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2008 Schedule

August 30	at West Liberty State	1:30 p.m.
September 6	at Shippensburg	12:30 p.m.
September 13	at C.W. Post	12 noon
September 20	CALIFORNIA(PA)*	6:00 p.m.
September 27	at Lock Haven*	7:00 p.m.
October 4	GANNON*& <i>Homecoming</i>	2:00 p.m.
October 11	INDIANA(PA)**	3:30 p.m.
October 18	at Slippery Rock*	2:00 p.m.
October 23	MERCYHURST*&	7:00 p.m.
November 1	at Clarion*#	12 noon
November 8	MILLERSVILLE* <i>Family Weekend</i>	12 noon

* PSAC West contest # PA SPORTSfever TV & WSEE TV

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Fighting Scots On The Radio, TV

Edinboro University football fans can catch all the Fighting Scot gridiron action on WFSE FM 88.9. The Edinboro student radio station will broadcast all eleven games, providing valuable broadcasting experience for Edinboro students, along with quality broadcasts of Fighting Scot athletics.



In addition, the Edinboro University student television station, ETV, will present the Fighting Scots Game of the Week on ScotsCast. Current plans call for all home football games to be aired, and audio of all away games will also be streamed over EZStream. Access EZStream through the Edinboro athletic web site at www.gofightingscots.com.

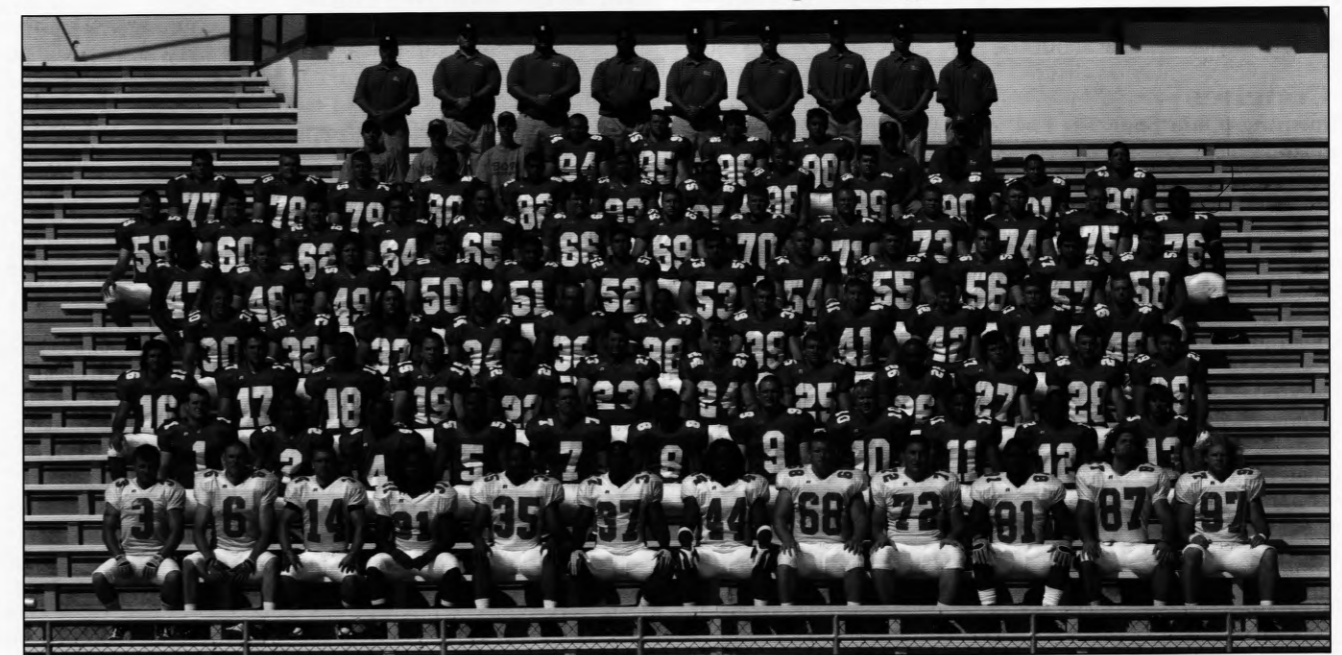


PA SPORTSfever will televise the Shippensburg, Indiana(Pa.) and Clarion games, while Erie CBS affiliate WSEE TV will broadcast the Gannon and Mercyhurst games.

For More Information

Information on Fighting Scot athletics is available on the internet by accessing the Edinboro athletic department website at www.gofightingscots.com. Results also are available on the Fighting Scot Hotline by calling (814) 732-1837.

The 2008 Edinboro Fighting Scots



The California(Pa.) Game



#23 Edinboro Fighting Scots (4-1, 1-1)

VS.

Gannon Golden Knights (3-2, 1-1)

Saturday, October 4, 2008 -- Homecoming
Sox Harrison Stadium -- 2:00 p.m.



Edinboro (3-1)

Aug. 30	at West Liberty St.	W, 35-10
Sept. 6	at Shippensburg	W, 34-11
Sept. 13	at C.W. Post	W, 31-7
Sept. 20	CALIFORNIA(PA)	L, 31-35
Sept. 27	at Lock Haven	W, 31-0
Oct. 4	GANNON	2:00 p.m.
<i>Homecoming</i>		
Oct. 11	INDIANA(PA)	3:30 p.m.
Oct. 18	at Slippery Rock	2:00 p.m.
Oct. 23	MERCYHURST	7:00 p.m.
Nov. 1	at Clarion	12 noon
Nov. 8	MILLERSVILLE	12 noon
<i>Family Weekend</i>		

Gannon (3-2)

Aug. 28	at Lake Erie	W, 24-22
Sept. 6	at East Stroudsburg	L, 10-23
Sept. 13	at Cheyney	W, 40-18
Sept. 20	at Slippery Rock	L, 16-24
Sept. 27	CLARION	W, 31-24
Oct. 4	at Edinboro	
Oct. 11	MERCYHURST	
Oct. 18	CALIFORNIA(PA)	
Oct. 25	at Lock Haven	
Nov. 1	INDIANA(PA)	
Nov. 8	BLOOMSBURG	

Today's Game

Welcome to Homecoming 2008. It's definitely a new look for Homecoming, with the parade on campus.

It's also a new look on the gridiron, as one of two new members of the PSAC Western Division providing today's competition. Gannon will make the short trip down I-79 to play for the first time against the Fighting Scots as a member of the PSAC.

The Fighting Scots come in with a 4-1 record following last Saturday's 31-0 win at Lock Haven. Gannon, meanwhile, held off a late rally by Clarion to post a 31-24 win and improve to 3-2.

The two teams have played just twice before in 2001 and 2002, with the Fighting Scots winning both meetings.

We hope you enjoy this afternoon's game, particularly all those alumni who make it back just once a year. We also have a special treat, with the Navy's E-2C Hawkeye marking the post game with a fly over. You can learn more about the E-2C Hawkeye on page 60.

The Coaches

Scott Browning (Ohio State '81) took over as Edinboro's 13th head coach on January 5, 2006. He was certainly no stranger to Fighting Scots football, however, serving as an assistant coach for the previous twenty years. While at Edinboro he has coached the offensive linemen, defensive backs and running backs, along with serving as the offensive coordinator. Browning became the first head coach at Edinboro to debut with a win since Bill McDonald in 1969 when the Fighting Scots opened the 2006 season with a 28-14 win at West Chester. He went on to lead Edinboro to a 6-5 finish, the most wins ever by a first-year coach. A year ago he led the Fighting Scots to a 7-4 record. With 13 wins after two seasons, Browning tied Bill McDonald and Tom Hollman for most wins in their first two seasons. He now owns a 17-10 mark. (For more on Scott Browning, see pages 6-7.)

Jim Kiernan (St. Lawrence '90) is in his second season at the helm of the Golden Knights. He has a 4-12 record. Kiernan was hired as the fourth head coach at Gannon in December 2006 after serving as an assistant coach at Saginaw Valley State for eight seasons. He's no stranger to northwest Pennsylvania football, serving as the offensive coordinator at Mercyhurst from 1995-97. He has also had coaching stints at

Lakeland(WI) College, Alabama A&M and Kentucky Wesleyan.

The Edinboro-Gannon Series

Edinboro leads 2-0

The Fighting Scots have won both previous meetings. The first one came in 2001, a 37-21 victory at Sox Harrison Stadium. A year later the two met in the 2002 season opener, with Edinboro a 17-7 winner.

The Last Meeting

Edinboro 17, Gannon 7

The Fighting Scots finished with just 192 total yards while Gannon had 316 yards. But the Golden Knights were held scoreless until the first minute of the fourth quarter when Kevin Cloherty scored on a one-yard run. It was too little, too late. Edinboro jumped on the board just over three minutes into the game when Lincoln Bufalino hauled in a 55-yard pass from Cam Marsh. Geoff Heyl boosted the lead to 10-0 on a 40-yard field goal in the second quarter. Then midway through the third quarter, Alonzo Roebuck scored on a 6-yard run. Punter Sean McNicholas proved a major weapon for the Scots, averaging 47.7 yards on 3 kicks.

Last Week's Games

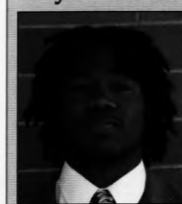
Edinboro 31, Lock Haven 0

The Fighting Scots posted their first shutout since 2006 by holding the

Scouting Gannon

After finishing with a 1-10 record a year ago, and that win was via forfeit, the Golden Knights are off to a 3-2 start in their first season in the PSAC. Gannon owns wins over Lake Erie (24-22), Cheyney (40-18), and Clarion (31-24). Last week's win over Clarion marked the home opener in 2008, after four straight road tilts.

Players to Watch



Jon Richardson, TB -- the junior (left) became the tenth player in school history to score 100 points, now showing 102 points after scoring a pair of TDs versus Clarion. He is currently leading the PSAC in rushing with 133.5 ypg. Richardson has 1,467 career yards, good for seventh all-time.

Bob Bartley/Zach Boedicker, QB -- look for both sophomore signalcallers to see action. Bartley is known as the better passer, and has thrown for 499 yards and 2 TDs. Boedicker is more recognized for his rushing skills, but has thrown for 380 yards and 3 TDs while rushing for 196 yards and 2 TDs, second on the team.

Jacobe Smith, WR -- the senior comes off a big game against Clarion, catching 4 passes for 90 yards, including a 28-yard TD reception. He leads the Knights with 18 catches for 206 yards.

Jeremy Ditzler, PK -- the sophomore has made 8 of 10 field goal attempts, the third-most field goals made in a season. Ditzler hails from nearby Iroquois High School.

Matt Ward, DE -- was named the PSAC West Defensive Player of the Week after a big game against Clarion. The senior made 9 tackles, with 4.5 for losses. That included 1.5 sacks, and he was a major reason Clarion finished with just 39 yards rushing. He leads the team in both tackles (37) and tackles for losses (7).

The California(Pa.) Game

Bald Eagles to 185 total yards. Branden Williams blocked a pair of field goals to lead the defensive effort. Trevor Harris threw a 24-yard touchdown pass to Gary Nolen and a 25-yarder to Rich Cerro. Houston Brown and Ulysee Davis accounted for the other scores on runs of 9 and 20 yards, respectively.

Gannon 31, Clarion 24

The Golden Knights celebrated Homecoming with a nailbiter against Clarion. Gannon led 31-17 heading into the fourth quarter, but the Golden Eagles closed to 31-24 and had the ball at the Gannon 26 with less than thirty seconds to play. Four straight incompletions sealed the win. Jon Richardson carried 26 times for 83 yards and 2 TDs.

31 is the Magic Number

Edinboro has now scored 31-or-more points in each of its first five games. In fact, the Fighting Scots have scored 31 points in each of the last three games. A year ago Edinboro scored at least 33 points in a string of five straight games.

22 Blocks 2 More

Freshman CB Branden Williams was recently named the PSAC West Defensive Player of the Week after blocking a field goal and returning an interception 100 yards for a touchdown at C.W. Post. He was at it again this past weekend, blocking a pair of Lock Haven field goals to secure the 31-0 shutout.

PSAC Has New Look in 2008

The 2008 season will represent a significant change in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. The PSAC adds three new teams this season, with Gannon and Mercyhurst moving over the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and becoming full-time members of the Western Division. C.W. Post joins the Eastern Division as an associate member in football and field hockey. The Pioneers previously competed in the Northeast-10 Conference. The PSAC now has 16 member schools, the largest football-playing conference in Division II.

Championship Game Returns to PSAC

This will mark the 75th year since PSAC football champions have been crowned, dating back to 1934 when a group of sportswriters recognized champions among Pennsylvania State Teachers Colleges. Since 1987 the PSAC has recognized divisional champions but no true conference champion could be crowned. That will change this year, as the 2008 season will mark the return of the PSAC Championship Game. The PSAC title game will be played on November 8, the final week of the regular season. It will pit the first place team in the Eastern Division against the first place team in the Western Division. The site will rotate between divisions each year, with the Western Division serving as the host in 2008.

Harris Breaks Pair of Records

Trevor Harris continues his assault on the Edinboro record book and is also quickly ascending in the PSAC records. The junior quarterback set a pair of school records in the win over Lock Haven. He threw two touchdown passes to give him 63 for his career, breaking the record of 62 previously held by Jody Dickerson. His first pass completion of the afternoon broke a tie with Justin Bouch for the career record for completions. He now has 570. He is fast approaching the school record for career yards passing and career total offense. He needs 253 yards to break the record for yards passing, and 287 for the total offense standard.

Shutout First Since 2006

The Edinboro offense has gained most of the attention in 2008, but it had to take a backseat to the defense at Lock Haven. The Fighting Scots limited Lock Haven to 185 total yards while posting its first shutout since 2006. The last whitewashing was a 13-0 win over Clarion on October 21.

Edinboro Remains Perfect on the Road

Edinboro has now played four of its first five games on the road, and

picked up wins in each instance. The last time the Fighting Scots won four games in a row on the road was 2004, and the last time they opened the season with four straight road victories was 1993, when the Fighting Scots won their first five road contests.

Trio of Players Make First Career Catches

Three players caught their first-ever passes at Lock Haven. Backup wide receiver Stefan English, a third-year sophomore, caught a 12-yard pass, while sophomore fullback Jimmy Doran caught an eighth-yard pass. Finally, Evan Landis made the move from defensive end to tight end prior to the Lock Haven game and caught a nine-yard pass.

Next for the Fighting Scots

Edinboro will play its second straight home game as IUP visits Sox Harrison Stadium on Saturday, October 11. Please note the special kick-off time of 3:30 p.m. to accommodate the PA SPORTSfever Network, which will televise the game throughout the state.

Edinboro Statistics

Rushing	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Lg.
Houston Brown	87	399	4.6	2	20
Ulysee "Spud" Davis	32	180	5.6	1	20
Trevor Harris	31	144	4.6	3	33
EUP Totals	196	894	4.6	7	33
Opp Totals	178	613	3.4	5	44

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Pct.	TD	Int.
Trevor Harris	133	86	1233	64.7	13	2
EUP Totals	146	91	1269	62.3	13	3
Opp Totals	138	72	824	52.2	3	3

Receiving	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Lg.
Rich Cerro	17	288	16.9	5	40
Denayne Dixon	13	183	14.1	2	38
Jeremy Burr	12	203	16.9	2	50
Houston Brown	10	89	8.9	0	39
Brad Gossett	10	53	5.3	0	17
EUP Totals	91	1269	13.9	13	50
Opp Totals	72	824	11.4	3	41

Tackles	Solo	Asst.	Total	Sacks	Int.
Y'hoshua Murray	20	17	37	0	0
Ryan Greene	20	8	28	1	0
Dan Skelton	15	11	26	0.5	1
Branden Williams	19	3	22	0	1
Chad Brooks	11	11	22	1.5	0
Jeremy Appell	13	9	22	2.5	0

Gannon Statistics

Rushing	Att.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Lg.
Jon Richardson	83	534	6.4	5	67
Zach Boedicker	30	196	6.5	2	41
Anthony Weaver	49	176	3.6	0	22
GU Totals	201	988	4.9	8	67
Opp Totals	189	626	3.3	7	54

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Pct.	TD	Int.
Bob Bartley	73	37	499	50.7	2	3
Zach Boedicker	47	25	380	53.2	3	1
GU Totals	121	63	883	52.1	6	4
Opp Totals	158	79	980	50.0	5	4

Receiving	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Lg.
Jacobe Smith	18	206	11.4	2	36
Sylvester Burel	9	133	14.8	0	28
Brig Van Etten	6	133	22.2	0	43
Cal Totals	55	670	12.2	5	49
Opp Totals	30	2378	12.6	4	44

Tackles	Solo	Asst.	Total	Sacks	Int.
Matt Ward	19	18	37	2.0	0
Matthew Neal Mink	16	15	31	0	1
Chris Murphy	9	17	26	3.0	0
Dave Postwaite	12	14	26	2.0	0

Welcome to Edinboro University

Dear Edinboro Friends and Fans of the Fighting Scots:



What an exciting time to be on our campus and a part of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania! In athletics, our regional rivals – Gannon University and Mercyhurst College – are now members of the PSAC-West. As a result, we're all more than eager to compete against our City of Erie neighbours! And in the spring, for the first time we'll field our varsity women's lacrosse team. But there's even more happening at Edinboro University. I invite you to take a look around and you'll see the progress of the past year, and the ongoing new construction projects in many areas on campus.

Sox Harrison Stadium's one million dollar renovation of a year ago – the artificial turf, lighting and new scoreboard – have been widely embraced throughout the region, making our stadium one of northwestern Pennsylvania's premier athletic field venues.

Directly across Scotland Road from the stadium, our new multipurpose sports and recreation dome will soon be ready for business, meaning our varsity and intramural athletic teams will share one of the area's finest (and certainly the largest!) indoor practice facilities. Imagine training indoors on an NCAA regulation track or field while the wind howls and the snow flies in sub-freezing temperatures outside. But we'll also use the dome for much more than athletics. In fact, any major indoor event such as commencement and perhaps other community activities, for example, antique car shows, can and will be held there.

Across Scot Road to the south, the first phase of our \$115 million student housing project is on track for January occupancy, bringing the finest in student living amenities to northwestern Pennsylvania. Continuing to head south on Scotland Road, the recent \$20 million renovation and expansion of the Frank G. Pogue Student Center has quickly become a shining centerpiece and hub of campus activities.

Heading west on Scot Road, you might have noticed the construction just west of the beautiful and serene five-acre Mallory Lake. Within the year, our new Human Services Building will be ready for occupancy there, housing our Nursing programme and our Speech, Language and Hearing Department.

Continuing west along Normal Street, the new \$5 million Dr. William P. Alexander Music Center, our first campus structure built specifically to meet the Music Department's needs, stands next to Academy Hall, the first campus building constructed in 1857 and now listed on the National Register of Historic Places. One of the oldest former Normal School buildings in the nation still used for academic purposes, Academy Hall recently underwent a \$5 million renovation and now houses our Undergraduate Admissions Office. Please stop by on this or your next campus visit.

And if all that isn't enough, a \$23 million construction project will soon be launched on exterior and interior expansion and renovation of Cooper Hall, which houses Edinboro's many science programmes.

So, you can see why we're so excited! Whether in the classrooms, laboratories, libraries or athletic venues, Edinboro University goes far beyond the norm in creating a 21st century higher education experience for the complete college student.

Whether athletics or academics or more than 100 extracurricular activities, whether undergrad or graduate programmes, great things are happening here! And they're going to get even better! I encourage you to be part of our winning team.

Enjoy your visit, and please return often.

Go Fighting Scots!

Jeremy D. Brown, President



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Scott Browning knows a thing or two about the Edinboro football tradition. With twenty years under his belt as an assistant coach, he was all too familiar with the glory days of Edinboro football. So it didn't take him long to restore some lost traditions when he took over as the 13th head football coach of the Fighting Scots on January 5, 2006.

Most prevalent was the return to the "Boro", the common name the football team was referred to during the 1980's and '90's, some of the most

successful periods in Edinboro football history.

One thing Browning didn't mess with was the tradition of winning. In fact, in his first two seasons Browning has tied the record for most wins by a coach with 13 victories. Only Bill McDonald, who guided the 1969 and 1970 teams to 13 wins, and Tom Hollman, who also totaled 13 wins in 1988 and '89, can match Browning's start.

His first edition finished with a 6-5 record, the most wins ever under a first-year coach. But it didn't end just on the football field. The Fighting Scots excelled in the classroom, including a cumulative team GPA of over 2.8 for the spring semester.

Browning became the first coach at Edinboro since Sox Harrison to win his first two games as head coach. That happened in 1926, the first year of football at the Boro. Thanks to a 28-14 win at West Chester, he became the first coach since Bill McDonald in 1969 to win his first game as head coach.

That victory, on the road at West Chester between a pair of 2005 NCAA playoff teams, also displayed Browning's propensity as a riverboat gambler. The Fighting Scots went for it on fourth down four times, and made it three times.

A year ago the Fighting Scots finished with a 7-4 record while facing one of the most difficult schedules in recent memory. Edinboro faced four nationally-ranked teams, upsetting 25th-ranked Bloomsburg thanks to a memorable comeback, 42-41, while losing to eighth-ranked California (Pa.), 17th-ranked West Chester and 24th-ranked IUP. In fact, Edinboro's four losses came to teams which combined for a 40-9.

The Fighting Scots also continued the strong academic trend, with 15 players earning PSAC Scholar-Athlete honors.

"I am very pleased to announce the promotion of Scott Browning to the position of head football coach at Edinboro University," stated then-President Dr. Frank G. Pogue at the time.

"Scott has been a member of the Edinboro coaching staff for 20 years. He has demonstrated his ability to not only coach athletes on the playing field, but also to lead young men by the example of his character and by his dedication to them as students and as individuals. He will join our other highly successful coaches at Edinboro University."

After serving as the offensive line coach and recruiting coordinator in Lou Tepper's first season, Browning took over as the offensive coordinator in 2001.

He had previously served as the offensive coordinator for five seasons under Tom Hollman. In all, Browning had served as Edinboro's offensive line coach the previous 12 years.

Browning joined the Edinboro program in 1986 as the running backs coach under Steve Szabo. After two seasons on the offensive side of the ball, the graduate of The Ohio State University moved to the defensive side, serving as the defensive backfield coach under Hollman. In 1994 he moved back to offense as the offensive line coach. He had remained in charge of the line men since that time, coaching such All-Americans as Jeremy O'Day, Joe Valvoda and Greg Bzorek. The last two years Browning's offensive line led the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference in fewest sacks allowed.

When Tepper came on board in 2000, Browning was appointed the

Scott Browning's Coaching Background

Year	School	Coaching Duty	Record	Notable
New Mexico State (1982)				
1982	Graduate Assistant	Defensive Backs	3-8	
Idaho State (1983)				
1983	Assistant Coach	Receivers	8-4	NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs
Ohio State (1984-85)				
1984	Graduate Assistant	Running Backs	9-3	Rose Bowl
1985	Graduate Assistant	Running Backs	9-3	Citrus Bowl
Edinboro (1986-present)				
1986	Assistant Coach	Running Backs	7-3	
1987	Assistant Coach	Running Backs	3-8	
1988	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	5-4-1	
1989	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	8-3	PSAC West Champions NCAA Division II Playoffs
1990	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	9-3	NCAA Division II Playoffs
1991	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	7-4	
1992	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	8-2-1	NCAA Division II Playoffs
1993	Assistant Coach	Defensive Backs	8-3	NCAA Division II Playoffs
1994	Assistant Coach	Offensive Line	7-3	
1995	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	9-2	PSAC West Champions NCAA Division II Playoffs
1996	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	6-4	
1997	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	4-6	
1998	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	4-7	
1999	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	3-8	
2000	Assistant Coach	Offensive Line	5-6	
2001	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	4-6	
2002	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	5-6	
2003	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	9-3	PSAC West Champions NCAA Division II Playoffs
2004	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	9-3	PSAC West Champions NCAA Division II Playoffs
2005	Assistant Coach	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line	8-2	PSAC West Champions
2006	Head Coach		6-5	
2007	Head Coach		7-4	

Head Coach



Edinboro head football coach Scott Browning with son Drew.

recruiting coordinator in addition to his duties with the offensive line. A year later he was named the offensive coordinator, and the Fighting Scot offense made great strides over the last five years. Browning emphasized a balanced attack which showcased the combination of a strong ground game and dangerous aerial attack. Over his last three seasons Edinboro averaged 29.9 ppg. in 2003, 33.2 ppg. in '04, and 31.4 ppg. in '05.

All told, Browning has been an assistant coach on all seven of Edinboro's NCAA playoff teams, along with five of the nine PSAC champion squads. He took over a team which has been to the NCAA Division II Playoffs two of the last three years, and during that period has posted a 26-8 record. The 26 wins were the most in a three-year period in Edinboro history.

"It goes without saying that I am extremely excited to have this opportunity," noted an elated Browning. "I was proud to be a part of the teams in the 1990's that ranked among the best in Division II, and over the last few years we have once again elevated the program to one of the best in the country. The University and the community of Edinboro mean a great deal to me. Over the years we have tried to become an integral part of this community. I am thrilled that I can continue that association while taking over a group of players that represent the ideals I believe in."

"I'm sure you will see some changes in the future, but I can tell you this, the ideals remain in place for this program, and always have in the time I've been here. Without question we want to be successful on the field, and that means challenging for the PSAC West title. But we won't compromise integrity. We will continue to bring in young men

who have the ability to be successful both in the classroom and on the football field. It is my sincere belief that when they take the field, they must wear the Edinboro jersey with pride, and when they are in the community, that they have earned the respect that comes with being a Fighting Scot."

Browning has served on the staffs at three NCAA Division I institutions. Prior to joining the Fighting Scot staff, he coached receivers and running backs at Ohio State for two years while serving as a graduate assistant. That group included Keith Byars. The Buckeyes went to the Rose Bowl in 1984, dropping a 20-17 decision to USC to finish with a 9-3 record. The following year Ohio State went bowling again, this time defeating Brigham Young, 10-7, in the Citrus Bowl, to once again finish at 9-3.

Browning served as a graduate assistant coach at New Mexico State in 1982, and the following year instructed the receivers at Idaho State. Idaho State reached the NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs before suffering a 27-20 defeat to Nevada.

A 1981 graduate of The Ohio State University with a bachelor's degree in Education, Browning began his coaching career as an assistant coach at Worthington High School and Dayton-Fairview High Schools in Ohio from 1979-81. Before transferring to Ohio State he attended Capital University where he played football for one season. Browning later earned a master's degree in Education Administration from New Mexico State in 1983.

Browning, 49 and a native of Loudonville, Ohio, and his wife, Lynn, reside in Edinboro and have two children, Andrew (14) and Katelyn (10). His brother Mitch has also enjoyed a successful career as a football coach. After several noteworthy seasons as the offensive coordinator at the University of Minnesota, he was hired this past winter as the offensive coordinator at Syracuse University.

Browning's Personal Data

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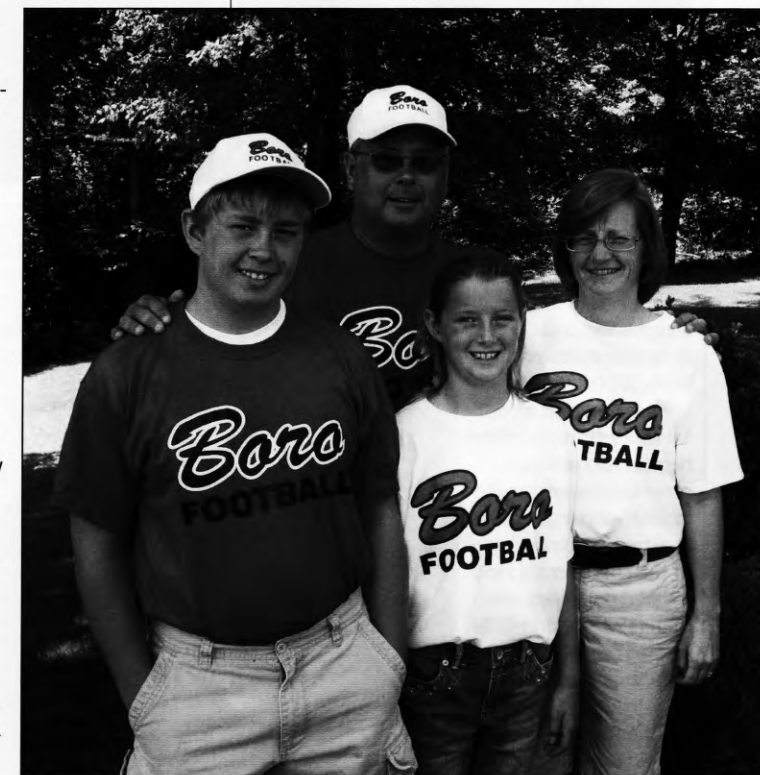
Born: October 28, 1958
Hometown: Perrysville, OH
Wife: Lynn
Children: Andrew (14), Katelyn (10)

EDUCATION

High School: Loudonville (OH) High School, 1977
College: The Ohio State University, B.S. in Education - 1981
Postgraduate: New Mexico State, M.S. in Education Administration - 1983
Playing Experience: Capital University, running back - 1977

COACHING

Coaching Experience: Worthington (OH) High School - assistant coach, 1979; Dayton-Fairview (OH) High School - assistant coach, 1980-81; New Mexico State University - secondary, 1982; Idaho State - receivers, 1983; Ohio State University - running backs, 1984-86; Edinboro University - offensive coordinator, defensive backs, running backs, offensive line, 1986-2005, head coach, 2006



Assistant Coaches



Wayne Bradford

Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers
10th Year
Salisbury State '90

Wayne Bradford is in his tenth year as a member of the Edinboro coaching staff. He enters his fourth season as the Fighting Scot defensive coordinator, and had previously held the same title in 1999 under former head coach Tom Hollman. After overseeing the defensive line for seven seasons, Bradford took over as the linebackers coach in 2006.

Bradford orchestrated the top defense in the country three years ago, as Edinboro paced Division II in scoring defense (9.3 ppg.), total defense (211.2 ypg.), and rushing defense (53.7 ypg.). In addition, Edinboro was third in pass efficiency defense and turnover margin. The Fighting Scots recorded three shutouts, the most since the 1975 team also shut out three opponents. A total of seven opponents were held to seven points or less. He coached four all-conference performers a year ago.

Two years ago his defensive unit recorded two more shutouts while leading the PSAC in rushing defense (70.6 ypg.), good for third in the country.

A year ago Bradford guided a young defense that ended up having five players earn All-PSAC honors.

Under Bradford's tutelage, Edinboro has had thirteen first team All-PSAC West defensive linemen. In fact, he has been responsible for three of the last four PSAC West Defensive Players of the Year, with Ben Stroup earning the honor in 2006, Chris Amico the 2005 recipient, and Seth Fragale the winner in 2004.

Bradford had previously been at Salisbury State since 1990, and was the Sea Gulls' defensive coordinator from 1994-98.

A graduate of Salisbury State, Bradford began his coaching career at his alma mater in 1990, serving as an assistant coach in charge of the linebackers (1990-92) and defensive linemen (1992-94). In 1994, he was promoted to defensive coordinator.

In 1997, Salisbury State ranked 38th in NCAA Division III in total defense, allowing just 268 yards per game. His 1995 defensive unit produced a first team AFCA

Bradford's Personal Data

Born: April 3, 1968
Hometown: Glen Burnie, MD
College Education: Salisbury State University, B.S. in Business Administration – 1990; M.S. in Business Administration – 1992
Playing Experience: Salisbury State University, offensive line – 1986-89
Coaching Experience: Salisbury State University – defensive line, defensive coordinator, 1994-99; Edinboro University – defensive coordinator, 1999, 2005 to present; defensive line, 2000-05.
Wife: Gwen
Children: Nicholas (10), Julia (8), Mitchell (3)



All-American at linebacker, and helped the Sea Gulls finish 7-2 with a berth in the ECAC Southwest Championship Game.

Bradford graduated from Salisbury State in 1990 with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration. He completed work on his master's degree in Business Administration from Salisbury State in 1992. In addition to working as a member of the football staff, Bradford was a faculty member in the School of Business. Beginning in 1996, he was the Director of the Business Graduate Programs for the Perdue School of Business.

As an undergraduate, Bradford was an offensive lineman. He played on the 1986 Salisbury State team which finished as the NCAA Division III national runnerup.

Bradford and his wife, Gwen, reside in Edinboro with their ten-year-old son, Nicholas, eight-year-old daughter, Julia and three-year-old son Mitchell.



Mike Yurcich

Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
4th Year
California (Pa.) '99

Mike Yurcich enters his fourth season as a member of the Edinboro University coaching staff. Yurcich joined the football staff in April 2005 as the quarterbacks coach. He enters his third season as the offensive coordinator after assuming that role in 2006.

Yurcich has overseen the development of the offense into one of the top units in the country. In particular, the Fighting Scots now rank as one of the top passing teams in Division II. A year ago Edinboro led the PSAC in passing offense (312.8 ypg.), ranked second in total offense (455.7 ypg.), and was fourth in scoring offense at 35.7 ppg., the highest total since 1994 and the fourth-highest in school history. The Fighting Scots ranked eighth in Division II in passing offense, 18th in total offense, and 25th in scoring offense.

A native of Euclid, Ohio, Yurcich served as a graduate assistant coach at Indiana University in 2003-04. In addition to conducting statistical analysis for the Hoosiers' offense, he assisted with the wide receivers.

Yurcich is no stranger to the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. After attending Mount Union in 1994-95, he transferred to California (Pa.) and played three seasons for the Vulcans. Yurcich was a two-year captain at California (Pa.), serving as the starting quarterback in 1996 and sharing the starting role in 1998.

Yurcich graduated from California (Pa.) with a bachelor's degree in Industrial Organization Psychology in May 1999, and later earned his master's degree in School Counseling from St. Francis(IN). While at St. Francis(IN), he served as an assistant coach for the Cougars, helping USF to four consecutive Mid-States Football Association Mid-East League Championships and four NAIA Playoff berths. The Cougars were 38-8 during the four-year period.

After coaching the running backs in 1999 at St. Francis, Yurcich worked with the quarterbacks in 2000 and 2001. He served as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach in 2002. He was also the junior varsity head

Yurcich's Personal Data

Born: November 5, 1975
Hometown: Euclid, OH
College Education: California University of Pennsylvania, B.A. in Industrial Organization Psychology – 1999; University of Saint Francis (Ind.), M.Ed. in School Counseling – 2002
Playing Experience: Mount Union College, quarterback – 1994-95; California University of Pa., quarterback – 1996-98
Coaching Experience: Indiana University – offensive graduate assistant, 2003-04; University of Saint Francis (Ind.) – running backs, 1999; quarterbacks, 2000-02; offensive coordinator, 2002; junior varsity head coach, 2000-02; Edinboro University – quarterbacks, 2005; offensive coordinator, 2006.

Assistant Coaches

coach from 2000-02.

Yurcich resides in Edinboro. He is engaged to former Edinboro cross country All-American Julie Nemerget, who was hired this past winter as Edinboro's assistant women's track & field coach.



Keith Braxton

Defensive Line
3rd Year
Virginia Military Institute '98

Keith Braxton was named Edinboro's defensive line coach in March of 2006 after serving as a member of the Virginia Military Institute coaching staff for five seasons. He was in charge of the defensive line after previously earning four letters as a defensive tackle at VMI. He also served as the defensive tackles coach at Loras College during the 1997 season.

As Edinboro's defensive line coach he has helped in the development of a pair of All-PSAC performers, with Chris Amico earning the honor both years and A.J. Cousins a 2006 selection.

As a player, Braxton was a three-year starter at VMI from 1994-96. He posted 195 career tackles, including 11 tackles for losses and 6 sacks. He had one of his top games as a sophomore, finishing with 8 tackles, 6 of those solo, in VMI's 26-23 win over Appalachian State.

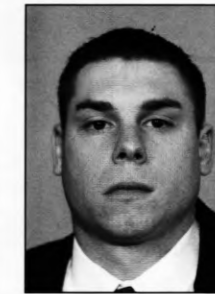
In all, he played in 44 career games with 35 starts. He was a tri-captain as a senior.

After serving as an assistant coach at Loras for a year, Braxton left coaching for two years to work as a customer service representative at First Union National Bank in Richmond, VA before returning to his alma mater in 2001.

Braxton is a native of Beaverdam, VA. He graduated from VMI in 1998 with a bachelor's degree in History. He is single and resides in Edinboro.

Braxton's Personal Data

Born: April 10, 1975
Hometown: Beaverdam, VA
College Education: Virginia Military Institute, B.A. in History – 1997
Playing Experience: Virginia Military Institute, defensive tackle – 1993-96
Coaching Experience: Loras College – defensive tackles, 1997; Virginia Military Institute – defensive tackles, 2001-05; Edinboro University – defensive line, 2006



Kim Niedbala

Defensive Backs
3rd Year
Clarion '99

Kim Niedbala joined the Edinboro coaching staff in the spring of 2006 as the defensive backs coach after serving as an assistant coach at Clarion for seven seasons from 1999-05.

He has quickly made his mark at Edinboro while instructing the secondary. In his first season a pair of players earned All-PSAC West honors, and this past year three of the four members of the secondary were recognized as All-PSAC performers.

At Clarion, he was elevated to the defensive coordinator in 2002 after working with the outside linebackers in 1999, then taking over as the secondary coach and special teams coordinator from 2000 until 2002.

One of the top players in Clarion history, Niedbala was a three-time All-American at free safety and strong safety from 1994-96. He was a consensus first team All-American in 1996, including Associated Press Little All-America after posting 106 tackles, 100 solo, with 20 passes broken up, 4 tackles for losses and a pair of interceptions.

A captain on the '96 team, he helped the Golden Eagles finish with an 11-3 record. Clarion won the East Region title and advanced to the Division II semifinals before suffering a 19-18 loss to eventual national champion Northern Colorado. Clarion was awarded the ECAC Lambert Cup.

Niedbala recorded 117 tackles, 9 passes broken up, and had 5 interceptions in 1995, earning second team Associated Press Little All-America honors and second team Football Gazette All-American accolades. In 1994, he had 98 tackles, 6 tackles for losses, 4 interceptions and 3 sacks.

Niedbala concluded his career with 407 tackles, 34 passes broken up, 12 interceptions, 11 tackles for losses and 8 fumble recoveries. He was selected to play in the Snow Bowl following his senior season. In all, he earned first team All-PSAC West honors his final three years.

A native of Beaver Falls, PA, Niedbala received his bachelor's degree in Geography from Clarion in 1996. He began his coaching career at Glensville State, serving as the secondary coach during the 1997 and '98 campaigns.

Niedbala and his wife, Melissa, reside in Meadville, PA with their daughter Isabel, who was born on February 13, 2008.



Niedbala's Personal Data

Born: February 26, 1974
Hometown: Beaver Falls, PA
College Education: Clarion University of Pennsylvania, B.S. in Geography – 1996
Playing Experience: Clarion University of Pennsylvania, safety – 1992-96
Coaching Experience: Glensville State University – secondary, 1997-98; Clarion University – outside linebackers, 1999; secondary, 2000-01; defensive coordinator, 2002-05; Edinboro University – defensive backs, 2006
Wife: Melissa
Children: Isabel (born Feb. 13, 2008)

Assistant Coaches



Jim Henson

Running Backs
11th Year
Hiram '68

Jim Henson, a highly successful high school coach in Ohio for over twenty years, enters his eleventh season on

the Edinboro staff. He is also a professor in the Mathematics Department at Edinboro.

After working on the defensive side of the ball as the strong safeties/outside linebackers coach for two years, Henson moved over to the offense and will instruct the running backs for the seventh straight season. He previously worked with the running backs in 1999 and was in charge of the defensive linemen in '98.

Henson joined the Edinboro staff after serving as a mathematics teacher, football coach and athletic director at Grand Valley High School in Ohio for 22 years. He led the Mustangs to a 150-68-4 record, with five Grand River Conference championships, three East Suburban Conference titles, and three state playoff appearances. In the 1990's, Henson's charges posted three undefeated campaigns and a 23-game regular season winning streak. He was named the Conference Coach of the Year

Henson's Personal Data

Born: September 11, 1946
Hometown: Orwell, OH
College Education: Hiram College, B.A. in Arts & Mathematics – 1968; Youngstown St. Univ., M.S. in Mathematics Education – 1972
Playing Experience: Hiram College, defensive back – 1964-66
Coaching Experience: Cardinal Middlefield (OH) High School – assistant coach, 1968-75; Grand Valley (OH) High School – head coach, 1976-97; Edinboro Univ. – defensive line, 1998; strong safeties/ outside linebackers, 2000-01; running backs, 1999, 2002 to present
Wife: Evelyn
Children: Jim (39), Jennifer (31)

eight times and County Coach of the Year three times, culminated by his selection as the Ohio Division V Coach of the Year in 1997 and the Division IV Coach of the Year in '92. A year ago he was a member of the first class inducted into the Ashtabula County Football Hall of Fame.

Prior to beginning his stellar career at Grand Valley, Henson debuted as an assistant coach at Cardinal Middlefield (OH) High School, where he served for eight years.

Henson graduated from Hiram College in 1968 with a bachelor of arts degree in Mathematics, then completed work on his master of science degree in Education with a major in Mathematics from Youngstown State in 1972. He and his wife, Evelyn, reside in Edinboro. They are the parents of a son, Jim, who is the head football coach at Jefferson(Oh.) High School and a daughter, Jennifer, along with four grandchildren.



Anthony Peluso

Offensive Line
3rd Year
Edinboro '06

Edinboro head coach Scott Browning considers former Boro standout Anthony Peluso an up-and-coming talent in the coaching profession.

Peluso will once again work as an assistant coach in charge of the offensive line, a duty he assumed two years ago. He is also in charge of the strength and conditioning program. Three years ago Peluso assisted current head coach Scott Browning with the offensive line.

A native of Aliquippa, PA, Peluso was a three-year starter at right guard for the Fighting Scots. In all, he started his final 33 games at Edinboro, while playing in 43 career games.

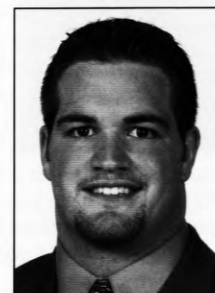
As a senior, Peluso was a key reason Edinboro made its first appearance in the NCAA Division II Playoffs since 1995, finishing the year with a 9-3 record. He earned first team All-PSAC West honors and was an honorable mention D2Football.com All-American. He also earned second team Football Gazette All-Northeast Region recognition.

Peluso has played professionally the last three years for Erie's entry in the AIFA, an indoor football league. He has been a starter on the offensive line since joining the Erie Freeze midway through the 2006 season. This season the team was the Erie RiverRats. Peluso was accorded All-AIFA Northern Division honors.

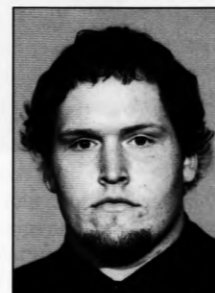
Peluso completed work on his bachelor's degree in Social Science in May 2006. He is single and resides in Edinboro.

Peluso's Personal Data

Born: October 8, 1981
Hometown: Aliquippa, PA
College Education: Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, B.S. in Social Science -- 2006
Playing Experience: Edinboro University, offensive guard – 2000-2003; Erie Freeze and Erie RiverRats professional indoor football league team.
Coaching Experience: Edinboro University – assistant offensive line, 2005; offensive line, 2006



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Offensive Assistant



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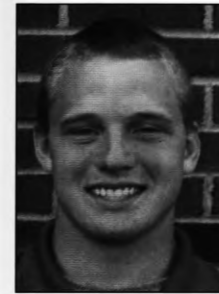
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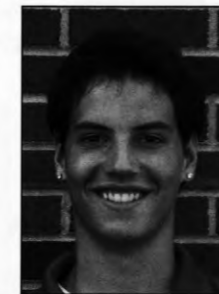
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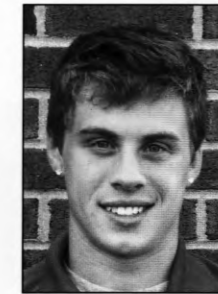
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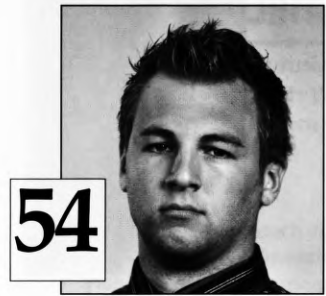
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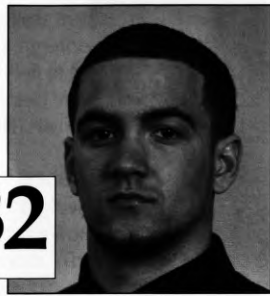
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Jeremy Artman ILB
Fr.-r Ashtabula, OH
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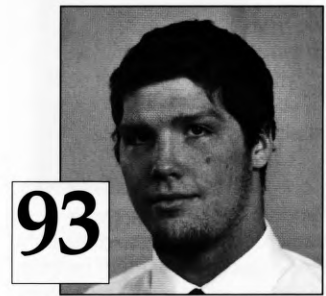
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Ron Bardo LS
Fr.-r Canton, PA
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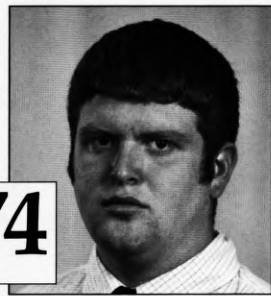
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Michael Battles TB
Fr.-r Coraopolis, PA
5'7" 170 lbs.



93

Anthony Biagotti OLB
Fr.-r Williamsville, NY
5'11" 185 lbs.



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Matt Black OG
Fr.-r Athens, PA
6'3" 288 lbs.



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Nate Boland FB
Fr. Rochester, NY
6'2" 215 lbs.

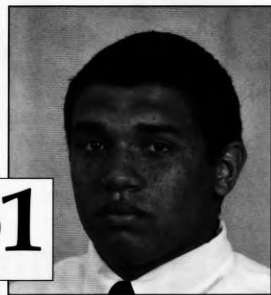


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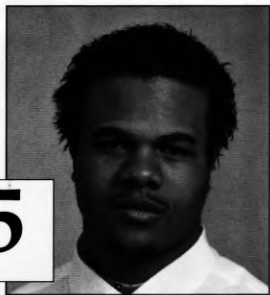


WR Jeremy Burr



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Chad Brooks DT
Jr. Hamlin, NY
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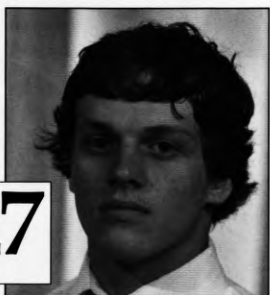
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Houston Brown TB
Jr. Westerville, OH
5'9" 196 lbs.



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Josh Brown WR
So. Sheperdstown, WV
6'0" 155 lbs.



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Adam Burdick FS
Fr. Newfane, NY
5'10" 182 lbs.

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Jeremy Burr WR
Sr. South Wales, NY
5'10" 185 lbs.



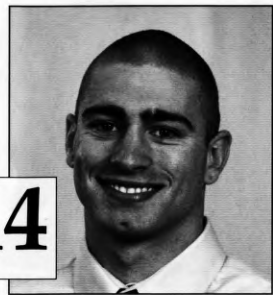
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Josh Bzorek OG
Sr. Saxonburg, PA
6'5" 306 lbs.



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Matt Caternolo NG
So. Webster, NY
5'10" 254 lbs.



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Rich Cerro WR
Sr. Franklin, PA
5'10" 181 lbs.



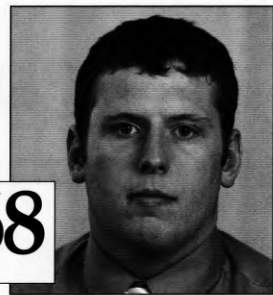
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Nick Christman DT
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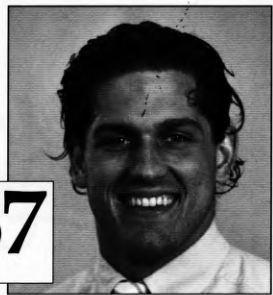
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Jack Corey OT
Fr. Canandaigua, NY
6'5" 325 lbs.



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Sr. Erie, PA
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Sr. Springdale, PA
6'5" 251 lbs.

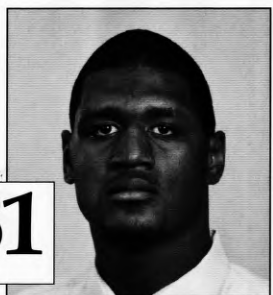


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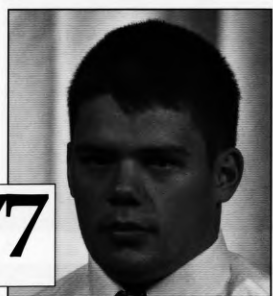
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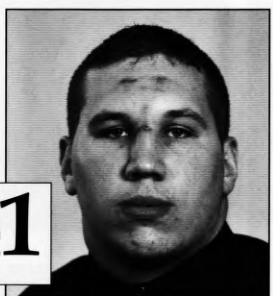
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Denayne Dixon TE
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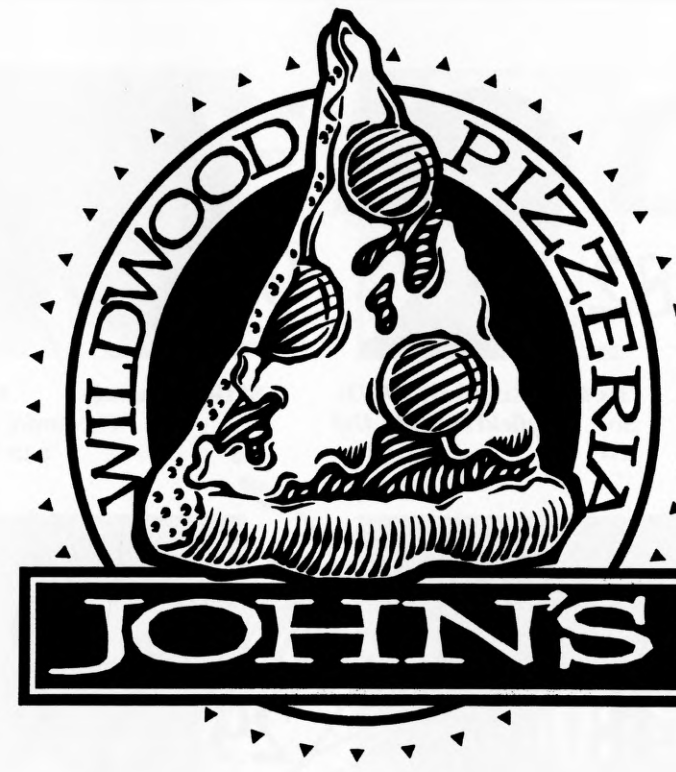
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Tony Domros DE
Fr. West Seneca, NY
6'2" 230 lbs.



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Jimmy Doran FB
So. Clay, NY
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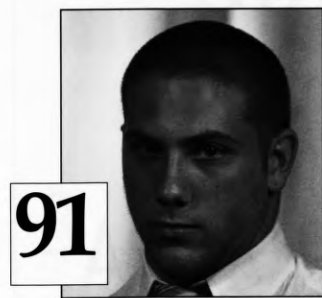


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Vinnie Durdella ILB
Fr. *Mayfield Village, OH*
5'8" 183 lbs.



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Shawn Ellenberger DT
Fr. *Emporium, PA*
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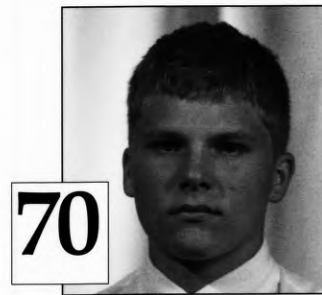
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6'4" 242 lbs.



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Ryan Ewing DE
Fr. *Verona, PA*
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Mike Fazio OT
Jr. *Pittsburgh, PA*
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Don Fickley FB
Fr. *Pittsburgh, PA*
5'10" 240 lbs.



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Ryan Genco P
Fr.-r *Silver Creek, NY*
5'11" 188 lbs.



WR Rich Cerro



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Brad Gossett TE
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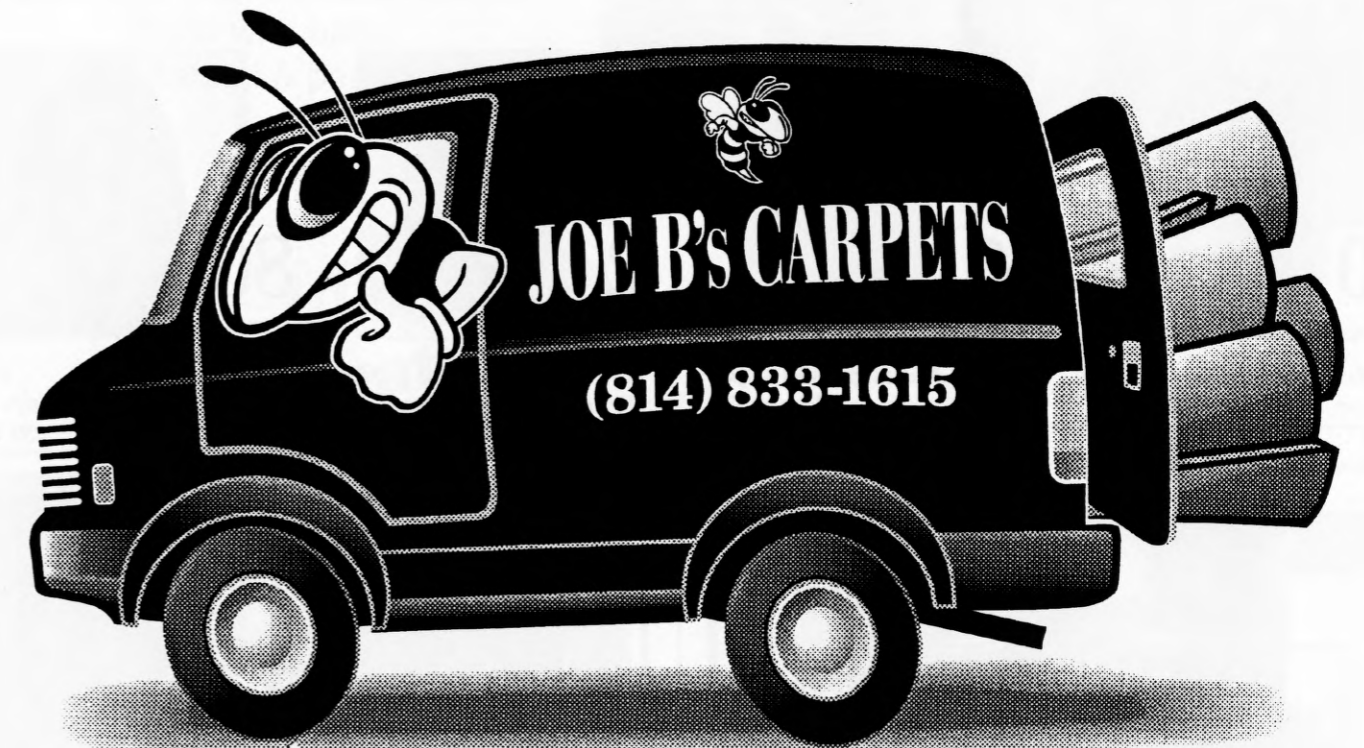
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5'10" 212 lbs.



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Trevor Harris QB
Jr. *Waldo, OH*
6'3" 210 lbs.

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Brandon Hensley DT
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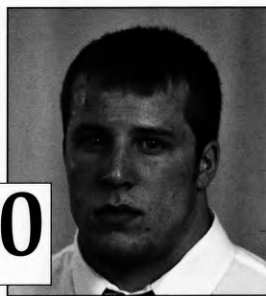
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Tyler Hersperger OT
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6'5" 288 lbs.



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Shane Hess OT
Fr.-r Lancaster, PA
6'4" 265 lbs.



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Nick Jackson OLB
Fr.-r Randolph, NY
6'1" 209 lbs.



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Josh Jesonowski C
Fr. Elma, NY
5'10" 259 lbs.



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D'mar Jeter CB
Fr.-r Aliquippa, PA
5'10" 152 lbs.



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Keir Jeter DE
Fr. Moon Township, PA
6'2" 231 lbs.



DE Mike Enoch



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Marcus Johnson WR
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Jordan Krentz OLB
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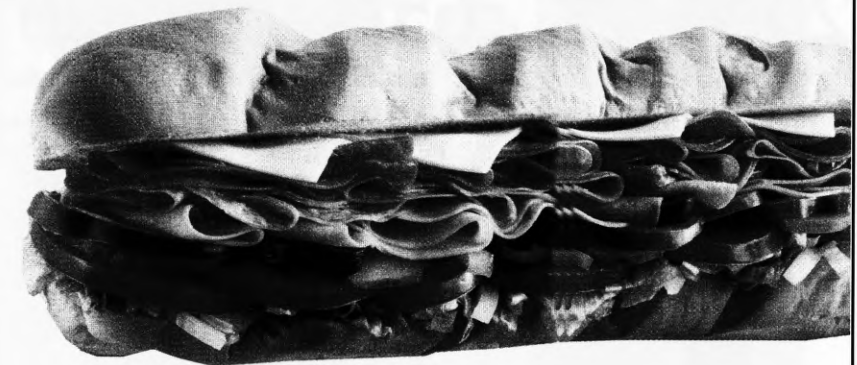
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6'4" 242 lbs.



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Ryan Levinger DE
Fr.-r Aliquippa, PA
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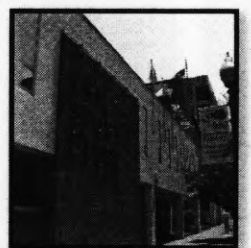
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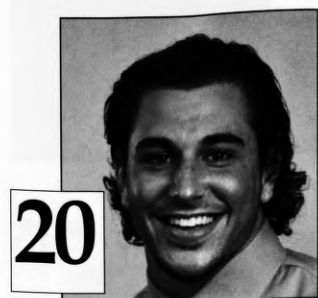
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6'1" 220 lbs.



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Yhoshua Murray ILB
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5'11" 220 lbs.



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Gary Nolen WR
So. Pittsburgh, PA
5'10" 164 lbs.



34

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Jr. Aliquippa, PA
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D.J. Patterson SS
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5'9" 190 lbs.



OLB Hardin Moss



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Mike Perillo FS
Fr.-r Elma, NY
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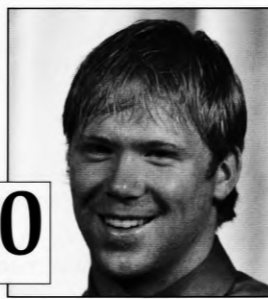
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Brandon Petry OT
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6'5" 260 lbs.



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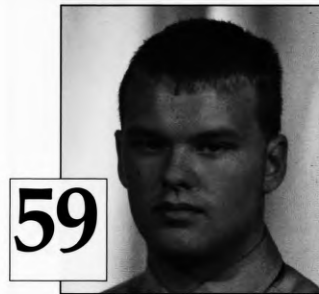
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59

Chris Reger OG
Fr. Hamburg, NY
6'3" 218 lbs.



17

Kyle Reiser WR
Fr. Renfrew, PA
6'2" 222 lbs.



73

Jake Reynolds OG
Fr.-r Avon Lake, OH
6'0" 302 lbs.



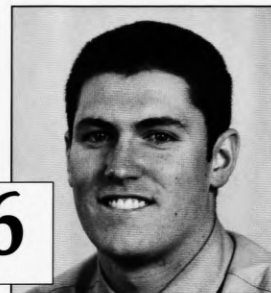
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Brian Roberts LS
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6'1" 253 lbs.



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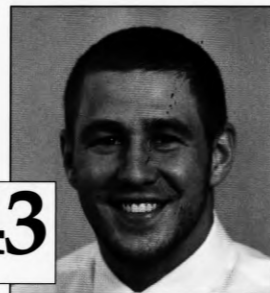
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Ryan Rybicki WR
Sr. Covina, CA
6'2" 208 lbs.



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Jonathan Saine OG
Fr.-r Dayton, OH
6'1" 313 lbs.

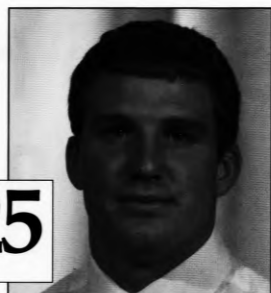


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Dan Skelton SS
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5'10" 178 lbs.

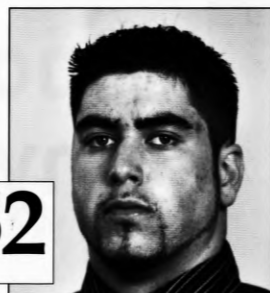


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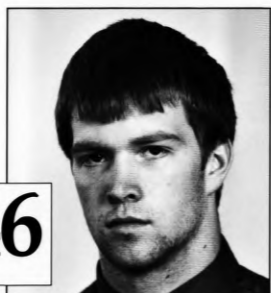
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Ryan Skelton OLB
Fr. Edinboro, PA
5'9" 173 lbs.



52

Adam Smith-Friedman NG
So. Webster, NY
6'2" 265 lbs.



46

Greg Sondag ILB
So. Wadsworth, OH
6'3" 210 lbs.



33

Zack Spearing OLB
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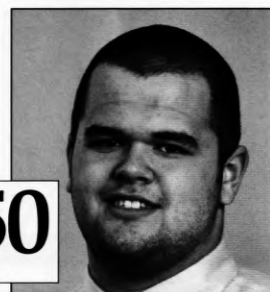
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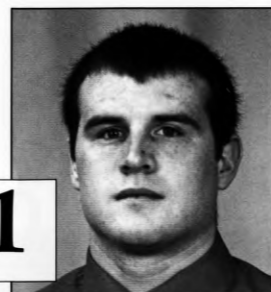
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Rob Stoner OG
So. Edinboro, PA
6'2" 295 lbs.



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Ricardo Stuvaints TB
So. McKeesport, PA
5'10" 185 lbs.



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Terry Tate NG
Jr. Tyrone, PA
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Jesse Williams CB
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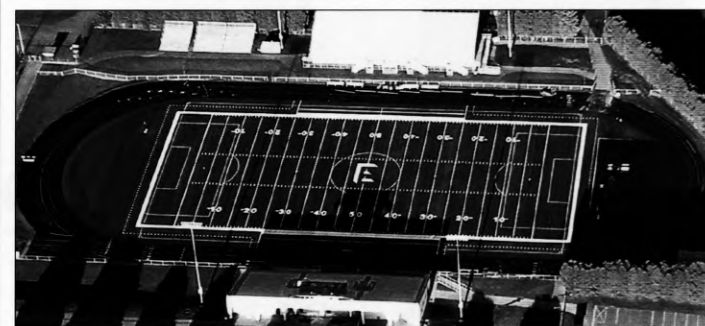
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Sox Harrison Stadium



Sox Harrison Stadium serves as the home of the Fighting Scots. Dedicated in 1965, the stadium honors the memory of B. Regis "Sox" Harrison, the head football and basketball coach at Edinboro University for 34 years. Sox Harrison was the key figure in the building of Edinboro's athletic program, unselfishly devoting 34 years of service to the University as an athletic director, coach and physical education instructor. Appropriately, he was the first



member inducted into the Edinboro Athletic Hall of Fame in 1982.

Harrison coached the Fighting Scot football team from its inception in 1926 to 1938, the returned to guide the gridders in 1941 and '42. In addition, he coached the men's basketball team for 23 seasons, from 1928-53, winning 175 games.

The stadium received a facelift last summer, giving it a spanking new look. Most noticeable is the installation of an artificial surface, Sportex, to replace the natural grass. And it is now illuminated, with lights being installed for the first time. Finally, a new scoreboard was installed.

Sox Harrison Stadium seats 6,000 people in its two grandstands, along with plenty of standing room. In addition to press boxes on both sides of the stadium, the facility has locker rooms, a training room and complete amenities for fans.

The stadium has undergone several renovations, including a new sound system and improved handicapped access areas in 1999. In 1997, a new grandstand was constructed on the visitor's side of the field, adding 2,500 permanent seats, along with a press box, locker rooms and a training room.

In addition to the football field, the facility contains complete track facilities.

Year-by-Year Record at Sox Harrison Stadium

1965	3-1	1987	2-3
1966	0-3	1988	3-0-1
1967	2-3	1989	5-0
1968	1-3	1990	5-0
1969	3-1	1991	4-1
1970	5-0	1992	4-1
1971	4-0	1993	3-2
1972	3-2	1994	4-1
1973	2-2-1	1995	5-0
1974	3-1	1996	3-1
1975	4-1	1997	3-3
1976	4-1	1998	3-2
1977	2-3	1999	2-4
1978	1-4	2000	4-2
1979	2-2	2001	4-1
1980	3-1-1	2002	2-3
1981	2-3	2003	4-1
1982	3-1	2004	4-1
1983	3-2	2005	6-0
1984	4-1	2006	2-4
1985	2-3	2007	3-2
1986	4-1	Overall	135-71-3



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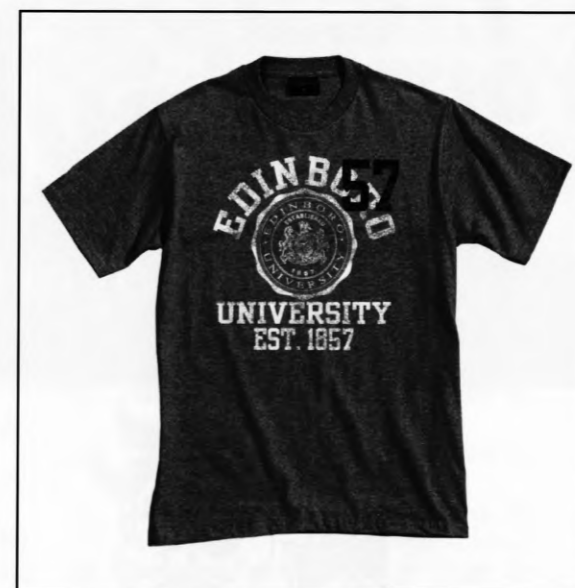
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54	Jeremy Appell	DE	6-1	223	Jr.
	<i>Webster, NY/Webster Schroeder</i>				
95	Jeremy Artman*	ILB	6-0	200	Fr.
	<i>Ashtabula, OH/Lakeside</i>				
98	Ron Bardo*	LS	6-4	267	Fr.
	<i>Canton, PA/Canton</i>				
32	Michael Battles*	TB	5-7	170	Fr.
	<i>Coraopolis, PA/Moon Area</i>				
93	Anthony Biagotti*	OLB	5-11	185	Fr.
	<i>Williamsville, NY/St. Joseph's</i>				
74	Matt Black*	OG	6-3	288	Fr.
	<i>Athens, PA/Athens Area</i>				
42	Nate Boland	FB	6-2	215	Fr.
	<i>Rochester, NY/Churchville-Chili</i>				
13	Merle Bouchat	PK/P	5-10	170	Fr.
	<i>Tarentum, PA/Highlands</i>				
51	Chad Brooks	DT	6-1	257	Jr.
	<i>Hamlin, NY/Albion/Fordham</i>				
5	Houston Brown	TB	5-9	196	Jr.
	<i>Westerville, OH/Westerville Central</i>				
8	Josh Brown	WR	6-0	155	So.
	<i>Sheperdstown, WV/Jefferson</i>				
27	Adam Burdick	FS	5-10	182	Fr.
	<i>Newfane, NY/Newfane</i>				
3	Jeremy Burr	WR	5-10	185	Sr.
	<i>South Wales, NY/Iroquois/ Erie(NY) CC</i>				
72	Josh Bzorek	OG	6-5	306	Sr.
	<i>Saxonburg, PA/Knoch</i>				
53	Matt Caternolo	NG	5-10	254	So.
	<i>Webster, NY/Webster Thomas</i>				
14	Rich Cerro	WR	5-10	181	Sr.
	<i>Franklin, PA/Franklin/Clarion</i>				
75	Nick Christman	DT	6-1	278	Fr.
	<i>Tonawanda, NY/Sweet Home</i>				
66	Jack Corey	OT	6-5	325	Fr.
	<i>Canandaigua, NY/Canandaigua Academy</i>				
68	Eric Costello	C	6-3	277	Sr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Central</i>				
87	Lucas Cox	TE	6-5	251	Sr.
	<i>Springdale, PA/Springdale/Iowa</i>				
31	Ulysee "Spud" Davis	TB	5-10	196	Sr.
	<i>Bryan's Road, MD/Bishop McNamara</i>				
81	Denayne Dixon	TE	6-4	251	Jr.
	<i>Cleveland, OH/Shaw/Gannon</i>				
77	Tony Domros	DE	6-2	230	Fr.
	<i>West Seneca, NY/West Seneca West</i>				
41	Jimmy Doran	FB	5-9	215	So.
	<i>Clay, NY/Cicero-North Syracuse/Mansfield</i>				
91	Vinnie Durdella	ILB	5-8	183	Fr.
	<i>Mayfield Village, OH/Mayfield</i>				
57	Shawn Ellenberger	DT	6-2	245	Fr.
	<i>Emporium, PA/Cameron County</i>				
82	Stefan English	WR	6-0	173	So.
	<i>Mayfield Heights, OH/Mayfield</i>				
97	Mike Enoch	DE	6-4	242	Sr.
	<i>Fredonia, NY/Fredonia</i>				
70	Ryan Ewing	DE	6-4	223	Fr.
	<i>Verona, PA/Plum</i>				
55	Mike Fazio	OT	6-4	290	Jr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Perry Traditional Academy</i>				
48	Don Fickley	FB	5-10	240	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Taylor Allerdice</i>				
29	Ryan Genco*	P	5-11	188	Fr.
	<i>Silver Creek, NY/Silver Creek Central</i>				
23	Brad Gossett	TE	6-4	255	Jr.
	<i>Perry, OH/Perry</i>				
37	Ryan Greene	ILB	6-2	235	Sr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Langley/Morrisville(NY) JC</i>				
36	Calyn Hamilton	ILB	5-10	212	Fr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Strong Vincent</i>				
7	Trevor Harris	QB	6-3	210	Jr.
	<i>Waldo, OH/Marion Pleasant</i>				
88	Seth Hembree	TE	6-7	215	Fr.
	<i>Williamsport, PA/Williamsport Area</i>				
69	Brandon Hensley*	DT	6-2	260	Fr.
	<i>Ravenna, OH/Ravenna</i>				
71	Tyler Hersperger	OT	6-5	288	So.
	<i>Moon Township, PA/Moon Area</i>				
56	Shane Hess*	OT	6-4	265	Fr.
	<i>Lancaster, PA/Lampeter-Strasburg</i>				
30	Nick Jackson*	OLB	6-1	209	Fr.
	<i>Randolph, NY/Randolph Central</i>				
62	Josh Jesonowski	C	5-10	259	Fr.
	<i>Elma, NY/Iroquois Central</i>				
2	D'mar Jeter*	CB	5-10	152	Fr.
	<i>Aliquippa, PA/Aliquippa</i>				
80	Keir Jeter	DE	6-2	231	Fr.
	<i>Moon Township, PA/Moon Area</i>				
85	Marcus Johnson	WR	5-11	165	Fr.
	<i>Williamsville, NY/Sweet Home</i>				
19	Jordan Krentz*	OLB	6-0	206	Fr.
	<i>Murrysville, PA/Franklin Regional</i>				
86	Evan Landis	TE	6-4	242	So.
	<i>Penn Run, PA/Penns Manor</i>				
49	Ryan Levinger*	DE	6-0	230	Fr.
	<i>Aliquippa, PA/Hopewell/Clarion</i>				
20	Nick Marino	WR	5-11	180	So.
	<i>Webster, NY/Webster Thomas</i>				
65	Adam Miller	C	6-0	281	Fr.
	<i>McKees Rocks, PA/Sto-Rox</i>				
26	Charles Morris	CB	5-8	190	Jr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Penn Hills</i>				
35	Hardin Moss	OLB	6-1	220	Sr.
	<i>Erie, PA/East</i>				
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	<i>Braddock, PA/Woodland Hills/IUP</i>				
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	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Perry Traditional Academy</i>				
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	<i>Altoona, PA/Altoona Area</i>				
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	<i>Elma, NY/Iroquois Central/Albany</i>				
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	<i>Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake</i>				
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	<i>Edinboro, PA/General McLane</i>				
89	Alex Romanias*	PK	6-1	220	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Upper St. Clair/Pittsburgh</i>				
6	Ryan Rybicki	WR	6-2	208	Sr.
	<i>Covina, CA/Charter Oak</i>				
76	Jonathan Saine*	OG	6-1	313	Fr.
	<i>Dayton, OH/Trotwood-Madison</i>				
43	Dan Skelton	SS	5-10	178	So.
	<i>Edinboro, PA/General McLane</i>				
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	<i>Webster, NY/Webster Schroeder</i>				
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	<i>Delaware, OH/Olentangy</i>				
50	Rob Stoner	OG	6-2	295	So.
	<i>Edinboro, PA/General McLane/Youngstown State</i>				
38	Ricardo Stuvaints	TB	5-10	185	So.
	<i>McKeesport, PA/McKeesport/Slippery Rock</i>				
1	Ben Swank	FS	5-9	186	So.
	<i>Edinboro, PA/General McLane/Naval Academy</i>				
94	Terry Tate	NG	6-0	260	Jr.
	<i>Tyrone, PA/Tyrone Area</i>				
78	Jacob Thomas*	OT	6-3	284	Fr.
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	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Brashear</i>				
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	<i>McKean, PA/General McLane</i>				
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	<i>DuBois, PA/DuBois Area</i>				
39	Jesse Wattle	OLB	5-11	180	Fr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Strong Vincent</i>				
28	Jake Wickline	FS	5-10	190	Fr.
	<i>Beaver Falls, PA/Riverside</i>				
22	Branden Williams	CB	5-10	175	Fr.
	<i>Lakewood, OH/St. Edward</i>				
12	Jesse Williams	CB	5-9	161	So.
	<i>Maple Heights, OH/Maple Heights</i>				

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Starting Lineups

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EDINBORO OFFENSE (multiple)

X	6	Ryan Rybicki (6-2, 208, Sr.)
LT	71	Tyler Hersperger (6-5, 288, So.)
LG	50	Rob Stoner (6-2, 295, So.)
C	68	Eric Costello (6-3, 277, Sr.)
RG	72	Josh Bzorek (6-5, 306, Sr.)
RT	55	Mike Fazio (6-4, 290, Jr.)
TE	81	Denayne Dixon (6-4, 255, Sr.)
H	14	Rich Cerro (5-10, 181, Sr.)
Z	3	Jeremy Burr (5-10, 185, Sr.)
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FB	42	Nate Boland (6-2, 215, Fr.)
TB	5	Houston Brown (5-9, 196, Jr.)
PK	89	Alex Romanias (6-1, 220, Fr.-r)

GANNON DEFENSE (multiple)

DE	84	Tom Johnson (6-3, 240, Sr.)
DT	88	Chris Murphy (6-6, 285, Sr.)
DT	92	David Postwaite (6-2, 300, Sr.)
DE	90	Matt Ward (6-3, 265, Sr.)
LB	44	Johnny Jones (6-1, 220, So.)
LB	54	Danny Giegerich (6-2, 205, Fr.)
LB	17	Matthew Neal-Mink (6-2, 200, So.)
CB	33	Chris Cook (5-8, 170, Fr.)
CB	29	Aaron Roberson (5-10, 170, Fr.)
SS	9	Kevin Minor (6-2, 195, So.)
FS	2	Tomar Pettis (6-3, 200, Sr.)
P	18	Evan Euler (6-0, 185, Jr.)

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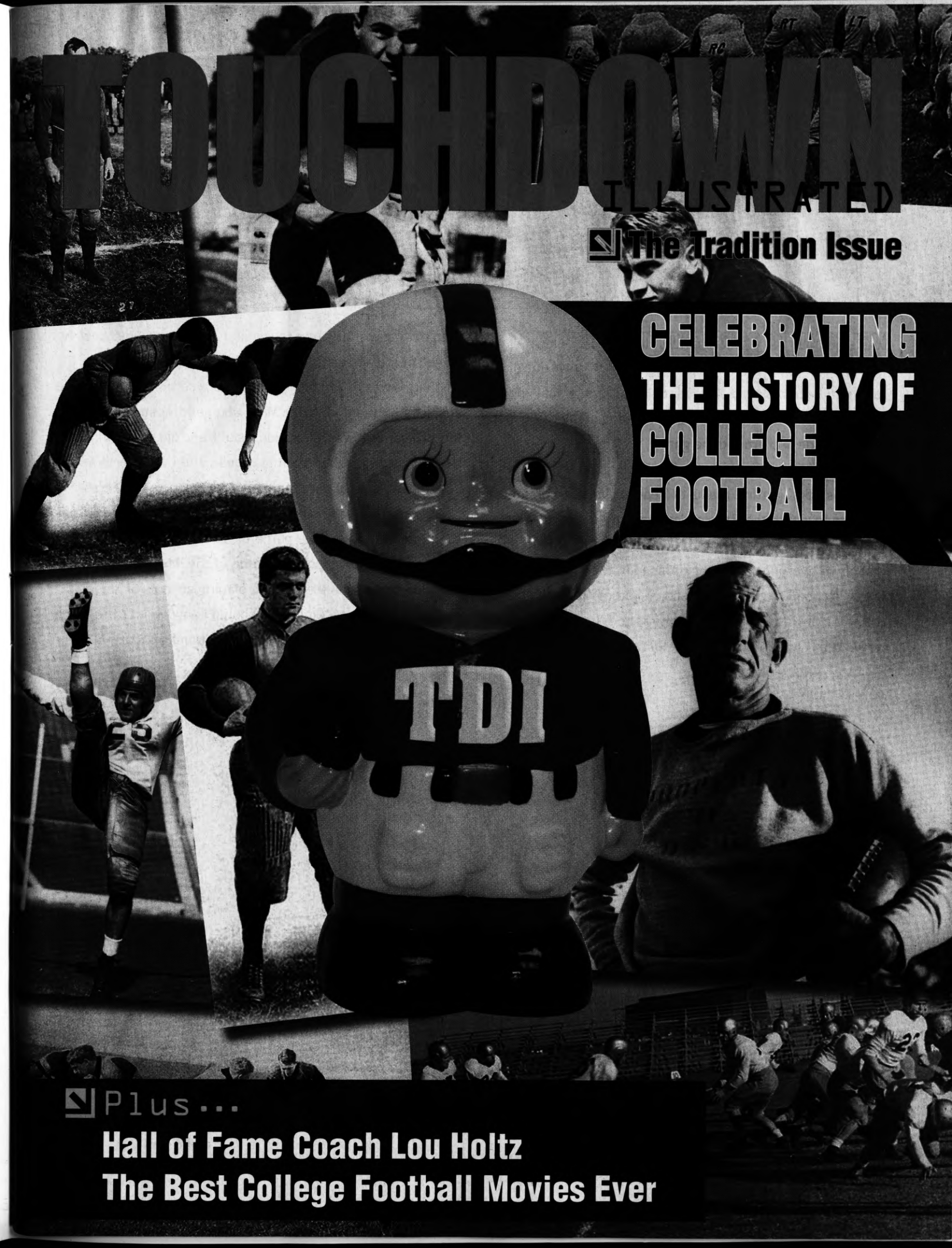
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WELCOME TO OUR TRADITIONS ISSUE.

It's interesting to think that a game that grew out of the rough-and-tumble need to advance a ball over a goal line has spawned traditions that exist as extensions of the game to the world outside and around the game.

I remember my freshman year of college at the University of Mississippi, getting ready to head to Vaught-Hemingway Stadium to watch the Rebels play, heading out in an Ole Miss t-shirt. As I walked through the halls of the freshman dorm, it seemed everyone else was dressed in their Sunday best. A fellow stopped me and said hello. Asked me if I was going to the game. It was in the way that he asked that I knew I better go get on a coat and tie. When in Rome. Or Oxford, as the case

may be. I saw that same fellow as I walked outside. Now, he looked at me and said, "Hey, looking sharp."

Okay, it was a kind of conformity, but conformity under the auspices of tradition. At Ole Miss, you get dressed up to see a football game. It was a tradition I could, and did, live with. Heck, we had a bowl-caliber team that year, and I wanted to see it. Just meant I had to have mom mail me a couple more ties.

Every school has its own traditions, and the ways in which they intertwine with the game of football are endlessly fascinating. This issue looks at some of the wild and wonderful traditions that span the football-playing schools of America.

Any traditions you think we should know about? Drop us a line.

—Tom Nondorf, *Editor-In-Chief*



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TDI Game Ball Goes To: Columbia Lions



BY STEPHANIE PLOTINO



The toys go on to benefit underprivileged children at the St. Francis Youth Center in the South Bronx, where the center hosts a party for the kids, and the players get to play Santa.

"You really start to see it's the little things that matter," Koury says. "A \$5 toy for a kid who might not normally get any toys during Christmas, or very few at that — to see the smile on their face, it makes it really enjoyable and rewarding at the same time."

The players' interaction with the children doesn't stop there. The sophomores, juniors and seniors use their volunteer hours to put together sports clinics at the youth center and even chaperone the kids at Columbia sporting events.

"[Last year] the kids came to campus and we sat through about a half of a basketball game, and by that point they were bouncing off the walls," Koury says.

So, to let the kids blow off some steam, the chaperones threw together an impromptu game of basketball in the recreational gym and even allowed the kids to try to pin their much larger idols in the wrestling room.

"We have our big, 280-pound lineman wrestling with one of these little kids, playing around, and everyone's laughing," Koury says. "It was just a really awesome experience."

Awesome for the kids, and awesome for the players.

"It's so rewarding to be able to help out, even if it's for an hour on a Saturday," Koury says. "And the kids are so great. They're just so grateful to hang out with you just for a little bit and be with somebody who loves what they love."

The same holds true for everyone involved in the freshman program. In an effort that began last season, the freshmen devote three hours every other Friday to cooking and preparing dinners for about 15 to 20 homeless men at the Bronx-based St. Padre Pio Homeless Shelter. Afterwards, the student-athletes and the homeless men spend time talking to and learning from each other.

"Every time they talked, it was rave reviews from the homeless men," Koury says. "They just enjoyed having that attention, having people to talk to. For the men themselves, I don't even think it's as good an experience as it is for the athletes that go. The athletes are just as interested if not more interested to talk to these men and learn about their lives and see how these men got to where they're at, because a lot of them you would never have expected to be in these kinds of situations."

The sad truth is, though, that these types of situations spring up all the time, and as a result, there will always be homeless men and underprivileged children in New York City. Luckily for them, they'll have people like Koury and his teammates to help them through their hardships for a long time to come.

"I would always make time to do this stuff," Koury says. "If I can sacrifice a few hours of sleep or work to go have some fun with a couple kids, then it's totally worth it."

It's fairly obvious that, to play football at Columbia University, one needs to have some pretty big muscles and a brain to match. But what's not so outwardly apparent is that a big heart is required, too.

Every offseason, when other teams are catching up on their sleep, the Lions opt to take part in a trio of community service efforts in New York City.

"At first [the student-athletes] seem really hesitant to put themselves out there and to volunteer their time," says Clark Koury, a senior on the team and this year's student director of the outreach program. "Everybody's got papers and studying to do, midterms coming up, this and that, but then they finally

put themselves out there. They volunteer for a day or for a few hours and you talk to them after it, and they're just like, 'That was such a great experience. I'm so glad I did that, I'm going to do it again.' And from that point, they're hooked."

For starters, the Lions participate in Columbia's annual campus-wide Toys for Tots drive — collecting toys and money from the date of their last football game until about a week before Christmas — and last year all 92 men on the roster contributed.



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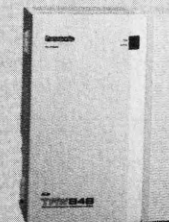
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TDI's Just Asking

BY JON COOPER

SMU Head Coach June Jones

June Jones doesn't necessarily believe that the best offense is a good defense. That's understandable when you put together the explosive offenses Jones does. SMU believes in Jones and gave him five years to work the same magic in Dallas that he worked at Hawai'i. When Jones arrived in Honolulu in 1999, the Warriors had lost 18 consecutive games. They went 9-4 in his first season and won a share of the Western Athletic Conference Championship. UH would win 76 games over his nine seasons. Applying Jones' Run-and-Shoot attack, the Warriors became an offensive juggernaut, ranking in the top five nationally every year. He made household names out of quarterbacks Timmy Chang and Colt Brennan, and his teams broke 400 school and 50 NCAA records.

The 55-year-old native of Portland, Oregon, learned his craft by playing quarterback in college at Oregon, Hawai'i and Portland State (where he learned the "Run and Shoot"), then five years professionally (four in the NFL, one in Canada) before embarking on a coaching career in 1983 that has taken him to the NFL, USFL, CFL and back to college.

Now he takes on the formidable challenge of rebuilding a Mustangs program that was 1-11 in 2007, hasn't gone to a bowl game since 1984 and really hasn't recovered from the NCAA-imposed "death penalty" in 1987 — SMU has one winning season since returning in 1989.

Jones, the 1999 National Coach of the Year, talked to *Touchdown Illustrated* about coming back to the mainland, putting SMU back on the college football map and his ability to revive dying programs.

TOUCHDOWN ILLUSTRATED: What made you choose to coach at SMU?

JUNE JONES: The opportunity that they have here to turn the thing around.

I think there's a tremendous upside. This job just appealed to me. Once I met the people it appealed to me more. A lot of the things [Director of Athletics] Steve Orsini had already got into place when you turn around a situation that is very bad. He's gone out, raised money, put in place the things that are needed for the program to have success. That commitment from the president of the school to the athletic director to the key boosters, they understand what a winning football program will do not just for the athletic department but for the whole school, for the whole foundation, for everything.

TDI: The Mustangs were 1-11 last season but lost five games by seven points or less. Are you encouraged by that competitiveness?

JONES: That is encouraging. They did compete. They've got to find a way to win. It doesn't matter if you lost by one or if you lost by 50. It's still a loss. You've got to learn how to win the close games and if you do that, you feel good about your season every year.

TDI: What is the key to being such a successful re-builder of programs?

JONES: We have a formula, we have a way we do things. We are able to get the players to believe in each other and trust each other and believe in winning. Always the number one thing when you come into these situations is changing the mindset of the athletes. They have to believe. You've got to work hard at getting that done. Obviously winning kind of makes you believe, but at the same time you've got to change the mindset — that we are going to win, that it is going to happen — and so it becomes a mental condition that you have to get the players into.

TDI: How is recruiting in Dallas different than recruiting in Hawai'i?

JONES: That's a real eye-opener here. There are so many players. There are four million people, while there are only 800,000 on Oahu. So the numbers are far greater, and of course, it's hard to recruit to Hawai'i from the standpoint that it takes a special kid to get on a plane and go 5,000 miles and not many of them will do that.

TDI: Is there a player under the radar now that people will know by the end of the year?

JONES: Offensively there are two wide receivers we have, [junior] Emmanuel Sanders and [sophomore] Aldrick Robinson. Those two kids are going to be very productive in our system. Defensively, [sophomore defensive end] Youri Yenga and a nose tackle, [senior] Serge Elizee, he's going to be an NFL nose tackle.

TDI: What will be a successful season for the Mustangs?

JONES: Our goal is to get to a bowl game. I think that everybody starts with that. You've got to win one first, then win another. You've just got to piece them together and hope you get enough wins where you can get that chance to play on Christmas day or New Year's.

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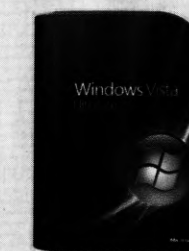
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PITTSBURGH VS. WEST VIRGINIA

Only seventy miles separate the campuses of Pittsburgh and West Virginia and even though a state line cuts between them, on game day, these teams and their fans are always standing toe-to-toe. The "Backyard Brawl" is the oldest and most intense rivalry in Big East History. Not limited to the gridiron, the rivalry spills onto the hardwood during basketball season, too. But between the sidelines is where this battle gains its ferocity. Last season, with Pitt finishing out a subpar season



and the Mountaineers in the National Championship hunt, the Panthers walked into Morgantown and derailed West Virginia's title dreams. Pitt holds the longest winning streak and the all-time series lead, but it's been all West Virginia lately. Over 400 players who have participated in the annual game have gone on to the NFL. This rivalry has it all; 100 years of history, superstar players, great games, upsets and crazy alumni, two of which have decided to tell their side of the story on this page.



Jeff Mullen

University of Pittsburgh, Class of 1985



David Charnews

We never really cared all that much about playing West Virginia when I went to school, mainly because Penn State was our biggest rival. Boy, we'd get up for that Penn State game. But I guess you do have to give a little bit of credit to West Virginia. They always found their way to the stadium for what was usually a great game.

Now, when I say it was a great game, I strictly mean that as what I would consider a great game from a second-rate team. I'm telling you, I rooted for West Virginia to beat Penn State every time they played because we always wanted something to make fun of Penn State for when they played us. Otherwise, we truly expected to beat West Virginia when we played them. It was a shock when we lost back-to-back games in '83 and '84. We were coming off seven straight wins, three of them at Mountaineer Field. And a couple of those wins weren't even close. Back when Pitt had teams that competed for the National Championship, when they tossed out a lineup featuring Dan Marino and Tony Dorsett, we never anticipated a close game with WVU. My sophomore year, in '82, I remember trudging up the hill in Oakland to old Pitt Stadium, fully anticipating a blowout. Well, the game turned out to be a tight one, but the Panthers held on, 16-13, to give the Mountaineers their first loss of the season.

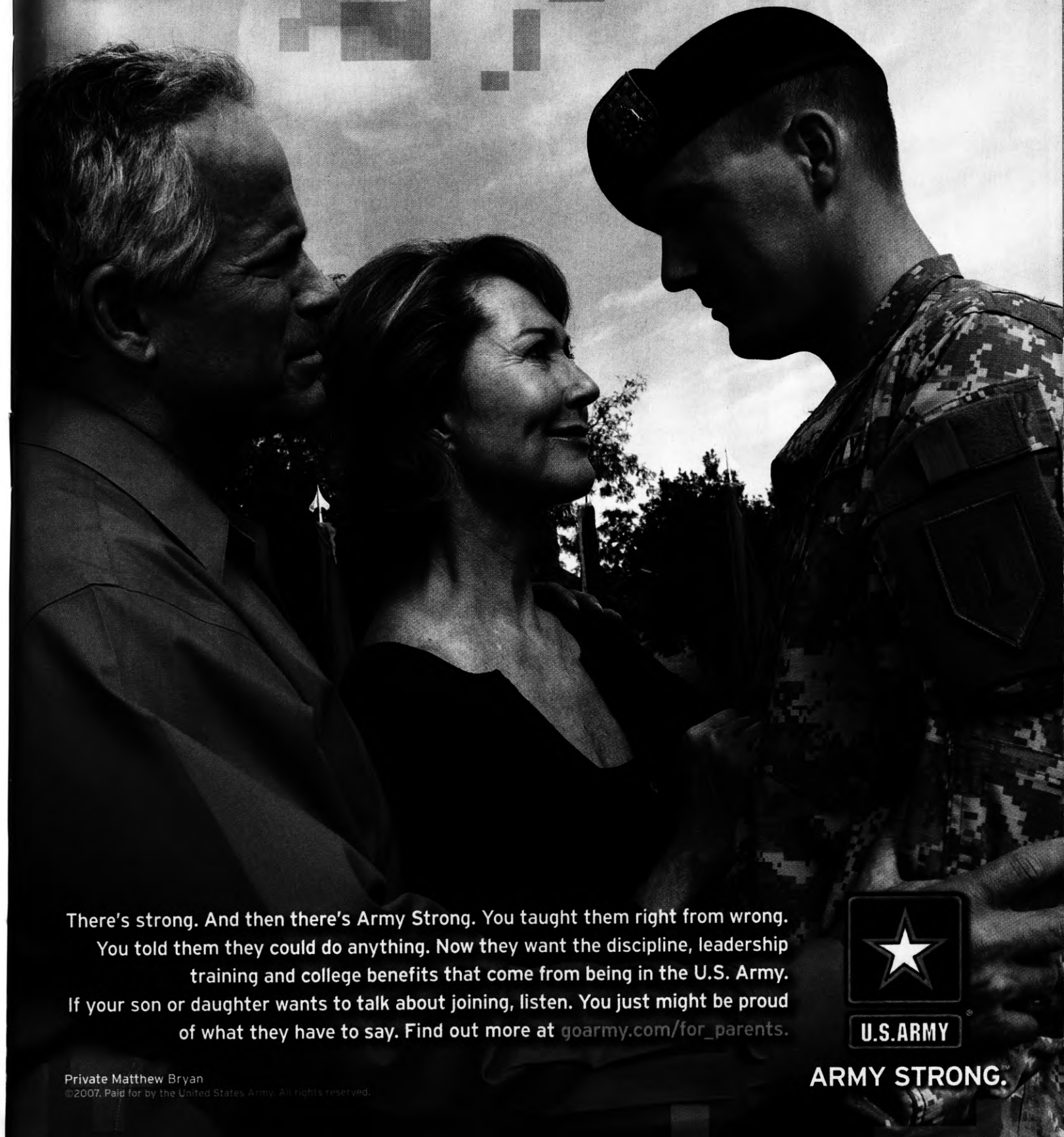
I remember playing them when Jeff Hostetler was their quarterback. Man, would we get on him. There would be students right down by the sidelines giving it to Old Hoss and they were saying things that we obviously can't print here. But it was good-natured. Yeah, really good-natured.

It's funny how the old-timers talk about the '70s when Pitt had a national championship-caliber team and they don't give any credit to the current WVU squads. You know, the ones consistently ranked in the Top 10? 100 years is a long time, both teams have been good and bad, but right now, it's all Mountaineers and it has been for quite some time. Now, I know what you're about to say and I am about to acknowledge it: Yup, Pitt stepped up and beat us last year. Beat us when it really counted, too. But that's probably the worst thing they could have done because no mercy will be allowed this season. It's going to be ugly for them.

Going back to 1990, WVU leads 12-6. That's a touchdown, Pitt fans, in case you thought TDs were worth seven. As for personal history, lucky as this may be, I have the good fortune of never having lost to Pitt as a student. From 1993-1996, the Mountaineers were 4-0 against the kitty cats, including back-to-back shutouts in 1995 (21-0) and 1996 (34-0, at Pitt Stadium).

As much as it hurt me to watch the Panthers win last season's version of the Brawl, I was happy they decided to actually make it a rivalry. In 2005 and 2006, we put up 45 points twice in easy wins. I expect more of the same at Heinz Field this year. I'm sure Pitt and their fans will be riding high heading into a home Brawl this season, but they need only remember back to that 45-24 loss to the Mountaineers in 2006 to realize how useless a "home field advantage" is in this match-up. It's not always the better team that wins these games, it's the team that's more agitated!

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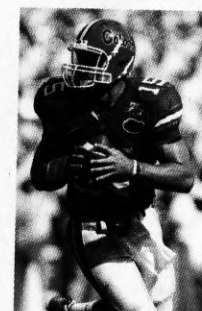
Heisman Hopefuls

Last season, Tim Tebow shocked the college football world and became the first underclassman to win the Heisman Trophy. This year's field is chock full of talented candidates, from multifaceted quarterbacks to powerful running backs. Can Knowshon Moreno duplicate Tebow's feat in his sophomore season? Here's a look at five game-changers who could be in New York come early December.

BY SETH BERKMAN



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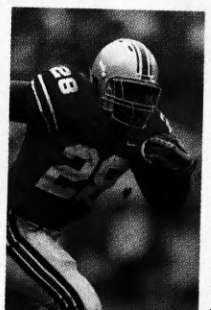
Junior, QB, Florida

The Résumé: Tebow's dual-threat ability of running and throwing the ball negated the need for utilizing a two-QB system in '07. The Tebow Show not only passed for 32 TDs, he also ran for

23 scores and 895 yards. With wideout Percy Harvin on his side, as well as USC transfer and former Pac-10 Freshman of the Year Emmanuel Moody in the backfield, the Gators offense should be among the best in the nation.

Bottom Line: Tebow's facing a much tougher individual field in '08 and may suffer a backlash if given their talent, the Gators don't play for the national title.

2007 STATS					Team: Florida
Att	Com	Yds	TDs	INTs	
350	234	3,286	32	6	



CHRIS WELLS

Junior, RB, Ohio State

The Résumé: "Beanie" was a beast for the Buckeyes last season, picking up over 1,600 yards in his first full season as a starter. But what endeared him most to the Columbus faithful was a 222-yard

performance against Michigan, helping Ohio State earn a berth in the BCS Championship Game. Though they came up short against LSU, Wells should put up similar numbers this season as the Buckeyes will once again contend for the crown. If there is one area where he could improve, it would be his receiving skills as he caught only five passes in '07.

Bottom Line: Wells is one of the names consistently mentioned in the argument of who is the best college running back and has a great shot of winning the Heisman out of the backfield.

Chris Wells' stats

2007 STATS				Team: Ohio State
Att	Yds	Avg	TDs	
274	1,609	5.9	15	



PAT WHITE

Senior, QB, West Virginia

The Résumé: White may not have gaudy passing numbers like Tebow or Daniel, but he is much more dangerous on the ground and perhaps the bigger threat when the ball is in his hands. Last season he

carried the Mountaineers to the Fiesta Bowl, where they beat Oklahoma, 48-28. White threw for 14 touchdowns and also ran for 14, picking up 1,335 yards rushing along the way. With budding sophomore running back Noel Devine expected to put up over 1,000 yards, voters will be looking for White to show he can proficiently toss the pigskin.

Bottom Line: Like Tebow, a large part of his Heisman hype will rely on how well his team does; if West Virginia fails to make the national title game, it will be very hard for a Big East player to take home the Heisman, even if he throws and rushes for over 1,500 yards.

2007 STATS					Team: West Virginia
Att	Com	Yds	TDs	INTs	
216	144	1,724	14	4	



CHASE DANIEL

Senior, QB, Missouri

The Résumé: You can admit if you didn't know who Chase Daniel was before last season. In fact, most folks outside of The Show-Me State probably had no clue. But Daniel showed everyone that he was

the nation's best-kept secret, leading the unheralded Tigers to the Big 12 North title and a berth in the Cotton Bowl (where Daniel and company beat Heisman

runner-up Darren McFadden and the Arkansas Razorbacks, 38-7). Yes, he did have 536 passing attempts last season, but Daniel flashed the accuracy and arm strength that proved he was more than just a product of a system. With many starters back in tow this season, the '07 Heisman finalist could put up even better numbers in '08.

Bottom Line: Daniel might lose points for Missouri's pass-heavy system, but will be hard to overlook if he throws for over 4,500 yards and 35 TDs.

2007 STATS					Team: Missouri
Att	Com	Yds	TDs	INTs	
563	384	4,306	33	11	



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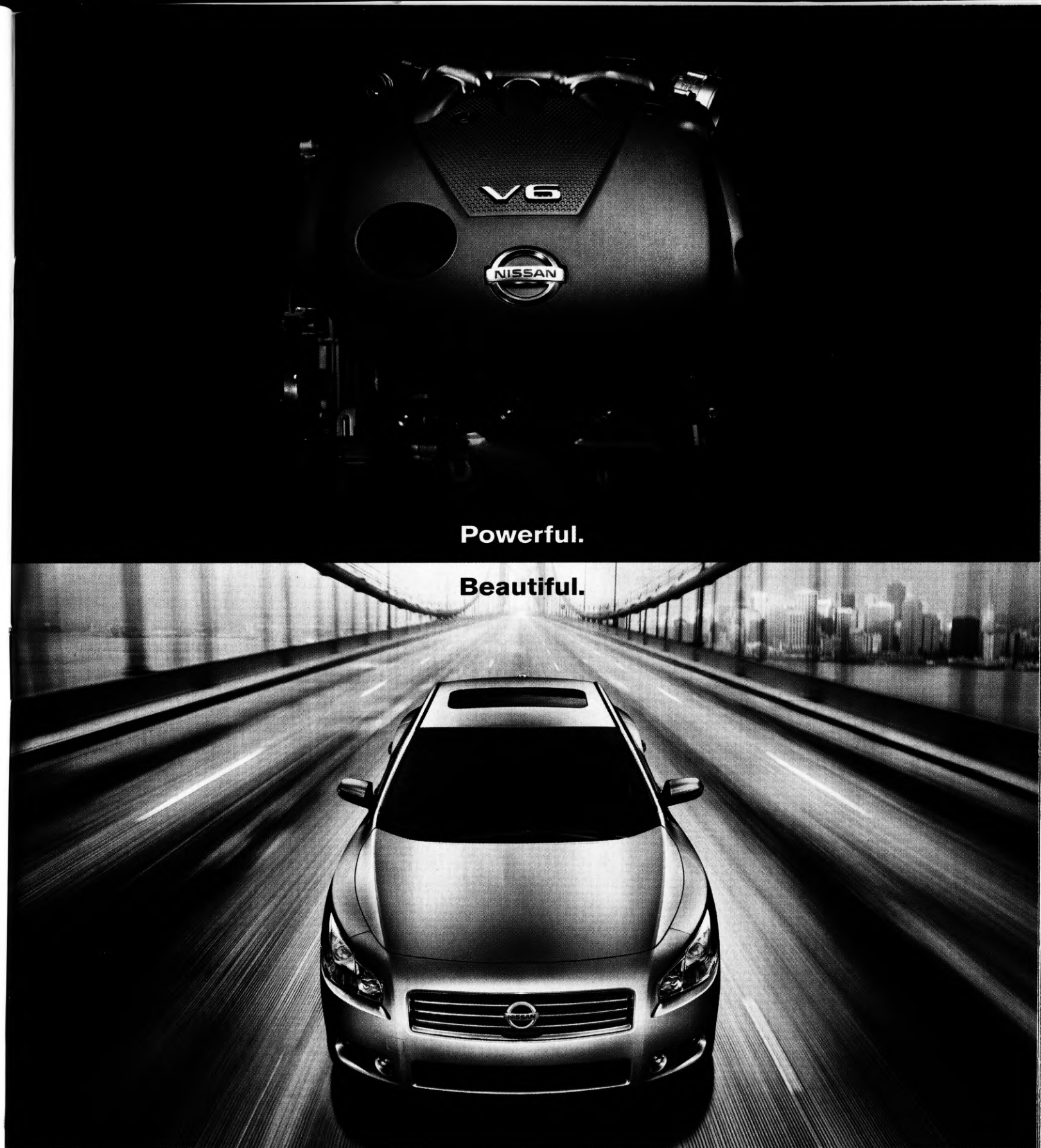
Sophomore, RB, Georgia

The Résumé: Bulldog fans are clamoring to see more of Moreno, as the speedy back came out of nowhere to rush for over 1,300 yards in his freshman season. That was perhaps only a

glimpse of what he has to offer, as he started only six of Georgia's 12 regular season contests. Many have compared the New Jersey native to all-time college football great Herschel Walker, and while that may be a bit premature, there's no doubting Moreno's talent for bursting through the hole and finding the end zone.

Bottom Line: He may be one year away from serious contention, but Tebow showed last year that a dynamic sophomore can win the trophy, and Moreno is already arguably the best back in the country.

2007 STATS				Team: Georgia
Att	Yds	Avg	TDs	
248	1,334	5.4	14	



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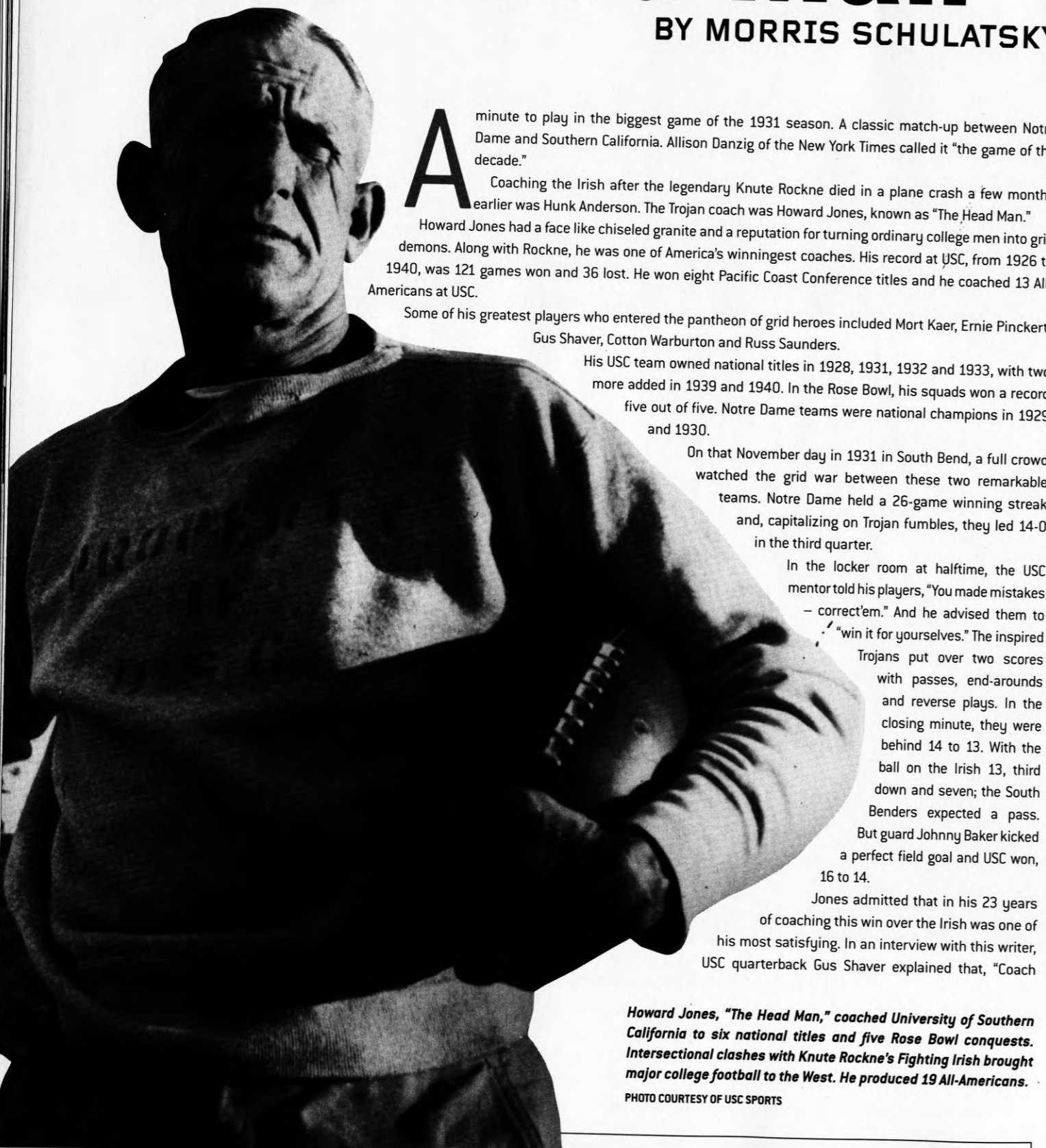


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Howard Jones — The Head Man

BY MORRIS SCHULATSKY



A minute to play in the biggest game of the 1931 season. A classic match-up between Notre Dame and Southern California. Allison Danzig of the New York Times called it "the game of the decade."

Coaching the Irish after the legendary Knute Rockne died in a plane crash a few months earlier was Hunk Anderson. The Trojan coach was Howard Jones, known as "The Head Man."

Howard Jones had a face like chiseled granite and a reputation for turning ordinary college men into grid demons. Along with Rockne, he was one of America's winningest coaches. His record at USC, from 1926 to 1940, was 121 games won and 36 lost. He won eight Pacific Coast Conference titles and he coached 13 All-Americans at USC.

Some of his greatest players who entered the pantheon of grid heroes included Mort Kaer, Ernie Pinckert, Gus Shaver, Cotton Warburton and Russ Saunders.

His USC team owned national titles in 1928, 1931, 1932 and 1933, with two more added in 1939 and 1940. In the Rose Bowl, his squads won a record five out of five. Notre Dame teams were national champions in 1929 and 1930.

On that November day in 1931 in South Bend, a full crowd watched the grid war between these two remarkable teams. Notre Dame held a 26-game winning streak and, capitalizing on Trojan fumbles, they led 14-0 in the third quarter.

In the locker room at halftime, the USC mentor told his players, "You made mistakes — correct'em." And he advised them to "win it for yourselves." The inspired

Trojans put over two scores with passes, end-arounds and reverse plays. In the closing minute, they were behind 14 to 13. With the ball on the Irish 13, third down and seven; the South Benders expected a pass. But guard Johnny Baker kicked a perfect field goal and USC won, 16 to 14.

Jones admitted that in his 23 years of coaching this win over the Irish was one of his most satisfying. In an interview with this writer, USC quarterback Gus Shaver explained that, "Coach

Howard Jones, "The Head Man," coached University of Southern California to six national titles and five Rose Bowl conquests. Intersectional clashes with Knute Rockne's Fighting Irish brought major college football to the West. He produced 19 All-Americans.

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Jones told us we'd have to outplay their line to win."

That's what the game turned out to be, a battle of lines, All-Americans crashing into each other. Tay Brown and Ernie Smith of USC vs. Joe Kurth and Moose Krause of Notre Dame.

Beating Notre Dame — Rockne's last great team — gave the team from the coast a great lift. Several days later their train pulled into L.A.'s Union Station and they got the biggest ticker tape parade the city had ever seen. Films of the game were played as a feature movie in downtown theaters. The following New Year's Day, the Trojans outplayed Tulane, 20-12, in the Rose Bowl.

More than 50 years later, Gus Shaver, Tay Brown and others, all men in their late-seventies, recalled the game like it was played the previous Saturday.

The USC-Notre Dame rivalry began in 1926 due to the friendship and respect Jones and Rockne had for each other. The series brought big-time college football to the West Coast. Howard Jones beat Rockne only once in six meetings, 27-14 in 1928, but three Rockne wins were by one point. Each game was a full-house, in the L.A. Coliseum and in Chicago's Soldier Field. In his book, "How to Play and Coach Football," Jones wrote: "Beating Rockne was one of my greatest thrills." The L.A. Times called it "Howard Jones' shining hour."

On November 29, 2008 in Los Angeles the two teams will meet for the 82nd time.

Coach Jones, himself an All-American end at Yale, coached previously at Iowa, Yale, Ohio State and Syracuse. He described football as "fun mainly for the battling, rough and tumble combat in it."

But, for all that, he was an advocate of clean play and he bred in his players a supreme team spirit.

After the 1931 victory over Notre Dame, Jones wrote in the Los Angeles Evening Herald: "This team rose to competitive heights." But it was Jones that took them there. His players remembered him with admiration and respect.

One such player is Nick Pappas. He's 92 now and he still has reverence for his football mentor. From 1935 through 1937, Pappas was his quarterback. In an interview in 1987 he said, "I came from Seattle to play for Howard Jones. He was one of America's best coaches. He taught his players determination and he was thoroughly absorbed with the game."

Nick remembered a banquet in which he sat next to his coach.

"While speeches were going on, Jones scribbled plays on napkins."

Was the coach rough on the players?

Said Pappas, "Jones was the essence of dignity — until you missed a block or tackle. Then he said, 'gol darn,' or 'by gad.' If he said, 'by gad' to you, you were in trouble."

How did the Head Man get a team up for an opponent?

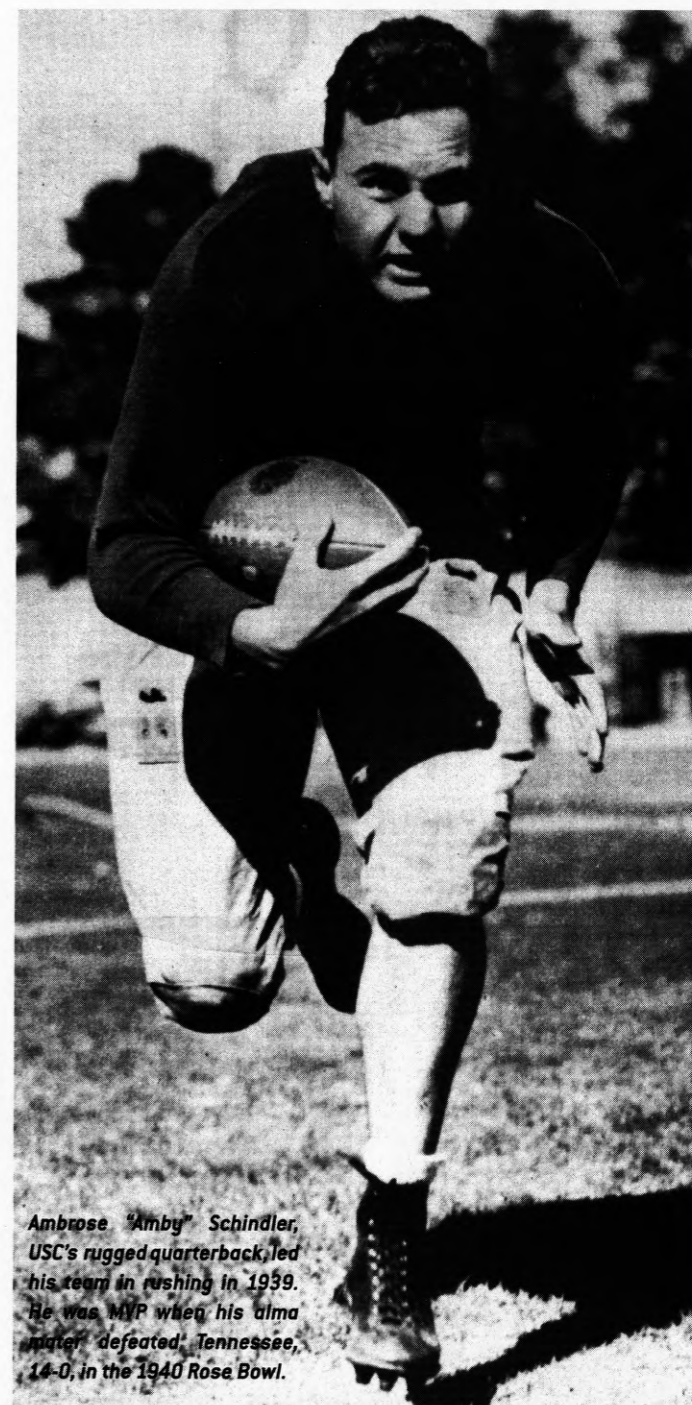
"Before a game," Nick said. "Jones told the squad, 'you've got to want to win.' He meant it. And he said to me, 'Pap, run today like you're going through a brick wall.'"

Was Jones a hard loser?

Pappas nodded. "Our teams lost a few. The main thing was clean play and team spirit."

Athletes those days went sixty minutes, he said, and conditioning was important.

"We did heavy calisthenics and lots of wind sprints. We didn't do much gym work. By the way, I weighed 145 pounds as a tailback. Ray George, a tackle, was our biggest guy at 6'1", 220 pounds."



Ambrose "Amby" Schindler, USC's rugged quarterback, led his team in rushing in 1939. He was MVP when his alma mater defeated Tennessee, 14-0, in the 1940 Rose Bowl.

When he thought about the equipment they used, Pappas grinned. "Thin padding, leather helmets, no face guards. My nose was broken three times."

Asked about their offense, Nick answered, "We were mostly a running team. We didn't pass much. A lot of our plays were off tackle and end-arounds."

Sportswriter Braven Dyer Jr. said the Trojans ran at their opponents like a thundering herd.

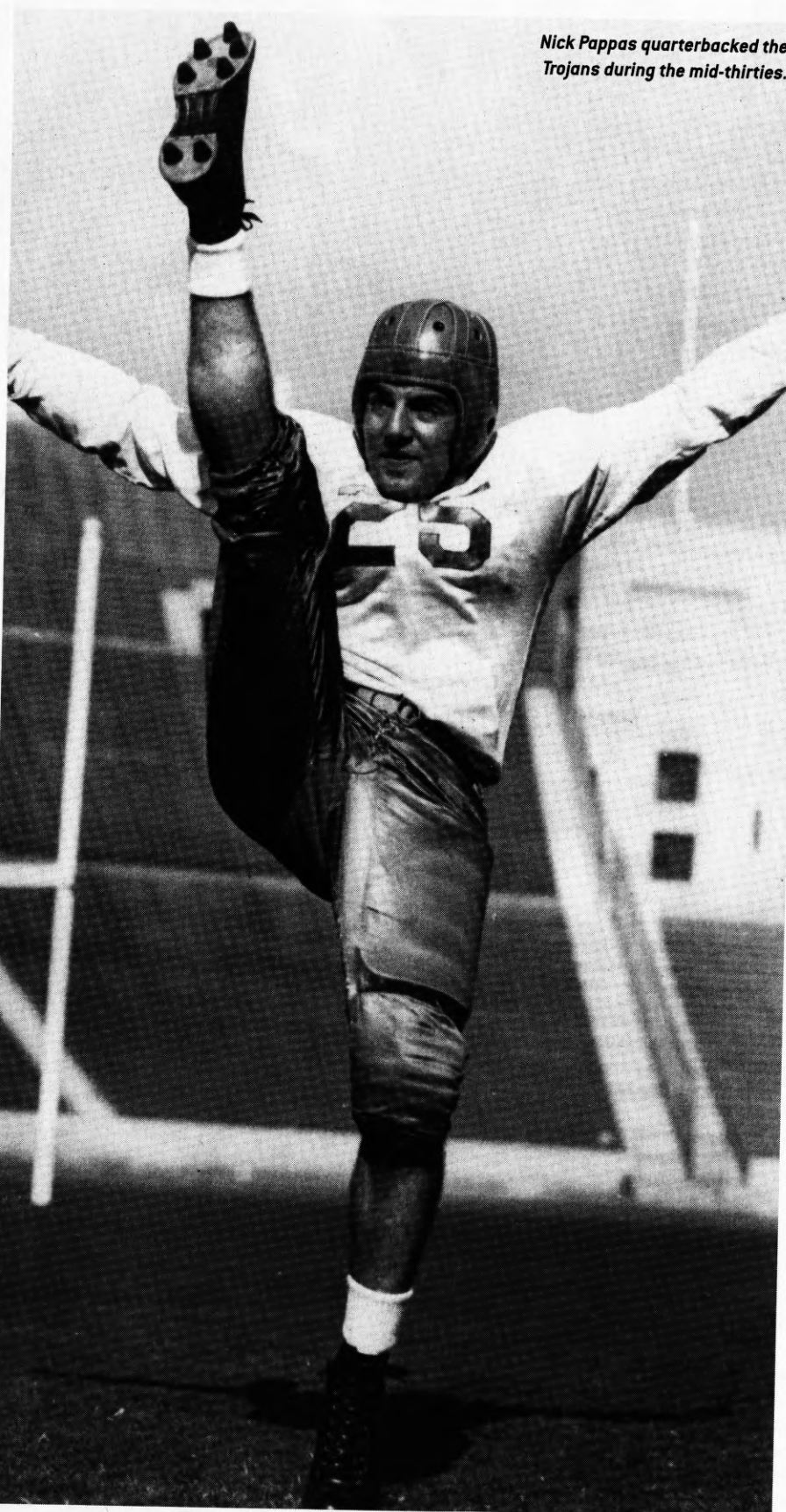
Jones himself told his linemen, "If they outweigh you get the jump on'em." In 1928, against Pop Warner's Stanford team, Stanford's line was 10 pounds heavier per man. USC only made four first downs, but still won, 10-0.

Nick also described a tricky shift they used to keep their opponents

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Howard Jones — The Head Man

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Nick Pappas quarterbacked the Trojans during the mid-thirties.

guessing, sometimes lining up with both guards to the right of the center. It was part of Howard Jones' guile. They also used reverses, end-around and the tackle-eligible play.

Al Wesson, sports publicist for USC from 1925 to 1942 interviewed in 1987, recalled that Jones worked day and night.

"He was thorough and intense. He demanded the best from his players. He showed them how to block and he took some bumps for his trouble. So did the players." It was Wesson who first called Jones the "Head Man."

These rigid preparations got the team ready for their opponents, Pappas said.

The toughest games? "They all were," said Nick. "Washington was tough in Seattle in the rain and mud. Notre Dame was always up for us. And UCLA with Kenny Washington and Jackie Robinson gave us great competition. They were hard to bring down."

Pappas recalled that even when things were going well for them, Jones wasn't satisfied.

"I remember one play against Illinois. I started an end run, cut through tackle and gained five yards. Didn't seem like a bad play to me. But Coach Jones took me aside and said, 'Pap, you cut too soon. You could've gone further.'"

Morley Drury was another Trojan athlete who revered his former coach. In 1987, the 82-year-old Drury said, "Howard Jones was a disciplinarian. But he was very fair, and he believed in the players. He taught sportsmanship and perfect execution."

Drury, winner of letters in five sports, was called "The Noblest Trojan," by Mark Kelly of the Los Angeles Examiner.

After Pappas graduated in 1938, he entered law school and Jones hired him as an assistant coach. For additional money Pappas worked as an extra in films.

"I subbed for Pat O'Brien in 'Knutie Rockne: All-American.' I was Rockne as a player, going out for a pass."

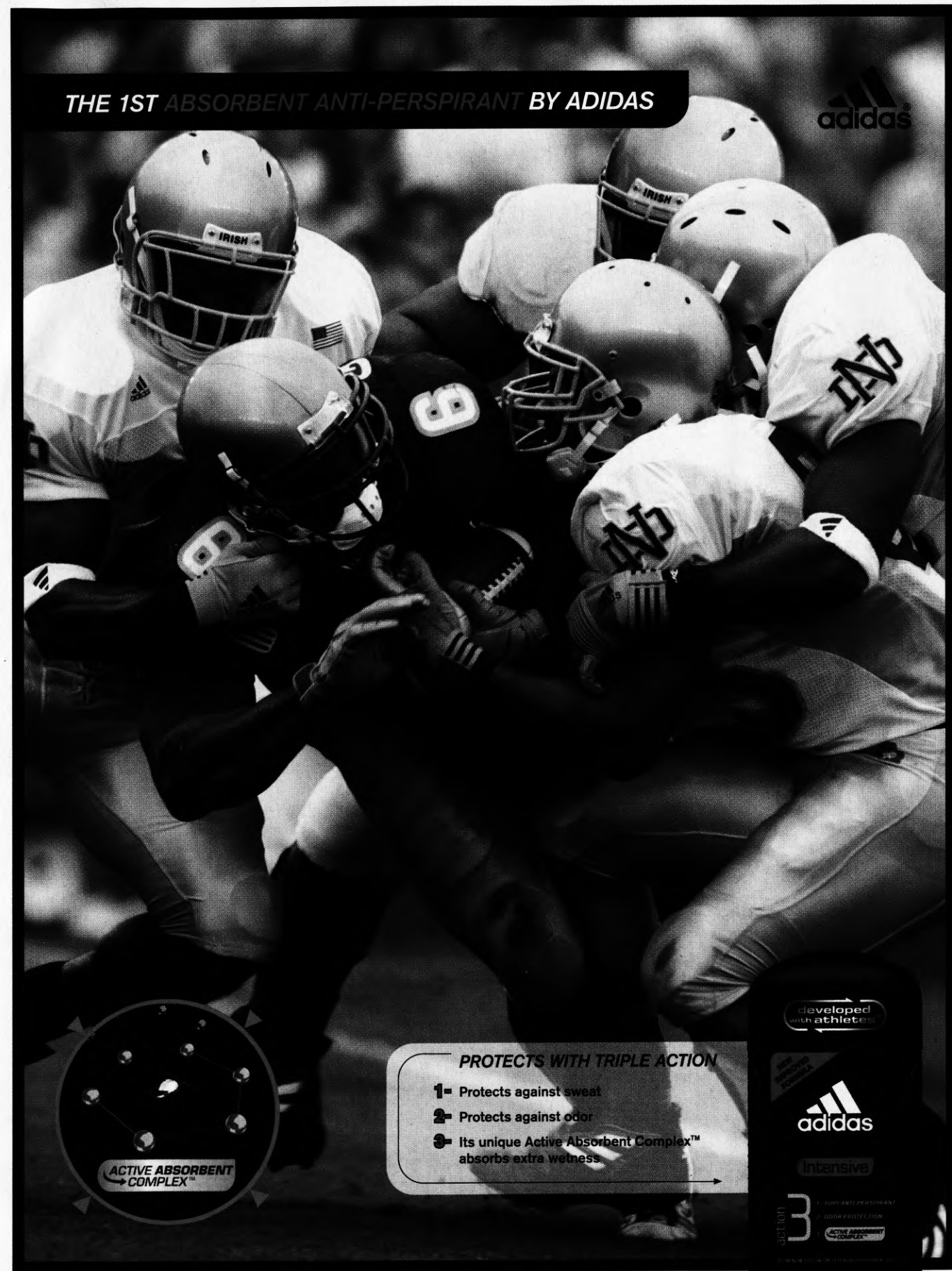
He coached and taught at Handford High [CA] in 1941 and 1942. During World War II he earned a Purple Heart and Bronze Star for action in the Pacific. Nick recalled, "When a kamikaze sunk our destroyer, we were all in the water. I saved two sailors from drowning. One of the sailors later became a detective for the New York Police Department." Nick went from football hero to war hero.

After coaching at his alma mater, he helped raise funds for the sports program and he presided over the Howard Jones Memorial Foundation. "These funds," he said, "helped athletes stay in school and complete their education."

Later he worked as an administrator of endowment funds.

Ambrose "Amby" Schindler was another Trojan of the thirties who ran through brick walls for the Head Man. He entered USC with good credentials. At San Diego High School he was All-Southern California in 1933 and 1934. A number of colleges wanted him but he asserts that, "Howard Jones was the man I wanted to play for. He was one of the best coaches in the country and I was used to his system." The system was the single wing, and Schindler described it as a power game.

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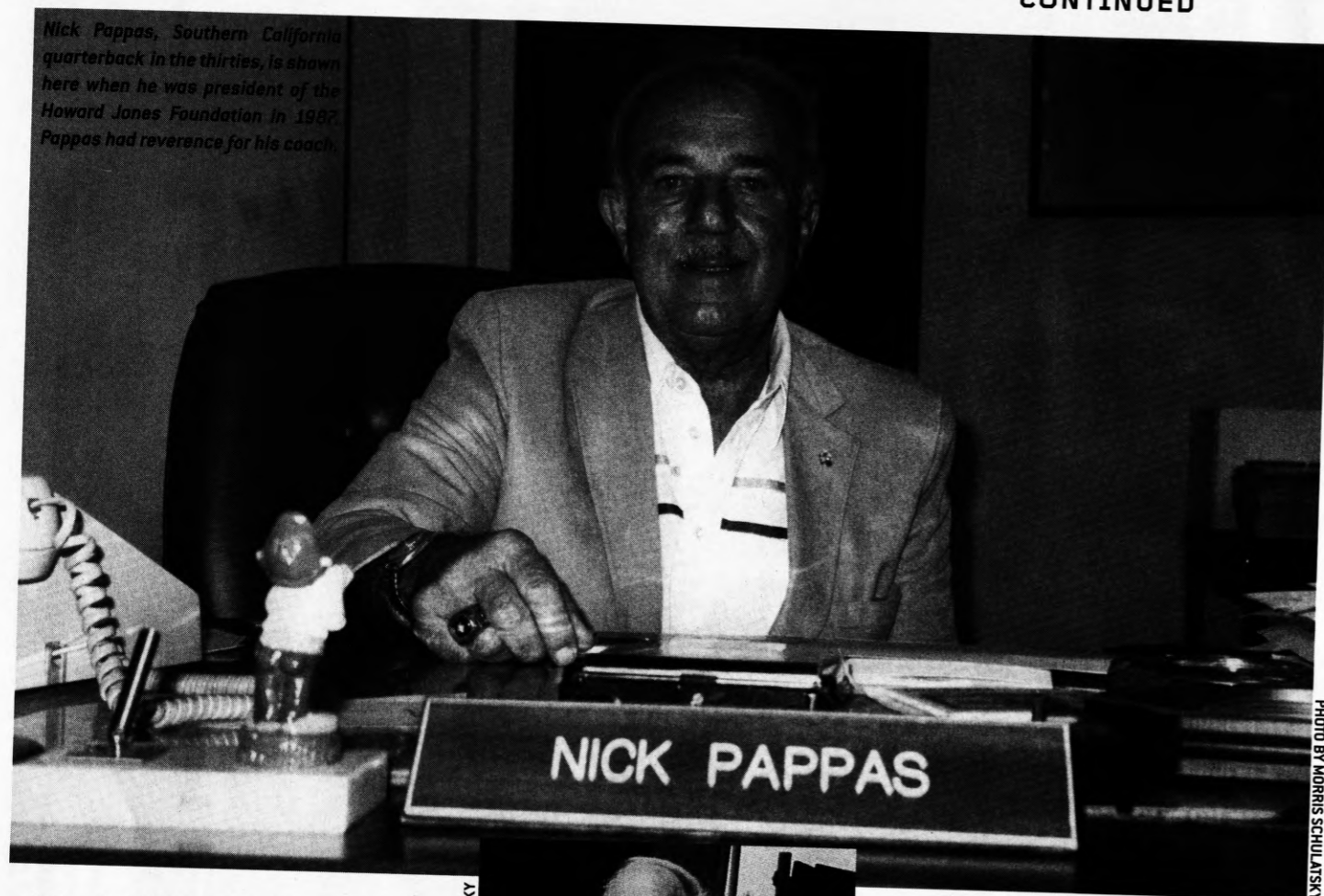


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Nick Pappas, Southern California quarterback in the thirties, is shown here when he was president of the Howard Jones Foundation in 1987. Pappas had reverence for his coach.

Built solid, Schindler ran hard, knees high, into the line, around end. He could punt, he could pass and he was a shrewd signal caller.

"We passed only when it improved our running game," says Amby.

He was the leading ground gainer for the Cardinal and Gold in 1939.

One thing he remembers about Coach Jones is defense. "Good defense was everything to him."

In the 1940 Rose Bowl against Tennessee, a team with several All-Americans, the Trojans won 14-0. Schindler punched through the guards for one score and, with a minute to play, passed two yards for the other.

Bob Neyland's Tennessee Volunteers hadn't lost a game in two years. In 1939 they were unbeaten and unscored upon. Against the Howard Jones eleven they got eight first downs and scarcely got inside the Trojan twenty.

Jones lauded his team for their "finesse and power" on the drive for their second touchdown. And he said, "Amby pulled one out of the hat on that touchdown pass. It caught Tennessee by surprise."

In the dressing room after the game, team members remarked that, "With a minute to play, Tennessee was bunched up for a goal-line stand on the



Nick Pappas, former USC quarterback, worked later as athletic fund-raiser for his alma mater.

two-yard line. That left both of their flanks open." Schindler's flat pass to left end Al Krueger sewed it up for Southern Cal.

Schindler was named MVP that New Year's Day and he was MVP in the 1940 College All-Star game against the Green Bay Packers as well.

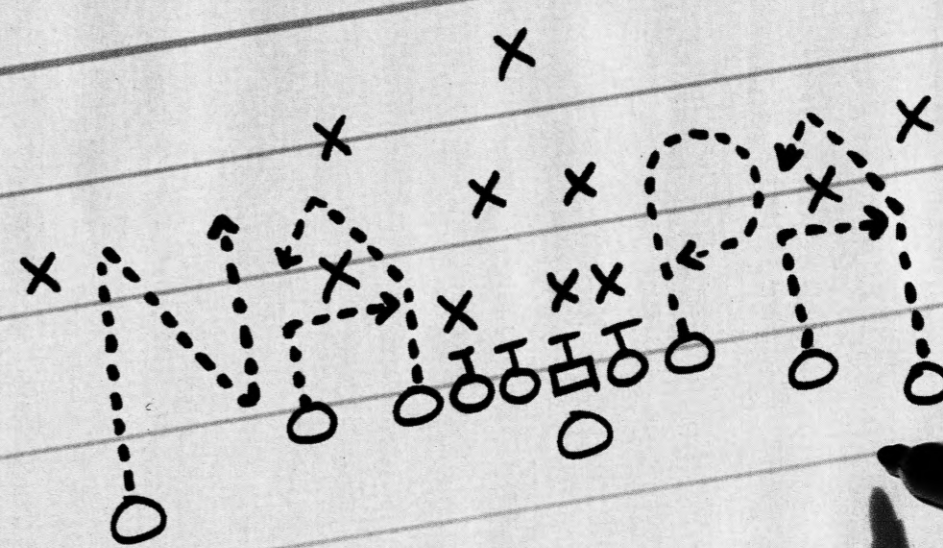
While being drafted by Green Bay, Amby says he preferred to coach, which he did for Glendale High School and El Camino Junior College in Los Angeles. After 50 years he retired, but not before being installed into the El Camino Hall of Fame for their first championship football team.

At age 91, the former Trojan running back leads a quiet life in Redondo Beach, California. He has a son and daughter and he's still in awe of the coach who encouraged his players to "want to win."

Tennessee was Amby's last game for USC. He was a senior and he left the Rose Bowl feeling sad. Unexpectedly, it was also his coach's last game.

Howard Jones died of a heart attack at his home in Toluca Lake, California in 1941. He was 56.

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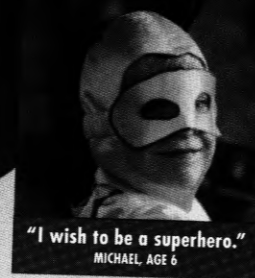
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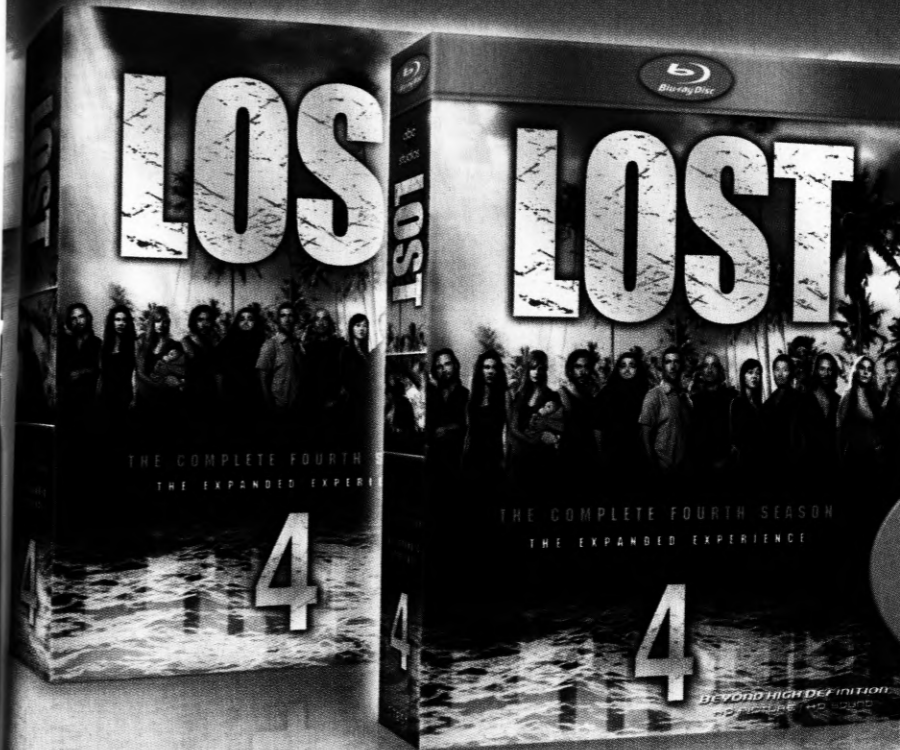
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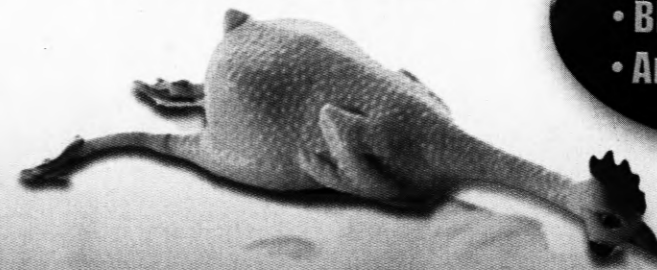
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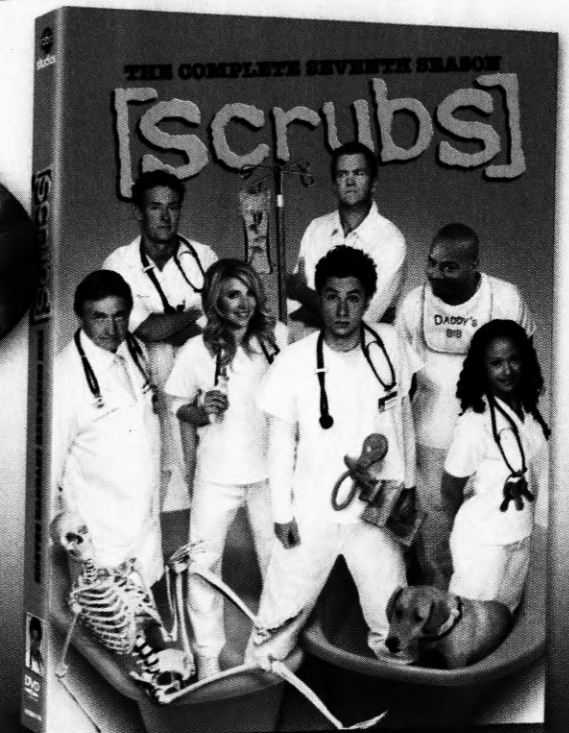
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After three straight disappointments in the Division II National Championship game over the past three seasons, Northwest Missouri State Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeerdsma is determined to end the heartbreaking



KNOCKING ON THE DOOR

NORTHWEST MISSOURI HAS COME OH SO CLOSE...

Downtown Maryville, Missouri — The home of the Northwest Missouri State Bearcats.



BY CHRIS A. WEBER

It's 10 o'clock on a Thursday morning, and Mel Tjeerdsma is in the middle of tackling his usual second cup of coffee when the question is tossed his way.

"OK coach, half empty or half full?"

Chuckling, he looks down at the mug on his desk in his Lamkin Activity Center office and considers his reply. The steam that wafted from it a few minutes ago has dissipated along with much of the volume, but it's a fair query nonetheless.

That's because Tjeerdsma knows the question has very little to do with what's left to drink.

During the past three seasons, the Northwest Missouri State head football coach has led the Bearcats to the Division II national championship game at Braly Stadium in Florence, Alabama. And on each occasion, his team has seen their title hopes dashed against the cold shoals of December disappointment.

In 2005, they entered the game an unlikely challenger for the title, ranked 22nd in the country with an 11-4 record before falling short in the final minutes to powerhouse Grand Valley State, 21-17. In 2006, Northwest met

the Lakers in a rematch, rolling in with a 14-0 record. But four turnovers stymied the Bearcats, resulting in a heartbreaking 17-14 defeat. Last season, Tjeerdsma's team climbed the mountain again, knocking off three 12-0 teams in the playoffs before running out of gas in the championship against Valdosta State, losing 25-20.

For most head coaches, win or lose, leading a football team to the cusp of a national championship once is taxing enough. But three times in succession? Without a victory? You'll forgive Tjeerdsma if he sees the negative inside that cup of joe.

And yet...

"Half full," he answers with a hint of Midwest staccato. "Definitely half full."

This season, Tjeerdsma (pronounced "Church-ma") has good reason to maintain his trademark optimism as the Bearcats attempt to make it four title appearances in a row.

With 13 seniors returning, including steady quarterback Joel Osborn (6-2, 220 lbs., Harlan, IA), plus a hungry defense boasting an experienced secondary, the Bearcats are once again ranked among the top programs in Division II football. It's a lofty perch they've enjoyed for most of their head coach's 15-year tenure, which has resulted in an NCAA Division II-record 22 playoff wins (the most by any head coach), plus nine Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletic

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Senior signal caller Joel Osborn has been a solid performer over the course of his collegiate career.

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Association conference titles and two national championships and counting.

"I feel good about this group," Tjeerdsma says. "Every one of our seniors is an integral part of the team and will be counted on. That's not always the case. We've got strong leadership this season, no doubt about it."

But effective leadership does not materialize overnight. On the Maryville campus, it accumulates like sediment, with Bearcat players understanding the importance of hard work and dedication, policing each other in order to build upon the progress made by the team before. It's a culture of success.

"Coach lets you work with your teammates and figure solutions out on your own," says Osborn, an academic All-American math major who enters his final year ranked first in team history for career completion percentage (67.9 percent) after taking over the starting duties midway through last season. "He'll make his observations, but he gives the players a chance to do their jobs. A lot of coaches try to have control over things, but I think his way of doing things makes our team better."

Regardless of the approach, national titles are not guaranteed, of course. But Tjeerdsma emphasizes that's not the point.

"The thing you have to understand is the bar is set really high here," he says. "It's not like we say we have to [accomplish] something, but our players expect to win the conference and make the playoffs and be back for the national championship game."

That wasn't always the case. Prior to Tjeerdsma's arrival in the spring of 1994, the Bearcats were bottom feeders among Division II programs, sporting uneven success at best with two playoff appearances since 1984 and back-

to-back winning seasons just once in 1975 and '76.

What's more, the program offered less-than-stellar facilities compared to its MIAA counterparts and enjoyed very little support.

"We had our share of diehard fans, but overall, let's just say things were bad," Tjeerdsma says.

Reminiscent of Chuck Noll's first season with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1969 (1-13) and Jimmy Johnson's initial Dallas Cowboys campaign in 1989 (1-15), change was not evident right away when Tjeerdsma took over the Northwest program. His 1994 team lost all 11 games, and his '95 edition dropped the first two. But something happened following that season-opening defeat to South Dakota State during his second year that gave Tjeerdsma reason for hope.

"We lost in the last minute, 10-6, but I knew we had turned the corner because when I got in that locker room, we had guys in tears," he says. "That was the difference. Losing meant something to them whereas the year before, they accepted it."

"Then in '96, that same group of guys made it to the playoffs, where we lost to [eventual national champion] Northern Colorado in the last 10 seconds. Even though we didn't win, our kids believed they'd win the national title. It's been that way ever since."

Two years later, the Bearcats took home their first national crown. In 1999, they repeated as national champions.

But with consistent success comes the specter of complacency. So how do Tjeerdsma and his staff — one that has seen just four coaching changes since '94 while directing Northwest to an average of 10 victories per season



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—successfully fend off the demons that whisper in their collective headsets that it's OK to rest?

"I'm extremely competitive," says Tjeerdsma, 62. "People who see me around campus may not think so right away, but it's the truth. I don't like to lose. None of my staff does, either."

And beyond that?

"I really believe in looking ahead," Tjeerdsma explains. "You cannot live in the past, whether you've won or lost. Every year is a new beginning, and no matter what happens even the week before, you have to flush that out and get ready for the next game."

As for this season, Tjeerdsma and his staff may have to tap into that sense of perspective a little more than usual, as they will be without the services of talented running back Xavier Omon, who was a 2008 sixth-round draft pick by the NFL's Buffalo Bills.

Adding to the challenge: After opening with three home games at Bearcat Stadium, Northwest faces a brutal four-game stretch on the road that includes their annual battle for the Hickory Stick at Arrowhead Stadium in Kansas City against archrival Truman State, as well as a date in Omaha against Nebraska-Omaha, a place where they have not won since 1996.

Asked if he expects to know what his team's mettle will be following that month-long excursion, Tjeerdsma is blunt. "I will if we're still alive," he says.

That doesn't necessarily mean the head coach feels a sense of urgency about getting his seniors over the hump in their fourth attempt to break through with a national championship. To Tjeerdsma, winning will take care of itself as long as the team prepares properly.

But Osborn, understandably, sees things differently. Reached on his cell this summer during an 8-hour road trip on I-35 to visit friends in Minnesota, the signal-caller knows time is of the essence.

"I don't feel pressure so much, but I do feel a sense of urgency that I've never felt before," he says. "You realize it's your last go-around. It's a motivating factor that makes you work that much harder and I don't want to feel the disappointment I felt last December."

Tjeerdsma's office window looks out over the stadium, which now boasts some of the finest amenities in Division II. He sees the field, named in his honor a few seasons ago, and gazes at the championship, runners up, and conference title years etched on the walls.

"I see them every day," he says. "It gives me a lot of pride to see how high our program has risen. I'm looking forward to seeing what 2008 will bring." Go fill that cup, coach.

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Sophomore defensive end Sean Paddock (6-2, 255 lbs.) showed he could be a ferocious pass-rusher as a freshman. Head coach Tjeerdsma will be relying on Paddock and his teammates as Northwest Missouri State looks to finally capture a national title.



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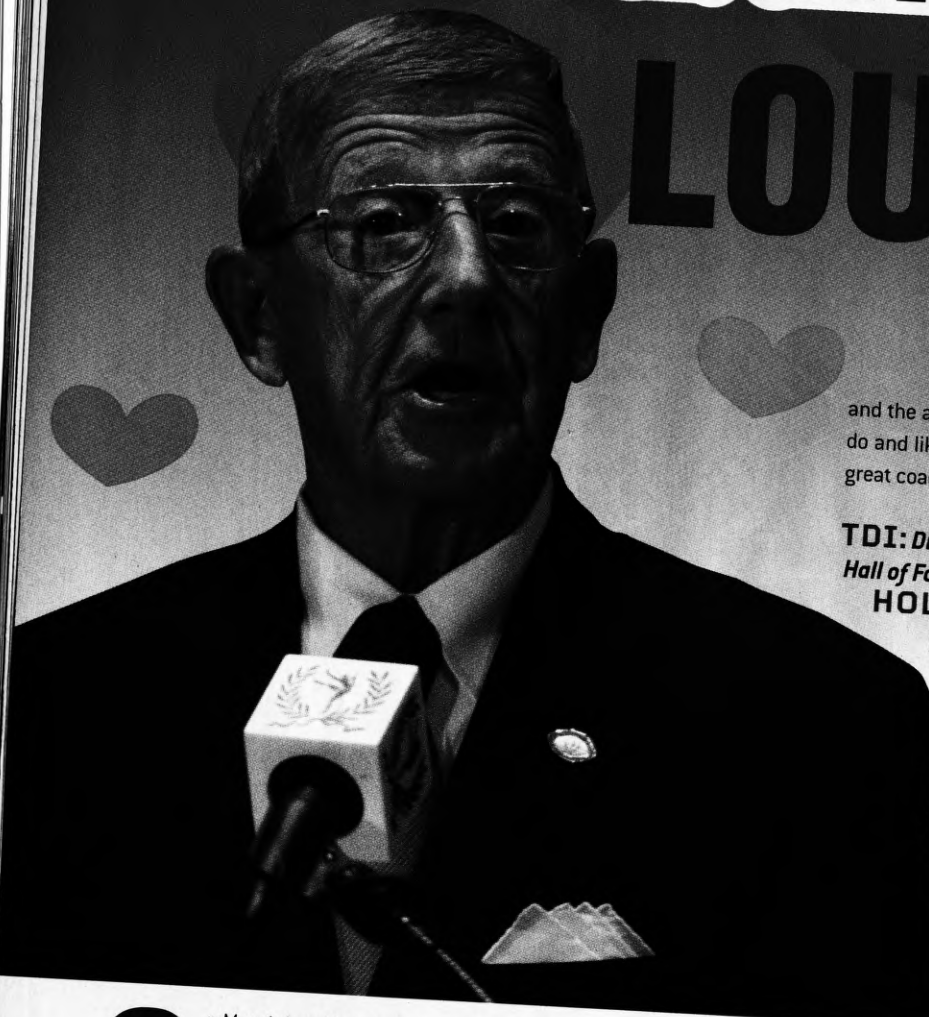
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and the ability to teach, I was a teacher, it's something I've always wanted to do and liked it, so I don't think you have to be a great football player to be a great coach.

TDI: Did you ever envision ending up in the College Football Hall of Fame?

HOLTZ: How did I end up here? In 1960 I accepted an assistant coach job at Conneaut High School [OH]. I was going to teach history and coach the backfield, and get married. And on about July 8th, my wife [then girlfriend], Beth, tells me she doesn't want to get married, she wants to see other people. My friends said, "You and Beth have a love-hate relationship. You love her and she hates you." I wanted to get away from her as fast as I could, and I wanted to get as far away as I could, I didn't want to be around anymore. Let me go start a different life. By ten o'clock I got my best friend Nevitt Stockdale, we're in my '52 Ford headed to Iowa because friends of mine knew [University of Iowa coach] Forest Evashevski. And they got me a graduate assistantship. In other words I would teach physical education for the physically handicapped, get free education, and be able to work with the football team. And I had originally had that offer and turned it down because I thought I was going to get married and stay in town. Now I'm headed out to Iowa. Drove all night, got there, got the graduate assistantship, and ended up in college and not a high school for the rest of my life.

TDI: So in addition to getting away, were you trying to impress your girl back home?

HOLTZ: We've been married 47 years and I tell her, it would have been 48 had she not called off the wedding. My wife is very reserved, and I'm very outward. She said "Opposites attract, then attack," but I cannot pay enough homage to my wife. A great mother, never complained, always supported me. I would've been very happy at a high school. And yet, Iowa finished second in the country that year. The newspaper editor back in our small town of East Liverpool, Ohio, every week wrote like I was responsible for Iowa's success. Now I'm a town hero! And my wife worked at the hospital as an X-ray technician — like my momma did, a nurse's aid — and she said, "Have Lou call me"

On May 1, Lou Holtz was announced as one of two former coaches to join with 13 players as 2008 College Football Hall of Fame inductees for the Football Bowl Subdivision (what some of us old-timers and rebels still call Division I-A). We got a chance to chat with him at the announcement at New York's Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, and were interested to learn how the quest to win his wife's heart led directly to his ultimate success on the sidelines.

TDI: Coach, what has been your guiding principle?

LOU HOLTZ: I never inherited a winner in six tries. You have to have a plan of how you're going to get there. This is where I want this program to go and here's how we're going to get there. You got to lead by example, you believe it, you got to hold people accountable. Too many times it's always someone else's fault, you know what I'm talking about. You have to make sure they share the same core values. And then when you put it with fundamentals



Touchdown Illustrated Editor-in-Chief Tom Nondorf talks to Coach Lou Holtz after his 2008 induction into the College Football Hall of Fame. Holtz coached William and Mary, North Carolina State, Minnesota, Arkansas, Notre Dame, and South Carolina to a career win total of 249 victories. Holtz's Notre Dame Fighting Irish captured the National Championship in 1988, beating West Virginia in the Fiesta Bowl.

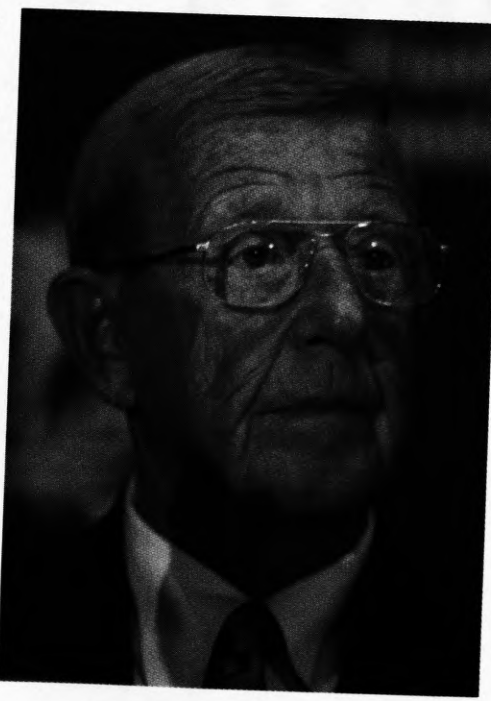
and so I did, and we ended up getting married the following summer, and I ended up with her.

TDI: So your wife playing hard-to-get paid off for everybody.

HOLTZ: It did. I ended up in college. My high school coach went to my parents and said, "You have to go to college and be a coach." I never dreamed of college. My grades were bad. All I wanted was a car, a girl, a job, and five dollars, I never had any of it. I never had a girl, never went to a prom, never had an A in high school, and so to go to college was totally out of whack for our family since nobody on either side had gone to college.

TDI: Did you have to teach yourself the X's and O's?

HOLTZ: The reason my high school coach thought I ought to go to college to coach was because I knew everybody's assignment. I mean, it just came easy. All over and outside I understood what was happening, and what I found was the more positions I knew, the better chance I had to get on the field. I had surgery on my knee at the end of my junior year in college at Kent State, so I couldn't play because they didn't do arthroscopic surgery back then. So they asked me to help coach a fresh-



man team, and I seemed to have the ability to relate to players. Coaching is you have a picture of what you look at. You have to put that picture in your mind with the picture of what you see and you say, "What's different?" And so that is why my coaches at Kent State went to call Coach Evashevski and went on a limb to recommend me because I wasn't that good of a football player. "But he's going to be an excellent coach," they said. So they saw something long before I did. And that's how it started.

TDI: So your story could be a great movie because you followed your heart, especially when it comes to your wife.

HOLTZ: It's unbelievable how things happen.

TDI: It's the ultimate case of behind every great man?

HOLTZ: I'll never forget, I'm at Ohio State, and we won the national championship under Woody

Hayes. There was a huge billboard sign to congratulate us. And I'll never forget it says, "Behind every successful person, stands a very surprised mother-in-law," which is true in my case.

—Tom Nondorf

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From left: Pat Fitzgerald, Coach Lou Holtz and Don McPherson

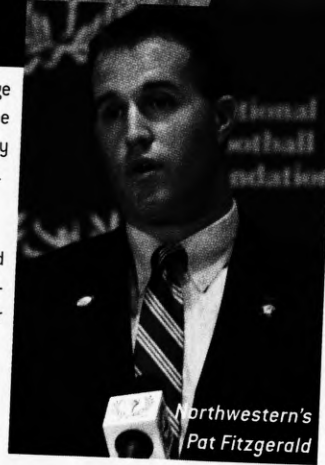
all my teammates were the primary concerns. I am really looking forward to the entire process."

PAT FITZGERALD - LB, Northwestern (1994-96)
 "I am very humbled and honored to be here today. This truly is a dream come true. My mother started me playing football in the second grade, and we played football with kids as old as the sixth grade. I wanted to quit, but my mother and father talked me out of it and taught me perseverance. My high school coaches helped me get the opportunity to play college football at Northwestern."

WILBER MARSHALL - LB, Florida (1980-83)
 "I was home in Florida visiting relatives when I got the news about the Hall of Fame. I'm just excited it happened. I guess I was just a year early. Last year when I was on the ballot, a lot of people wondered what was going on with the College Hall of Fame because I was in the Pro Hall of Fame. You just have to wait and be patient. I'm excited for my family and especially my school, Florida. I've always taken the approach of you just have to concentrate on what you need to do on and off the field. Just being in the College Hall of Fame is enough for me."

RUEBEN MAYES - RB, Washington State (1982-85)
 "I found out about the Hall of Fame when my assistant picked up a package addressed to me from the Dean's office. I opened the box on Monday (Apr. 28) and was thrilled to see the notification. The honor took a few minutes to sink in because I could not believe I was inducted into this prestigious club. Gary Gagnon, my WSU running backs coach, drilled fundamentals into me and gave me a vision to maximize my potential in college. He reinforced the hard work ethic and a never-give-up attitude."

RANDALL McDANIEL - OG, Arizona State (1984-87)
 "I actually didn't start playing football until I was a freshman in high school. Before that I was mostly a baseball and basketball guy. I started football and track in high school, and the professional player I tried to be like was (College Hall of Famer) Kellen Winslow. My biggest influence in sports was my dad, and he always told me I was more than an athlete. He taught that I should not let people define me. I should define myself."



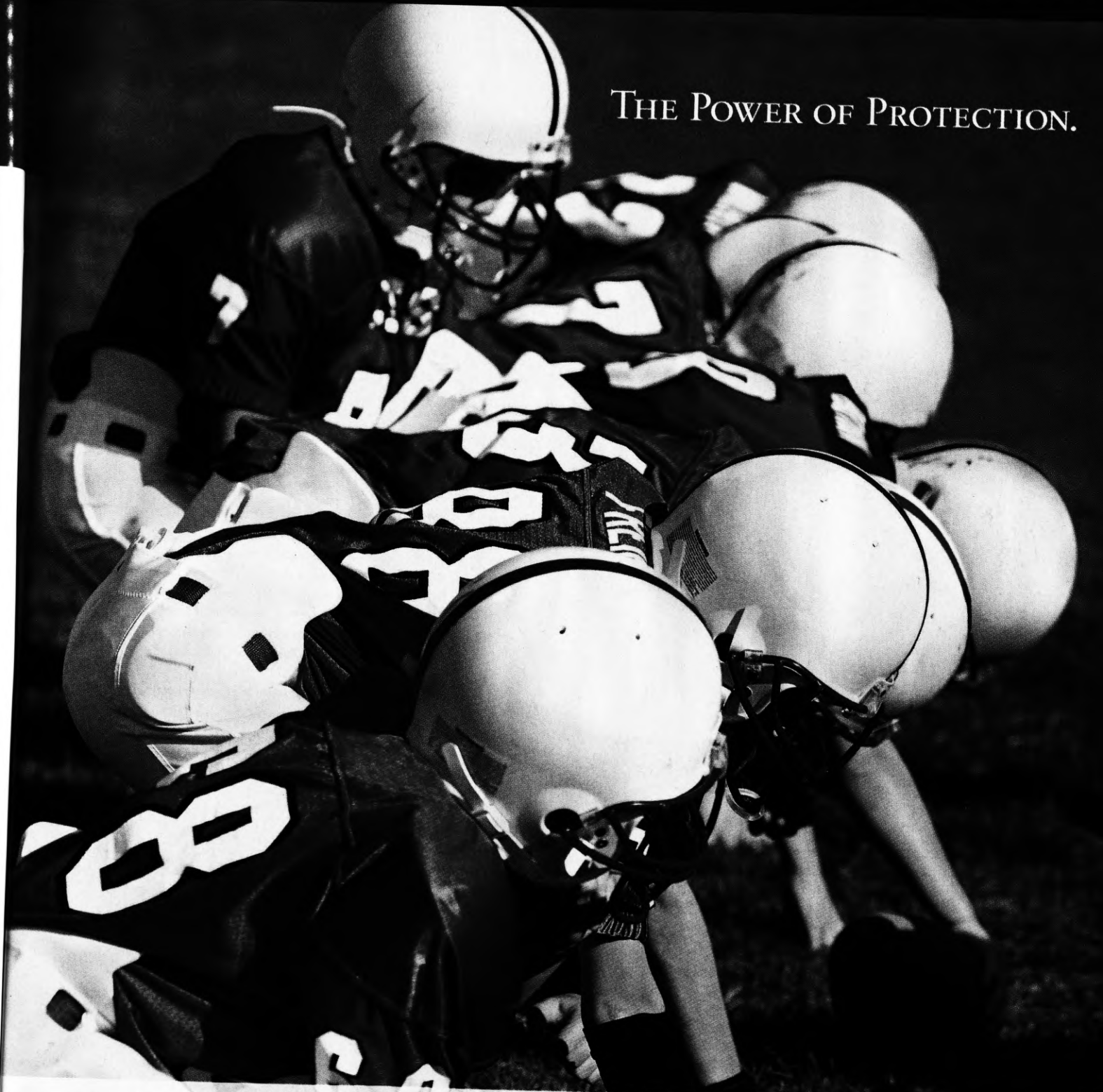
Northwestern's Pat Fitzgerald

NEW YORK, May 1, 2008 - The National Football Foundation & College Hall of Fame captured the following quotes from the members of the 2008 College Football Hall of Fame Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) Class on the day of the announcement of their induction.

TROY AIKMAN - QB, UCLA (1987-88)
 "It's an honor to be included in such an exclusive group of players and coaches who have shaped the great tradition that college football enjoys. College football has meant so much to the sporting history of our country, and it means a lot to me personally."

BILLY CANNON - RB, LSU (1957-59)
 "It's a great honor to be included with greats such as Paul Hornung, Johnny Majors, Alex Karas, and many others from our era. LSU has always been near and dear to my heart, and I know this will be a credit to the university and the football program. Playing on the first national championship team in 1958 and winning the Heisman Trophy in 1959 were great thrills, and I must remember all of my teammates, trainers and coaches who were there as well. No one person can do anything alone. It takes many, many people to win a national championship. I am grateful that I was able to play with those talented men. I am deeply honored to have been chosen and I am even prouder that I will always be an LSU Tiger!"

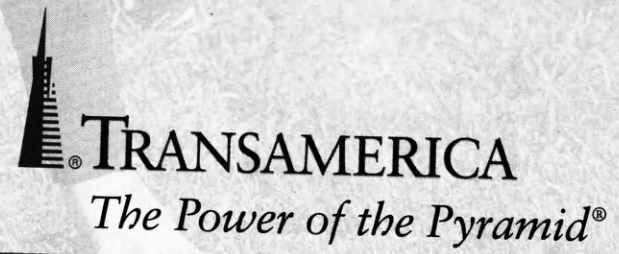
JIM DOMBROWSKI - OT, Virginia (1982-85)
 "This was a surprise. You walk into the house; see a box on the table; read the inscription on the football and the National Football Foundation letter; and suddenly, you realize you are in the College Hall of Fame. That is a very creative way of informing people about this great honor. When I first went to Virginia, becoming a Hall of Famer wasn't even a thought on the radar screen. Getting acclimated to college and classes, surviving two-a-days and meeting



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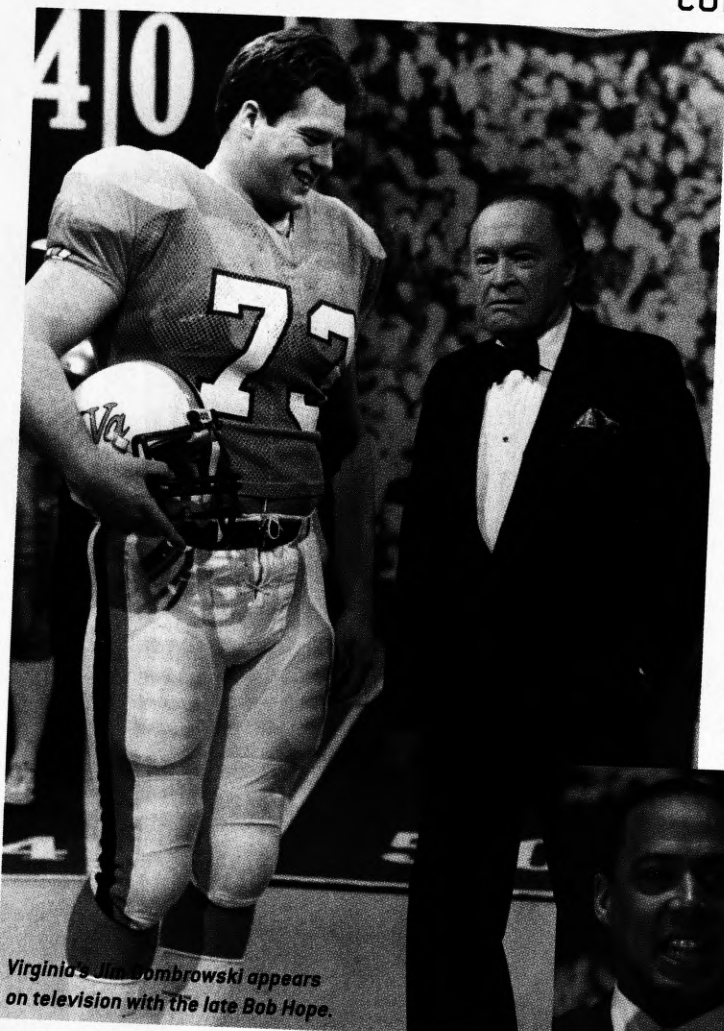


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Virginia's Jim Bombrowski appears on television with the late Bob Hope.

nationally. I caught a lot of grief going to Florida State after living in middle Georgia as a kid, but I wouldn't have traded the experience for anything, and I wouldn't have been here making the Hall of Fame without really good teammates. No one believed in us; we just believed in ourselves."

THURMAN THOMAS - RB, Oklahoma State (1984-87)

"Wow! I just came off last year going to the Pro Football Hall of Fame, and now this. I was just fortunate to have played with a lot of great people at Oklahoma State. This will be a treat to see Troy Aikman again in December in New York after we were at Canton for the Pro Football Hall of Fame ceremonies. We had many good games at Oklahoma State, but the one that stands out for me was our first Gator Bowl in 1984 (21-14 win over South Carolina in Jacksonville). It was my freshman year, and I was MVP in the game. It definitely put Oklahoma State on the national map."

ARNOLD TUCKER - QB, Army (1944-46)

"College Hall of Fame member Glenn Davis and I roomed together on trips. I distinctly remember at the end of the 1946 Michigan-Army game, someone tried to wrest the game ball away from Glenn Davis. He kept his composure and really could have used some strong language, but just kept repeating: 'gee, whiz... gee, whiz... let me have the ball.' It was such a pleasure to play on the same teams with Glenn and Doc Blanchard... It was just an honor to play on the same teams with them."

COACH JOHN COOPER - 192-84-6 (.691) - Tulsa (1977-84), Arizona State (1985-87), Ohio State (1988-2000)

"It is simply fantastic to be joining coaches like Bear Bryant, Woody Hayes and Gen. Robert Neyland - a gentleman I watched closely when I was growing up in Tennessee. Professionally, this is the highest honor you can attain. It ranks up there with the 1997 Rose Bowl when our Ohio State team beat an undefeated Arizona State team - a team that I coached before coming to OSU. I have been very fortunate to have many good assistant coaches and to be the only coach ever to win Rose bowls while coaching a Pacific-10 (Arizona State) and Big Ten Conference (Ohio State) school."

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Hall of Famer Dan McPherson

in with my teammate and friend, Troy Aikman...When I first received notice, I didn't realize that Troy Aikman was coming in with the same class. Chad Hennings called me the morning of the announcement, and he was pretty pumped about it as well. I really appreciated the way my Wyoming position coach Tom Vaughn took extra time to work with me and make me a better blocker and receiver. I wouldn't have been in the College Hall of Fame without his guidance."

DAVE PARKS - SE, Texas Tech (1961-63)

"I just want to say that this is a total team reward for my teammates at Texas Tech. We struggled some for a few of those years while I played at Tech and had just been admitted to the Southwest Conference. We did build a pretty good base for those later bowl teams and the team that almost won the SWC championship in 1967. We had to stick together through some tough games with Texas, Texas A&M and all the rest of those teams in the conference, and we did. I am just thrilled. This caps off many great days of college football. It is a great day for the Parks family and for Texas Tech. Again, I can't express enough thanks to my teammates, all my coaches from the youth leagues to the NFL and everyone involved with the College Football Hall of Fame."

RON SIMMONS - NG, Florida State (1977-80)

"I was just coming home and saw the NFF box on the porch; naturally, I thought it was someone soliciting or wanting an autograph. When I read National Football Foundation on the address label, I dropped the two sets of auto parts that I had in my hand, opened it and couldn't believe it. It was like the thrill of putting my football pads on for the first time as a kid. Coach Bobby Bowden called me a few days later with a couple of my old teammates, and they were thrilled and happy for me. I don't think that I could have made it without the great competition and rivalries we had with Florida and Miami (Fla.). We were the first FSU team to beat Florida four straight times, and that was when Florida State was almost unheard of



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THE GREATEST
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MOVIES IN HISTORY

BY TEX NORWALK

They say that the great American novel about college life has yet to be written. Can the same be said about the great American comedy movie about college football?

Scouring the ranks of cinema classics that dig into football in more than just a passing way, there have been plenty of pro-themed movies, and tons of high school-based narratives, but college football has been explored a little less, particularly in recent years.

In the thirties and forties, as the game of football reached new heights of respectability and popularity (due to the institution of safety measures), there were quite a few comedies that exploited the madness of collegiate goings-on, usually culminating in a slapstick blowout on the field. Even the most physical of these comedies often featured off-field plot points that still resonate today: recruiting troubles, high costs, coaches on the hot seat, etc.

For some reason, after the 1950s, there are very few movies that use college football as a backdrop, particularly comedies. It could be that as the '60s got into full swing, college football was viewed as too "establishment" to reach young audiences. How times change.

Below are a few noteworthy college football comedies, including some favorites from the heyday, and the most recent examples, good and bad.

THE FRESHMAN (1925)

This Harold Lloyd silent film might take awhile to get your pals excited about watching. First, you'll have to convince them that it is not the Matthew Broderick-Marlon Brando movie about saving endangered komodo dragons. Next, people might wonder who Harold Lloyd is, since this silent film star has gotten far less P.R. than Charlie Chaplin and Buster Keaton over the years. Finally, it can be daunting enough to get some folks to watch black and white movies, but a silent film? Well, once it's underway, you will see both who Harold Lloyd was and why he is one of the all-time greats. In this film he plays the titular character, showing up at college, hoping to be the BMOC, and quickly finding he is a nobody, until his on-field exploits win everybody over, culminating in one of the earliest and best madcap football game conclusions of all time. Interestingly, Lloyd would use footage from this game

as a flashback memory of a character in his last film 22 years later.

HORSE FEATHERS (1932)

Crossing the Marx Brothers with football seemed like a pretty good idea at the time, although audiences considered this movie almost too crazy, too anarchic, even for Groucho, Chico, Harpo, and, yes, Zeppo. That said it contains one of the more lucid plots to be found in any Marx Brothers vehicle. Groucho is Professor Wagstaff, brought on to revive the football fortunes of Huxley College. In order for Huxley to better compete with its archrivals at

Darwin College, Groucho recruits two ringers. Through a mistake of epically unfortunate proportions, he gets Harpo and Chico instead, while Darwin gets the actual players. No matter; Harpo and Chico vow to kidnap the players from Darwin. It's a corny, senseless blast that concludes (as it must) with an insane football game that bears more resemblance to an *American Gladiators* episode than actual football.

LIFE BEGINS IN COLLEGE (1937)

A few steps below the Marx Brothers in public esteem were the Ritz

Brothers, a totally obnoxious trio from Brooklyn, who in this vehicle play tailors in a college town who get caught up trying to save the job of the venerable old coach of the football team. When a Native American played by Nat Pendleton (a veteran of *Horse Feathers* and 1933's *College Coach*) comes to town and leads the team to glorious wins, all is well until his eligibility is called into question. This comedy is full of music, pep rallies, and (of course) a finale where the coach is forced to play the numbskull Ritzes. Worth watching for the antics of Joan Davis, who could easily have been a Ritz (or Marx) Sister.



The Marx Brothers' hilarious college football comedy *Horse Feathers* (the first scene in 1932) showcased a great game even if the action was believable only by Marx Brothers' standards.

TOUCHDOWN CINEMA

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The Ritz Brothers played in 1937's *Life Begins in College*.

HOLD THAT CO-ED (1938)

This one isn't easy to find, but check the classic movie listings on TV because it is worth a look for noting in a funny way how politicians, local and otherwise, will capitalize on the success of a football team. John Barrymore, a member of the First Family of American actors, and someone known more for his Hamlet, here plays crooked wild-haired Governor Gabby Harrington who shamelessly uses his political power to help a college's team succeed, thereby increasing his own popularity. As a satire of corruption, it is quite amusing. It also features Joan Davis, Jack Haley (just a year before he became the Tin

Man) and ironically, as the team's coach, George Murphy, who would later go on to a career in politics.

FATHER WAS A FULLBACK (1949)

Ever wonder what an unsuccessful college coach's life is like at home? This highly entertaining movie gives a glimpse. Fred MacMurray (*My Three Sons*) is Coach Cooper, downtrodden coach at ol' State U. The team hasn't been successful for a while, and fans are calling for his head. Rudy Vallee is hilarious as the nosy booster who shows up at Coop's house with ideas for new plays.

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WHEN IRISH EYES ARE CRYING: THE DRAMAS

You don't have to be a Notre Dame fan to enjoy easily the two best college football dramas ever made. But both do happen to feature the Irish.

From 1940, Knute Rockne, All American is a straightforward retelling of the life of the man who brought us the forward pass and brought the Fighting Irish to glory. Amos Alonzo Stagg and Glenn "Pop" Warner appear in cameos, but the film comes to life when Ronald Reagan as George Gipp enters Rockne's life, and you know the rest. If you don't, watch one for the Gipper.

Then there is Rudy, a kind of "Little Engine that Could on the Football Field" story, also based on reality, that tells of the too-small, none-too-bright kid who just wants to play Notre Dame football and all the obstacles he overcomes along the way. People say if this movie doesn't get you, you may not have a heart, or your team lost to Notre Dame the day you watched it.

Other collegiate dramas to watch for are College Coach (1933) with Pat O'Brien, the same guy who played Rockne, this time as a hard-hearted coach who will stop at nothing to win; The Program, which, if nothing else, showed that Disney had come along way since Gus, their movie about a field-goal kicking mule; and Everybody's All-American, based on the Frank DeFord novel.

Meanwhile his home life is in shambles, with his teenage daughter going through a rough patch, and young Natalie Wood quite funny as his wiseacre youngest. Even his housekeeper is betting on the opposition. When the "secret weapon" Coop brings to the team from the track squad accidentally knocks himself out, all looks lost for the Coach and his family. If only a prize recruit could show up and save the day...Aside from the media exposure being magnified by a dozen times today, there is a lot that still rings true about the day-to-day life of a coach.

TROUBLE ALONG THE WAY (1953)

John Wayne as a football coach seems like a natural. But *Trouble Along the Way* is one of his lesser-known films, being a mostly lighthearted affair. It is noteworthy for featuring the statement "Winning isn't everything. It's the only thing" years before the quote was attributed to Vince Lombardi. Like MacMurray in *Father Was a Fullback*, Wayne is dealing with troubles in his personal life as well as on the field with St. Andrews College, which is hoping a successful football team will help the struggling school. Donna Reed plays his love interest, and she is more commonly seen with a guy in a football uniform after she and Jimmy Stewart fall into the pool in *It's A Wonderful Life*.

JOHNNY BE GOOD (1988)

Here's a movie that actually looks into the serious issue of college recruitment, the vicious underbelly of — aw, who are we kidding? There might have been a seed of a good idea for a plot here, but this movie is so over-the-top and generally unpleasant in tone, that the main reason to watch is to see Uma Thurman at her best. Anthony Michael Hall, playing against type as the QB that every school covets, is plied with women, alcohol, parties, you name it, in order to get his signature. Gosh knows there have been abuses of power in college recruiting, but this movie goes nowhere with that point. What's worse, for our purposes, it isn't very funny. But, then there's Uma.

NECESSARY ROUGHNESS (1991)

Then there are movies that you just assumed were terrible when they came out, movies like *Summer School*, *Real Genius*, *Happy Gilmore*, that when you finally see them, you realize that you really missed the boat. *Necessary Roughness* is such a movie. Here the Texas State University Armadillos, after years of corruption, have been given a kind of death penalty, and are forced to use only walk-ons. Hello Sinbad and Jason Bateman. Put on your pads, 34 year-old Scott Bakula. Find a field goal kicker in the form of soccer player Kathy Ireland. How prescient was this movie? Can you say "Katie Hnida," former New Mexico kicker? And recently the former Southwest Texas State University changed its name to Texas State. Armadillos anyone?

The Players and the Actors: Scott Bakula and Kathy Ireland are joined by a Hall of Fame cast of former college greats in Necessary Roughness.



THE WATERBOY (1998)

The sine qua non of recent college football comedies, *The Waterboy* brings it all back to the madcap level of the Marx Brothers. This has put catchphrases in our lexicon like "You can do it!" from Rob Schneider (veteran of *Necessary Roughness*, by the way), as well as songs about water. Adam Sandler is Bobby Boucher, the South Central Louisiana State waterboy who uses his rage to lead his school to the Bourbon Bowl title. Henry Winkler is the gentle coach who taps into Bobby's talents, and Jerry Reed oozes southern football menace as rival coach Red Beaulieu.

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Part One: 1948. Dale Trump leaves high school football — and everything he knows — in the rearview mirror.

You got a place to park it? I don't think they let freshman park on campus," said Wes after a large sip.

"Aunt Judy said I could park it at her place. I'm going to let her use it when they need more than one car," said Dale.

"I don't know. I guess it was a promise."

Dale was silent. Clean snap. Prepare for impact.

Both ball and play were now in the hands of the quarterback. Letting the QB work was a job Dale had done well enough for Williams State University to grant him a full scholarship. His work on defense and special teams had also been noted in the recruiter's report.

"I guess Mom, uh, you know," said Wes, taking a thoughtful sip in lieu of finishing his sentence.

Dale maintained his neutral facial expression. Block. Block! Hold the line until the QB gets the pass off.

"Would something used but decent be acceptable?" asked Wes after a long pause. "The money is only going to go so far."

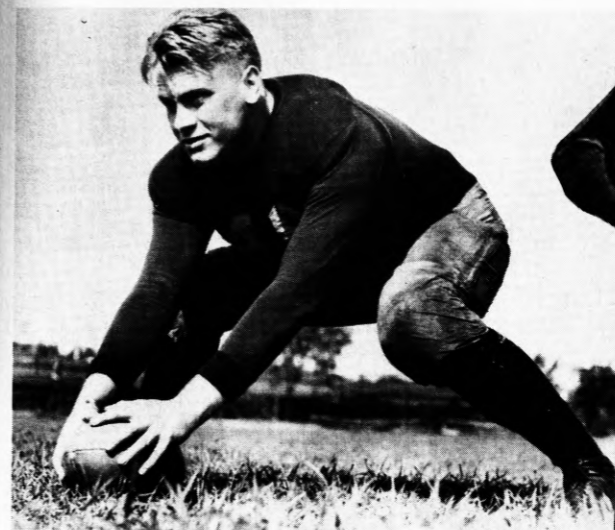
Dale smiled in a knowing way without speaking; this was a technique he had learned from his mother, and it had served him well in a variety of situations. Pass complete! Wide receiver going for the TD.

"I guess not," said Wes. "We'll go with what we talked about."

"Thanks, Dad," said Dale, making his smile wide and rewarding. Touchdown.

Later that evening, father and son experienced the pageantry of the car dealership. Wes was a good participant, slapping his son on the back and congratulating him when he took the keys to the big, resplendent, chrome-rich

Wes Trump screwed the cap back on the bottle and pulled the tumbler heavy with ice and whisky across the table. Dale pressed his hands onto the smooth tabletop in anticipation, watching his father's eyes dart downward toward the rising glass. Sunlight and a warm July breeze came in through the windows.



convertible. The car was by no means an understated choice, but it was Jenny's recommendation, and Jenny and his mother had always agreed. Plus, it had more than enough room for the 6'2", 250 lb., 18-year-old graduate. Just one week earlier, the class of 1948 had thrown its mortarboards high into the air, but to Dale the summer was bittersweet in mood.

The new car crunched the gravel of the Grahams' driveway. Dale got out of the convertible, wearing jeans and a grass-stained white t-shirt. With a big smile, Jenny crunched out to greet her boyfriend and buried her face in his wide chest.

"It's beautiful," she said, her voice muffled.

"I thought you'd like it," said Dale. He kissed her on the part in her hair, feeling the warmth of her scalp on his lips. "I guess I'll be driving a lot from now on."

"You've got to come see me every week," said Jenny. "It's not so far."

The two gave the car a good looking over, then walked hand in hand to the house.

"Any word from Vince?" said Dale, grabbing a cola from the icebox. "He's been too busy to write his best friend."

"Yeah, we haven't heard much from him. Just a post card."

"Doesn't surprise me somehow."

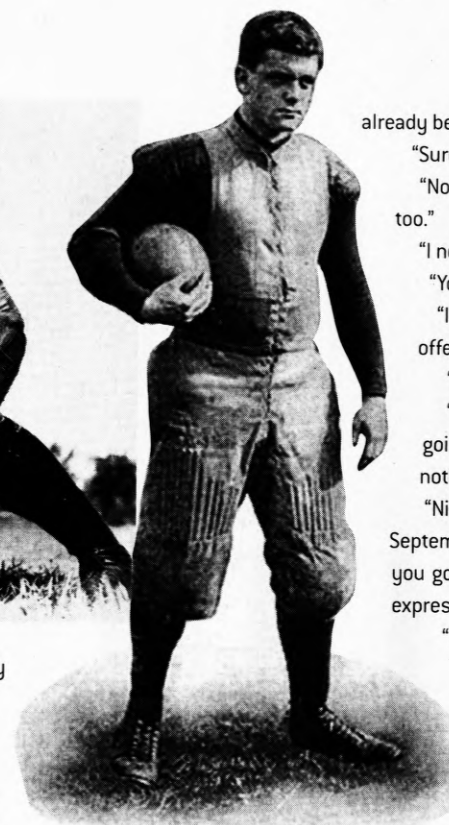
"What do you mean?"

Dale looked off into space for a moment. Their mothers had been best friends, and he and Vince had been close since early boyhood. Both rabid football fans, they had played ball together, gone to every local game they could together, listened to games on the radio together, and talked without end together about players and stats, pro and college alike. Only in their last year of high school had things begun to seem different.

"He always thinks he's better, no matter what. Better college, better football team. I guess his old car is better than my new one just because it's his."

"Wow," said Jenny. "That's how a best friend talks?"

"I don't know," said Dale. "He's cocky as all get-out. In his mind, I'm sure he's



already beaten our team."

"Sure he's cocky; everybody knows that. You are too."

"Not in the same way. Our playing styles are totally different, too."

"I noticed. He's more of a lone wolf; you're more of a leader."

"You think?"

"I know it. I've seen all your games this year. The whole offensive line just totally tunes into you."

"That's what a center needs to do."

"Well, you do it. That's why you're a star. That's why you're going to State on a full ride. Vince is great too, but you've got nothing to be insecure about."

"Nielsen's a pretty big rival. We'll be squaring off in September." Dale paused and looked away from Jenny. "Are you going to be rooting for me or Vince in that game?" Dale's expression looked sad and doubtful.

"You!" said Jenny, poking him in his thick ribs.

Dale looked at her eyes and smile; for a moment, the wide and high wall of campus, practice, coaches, and classes left Dale's mind, and all was Jenny.

That night when he dreamed, the wall did not come to him with its visual algebra of what he knew and did not know about college and his future.

Instead, he was leaving the wet grass of early morning

practice and trying to find, without success, his locker in the locker room, then his locker in the school halls. In waking life he often used Jenny's locker, and she his; he found hers in the dream but was unable to turn the combination. Jenny appeared from the motion of the hallway and touched his arm in a loving way.

"I'm sorry, Dale," she said. "I can't any more."

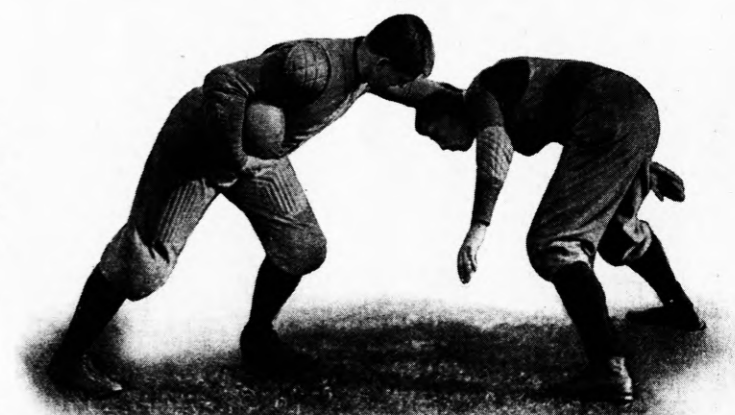
"You can't?" he said.

"I'm not in high school any more. I don't have a locker here."

Dale woke up with an urgency to visit the bathroom. The house was dark and silent, and the floor of the hallway creaked beneath his feet.

The emotions of the dream washed over him; the look in Jenny's eyes seemed to him one of the saddest things he had ever seen. She's not leaving — I am, he thought as he returned to bed. He was asleep again within seconds. Tomorrow he would stand on campus for the first time as a college student and athlete.

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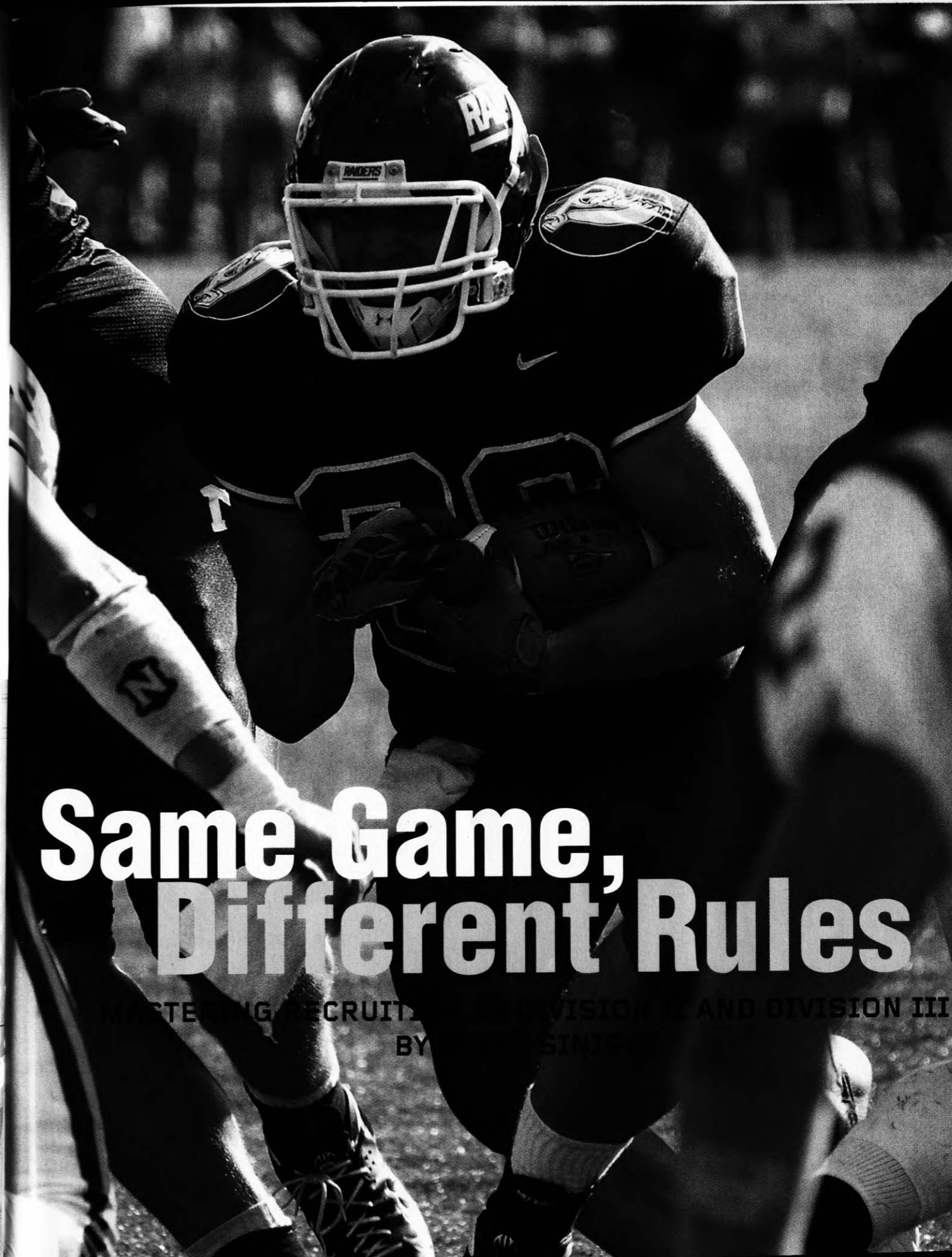


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It isn't always easy to sign on the dotted line, because doing so usually happens when there's a big purchase — or commitment — at stake.

From determining how much money is available in a budget to buying a new home, or whether or not it's possible to fit a new car into the driveway, numbers, or in most cases, their limits, are hard to ignore. But few commitments promise the type of lifetime results offered by a four-year college that's also providing athletes with a grand stage on the football field.

Simply put, life is a game of numbers.

So it should come as no surprise that sports — no matter the nature of the game — can take on twists and turns based solely on key numbers. As tough as it can be to designate a depth chart by the time late August rolls around, figuring out who's going to compete for playing time at the Division II and Division III levels of college football is a task unto itself. "Everyone thinks they're going to Top 25 programs but not everyone does," said Scott Kennedy, the Director of Scouting for Scout.com.



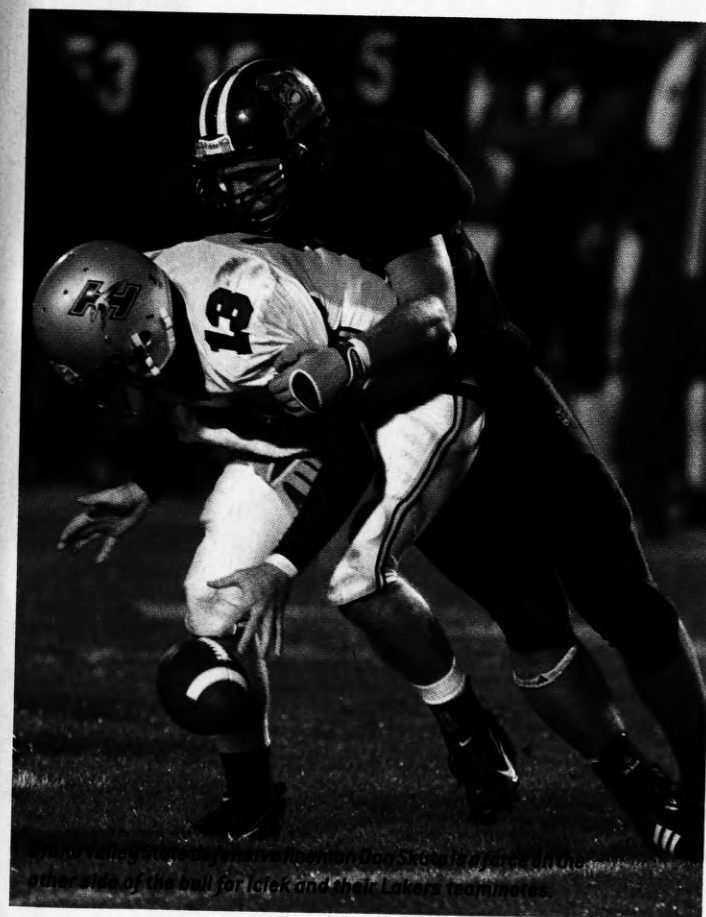
Recruiting at the Division II and Division III levels is different than that of Division I. Each team can use partial scholarships to fill their rosters with role players and

Judging by the overall numbers, there's plenty more student-athletes that play at smaller schools than those at the highest level. There are 119 Division I schools in total and 85 potential scholarships allowable per school, leaving roughly 10,000 available slots. Keeping in mind the total includes freshman, sophomores, juniors, seniors and even redshirts mixed in, it's easy to see why space on a Division I roster is at a premium.

Unlike major programs at the Division I level, there isn't always a line forming to the left with a seemingly limitless amount of players hoping to hit the big time. Even the rules of recruiting are different across college football. In Division II, the number of scholarships is sliced by more than half (36), though schools can offer partial scholarships to entice multiple players. "Most of the guys for Valdosta State are partial scholarship guys," Valdosta State head coach David Dean said. "[That way] you can have up to 72 guys."

For Division III programs the word scholarship is a foreign term, and the system used by Mount Union head coach Larry Kehres and others might even be an eye-opener for colleagues at the upper levels. "It's not more difficult, it's different," he said. "The process is not quite the same and the time frame is different."

For example, unlike upper-division schools that can woo a player as a junior during the early signing period, Kehres is forced to wait until January of a player's senior year to get a commitment. That's because the Free Application for Student Aid forms can't be filed until income statements from the previous year are issued. While it does squeeze down the time



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Not every school can offer the promise of a stadium featuring 100,000 screaming fans. As a matter of fact, most schools at the Division II or Division III level of college football can't come close to matching campus enrollments of one-tenth that total. So coaches must take a different approach in salesmanship and at the same time have a keen sense for projecting a player's growth over four years of college.

"It's difficult to identify who the good players are, then get the good players to play for you," Mount Union coach Larry Kehres, whose program boasts a 164-5 record over the last 11 seasons, said. "Then [you have to] develop them academically and athletically."

The first step is finding out the types of players on the radar and maintaining contact during the recruiting process. And even then, players may still be available well into the summer months, if offers from Division I schools fail to materialize. In an athlete's mind, maybe he's thinking Florida or Michigan. But the hardcore truth could mean a smaller school — at least in the very beginning. "Division I gets more of a finished product," Grand Valley State head coach Chuck Martin said. "With our kids you've got to try to project if they're going to gain the size or gain the speed."

Of course, signing a player and keeping him for four years is sometimes easier said than done. Martin and Kehres, however, have been able to not only recruit athletes, but keep them in the program for four years.

"They like it here," Martin said. "I've never lost a kid. Usually kids get to Grand Valley and are pretty happy here."

Kehres boasts a similar success rate based on his recruiting past. "We're looking for [athletes to have] good reasons why this school is a good fit," he said. "We want meaningful reasons why they pick the schools they do."

Same Game, Different Rules

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period for signees, it doesn't limit the recruitment for the 200-plus schools in Division III.

"Even a Division III [athlete] may be in contact with dozens of colleges," Kehres said.

The talent pool of available players generally starts to develop after Division I's National Signing Day in February. Though smaller schools have their own cheat sheet of prospects already in place, there's the chance of a talent bonanza anywhere from March through July, as some players realize Division I schools aren't going to offer them scholarships or be the perfect home for them.

"Most of the recruiting at the Division II level takes place after National Signing Day," Dean said, later adding, "Division II recruiting is pretty much a year-round process. It continues all the way up to two weeks before training camp."

And according to Kennedy, locking players up at the Division I level likely does more good than harm. "The trend for the bigger schools to get early commitments helps the small schools," Kennedy said. "They know [who] not to spend time on."

The race is on in the spring and early summer months as schools jockey

for position on the large pool of available players. Some programs can offer a great campus experience, others a small-school atmosphere.

Face time is generally used to describe politics and ad campaigns leading up to elections in November. But the term could also be applied to college football and its ever-expanding television universe. No longer are fans limited to one or two games per Saturday or the merely the major programs. In 2007, Valdosta State played in five nationally televised games, getting the type of exposure that used to be limited only to the likes of Notre Dame and Michigan. "Kids like to play on television," Dean said. "It's always a big selling point to kids and helps us get in the door a little more."

Getting the opportunity to play on television opens doors that might otherwise be closed in the minds of athletes. And given the accessibility of video, game tapes and other related media accessible on the Internet, today's professional scouts don't leave many stones unturned. "There's a myth that Division II schools don't get exposure," Dean said. "Those pro guys, they're pretty good," Dean said. "They'll find you."

Steve Siniski is a freelance writer based in New York and also writes for College & Pro Football Newsweekly.

Chadron State's Austin Bailey, a three-year starter at inside linebacker was picked by the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference as a possible preseason player of the year.



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DT 51	Chad Brooks (6-1, 257, Jr.)	LT 69	Richi Anderson (6-5, 325, Jr.)
NG 52	Adam Smith-Friedman (6-2, 265, So.)	LG 75	Mike Heath (6-5, 285, So.)
DE 97	Mike Enoch (6-4, 242, Sr.)	C 55	Sean Eperjest (6-4, 275, Jr.)
Sam 35	Hardin Moss (6-1, 220, Sr.)	RG 66	Mark Neel (6-5, 290, Sr.)
Mike 44	Y'hoshua Murray (5-11, 220, Sr.)	RT 76	Sam Geldmaker (6-8, 290, So.)
Will 37	Ryan Greene (6-2, 235, Sr.)	TE 3	Matt Davis (6-4, 235, So.)
CB 22	Branden Williams (5-10, 175, Fr.)	Slot 19	Levar Goff (6-0, 180, So.)
CB 12	Jesse Williams (5-9, 161, So.)	WR 86	Brig Van Etten (6-4, 200, Fr.)
SS 43	Dan Skelton (5-10, 178, So.)	QB 13	Bob Bartley (6-4, 205, So.)
FS 1	Ben Swank (5-9, 186, So.)	or 10	Zach Boedicker (6-2, 200, So.)
P 29	Ryan Genco (5-11, 188, Fr.-r)	RB 6	Jon Richardson (5-11, 205, Jr.)
		PK 43	Jeremy Ditzler (5-10, 155, So.)

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1 James Saunders ...DB	18 Evan EulerP	39 Albert Benedict .K/P	62 Carmen LanancusaDL	82 Evan Twombly ...TE
2 Tomar PettisDB	19 Levar GoffWR	40 Jon TagueDB	63 Nicholas Tomkins OL	83 Jonathon Jones .WR
3 Matt DavisTE	20 Anthony Weaver .RB	41 Matt Szczupakowski .K	64 Mike MisoffOL	84 Tom Johnson ...DL
4 Connor Kimball ...DB	21 John ChisolmDB	43 Jeremy DitzlerK	66 Mark NeelOL	85 Jerry SmithWR
5 Jacobe Smith ...WR	23 Dane GivnerDB	44 Johnny Jones ...LB	68 Michael Schnell .OL	86 Brig Van Etten ...WR
6 Jon Richardson .RB	24 Carmen Ciampi ...TE	45 Mike PechieOL	69 Richi Anderson ...OL	87 Paul Schirmer ...WR
7 Jarrett Beavers ...RB	25 Nick AarigoDB	46 Jon PetrigacLB	70 Zach watersOL	88 Chris Murphy ...DL
8 Corey Bradley ...WR	26 Tony PomaDB	48 Stephen Gibson .RB	71 Joe CondeOL	89 Destin DeMarion .TE
9 Kevin MinorLB	27 Ray HarrisDB	49 Zach HayDB	73 Cameron Hutcherson	90 Matt WardDL
10 Zach Boedicker ...QB	28 Ben GriffithRB	51 Jeffrey LongLSOL	91 Wesley Smith ...DL
11 Vinnie DeLucka .WR	29 Aaron Roberson .DB	53 Josh Prischak ...OL	74 Randy Bloom ...DL	92 David Postwaite .DL
12 Kolten Hoffman .QB	30 Mike Schweisthal .DB	54 Danny Giegerich .LB	75 Mike HeathOL	93 Josh Williams ...DL
13 Bob BartleyQB	32 Preston Clements .DB	55 Sean Eperjesi ...OL	76 Sam Geldmaker .OL	94 Daniel Karcher ...DL
14 Kendall Brown .WR	33 Chris CookDB	56 Parris Williams ...LB	77 Cody Huffinan ...OL	95 Tyler Sutphen ...LB
15 Khayree Connors- .DB	34 Justin ReavesLB	57 Keith YagerLB	78 Tim Reynolds ...OL	96 Randy Colling ...DL
McChristian	35 Nick Sheehan ...RB	58 Jim MorganLB	79 Jim MartzDL	97 Jeremy Calzone .LB
17 Matthew Neal- ...DB	37 Mac ReedDB	59 Dave Conway ...OL	80 Jason Ladouceur WR	98 Brandon Spakowski LB
Mink	38 Patrick ZelnoRB	60 A.J. BelchOL	81 Sylvester Burel .WR	99 Cory BordenDL



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69	Richi Anderson	OL	6-5	325	Jr.
	<i>Mt. Pleasant, SC/Westford(Mass.)</i>				
25	Nick Arrigo	DB	5-10	175	Fr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Mercyhurst Prep</i>				
13	Bob Bartley	QB	6-4	205	So.
	<i>Allison Park, Pa./Hampton</i>				
7	Jarrett Beavers	RB	5-11	205	Sr.
	<i>Southfield, MI/Southfield-Lathrup</i>				
60	A.J. Belch*	OL	6-3	250	Fr.
	<i>Watertown, NY/Watertown</i>				
39	Albert Benedict	K/P	6-0	205	So.
	<i>Solon, OH/Solon</i>				
74	Randy Bloom	DL	6-4	280	Fr.
	<i>Orchard Park, NY/Orchard Park</i>				
99	Cory Borden*	DL	6-2	230	Fr.
	<i>Twinsburg, OH/Twinsburg</i>				
8	Corey Bradley	WR	5-11	170	So.
	<i>Monroeville, PA/Gateway</i>				
14	Kendall Brown	WR	6-1	155	So.
	<i>Tampa, FL/Hillsborough</i>				
81	Sylvester Burel	WR	6-3	205	Jr.
	<i>Redlands, CA/Redlands East Valley</i>				
97	Jeremy Calzone	LB	6-2	230	Fr.
	<i>Elma, NY/Iroquois</i>				
21	John Chisolm	DB	5-11	185	Jr.
	<i>Trenton, NJ/Burlington Township</i>				
24	Carmen Ciampi	TE	6-0	220	Sr.
	<i>East Boston, MASS/East Boston</i>				
32	Preston Clements	DB	5-10	170	Fr.
	<i>Rochester, NY/East</i>				
96	Randy Colling	DL	6-5	290	Fr.
	<i>Arcade, NY/Pioneer</i>				
71	Joe Conde	OL	6-1	275	Fr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Mercyhurst Prep</i>				
15	Khayree Connors-McChristian*	DB	5-11	190	Fr.
	<i>Sicklerville, NJ/Winslow Township</i>				
59	Dave Conway	OL	6-6	275	Sr.
	<i>Nesquehoning, PA/Marian Catholic</i>				
33	Chris Cook	DB	5-8	170	Fr.
	<i>Cleveland, OH/Shaw</i>				
3	Matt Davis*	TE	6-4	235	Fr.
	<i>Cheswick, PA/Shaler</i>				
11	Vinnie DeLuca	WR	6-2	195	Jr.
	<i>Westland, MI/John Glenn</i>				
89	Destin DeMarion*	TE	6-2	220	Fr.
	<i>Grove City, PA/Grove City</i>				
43	Jeremy Ditzler	K	5-10	155	So.
	<i>Erie, PA/Iroquois</i>				
55	Sean Eperjesi*	OL	6-4	275	Fr.
	<i>Tampa, FL/Robinson</i>				
18	Even Euler	P	6-0	185	Jr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/North Hills</i>				
76	Sam Geldmaker	OL	6-8	290	So.
	<i>Bradenton, FL/Manatee</i>				
48	Stephen Gibson	RB	5-6	180	Fr.
	<i>Manchester, NH/West</i>				
54	Danny Giegerich*	LB	6-2	205	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Thomas Jefferson</i>				
23	Dane Givner	DB	6-1	160	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Harvest Preparatory</i>				
19	Levar Goff	WR	6-0	180	So.
	<i>Rochester, NY/Greece Athena</i>				
28	Ben Griffith	RB	5-11	185	So.
	<i>Erie, PA/McDowell</i>				
27	Ray Harris	DB	5-9	195	So.
	<i>Miami, FL/Christopher Columbus</i>				
49	Zach Hay	DB	5-11	165	Fr.
	<i>Bethel Park, PA/Bethel Park</i>				
75	Mike Heath	OL	6-5	285	So.
	<i>Henrietta, NY/Rush-Henrietta</i>				
12	Kolten Hoffman*	QB	5-10	180	Fr.
	<i>West Middlesex, PA/West Middlesex</i>				
77	Cody Huffman	OL	6-4	275	Jr.
	<i>Rochester, NY/Irondequoit</i>				
73	Cameron Hutcherson	OL	6-5	330	So.
	<i>Buffalo, NY/East</i>				
84	Tom Johnson	DL	6-3	240	Sr.
	<i>Plymouth, MI/Detroit Central Catholic</i>				
44	Johnny Jones	LB	6-1	220	So.
	<i>Cambridge, OH/Cambridge</i>				
83	Jonathon Jones	WR	6-5	195	Fr.
	<i>Rochester, NY/Aquinas</i>				
94	Daniel Karcher	DL	6-1	205	Fr.
	<i>Orchard Park, NY/Orchard Park</i>				
4	Connor Kimball	DB	5-11	160	So.
	<i>Erie, PA/McDowell</i>				
80	Jason Ladouceur*	WR	6-0	185	Fr.
	<i>Orchard Park, NY/Orchard Park</i>				
62	Carmen Lamancusa	DL	6-4	290	Fr.
	<i>Vienna, OH/Mathews</i>				
51	Jeffery Long	LS	6-1	240	Fr.
	<i>Port Jervis, NY/Port Jervis</i>				
79	Jim Martz*	DL	6-4	280	Fr.
	<i>Hookstown, PA/Southside</i>				
9	Kevin Minor	LB	6-2	195	So.
	<i>South Euclid, OH/Shaw</i>				
64	Mike Misoff*	OL	6-6	270	Fr.
	<i>Bradenton, FL/Cardinal Mooney</i>				
58	Jim Morgan	LB	6-0	180	Fr.
	<i>New Milford NJ/New Milford</i>				
88	Chris Murphy	DL	6-6	285	Sr.
	<i>Orchard Park, NY/Orchard Park</i>				
17	Matthew Neal-Mink	DB	6-2	200	So.
	<i>Moorestown, NJ/Moorestown</i>				
66	Mark Neel	OL	6-5	290	Sr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Northgate</i>				
45	Mike Pechie	OL	6-4	250	Jr.
	<i>Hilton, NY/Hilton</i>				
46	Jon Petrigac	LB	6-0	200	Fr.
	<i>Pittsburgh, PA/Central Catholic</i>				
2	Tomar Pettis	DB	6-3	200	Sr.
	<i>Massillon, OH/Washington</i>				
26	Tony Poma	DB	5-10	175	Jr.
	<i>Swartz Creek, MI/Powers Catholic</i>				
92	David Postwaite	DL	6-2	300	Sr.
	<i>Rochester, NY/Gates Chili</i>				
53	Josh Preschak	OL	5-11	255	Fr.
	<i>Erie, PA/Cathedral Prep</i>				
34	Justin Reaves	LB	6-1	230	So.
	<i>Twinsburg, OH/Twinsburg</i>				
37	Mac Reed	DB	5-8	165	Fr.
	<i>Lanham, MD/DeMatha Catholic</i>				
78	Tim Reynolds	OL	6-9	370	Fr.
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	<i>Warren, OH/Warren G. Harding</i>				
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	<i>Maple Heights, OH/St. Peter Chanel</i>				
1	James Saunders	DB	5-6	160	Fr.
	<i>Bronx, NY/NY Military Academy</i>				
87	Paul Schirmer	WR	6-2	205	Fr.
	<i>Honeoye Falls, NY/Honeoye Falls-Lima</i>				
68	Michael Schnell*	OL	6-3	330	Fr.
	<i>Lackawanna, NY/Lackawanna</i>				
30	Mike Schweisthal	DB	5-11	175	Fr.
	<i>Strongsville, OH/St. Edward</i>				
35	Mick Sheehan	RB	5-11	185	Rf.
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5	Jacobe Smith	WR	5-11	165	Sr.
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85	Jerry Smith*	WR	6-4	225	Fr.
	<i>Westland MI/John Glenn</i>				
91	Wesley Smith	DL	6-3	230	So.
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98	Brandon Spakowski	LB	6-3	200	Fr.
	<i>Pittsford, NY/Mendon</i>				
95	Tyler Sutphen	LB	6-2	190	Fr.
	<i>Spencerport, NY/Brockport</i>				
41	Matt Szczupakowski	K	5-8	190	Fr.
	<i>Spencerport, NY/Churchville-Chili</i>				
40	John Touge*	DB	6-0	195	Fr.
	<i>Freeport, PA/Kiski Area</i>				
63	Nicholas Tomkins	OL	6-1	295	Fr.
	<i>Grand Island, NY/Grand Island</i>				
82	Evan Twombly	TE	6-5	230	Fr.
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	<i>Brockport, NY/Brockport</i>				
70	Zach Waters	OL	6-2	290	Sr.
	<i>Winter Springs, FL/Winter Springs</i>				
20	Anthony Weaver	RB	5-10	185	Jr.
	<i>Erie, PA/McDowell</i>				
93	Josh Williams	DL	6-5	250	Fr.
	<i>Waterford, PA/Fort LeBoeuf</i>				
56	Parris Williams	LB	5-11	220	So.
	<i>Penfield, NY/Penfield</i>				
57	Keith Yager	LB	6-2	235	So.
	<i>Hermitage, PA/Hickory</i>				
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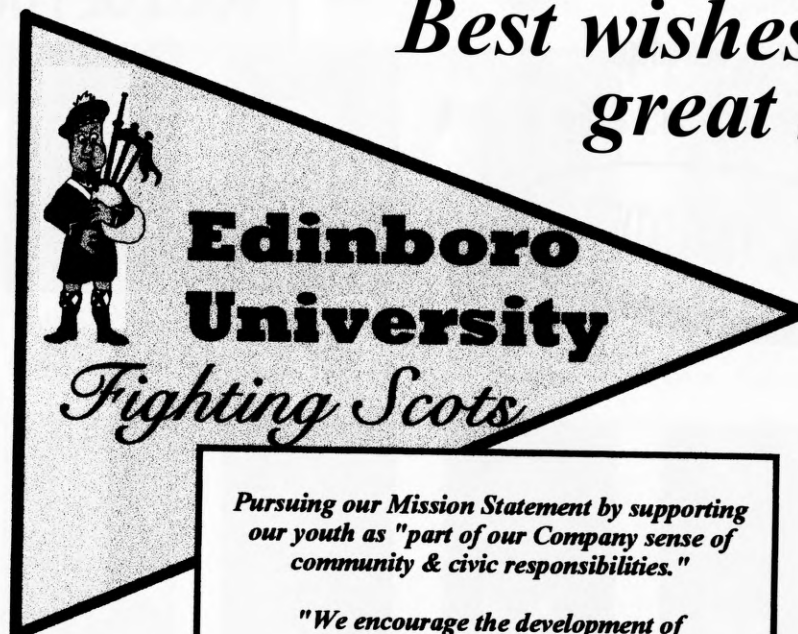
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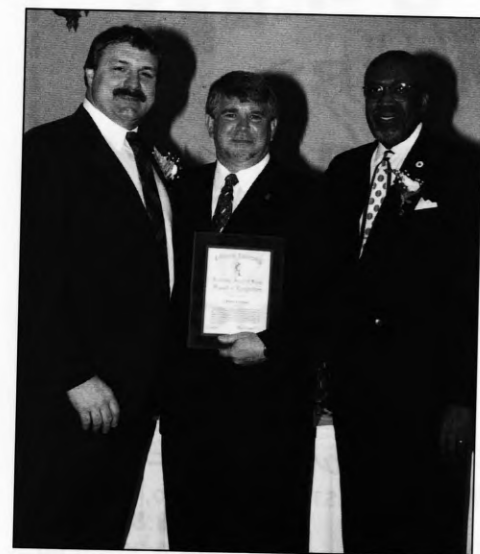


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1926	Sox Harrison	3-3-0	88	53			1967	William Cutcher	2-7-0	81	224	1-4-0	5th
1927	Sox Harrison	4-1-0	83	38			1968	William Cutcher	2-7-0	114	307	0-5-0	6th
1928	Sox Harrison	5-2-0	212	30			1969	Bill McDonald	4-4-1	194	203	2-2-1	3rd
1929	Sox Harrison	2-4-0	46	76			1970	Bill McDonald	9-1-0	237	89	5-0-0	1st
1930	Sox Harrison	3-4-0	131	86			1971	Bill McDonald	9-1-0	355	155	5-0-0	1st
1931	Sox Harrison	1-5-0	19	80			1972	Bill McDonald	3-5-1	167	158	2-2-1	3rd
1932	Sox Harrison	3-2-0	40	25			1973	Bill McDonald	4-4-1	194	203	3-2-0	T2nd
1933	Sox Harrison	1-6-0	11	118			1974	Bill McDonald	5-2-2	131	127	2-2-2	5th
1934	Sox Harrison	0-6-0	6	154			1975	Bill McDonald	8-3-0	259	156	6-0-0	1st
1935	Sox Harrison	0-6-0	0	224			1976	Bill McDonald	6-4-0	273	174	4-2-0	3rd
1936	Sox Harrison	1-4-0	59	88			1977	Bill McDonald	3-6-1	139	123	2-3-1	T5th
1937	Sox Harrison	0-4-1	6	98			1978	Bill McDonald	3-6-1	167	247	2-3-1	4th
1938	Sox Harrison	1-4-0	18	72			1979	Denny Creehan	4-6-0	131	148	2-4-0	T4th
1939	Orville Bailey	1-6-0	39	131			1980	Denny Creehan	6-2-1	155	84	3-2-1	T2nd
1940	Orville Bailey	0-7-0	27	191			1981	Denny Creehan	4-6-0	178	84	1-5-0	7th
1941	Sox Harrison	2-2-1	80	45			1982	Denny Creehan	9-2-0	294	110	5-1-0	1st
1942	Sox Harrison	1-3-0	14	70			1983	Denny Creehan	8-2-0	412	144	4-2-0	T2nd
1943	No Team - World War II						1984	Denny Creehan	8-2-0	353	210	4-2-0	T2nd
1944	No Team - World War II						1985	Steve Szabo	5-4-1	217	209	3-3-0	T3rd
1945	No Team - World War II						1986	Steve Szabo	7-3-0	321	283	5-1-0	2nd
1946	Art McComb	0-6-0	7	154			1987	Steve Szabo	3-8-0	226	283	1-5-0	6th
1947	Art McComb	1-6-0	19	154			1988	Tom Hollman	5-4-1	223	184	4-1-1	3rd
1948	Art McComb	1-7-0	20	146			1989	Tom Hollman	8-3-0	435	202	6-0-0	1st
1949	Art McComb	1-5-2	62	139			1990	Tom Hollman	9-3-0	336	190	5-1-0	2nd
1950	Art McComb	3-4-0	82	119			1991	Tom Hollman	7-4-0	228	199	3-3-0	4th
1951	Art McComb	0-5-1	45	116			1992	Tom Hollman	8-2-1	336	131	4-1-1	3rd
1952	Art McComb	3-4-0	83	73			1993	Tom Hollman	8-3-0	362	255	5-1-0	2nd
1953	Art McComb	3-5-1	135	93			1994	Tom Hollman	7-3-0	367	207	4-2-0	T2nd
1954	Art McComb	1-6-0	79	147			1995	Tom Hollman	9-2-0	316	155	6-0-0	1st
1955	Art McComb	1-8-0	44	193			1996	Tom Hollman	6-4-0	276	223	4-2-0	T3rd
1956	Bob Thurbon	5-4-0	173	103			1997	Tom Hollman	4-6-0	202	230	2-4-0	T4th
1957	Bob Thurbon	3-4-0	139	53			1998	Tom Hollman	4-7-0	253	304	2-4-0	T4th
1958	Bob Thurbon	4-4-1	131	111			1999	Tom Hollman	3-8-0	222	347	2-4-0	T4th
1959	Bob Thurbon	3-4-1	117	127			2000	Lou Tepper	5-6-0	163	218	2-4-0	T4th
1960	Loyal Park	3-4-1	91	114	1-3-1	6th	2001	Lou Tepper	4-6-0	202	209	3-3-0	T3rd
1961	Loyal Park	4-3-1	139	114	2-2-1	T4th	2002	Lou Tepper	5-6-0	253	260	2-4-0	5th
1962	Jim Hazlett	3-5-0	116	113	1-5-0	7th	2003	Lou Tepper	9-3-0	357	196	5-1-0	T1st
1963	Jim Hazlett	2-6-0	84	123	1-5-0	6th	2004	Lou Tepper	9-3-0	398	259	5-1-0	T1st
1964	Jim Hazlett	2-5-1	113	129	1-4-1	7th	2005	Lou Tepper	8-2-0	314	93	5-1-0	T1st
1965	Jim Hazlett	6-2-1	204	132	4-2-0	2nd	2006	Scott Browning	6-5-0	279	172	3-3-0	T4
1966	William Cutcher	1-6-1	42	224	1-4-1	6th	2007	Scott Browning	7-4-0	393	306	3-3-0	4th



Denny Creehan (center) was inducted into the Edinboro Hall of Fame in April 2001. A standout defensive back for the Fighting Scots, he was the Edinboro head coach for six seasons, and remains the career leader in winning percentage at .658. He is pictured with Director of Athletics Bruce Baumgartner (left) and former President Dr. Frank G. Pogue Jr. (right)

All-Time Coaching Records

Coach, Seasons	Years	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Sox Harrison (1926-38, '41-42)	15	27	56	2	.329
Orville Bailey (1939-40)	2	1	13	0	.071
Art McComb (1946-55)	10	14	56	4	.203
Bob Thurbon (1956-59)	4	15	16	2	.485
Loyal Park (1960-61)	2	7	7	2	.500
Jim Hazlett (1962-65)	4	13	18	2	.424
William Cutcher (1966-68)	3	5	20	1	.212
Bill McDonald (1969-78)	10	54	36	7	.593
Denny Creehan (1979-84)	6	39	20	1	.658
Steve Szabo (1985-87)	3	15	15	1	.500
Tom Hollman (1988-99)	12	78	49	2	.612
Lou Tepper (2000-05)	6	40	26	0	.571
Scott Browning (2006-pres.)	2	13	9	0	.591
13 COACHES	79	321	345	24	.483



Bill McDonald ... ranks second in career wins with 54.



Sox Harrison ... Edinboro's first coach, with a record 15 years at the helm.



Tom Hollman ... Edinboro's career leader in wins with 78.

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All-Americans

Harlan Hill Trophy



Two Edinboro football players have been finalists for the Harlan Hill Trophy, presented annually to the top player in NCAA Division II football. Running back Elbert Cole was one of three finalists in 1989,

while wide receiver Ernest Priester was a finalist a year later. Cole placed third in the '89 balloting. He earned All-American honors in 1989, receiving first team accolades from Kodak/American Football Coaches Association, second team recognition from Football Gazette, and third team status from Associated Press.

Cole rushed for 1,507 yards and set Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference records for touchdowns (24) and points (148). He led the Fighting Scots to the PSAC West title, a 8-3 record and a number seven ranking in the final Division II poll.

Priester was runnerup to North Dakota State quarterback Chris Simdorn in 1990 when the Bison claimed the Division II national title. Priester was the PSAC Western Division Co-Player of the Year in 1990. He was also recognized by Kodak/American Football Coaches Association, Associated Press and the Football Gazette as a first team All-American.

The wide receiver hauled in 47 passes for 1,102 yards and 15 TDs. Edinboro finished 9-3, reaching the Division II quarterfinals.

Last year sophomore quarterback Trevor Hrris was a Northeast Region semifinalist.

Four years ago Andre Burke (below) made a run at the Harlan Hill Trophy, as the tailback was a Northeast Region semifinalist. Burke ended up with a school-record 1,713 yards and 19 TDs.

Elbert Cole, a 1989 finalist, with the Harlan Hill Trophy.



- 2007**
Chris Amico, NG -- honorable mention *D2Football.com*
- 2006**
Ben Stroup, LB -- 1st team *AP Little All-America*; 1st team *Football Gazette*; 2nd team *Daktronics*; hon. ment. *D2football.com*
Kyle Witucki, TE -- 2nd team *Daktronics*; hon. ment. *D2football.com*
Chris Amico, DT -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*
- 2005**
Greg Bzorek, OT -- 2nd team *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *D2football.com*; 2nd team *Daktronics* 3rd team *Football Gazette*; 3rd team *CollegeSportsReport.com*
Chris Amico, DT -- 1st team *Football Gazette*; 2nd team *Daktronics*
Chris Avery, CB -- 2nd team *D2football.com*; 2nd team *Daktronics*; 3rd team *Football Gazette*; 3rd team *CollegeSportsReport.com*
Chris Kaczor, C -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
- 2004**
Greg Bzorek, OT -- 3rd team *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *D2football.com*; hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Andre Burke, TB -- 2nd team *D2football.com*; 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Seth Fragale, OLB -- hon. ment. *D2football.com*; hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Kody Robertson, PK -- hon. ment. *D2football.com*; hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 2003**
Joe Valvoda, C -- 1st team *AFC*; 1st team *AP Little All-America*; hon. ment. *D2football.com*
Raji El-Amin, FS -- 3rd team *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *D2football.com*; 3rd team *Football Gazette*
- 2002**
Sean McNicholas, P -- 1st team *AFC*; 1st team, *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *Football Gazette*; 2nd team *D2Football.com*
Brandon Nicodemus, OG -- hon. ment. *D2Football.com*
- 2001**
Sean McNicholas, P -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Brandon Nicodemus, OG -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1999**
Rob Barney, TE -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1998**
Todd Rogacki, OG -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Gerald Thompson, TB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1997**
Todd Rogacki, OT -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1996**
Brian Decker, DB -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Jeremy O'Day, OL -- 2nd team *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Michael Sims, LB -- 2nd team *AP Little All-America*; 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Matt Gentile, DT -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1995**
Pat Schuster, DE -- 1st team *AFC*; 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Jeremy O'Day, OL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Michael Sims, LB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1994**
Larry Jackson, RB -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*; 3rd team *AP Little All-America*
Pat Schuster, DE -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*;

- 3rd team *AP Little All-America*
Steve Russell, DB -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Jeremy O'Day, OL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Mike Edwards, LB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1993**
Mike Kegarise, OL -- 1st team *AP Little All-America*, third team *Football Gazette*
Jason Perkins, LB -- 2nd team *AP Little All-America*; second team *Football Gazette*
- 1992**
Mike Kegarise, OL -- 3rd team *AP Little All-America*; hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Jason Perkins, LB -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Mike Barnes, DB -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Anthony Ross, DE -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Georj Lewis, DB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Scott Nickel, OL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Gary Lhotsky, P -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Larry Jackson, RB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1991**
Curtis Rose, OL -- 2nd team *AP Little All-America*; 1st team *Football Gazette*
Jason Perkins, LB -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Georj Lewis, DB -- 3rd team *Football Gazette*
John Messura, DL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1990**
Ernest Priester, WR -- 1st team *Kodak/AFC*; 1st team *AP Little All-America*; first team *Football Gazette*
Curtis Rose, OL -- 1st team *AP Little All-America*; first team *Football Gazette*
Lester Frye, RB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Jeff Jacobs, DL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1989**
Elbert Cole, RB -- 1st team *Kodak/AFC*; 2nd team *Football Gazette*; 3rd team *AP Little All-America*
Ernest Priester, WR -- 3rd team *AP Little All-America*; 3rd team *Football Gazette*
Joe Brooks, OL -- 2nd team *Football Gazette*
Hal Galupi, QB -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Michael Willis, FS -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Ron Hainsey, OL -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
Chip Conrad, PT -- hon. ment. *Football Gazette*
- 1988**
Elbert Cole, RB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Michael Willis, FS -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1986**
Scott Dodds, QB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1984**
Ray Bracy, DB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Jim Trueman, K -- 3rd team *NCAA Division II All-America*
- 1982**
Rick Ruskiewicz, K -- *Kodak All-America College Division I*
Barry Swanson, C -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Mark Swiatek, OT -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1981**
Bob Cicerchi, LB -- *AP Little All-America*
Tom Kisiday, OG -- *AP Little All-America*
Ron Link, DT -- *AP Little All-America*
- 1980**
Tim Beacham, WR -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Jim Collins, DT -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Ron Link, DT -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
- 1979**
Ken Petardi, DB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*

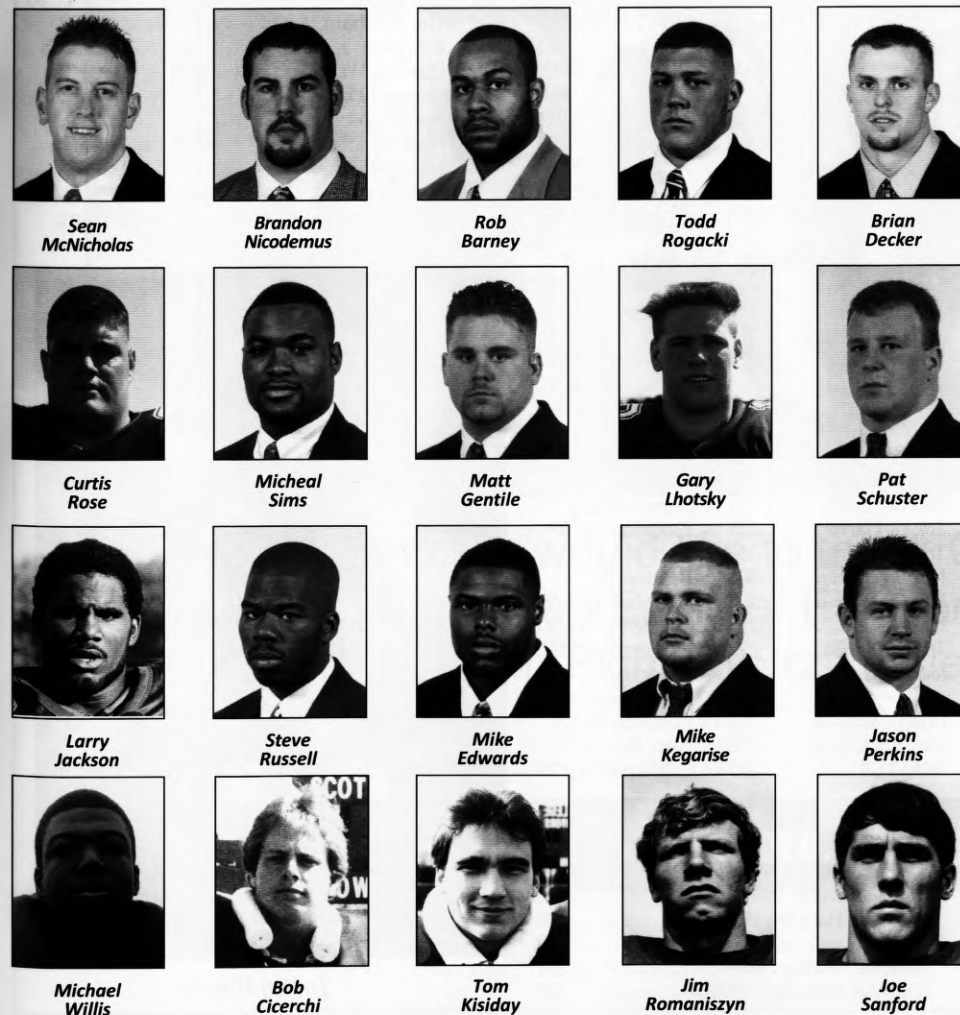
All-Americans

- 1978**
Jim Krentz, LB -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Bob Jahn, WR -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1976**
Howard Hackley, WR -- 2nd team *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
David Green, RB -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Ron Gooden, MG -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*
George Miller, DB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1975**
David Seigh, DB -- 2nd team *NAIA Little All-America*
David Green, RB -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Rich Holmes, FB -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*
Ron Gooden, MG -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Rick Vornadore, OT -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Howard Hackley, WR -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
George Miller, DB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1973**
Bob Misyka, OG -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
- 1972**
Jim Romaniszyn, RB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*; hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
- 1971**
Al Raines, RB -- 2nd team *NAIA All-America*; hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*
Jack McCurry, DB -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*; hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
Jim Romaniszyn, FL -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*; hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
Paul Burkell, OG -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
Joe Sanford, QB -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
Rich Iorfido, LB -- 2nd team *NAIA Little All-America*
- 1970**
Ebby Hollins, DL -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*; hon. ment. *Kodak All-America*
Al Raines, RB -- hon. ment. *NAIA Little All-America*
- 1969**
Al Raines, RB -- hon. ment. *NAIA All-America*
- 1966**
John Ferraro -- *AP Little All-America*
- 1960**
Dave O'Dessa, OL -- hon. ment. *AP Little All-America*

CoSIDA Academic All-America

- 2007**
Kyle Witucki, TE -- second team
- 2000**
Mark Weidner, OG -- second team
- 1996**
Brian Decker, DB -- first team
Jeremy O'Day, OL -- second team
- 1995**
Pat Schuster, DE -- second team
Jeremy O'Day, OL -- third team
- 1994**
Pat Schuster, DE -- third team
- 1993**
Jason Perkins, LB -- second team

NOTE: The Sports Information Department is currently researching all football honors. Please feel free to contact the office with additional information.



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Chris Amico

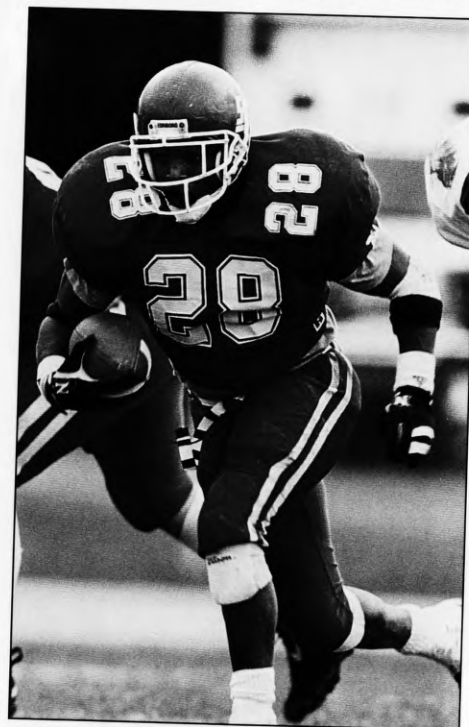
All-Time Records

Rushing Career Rushing Yards

1. Gerald Thompson, 1995-984,410
2. Larry Jackson, 1991-944,237
3. Al Raines, 1969-713,399
4. Elbert Cole, 1986-893,341
5. Lester Frye, 1989-912,626
6. Bernard Henry, 1999-20002,100
7. Alonzo Roebuck, 2000-022,030
8. Dave Green, 1975-761,978
9. Tony Brinson, 1993-961,900
10. Floyd Faulkner, 1984-871,845
11. Andre Burke, 20041,713
12. Keith Collier, 1981-831,684
13. Derrick Russell, 1990-921,673
14. Brandon Munson, 2001-031,648
15. Ulysee Davis, 2005-071,625
16. Bob Mengerink, 1969-711,435
17. Rich Holmes, 1974-751,302
18. Jim Romaniszyn, 1970-721,266
19. Damon Chambers, 1982-841,227
20. John Williams, 2000-011,206
21. Matt Phillips, 2003-041,118
22. Dave Span, 1981-851,107
23. Joe Early, 1977-801,095
24. Chris Conway, 1987-901,034
25. Bryan Libert, 1974-771,031
26. Joe Sanford, 1970-711,026

Season Rushing Yards

1. Andre Burke, 20041,713
2. Gerald Thompson, 19981,698
3. Larry Jackson, 19941,660
4. Lester Frye, 19901,630
5. Elbert Cole, 19891,507
6. Al Raines, 19711,358
7. Gerald Thompson, 19951,281
8. Dave Green, 19751,239
9. Larry Jackson, 19921,218
10. Al Raines, 19691,208
11. Alonzo Roebuck, 20021,177
12. Larry Jackson, 19931,171



Gerald Thompson

13. Bernard Henry, 20001,054
14. Bernard Henry, 19991,046
15. Tony Brinson, 19961,019

Game Rushing Yards

1. Gerald Thompson316 vs. California(Pa.) '98
2. Al Raines295 vs. Geneva '69
3. Larry Jackson275 vs. Mansfield '94
4. Bernard Henry263 vs. Mercyhurst '00
5. Tony Brinson248 vs. Cheyney '96
6. Gerald Thompson237 vs. Bloomsburg '98
7. Lester Frye234 vs. Va. Union '90
8. Derrick Russell234 vs. Fairmont St. '90
9. Elbert Cole224 vs. Kutztown '89
10. Andre Burke220 vs. Slippery Rock '04
11. Elbert Cole220 vs. Slippery Rock '89

Passing Career Passing Yards

1. Jody Dickerson, 1991-947,299
2. Justin Bouch, 2002-057,013
3. Trevor Harris, 2006-075,815
4. Hal Galupi, 1987-905,650
5. Blair Hrovat, 1981-845,103
6. Chris Hart, 1993-963,550
7. Jude Basile, 1973-753,382
8. Scott Dodds, 1984-863,292
9. Brian Caldwell, 1997-983,240
10. Jim Ross, 1986-892,578

Season Passing Yards

1. Trevor Harris, 20073,268
2. Trevor Harris, 20062,547
3. Justin Bouch, 20042,281
4. Jody Dickerson, 19932,209
5. Hal Galupi, 19902,097
6. Justin Bouch, 20032,044
7. Hal Galupi, 19891,911
8. Jim Ross, 19871,903
9. Jody Dickerson, 19941,873
10. Jody Dickerson, 19921,855

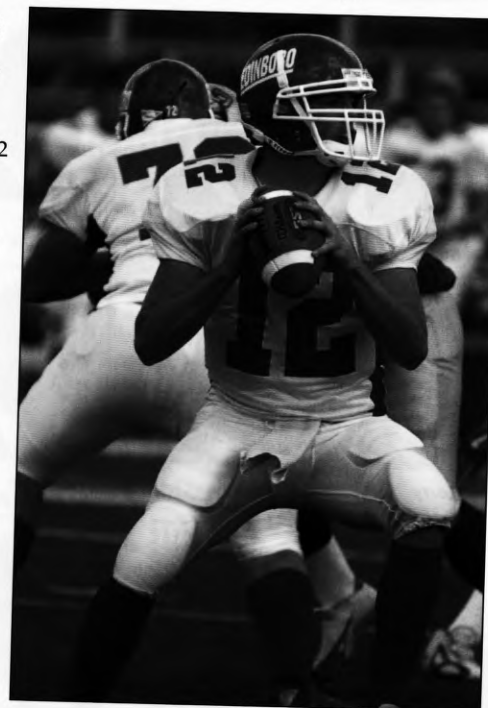
Game Passing Yards

1. Trevor Harris437 vs. Shippensburg '06
2. Trevor Harris415 vs. Clarion '07
3. Trevor Harris375 vs. Slippery Rock '07
4. Scott Dodds376 vs. Fairmont St. '86
5. Trevor Harris353 vs. Lock Haven '06
6. Justin Bouch353 vs. East Stroudsburg '02
7. Hal Galupi351 vs. Indiana(Pa.) '90
8. Trevor Harris340 vs. Lock Haven '07
9. Jody Dickerson334 vs. Hillsdale '94
10. Trevor Harris331 vs. Shippensburg '07
11. Trevor Harris329 vs. Bloomsburg '07
12. Trevor Harris316 vs. Kutztown '07
13. Justin Bouch304 vs. Bentley '04
14. Blair Hrovat300 vs. California(Pa.) '82
15. Hal Galupi299 vs. California(Pa.) '90
16. Trevor Harris292 vs. Indiana(Pa.) '07
17. Jody Dickerson278 vs. American International '94
18. Brian Caldwell277 vs. Glenville St. '98
19. Jody Dickerson276 vs. New Haven '93
20. Mike Hill275 vs. California(Pa.) '76

Receiving

Career Receptions

1. Ernest Priester, 1986-90148
2. Howard Hackley, 1973-76135
3. Ryan Valasek, 2003-06132
4. Wrentie Martin, 1989-92131
5. Quentin Ware-Bey, 1995-98123



Justin Bouch

6. Justin Lipscomb, 2001-04115
7. Lateef Walters, 1991, 93-9491
8. Tim Beacham, 1977-8091
9. Elbert Cole, 1986-8989
10. Rich Cerro, 2006-0785
11. Kyle Witucki, 2004-0783
12. Ryan Rybicki, 2005-0782
13. Cleveland Pratt, 1985-8878
14. John Toomer, 1985-8878
15. Sean Hess, 2000-0376
16. Chris Buehner, 1998-0168

Season Receptions

1. Ryan Valasek, 200664
2. Rich Cerro, 200758
3. Ryan Rybicki, 200754
4. Justin Lipscomb, 200453
5. Wrentie Martin, 199250
6. Ernest Priester, 198949
7. Ernest Priester, 199047
8. Howard Hackley, 197647
9. Lateef Walters, 199444
10. Gilbert Grantlin, 199544
11. John Toomer, 198843
12. Jeremy Burr, 200740
13. Justin Lipscomb, 200339
14. Wrentie Martin, 199139
15. Quentin Ware-Bey, 199838

Game Receptions

1. Lateef Walters12 vs. Hillsdale, 1994
2. Ryan Valasek10 vs. Shippensburg '06
3. Ernest Priester10 vs. Youngstown St. '89
4. Tim Beacham10 vs. Univ. at Buffalo, '80
5. Tim Beacham10 vs. Fairmont St. '79
6. Bob Jahn10 vs. California(Pa.) '78
7. Quentin Ware-Bey9 vs. Glenville State '98
8. Howard Hackley9 vs. Frostburg State '76
9. Justin Lipscomb8 vs. Lock Haven '04
10. Howard Hackley8 vs. California(Pa.) '76
11. Howard Hackley8 vs. Lock Haven '76
12. Dan Bissontz8 vs. East Stroudsburg, '68
13. Charles Pollick8 vs. East Stroudsburg, '68

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- 1986**
Scott Dodds, QB
- 1989**
Elbert Cole, RB
- 1990**
Ernest Priester, WR
(Co-Player of the Year)
- 1992**
Larry Jackson, RB
- 1994**
Larry Jackson, RB
- 1995**
Pat Schuster, DE
- 1996**
Michael Sims, LB
(Defensive Player of the Year)
- 1997**
Brian Decker, DB
(Defensive Player of the Year)
- 2004**
Seth Fragale, OLB
(Defensive Player of the Year)
- 2005**
Chris Amico, DT
(Defensive Player of the Year)
- 2006**
Ben Stroup, LB
(Defensive Player of the Year)
- 2007**
Trevor Harris, QB
(Offensive Player of the Year)



Michael Sims

PSAC Rookie of the Year

- 1990**
Mario Houston, DB
- 1991**
Jody Dickerson, QB
- 1995**
Gerald Thompson, RB
- 1996**
Tyson Cook, K
- 2003**
Raji El-Amin, DB
- 2006**
Trevor Harris, QB



Jody Dickerson

PSAC Coach of the Year

- 1975**
Bill McDonald
- 1989**
Tom Hollman
- 1995**
Tom Hollman
- 2003**
Lou Tepper
- 2005**
Lou Tepper



Tom Hollman

- 2007** Chris Amico, NG (1)
Trevor Harris, QB (1)
Josh Bzorek, OT (2)
Rich Cerro, WR (2)
Tom Davidson, FS (2)
Dan Skelton, SS (2)
Greg Sondag, LB (2)
Taurean Valentine, CB (2)
Kyle Witucki, TE (2)
- 2006** Chris Amico, DT (1)
A.J. Cousins, NG (1)
Chris Kaczor, C (1)
Damion Malott, SS (1)
Ben Stroup, LB (1)
Ryan Valasek, WR (1)
Kyle Witucki, TE (1)
Houston Brown, RB (2)
Tom Davidson, FS (2)
Trevor Harris, QB (2)
Kody Robertson, P (2)
Jim Soltis, OLB (2)
- 2005** Chris Amico, DT (1)
Chris Avery, CB (1)
Greg Bzorek, OT (1)
A.J. Cousins, NG (1)
Seth Fragale, OLB (1)
Chris Kaczor, C (1)
Ben Stroup, LB (1)
C.J. Trivisonno, TE (1)
Justin Bouch, QB (2)
Kelvin Collins, RB (2)
Greg MacAnn, DE (2)
Jim Soltis, OLB (2)
Ryan Valasek, WR (2)
Justin Bouch, QB (1)
Andre Burke, TB (1)
Greg Bzorek, OT (1)
A.J. Cousins, DL (1)
Seth Fragale, LB (1)
Justin Lipscomb, WR (1)
Kody Robertson, PK (1)
Chris Amico, DL (2)
Chirs Avery, DB (2)
Tom Davidson, DB (2)
Chris Kaczor, OG (2)
Justin Bouch, QB (1)
Raji El-Amin, DB (1)
Jermaine Hughley, LB (1)
Justin Lipscomb, WR (1)
Anthony Peluso, OG (1)
Matt Phillips, RB (1)
Chirs Avery, DB (2)
Greg Bzorek, OT (2)
Seth Fragale, LB (2)
Eugene Grooms, DL (2)
Chris Kaczor, OG (2)
Eric Neavins, DL (2)
C.J. Trivisonno, TE (2)
Joe Valvoda, C (2)
- 2001** James Cowart, LB (1)
Eugene Grooms, DL (1)
Sean McNicholas, P (1)
Brandon Nicodemus, OL (1)
Alonzo Roebuck, RB (1)
Joe Valvoda, OL (1)
Elliott Page, DB (2)
Dave Smith, DL (2)
Foster Johnson, LB (1)
Sean McNicholas, P (1)
Brandon Nicodemus, OL (1)
Dave Smith, DL (1)
Joe Valvoda, OL (1)
Eugene Grooms, DL (2)
Jeff Richardson, DB (2)
Greg Tarbell, OL (2)
- 2000** Foster Johnson, LB (1)
Sean McNicholas, P (1)
Brandon Nicodemus, OL (1)
Dave Smith, DL (1)
Joe Valvoda, OL (1)
Eugene Grooms, DL (2)
Jeff Richardson, DB (2)
Greg Tarbell, OL (2)
- 1999** Derrick Davis, DB (1)
Bernard Henry, RB (1)
Jermaine Hughley, LB (1)
Dave Smith, DL (1)
Stephane Lubin, WR (2)
Chris Buehner, WR (1)
Bernard Henry, RB (1)
Stephane Lubin, RS (1)
D.K. McDonald, DB (1)
Dave Smith, DL (1)
John Smith, DL (1)
Rob Barney, TE (2)
Dan Caro, LB (2)
Sean McNicholas, P (2)
Dan Caro, LB (1)
James Dumas, DB (1)
Todd Rogacki, OT (1)
Gerald Thompson, RB (1)
Quentin Ware-Bey, WR (1)
Dave Sadler, DB (1)
Melvin Austin, OT (2)
Tyson Cook, P & PK (2)
Todd Rogacki, OT (1)
Jesse Hannan, DL (1)
Dan Caro, LB (1)
Brian Decker, DB (1)
Tom Scarpone, C (2)
Quentin Ware-Bey, WR (2)
Matt Stultz, DL (2)
Ed Mattie, LB (2)
Tyson Cook, P (2)
Jeremy O'Day, OT (1)
Todd Rogacki, OG (1)
Corey Keyes, TE (1)
Tony Brinson, RB (1)
Mike Sims, LB (1)
Matt Gentile, DL (1)
Jeff Traversy, DL (1)
Brian Decker, DB (1)
Denorse Moseley, DB/RS (1)
Tyson Cook, P (1)
Tyson Cook, K (2)
Gerald Thompson, RB (2)
Todd Henne, TE (1)
Jesse Trevino, OG (1)
Gilbert Grantlin, WR (1)
Gerald Thompson, RB (1)
Pat Schuster, DE (1)
Jeff Traversy, DL (1)
Mike Sims, LB (1)
Keith Cushenberry, DB (1)
Det Betti, C (2)
Jeremy O'Day, OG (2)
Tony Brinson, RB (2)
Gilbert Grantlin, WR (2)
Bryan Lambert, DL (2)
Marty Williams, DB (2)
Jeremy O'Day, OT (1)
Jody Dickerson, QB (1)
Larry Jackson, RB (1)
Pat Schuster, DE (1)
Mike Edwards, LB (1)
Steve Russell, DB (1)
Todd Henne, TE (2)
Lateef Walters, WR (2)
Bryan Lambert, DL (2)
Mike Sims, LB (2)
Keith Cushenberry, DB (2)
Marty Williams, DB (2)
- 1994** Jody Dickerson, QB (1)
Larry Jackson, RB (1)
Pat Schuster, DE (1)
Mike Edwards, LB (1)
Steve Russell, DB (1)
Todd Henne, TE (2)
Lateef Walters, WR (2)
Bryan Lambert, DL (2)
Mike Sims, LB (2)
Keith Cushenberry, DB (2)
Marty Williams, DB (2)
- 1993** Mike Kegaris, OL (1)
Larry Jackson, RB (1)
Jody Dickerson, QB (1)
Russell Cray, DL (1)
Jason Perkins, LB (1)
Steve Russell, DB (1)
- 1992** Gary Lhotsky, P (1)
Gordie Hitchcock, C (2)
Tony Tighe, OT (2)
Mike Edwards, LB (2)
Mario Houston, DB (2)
Mike Kegaris, OT (1)
Scott Nickel, OG (1)
Larry Jackson, RB (1)
Anthony Ross, DL (1)
Jason Perkins, LB (1)
Mike Barnes, DB (1)
Georj Lewis, DB (1)
Gary Lhotsky, P (1)
Brian Heebsh, TE (2)
Russell Cray, DL (2)
Curtis Rose, OL (1)
Lester Frye, RB (1)
John Messuna, DL (1)
Jason Perkins, LB (1)
Georj Lewis, DB (1)
Brian Heebsh, TE (2)
Wally Spisak, OL (2)
Mike Kegaris, OT (2)
Wrentie Martin, WR (2)
Mike Barnes, DB (2)
Gary Lhotsky, P (2)
Curtis Rose, OG (1)
Ernest Priester, WR (1)
Lester Frye, RB (1)
Jeff Jacobs, DL (1)
Wade Smith, DB (1)
Wally Spisak, OT (2)
Brad Powell, OG (2)
John Baumann, PK (2)
John Messura, DL (2)
Matt Miller, DL (2)
Al Donahue, LB (2)
Mario Houston, DB (2)
- 1991** Joe Brooks, OG (1)
Dave Pinkerton, C (1)
Ernest Priester, WR (1)
Elbert Cole, RB (1)
Michael Wayne, LB (1)
Michael Willis, DB (1)
Randy McLwain, TE (2)
Ron Hainsey, OT (2)
Hal Galupi, QB (2)
Chip Conrad, DL (2)
John Williams, LB (2)
Wade Smith, DB (2)
- 1988** John Toomer, WR (1)
Elbert Cole, RB (1)
Chip Conrad, DL (1)
Michael Willis, DB (1)
Ron Hainsey, OT (2)
Joe Brooks, C (2)
Cleveland Pratt, WR (2)
Darren Weber, PK (2)
Jeff Jacobs, DL (2)
Michael Wayne, LB (2)
Mark Courtney, OT (1)
Elbert Cole, RB (1)
Mike Raynard, P (1)
Cleveland Pratt, WR (2)
Floyd Faulkner, RB (2)
Ed Jozefov, DL (2)
Al Donahue, LB (2)
Mike Wetherholt, DB (2)
- 1986** Scott Dodds, QB (1)
Bob Suren, TE (1)
Floyd Faulkner, RB (1)
John Cardone, DE (1)
Michael Willis, DB (1)
Ross Rankin, RB (2)
Ernest Priester, WR (2)

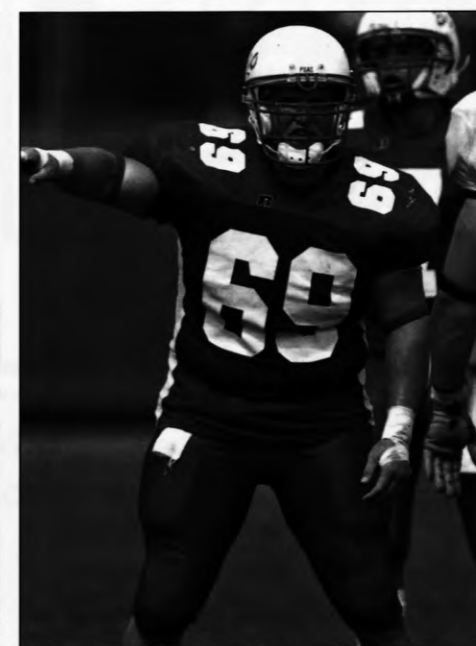
- 1985** Dave Nye, OG (2)
Mike Raynard, P (2)
Mark Perkins, WR (1)
Dave Span, RB (1)
Jim Britt, OT (1)
Chuck Murray, DL (1)
Rob Lewis, DL (2)
Mark Merritt, OL (2)
- 1984** Ray Bracy, DB (1)
David Seigh, OT (1)
Jim Trueman, PK (1)
Martelle Betters, DB (2)
Eric Bosley, WR (2)
Damon Chambers, RB (2)
Blair Hrovat, QB (2)
Bob O'Rorke, LB (2)
Buddy Carroll, C (1)
Willie Chealey, LB (1)
Rick Jordan, DL (1)
Rick Rosenburg, OT (1)
Jim Trueman, PK (1)
Keith Collier, RB (2)
Jim Durkin, LB (2)
Phil Giavasis, DE (2)
Bob Klenk, RB (2)
Dave Parker, DB (2)
- 1983** Jim Durkin, LB (1)
Mitchell Kelly, RB (1)
Dave Parker, DB (1)
Rick Ruszkiewicz, PK (1)
Burry Swanson, C (1)
Phil Giavasis, DE (2)
Blair Hrovat, QB (2)
Chris Rounds, OG (2)
Mark Swiatek, OT (2)
Bob Beauregard, DE (hm)
Willie Chealey, LB (hm)
John O'Rorke, DL (hm)
Greg Rose, DB (hm)
Bob Cicerchi, LB (1)
Tom Kisiday, OG (1)
Ron Link, DT (1)
Rick Ruszkiewicz, PK (1)
Keith Collier, RB (2)
- 1980** Tim Beacham, WR (1)
Jim Collins, DT (1)
Bob Cicerchi, LB (1)
Ron Miller, DB (1)
Joe Early, RB (2)
Rick Ruszkiewicz, PK (2)
Tom Kisiday, OG (2)
Bill Matuscak, TE (2)
- 1979** Tim Beacham, WR (1)
Ken Petardi, DB (1)
Bob Cicerchi, LB (2)
Jim Collins, DT (2)
Willie Curry, DE (2)
Tom Kisiday, OG (2)
Rick Shover, QB (2)
Nick Sobecki, CB (2)
Dave Gallagher, OG (1)
Bob Jahn, WR (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
Kevin Campbell, DB (1)
Ken Petardi, DB (1)
Bill Kruse, TE (2)
Bob Kunkle, OG (2)
Andy Parma, RB (2)
Tom Lang, DE (2)
- 1978** Lee Barthelmes, OT (1)
Dave Gallagher, OG (1)
Bob Jahn, WR (1)
Greg Sullivan, LB (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
Mike Jennings, DB (1)
Dan Fiegl, P (1)
Bryan Libert, RB (2)
Ron Gooden, DL (2)
Steve Larson, TE (1)
Lou Provenzano, OG (1)
Doug Goodman, C (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
John Serrao, PK (1)
Jeff Shaw, DL (1)
Ron Gooden, DL (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
George Miller, DB (1)
- 1977** Dan Fiegl, P (1)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
Jan Gefert, DE (1)
Ron Gooden, DE (1)
George Miller, DB (1)
Rich Radzavich, OG (2)
Greg Sullivan, LB (2)
David Seigh, DB (2)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
John Bayer, DE (1)
Mike Schnirel, LB (1)
George Miller, DB (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (2)
Ron Gooden, DL (2)
Jim McClure, LB (2)
Bob Misesyca, OG (1)
John Bayer, DE (1)
Tom Herr, DL (1)
Wes Bain, TE (2)
John Kuster, OT (2)
Howard Hackley, WR (2)
Mel Morissette, RB (2)
Jim Mastriani, DB (2)
John Walker, DB (2)
John Guerra, P (2)
Jim Romaniszyn (1)
Rich Iorfido, LB (1)
John Chakot, OG (1)
Bob Misesyca, OG (1)
Dan Fiegl, P (1)
Bryan Libert, RB (2)
Ron Gooden, DL (2)
Steve Larson, TE (1)
Lou Provenzano, OG (1)
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Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
John Serrao, PK (1)
Jeff Shaw, DL (1)
Ron Gooden, DL (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
Joe Sass, DB (1)
- 1976** Dan Fiegl, P (1)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
Jan Gefert, DE (1)
Ron Gooden, DE (1)
George Miller, DB (1)
Rich Radzavich, OG (2)
Greg Sullivan, LB (2)
David Seigh, DB (2)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
John Bayer, DE (1)
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David Green, RB (1)
John Serrao, PK (1)
Jeff Shaw, DL (1)
Ron Gooden, DL (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
Joe Sass, DB (1)
- 1975** Dan Fiegl, P (1)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
Jan Gefert, DE (1)
Ron Gooden, DE (1)
George Miller, DB (1)
Rich Radzavich, OG (2)
Greg Sullivan, LB (2)
David Seigh, DB (2)
Rick Vornadore, OT (1)
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Mike Schnirel, LB (1)
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John Walker, DB (2)
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Steve Larson, TE (1)
Lou Provenzano, OG (1)
Doug Goodman, C (1)
Howard Hackley, WR (1)
David Green, RB (1)
John Serrao, PK (1)
Jeff Shaw, DL (1)
Ron Gooden, DL (1)
Jim Krentz, LB (1)
Joe Sass, DB (1)
- 1970** John Chakot, OT (2)
Ebby Hollins, DL (1)
Al Raines, RB (1)
Steve Hamm, LB (1)
Paul Burkell, OG (1)
Joe Sanford, QB (1)
Rich Iorfido, LB (1)
Bob Mengerink, FB (1)
Gary Sisko, DE (2)
Dan Bissontz, TE (2)
Dan Bissontz, OT (1)
James Jaruszewicz, LB (1)
Bob Koleno, DB (1)
Jan Swetic, C (2)
John Mikovich, RB (2)
Ed Hollins, DL (2)
David Brandell, DL (2)
Steve Nishnick, MG (1)
Gary Gilbert, B (1)
John Kegel, OG (1)
Gene Chieffo, DL (1)
Dave O'Dessa, OT (1)
Gary Gilbert, B (1)
Gary Gilbert, B (1)
Leslie Ruland, E (1)
- 1969** Gary Sisko, DE (2)
- 1968** Dan Bissontz, TE (2)
- 1967** Dan Bissontz, OT (1)
James Jaruszewicz, LB (1)
Bob Koleno, DB (1)
Jan Swetic, C (2)
John Mikovich, RB (2)
Ed Hollins, DL (2)
David Brandell, DL (2)
Steve Nishnick, MG (1)
Willie Miller, DB (1)
John Kegel, OG (1)
Gene Chieffo, DL (1)
Dave O'Dessa, OT (1)
Gary Gilbert, B (1)
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Gary Gilbert, B (1)
Leslie Ruland, E (1)

(1) -- first team All-PSAC
(2) -- second team All-PSAC
(hm) -- honorable mention

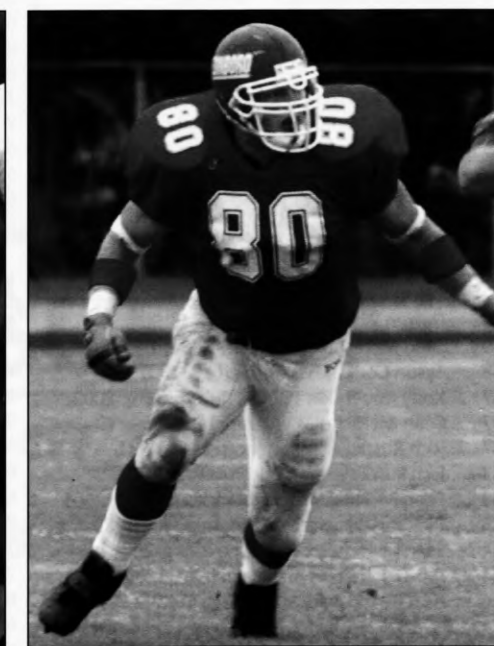
NOTE: The Sports Information Department is currently researching all football honors. Please feel free to contact the SID office with any additions or corrections.



Ben Stroup was named the 2007 PSAC West Defensive Player of the Year.



Chris Kaczor was a four-time All-PSAC choice, twice earning first team honors.



Dave Smith was a four-time All-PSAC selection, earning first team honors in 1999, 2000 and 2001.

Longest Plays

▶ Longest Rushing Plays

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
99	Lester Frye	vs. California(Pa.)	1991
92	Derrick Russell	vs. Bloomsburg	1990
91	Al Raines	vs. Waynesburg	1971
91	Joe Sanford	vs. Waynesburg	1991
88	Dave Green	vs. Saginaw Valley	1975
87	Bernard Henry	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1999
85	Al Raines	vs. Lock Haven	1969
85	Gordon Kidder	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1956
84	Jim Concilla	vs. Shippensburg	1957
83	Larry Jackson	vs. Millersville	1993
80	Al Raines	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1970
79	Floyd Faulkner	vs. Shippensburg	1986
79	Joe Sanford	vs. California(Pa.)	1970

▶ Longest Passing Plays

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
92	Stewart Ayers	to Tim Beacham vs. Shippensburg	1980
91	Chris Hart	to Denorse Mosley vs. California(Pa.)	1996
87	Scott McKissock	to Jim Romaniszyn vs. West Chester	1971
83	Blair Hrovat	to Eric Bosley vs. Lock Haven	1982
82	Rick Shover	to Bill Kruse vs. Westminster	1979
80	Trevor Harris	to David Bostic vs. Shippensburg	2007
80	Jim Ross	to Ernest Priester vs. Clarion	1987
80	Joe Sanford	to Jim Romaniszyn vs. Clarion	1971
79	Jody Dickerson	to Terry Roberts vs. Elizabeth City State	1993
78	Trevor Harris	to Rich Cerro vs. Shippensburg	2006
77	Hal Galupi	to Ernest Priester vs. California(Pa.)	1990
76	Jim Ross	to Daryl Cameron vs. Mansfield	1987
76	Jude Basile	to Rod Jones vs. Kenyon	1974

▶ Longest Field Goals

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
53	Sean McNicholas	vs. East Stroudsburg	2000
52	Tyson Cook	vs. Hillsdale	1997
52	Darren Weber	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1987
49	Sean McNicholas	vs. Glenville St.	1999
48	Tyson Cook	vs. California(Pa.)	1997
47	Kody Robertson	vs. East Stroudsburg	2004
47	Sean McNicholas	vs. Clarion	1999
47	Rich Ruskiewicz	vs. Bloomsburg	1981
47	Rich Ruskiewicz	vs. California(Pa.)	1979
45	Sean McNicholas	vs. East Stroudsburg	2001
45	Rich Ruskiewicz	vs. California(Pa.)	1980
44	Sean McNicholas	vs. Shippensburg	2001
44	Jim Trueman	vs. California(Pa.)	1984
44	Rich Ruskiewicz	vs. Clarion	1980

▶ Longest Punts

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
82	Kevin Conlan	vs. Clarion	1983
72	Sean McNicholas	vs. California(Pa.)	2000
70	Mike Abbiatici	vs. Millersville	1980
67	Dan Chisholm	vs. West Liberty	1946
66	Sean McNicholas	vs. Ashland	2002
66	Bill Burford	vs. Youngstown St.	1989
65	Sean McNicholas	vs. Shippensburg	2002
65	Sean McNicholas	vs. Gannon	2001
65	Tyson Cook	vs. Cheyney	1997
65	Tyson Cook	vs. Univ. at Buffalo	1996
65	Scott Rupert	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1994
65	Gary Lhotsky	vs. Shippensburg	1992
65	Mike Abbiatici	vs. Millersville	1980
65	Dan Fiegl	vs. Fairmont State	1976

▶ Longest Kickoff Return Plays

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
100	Cleveland Pratt	vs. Lock Haven	1987
100	Eric Bosley	vs. West Liberty	1984
99	Bernard Henry	vs. California(Pa.)	2000
98	Tim Beacham	vs. Millersville	1977
97	Gary Gilbert	vs. California(Pa.)	1961
95	Tim Beacham	vs. Shippensburg	1980
95	Jim Concilla	vs. Brockport	1956
94	Ross Rankin	vs. Clarion	1986
92	Ryan Valasek	vs. Clarion	2003
92	Steve Russell	vs. Slippery Rock	1993
90	Cleveland Pratt	vs. West Chester	1987
90	John Mikovich	vs. East Stroudsburg	1967
90	Willie Miller	vs. Bridgeport	1964

▶ Longest Punt Return Plays

Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
85	Gilbert Grantlin	vs. Mansfield	1995
85	Ken Petardi	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1978
85	Jack McCurry	vs. Shippensburg	1971
82	Tim Beacham	vs. Clarion	1980
80	Floyd Faulkner	vs. California(Pa.)	1986
70	John Mikovich	vs. California(Pa.)	1965
70	Jim Concilla	vs. Mansfield	1956
62	Jim Romaniszyn	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1972
58	Mike Gaul	vs. New Haven	1981
55	Tim Beacham	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1980
55	Rich Riffle	vs. Geneva	1966

▶ Longest Interception Returns

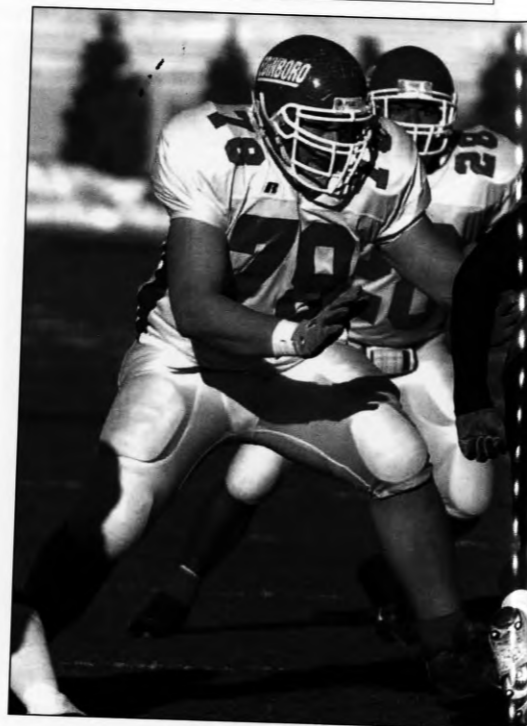
Yds	Name	Opponent	Year
102	Jack Case	vs. Brockport State	1962
99	Chris Avery	vs. California(Pa.)	2005
90	Chuck Lodge	vs. California(Pa.)	1949
85	Steve Russell	vs. Shippensburg	1992
85	Willie Curry	vs. Fairmont State	1976
84	Steve Franklin	vs. Slippery Rock	1987
77	Dan Skelton	vs. Shippensburg	2007
71	Dennis Creehan	vs. California(Pa.)	1969
69	Foster Johnson	vs. Ashland	2000
69	Ken Petardi	vs. Indiana(Pa.)	1978
67	Jeff Richardson	vs. Lock Haven	2001
67	Brian Decker	vs. Cheyney	1997

The Cactus Bowl

Kyle Witucki continued the tradition of Edinboro Fighting Scots playing in the Cactus Bowl in January 2008. (NOTE: The 2007 contest was suspended.) The tight end hauled in an eight-yard touchdown reception to help the East All-Stars beat the West All-Stars, 42-13. For a number of years Division II football teams had an all-star game named the Snow Bowl, which was played in Fargo, North Dakota. In 2000 the contest was moved to Kingsville, Texas and renamed the Cactus Bowl. The contest features the top small college seniors in the country. Edinboro has had at least one representative in every Cactus Bowl (aka Snow Bowl) but one, with a streak of eight straight years. Here's a complete list of the Fighting Scots who have performed in the Cactus Bowl Division II All-Star Game.



1994	Jason Perkins, LB Mike Kegarise, OL Gary Lhotsky, P Lateef Walters, WR
1995	Larry Jackson, RB Pat Schuster, DE Gilbert Grantlin, WR
1996	Jeff Traversy, DL Corey Keyes, TE Gerald Thompson, RB Rob Barney, TE
1997	Bernard Henry, RB Greg Tarbell, OT Sean McNicholas, P
1999	Joe Valvoda, C
2000	Matt Phillips, RB
2001	Greg Bzorek, OT
2002	LaMont Singleton, OG
2003	Kyle Witucki, TE
2004	
2005	
2006	
2007	



Greg Bzorek

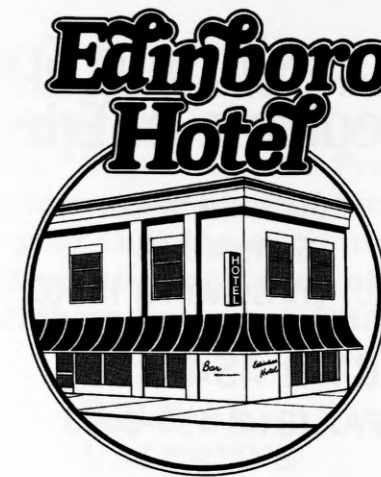
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QB	Trevor Harris	Edinboro	6-3	205	So.
RB	Aaron Dykes	Shippensburg	5-11	237	Sr.
RB	Corey Manfull	Slippery Rock	5-11	200	Jr.
RB	Brandon Lombardy	California (Pa.)	6-0	224	Jr.
WR	Nate Forse	California (Pa.)	6-4	220	Sr.
WR	Mike Harris	Shippensburg	6-0	180	So.
WR	Ken Witter	Indiana (Pa.)	6-2	215	Jr.
TE	Dan Pickens	Indiana (Pa.)	6-4	235	Sr.
OT	Mike Butterworth	Slippery Rock	6-7	320	Sr.
OT	Tim McCutcheon	California (Pa.)	6-4	305	Sr.
OG	Bron Clouser	Slippery Rock	6-1	310	Sr.
OG	Jimmy O'Rourke	Indiana (Pa.)	6-0	245	So.
C	Rory Thomas	Indiana (Pa.)	6-4	295	Sr.
PK	Jamie Reder	Shippensburg	5-7	174	Sr.
RS	Jermaine Moye	California (Pa.)	6-3	215	Sr.

First Team Defense

DL	Chris Amico	Edinboro	6-0	253	Sr.
DL	Clint Forsha	Slippery Rock	6-4	275	Sr.
DL	Kirby Griffin	California (Pa.)	6-2	275	Sr.
DL	Anthony Guerra	Indiana (Pa.)	6-3	260	Jr.
DL	Willie Walker	California (Pa.)	6-3	275	Jr.
LB	Terrence Jackson	Indiana (Pa.)	6-0	230	Jr.
LB	Brian Mohr	California (Pa.)	6-1	230	Sr.
LB	Gary Butler	California (Pa.)	6-1	235	Sr.
LB	Darren Burns	California (Pa.)	6-2	230	Jr.
DB	Jonathan Aldridge	Shippensburg	6-2	190	Sr.
DB	Dionte Henry	California (Pa.)	5-11	200	Sr.
DB	Terrence Johnson	California (Pa.)	6-0	190	So.
DB	Corey Sample	Indiana (Pa.)	5-10	201	Jr.
P	Jace Amore	California (Pa.)	6-0	230	Sr.

Offensive Player of the Year: Trevor Harris, Edinboro

Defensive Player of the Year: Gary Butler, California (Pa.)

Rookie of the Year: Alfonso Hoggard, Clarion

Coach of the Year: John Luckhardt, California (Pa.)

Eastern Division First Team Offense

Pos.	Name	School	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
QB	Bill Zwaan	West Chester	6-2	210	Sr.
RB	Josh Heck	Bloomsburg	5-6	209	Sr.
RB	Osagie Osunde	West Chester	5-10	210	Sr.
RB	Jamar Brittingham	Bloomsburg	6-0	203	Sr.
WR	Brahin Bilal	Bloomsburg	5-11	200	Sr.
WR	Elifren Quiles	Kutztown	6-2	205	Sr.
WR	Michael Washington	West Chester	6-0	190	Jr.
TE	Charles Johnson	Cheyney	6-2	205	Sr.
OT	Adam Cobb	Millersville	6-6	280	Jr.
OT	Mike Habel	East Stroudsburg	6-4	321	Sr.
OG	Kevin O'Neill	West Chester	6-1	280	Sr.
OG	Matt Bosso	Bloomsburg	6-1	310	Jr.
C	Kennis Jones	West Chester	6-2	295	Jr.
PK	Greg Knauss	East Stroudsburg	6-0	185	So.
RS	Jimmie Cotton	Millersville	5-9	160	Fr.

First Team Defense

DL	Justin Colon	Bloomsburg	6-1	232	Sr.
DL	Corey Gipe	Bloomsburg	6-2	284	Sr.
DL	Kevin Kershner	Millersville	6-0	250	Jr.
DL	John Ochs	Bloomsburg	6-0	260	Jr.
DL	Mike Walter	West Chester	6-3	265	Jr.
LB	Rob Biernat	Bloomsburg	6-2	225	Sr.
LB	Lateef Ferguson	West Chester	6-1	220	Sr.
LB	Jayson Frank	East Stroudsburg	6-2	238	Sr.
LB	Justin Allen	Cheyney	6-0	235	Sr.
DB	Brian Bingnear	Kutztown	6-0	180	Sr.
DB	Marcus Banks	Millersville	5-10	190	Sr.
DB	Brandon Shelton	Millersville	6-1	200	Sr.
DB	Mike Mignogno	West Chester	6-2	200	Sr.
P	Nick Krut	East Stroudsburg	5-11	180	Jr.

Offensive Player of the Year: Jamar Brittingham, Bloomsburg

Defensive Player of the Year: Lateef Ferguson, West Chester

Rookie of the Year: Jamal Smith, Millersville

Coach of the Year: Bill Zwaan, West Chester

Western Division Second Team Offense

QB	Joe Ruggiero, California (Pa.)
RB	Kareem Dutrieuille, Indiana (Pa.)
RB	Eddie Emmanuel, Clarion
RB	Garrett Lestochi, Indiana (Pa.)
WR	Rich Cerro, Edinboro
WR	Pierre Odom, Clarion
WR	Paul Favers, Slippery Rock
TE	Kyle Witucki, Edinboro
OT	Josh Bzorek, Edinboro
OT	Mike O'Brien, Clarion
OG	Ryan Gibble, Lock Haven
OG	John Testa, California (Pa.)
C	Kerry Robbins, Shippensburg
PK	Tyler Lorenz, California (Pa.)
RS	Paul Favers, Slippery Rock

Second Team Defense

DL	Tyler Boudreau, Slippery Rock
DL	Jason Groller, Shippensburg
DL	Corey Lacek, Slippery Rock
DL	Rob Plowman, Indiana (Pa.)
DL	Matt Scott, Indiana (Pa.)
LB	Andy Casale, Shippensburg
LB	Jaron Nalewak, Shippensburg
LB	Greg Sondag, Edinboro
LB	Josh Zunic, California (Pa.)
DB	Akeem Etheridge, Slippery Rock
DB	Tom Davidson, Edinboro
DB	Dan Skelton, Edinboro
DB	Taurean Valentine, Edinboro
P	Kyler Ford, Shippensburg

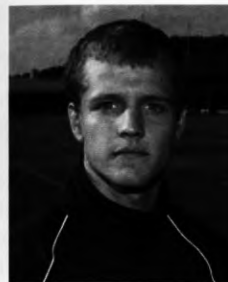
Eastern Division Second Team Offense

QB	Dan Latorre, Bloomsburg
RB	Brad Lantz, Millersville
RB	Dontay Wilson, Kutztown
RB	Joe Partridge, East Stroudsburg
WR	Dominique Curry, Cheyney
WR	Drew Stern, East Stroudsburg
WR	Sam Shuman, East Stroudsburg
TE	Dan Onorato, Kutztown
OT	Ryan Devlin, West Chester
OT	Mike Casciano, Kutztown
OG	Darrell Martin, Kutztown
OG	Séan Plunkett, Millersville
C	Luke Beall, Bloomsburg
PK	Alex Walsh, West Chester
RS	Kevin Garland, West Chester

Second Team Defense

DL	Travis Ford-Bey, West Chester
DL	Jarrod Linn, Millersville
DL	Vlad Garbovsky, West Chester
DL	Miguel Rivera, East Stroudsburg
DL	Scott Smith, Kutztown
LB	Tom Cressman, Kutztown
LB	Mike Dell, West Chester
LB	Brandon Hawkins, Cheyney
LB	Dave Lotier, East Stroudsburg
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DB	Jeremy Lightner, Bloomsburg
P	Ryan Nye, Kutztown

Cummings and Hansen Named Pete Nevins Scholar-Athletes of the Year



Chris Cummings



Jennifer Hansen

Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference Commissioner Steve Murray is proud to recognize 1,488 student-athletes from the league who will be known as "Scholar-Athletes" for the 2007-08 academic year. The total eclipses last year's figure of 1,420.

Atop the list are the 2007-08 PSAC Pete Nevins Scholar-Athletes of the Year: Mansfield's Chris Cummings and Slippery Rock's Jennifer Hansen.

The PSAC Pete Nevins Scholar-Athlete of the Year Awards are presented to the top student-athletes who have achieved at least a 3.25 cumulative grade point average while competing at an outstanding athletic level. Student-athletes must have been recognized as a Fall, Winter or Spring Top Ten Award winner to be eligible.

In its 18th year of existence, the awards were renamed in 2007 to honor East Stroudsburg's long-time sports information director Pete Nevins, who passed away earlier that year after a short battle with cancer. Nevins held his position at ESU for 33 years, and it is estimated that he wrote articles on more than 12,000 ESU events that covered more than 5,000 student-athletes.

Cummings, a graduate student at Mansfield, excelled in his final season of eligibility. He was the only PSAC male to garner All-America honors in cross country, indoor and outdoor track and field. His highest national showing came with a second-place finish in the mile during the indoor championships. At other NCAA Championships, he placed sixth in the 1,500m during the outdoor season, and was 26th at the cross country nationals. During the indoor season, Cummings won the mile and ran a leg of the winning distance medley relay at the PSAC Championships. He was crowned co-MVP of the meet and was later recognized as the 2008 PSAC Indoor Track Athlete of the Year.

Recently named an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipient, Cummings maintained a 4.0 GPA while pursuing his master's degree in education. As an undergraduate, Cummings carried a 3.86 GPA as a physics major. He finishes his storied career at Mansfield as a five-time All-American - twice each in indoor and outdoor track and field, and once in cross country. Between the two track seasons, the Mansfield native owns school records in nine individual and four relay events.

Hansen, a junior elementary education major, has established a 4.0 GPA. The Charleston, W. Va. product continues to set new standards in the pole vault, which includes All-America citations during this year's indoor and outdoor seasons, finishing third at both national events.

Her outdoor season included a vault of 13-3.75 at the league championships, establishing a new meet record. Coupled with her third-place effort in the long jump, Hansen was named the Most Valuable Field Athlete for the meet. Just a few weeks earlier Hansen established a new PSAC overall record in the pole vault, clearing 13-5.25 at Allegheny's Gator Invitational. It marked the fourth time in two weeks that she had broken the conference record. During the indoor season, Hansen registered a meet and overall record by vaulting 13-1.25 at the conference championship and was later honored as the PSAC Field Athlete of the Year.

Hansen was one of only three PSAC student-athlete to earn first-team Academic All-America status from ESPN The Magazine, and the only one to do so in the cross country/track and field category. She is a five-time PSAC Champion and four-time All-American.

2007-08 Top Ten Award Winners

FALL ◀◀◀

► Jen Blasko, Slippery Rock (Volleyball / Summit Hill, Pa.)

► Mike Butterworth, Slippery Rock (Football / Northern Cambria, Pa.)

► Anthony Cellitti, IUP (Football / Apollo, Pa.)

► Chris Cummings, Mansfield (Cross Country / Mansfield, Pa.)

► Kristi Fiorillo, Clarion (Volleyball / Meadville, Pa.)

► Amber Hackenberg, Bloomsburg (Cross Country / Middleburg, Pa.)

► Trevor Harris, Edinboro (Football / Waldo, Ohio)

► Kelley Healey, Kutztown (Field Hockey / Toms River, N.J.)

► Rachael Lanzel, Edinboro (Cross Country / St. Marys, Pa.)

► Brandon Shelton, Millersville (Football / New Oxford, Pa.)

WINTER ◀◀◀

► Chris Bach, East Stroudsburg (Basketball / Levittown, Pa.)

► Lauren Beckley, Shippensburg (Basketball / Fairfield, Pa.)

► Chris Cummings, Mansfield (Indoor Track & Field / Mansfield, Pa.)

► Matt Fitterly, Lock Haven (Wrestling / Denver, Pa.)

► Pawel Glowiak, IUP (Swimming / Gorzow, Poland)

► Ashley Grimm, Clarion (Basketball / Sugarloaf, Pa.)

► Amber Hackenberg, Bloomsburg (Indoor Track & Field / Middleburg, Pa.)

► Jennifer Hansen, Slippery Rock (Indoor Track & Field / Charleston, W. Va.)

► Teagan Riggs, Clarion (Swimming & Diving / Meadville, Pa.)

► Dave Sanford, Mansfield (Indoor Track & Field / Millersville, Pa.)

SPRING ◀◀◀

► Lisa Baumgartner, Clarion (Tennis / West Middlesex, Pa.)

► Chris Cummings, Mansfield (Outdoor Track & Field / Mansfield, Pa.)

► Sheelin Fisher, Bloomsburg (Softball / Coplay, Pa.)

► Dan Gal, Bloomsburg (Tennis / South Park, Pa.)

► Justin Garber, Shippensburg (Baseball / Elizabethtown, Pa.)

► Amber Hackenberg, Bloomsburg (Outdoor Track & Field / Middleburg, Pa.)

► Jennifer Hansen, Slippery Rock (Outdoor Track & Field / Charleston, W. Va.)

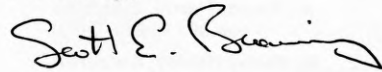
► Rachael Lanzel, Edinboro (Outdoor Track & Field / St. Marys, Pa.)

► Ryan Mostyn, IUP (Baseball / Philipsburg, Pa.)

► Sean Strauman, IUP (Outdoor Track & Field / South Park, Pa.)

This marks the 23rd season that I have been fortunate enough to be a member of the Edinboro football staff. During that time it has been very gratifying to see the response of local organizations in assisting Edinboro football. In recent years the service organizations has provided invaluable assistance, including running the 50/50 raffles. We look forward to working with these organizations again this year, and thank them for their support of Boro Football.

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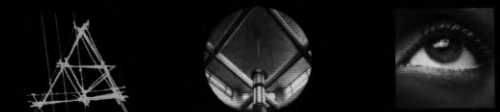
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PSAC/Opponents Today

C.W. Post (1-4)

Aug. 30	AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL	L,	19-45
Sept. 6	INDIANA(PA)	L,	0-41
Sept. 13	EDINBORO	L,	7-31
Sept. 20	at Cheyney	W,	35-0
Sept. 27	BLOOMSBURG	L,	6-13
Oct. 4	at Shippensburg		
Oct. 11	at West Chester		
Oct. 18	MILLERSVILLE		
Oct. 25	EAST STROUDSBURG		
Nov. 1	at Kutztown		
Nov. 8	at Lock Haven		

California(Pa.) (4-1)

Aug. 30	WEST CHESTER	W,	44-32
Sept. 6	at Bloomsburg	L,	17-24
Sept. 13	LAKE ERIE	W,	54-0
Sept. 20	at Edinboro	W,	35-31
Sept. 27	INDIANA(PA)	W,	21-19
Oct. 4	at Clarion		
Oct. 11	LOCK HAVEN		
Oct. 18	at Gannon		
Oct. 25	SLIPPERY ROCK		
Nov. 1	at Mercyhurst		
Nov. 8	SHIPPENSBURG		

Clarion (1-4)

Aug. 28	FAIRMONT STATE	L,	20-23
Sept. 6	at Kutztown	W,	26-20
Sept. 13	EAST STROUDSBURG	L,	28-49
Sept. 20	at Mercyhurst	L,	7-41
Sept. 27	at Gannon	L,	24-31
Oct. 4	CALIFORNIA(PA)		
Oct. 11	SLIPPERY ROCK		
Oct. 18	at Lock Haven		
Oct. 25	at Indiana(Pa.)		
Nov. 1	EDINBORO		
Nov. 8	CHEYNEY		

Indiana(Pa.) (3-1)

Sept. 6	at C.W. Post	W,	41-0
Sept. 13	at Millersville	W,	63-3
Sept. 20	LOCK HAVEN	W,	45-7
Sept. 27	at California(Pa.)	L,	19-21
Oct. 4	SLIPPERY ROCK		
Oct. 11	at Edinboro		
Oct. 18	MERCYHURST		
Oct. 25	CLARION		
Nov. 1	at Gannon		
Nov. 8	KUTZTOWN		

Lock Haven (0-5)

Aug. 28	GLENVILLE STATE	L,	0-30
Sept. 6	at West Chester	L,	6-37
Sept. 13	SHIPPENSBURG	L,	0-36
Sept. 20	at Indiana(Pa.)	L,	7-45
Sept. 27	EDINBORO	L,	0-31
Oct. 4	at Mercyhurst		
Oct. 11	at California(Pa.)		
Oct. 18	CLARION		
Oct. 25	GANNON		
Nov. 1	at Slippery Rock		
Nov. 8	C.W. POST		

This Week in the PSAC 2008 Standings

PSAC West		Conference		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	
California(Pa.)	2-0	1.000	4-1	.800	
Mercyhurst	2-0	1.000	3-2	.600	
EDINBORO	1-1	.500	4-1	.800	
Indiana(Pa.)	1-1	.500	3-1	.750	
Gannon	1-1	.500	3-2	.600	
Slippery Rock	1-1	.500	3-2	.600	
Clarion	0-2	.000	1-4	.200	
Lock Haven	0-2	.000	0-5	.000	

PSAC East		Conference		Overall	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	
Bloomsburg	2-0	1.000	5-0	1.000	
East Stroudsburg	2-0	1.000	5-0	1.000	
West Chester	2-0	1.000	3-2	.600	
Shippensburg	1-1	.500	2-3	.400	
C.W. Post	1-1	.500	1-4	.200	
Kutztown	0-2	.000	1-4	.200	
Cheyney	0-2	.000	0-5	.000	
Millersville	0-2	.000	0-5	.000	

Last Week's Scores

Saturday, September 27

Edinboro 31, Lock Haven 0
California(Pa.) 21, Indiana(Pa.) 19
Mercyhurst 34, Slippery Rock 10
Gannon 31, Clarion 24
Bloomsburg 13, C.W. Post 6
West Chester 49, Kutztown 8
Shippensburg 35, Millersville 14
East Stroudsburg 52, Cheyney 12

This Week's Schedule

Saturday, October 4

Gannon at Edinboro, 2:00 p.m.
Lock Haven at Mercyhurst, 1:00 p.m.
Bloomsburg at Millersville, 1:00 p.m.
Kutztown at Cheyney, 1:00 p.m.
C.W. Post at Shippensburg, 1:00 p.m.
California(Pa.) at Clarion, 2:00 p.m.
Slippery Rock at Indiana(Pa.), 2:35 p.m.
West Chester at East Stroudsburg, 3:00 p.m.

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PSAC Players of the Week

Eastern Division -- Offense

Joe West, QB -- West Chester

Eastern Division -- Defense

Riley Bowen, LB -- Shippensburg

Western Division -- Offense

Kevin McCabe, QB -- California(Pa.)

Western Division -- Defense

Matt Ward, DL -- Gannon



Mercyhurst (3-2)

Aug. 30	at Wayne State(MI)	L,	10-14
Sept. 6	at Cheyney	W,	35-0
Sept. 13	at Bloomsburg	L,	0-24
Sept. 20	CLARION	W,	41-7
Sept. 27	SLIPPERY ROCK	W,	34-10
Oct. 4	LOCK HAVEN		
Oct. 11	at Gannon		
Oct. 18	at Indiana(Pa.)		
Oct. 23	at Edinboro		
Nov. 1	CALIFORNIA(PA)		
Nov. 8	WEST CHESTER		

Millersville (0-5)

Aug. 29	at Bentley	L,	22-33
Sept. 6	SLIPPERY ROCK	L,	24-28
Sept. 13	INDIANA(PA)	L,	3-63
Sept. 20	at West Chester	L,	10-41
Sept. 27	at Shippensburg	L,	14-35
Oct. 4	BLOOMSBURG		
Oct. 11	CHEYNEY		
Oct. 18	at C.W. Post		
Oct. 25	at Kutztown		
Nov. 1	EAST STROUDSBURG		
Nov. 8	at Edinboro		

Shippensburg (2-3)

Aug. 30	SHEPHERD	L,	16-20
Sept. 6	EDINBORO	L,	11-34
Sept. 13	at Lock Haven	W,	36-0
Sept. 20	at East Stroudsburg	L,	41-44
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Sept. 27	MILLERSVILLE	W,	35-14
Oct. 4	C.W. POST		
Oct. 11	at Kutztown		
Oct. 18	at West Chester		
Oct. 25	BLOOMSBURG		
Nov. 1	CHEYNEY		
Nov. 8	at California(Pa.)		

Slippery Rock (3-2)

Aug. 30	at Seton Hill	L,	20-27
Sept. 6	at Millersville	W,	28-24
Sept. 13	KUTZTOWN	W,	38-24
Sept. 20	GANNON	W,	24-16
Sept. 27	at Mercyhurst	L,	10-34
Oct. 4	at Indiana(Pa.)		
Oct. 11	at Clarion		
Oct. 18	EDINBORO		
Oct. 25	at California(Pa.)		
Nov. 1	LOCK HAVEN		
Nov. 8	EAST STROUDSBURG		

West Liberty St. (3-2)

Aug. 30	EDINBORO	L,	10-35
Sept. 6	at Walsh	W,	24-10
Sept. 13	at Concord	W,	38-20
Sept. 20	MARS HILL	L,	35-38
Sept. 27	WEST VIRGINIA	W,	46-0
	WESLEYAN		
Oct. 2	at Fairmont State		
Oct. 11	GLENVILLE STATE		
Oct. 18	at West Virginia State		
Oct. 25	SHEPHERD		
Nov. 1	CHARLESTON(WV)		
Nov. 8	at Seton Hill		

GREAT THINGS HAPPEN HERE! The phrase was coined by new Edinboro University President Dr. Jeremy Brown, and it certainly is appropriate for the success the athletic department has enjoyed.

What is truly rewarding is the continued success we enjoy year-in and year-out. We're not talking about a one year phenomenon. Fighting Scot athletic teams have enjoyed tremendous success for many years now. The 2007-08 season saw Edinboro athletic teams post an overall record of 148-84-3. That's just the start of what will go down as a memorable campaign.

SUPERIOR COACHING STAFF: I've always felt that Edinboro has assembled a coaching staff that rivals not only the best in the PSAC, but in all of Division II. For starters, men's basketball coach Greg Walcovich became just the ninth active coach in Division II with 500 wins. Women's basketball coach Stan Swank eclipsed 350 wins this past year, while Missy Soboleski (volleyball) and Jim Glatch (wheelchair basketball) topped 200 wins and women's soccer coach Gary Kagiavas went over the 100-win plateau. All Tim Flynn has done is lead his wrestling program to ten Eastern Wrestling League crowns in 11 years and nine PSAC titles in that same period. He has been named the Coach of the Year in at least one of the two leagues in nine of those 11 campaigns. Long-time cross country coach Doug Watts was once again recognized by the PSAC as its Men's Coach of the Year.

SCOTS DOMINATE INDIVIDUAL HONORS: If there is one thing that stood out above all else this year, it was the incredible individual success our student-athletes enjoyed. No fewer than six Fighting Scots were named the PSAC Player of the Year in their respective sports (Gregor Gillespie - wrestling; Trevor Harris - football; Brooke Heath - women's swimming; Rachael Lanzel - women's cross country; Ryan McLemore - men's basketball; and Jenna Newman - volleyball. In addition, three Scots were named PSAC Rookie of the year - Chris Honeycutt (wrestling), Barry McLaughlin (men's cross country); and Katie Wilkins (volleyball). Last, but certainly not least, three coaches earned PSAC Coach of the Year accolades - Tim Flynn (wrestling); Gary Kagiavas (women's soccer); and Doug Watts (men's cross country). *Those are just a few of the honors our student-athletes picked up this year.*

UPGRADED FACILITIES: Edinboro's athletic facilities have made a quantum leap the last two years. Sox Harrison Stadium was renovated a year ago, complete with a new artificial playing surface, lights, and a new scoreboard, along with improvements to local rooms in the facility.

Journeying over to McComb Fieldhouse, the long-awaited weight room project was completed last summer. Edinboro athletes can now work out with some of the finest state-of-the-art exercise and weight training equipment. The gymnasium floor has a bright new paint job that caught the eye of many this past year.

ON THE HORIZON: We anticipate that by the time 2009 rolls around the new air-supported dome will be completed. This structure, like the new surface at Sox Harrison Stadium, will accommodate not only athletics but many other campus activities. It obviously will provide our athletic teams a tremendous opportunity to practice inside during those blustery Edinboro winter days. In addition, you will notice a renewed emphasis on track & field, along with the ability to expand our camp offerings.

We're very proud of everything that has been accomplished, not only this past year but in previous years. We look forward to what lies ahead in the future, realizing that it will indeed be a challenge. Other Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference schools are experiencing many of the same improvements we are, or have done so in recent years.

The support of the administration and the Student Government Association is greatly appreciated. But we can't stop there. Our Edinboro Family must continue to grow. I can't tell you how valuable your support has been since the start of the Annual Athletic Fund. We hope you'll once again choose to sit down and contribute to the Athletic Fund. If you haven't contributed in the past, please explore the possibility of helping Edinboro not only maintain its athletic tradition, but move forward. Finally, please spread the word around. The greatest way we can prosper is by networking, so please tell a friend or two about the Annual Athletic Fund.

As always, thanks for your support. If you haven't had an opportunity to do so recently, come and visit us and get a first hand look at what is happening. You'll walk away agreeing that Great Things Happen Here!

Bruce R. Baumgartner
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Director of Athletics

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Recognition (football program)	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
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Athletic T-Shirt	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Athletic Sweatshirt	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Athletic Media Guides	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Athletic Dress Shirt	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Season Ticket (family pass, all events)	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆
Dinner with Athletic Director and President	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆	◆

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Today's Feature

A Look at CDR James M. Landas and Today's Flyover

Prior to today's kickoff Edinboro University football fans will be treated to a flyover by the Navy's E-2C Hawkeye. The pilot of today's E-2C Hawkeye flyover is Edinboro graduate Commander James M. Landas.

E-2C Hawkeye Info

The E-2C Hawkeye is the U.S. Navy's all-weather, carrier-based tactical airborne warning and control system platform. It provides all-weather airborne early warning and command and control functions for the carrier battle group. There currently is one squadron of four Hawkeye aircraft in each carrier air wing (CVW). In addition to its primary AEW function, the E-2C can also provide strike control, area surveillance, search and rescue guidance, navigational assistance, communications relay, and drug interdiction. VAW-126 flies the upgraded Hawkeye 2000, with upgraded avionics and communications equipment.

VAW-126 SEAHAWKS SQUADRON HISTORY

Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadron ONE TWO SIX (VAW-126), nicknamed the SEAHAWKS, is an integral part of the tactical air forces of the United States Navy. VAW-126 is one of six Carrier Airborne Early Warning Squadrons based in Norfolk. Equipped with four E-2C "Hawkeye 2000" aircraft, the squadron's primary mission is on-scene airborne command and control for the Joint Warfare Commander. VAW-126 implements command and control through diverse operations such as fighter intercept and air strike control, ocean surveillance, search and rescue coordination, airborne battle-space management, and dynamic strike control.

VAW-126 was commissioned in Norfolk, VA April 1st, 1969.

Equipped with four E-2A Hawkeye aircraft, the squadron was assigned to Attack Carrier Air Wing SEVENTEEN assigned to USS FORRESTAL (CV 59). Following completion of their first deployment in July 1970, the squadron transitioned to the E-2B. This was a newer version of the same aircraft, equipped with a more flexible, digital computer weapons system. The command received accolades early in its history, winning the highly coveted COMNAVAIRLANT Battle Readiness Efficiency "E" and the CNO Safety "S" Award in 1971. The squadron won the Battle "E" a second time in 1974.

While homeward bound in September 1974, the squadron transferred to USS AMERICA (CV 66). The NATO deployment marked VAW-126's final E-2B flying as well. Following their return to Norfolk in October 1974, the squadron began its transition to the E-2C, Group 0 variant, an aircraft similar in appearance to its predecessor, but with a significantly more capable and reliable weapons system.

In August 1975, the squadron commenced operations in the Caribbean with CVW-9, based at NAS Miramar, California. In May 1976, they began the first of many trips moving the entire squadron back and forth between Norfolk and Miramar to operate with CVW-9 and prepare for their upcoming deployment aboard USS CONSTELLATION (CV 64). The squadron made their second and final Western Pacific deployment with USS CONSTELLATION in May 1978.

The SEAHAWKS joined USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) and CVW-1 upon returning to the East coast in 1979. In July 1981, VAW-126 joined CVW-3, which replaced CVW-1 as the air wing deployed aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67). The September 1983 to May 1984 deployment was a record breaking one for VAW-126. The SEAHAWKS departed for the Mediterranean aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) a second time in August 1986.

By November 1987 the squadron was back aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) in preparation for their next deployment. 1988 proved to be another outstanding year for the SEAHAWKS. In June, the Carrier Strike Group assembled for FLEETEX 2-88 and the SEA-

HAWKS departed with USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV 67) in August for its 4th deployment on board.

CDR James M. Landas

CDR James M. Landas, is a native of Titusville, PA and graduated from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania, earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education. He received his commission as an Ensign from Aviation Officer Candidate School on November 17, 1989 and earned his "Wings of Gold" as a Naval Flight Officer on April 12 1991.

In November 1991, CDR Landas reported to the VAW-115 LIBERTY BELLS forward deployed in Atsugi, Japan where he completed two deployments embarked in USS INDEPENDENCE (CV 62) to the Arabian Gulf in support of Operation SOUTHERN WATCH. While in the LIBERTY BELLS, CDR Landas served as First Lieutenant, Public Affairs Officer, Personnel Officer, and Assistant Operations Officer.

Following his tour in VAW 115, CDR Landas reported to the VAW-120 GREYHAWKS in December 1994 as a Naval Flight Officer Instructor. He served as the Avionics Division Officer, Radar Instructor, Computer Instructor, IFF Instructor, and Schedules Officer. In October 1997, CDR Landas returned to VAW-115 where he served as the Assistant Operations Officer, Navigation Upgrade Transition Officer and the Safety/NATOP's Officer. After completing an emergency deployment to the Arabian Gulf embarked in USS INDEPENDENCE the squadron transitioned to the E-2C NAV Upgrade while moving onboard USS KITTY HAWK (CV 63) in Pearl Harbor Hawaii. In August of 1998 he transferred to Commander Seventh Fleet as VADM Doran's Flag Aide. CDR Landas' next assignment was to the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy as a recipient of the Political Military Masters Program.

CDR Landas' reported to the VAW-123 SCREWTOPTS in October 2000 where he served as Training Officer, Safety Officer, and Maintenance Officer and embarked in USS THEODORE ROOSEVELT (CVN 71) and USS ENTERPRISE (CVN 65) to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf, in support of Operations ENDURING FREEDOM and IRAQI FREEDOM. Following his tour with the SCREWTOPTS, CDR Landas reported to Commander Strike Force Training Atlantic (CSFTLANT) where he served as the Assistant Operations Officer (N32) and evaluated five Competitive Unit Training Exercises (COMPTUEX) and two Joint Training Exercises (JTTEX).

CDR Landas has over 3900 hours and 900 arrested landings in the E-2C Hawkeye. His decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, six Strike/Flight Air Medals, five Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, two Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals and various campaign, expeditionary and unit awards.

CDR Landas and his wife Sonya are the parents of two sons, Evan (12) and Brady (2) and two daughters, Stephanie (10) and Rachel (9), and they reside in Virginia Beach.



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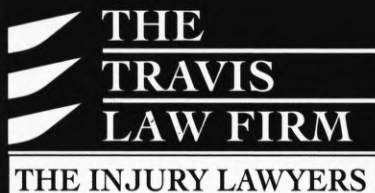


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