Kamuela, Hawai'i
Arielle Roberson	Colorado	F	San Antonio, Texas
Talia Walton	Washington	F	Federal Way, Wash.
Jamie Weisner	Oregon State	G	Clarkson, Wash.

HONORABLE MENTION (receiving at least one point): Brianna Barrett, USC; Nirra Fields, UCLA; Kari Korver, UCLA; Haley Videckis, ASU.

ALL-DEFENSIVE TEAM

Name	School	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown
Chiney Ogwumike***	Stanford	F	Jr.	Cypress, Texas
Eliza Pierre**	California	G	Sr.	Pasadena, Calif.
Markel Walker	UCLA	G/F	Sr.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Aminah Williams	Washington	F	So.	Seattle, Wash.
Brittany Wilson	Colorado	G	Jr.	Long Beach, Calif.

** two-time All-Defensive team honoree *** three-time All-Defensive team honoree

HONORABLE MENTION (receiving at least one point): Promise Amukamara, ASU (G, So.); Brianna Barrett, USC (G, Fr.); Layshia Clarendon, CAL (G, Sr.); Lia Galdeira, WSU (G, Fr.); Rachel Hargis, COLO (C, Jr.); Chucky Jeffery, COLO (G, Sr.); Michelle Plouffe, UTAH (F, Jr.); Arielle Roberson, COLO (F, RS-Fr.); Davellyn Whyte, ARIZ (G, Sr.).

PAC-12 PLAYER OF THE YEAR CHINEY OGWUMIKE, JR., F, STANFORD

Junior forward Chiney Ogwumike (Cypress, Texas) becomes the 10th Cardinal all-time to earn Conference player of the year honors. Stanford players have won the award a league-record 17 times, including each of the last six years. Ogwumike is also the first-ever player to win the player of the year and defensive player of the year honor in the same year, earning top defensive honors for the second year in a row. The Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year award has been recognized since the 2007-08 season. An All-American last year and a consensus national player of the year candidate, Ogwumike leads the Pac-12 with 22.9 points and 12.7 rebounds per game, shooting a league-best 59.1 percent from the floor. She is also the league's leader with 22 double-doubles. Her numbers rank among the best in the country this season, coming in second among all NCAA Division I women's basketball players in field goal percentage and double-doubles, while recording the third-best scoring average and fifth-best rebounding average. Ogwumike has been dominant this season, scoring at least 20 points in 23 of 30 games this season, including two 30-point outings. She has been just as dominant on the boards, recording one 20-rebound effort, while logging 10-rebound games 24 times. Leading Stanford to a 13th-consecutive regular-season league crown and the program's 22nd overall, Ogwumike broke the Pac-12's single-season rebounding record during the final weekend of regular-season play. She has amassed 381 boards so far this year, breaking the record set by her older sister, Nnemkadi, in 2010 (376). Chiney Ogwumike was named Pac-12 Player of the Week six times this season, setting a new league record. She has garnered the weekly recognition nine times in her career, also tying a Pac-12 mark. Ogwumike has scored 1,652 points in her career, ranking 31st in the Conference record book, and ranks ninth with 1,036 rebounds.

PAC-12 FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR ARIELLE ROBERSON, F, COLORADO

Forward Arielle Roberson (San Antonio, Texas) is the first-ever Colorado player to be selected Pac-12 Freshman of the Year after being named Pac-12 Freshman of the Week five times this season. She is second in scoring (12.4) and rebounds (5.8) on a Colorado squad that is ranked in the top 20 in the nation in both major polls. She helped the Buffs secure the No. 4 seed in this week's Pac-12 Tournament in Seattle, as well as a first-round bye. Roberson, who sat out all of last season because of injury, has the team's second-best shooting percentage at 42.8 percent, and also boasts a team-best 42.2 three-point shooting percentage. With her help, the Buffs rank 10th in the NCAA in rebounding margin

(9.2 rpg), as well as 24th in defensive field goal percentage (34.8 percent). Roberson is also an honorable mention All-Pac-12 and All-Defensive team member.

JOHN R. WOODEN PAC-12 COACH OF THE YEAR TARA VANDERVEER, STANFORD

Stanford head coach Tara VanDerveer has been voted John R. Wooden Coach of the Year for a third-straight season and the 13th time in her 27 years at Stanford. She has guided the Cardinal to a share of the regular-season Pac-12 title, the 13th year in a row the program has owned at least a share of the crown and the 22nd overall. A member of the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, Chiney Ogwumike becomes the 10th player under VanDerveer to be voted the Conference's Player of the Year, with her players garnering the honor 17 times since the league began sponsoring women's basketball in 1986-87. The Cardinal have been not ranked lower than sixth in the country all season and go into the Pac-12 Tournament ranked fourth in both major polls. Stanford also had a six-week stint where it was the No. 1 team in the nation from Nov. 19-Dec. 30. The top-seeded team in the Pac-12 Tournament for the 12th-year in a row, Stanford ranks in the top 25 in the country in 12 different statistical categories, including boasting the second-best defensive field goal percentage in the nation, limiting opponents to just 31.6 percent shooting from the floor. It has also allowed opponents to shoot just 23.0 percent from three-point range, which also ranks second in the country.

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