## USC releases radio affiliates

In what shapes up to be its most expansive coverage area ever, the University of South Carolina and Host Communications released the radio affili-
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network network for the 1998 Gamecock football season.
The an-nouncement came following a meeting of the network affil-
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cluding WPEK in Greenville (98.1 FM), which has a 100,000 watt signal and will provide Gamecock fans in the upstate with the biggest scope of coverage ever made available. New stations have also been lined up in Florence (WMXT), Greenwood (WCRS) and Abbeville (WZLA).

## 1998 Gamecock Football Radio Affiliates

## Carolina to face UGA on ESPN2

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The University of South Carolina's Sept. 12 home lootball game against the University of Georgia has been selected to be broadcast nationally by ESPN2 Starting time at Williams-Brice Stadium is $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. a change from the previously announced 7 p.m. starting time.

The game is the Southeastern Conference opener for both schools. Each of South Carolina's pre vious six SEC games against Georgia have been televised. Last year's game in Athens was regionally shown by CBS.

This will mark USC's third appearance on ES. PN2. The Gamecocks' past two meetings against llemson have also been shown by the national cable network.

The remainder of USC's 1998 football TV schedule will be announced at a later date.

The football team also has announced the reporting dates for the 1998 football season. The freshman will report on Aug. 6 and will be given a brief orientation followed by practice. On Aug. 9 , upperclassmen will return to campus.

The first full-team practice will be on Aug. 10. The Gamecocks, coming off a 5-6 campaign in 97 , will open their season on Sept. 5 against Ball state at 7 p.m.

Outside the state of South Carolina, affiliates in Atlanta and Jacksonville will also broadcast Gamecock football. Once again, Columbia's WVOC ( 560 AM ) will serve as the flagship station for the Gamecock radio network.

In addition, all radio broadcasts of Carolina football will again be available on the Internet at www.usesports.com.
"We're pleased to announce the affiliates who will be on our radio network for the upcoming Carolina football season," athletics director Mike McGee said. "As our program con tinues to move forward in a positive direction, we're pleased that our fans will receive better coverage over the Gamecock airwaves. We're grateful to these various affiliates across South Carolina and the Southeast for the confidence they have in the Gamecock program."

## Cubs' Sosa ties National League homerun mark

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CHICAGO - Sammy Sosa's solo home run in the fourth inning of Sunday's game against the Philadelphia Phillies tied a National League record for homers in one month. It was his 17 th homer of June.

Willie Mays hit 17 in August of 1965 for the San Francisco Giants. Sosa has hit 21 homers in his last 23 games. He has seven games remaining in the month and is one homer shy of Rudy York's majorleague record. York, playing for Detroit, hit 18 home runs in August of 1937.

Sosa now has 30 home runs on the season, two behind Mark McGwire for the major-league lead.

## Bulls' Jackson walks away

Phil Jackson has coached the Chicago Bulls for the last time. The man who guided the Bulls to six NBA titles in eight seasons will not return to the Chicago bench for the 1998-99 season. Jackson had been the Bulls head coach since 1989.


