

*Minnesota*

# FOOTBALL

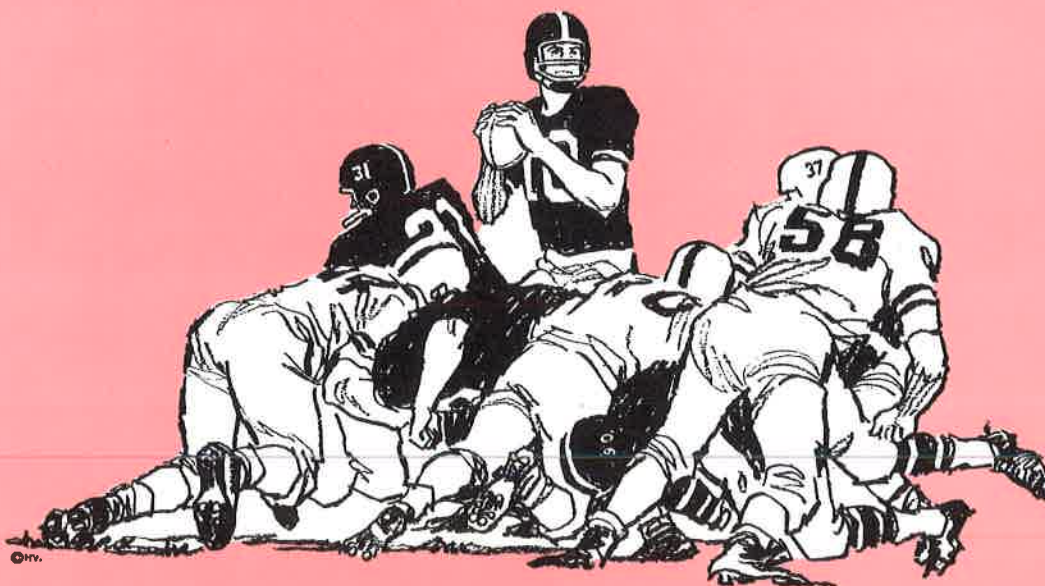


89

---

Annual Publication of the Minnesota  
State Football Coaches Association

# COACH OF THE YEAR FOOTBALL CLINIC



**Bill Yeoman**  
Director  
**Don Swanson — Clinic Manager**  
**Jim Dotseth — Advertising Manager**

**1990 Clinic**  
**Will Be Held Feb. 16, 17, & 18**  
**Sheraton Park Place Hotel**  
**Minneapolis**

# 1989 MINNESOTA FOOTBALL

ANNUAL

## Minnesota State Football Coaches Assn.

Box 427 New Richland, MN 56072

This publication is issued annually by the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association as a media for the exchange of ideas and technique in the game of football.

### PAST OFFICERS PRESIDENTS

1956-57	Harvey Shew — Brainerd
1957-58	Lew Swearingen—Jackson
1958-59	Red Wilson—Bemidji
1959-60	Loren Hagge—Rochester
1960-61	Frank Cleve—Minneapolis Henry
1961-62	Lew Barle—Greenway
1962-63	Tom Mahoney—Fairmont
1963-64	Steve Silianoff—So. St. Paul
1964-65	Dale School—Redwood Falls
1965-66	Bill Hansen—Willmar
1966-67	Bob Roy—St. Louis Park
1967-68	Marv Gunderson—Winona
1968-69	Milt Osterberg—Worthington
1969-70	Dick Lagergren—Brainerd
1970-71	Les Drechsel—Ada
1971-72	Don Varpness—New Ulm
1972-73	Ron Raveling—Columbia Heights
1973-74	Rollie Bromberg—Cloquet
1974-75	Don Swanson—Minneapolis Henry
1975-76	Don Stueve—Fergus Falls
1976-77	Dean Brown—Winona
1977-78	Gary Gustafson—North St. Paul
1978-79	Grady Rostberg—Hutchinson
1979-80	Dick Lawrence—Eveleth
1980-81	Ron Scott—Coon Rapids
1981-82	Jim Roforth—Lake City
1982-83	Ron Stolski—Brainerd
1983-84	Tony Thiel—Battle Lake
1984-85	Dick Walker—Richfield
1985-86	Jim Simser—New Richland-Hartland
1986-87	Dave Nigon — Totino Grace
1987-88	Keith Swanson — Hoffman-Kensington

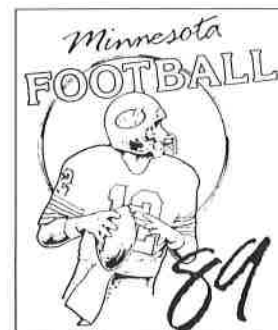
### Sec.-Treas.

1956-57	Frank Cleve — Minneapolis Henry
1957-61	Dwaine Hoberg—St. Louis Park
1961-64	Bob Roy—St. Louis Park
1964-74	Chuck Elias—Minneapolis Central
1974-83	Jerry Peterson—Owatonna
1983-87	Don Larson — Albert Lea
1987-	Jim Simser — New Richland-Hartland

Published Annually By  
DETROIT LAKES PRINTING COMPANY  
DETROIT LAKES, MINN. 56501

## FOOTBALL INDEX

President's Message.....	2
Thoughts on the Wing-T.....	3
Pros and Cons of a Multiple Set Offense.....	7
Retired Life Membership MSHSCA.....	8
Cottonwood Pass Attack: Take What the Defense Gives.....	9
Play Action Passing From the Veer.....	11
1989 Hall of Fame Inductees.....	13
Hall of Fame Previous Winners.....	15
Minnesota Academic All State Football Team Report.....	16
Academic All State Football Application.....	17
Communicating the Scouting Report to the Players.....	19
Building Team Character and Unity.....	22
1989 All Star Football Teams.....	23
Hermantown's Defensive Scheme.....	24
Coach of the Year Award.....	25
Putting the "Run" in the Run and Shoot Defense.....	26
The Butch Nash Award.....	28
Coaches of the Year.....	30
State Football Playoff Championship Games.....	31
MSHSCA Dues Application Form.....	32
1989 Football Playoff Format Section Assignments.....	33
Park Region Conference 1988 Finals.....	36
Minnesota River Conference.....	36
West Central Conference Report.....	37
Buffalo River Conference Section II.....	38
1988 Tri-Valley Conference Summary.....	40
Agassiz Valley Conference.....	41
North Star Conference.....	41
Sea Range Conference.....	42
1988 Central Lakes Conference.....	43
Taconite Conference.....	44
Southern Minny Conference Centennial Division.....	44
Missota Conference.....	45
Twin Cities Suburban Conference.....	46
Wright County Conference.....	48
Suburban West Conference.....	48
Prairie Lakes Conference.....	49
Valley Plains Conference Class C.....	50
Mid-State Conference.....	50
The Changing Wasioja Conference.....	51
South Central Conference.....	52
Standing By in Sports.....	53
Playoff Champions.....	57
Active High School Head Coaches 100 Victory Club.....	60



## Minnesota State Football Coaches Association Organization Officers



President  
Jerry Peterson, Owatonna



1st Vice President  
Dave Brokke, Granite Falls



2nd Vice President  
Con Natvig, Swanville



Secretary-Treasurer  
Jim Simser, New Richland-  
Hartland

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is an honor and privilege to serve as your president of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association for the school year 1989-90. High school football will be undergoing some dramatic changes in the area of the high school playoffs and state tournament play, which eventually will lead to the Prep Bowl in late November of each year. These changes are being made to provide equal opportunity for all member schools to make it to the Prep Bowl. These adjustments are being brought about by an unprecedented amount of pairing and co-op programs that are bringing about consolidation of a number of athletic programs in the state. We will have 409 teams playing football in 1989. It is estimated that in the not too distant future we will be looking at a number under 300.

As your president I have become involved with many groups and individuals who are concerned with high school football. I have been more than impressed with staff at the Minnesota High School League who have shown the highest concern in following the wishes and concerns of the Coaches Association. As an example, the 1989 tournament format was planned

and formulated by the M.H.S.F.C.A. through the Football Advisory Committee and the Football Forum. The plan was based on a formula of leaving Class AA and nine-man as a given or stable number and dividing the remaining three classes by 3, thus providing classes A, B and C with essentially the same number of teams. This should provide every team in the state with approximately the same opportunity to make the state tournament.

The league has also indicated its willingness to listen to our plans for playing the semi-finals in the dome and also the possibility of the creation of a AAA or sixth class of school which would include the 32 largest AA schools. These items will be brought before the league on October 11, 1989 and we are hoping for a favorable hearing.

If you have any concerns or comments on these matters, you should contact me or your representative on the Football Advisory Committee.

Jerry Peterson  
President MHSFCA  
Owatonna

# Thoughts On the Wing-T

By Bill Soltys

## About The Author

College — St. John's under John Galiardi, offensive guard and special teams player.

Coaching — Sauk Centre 1974-77 as an assistant coach. Grand Rapids 1977-80, Assistant; 1980-present, Head Coach.

Conference Championships — 1980, 81, 84, 85, 87.

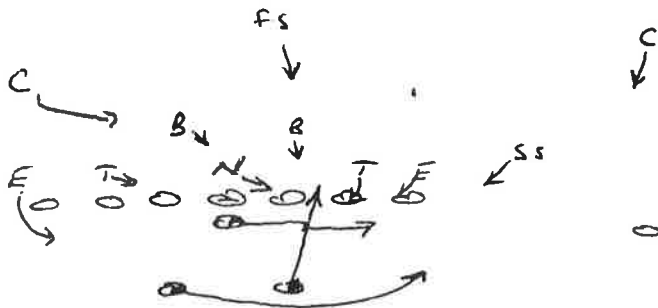
State Tournaments — 1980, 81.

Section Runner-Up — 1987, 88

By no means are the ideas here original. The Wing-T has been around for a long time, and there have been thousands of coaches since Forest Evashevski at Iowa, and Dave Nelson at Delaware who have successfully used the system of offense now popularly called the "Delaware Wing-T".

Since the fall of 1980, we here at Grand Rapids have been using the Wing-T except for a brief one year departure to run the Veer. We were attracted by the simplicity of the Veer and expected that with great execution of just a half-dozen or so plays we could be more effective. We learned, however, that in order for the Veer in particular to be successful, you really had to control the line of scrimmage with more brute force than one would ordinarily need to execute a multiple mis-direction offense.

We further discovered that defenders got to the football a lot quicker when we ran the Veer. In theory with defenders assigned to the three phases of the option, pursuit should be slowed down. However, all eleven defenders still knew which direction the ball was going and got there in a bad mood.

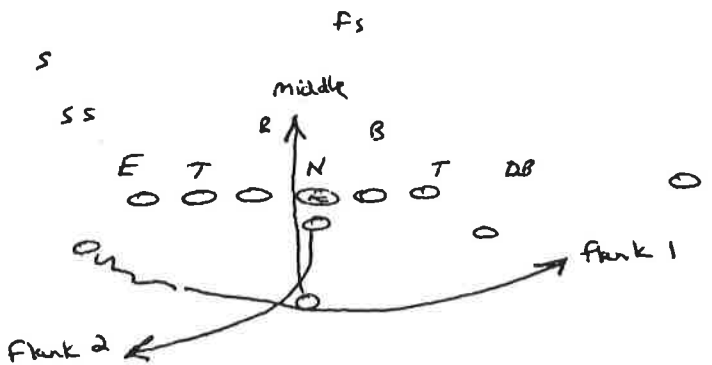


Moreover, once the defense made adjustments to stop the base plays there were no effective alternatives to go to.

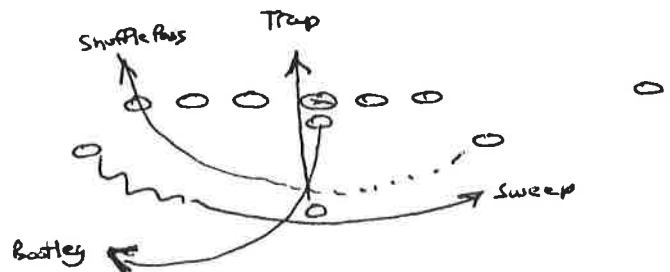
After a horrible year with the Veer we went back to

some of our old film when we used the Wing-T and discovered the line of scrimmage could be controlled with smaller linemen because almost all blocks were angle blocks. In other words, with the Wing-T a lineman almost never blocked the man directly in front of him, and if he did it was usually in the form of a double team.

More importantly we discovered that the Wing-T was a much better system for controlling pursuit. The offense forces defenders to cover the entire field because the middle and both flanks are usually threatened simultaneously.



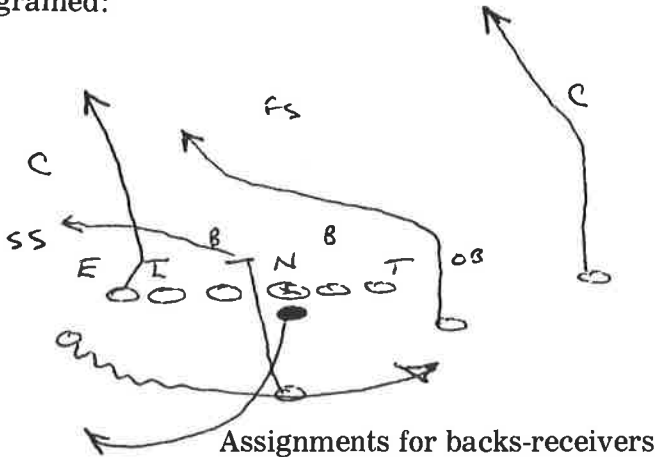
The basic Wing-T Series called the 20 Series does threaten the defenders up the middle, and at both flanks. The defenders must stay at home and defend all areas. The threat to the opposite flank is a special feature of the offense.



The four plays in the 20 Series (Trap, Sweep, Bootleg, Shuffle Pass) complement one another, and in theory place tremendous pressure on individual defenders. When the defense makes an adjustment to stop a particular play in the series it leaves itself vulnerable to one of the other plays in the series.

The most successful play in the offense for us has been the bootleg, or as we call it, simply "Black". Black means that the QB keeps the ball in a direction opposite the call. Our even numbers go to the right and our odd to the left. Therefore, 22 black is bootleg

left and 23 Black is bootleg right. Below 22 Black is diagramed:



Slot back — 3 deep, run seam between opposite corner and free safety.

2 deep, split the halves.

FB — block the playside backer if he comes; if he drops, run short flat.

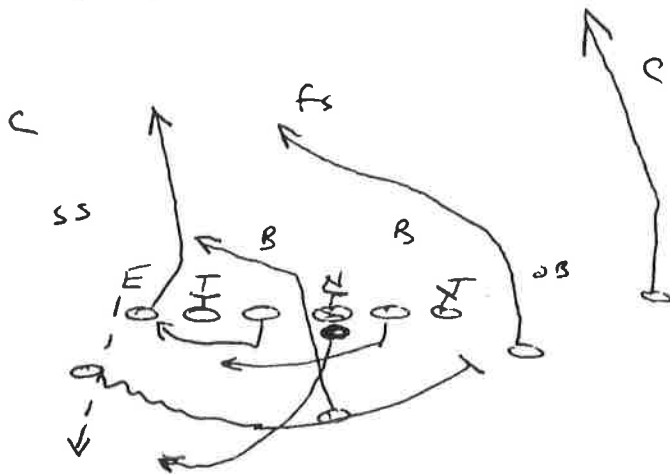
SE — 3 deep, run post directly at FS.  
2 deep, run through original position of half your side.

TE — Take a step down like a down block, then run flag route.

Black is a Run/Pass option for the QB. We end up throwing the football 90% of the time. As illustrated you can see that there can be as many as five potential receivers plus the threat of the run.

The key coaching point for the QB is to threaten the flank at a depth of no greater than 7 yards. The tendency for the QB is to float away from the line. If he does float away the width of the defense is no longer threatened and the play loses its effectiveness.

Teams who play us regularly have taught their defensive ends to get up the field and keep the QB from getting to the corner.

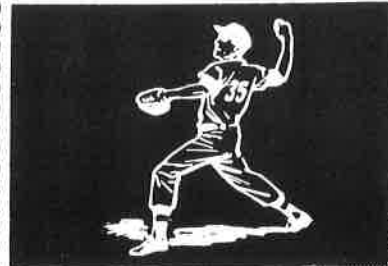


When we see the defensive end play aggressively in this manner we can go to another play in the series called Shuffle at 7.

Shuffle at 7 is blocked like the traditional off-tackle play we all run. Double team, pull the backside guard and wall of pursuit. In the backfield the QB comes out

# ROYAL ATHLETIC COMPANY

RECONDITIONERS AND SUPPLIERS OF ATHLETIC EQUIPMENT

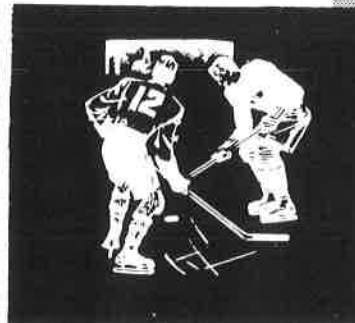


● HOCKEY

● BASEBALL

● FOOTBALL

● TRACK



**Need Equipment Repair?**

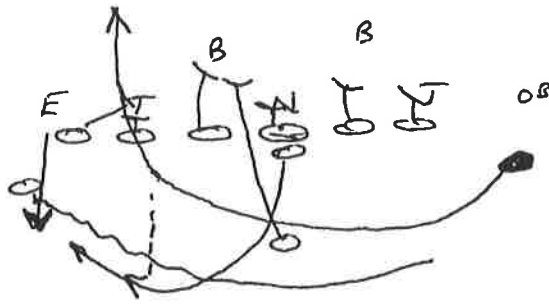
**Contact**

**ROYAL ATHLETIC CO.**

332-334 Walnut

Yankton, S.D. 57078

605-665-9333



faking Black and waits for the end to come upfield hard before he gives a short forward 2 yard pitch to the slot coming off the double team.

For us the Wing-T is the ideal high school offense. It allows us to control line with smaller men by giving them an angle block, effectively controls pursuit by threatening all three areas along the line simultaneously and allows us to attack adjustments defenses make by running companion plays.

"GOPHERS"  
University Of  
Minnesota

Foley High School  
MAJOR ATHLETIC AWARD  
This is to certify that  
**TERRY BROOKS**  
has earned major letters  
in the following high school sports

SPORT	YEARS
FOOTBALL	1986-1988
BASKETBALL	1986-1988
TRACK	1986-1988

## 1988 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

### GOLDEN GOPHERS

"Recognition Awards of Distinction"

## BUDOLSON AWARDS

Glass • Laser • Etched • Combination

18178 Minnetonka, Blvd.  
Wayzata, MN 55391  
(612)475-2627

SHERBURN HIGH SCHOOL  
RAIDER

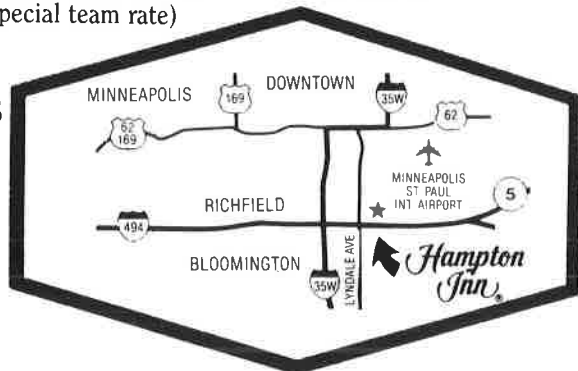


THE  
**Perfect Facility**  
 IN THE  
**Perfect Location**  
 AT THE  
**Perfect Rate**  
 OF JUST



**\$39<sup>00</sup>** 1-4 Persons/Any Night Plus tax  
**Including Continental Breakfast**  
 (Refer to this ad for special team rate)

- Indoor Pool/Whirlpool/Sun Deck
- Cable TV with Free In-Room Movies
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Hospitality Room
- Free Guest Parking
- Free Airport Limo
- Free Ice



**Hampton Inn** <sup>®</sup> **RICHFIELD**

7745 Lyndale Ave. S., Richfield, MN 55423

**CALL FOR FULL PACKAGE DETAILS 612/861-1000**

FAX# 612/861-4931

## Pros and Cons of a Multiple Set Offense

By Steve Ott, Deer River High School

### About The Author

- \* 1968 graduate of Deer River High School
- \* 1972 graduate of Bemidji State University
- \* Assistant football coach at JFK High School, Babbitt for 4 years.
- \* Assistant football coach at Deer River High School for 8 years.
- \* Head football coach at Deer River High School for the past 4 years (35 wins, 8 losses, 3 conference championships, 1 section championship).
- \* Married, wife Kathy; 4 children: Randy (20), Robby (17), Kristina (12) and Kari (11)

I am fortunate to have assistant coaches who have been head coaches in the past. Don Jacobson, our line coach had previously been the head coach in Deer River since 1968. Gary Dahlberg, who coaches our quarterbacks, defensive backs, and B team was the head coach at Lignite, North Dakota for seven years before coming to Deer River. Pete Houdek, our eighth grade coach and scout has not had head coaching experience but has worked with our junior high program for several seasons. Together, the assistant coach's experience and dedication have been big factors in the success of our football program over the years.

In the past, I had always felt comfortable with a relatively conservative offense. A good defense can win games as long as the offense can score two or three times. But too many times our offensive drives would stall due to our own lack of imagination rather than our opponent's defense.

Attach the weakness of the defense. Whether it's the personnel or the nature of the defense itself, all



Deer River Assistant Coach Don Jacobson (right) and Head Coach Steve Ott.

defenses have a weakness. A multiple-set offense can enable the attack to be more effective. Attacking the off-tackle hole from the "I" formation may work well one week while in the next game it may work better from the Wing "T".

There obviously can be problems with running a multiple-set offense. Running from many formations requires more time in practice. As with any offensive attack, you need the personnel to get the job done. There is also a danger of opponents knowing which play is coming when a rare formation is shown. (Although sometimes it works anyway). Sometimes the special plays are more difficult to run under



Deer River Head Coach Steve Ott (left) and Assistant Coach Gary Dahlberg.

adverse conditions. (Frozen fields, heavy rain, snow, etc.)

**Simplicity + Repetition = Execution.** Many of us believe in this philosophy and it can also help in developing an overall complex attack. The key to teaching a complex offense is to keep the formation and play terminology simple. Last season we ran and passed from nine different formations. (Eighteen if you count both right and left side versions.) When motion is used it creates an even more complex attack.

In the huddle, the quarterback says three things: the formation, the play and the snap count. Example: Double Wing Right, 36 Belly Motion Left, On 2. From this information, each player knows exactly his alignment, assignment, and when to begin. During the course of a season, our players must learn approximately 50 running and passing plays.

Opposing teams must spend more time preparing for special plays and special formations. What should the defense do when 4 receivers split out in tandem one way while another is split out the other way? Although, since there are so many, there's a chance they haven't seen the special plays planned for that week. Sometimes they are never used.

Overall, a multiple-set, special play offense gives you an offensive arsenal for attacking any point of the defense at different angles. It helped us score 71 touchdowns last season.

## RETIRED LIFE MEMBERSHIP

What's new in the MHSFCA? Lifetime membership in the MHSFCA for retired football coaches is what's new! Thanks to the efforts of Ron Raveling and Bob Roy we now offer an opportunity for retired football coaches to remain involved in association matters.

Membership is open to retired football coaches (both assistant and head) who are life members or who have been long time football coaches. A one-time fee of \$25.00 will bring all benefits of association membership. **PASS THE WORD!**

(Clip and Return or Pass On)



RETIRED LIFE MEMBERSHIP DUES APPLICATION FORM

# MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES ASSN.

BOX 427, NEW RICHLAND, MN 56072  
JIM SIMSER — SECRETARY-TREASURER

NAME (Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Initial)

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

(Check One) Still Teaching \_\_\_\_\_ Retired \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU PREFER COMMUNICATIONS BE SENT TO: Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ School Address \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF YEARS OF COACHING \_\_\_\_\_

ARE YOU A LIFE MEMBER OF MSHSCA? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

RETIRED LIFETIME MHSFCA MEMBERSHIP \$25.00 \_\_\_\_\_

## Cottonwood Pass Attack: Take What the Defense Gives

### About The Author

Rick Sutton attended Brooklyn Center High School and St. Cloud State University. He has coached football for six years, four years as head coach at Cottonwood, where his teams have compiled a record of 31-10 (28-5 the last three years) with two conference championships and one section title. Rick and wife Carmon have one daughter (Kelsey, age 2).



Cottonwood coaches Rick Sutton (left) and Tom Yahnka celebrate a victory with daughters Kelsey and Angela.

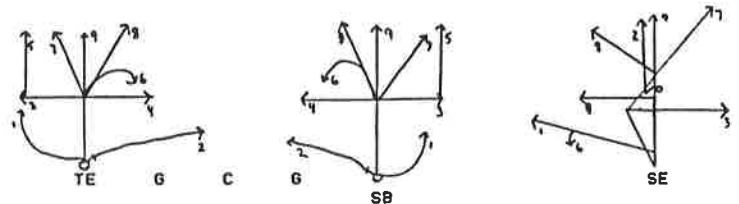
Throwing the football 15-25 times a game is part of our offensive philosophy at Cottonwood. No matter what the conditions or who we are playing, our goal is to throw the ball somewhere in this range. Due to weather conditions and the various defenses we see in our 9-man conference, we feel that we must be very flexible in our formations (various combinations of tight and split receivers with motion), pass schemes (3-step drop, 5-step drop, and sprintout), and routes to do this effectively. At the same time we must remain relatively simple due to the necessity of players learning more than one position. Essentially, we attempt to do things the same way out of different looks. This keeps things simple for our offense while creating problems for the defense. To accomplish this we have adapted a numbering system consisting of formation, series, and route numbers to call our plays. This system allows us to minimize rote memorization and build a deeper understanding of the total offense. The strength of this system is that it enables us to attack the opponent wherever they are vulnerable, whether we have specifically prepared for that weakness or not. With a limited coaching staff (2 varsity coaches, 1 jr. high coach, and often a practicum coach from SSU) it is nearly impossible to scout and prepare as well as we would like. Our system allows us to deter-

mine the best pass routes against a particular defense as the game is in progress, make the call, and have total comprehension by both the quarterback and receivers. We have often called pass plays that we have never practiced, knowing that each player would know his exact responsibility. Two key playoff touchdowns the last three years were plays that we "invented" during time-out huddles—plays we probably wouldn't have had enough confidence to use if we weren't completely sure that everyone knew their exact assignment.

The first aspect of the system's flexibility is multiple formations. We feel that by using various formations we are able to get our best receiver into the most advantageous position. By changing alignment from formation to formation, we are able to put a certain player in several areas of the formation: split end, flanker, tight end, slot, wing, or A-back. This versatility usually enables us to get the match-up we want.

Secondly, we have three passing series: 50 (3-step drop) 80 (5-step drop), and 90 (sprintout). The 3-step scheme enables us to counteract a team that rushes heavily and blitzes often, as well as providing a shorter passing game during inclement weather conditions. The 5-step scheme is our base pass package; we use it approximately 60-70 percent of the time. We use our sprintout series on a year-to-year basis, dependent on the quarterback's running ability. We like the sprintout attack especially against teams that play primarily man coverage by forcing the defense to commit to run or pass. In addition, the series number automatically tells the lineman and backs our protection scheme.

Finally, the most important factor in remaining flexible is our route trees. All of our pass patterns are given as a three-digit number. The first number is the right end's route; the second number is the left end's route, and the third number is the flanker/wing/slot/A-back's route. We can also add routes out of the backfield if we so choose. With nine routes available for each receiver, there is a vast number of potential combinations. This enables us to set up virtually any type of complementary routes which our quarterback and receivers will recognize instantly. Our route trees are as follows:



- |               |        |               |        |
|---------------|--------|---------------|--------|
| 0—Block       | 6—Curl | 0—Hitch       | 6—Curl |
| 1—Arc         | 7—Flag | 1—Slant       | 7—Fade |
| 2—Drag        | 8—Post | 2—Hitch/Go    | 8—Post |
| 3—Sideline    | 9—Seam | 3—Sideline/Go | 9—Fly  |
| 4—Cross       |        | 4—Cross       |        |
| 5—Sideline/Go |        |               |        |

The route trees are, as shown in the diagram, mirror images on opposite sides of the ball. For tight receivers, all even-numbered routes are run toward the football; odd-numbered routes are run away from the football. Although some routes are different for split receivers, the same principle applies except for the slant route. By learning the route trees, our quarterbacks and receivers can instantly "see" the routes in their minds. This enables them to look at the big picture and know what everyone is doing, not just concentrate on their own pattern. Because they see the whole concept at once, receivers are able to run their routes in a way that will best complement the other routes. The quarterback is able to instantly visualize how defensive reactions will affect the complete pattern, making his read easier. In addition, because the routes are all numbered in this way it is easy for us to include a wide variety in our audible package.

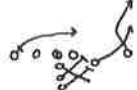
The following is an example of our concept of running the same patterns from different looks:

150 R 217



- 100—OPEN RIGHT
- 50-3—STEP
- 2—LE DRAG
- 1—RE ARC
- 7—FL-FADE

790 R 271



- 700—I RIGHT
- 90—SPRINTOUT
- 2—LE DRAG
- 7—RE FADE
- 1—SB-ARC

580 R 271




- 500—POWER I RIGHT
- 80—5-STEP
- 2—LE DRAG
- 7—RE FLAG
- 1—A ARC

As this diagram shows, we are able to run basically the same pattern with three different schemes from three different formations, with our best athlete line-up at flanker, slotback and A-back. By changing our formations in this way we either dictate who covers our receiver or force the defense to align differently than they would like. This flexibility enable our offense to gain an important advantage over our opponents.

In summary, we feel that this offensive system gives us the ability to throw the ball against all types of defenses as a game develops, knowing that our players will fully comprehend what we want, whether we have prepared for it or not. Finally, and we feel most importantly, it replaces rote memorization with a thorough understanding of the concepts of our passing attack.

I would like to close by thanking the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association for allowing me to share our philosophy. I would also like to thank all of the coaches from whom this philosophy was developed. I know that I'm not intelligent enough to devise such a system, but hopefully I'm smart enough to recognize a good thing and use it to my advantage. Thanks especially to Warren Olson, Bernie Wesloh, and Doug Darnell for teaching me not only the basics of football, but also the importance of hard work and the "Little Things". Finally thanks to assistant coach Tom Yahnka, and also to my wife Carmon and Cheryl Yahnka for being so understanding.



## The Mark of a Champion

It's more than a decoration. It's a symbol representing the brand name responsible for innovative uniform design; a tradition culminating in the largest variety of fabrics, styles, and colors available anywhere.


It's also the sign of rugged construction and incomparable quality. But most of all, it's your guarantee—a seal that says you've purchased the finest team uniforms money can buy.

Make sure the "C" is on your next uniforms. It's the mark of a Champion. Contact the Champion Sales Representative listed below for more information.

Stu Grossfeld  
8918 Minnehaha Circle N.  
St. Louis Park, MN 55426  
612-935-9494

Steve Bunkers  
P.O. Box 1640  
Sioux Falls, SD 57101  
605-339-0960

Charlie Peterson  
1044 Zanzibar Lane  
Plymouth, MN 55447  
612-476-1750



It takes a little more to make a Champion™



Cottonwood's leading receiver Danny Dahl, a 9-man all-state selection, tucks it away and heads upfield.

## Play Action Passing From the Veer

By Jim Reinhardt, Rushford High School

### About The Author

I have coached at Rushford High School since 1973, serving as head coach for the last four seasons. We have run the veer in one form or another since 1983. We were River Valley conference champions or co-champions in 1985, 1987 and 1988. We were in the section I-C finals in 1986 and won the section championship in 1988. We made the first trip to the Prep Bowl in the school's history in 1988.

At Rushford we believe in running a reaction offense. We want to force the defense to cover the width of the field and to respect the deep pass. We let the opponent's defensive alignment, assignments and adjustments dictate what we will try to do offensively. If the defense is geared up to stop the run, we will pass the ball. If the defense is geared up to take away the pass, we will run the ball. We also try to isolate and take advantage of a weak defender or defensive weakness or oversight.

The veer lends itself well to this offensive philosophy. Each time the ball is snapped the defense must have at least four men on each side of the ball assigned to take away various parts of the option. A man must be assigned to the dive back, another to the quarterback, another to the pitch, and still another to the deep third to protect against the threat of the deep pass. The two-back set and the use of two wide receivers make it possible to both run and pass the ball effectively while forcing the defense to give away their intentions by their alignment.

Our running game is based on three series of plays: the inside veer, the outside veer, and the counter option. We also have several plays that complement each of these series and take advantage of a defensive overreaction to each of the basic plays. We believe in running the simplest play that we feel will be effective, so if the defense will allow us to dive the ball consistently that will be our basic offense. We have become primarily a dive and counter offense.

When the defense takes away the run or makes an overcommitment we feel we can take advantage of, we will go to the air. We use our play action game when we feel the defense is expecting a running play, usually first-and-ten or third-and-short. In other

situations we will use either a roll-out or a sprint-out pass.

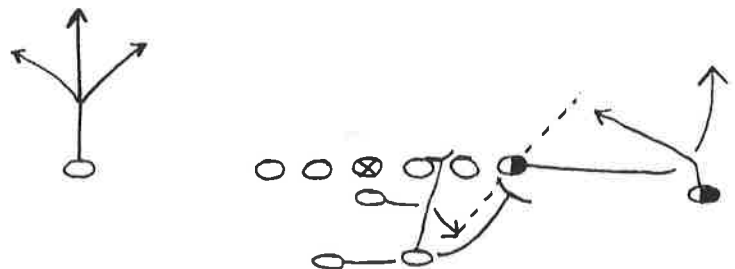
Our most basic play action pass is the dump. We use this pass when the defender responsible for the pitch is ignoring the release of our tight end. The tight end takes a three step outside release and turns upfield. The quarterback fakes the dive and releases the ball on his third step provided the defender is not between him and the tight end. If the quarterback can't throw the ball he cuts up off tackle and gets what he can. This pass is designed to look exactly like an inside veer. The quarterback must work right along the line of scrimmage if it is to be effective.

The fly, like the dump, is a one-man pattern. We use it when the corner is coming up to play the pitch or when we want to back the secondary off. The pass can be thrown to either the flanker or the split end. We let

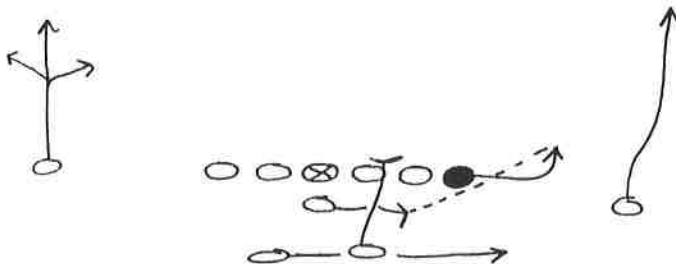


the alignment of the free safety dictate the receiver. The wide out is coached to run right at the corner and to fade to the sideline when the corner turns his shoulders. The quarterback fakes the dive coming back off the line and gathers himself to throw on his fifth step. The ball is thrown over the outside shoulder of the wide out. If the wide out is covered the ball is thrown wide and out of bounds or incomplete. This is a safe pass and tends to keep the defense honest.

The slant is a pattern that we use when a corner is playing one of our wide outs on his outside shoulder to take away the sideline pattern or the fly. If the pattern is run on the strong side it is a two-man pattern. The flanker takes a hard inside release and expects



the ball on his third step. The tight end takes a flat outside release and gets wide as quickly as he can. He cuts upfield when he gets to the flanker's original position. The quarterback reads the flanker. If there is no defender between the quarterback and the flanker, he throws the ball on his third step. If the flanker is covered the ball is thrown to the tight end on the fifth



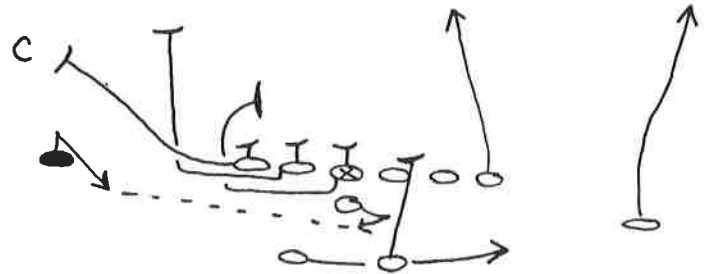
step. The play, including the patterns, mimics an inside veer with a switch block. This pattern can also be run to the split end side in which case it is a one-man pattern.

The sideline like the slant is a two-man pattern when run to the strong side. We use this pattern on a soft corner that plays inside shoulder. The pattern can be thrown on the third step in which case both receivers make their cuts at five yards, or the pattern



can also be run split end side, in which case it is a one-man pattern.

We also run a quick screen. The pass is thrown to the split end after the quarterback fakes the dive. The split end releases off the line for one or two steps and comes back to the quarterback. The tackle, guard,



can be thrown on the fifth step in which case both receivers make their cuts at nine yards. The flanker plants his outside foot and reverse pivots. The reverse pivot allows him to get quick separation from the corner and makes it difficult for the corner to come through the receiver's inside shoulder to make the interception. The tight end runs a flag. The quarterback reads the flanker.

If there is no defender in the passing lane the quarterback throws to the flanker pulling him to the outside. If the corner is in the lane the quarterback throws to the tight end on the flag. It is very difficult for the free safety to get over to cover the tight end in zone coverage or for the strong safety to cover the tight end man-to-man on a deep route. This pattern

and center block for one full count and then pull out and block. The tackle goes after the corner. The guard escorts the split end and the center looks to the inside and cuts off linebacker pursuit. This play can't be used often but can be very effective, especially if the split end has good speed and can run in the open field. It is used against a fast pursuing defense or against a secondary that overcommits to the strong side, either prior to or at the snap.

The five patterns above make up our entire play action passing game. In the past we have used a more extensive play action scheme, but we have found that we can be more successful running less offense and running it better. The patterns complement our offense very well and serve to keep the defense honest. It should be noted that each of the patterns above can be run using counter option action.

## STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF RESULTS

### CLASS "AA" Quarter-finals

Cretin-Derham Hall — 24  
Apple Valley — 21

Burnsville — 27  
Willmar — 11

Stillwater — 20  
Moorhead — 16

Blaine — 24  
Richfield — 0

### Semi-finals

Cretin-Derham Hall — 28  
Burnsville — 13

Blaine — 31  
Stillwater — 27

### Finals

Blaine — 25  
Cretin-Derham Hall — 24

### CLASS "A" Quarter-finals

Lakeville — 28  
Monticello — 7

Albany — 21  
Luverne — 0

Staples-Motley — 27  
Mora — 18

Totino Grace — 34  
International Falls — 15

### Semi-finals

Lakeville — 14  
Albany — 7

Staples-Motley — 41  
Totino Grace — 20

### Finals

Lakeville — 35  
Staples-Motley — 28

### CLASS "B" Quarter-finals

Morris — 38  
Zumbrota-Mazeppa — 13

Waterville-Elysian — 24  
St. James — 22

Breckenridge — 32  
Mayer Lutheran — 14

Deer River — 23  
Ely — 20

### Semi-finals

Morris — 48  
Waterville-Elysian — 14

Breckenridge — 12  
Deer River — 7

### Finals

Breckenridge — 21  
Morris — 7

### CLASS "C"

Rushford — 7  
Sleepy Eye St. Mary's — 0

Medford — 6  
Le Center — 0

Battle Lake — 24  
Silver Bay — 14

Minneota — 47  
Dilworth — 14

### Semi-finals

Rushford — 34  
Medford — 16

Minneota — 30  
Battle Lake — 8

### Finals

Minneota — 42  
Rushford — 28

### CLASS 9-MAN Quarter-finals

Stewart — 52  
Morristown — 40

Hills-Beaver Creek — 24  
Hoffman-Kensington — 19

Hallock — 42  
Rothsay — 8

Cromwell — 38  
Norman County West — 34

### Semi-finals

Stewart — 28  
Hills-Beaver Creek — 20

Hallock — 29  
Cromwell — 0

### Finals

Hallock — 35  
Stewart — 34

MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL  
COACHES ASSOCIATION

# 1989 "Hall of Fame" Inductees

## Football Hall of Fame Annual Banquet



**Jim Griffin**

Jim spent 27 years as a football and basketball official for high schools and colleges throughout the Upper Midwest. Before hanging up his whistle in 1973, this dedicated member of his profession had officiated football on every college campus in Minnesota. He also served the North Central Collegiate Conference as Commissioner of Basketball Officials for 13 years. A retired member of the St. Paul Police Department, the 8,000 seat Central Stadium was renamed Griffin Stadium in his honor in 1987.



**Harvey Shew**

A graduate of St. Cloud State University, Harvey coached football at Little Falls and Brainerd High Schools compiling a record of 65 wins, 21 losses, and one tie. His teams won five conference championships and were always well coached and highly competitive. A member of the Brainerd High School Hall of Fame, Harvey Shew was instrumental in forming the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association and served as first president of the organization.



**John Drugg**

A native of Forest City, Iowa, John's football coaching career spanned two years at Hicksville, Ohio; four at Buffalo Center, Iowa; and 18 at Wells where his teams won six straight Middle Eight Conference Championships. Included in his overall football coaching record of 136 wins, 56 losses, and seven ties was an enviable winning streak of 30 consecutive games. John is a charter member of the Minnesota State High School Football Coaches Association and although officially retired, he still serves as an assistant track coach at Wells High School.



**Bill Severin**

In 11 years at Grand Meadow High School, Bill achieved an enviable football coaching record of 77 wins, 12 losses, and two ties, including the longest consecutive winning streak of 47 straight games ever compiled by a high school football team in Minnesota. His Super Lark teams won nine consecutive championships and he was named the Minnesota State School Football Coach of the Year in 1966. A graduate of Mankato State University, Bill Severin is now retired as manager of his own Rain and Hail Insurance Service.



**Tony Thiel**

Tony graduated from Moorhead State University in 1960 and coached at Argyle High School for the next five years. He took over the reigns as head football coach at Battle Lake in 1967 where his teams were 141-50-0 over the next 21 years. Tony directed the Battlers to seven conference championships, four sectional titles, and two Minnesota State High School Football Championships. A past president of the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association, Tony Thiel retired from active coaching in 1986 with an overall record of 179 wins, 63 losses, and one tie.



**Don Fox**

A 1959 graduate of Detroit University, Don Fox began his career in Detroit, Michigan, where he coached football, basketball and track. In 1965, he became the head football coach at O'Gorman High School in Sioux Falls where one of his teams finished runner-up in the South Dakota state football championship. He was named head coach at Austin High School in 1970 and directed the Packers to three Big-Nine Conference championships before retiring in 1987. Among the many honors Don has received are being named Big-Nine Coach of the Year and serving as one of the coaches in the 1985 Minnesota High School All-Star Football Game.

## **“Support Those Who Support Us”**

Often we take for granted the magazines and journals which read us as professional publications. The dues which we pay in this organization do not come close to paying for the publication of this magazine. This magazine is made possible therefore by the close support and cooperation of the organizations who advertise. Support those advertisers and when you see them, thank them for their help and support.

## "HALL OF FAME"

*Sponsored By**Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association*

## — Previous Winners —

- 1965**  
Bernie Bierman  
Frank Cleve  
Bernie Cole  
Jake Christiansen  
Vern Morrison  
Bronko Nagurski  
Ted Peterson  
Lew Swearingen
- 1966**  
Bert Baston  
Lester S. Barnard  
Red Hastings  
John Gagliardi  
Lefty Ranweiler
- 1967**  
Francis "Pug" Lund  
Louis Todnem  
Paul Giel  
Cliff Morlan  
Joe Markley
- 1968**  
Lee Brockmeyer  
Sid Hartman  
Charles "Bud" Wilkinson  
Elmer Wigen
- 1969**  
C. P. Blakeslee  
Dick Bradley  
Ray Christenson  
Jim Byrne  
Lloyd Hollingsworth  
Pete Guzy
- 1970**  
Ed Widseth  
Adrian Christenson  
Jake Christiansen  
Walter Hertz  
Frank O'Rourke  
Les Knuti  
Bud Grant  
Wendell Vlasin
- 1971**  
Manny Marget  
Butzie Maetzold  
George "Butch" Nash  
Harol M. "Snooks" Sullivan
- 1972**  
Dick Wildung  
Jim Lee  
Jerry Krueger  
William F. Broekmeier  
Fred Vant Hull
- 1973**  
Earl Teas  
Chuck Elias  
Ralph Anderson  
Jerry Dahlberg  
Bruce Smith  
Marv Helling
- 1974**  
Oats LeGrand  
Jerry Ekstein  
Kenneth "Red" Wilson  
Edor Nelson  
Doc Watson
- 1975**  
Art Haas  
Les Nell  
Bob Collison  
Russ Helleckson  
Dick Mahar  
Bernie Lusk
- 1976**  
Kermit Anderson  
Will Gullickson  
Dwayne Hoberg  
Jack Malevich  
Jim Pederson  
George Roscoe  
Murray Warmath
- 1977**  
Frank "Butch" Larson  
Herschel H. Lysaker  
Art Avis  
Jim Carrington  
Lee Krough  
Jim McLaughlin  
Leo Sebastian
- 1978**  
Chuck Dixon  
Chauncey Martin  
Ted Meinhover  
Roy "Chip" Rasmussen  
George Reedy  
Marti Rossini  
John Vucinovich
- 1979**  
Bruce Bakke  
Herman Frickey  
Bill Hanson  
LeRoy McMahon  
Dick Mulkern  
Harry Newby  
Milt Osterberg  
Bob Schrank  
Steve Silianoff  
Lloyd Stein
- 1980**  
Bruce Bennett  
Neal Davis  
James Gustafson  
James Molnar  
Norm Wagner  
Jim Wallace
- 1981**  
Lou Barle  
Irv Nerdahl  
Glenn Redmann  
Clayton Tonnemaker
- 1982**  
Bob Gove  
Wally Hitt  
Gary Olson  
Don Nyland  
Dale Scholl
- 1983**  
Stan Nelson  
Joe Mrkonich  
Jim Gotta
- 1984**  
Dick Lawrence  
Tom Briere  
Jim Henkes
- 1985**  
Don Swanson  
Bob Roy  
Bruce Frank  
Don Riley  
Giffy O'Dell
- 1986**  
Chuck Halsted  
Ralph Hagberg  
Pete Herges  
Ike Pesonen  
Cliff Senne
- 1987**  
Terry Egerdahl  
Lauren "Huns" Hagge  
Donald "Bill" McMoore  
Jerry Sullivan  
Angelo Taddie
- 1988**  
Herbert Claffy  
Mac Dahl  
Art Fredrickson  
Ralph Peterson  
Ron Raveling  
Cal Stoll
- 1989**  
John Drugg  
Don Fox  
Jim Griffin  
Bill Severin  
Harvey Shew  
Tony Thiel

**ENJOY THE BEST FOR LESS!**  
**UNBEATABLE!**  
**IN MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL**

**— ONE RATE —**

**\$39<sup>00</sup>** PER ROOM  
 PER NIGHT  
 PLUS TAX

(THURSDAY THRU SUNDAY)  
 1 - 2 - 3 OR 4 PERSONS

**PLUS THE MOST COMPLETE  
 FACILITIES ON THE  
 #494 STRIP**



- 433 Elegant Rooms Incl. 133 New Suites
- 7,000 Sq. Ft. Health Club including Whirlpools Saunas, 13 Station Nautilus Circuit, Nordic Tracks, Tanning Beds and Much More
  - Olympic Size Heated Indoor Pool
- Pippin's Fine Dining Apple Butter Restaurant
  - Green House Cocktail Lounge
- Color Cable Television with Free Showtime Movies
  - Video Game Room, Newsstand, Gift Shop
  - Executive Conference Rooms • Free Parking
  - Banquet & Meeting Facilities for Up to 700
- One Minute from Airport with Courtesy Airport Van

**CALL (612) 854-9000**

**\* Holiday Inn®**

**INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT HOTEL**

**I-494 AND 34TH AVENUE SOUTH • BLOOMINGTON, MN 55425**

## Communicating the Scouting Report to the Players



George Tuvey, here with assistant coaches Mike Niemczyk and Gary von Holtum, has been Head Football Coach of the Janesville Golden Bears for 14 years. Prior to becoming the Head coach, he was Junior High football coach for 9 years. For the 1989 season, Janesville will pair with Waldorf-Pemberton and become the Bulldogs.

“500 Clinics!” At least that’s how many my wife told me I’ve attended. And every clinic features coaches who have won the Championship, or have All-Americans on their roster. So what can be learned from a coach who went 0-9 in 1988?

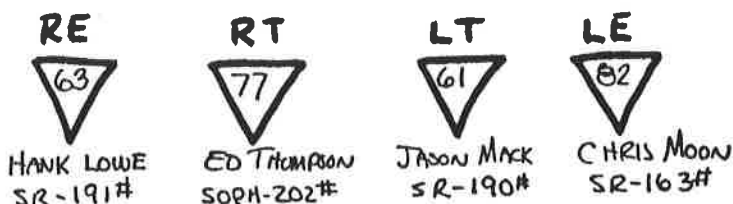
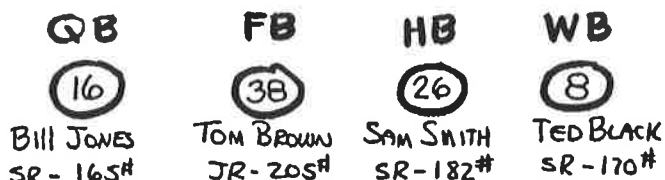
We might not be good at teaching blocking and tackling, but we do an excellent job of communicating the information about our next opponent to our players. Of course it’s quite simple when all you need to say is, “they are bigger; they are quicker; they are better.”

Given the limited amount of time we are allowed to prepare for the next opponent, communicating the scouting report to our team is a necessary coaching skill.

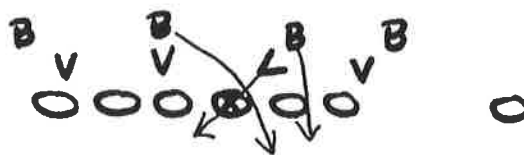
The first question which must be answered is “How much do the team members need to know?” And secondly, “How much information can they handle in a short time?” Each coach must also take into consideration the depth of the scouting report with which he has to work. Our scouting report is based on the Head coach viewing a video tape exchanged two weeks previously of the opponent. In addition, an “in-person” scouting report may be used when a scout can be obtained. Some extra information may be gleaned from previous game summaries and earlier years’ reports.

The Head coach assimilates this information and presents it to the staff and later to the team. The philosophy of our staff has been to acquaint our players with opponent’s philosophy, describe individual opponents, and illustrate alignments, formations and plays. We accomplish this through a three step procedure.

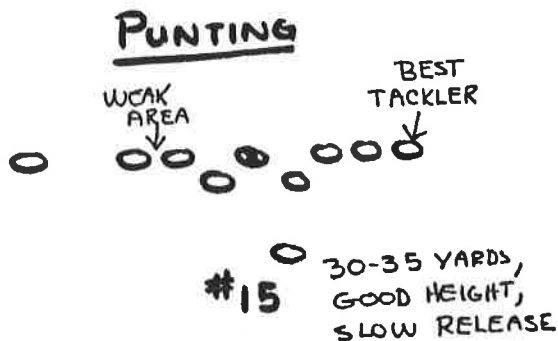
1. The Head coach draws up, duplicates and distributes a written scouting report. The report will include a statement of what he feels the opponent will attempt to accomplish with their offense, their defense and their kicking game. A series of diagrams showing who will be starting at the various positions, and who their main substitutes will be are a main part of the report.



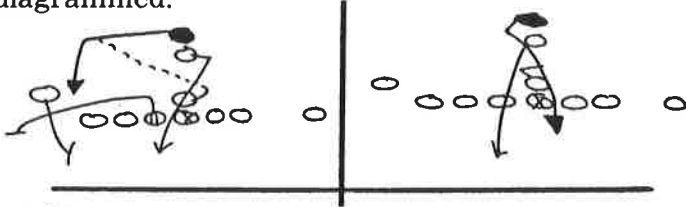
A diagram is also included that will show the opponents basic defensive alignments and any unusual tricks that might be used from the various alignments.



The kicking game is covered with diagrams and notations.



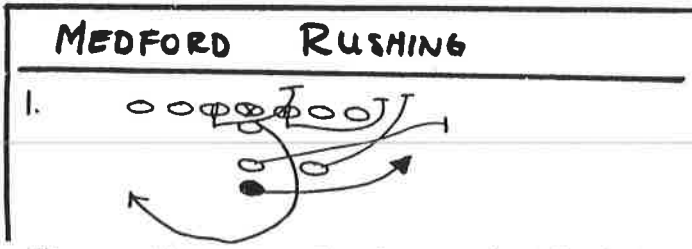
And the main running and passing plays are diagrammed.



This report concludes with two or three broad goals to give the player something specific to work toward during the week. An effective part of this written report is that the intense and intelligent player has something tangible to use as a reminder and study guide throughout the week.

2. On Tuesday, our "B" squad and varsity reserves are used as "scout teams" to simulate the opponent's offense. The Scout Period begins with the defensive coach having a chalk-talk with the 13 to 15 defensive starters, while the other coaches are putting together the scout teams and giving them a quick walk-through on formations.

The Head coach has created two offensive scripts on 12 x 24 cards, and laminated them. One of the scripts contains the major running plays, the other contains the major passing plays. Plays are listed on the script from the most used to the least used, followed by trick plays. Down, distance and field position tendencies are listed with the plays, when they have been discovered.



The scout teams run the plays against the defense. The first time through the script everything is at 3/4 speed. The second time everything is full speed, up to the tackle. The ball carrier is allowed to go all the way, with each defensive player following his pursuit angles.

When running the scout team with a three man staff, the defensive coach will work with the defense; making adjustments and substitutions. The assistant coach will use one scout team and the head coach will work with the other scout team. We will script up to 15 rushing plays and up to 10 passing plays. One team will run the rushing series and the other will run the passing series.

3. On Wednesday, the scout teams use the opponent's defensive alignments. Our offense will run our prepared plays against a "dummy" defense to clear up any assignment questions. Once responsibilities have been determined, the dummies are removed and it becomes a live to the tackle scrimmage. The defense is not allowed to sack the passer or take the ball carrier to the ground.

We will also use ten minutes of scout offense on Wednesday and spend about ten minutes each with of-

fense and defense on our Thursday practice.

In both the offensive and defensive scout sessions, our staff attempts to highlight any particular individual that has been the big-play man on our opponent's team. Often during these sessions players are reminded to look at your scouting report to help clear up questions.

We will show the opponent's kicking teams and philosophy during our regular special team sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday, again asking the players to refer to the written report when questions arise.

To inspire the scout teams, the coaching staff will name the CHAMPIONS OF THE WEEK at the end of practice each Thursday. These Champions will be the individual members of the offensive and defensive scout teams who did the best job of simulating the opponent during practice sessions. The Head coach will write the names of the Champions on a chart in the locker room and have them announced in Friday morning's all school announcements.

Through the printed report and the on-field activities, we feel that our players are well prepared for their individual opponent, and as a team have knowledge of what the opposing team wants to accomplish. With our organized Scout Periods we do not take time away from other teaching which needs to be accomplished for our team.

Actually, communicating the scouting report is the easy part of the job. Teaching the skills and techniques to carry out the plans, now that's what I need to attend more clinics to learn.



Come enjoy the good taste and good times of Chi-Chi's Mexican Restaurant. Come enjoy the full, fresh flavors of Chi-Chi's special chips, dips and dishes — a variety of light or hearty meals spiced the way you like them.

Good Food,  
Good Fun,  
Good People

When you feel a little Mexican . . .



Chi-Chi's of St. Paul  
389 N. Hamline

Chi-Chi's of Richfield  
7717 Nicollet Ave. S.

Chi-Chi's of Minnetonka  
15550 Wayzata Blvd.

Chi-Chi's of Mpls., City Center  
40 South 7th St.

# UNBEATABLE DOWNTOWN TEAM RATES

**\$42<sup>00</sup>** PER ROOM SINGLE/DOUBLE OCC.  
PLUS TAX • ADVANCE RESERVATIONS • RATE EXPIRES 12/30/89

**\$46<sup>00</sup>** PER ROOM TRIPLE/QUAD OCC.  
PLUS TAX • ADVANCE RESERVATIONS • RATE EXPIRES 12/30/89

- Complimentary Coach's Room
- Heated Indoor Pool • Whirlpool
- Dining Room • Coffee Shop
- Child. 99¢ Menu • Lounge
- Cable TV • Free HBO
- Free Downtown Area Shuttle • Free Surface Parking

**REGENCY PLAZA HOTEL**  
41 N. 10TH STREET • MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55403 • "LESS THAN ONE MILE TO THE METRODOME"

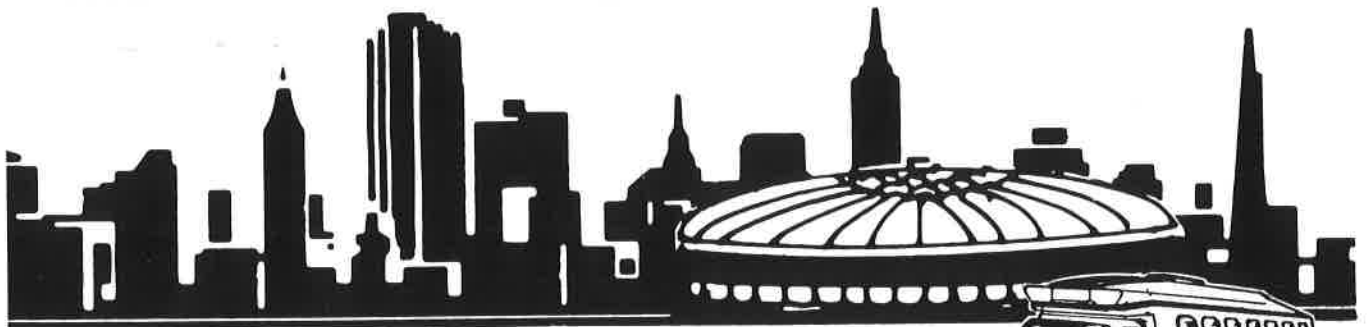
"WHERE YOU WANT TO BE IN DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS"



# THE BEST DOWNTOWN FAN RATES

**\$45<sup>95</sup>** PER ROOM DOUBLE OCCUPANCY  
PLUS TAX • EXPIRES 12/30/89

We Also Feature Room/Ticket Pkgs. for the Twins, Vikings & Timberwolves



CALL TOLL FREE: IN MINN. 1-800-423-4100  
 • OUTSIDE MINN. 1-800-523-4200 • IN CANADA 1-800-633-4300  
 • DIRECT 612-339-9311



"RIDE IN STYLE TO THE DOME AND OTHER DOWNTOWN ATTRACTIONS"

## Building Team Character and Unity

Our football program has evolved over the years and any success we have had is due to the care and concern shown to players. I'm not saying a good kick in the pants once in a while isn't necessary, but I think those times are few and far between. There are many times when care and concern for players will get more accomplished than more practice time, weight lifting or conditioning.

My philosophy on the importance of care and concern stems from a strong Christian belief. I'm not a preacher and I don't pretend to be one, but I know in my heart this has been a major force for our success. Many of our players believe this as strongly as I do. We have a team prayer before each game said by a player, and as the coach, I say the prayer after each game. When we started this practice, volunteers were a little reluctant, but now many players want the honor of doing this.

Tied into the Christian belief is the significance of being a decent person on and off the field. If a player is super on the field and a jerk elsewhere, I don't think his full potential will ever be reached. It has taken time to convince players that what happens off the field is just as important as what happens on the field. If any area is lacking, at home, in school, or with peers, success is much tougher to find.

A good football program can promote positive behavior on and off the field. We call it "Cardinal Character". There are many times when "Cardinal Character" is emphasized in many ways. The first thing we put on before a game is a shirt with "Cardinal Character" written on it and it's the last thing we take off after a game. This is a symbol of what we want players to be on the field as well as off. At the conclusion of each season we give a "Cardinal Character" award to the player that displays the best example of being a quality person.

Another way that we show our concern for players is by supporting other areas of their lives. I think coaches get too hung up on concentrating just on football. In our program we try to promote being a varied person participating in many different activities. I want my players out for band, choir, swimming, basketball or other areas they have an interest in. My

hope is that they get involved in many positive activities.

Being open minded about the importance of other activities shows players you care and can actually increase the quality of a football player on the field. I can remember one instance when a player I had was a very good swimmer. A group of Olympic swimmers were going to be in Minnesota and he wanted to go hear what they had to say. The problem was that he would have to miss football practice. I told him that he should go if he thought it was worthwhile. He couldn't believe that I would okay it so he asked again. My response was the same. He missed a practice but had an outstanding year. He caught the winning touchdown pass that enabled us to win the conference championship for the first time in 22 years.

What is important has to come through to your players. If you expect players to believe you, that is what they must see. I have given approval to many family outings that conflicted with football. This shows players that I follow through on what I think is important.

Another reason for the success of our program is the ability to build team unity and consistency. One of the ways that we accomplish unity is to emphasize the importance of each individual on the team. More players are being recognized and we have increased playing time for many players. Our second string players are a major factor on our team and we discuss the importance of this with everyone. Many of them play on special teams and have specific duties on game days. We do not put much significance on individual statistics because team success is more important.

Along with team unity we work on the type of motivation and attitude necessary for consistent play. When I started a few years ago, we would play one good game and then drop off drastically. This cycle we were in made any consistency impossible. We talked to our players about types of motivation and attitude of winning. I am not a fire up type of coach. From my perspective being ready to play must come from within. It took time to convince our players of this, but once we did, it was much more consistent.



# FAIRMONT Awards

*Trophies Plaques Medals*

25 YEARS OF DESIGNING QUALITY AWARDS TO  
RECOGNIZE QUALITY PERFORMANCE

PH. (507) 235-3705

P.O. BOX 248—931 LAKE AVE. FAIRMONT, MINN. 56031



We now have a winning attitude because we believe in ourselves, each other, and what we do as a team. Our players are sold on the qualities that we think are important. We finally believe we can compete with anyone.

Since the playoff system has been in effect we have stressed with our players that we want to play our best ball later in the year. We have talked about it so much that when playoff time comes around we turn things up a notch and play much better ball. This has made a significant difference. For the last two years a team has blown us off the field during the regular season and we have come back to beat the same team in the playoffs. Our players made a commitment to

change the outcome the next time around. We stress improvement in the future and do not dwell on past mistakes.

My final thought deals with football being an enjoyable experience for everyone involved. If you have had success but it wasn't fun, then football or any activity has little value. I want my players to come back and tell me years later that they enjoyed playing football. By building team character and unity, football can not only be fun, but a growing and learning experience.

Sincerely,  
Tom Honek

Staples/Motley Football Coach

# 1989 All-Star Football Teams

## METRO ALL STARS

DB	Jerry Cormier	Spring Lk. Park
DB	Jim Starr	Roosevelt
DB	Brent Moseman	Irondale
QB	Corey Fraiser	South
QB	Matt Brzica	St. Thomas
WR	Jeff Rosga	Cretin
RB	Joe Hemberger	Park
DB	John McCoy	Como Park
LB	Paul Moore	Rosemount
RB	Troy Dennis	Central
QB	Todd McDonald	Hopkins
RB	Anthony Richards	South
LB	Jim Hawkinson	Orono
TE	John Rockwell	Columbia Hts.
RB	Joe Scofield	Park
DL	Jeff Mallak	Tartan
LB	Steve Johnson	Apple Valley
RB	Johnny Buzick	Blaine
DB	Bill Bausman	Minnetonka
RB	Erik Holm	Stillwater
RB	Jamie Lucas	Burnsville
LB	Matt Ellefson	Osseo
DB	Morgan Ryan	Hill Murray
LB	Matt Sever	Edina
OL	Patrick Ahern	Sibley
OL	Dick Genadek	Cooper
OC	Andy Bischoff	Central
DL	Mylai Tenner	Harding
LB	Mark Friske	Mayer Lutheran
DL	Jason Page	Kennedy
DL	Chris McElroy	Park Center
DL	Brent Jensen	Richfield
OL	Joe Rogalla	Centennial
OL	Corbin Lacina	Cretin
OL	Brad Christensen	Holy Angels
OL	Matt LeVoor	Eden Prairie
OC	Rod Carey	Wayzata
DL	Mitch Moorehead	Blaine
DL	Marco Dinzeo	Hill Murray
WR	Tim Olejar	Totino Grace
TE	Jeff Goble	Anoka
WR	Brian Lucas	S.P. Academy

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach—Rich Robinson, Minneapolis North. Assistants—Dean Aurich, Mayer Lutheran; John Heller, Highland Park; Doug Ekmark, Park of Cottage Grove; Bernie Wesloh, Brooklyn Center.

## OUTSTATE ALL STARS

QB	Arden Beachy	Staples/Motley
DB	Brad Donais	Ortonville
SE	Chad Pribyl	Monticello
QB	Justin Tomberlin	Greenway
DB	Chad Holder	St. Cloud Tech
DB	Chris Draheim	Mankato East
DB	Craig Frericks	Silver Bay
RB	Corey Fritz	Morristown
RB	Tom Hagert	Willmar
RB	Shannon Burnell	Duluth East
RB	Matt Johnson	Granite Falls
LB	Bruce Yaggie	Breckenridge
DB	Mitch Glynn	Grand Meadow
LB	Jeff Tietje	Fairmont
RB	Joe Nelson	Moorhead
DB	Heath Hayer	St. Peter
LB	Robert Libby	Elk River
RB	Todd Miner	Crookston
LB	Steve King	St. Clair
OC	Jeff Bretherton	St. Cloud Apollo
DE	Dennis Klug	Albany
LB	Jesse Harmon	Mora
OC	Jeff Windfeldt	St. Cloud Tech
DL	Henry Keogh	Waubun
OL	Troy Russell	Mankato East
LB	Steve Duske	Watertown-Mayer
OL	Dean Dirkes	Albany
DL	Chad Wieben	New Ulm
OL	Scott Sether	Winona
OL	Frank Tekautz	Denfield
OL	Mark Hennessey	Ro. Lourdes
DL	Chuck Scripture	New Prague
OL	Chris Dobratz	Hutchinson
OL	Neil Pesta	Long Prairie
DL	Jeff Whitney	St. James
DE	Chad Nelson	Rothsay
TE	Wade Rademacher	Elk River
DE	Dale Grems	Medford
SE	Darin Baumberger	Zumbrota
DL	Matt Christopherson	Austin
DL	Jim Remme	Luverne
DE	Tony Poncelet	Goodhue

## COACHING STAFF

Head Coach—Tom Honek, Staples/Motley. Assistants—Terry Ogorek, Hallock; Dennis Nigon, Rochester Lourdes; Rich Oliphant, Faribault; Jerry Carlson, Cambridge.

## Hermantown's Defensive Scheme

### About The Author



Gary Bowen  
Hermantown

Gary Bowen is a graduate from Bemidji State University in 1970 and with a masters in 1973. He played football under Mr. Jim Malmquist.

He has been the head football coach at Hermantown for 16 years and the athletic director for the last 5 years. Coaching record is 98 wins, 56 losses. His coaching staff includes: Frank Russ (16 yrs.), Randy Bowen (15 yrs.), Tom White (14 yrs.), Jim Schwarzbauer (3 yrs.) and Dave Radovich (2 yrs.).

Gary is married. He and Peg have two children; Rebecca (21) and Amy (12).

Hermantown is a small class A school in northeastern Minnesota. Competition is in the Sea Range football conference which includes Two Harbors, Proctor, Cloquet, International Falls, Greenway, Eveleth/Gilbert Mesabi East, Virginia and Hibbing. Hermantown is not blessed with the biggest, fastest and strongest student athletes. Therefore, the coaching staff had to develop a simple defensive scheme to stay competitive within the league. We are not trying to sell our philosophy, but it has paid dividends for our football program.

The defensive scheme we begin with is the 6-3. We have found that simple defensive adjustments from the 6-3 can handle most offensive sets. Our student athletes are taught to follow a simple set of rules:

1. Put as many linemen on the line of scrimmage as the offense (End to End) but do not count the offensive center.

2. Play man-man coverage 90 percent of the time. The MLB will have to cover a back out of the backfield. \*Coaching point: Do not tell your MLB that he cannot cover a back swinging to the flat area. He may believe you.

3. Down linemen will not play around with the offensive linemen. We must attack at all times—play defense like you are on offense. \*Coaching point: In 19 years of coaching I, as head coach, have not seen an offensive tackle, guard or center score a touchdown.

4. We tell our defensive personnel if they are going to allow the offense to score, let them score fast so we can have the ball back. Then we will find who made

the mistake and correct the problem. \*Coaching point: The worst thing that can happen to a defense is when the offense drives the ball for an extended period of time. As an offensive coach, I like to see the opponents defense on the field for a long time.

Remember, we said that rules were simple to follow. There may not be a lot written about it, but it is the substance of the philosophy that is important.

#### 6-3 NORMAL DEFENSE

##### Alignment:

Guards—line head up on the offensive guards.

Tackles—line head up on the offensive tackles.

Ends—line up on the outside shoulder of offensive end, back or drop off the line.

OLB—line head up on the offensive end or drop off the line. Key first back out your side.

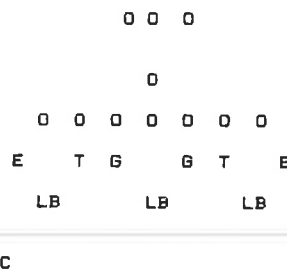
MLB—line head up on the offensive center. Key on fullback or second back out.

Safeties—8 yards off the ball—key outside receiver.

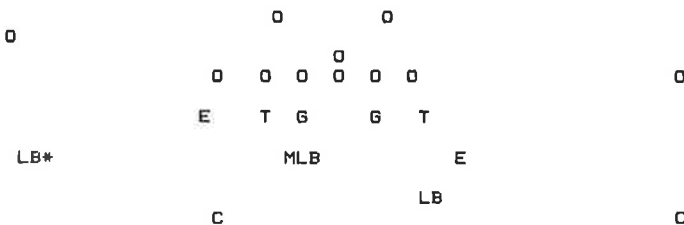
Stunts: (Linemen only)

1. Pinch or In.
2. Slant left or right.
3. Out.

##### Base Alignment:



Normal Defensive Alignment for 6-3 showing shifts with backs or ends split:



\*We are able to cover wideouts with LBers because our LBers would be corners in other programs. This signals to our LBers that they always cover backs and corners always cover ends. This leaves no doubt about whom we are to cover in man coverage.

##### Positions:

Guards—line head up on offensive guards.

Tackles—line head up on offensive tackles.

Left End—normal alignment.

Right End—your end is gone—move 2 yds. over and 3 yds. deep. Pass coverage: slants and outside flat. You are now a LB.

Right OLB—drop straight back 5-7 yds. deep. Key

your back and stay away from your end.

Left OLB—congratulations—you are now in the secondary. You will cover man-man 99 percent of the time.

MLB—slide 1½ men over to the left and play like an OLB. Key first man out of backfield your side.

Safeties—cover your ends. Zone coverage will cover halves.

These are the base movements to cover offensive sets. We can take any alignment given us and make simple adjustments to cover. But in reality, the opposition will win some of the time—but hopefully the Hawks will win most of the time.

At the beginning, we said the Hermantown High School philosophy is very simple, but we have had

success with this defensive scheme. As an offensive coach, you are thinking this would be an easy defense to work against. If we are drawing it on a piece of paper, I get the pencil last.

Have a great fall and have some fun. This is just a game, don't make it anything else.



Quarterback Tony Bonsante (12) of Crosby-Ironton scored a touchdown on a 4-yard run as this photo was taken, but Frazee rallied to post a 14-6 win over the Rangers.

## Coach of the Year Award

- 1965 Bill Severin, Grand Meadow, Region I
- 1966 Stan Canakes, Edina, Region V
- 1967 Tom Mahoney, Fairmont, Region II
- 1968 Jerry Sullivan, Minneapolis Roosevelt, Region V
- 1969 Art Hass, Austin, Region I
- 1970 Gary Gustafson, North St. Paul, Region IV
- 1971 George Larson, Cambridge, Region IV
- 1972 George Wemeier, Minneapolis Washburn, Region V
- 1973 Dick Lawrence, Eveleth, Region VII
- 1974 John Drews, Rochester John Marshall, Region I
- 1975 Bob Swanson, Mountain Iron, Region VII
- 1976 Lyle Eidsness, St. Peter, Region II
- 1977 Paul Benson, Granite Falls, Region III
- 1978 Jim Simser, New Richland-Hartland, Region I
- 1979 Ron Raveling, Columbia Heights, Class AA
- 1980 L. E. Drechsel, Crookston, Class A
- 1981 Gary Roebuck, Holdingford, Class B
- 1982 George Thole, Stillwater, Class AA
- 1983 Ron Scott, Coon Rapids, Class AA
- 1984 Grady Rostberg, Hutchinson, Class A.
- 1985 Norm Johnson, Mpls. Roosevelt, Class AA
- 1986 George Larson, Cambridge, Class A
- 1987 Dave Brokke, Granite Falls, Class B
- 1988 Gehardt Meidt, Minneota, Class C



Head Coach Virg Kollar (right) of Pelican Rapids was passing along advice to his football team as this picture was snapped.

## Putting the "Run" in the Run and Shoot Defense

By Gary Dierks—Mankato East H.S.

### About The Author

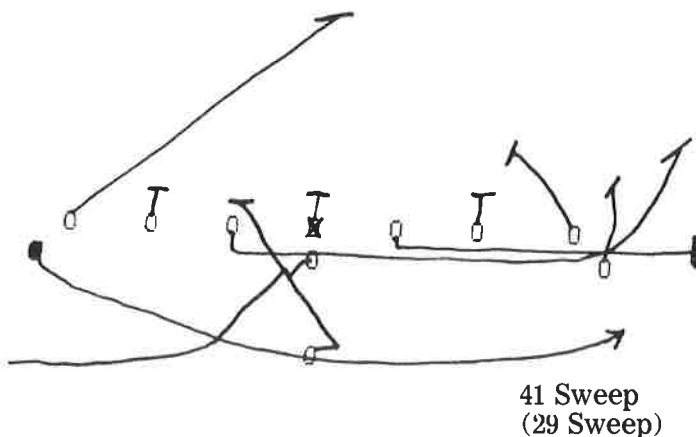
I attended N.I.A.C.C. (North Iowa Area Community College) at Mason City, IA. I played defensive end and tight end during this time. I then earned a BS and MS degrees from Mankato State University. I have been coaching football at Mankato East for 15 years; the first 9 years as a freshman or sophomore coach, then 2 years as varsity assistant and the last 4 as the head coach. Mankato East was in the Section 2A championship game in 1988 with both regular season losses to 2AA schools. I have also coached track for 15 years and wrestling for 12 years at Mankato East.

Like many successful offenses, ours was a matter of starting with a basic offense (run and shoot from the double slot formation) and add certain plays and make certain adjustments to it to make it fit your needs.

We wanted to run the ball more in 1988, so we added another formation to our offense to spice up the perimeter attack. The new formation was the double wing. We chose this formation because it is balanced as is our double slot formation, making it so that we could run a sweep to either side. On both sides of the line we then have a TE and a wingback that seal down on the LB and cut off the pursuit.

This series was very instrumental in our getting to the section championship game. In 1988 we had over 400 yards rushing in 4 games. We had over 3,032 yards rushing in 11 games and in one game 2 backs rushed for over 170 yards each. Our offense was so balanced that both wingback positions had over 1,000 yards rushing and the fullbacks totaled over 700 yards rushing.

Diagram 1 has the basic sweep:



QB—Open away from the hole. Fake the ball to the fullback, hand the ball to the slot and then continue the throwback action checking out the defensive backside.

FB—Take one lateral step toward the playside and then cut back filling the hole left by the backside pull-

ing guard. Take the fake from the QB and go hard at the hole.

Backside Slot—Step into hand-off position from the quarterback. Take the hand-off and sweep the outside reading the blocks of the two pulling guards.

Backside WR—Block middle third.

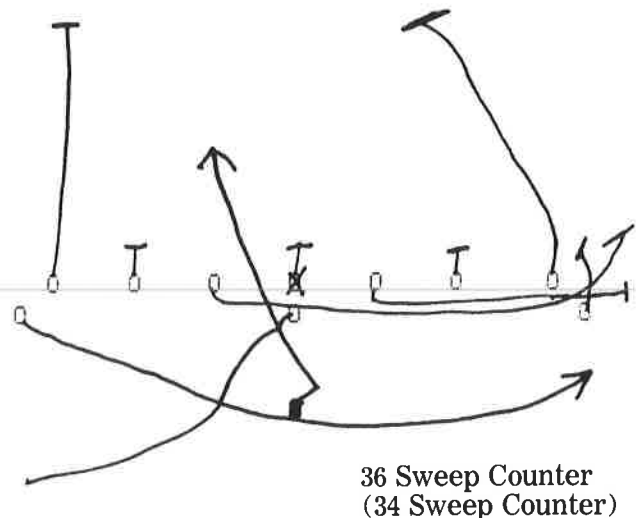
Playside Slot—From the wing position, read the outside man on the line of scrimmage. If you can, hook him or drive him off of the line. If he is too far outside, seal on the linebackers and stop the pursuit.

Playside WR—Double team down on the tackle or if the tackle can take him alone seal down on the pursuit.

Linemen—Both guards pull toward the hole, the first guard blocks the first off-colored jersey out and the second man cuts up the hole sealing to the inside. Center and tackle drive block away from the hole.

A counter play to the fullback keeps the linebackers from "bailing out" with the pulling guards.

Diagram 2 has the Sweep Counter:



QB—Open toward the hole. Give the ball to the fullback. Fake the ball to the slot and then continue the throwback action checking out the defensive backside.

FB—Take one counterstep and then cut back. Take the ball from the QB and go hard at the hole.

Playside slot—Step into hand-off position from the quarterback. Take the fake and sweep the outside reading the blocks of the two pulling guards.

Playside WR—Block outside third.

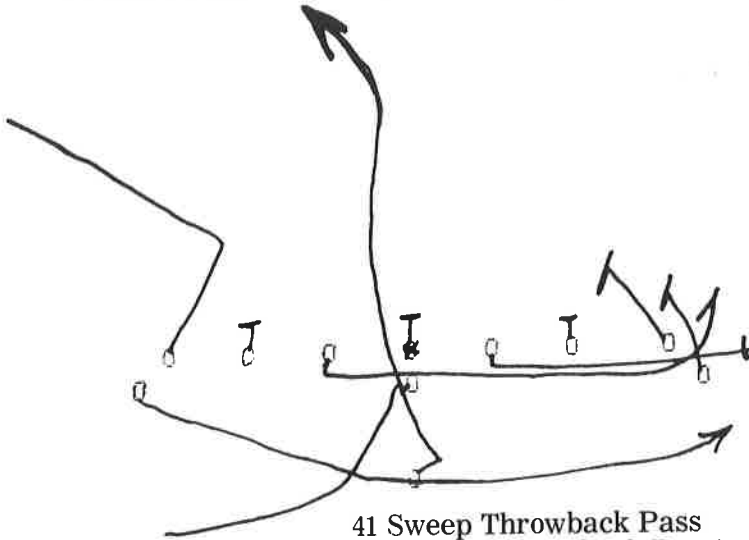
Backside Slot—From the wing position, read the outside man on the line of scrimmage. If you can, hook him or drive him off of the line. If he is too far outside, seal on the linebackers and stop the pursuit.

Backside WR—Stalk block the middle third.

Linemen—Same as sweep.

A throwback pass keeps the secondary from rotating out too soon on the sweep action and the pulling guards.

Diagram 3 has the sweep throwback pass:



41 Sweep Throwback Pass  
(29 Sweep Throwback Pass)

QB—Open away from the hole. Fake the ball to the fullback. Fake the ball to the slot and then continue

the throwback action reading the backside coverage. FB—Take one lateral step toward the playside and then cut back filling the hole left by the backside pulling guard. Take the fake from the QB and go into the deep middle third for the pass.

Backside Slot—Step into hand-off position from the quarterback. Take the fake and sweep the outside reading the blocks of the two pulling guards.

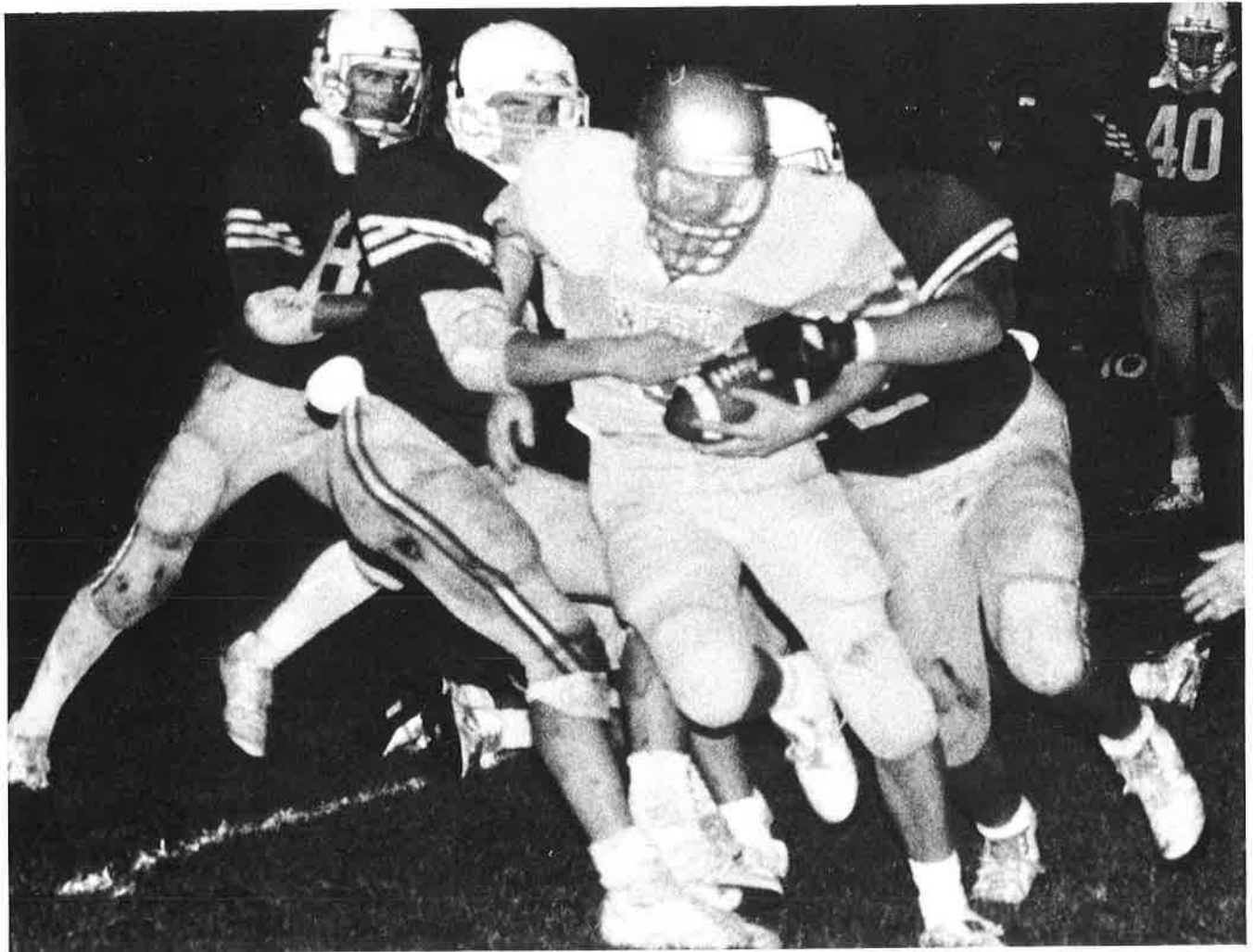
Backside WR—Run as if you are blocking the middle third. Cut to the side line for the pass.

Playside Slot—From the wing position, read the outside man on the line of scrimmage. If you can, hook him or drive him off of the line. If he is too far outside, seal on the linebackers and stop the pursuit.

Playside WR—Double team down on the tackle or if the tackle can take him alone seal down on the pursuit.

Linemen—Both guards pull toward the hole. The first guard blocks the first off-colored jersey out and the second man cuts up the hole sealing to the inside. Center and tackle drive block away from the hole.

Thank you and good luck to all of you in the seasons to come and in those seasons may the wind always be at your back.



Audubon High School tacklers swarmed around a Norman County West ball carrier as this picture was taken during

Audubon's 28-22 Agassiz Valley Conference victory over the Panthers.

# THE BUTCH NASH AWARD



To the many of us who know him, Butch Nash is the epitome of the ideal assistant coach:

Total loyalty to his school and the head coach.

Hard working - beyond measure.

Integrity in dealing with athletes and especially high school coaches.

Particularly competent in his coaching specialty - defensive ends.

Unique ability to relate to and be supportive of the athlete - their love for Butch is virtually legendary.

Lastly, the many many years of dedicated service to his university.

It is these much admired qualities that have

motivated the Minnesota High School Football Coaches Association to institute an annual award to be given to those high school assistant coaches who approach the greatness of Butch Nash.

The requirements for selection as a recipient of the Butch Nash award are:

1) An active assistant football coach at the high school level.

2) Although not strictly limited to varsity level coaches, the Executive Committee set a requirement of being an assistant who is a "front liner" - in the limelight, under the gun, recipient of praise or criticism approaching the level of that endured by the head coach.

3) Certainly, a few younger coaches can meet these requirements, BUT in all candor, years of service to a program will influence the selection committee's choices.

The recipients of the Butch Nash award for 1988-89 are:

1. Jerry Carlson, Cambridge
2. Eldon Dahl, Pipestone
3. Doug Darnell, Brooklyn Center
4. Donn Dommerhausen, Stillwater
5. Mike Flynn, Granite Falls
6. Charles Johnson, Princeton
7. Richard Johnson, Lakeville
8. Ken Zwach, Wayzata

\*Head coaches are urged to nominate outstanding assistant coaches for future consideration by the selection committee.



Jerry Carlson  
Cambridge  
Butch Nash Award



Eldon Dahl  
Pipestone  
Butch Nash Award



Ken Zwach  
Wayzata  
Butch Nash Award



**Doug Darnell, Brooklyn Center  
Butch Nash Award**



**Richard Johnson  
Lakeville  
Butch Nash Award**



**Mike Flynn  
Granite Falls  
Butch Nash Award**



**Charles Johnson  
Princeton  
Butch Nash Award**



**Donn Dommerhausen  
Stillwater  
Butch Nash Award**

# Coaches of the Year...



Larry Thompson  
Lakeville  
Class A Coach of the Year



Dave Nelson  
Blaine  
Class AA Coach of the Year



Mike Belseth  
Breckenridge  
Class B Coach of the Year



Gehardt Meidt  
Minneota  
Class C Coach of the Year  
Minnesota Coach of the Year



Terry Ogorek  
Hallock  
9-Man Coach of the Year

## STATE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF CHAMPIONSHIP GAMES (1972-1986)

1972				1981			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Mpls. Washburn	Moorhead	26-6	AA	Rosemount	Moorhead	40-14
A	Burnsville	Sauk Centre	46-19	A	St. Peter	Hermantown	18-14
B	Mountain Iron	Dassel-Cokato	54-6	B	Holdingford	Pine Island	39-0
C	Gaylord	Preston	26-6	C	Medford	Clarkfield	33-28
9-Man	Rothsay	Cotton	64-12	9-Man	Argyle	Starbuck	31-19
1973				1982			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Rochester John Marshall	St. Paul Harding	25-0	AA	Stillwater	Owatonna	34-27
A	Eveleth	Willmar	28-18	A	Brooklyn Center	East Grand Forks	30-8
B	New Prague	Appleton	13-7	B	LeCenter	Mahnomen	12-6
C	Gaylord	Holdingford	29-6	C	Truman	Belgrade	16-14
9-Man	Lake Benton	Brandon	50-12	9-Man	Westbrook	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Lutheran Academy	34-12
1974				1983			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Rochester John Marshall	Bloomington Jefferson	41-19	AA	Coon Rapids	Bloomington Jefferson	34-31
A	Alexandria	Chaska	26-7	A	Hutchinson	Park Rapids	36-14
B	New Prague	Caledonia	41-12	B	Jordan	Breckenridge	27-0
C	Battle Lake	Bird Island	34-26 (2 ot)	C	Southland (Adams)	Bird Island- Lake Lillian	28-0
9-Man	Lake Benton	Fisher	36-6	9-Man	Silver Lake	Norman County West/ Climax	27-12
1975				1984			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Stillwater	Richfield	20-17	AA	Stillwater	Burnsville	36-33
A	St. Thomas Academy	St. Peter	21-14	A	Hutchinson	Centennial	32-7
B	Gaylord	Onamia	14-13	B	Granite Falls	Breckenridge	13-7
C	Esko	Karlstad	62-0	C	Harmony	Glyndon-Felton	20-14
9-Man	Ruthton	Audubon	42-20	9-Man	Norman Co. West	Silver Lake	37-20
1976				1985			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	White Bear Lake	Cloquet	14-13 (ot)	AA	Burnsville	Apple Valley	27-21
A	St. Peter	Mora	56-12	A	New Prague	Mora	16-12
B	Caledonia	Sartell	38-7	B	Jackson	Mahnomen	26-20
C	New Richland-Hartland	Bird Island	21-19	C	Glyndon-Felton	Zumbrota	38-14
9-Man	Deer Creek	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Lutheran Academy	57-14	9-Man	Westbrook	Norman Co. West	45-18
1977				1986			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Minneapolis Washburn	Stillwater	13-0	AA	Apple Valley	Osseo	35-6
A	Fridley Grace	Cold Spring Rocori	36-12	A	Cambridge	Stewartville	24-0
B	Granite Falls	Stewartville	44-6	B	Watertown-Mayer	Granite Falls	29-6
C	Battle Lake	Henderson	22-20 (ot)	C	Minneota	Sherburn-Dunnell	52-19
9-Man	Deer Creek	Fergus Falls Hillcrest Lutheran Academy	20-0	9-Man	Argyle	Silver Lake	32-7
1978				1987			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Edina West	Fridley	21-0	AA	Moorhead	Winona	13-7
A	Fridley Grace	Apple Valley	17-14	A	Cambridge	Lakeville	28-14
B	New Richland-Hartland	Barnesville	48-8	B	Granite Falls	Ely	43-20
C	Alden-Conger	Battle Lake	15-14	C	Minneota	Grand Meadow	27-7
9-Man	Hoffman	Albrook	44-28	9-Man	Silver Lake	Verndale	30-14
1979				1988			
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score	Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score
AA	Columbia Heights	Richfield	8-3	AA	Blaine	Cretin-Derham Hall	25-24
A	Rochester Lourdes	Apple Valley	22-6	A	Lakeville	Staples-Motley	35-28
B	Gaylord	Mahnomen	15-6	B	Breckenridge	Morris	21-7
C	Bird Island-Lake Lillian	Harmony	34-6	C	Minneota	Rushford	42-28
9-Man	Russell	Toivola-Meadowlands	17-14	9-Man	Hallock	Stewart	35-24
1980							
Class	Champions	Runners-up	Score				
AA	Burnsville	Cambridge	23-6				
A	Crookston	Pipestone	32-6				
B	Mahnomen	Austin Pacelli	34-0				
C	Bird Island-Lake Lillian	Mountain Lake	20-7				
9-Man	Hoffman-Kensington	Toivola-Meadowlands	18-14				



# 1989 FOOTBALL PLAYOFF FORMAT SECTION ASSIGNMENTS

## CLASS "AA" Football (66 Teams)

### SECTION I (9)

1. Albert Lea
2. Apple Valley
3. Austin/Austin Pacelli
4. Faribault
5. Owatonna
6. Rochester John Marshall
7. Rochester Mayo
8. Rosemount
9. Winona

### SECTION II (8)

1. Hastings
2. Henry Sibley
3. North St. Paul
4. Park (Cottage Grove)
5. Stillwater
6. Tartan
7. White Bear Lake
8. Woodbury

### SECTION III (9)

1. Cretin-Derham Hall
2. Hill-Murray
3. Roseville Area
4. St. Paul Central
5. St. Paul Como Park
6. St. Paul Harding
7. St. Paul Highland Park
8. St. Paul Johnson
9. St. Thomas Academy

### SECTION IV (9)

1. Anoka
2. Blaine
3. Columbia Heights
4. Coon Rapids
5. Forest Lake
6. Irondale
7. Mounds View
8. Osseo
9. Park Center

### SECTION V (9)

1. Minneapolis Edison
2. Minneapolis North
3. Minneapolis Patrick Henry
4. Minneapolis Roosevelt
5. Minneapolis South
6. Minneapolis Southwest
7. Minneapolis Washburn
8. Richfield
9. St. Louis Park

### SECTION VI (10)

1. Bloomington Jefferson
2. Bloomington Kennedy
3. Burnsville
4. Eden Prairie
5. Edina
6. Hopkins
7. Minnetonka
8. Robbinsdale Armstrong
9. Robbinsdale Cooper
10. Wayzata

### SECTION VII (5)

1. Bemidji
2. Duluth Denfeld
3. Duluth East
4. Grand Rapids
5. Moorhead

### SECTION VIII (7)

1. Brainerd
2. Buffalo
3. Elk River
4. St. Cloud Apollo
5. St. Cloud Tech
6. St. Francis
7. Willmar

## CLASS A FOOTBALL (89 Teams)

### SECTION I (11)

1. Dodge Center/Hayfield
2. Elgin-Millville/  
Plainview
3. LaCrescent
4. Lake City
5. Lakeville
6. New Prague
7. Northfield
8. Prior Lake
9. Red Wing
10. Simley
11. Stewartville

### SECTION II (11)

1. Blue Earth-Frost-  
Winnebago/Elmore
2. Fairmont
3. Luverne
4. Mankato East
5. Mankato West
6. Marshall
7. New Ulm
8. Pipestone/Jasper
9. Redwood Falls-  
Morton
10. Windom
11. Worthington

### SECTION III (11)

1. Benilde-St.  
Margaret's
2. Brooklyn Center
3. Farmington
4. Holy Angels Academy
5. Mahtomedi
6. Minnehaha Academy
7. South St. Paul
8. Spring Lake Park
9. St. Bernard's
10. St. Paul Humboldt
11. Totino Grace

### SECTION IV (11)

1. Chaska
2. Delano
3. Glencoe
4. Hutchinson
5. Monticello
6. Mound-Westonka
7. Orono
8. Shakopee
9. St. Peter
10. Waconia
11. Waseca

### SECTION V (11)

1. Cambridge
2. Centennial
3. Chisago Lakes
4. Foley
5. Fridley
6. Milaca
7. Mora
8. North Branch/  
Taylors Falls
9. Pine City
10. Princeton
11. Sauk Rapids

### SECTION VI (10)

1. Albany
2. Annandale
3. Dassel-Cokato
4. Litchfield
5. Melrose
6. Montevideo
7. New London-Spicer
8. Rocori
9. Sartell
10. Sauk Centre

### SECTION VII (12)

1. Aitkin
2. Cloquet
3. Duluth Central
4. Eveleth-Gilbert
5. Greenway (Coleraine)
6. Hermantown
7. Hibbing
8. International  
Falls/Indus
9. Mesabi East
10. Proctor
11. Two Harbors
12. Virginia

### SECTION VIII (11)

1. Alexandria
2. Crookston
3. Crosby-Ironton
4. Detroit Lakes
5. East Grand Forks
6. Fergus Falls
7. Little Falls
8. Park Rapids
9. Staples-Motley
10. Thief River Falls
11. Wadena

**CLASS B FOOTBALL (90 Teams)****SECTION ASSIGNMENTS****SECTION I (11)**

1. Caledonia
2. Chatfield
3. Kenyon/Wanamingo
4. Lewiston
5. Pine Island
6. Rochester Lourdes
7. Rushford/Peterson
8. Spring Valley/Wyckoff
9. St. Charles
10. Wabasha-Kellogg
11. Zumbrota-Mazepa

**SECTION II (11)**

1. Jackson
2. Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton
3. Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial
4. Lakefield-Heron Lake-Okabena
5. Mapleton-Amboy-Good Thunder-MN Lake
6. Martin County West
7. New Richland-Hartland/Ellendale-Geneva
8. Sanborn-Lamberton/Wabasso
9. Springfield/Comfrey
10. St. James
11. Tracy-Milroy/Walnut Grove

**SECTION III (11)**

1. Bethlehem Academy/Shattuck-St. Mary's
2. Blooming Prairie
3. Byron
4. Cannon Falls
5. Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop
6. Kasson-Mantorville
7. Le Sueur
8. Montgomery-Lonsdale
9. Sibley East (Arlington-Green Isle/Henderson)
10. St. Agnes
11. St. Paul Academy

**SECTION IV (11)**

1. Appleton/Milan
2. Atwater-Grove City
3. Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa
4. Benson
5. Bird Island-Lake Lillian-Olivia
6. Glenwood/Villard
7. Granite Falls-Clarkfield
8. McCray
9. Morris Area
10. Ortonville
11. Renville-Sacred Heart-Danube

**SECTION V (12)**

1. Archbishop Brady
2. Belle Plaine
3. Blake
4. Breck
5. DeLaSalle
6. Howard Lake-Waverly
7. Jordan
8. Mayer Lutheran
9. Norwood-Young America
10. St. Anthony Village
11. St. Michael-Albertville
12. Watertown-Mayer

**SECTION VI (11)**

1. Big Lake
2. Eden Valley-Watkins
3. Henning/Deer Creek
4. Holdingford
5. Long Prairie
6. Paynesville
7. Pequot Lakes
8. Pierz
9. Pine River
10. Rockford
11. St. Cloud Cathedral

**SECTION VII (11)**

1. Braham
2. Chisholm
3. Deer River
4. East Central
5. Ely
6. Esko
7. Hinckley/Finlayson
8. Moose Lake/Willow River
9. Mountain Iron-Buhl
10. Nashwauk-Keewatin
11. Onamia/Isle

**SECTION VIII (12)**

1. Akeley-Walker-Hackensack
2. Bagley
3. Barnesville
4. Blackduck
5. Breckenridge
6. Fosston
7. Frazee
8. Mahnomen
9. Pelican Rapids
10. Perham
11. Roseau
12. Warroad

**CLASS C FOOTBALL (86 Teams)****SECTION ASSIGNMENTS****SECTION I (11)**

1. Dover-Eyota
2. Grand Meadow
3. Harmony
4. Houston
5. Lanesboro
6. LeRoy-Ostrander
7. Mabel-Canton/N. Winneshiek (IA)
8. Preston-Fountain
9. Southland (Adams)
10. Spring Grove
11. Winona Cotter

**SECTION II (11)**

1. Alden-Conger-Freeborn
2. Concordia Academy
3. Gaylord
4. Glenville/Emmons
5. Le Center
6. Mankato Loyola
7. Medford
8. Minneapolis Lutheran
9. Wells-Easton
10. West Concord
11. St. Croix Lutheran

**SECTION III (11)**

1. Adrian
2. Butterfield-Odin/Mountain Lake
3. Fulda
4. Granada-Huntley-East Chain/Martin Luther
5. Madelia
6. Minnesota Valley Lutheran
7. New Ulm Cathedral
8. Stlayton
9. Storden-Jeffers/Westbrook
10. Truman
11. Waterville-Elysian

**SECTION IV (10)**

1. Buffalo Lake-Hector
2. Canby
3. Dawson-Boyd
4. Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg
5. Madison
6. Minneota
7. Russell-Tyler-Ruthton
8. Sleepy Eye
9. Sleepy Eye St. Mary's
10. West Central

**SECTION V (11)**

1. Becker
2. Brandon/Evansville
3. Browerville
4. Eagle Valley
5. Kimball
6. Maple Lake
7. Osakis
8. Royalton
9. St. John's Prep
10. Swanville/Grey Eagle
11. Upsala

**SECTION VI (10)**

1. Battle Lake
2. Bertha-Hewitt
3. Dilworth
4. Glyndon-Felton
5. Hawley
6. Lake Park/Audubon
7. Menahga
8. New York Mills
9. Parkers Prairie
10. Sebeka

**SECTION VII (11)**

1. Babbitt
2. Barnum
3. Carlton
4. Cook
5. Duluth Marshall
6. Eagle County  
Christian/Northland
7. Grand Marais
8. McGregor
9. Ogilvie
10. Rush City
11. Silver Bay

**SECTION VIII (11)**

1. Ada/Borup
2. Badger/Greenbush
3. Cass Lake-Bena
4. Clearbrook/Gonvick  
Trail
5. East Grand Forks  
Sacred Heart
6. Fertile-Beltrami
7. Gary/Twin Valley
8. Lake of the Woods/  
Indus
9. Red Lake Falls
10. Warren
11. Waubun

**CLASS 9-MAN FOOTBALL (77 TEAMS)****SECTION ASSIGNMENTS****SECTION I (10)**

1. Ceylon
2. Claremont
3. Cleveland
4. Goodhue
5. Lyle
6. MN State Academy  
for the Deaf
7. Morristown
8. Randolph
9. South Central
10. St. Clair

**SECTION II (10)**

1. Balaton
2. Chandler-Lake  
Wilson/Edgerton
3. Cottonwood
4. Echo-Wood Lake/  
Belview
5. Ellsworth
6. Hendricks
7. Hills-Beaver Creek
8. Ivanhoe
9. Lake Benton/Verdi
10. Sioux Valley-Round  
Lake-Brewster

**SECTION III (8)**

1. Brownton
2. Cedar Mountain
3. Cosmos
4. Lester Prairie
5. Nicollet
6. Silver Lake
7. Stewart
8. Winsted Holy Trinity

**SECTION IV (11)**

1. Ashby
2. Beardsley-Valley
3. Bellingham/Marietta-  
Nassau
4. Campbell-Tintah/  
Fairmont (N.D.)
5. Chokio-Alberta
6. Clinton-Graceville
7. Hancock
8. Herman
9. Hoffman-Kensington
10. Starbuck
11. Wheaton

**SECTION V (8)**

1. Backus
2. Hillcrest Lutheran  
Academy
3. Laporte
4. Nevis
5. Pillager
6. Rothsay
7. Underwood
8. Verndale

**SECTION VI (8)**

1. Chief Bug-O-Nay-  
Ge-Shig
2. Climax/Fisher
3. Kelliher/Northome
4. Norman County West
5. Oklee/Plummer
6. Red Lake
7. Ulen-Hitterdal
8. Win-E-Mac

**SECTION VII (13)**

1. Albrook
2. Big Fork
3. Cherry
4. Cotton
5. Cromwell
6. Floodwood
7. Fond Du Lac Ojibway
8. Hill City
9. Littlefork-Big Falls
10. Orr
11. Toivola-Meadowlands
12. Tower-Soudan
13. Wrenshall

**SECTION VIII (9)**

1. Argyle
2. Goodridge/Grygla
3. Hallock/Kennedy
4. Humboldt-St. Vincent/  
Lancaster
5. Marshall County  
Central
6. Middle River/  
Strandquist
7. Stephen
8. Tri-County
9. Valley North

## PARK REGION CONFERENCE 1988 FINALS

TEAM	PRC REC.	OVERALL REC.	PRC MOST VALUABLE OFFENSIVE LINEMAN:
Battle Lake	6-1	7-1	Greg Wagner, Battle Lake, SR.
Bertha-Hewitt	6-1	6-2	PRC MOST VALUABLE OFFENSIVE BACK:
New York Mills	6-1	6-2	Troy Sladek, Battle Lake, JR.
Parkers Prairie	4-3	4-4	PRC MOST VALUABLE DEFENSIVE LINEMAN:
Menahga	3-4	3-5	Luke Rutten, New York Mills, SR.
Pequot Lakes	2-5	2-6	PRC MOST VALUABLE DEFENSIVE BACK:
Henning-Deer Creek	1-6	2-6	Troy Kappahm, Bertha-Hewitt, SR.
Sebek	0-7	0-8	PRC COACH OF THE YEAR:
			Chuck Evert of Battle Lake

## MINNESOTA RIVER CONFERENCE

By Jerry Wallskog

It was a very unusual year in the Minnesota River Conference. For the second consecutive season, the conference was not very balanced. Conference Champions Mankato Loyola, (9-1) coached by Jim Korth, had only one close game, an 8-0 win over conference runner-up, Le Center (10-2). Loyola made it to the Section III B Semi-finals, while Le Center won the Section III C Championship. Third place finisher Jordan (7-3) won their Section III B Quarter-final game. Belle Plaine and Norwood Young-America both had improved seasons and should be in the title race in 1989. Le Sueur, Montgomery and Arlington-Green Isle/Henderson were all down from their usual conference rankings and are expected to be back in the thick of things for 1989. It appears that 1989 will be a more typical year—That is a dog fight for the top spot, and this is how it should be...



Shows Le Center swarming defense in State Play-off Game vs. Medford!



#54 Chip Schloesser T (SR) receives the necessary comfort from his parent after suffering a season ending loss to Medford in State Play-offs!



Dispite 3" of snow and 15° temperatures - the Le Center Wildcats celebrated their Section III C Championship with a well deserved win (14-0) over a fine St. Clair team.

#20 HB Brad Blaschko (SR), #30 FL Joe Block (SR), #83 TE Scott Krohn (SR), no. 11 QB Don Long (SR) no. 40 Reserve HB Tim Budin (JR), no. 50 C. Jay Traxler (SR). no 22 FL/S Chad Blaschko (JR).

## WEST CENTRAL CONFERENCE FOOTBALL REPORT - 1988

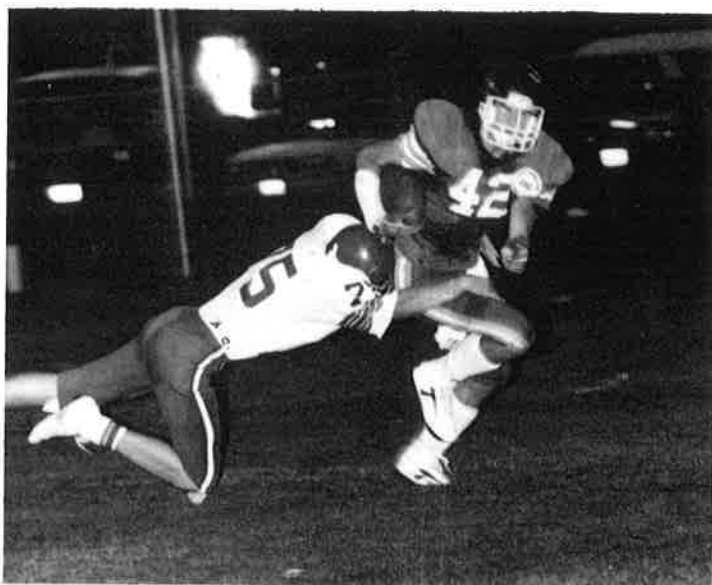
The West Central Conference completed its last year of competition with the format that has been used for the past 8 years. Beginning with the 1989 season, the West Central Conference will be a 14 team umbrella conference with the largest 7 schools by enrollment and the smallest 7 schools by enrollment competing against each other in football. For all other sports, the divisions will be geographic.

The 1988 season again found Montevideo winning the team championship which they have won outright or shared for the last 4 seasons. Montevideo finished with a perfect 7-0 conference record, winning several close games including overtime wins over Morris and Sauk Centre. Morris finished in second place with a 6-1 record and eventually finished the season as Class

B runner-up, losing to Breckenridge in the Prep Bowl. Morris ended the season as the offensive statistical leader, averaging over 330 yards per game and about 28 points. Montevideo was the defensive leader, giving up 195 yards per game and just over 9 points per game. 1988 provided some of the most even competition the West Central Conference has seen in several years with many close games and a number of good teams.

The 1988 conference MVP and best back was Kent Moser from Morris. Kent tied the conference scoring record that had stood since 1969 and was also the leading rusher. The best lineman award went to Neil Pesta, a dominating 260 pound tackle from Long Prairie.

## BUFFALO RIDGE CONFERENCE SECTION II NINE-MAN



Cottonwood's Danny Dahl attempts to elude Hills-Beaver Creek's Stuart Moser on a punt return. Cottonwood won this game 20-18, but H-BC got their revenge with an 18-7 victory for the Section II Championship.

1988 was the second year that the Buffalo Ridge Conference was separated into two six-team divisions. Hills-Beaver Creek repeated as South Champion with a conference record of 5-0, 7-1 overall. The North also had a repeat champion in Cottonwood, which was 4-1 in the conference, 7-1 overall. Hill-Beaver Creek was led by senior quarterback Jeff Berkhof, a Nine-Man All State selection, and Chad Koel, a junior runningback on offense and by junior linebackers Aaron Erickson and Carter Leuthold on defense. Cottonwood was led by senior tailback Kacy Idso, who recorded his second consecutive 1000 yard rushing season, and Danny Dahl, a Nine-Man All-State receiver as a junior. Defensively the Raiders had twenty quarterback sacks from senior end Paul Lund and strong linebacker play from senior Craig Aamodt and Dahl.

Cottonwood defeated H-BC 20-18 in the third week of the regular season, but the Patriots gained their revenge with an 18-7 victory for the Section II Championship. H-BC defeated Sioux Valley-Round Lake-Brewster and Edgerton while Cottonwood was victorious over Hendricks and Echo-Wood Lake/Belview to reach the final. The section final saw H-BC ride two big pass plays from Jeff Berkhof to Chad Koel and an exceptionally tough defense to victory. The Patriots went on to defeat Hoffman-Kensington in a thrilling state play-off game before falling just short against Stewart, the state runner-up. Things look promising for the future, as the entire H-BC defensive team was made up of underclassmen.

Several players in the conference were singled out

for individual honors. Tim Nordaune of EWLB, an offensive and defensive end, and Brant Huisman of Ellsworth, a quarterback and linebacker, were named to the Academic All-State Team. Punter Corey Skorczewski of Ivanhoe joined Berkhof and Dahl on the Nine-Man All-State Team. David Cole of EWLB,



Cottonwood's Kacy Idso, the Buffalo Ridge leading rusher, is brought down by EWCB's Matt Gabbert (28) and Paul Kvistad (22) in a game won by Cottonwood 24-12.

Kenny Krog of Lake Benton, Jason Heard of Edgerton, and Paul Lund of Cottonwood were Honorable Mention. Gregg Eldred of Ellsworth was Coach of the Year in the South, and Mike Evert of Hendricks and Rick Sutton of Cottonwood shared the honor in the North.

### BUFFALO RIDGE CONFERENCE FINAL STANDINGS 1988

South	Conf.		Non Conf.		Total	
	W	L	W	L	W	L
Hills-Beaver Creek	5	0	2	1	7	1
Ellsworth	4	1	2	1	6	2
Edgerton	3	2	2	1	5	3
S.V.-R.L.-Brewster	2	3	2	1	4	4
Chandler-L.W.	1	4	0	3	1	7
Jasper	0	5	1	2	1	7

ALL CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

North	Conf.		Non Conf.		Total		SOUTH		NORTH	
	W	L	W	L	W	L				
Cottonwood	4	1	3	0	7	1	1. Hills-Beaver Creek	4	1. Cottonwood	4
Echo-Wood Lake-Belview	3	2	3	0	6	2	2. Ellsworth	3	2. Echo-W.L.-Belview	3
Lake Benton-Verdi	3	2	1	2	4	4	3. Edgerton	2	2. Lake Benton-Verdi	3
Hendricks-Astoria	3	2	1	2	4	4	All others	3	2. Hendricks-Astoria	3
Ivanhoe	2	3	1	2	3	5	At Large	3	All others	2
Balaton	0	5	0	3	0	8	Total	15	At Large	3
									Total	18



Cottonwood's Danny Dahl is stopped by EWLVB's Scott Reiten (30), Matt Gabbert (28), and Tony Haneca (45) as Doug N ath (66) tries to help out. Cottonwood won 24-12 on the strength of Dahl's two TD receptions, 3 PAT's and 27 yard field goal.

## 1988 TRI-VALLEY CONFERENCE SUMMARY

By Conf. Rep. Dean Aurich



SPA: #1 Malcome McGee, #34 Jason Burgwald. Mayer Lutheran: #80 (Rec.) Craig Wachholz.



Mayer Lutheran: #21 Andy Cook, #80 Craig Wachholz, #89 Jim Helgren.

The 1988 Tri-Valley Conference football season began with a few changes. In 1987 the Conference consisted of 8 teams. In 1988, St. Agnes and Breck moved over into the neighboring Tri-Metro Conference and Randolph left the Centennial Conference to become a part of the Tri-Valley Conference.

The 1988 season once again revealed a well balanced conference with good competition throughout the season. The conference title was decided in the last game of the regular season in the game between SPA and Mayer Lutheran. It was a very physical game in which Mayer Lutheran wrapped up the championship

with a 17-0 win. Concordia Academy and St. Croix Lutheran were also in the hunt for the conference title and finished with respectable records.

### Conference Notes

Dave Montgomery the head football coach at SPA for the past 18 years marked up his 100th Career Victory in the 2nd game of the season.

Concordia Academy, St. Croix Lutheran, SPA, Randolph and Mayer Lutheran advanced into the section playoffs.

Mayer Lutheran won the Section 5B Championship and advanced into the state playoffs.

Bryan Dammann (Mayer Lutheran), Brian Lucas (SPA) and Geoff Pihlgren (Concordia Academy) were named to the Academic All State Team.



Mayer Lutheran: #19 Bryan Dammann, #55 Mark Friske, #33 Troy Mueller, #79 Morris Bartels. Concordia Academy: #55 T. Strohschein.

### TRI-VALLEY CONFERENCE STANDINGS

Mayer Lutheran	5-0	8-0
St. Paul Academy	3-2	4-3
Concordia Academy	3-2	4-4
St. Croix Lutheran	3-2	4-4
Randolph	1-4	1-7
Brady	0-5	1-7

## AGASSIZ VALLEY CONFERENCE

The Rothsay Tigers captured the Agassiz Valley Conference and Section 5 Nine-Man Championships during the 1988 season. The Tigers, coached by Craig Samuelson, went undefeated during conference action and defeated Nevis 56-6 for the section title. The Tigers fell to eventual state champ Hallock in the State Playoffs.

The Tigers were led by All-State defensive end Chad Nelson (109 tackles) and junior running back Brian Carlsrud (1,076 yards rushing, 18 TD's). The Tigers averaged 35 points and 299 yards on offense each game.

Norman County West finished with only a 3-3 mark in conference action but advanced to the state quarter-finals by winning the Section 6 Nine-Man Championship. Coach Greg Warneke's team was especially tough on opponents when playing at home, yielding just 6 points and recording three shutouts.

All-Conference performer Mike Dittmer led the Panthers offensively with 1,000+ yards rushing.

The 1988 season was the last for the Agassiz Valley Conference, as the pairing of the Audubon and Lake Park school districts leave the conference with just five teams. Rothsay, Underwood and Fergus Falls Hillcrest will be joining the Pheasant Conference in 1989, while Ulen-Hitterdal and Norman County West will play in the Tri-County Conference. LP-A will play in the 11-man Valley Plains Conference.

	LEAGUE	SEASON
Rothsay	6-0	9-2
Underwood	5-1	6-3
Audubon	3-3	4-4
F.F. Hillcrest	3-3	3-5
Norman County West	3-3	7-4
Ulen-Hitterdal	1-5	1-7
Lake Park	0-6	0-8

## NORTH STAR FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

The Deer River Warriors coached by Steve Ott finished the regular season undefeated and became North Star Conference Champions for the third time in the last four years. In the conference, they averaged 49 points per game while allowing an average of only 6 points. 4250 yards of offense produced 71 touchdowns which is an all-time school record. The Warriors only loss came in the State Semi-finals to Class B State Champion Breckenridge, 7-12.

Blackduck, coached by Jerry Sonnek, had only one conference loss as they finished in second place. The Drakes nearly upset Deer River in the Section 6 Semi-finals in a close 6-0 loss and should be contenders

again in 1989.

Third place Walker, coached by Brad Johnson, should also be a team to watch in 1989 as they return several key positions.

### 1988 FINAL STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE	OVERALL
Deer River	5-0	12-1
Blackduck	4-1	6-4
Walker	3-2	3-6
Pine River	1-4	2-7
Northland-Remer	1-4	1-8
Cass Lake	1-4	1-7



Deer River's Robby Ott plows through the snow and a Breckenridge defender during the Class B State Semi-final game.



Deer River holds a slim 7-6 lead as the team returns to the frozen Breckenridge field at half-time. #42 Steve Drots and #77 All-State Rob Albrecht lead the team.

## SEA RANGE CONFERENCE

The Sea Range Conference once again proved itself as an exciting, competitive conference marked by great balance. Greenway of Coleraine emerged as the conference champion in the final week of league play. Greenway used an explosive passing offense under the leadership of quarterback Justin Tomberlin and a radar defense with outstanding play by Brian Rauzi to accomplish their goal. Greenway's championship was a fitting conclusion to the coaching career of Ray Tomberlin who was selected the Sea Range Coach of the Year. Greenway's only lose was to Proctor in the second game of the year.

Hermantown used its well run wing-T offense to finish second in the conference. Dan Dupay and Ryan O'Leary led the Hawks' potent running attack. International Falls finished third. The Broncos' balanced attack was led by senior quarterback Marty Olson and junior tackle Pat O'Brien. Proctor, using a wishbone offense led by junior fullback Scott Larson and a strong defense directed by linebacker Gary Colt, finished fourth. Virginia, Mesabi East, Cloquet and Eveleth-Gilbert also played well in a number of close games.

International Falls defeated Hermantown and

Greenway to win the section VII title and went on to play in the state playoffs.

Competition won't get any easier next year in the Sea Range Conference with the addition of Hibbing to the league. This will make the Sea Range a ten team conference.

### SEA RANGE FOOTBALL FINAL STANDING 1988

Team	(Over-all)		(Conf.)	
	W	L	W	L
*Greenway	8	1	7	1
Hermantown	7	2	6	2
International Falls	6	3	6	2
Proctor	5	4	5	3
Virginia	4	5	4	4
Mesabi East	4	5	4	4
Cloquet	2	6	2	6
Eveleth-Gilbert	2	6	2	6
Two Harbors	0	8	0	8

\*Denotes Conference Champion

## GOPHER SPORTS EQUIPMENT

220 24th Ave. NW  
Owatonna, MN 55060  
1-800-533-0446 Toll Free  
From All 50 States

### *Look Sharp & Play Sharp This Fall*

You can depend on Gopher to put you on the field this fall in the best looking, best feeling, and best performing uniforms and equipment available.

Contact your area Gopher sales representative today and make an appointment to see the full football line up. Be sure to review all your requirements for practice equipment, game uniforms and field marking products.

For over 40 years Gopher has been the dependable dealer. Call today to see why.

## 1989 CENTRAL LAKES CONFERENCE

After sharing the 1987 title with Alexandria and Brainerd, Willmar won its first undisputed Central Lakes Championship in 1988. Led by All-State and All-CLC running backs Tom Hagert and Doug Doering, the Cardinals went through the conference schedule undefeated and untied.

Alexandria, with its trio of All-CLC senior running



All-State and All-CLC runningback Tom Hagert (22) of Willmar breaks away on a 60 yd. punt return for a touchdown against Rocori. Willmar won the CLC contest 35-7.

backs (Shane Brink, Kevin Zismer, and Bob Fiebranz) was the 1988 runner-up, followed by St. Cloud Tech and Brainerd tied for 3rd place.

CLC statistical leaders (six conference games) in 1988 were sophomore QB Terry Luschen of Willmar in passing efficiency (62% completions, 433 yds., 5 TDs); senior Todd Sandman of Little Falls in receiving (23 rec. 416 yds., 6 TDs); senior Doug Doering of Willmar in rushing (76 att., 704 yds., 7 TDs); and senior Tom Hagert of Willmar in scoring (8 TDs, 3 FBs, 12 XPs for 69 points.)

In post-season play, Willmar repeated as Section 8AA Champion with a 35-19 victory over Elk River. The game was highlighted by an unforgettable first

half performance by Willmar's Tom Hagert. Hagert scored five touchdowns (95 yd. KO return, 75 yd. punt return, 55 and 53 yd. runs, 23 yd. pass reception), kicked three extra points and accounted for 318 total yards — in the first half! Willmar lost to Section 6 Champion Burnsville 27-11 in the State Quarter-finals.

CLC players named to the Class AA Academic All-State Team were Wade Bresnahan (LBer) of St. Cloud Tech and Mike Grussing (OG) of Willmar. Deryl Ramey of Willmar was named CLC Coach-of-the-Year.

The Central Lakes Conference expands to eight teams in 1989 with the addition of Monticello.

### 1988 CLC STANDINGS

Willmar	6-0
Alexandria	4-2
St. Cloud Tech	3-3
Brainerd	3-3
St. Cloud Apollo	2-4
Little Falls	2-4
Rocori	1-5



Willmar's All-State fullback Doug Doering (36) is tackled by a number of Hutchinson defenders. Hutchinson won the season opener 12-10.



LOBBY HOURS  
 MON.-THURS. 8:30-3:00  
 FRIDAY 8:30-7:00  
 DRIVE-UP  
 MON.-THURS. 7:45-3:00  
 FRIDAY 7:45-7:00  
 SATURDAY 8:00-NOON

FIRST NATIONAL  
 BANK OF ST. PETER

226 W. NASSAU - ST. PETER



*Faith in Your Community Begins  
 With The Bank You Can Trust*

24 HOUR CASH MACHINE © 7 DAYS A WEEK

- © LOANS
- © CHECKING ACCOUNTS
- © DRIVE-UP FACILITIES
- © SAVINGS ACCOUNTS



**931-4000**

## TACONITE CONFERENCE

Ely and Mountain-Iron Buhl met in the last regular season game to determine this year's Taconite Conference Championship. Ely had to overcome a long punt return and a long kickoff return, but managed to grind out a 36-23 victory for their second straight undefeated regular season.

Both teams won their first two playoff games, so two weeks later the same two teams battled in Buhl for the Section 7B Championship. Although the game

was much different, Ely again managed a close 16-8 victory.

Coach Carl Sarich's MI-B club was led by outstanding running back and linebacker Rich Pasey and Ely relied on ace running back Lance Ronn who finished his career with 63 TD's and 2400 yards.

The Taconite Conference will operate again this year as a four team conference with Chisholm, Nashwauk-Keewatin, Mountain Iron-Buhl and Ely.

## SOUTHERN MINNY CONFERENCE CENTENNIAL DIVISION

Morristown won the Centennial Division of the newly formed Southern Minny Conference. Morristown was again lead by running back Corey Fritz, who rushed for 1,899 yards on 278 carries. He also passed for 505 yards and 9 touchdowns operating out of the single wing. Corey also scored 32 touchdowns on the season.

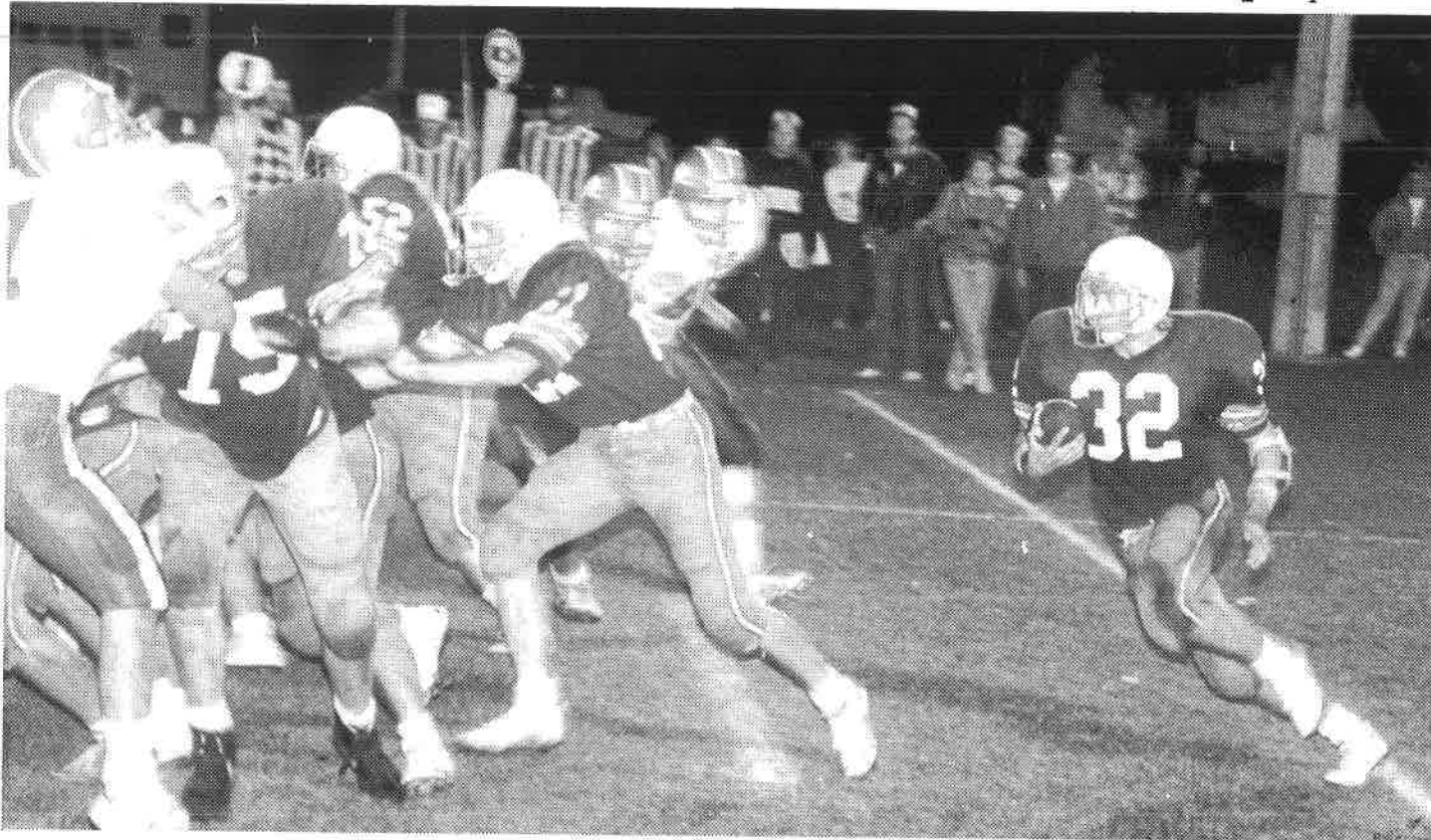
Goodhue finished second, losing 20-6 to Morristown. Cleveland took third place, but gave Morristown a good game losing 20-8.

Next season will find the two divisions of the Southern Minny Conference combining into one 10 team league. The schools participating will be

Ceylon, Claremont, Cleveland, Goodhue, Granada/Huntley-East Chain, Lyle, Morristown, Randolph, St. Clair, and South Central. St. Clair and South Central have to be the pre-season picks for the top spots.

### 1988 STANDINGS

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Morristown	4	0	9	2
Goodhue	3	1	7	3
Cleveland	2	2	4	6
Claremont	1	3	1	6
Minn. Deaf	0	4	2	4



Morristown's Corey Fritz carries the ball for the Comets behind a good line surge.

## MISSOTA CONFERENCE

by Don Sinner, Lakeville High School

The Missota Conference took on a slightly new look for the 1988 football season with additions of Shakopee and Chaska. They brought with them a good brand of competition and new styles into the conference. The conference once again enjoyed success at the state and region level.

Perennial powers Lakeville and New Prague once again slugged it out for the conference crown. Good teams were also fielded by Shakopee, Prior Lake, and Red Wing while young teams such as Northfield, Chaska, Holy Angels, and Benilde-St. Margarets showed steady improvement.

As most conference titles are decided in late fall with its classic rivals meeting in Week 8, the Missota was decided by a dogfight in Week One. New Prague and Lakeville waged a determined defensive struggle in which Lakeville won 12-0, with all 12 points being scored in the 4th quarter.

The game served as the catapult that Lakeville needed as the very next week they went on to conquer

then #1 rated Cambridge 24 to 6 and gain the top ranking for themselves. From there on the Panther Steamroller cruised through a 14 and 0 season and the Class A State Title, the first in school history.

Next year, look for the conference to succeed again based on their placement of a team in the Prep Bowl 3 of the last 4 years.

### FINAL STANDINGS

Team	Conf. Record
Lakeville	7-0
New Prague	6-1
Shakopee	4-3
Benilde-St. Margarets	4-3
Red Wing	3-4
Northfield	3-4
Chaska	2-5
Prior Lake	2-5
Holy Angels Academy	0-7



Lakeville center Shane Minske (#60) leads the way for halfback Jon Burns (#36) in Lakeville's Prep Bowl victory over

Staples/Motley.

## TWIN CITIES SUBURBAN CONFERENCE SUMMARY

by Dave Nelson, Conference Representative



Quarterback Tom Thomsen sets his Stillwater team during 48-0 Homecoming win over Roseville.

The 1988 football season provided many exciting moments and lasting memories for teams involved in the Twin Cities Suburban Conference. The Twin Cities Suburban Conference, made up of Anoka, Blaine, Coon Rapids, Forest Lake, Hill-Murray, Roseville, Stillwater, and White Bear Lake, proved to be one of the top football leagues in Minnesota.

Blaine defeated Stillwater for the conference title in a classic game before 8,000 fans during the last week of the regular season. The #3 ranked Bengals held off a last minute drive by the #1 ranked Ponies to give



John Buzick, Blaine's All-State running back, follows Jason Wiehle (#20) and Jason Landborg (#76) in Blaine's 23-13 Section IV Semi-final win over Spring Lake Park.

Blaine a 28-25 victory. The Hill-Murray Pioneers finished third in the conference standings with a 4-3 record.

Leading the conference in total offense was Blaine, gaining 2,872 yards. Stillwater, featuring two of the league's top running backs in Erik Holm and Kevin Grundstrom, led the conference in rushing with 2,144 yards. Forest Lake, behind the arm of Dave Schmidt, led the league in passing with 1,121 yards. Stillwater, for the 2nd year in a row, led the conference in scoring by amassing 322 points.

Blaine led the conference in rushing defense and total defense by giving up 622 yards and 1,644 yards respectively. Hill-Murray had the league's stingiest pass defense by giving up 577 yards. Blaine also led the conference in scoring defense by yielding only 89



Junior running back Jim Canary of Blaine breaks a big run against Hill-Murray during the Bengals 37-20 win over the Pioneers.

points during the regular season.

The Twin Cities Suburban also showcased many great individual performances during the 1988 season. All-State running back John Buzick of Blaine provided much of the offensive fireworks during '88. Buzick led the conference in scoring with 13 touchdowns and in rushing with 970 yards. Stillwater's tandem of running backs, Kevin Grundstrom and Erik Holm, together rushed for over 1350 yards and scored 24 touchdowns. The Ponies talented tight end Daren Danielson received All-State honors by catching 21 passes for 320 yards and 5 touchdowns. Defensively, Mitch Moorehead of Blaine and Morgan Ryan of Hill-Murray earned All-State honors. Forest Lake's passing combination of quarterback Dave Schmidt and running back Mike Strandness, led the conference in passing and receiving. Schmidt com-



Erik Holm of Stillwater scores his third TD of the night during his team's 31-27 loss to State Champion Blaine in the Semi-final at Parade Stadium. The Bengals (14-0) hand the Ponies (11-2) their only losses.

pleted 79 passes out of 156 attempts for over 1,100 yards and 6 touchdowns. Strandness caught 31 passes for 378 yards and 3 touchdowns.

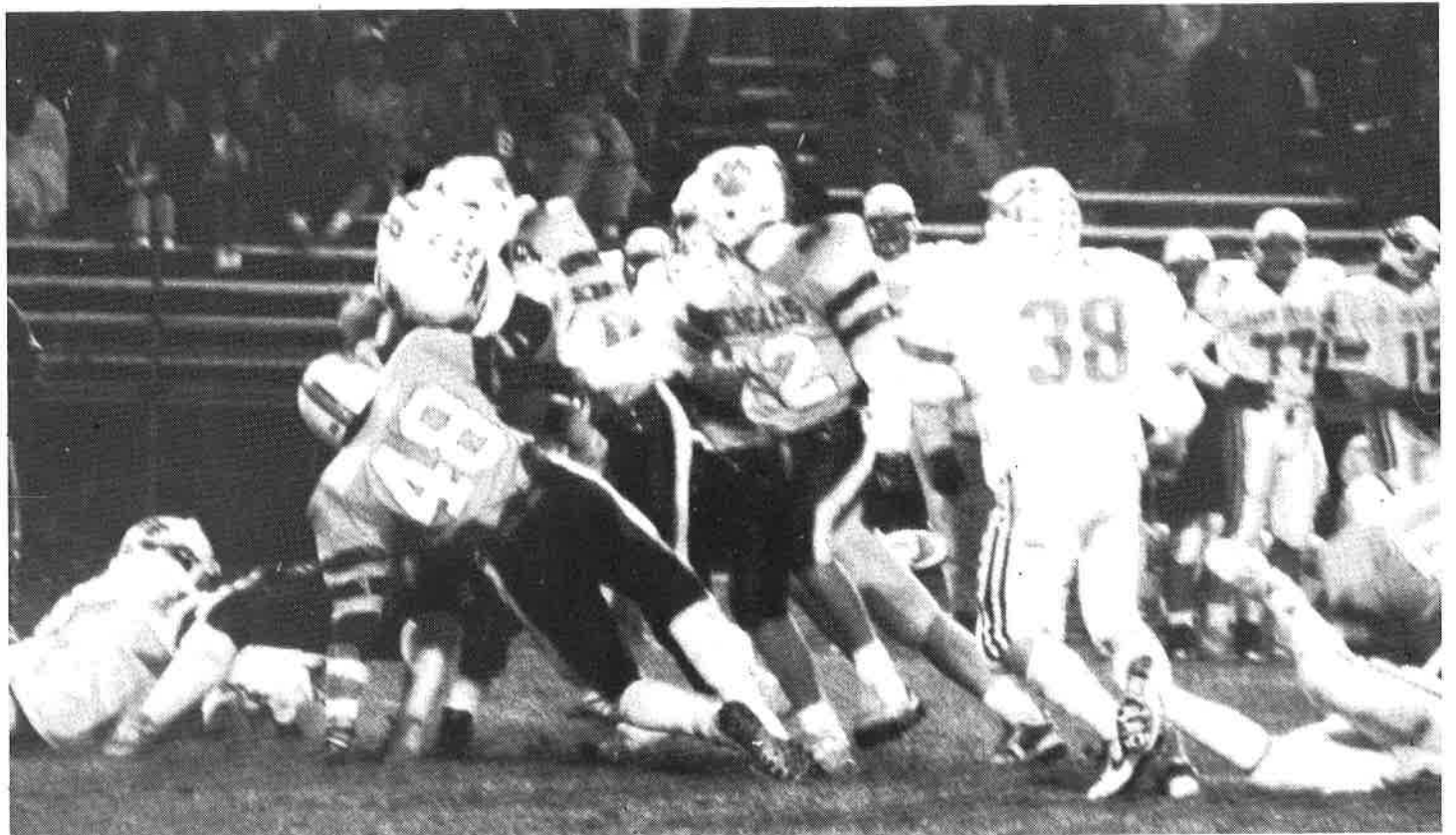
Seven Twin Cities Suburban teams qualified for section playoffs. Blaine won the Section IV title by

defeating Park Center and went on to win the 1988 Class AA Championship. The Stillwater Ponies won the Section II championship, but were beaten by Blaine in the State Semi-finals. Hill-Murray lost in the Section III finals to eventual State runner-up Cretin-Derham Hall.

Congratulations to the six conference players who were selected to play in the 1988 Minnesota All-Star football game in August. Conference players selected include Morgan Ryan (DB) and Marco Dinzeo (DT) from Hill-Murray, John Buzick (RB) and Mitch Moorehead (DT) from Blaine, Jeff Goble (TE) from Anoka, and Erik Holm (RB) from Stillwater.



Stillwater's Kevin Grundstom breaks away for a long score in a season opening victory over North St. Paul. Ponies compiled an 11-2 record.



The Blaine defense, led by #48 Jason Neros, during the Bengals 49-0 Section Quarter-final win over Coon Rapids.

## WRIGHT COUNTY CONFERENCE

The Annandale Cardinals won the Wright County Conference Championship for the first time since 1975. Led by the strong arm of senior quarterback Tim Ledwein, Coach Don "Skip" Dolan's team finished with a conference record of 7-0 and a overall 8-2 record. The Watertown Royals led by all state linebacker Steve Duske finished second with a 6-1 (7-1 overall) conference record followed by the Delano Tigers, led by junior tackle Eric Russek and junior fullback Todd Wegman, finished 5-2 (6-2 overall).

### STANDINGS

Annandale	7-0	7-1
Watertown	6-1	7-1
Delano	5-2	6-2
Waconia	4-3	4-4
Dassel-Cokato	3-4	4-4
St. Michael-Albertville	3-4	3-5
Howard Lake-Waverly	1-6	2-6
Rockford	0-7	1-7

## SUBURBAN WEST CONFERENCE

The Suburban West Conference was formed as an 8 team league at the beginning of the 1974-75 school year. The conference became a 9 team league a year later with the addition of Hutchinson. The conference remained unchanged until 1986 when Eden Prairie departed for the Lake Conference. This fall, Orono left for the Tri-Metro, Chaska and Shakopee moved to the Missota, and Waconia headed for the Wright County Conference. The Suburban West stayed afloat with the addition of Litchfield and Monticello this fall but both have decided to head elsewhere in 1989. The Suburban West Conference will officially disband after the 1988-89 school year.

Here is a look at the final Suburban West Conference Football records with championships in parenthesis.

1. Hutchinson (11)	101 wins	6 losses
2. Shakopee (1)	71 wins	38 losses
3. Mound (1)	59 wins	55 losses
4. Chaska (2)	53 wins	56 losses
5. Eden Prairie (1)	43 wins	52 losses
6. Orono (2)	43 wins	64 losses
7. Buffalo	42 wins	72 losses
8. Glencoe	38 wins	76 losses
9. Waconia	39 wins	70 losses
10. Monticello	4 wins	1 loss
11. Litchfield	3 wins	2 losses

### 1988 FOOTBALL STANDINGS

1. Hutchinson	5-0
2. Monticello	4-1
3. Litchfield	3-2
4. Glencoe	2-3
5. Buffalo	1-4
6. Mound	0-5



The Monticello Redmen's defense gang tackles Jared Heltz of Hutchinson in the Redmen's 9-7 win in the Section 4A championship game. In on the stop for Monticello is Matt Witschen (#67), Josh Havel (#52), John Bauer (#54), and Correy Schumacher (#64).



Monticello's All-State wingback Chad Pribyl (#8) is lead on the sweep by senior guard John Bauer (#54) in Monticello's 38-0 Homecoming victory over Litchfield. Senior fullback Chad Schaben (#42) positions himself for his block.

## PRAIRIE LAKES CONFERENCE

By Con Natvig, Prairie Lakes and Mid-Prairie  
Conference Representative

The Prairie Lakes Conference was won by Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa with a perfect 4-0 record. They were followed by Osakis, Swanville/Grey Eagle, West Central, and Brandon/Evansville.

The most valuable players in the Conference were both from Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa. Jason Kotz was named Most Valuable Back and Lyle Gerhardson the Most Valuable Lineman.

In the fall of 1989 there will be a new football conference opening play. The Prairie Lakes Conference, with the exception of Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa who will be joining the West Central, and the Prairie Con-

ference will combine to form the Mid-Prairie Football Conference. The following teams will make up the new conference:

- 1) Brandon-Evansville
- 2) Browerville
- 3) Eagle Valley
- 4) Osakis
- 5) Royalton
- 6) Swanville-Grey Eagle
- 7) Upsala
- 8) West Central

## GOPHER CONFERENCE

The 1988 Gopher Conference season provided the usual upset, near-upset and combination of offensive stars and big defensive plays.

In addition to the tough conference schedule, two teams, Waterville-Elysian in Section 3B and Medford in Section 2C were champions - both being defeated in the State Semi-finals.

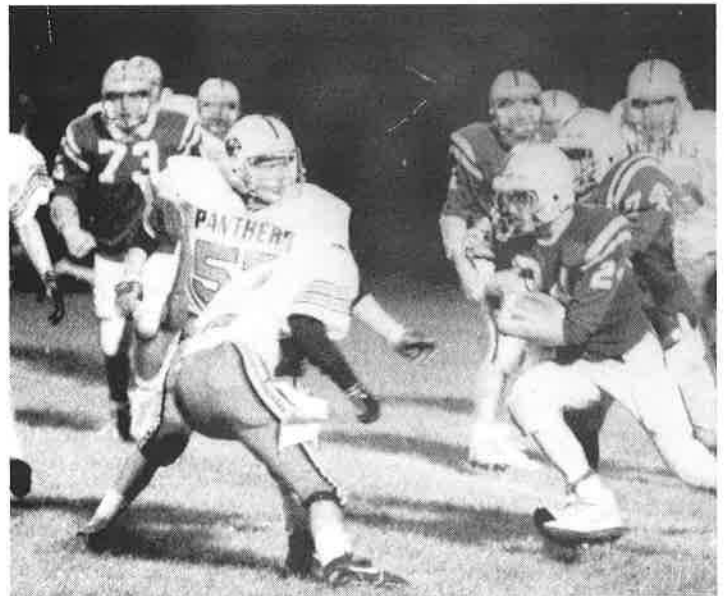
Conference Champion, Waterville-Elysian (7-0) was paced by Brian Nutter, the leading passer in the conference and by Kyle Atherton, the leading receiver. Blooming Prairie (5-2) led the conference in team offense and team defense, with Chris Wondra scoring 74 points to lead the Gopher teams. Medford (5-2) boasted the leading rusher in Gary Rowe, who averaged 7.9 yards per carry. New Richland-Hartland/Ellendale-Geneva (5-2) used the rushing punch of Karl Felsheim (average 7.1) and Mike Ebnet (average 6.1) to tie for second place in the standings. Faribault Bethlehem Academy/Shattuck-St. Marys (3-4) based their offensive and defensive successes on lineman Jason Boe. Glenville-Emmons (2-5) had the leading tackler in the conference in Brian Wolff. Alden-Conger-Freeborn (1-6), in their first year of Gopher competition, were led offensively and defensively by Mike Allen. Janesville (0-7) was led in tackles by Josh Melchoir.

Jon Bakken, Waterville-Elysian, was selected by his fellow coaches as the 1988 Gopher Conference Coach of the Year.

The only major change within the Gopher for the next school year involves the pairing of Janesville with neighbor to the south Waldorf-Pemberton, ad-

ding another "hyphenated" team to the conference.

With an All-Conference team made up mostly of Seniors, and a past "B" squad season that was very competitive, the 1989 Gopher Conference campaign should prove again to be interesting and tightly contested.



New Richland-Ellendale's Dave Simser (82), Shawn Miller (57) and Karl Felsheim (42) close in on Medford running back Matt Drewitz (24) in Gopher Conference action. Medford blockers are Marc Schultz (73) and Ramon Ortiz (74).

## VALLEY PLAINS CONFERENCE CLASS C

The balance of the Valley Plains Conference was very strong throughout the 1988 football season. Five teams were in contention for the title until the final two weeks of the season. Champions who finally won the conference race were Fertile-Beltrami and Glyndon-Felton, with both teams having records of 6-1.

The conference produced many fine athletes. James Taves of G-F set a new conference record of 966 yards rushing, Darrin Wavra of Sacred Heart produced a record 30 pass receptions for the year. Shawn Lura of Hawley set a record 425 yards receiving in the conference and Wolfe Clark of F-B recorded a record of 6 TD catches. Scott Bement of Waubun also produced the longest kick-off return of 95 yards.

This years Most Valuable Back went to Ada-Borup's quarterback Darrin Everson. Darrin will bring his talents to Valley City State next year in both football and baseball. The Most Valuable Lineman was Henry Keogh of Waubun. Henry will also have the pleasure of participating in this years Minnesota All Star Game.

This will be the last year of an eight team Valley Plains Conference. Next year four additional teams will be added and the conference will be divided into two divisions. The following teams will make-up each division:

**NORTH**  
 \*Fosston  
 \*Warren  
 EGF Sacred Heart  
 Red Lake Falls  
 Fertile-Beltrami  
 Ada-Borup

**SOUTH**  
 Glyndon-Felton  
 Dilworth  
 Hawley  
 \*Lake Park/Audubon  
 \*Norman County East  
 Waubun

\*Denotes New Teams

With the addition of the four new teams and divisional changes, the Valley Plains Conference should become very exciting and competitive. The race for the crown will surely go down, once again, to the last week of the season.

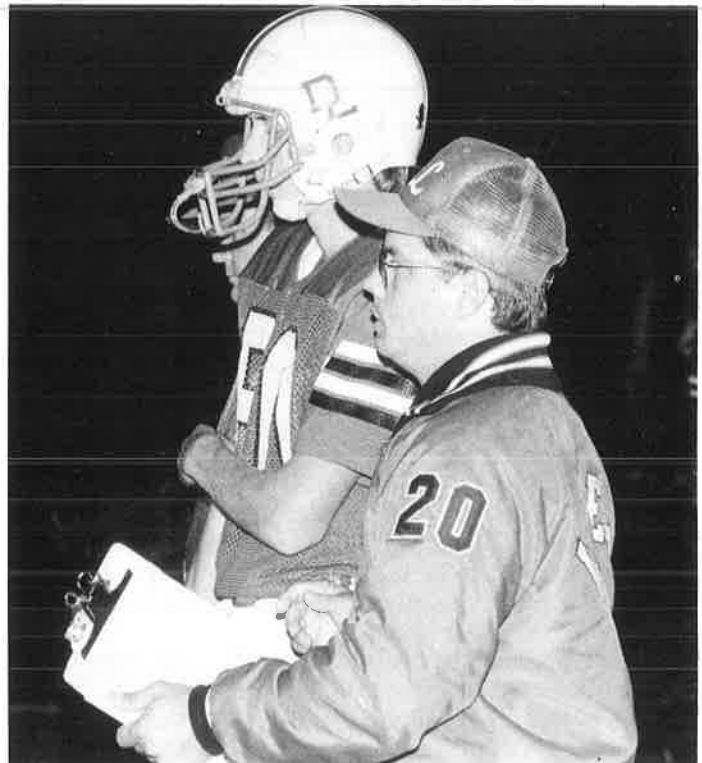
## MID-STATE CONFERENCE

Rick Manke's Detroit Lakes Lakers claimed the 1988 Mid-State Conference championship posting a 6-0 record in conference play. The Lakers beat Mid-State runner-up Staples/Motley 41-22 in the seventh game of the regular season. The rematch was set when Detroit Lakes beat Park Rapids 35-14 and Fergus Falls 14-7 while Staples/Motley beat East Grand Forks 35-8 and Crookston 37-16 in section 8A play. This time Tom Honek's Staples/Motley team was the victor 33-7. The Cardinals went on to beat Mora 27-18 and Totino Grace 41-20 before falling to Lakeville 35-28 in the Prep Bowl.

Pierz also had success in post season play defeating Aitkin 24-0 and Long Prairie 14-7 in section 6B play before losing to Deer River 22-14. Coach Leo Pohlkamp's Pioneers will leave the Mid-State Conference and join the Central Minnesota Conference beginning in the 1989-90 school year.

### FINAL STANDINGS

	Conference	Overall
Detroit Lakes	6-0	10-1
Staples/Motley	5-1	12-2
Pierz	4-2	8-3
Crosby-Ironton	3-3	3-6
Aitkin	2-4	2-7
Park Rapids	1-5	2-7
Wadena	0-6	0-8



Detroit Lakes High School Coach Rick Manke sends a play with wide receiver Scott Blatchford.

## THE CHANGING WASIOJA CONFERENCE

The Wasioja Conference started in 1951 with Hayfield winning the first football championship. Dodge Center and West Concord dominated through 1962 with Dodge Center winning seven titles under Wally Hitt, West Concord winning three and the two of them sharing one with Hayfield in 1961. From 1963 through 1973 eight different teams shared at least one title. Southland and Pine Island dominated from 1975 through 1983 with each of them getting a share of five titles. Hayfield won the title in 1978 and West Concord tied with Pine Island in 1982 and won it outright in 1984. Zumbrota entered the league in 1983 and won their first title in 1985. Pine Island won again in 1986 and Zumbrota-Mazeppa in 1987 and 1988.

The Cougars of Z-M completed the 1988 season with a 11-1 mark losing to Morris in the state quarter-finals. They were lead by a group of talented athletes which included all-conference performers Mark Anderson at QB, Darin Baumberger and Jon Kirtz at

wide receiver, Jon Urban at guard, Greg Ryan at tailback and Tony Michels at tackle. Urban was named to the Star and Tribune All-State Team and Baumberger has been selected to play in the Minn. High School All-Star Game.

The Wasioja Conference has taken on a new face in the last few years. In 1982 Kenyon joined the conference and in 1985 they paired in football with Wanamingo. In 1983 Dover-Eyota dropped out of the conference and Zumbrota joined. 1986 saw Zumbrota pair with Mazeppa and Hayfield pair with Dodge Center. Goodhue dropped from the conference in football only in 1987 and in 1988 Byron departed. Next season will bring another change as Pine Island is also leaving the conference. In 1989 the Wasioja Football Conference will consist of Kenyon-Wanamingo, Hayfield-Dodge Center, West Concord, Southland and Zumbrota-Mazeppa.



All-Star Ilnebacker #64 Jon Urban teamed up with #84 Jon Kirtz and #89 Reid Neuman to stop a Kasson-Mantorville runner in the Cougars 26-7 win over the KoMets. The win gave the Cougars the

Section 1B title. The Cougars finished the season with an 11-1 mark, losing to Morris in a state quarter-final game.

## SOUTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE REPORT

by Frank Fredlund

For the second straight year the South Central has multiple champions in Fairmont and St. Peter. There was a three way tie in 1987 with Fairmont, St. Peter and Waseca. From top to bottom the conference has been very competitive with New Ulm and St. James making a good run at the title. Nineteen eighty-eight found Fairmont, New Ulm and St. Peter playing in the Class A Section II Tournament and St. James winning the Class B Sectional. St. Peter and Waseca will be moved from Section II to Section IV in 1989.

Wells has dropped their 1989 South Central football schedule due to their declining enrollment.

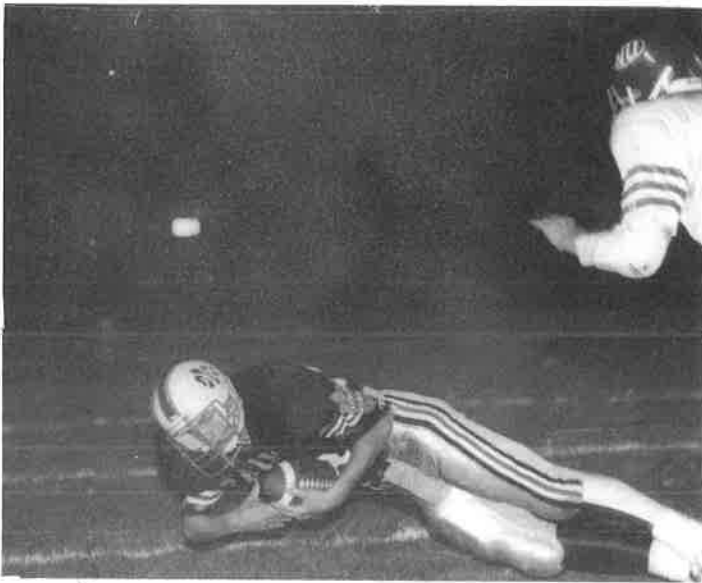
The South Central was blessed again with many outstanding players. Four were selected to play in the All Star Game. These players are Jeff Tietje, linebacker, Fairmont; Chad Wieben, lineman, New Ulm; Jeff Whitney, lineman, St. James; and running back Heath Hayer of St. Peter. Junior halfback Ethan



St. Peter's Ethan Allen on his way to one of his 22 season touchdowns.

Allen led the conference with 22 touchdowns and is being highly recruited by Division I schools.

The South Central has not scouted in their conference games the last four years. In place of scouting, video tapes of the last game, along with rosters and starting lineups, are exchanged. Each Saturday morning the tapes are exchanged at a half-way point of the two schools, or some point agreed upon. The home team has the responsibility to set up the place and time of exchange. At our conference coaches meetings we try to iron out video procedures and discuss what we want to look for in the tapes. This discussion has greatly enhanced the quality of the game tapes. Not only has this exchange policy saved many dollars, but the tapes have proved much more beneficial than data collected by inexperienced scouts. Another advantage is that it frees up the junior high and assistant coaches for coaching time on Fridays.



Dan Stransky of St. Peter stretches out for a pass completion against New. Ulm.

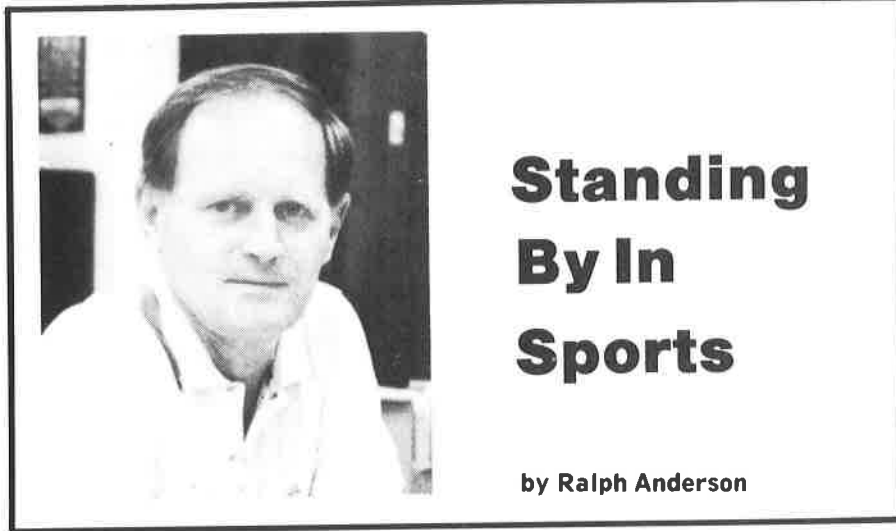


# Adler's SPORTING GOODS

36 Fourth Street S.E.  
Rochester, Minnesota 55904

(507) 288-1991

FAX (507) 288-4313



## Standing By In Sports

by Ralph Anderson

• Changing makeup of conference alignments within Minnesota high school circles is becoming more and more apparent, with one of the major reasons for the changes being that more and more schools are electing to pair with other schools.

One of the conferences that folded following the 1988 football season was the Agassiz Valley, strictly a 9-man football circuit and formed originally as a combination of the former Little Valley and Lake Agassiz conferences.

That conference produced two Minnesota State High School Class 9-Man championship teams—Rothsay in 1972 and Norman County West in 1984—and six other times schools from the league finished as state runners-up in the Class 9-Man division. Runner-up finishes belonged to Audubon (1975), Hillcrest Academy of Fergus Falls (1976-77-82) and Norman County West (1983-85).

Two of the schools in the Agassiz Valley conference—neighboring Audubon and Lake Park—will be paired beginning in the fall of 1989, will be known as the Lake Park/Audubon Raiders and will play 11-man football and belong to the Valley Plains Conference.

Norman County West and Ulen-Hitterdal of the Agassiz Valley will become members of the North Tri-County Conference, while Rothsay, Hillcrest Academy and Underwood all will become members of the Pheasant Conference.

The final Agassiz Valley Conference banquet was held at Fargo on Monday, Nov. 7, 1988, with the main speaker being Sonny Gulsvig, an assistant football coach on the Concordia College staff at Moorhead.

It was significant that Gulsvig should speak at the meeting, since he also was the main speaker at the first-ever conference banquet.

Gordy Nichols, athletic director at Ulen-Hitterdal High School and an officer of the Agassiz Valley every year the conference existed, was in charge of arrangements for the final meeting.

John Otto, the only head football coach in the history of Ulen-Hitterdal High School, was the only head coach to serve in that capacity at an Agassiz

Valley school every year of its existence and referred to the league's break-up as "the passing of an era."

"It's a sad moment for a conference that had some great rivalries," Otto pointed out.



Gordy  
Nichols



John  
Otto

• Rothsay's Tigers, coached by Craig Samuelson, had the distinction of winning the Agassiz Valley Conference football title in the league's final season.

\* \* \* \* \*

• When the Lake Park/Audubon Raiders join the Valley Plains Conference in the fall of 1989, they will be one of four new members of the league, which exists only in football.

The Valley Plains Conference has not only admitted Audubon/Lake Park, but has added Fosston, Norman County East and Warren to its membership.

Adding the four schools boosts the Valley Plains Conference to a 12-school league and it will be divided into North/South divisions with the following breakdown:

**SOUTH DIVISION**—Audubon/Lake Park, Dilworth, Glyndon-Felton, Hawley, Waubun, Norman County East.

**NORTH DIVISION**—Ada/Borup, East Grand Forks Sacred Heart, Fertile-Beltrami, Red Lake Falls, Warren, Fosston.

\* \* \* \* \*

• With Warren and Fosston being accepted as members of the Valley Plains Conference after departing from the Far North Conference, three Far

North schools will be left playing independent schedules.

Those three are Warroad, Roseau and Lake of the Woods-Baudette and one of the football coaches of those schools is worried about his school's grid future.

"With the playoffs, everyone is concerned if some team has 15 to 20 more students than they do," Coach Joe Biondi of Warroad told Ryan Bakken of the Grand Forks Herald. "Natural rivalries don't mean anything anymore. If we throw the playoffs out, maybe conference rivalries will come back.

"I don't know if northwestern Minnesota is meant to play football in the middle of November. All anyone thinks about now is making the dome."

Biondi's Warroad teams have been among the most successful in the state for the last several years and—in fact—have lost in the playoffs to the eventual state champion for four straight years.

"With Warroad sitting on the Canadian border, it's partly a victim of geography and partly a victim of its growth with the continuing expansion of Marvin Windows," Bakken continued. "But, mostly, it's a victim of its own success."

• Another northwestern Minnesota conference that will experience a change in membership beginning in the fall of 1989 is the Mid-State Conference.

Healy High School at Pierz has dropped from the conference (after two years of membership) to join the Central Minnesota Conference league organized in 1969 and one that includes schools once belonging to the Great River Conference of which Pierz (Healy) was a member.

Pierz will become the eighth member of the Central Minnesota Conference, with other members including Becker, Big Lake, Holdingford, Kimball, Eden Valley-Watkins, Maple Lake and St. John's Prep.

Commenting on the switch in conferences, athletic director LeRoy Miller of Pierz stated as follows:

"All the schools (in Central Minnesota) have enrollments similar to ours (about 200-250 in grades 10-12), they all are Class B in football and all are more natural rivalries for us (than schools in the Mid-State).

"All we do here at Pierz seems to be aimed more toward St. Cloud, our only connections with the Mid-State are to the north and that turns out to be a problem."

Miller went on to say that Pierz happened to get into the Mid-State Conference "with three powerful schools who are tough for us to compete against year-in and year-out."

He identified those three as Detroit Lakes, Park Rapids, and Staples/Motley.

"I feel we would be competitive in the major sports (football, basketball, wrestling) in the Mid-State, yet I feel we would seldom be contenders (for conference championship)," Miller went on.

With the departure of Pierz, the Mid-State Conference is back to a six-school league—Aitkin, Crosby-Ironton, Detroit Lakes, Park Rapids, Staples/Motely, and Wadena.

Aitkin, C-I, Park Rapids, Staples and Wadena formed what was known as the Mid-State Football Conference in the mid-1950s. The league eventually ex-



Join the  
*Winning Team!*

Deal with the  
pros who really carry  
the ball for you!

**DL Printing**  
Commercial Printing & Newspaper Publishing

Detroit Lakes, MN 56501 218-847-3151

*"Your Printing Companion"*

panded to other sports and has seen little change in membership in its 30-plus years of existence. Little Falls belonged about 10 years before joining the Central Lakes Conference and Detroit Lakes was admitted in 1969-70 after the Resort Region Conference folded.

Staples became Staples/Motley in 1988-89 through a pairing arrangement.

\* \* \* \* \*

- Another conference that will see a change in membership in 1989-90 is the Central Lakes, which was formed in 1978 with Brainerd, Little Falls, St. Cloud Apollo, St. Cloud Tech, Willmar, Alexandria, Cambridge, and Elk River as charter members.

Cambridge and Elk River left the league in the fall of 1983 and the Central Lakes became a seven-school circuit with the admission of Cold Spring Rocori in the fall of 1988.

League members, meeting during the 1988-89 season, voted unanimously to admit Monticello effective in the fall of 1989.

Applications of two other members of the Suburban West Conference—Buffalo and Hutchinson—were rejected by the Central Lakes.

Minimizing travel and keeping schedule flexibility were among arguments for admitting just one school, said Supt. Robert Gross of Brainerd, who is chairman of the Central Lakes Conference.

\* \* \* \* \*

- As usual, there are numerous coaching changes as the new football season nears. Among those involved are the following:

**MANKATO WEST**—Don Larsen has resigned after serving as the Scarlets' head coach for 13 years and has been succeeded by Don Krusemark. Krusemark, who has served as West's sophomore football mentor, will also remain as the school's head wrestling coach.

**CALEDONIA**—Ron Moen has stepped aside as the head football coach and has been replaced by Mark Froehling, who previously has been an assistant grid coach at the school.

**ELGIN-MILLVILLE & PLAINVIEW**—The schools



Larry  
Anderson

Joe  
Biondi

Ken  
Helland

Tom  
Mahoney

have paired for football and the head grid mentor will be John Norlander, who has been head football coach at Plainview. The team's nickname will be the Bulldogs.

**AUDUBON & LAKE PARK**—The schools have paired athletically and academically, and will be

known as the Lake Park/Audubon Raiders, with Ken Helland named the head football coach. Helland, a graduate of Emmons High School and Concordia College at Moorhead, has been head grid coach at Audubon since succeeding Larry Braatsch in the fall of 1980.

**SANBORN-LAMBERTON & WABASSO**—Another pairing situation finds Sanborn-Lambertson and Wabasso joining forces in a team to be known as the Rebels. Bruce Olson, formerly the assistant grid coach at Sanborn-Lamberton, will be the head coach.

**RUSHFORD & PETERSON**—The football pairing between Rushford and Peterson finds Jim Reinhardt, formerly the head coach at Rushford, named as the head mentor.

**WALDORF-PEMBERTON & JANESVILLE**—The schools will be paired for both athletics and academics and George Tuvey, formerly the head grid coach at Janesville, will have the head grid duties.

**BELGRADE-BROOTEN-ELROSA**—Named new head coach of the cooperative has been Bob Beliveau, a graduate of Alexandria High School and Concordia College at Moorhead. Beliveau, who led Alexandria to the Minnesota Class A Football Tournament championship in 1974 and who won Little All-American grid honors at Concordia, was head football coach at Brooten High School for three years before it paired with Belgrade. Beliveau succeeds Dennis Weimerkirch as the head coach of the B-B-E Jaguars.

**UNDERWOOD**—New head grid mentor of the Underwood Rockets will be Phil Link, who succeeds Jerry Lano, who was the school's head football coach for 12 seasons. Link is a graduate of Kankakee (Ill.) High School and played college football at Olivet University in Kankakee. He has taught in the Fergus Falls system and will teach on a two-thirds basis at Fergus Falls in 1989-90. Underwood never had a losing season in Lano's 12 years at the helm.

**BARNESVILLE**—Larry Anderson, head coach for 12 seasons, has resigned those duties and has been succeeded by Todd Halvorson. Anderson, who replaced Dennis Hale (presently the head coach at Worthington High School), when he came to Barnesville, guided Barnesville to a berth in the Minnesota Class B Football tournament title game in 1978 before the Trojans lost to New Richland-Hartland. Halvorson, a graduate of Babbitt High School and Moorhead State University, is employed in private industry in the Fargo-Moorhead area and does not have a teaching position at Barnesville. Halvorson was a student teacher at Dilworth; was an assistant at Glyndon-Felton High School when that school won the Minnesota Class C football championship in 1985, and has been on the staff at the University of Minnesota-Crookston (UMC).

- Tom Mahoney, head football coach at Fairmont High School, and the winningest active grid mentor in Minnesota prep circles, underwent quadruple bypass surgery earlier this year. He reportedly is recovering well and expects to be back for his 39th season as a state high school head football coach this fall.

- Longtime athletic director Phil Seljevold of

Moorhead High School, retired following the 1988-89 school year, and has been replaced by Don Hulbert. Hulbert has been athletic director at West Fargo (N.D.) High School since 1987 and previously served on the staffs at Fargo North High School and Burnsville High School.

- Stan Kaess—who served as athletic director and head coach in football, basketball, and baseball at Evansville High School in a 35-year career at the school—died Feb. 19 at his home in Evansville. He was 69.

Mr. Kaess, a native of Wheaton, was a graduate of the University of Minnesota (where he lettered in baseball) and was a veteran of service with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

The Stan Kaess Memorial Scholar/Athlete Award has been established in memory of Mr. Kaess. The first recipients of the honor are Chris Jacobson and Theresa Olson.

- Keith Nord, the Minnetonka High School/St. Cloud State graduate who went on to play seven seasons with the Minnesota Vikings professional football team, will be one of six to be inducted into the St. Cloud State Athletic Hall of Fame on Sept. 16. Nord served as captain of the Vikings' special teams during the latter part of his professional career.

- Blaine High School, which won the Minnesota Class AA Football Tournament championship last fall, was ranked 24th in the national USA Today's final high school Super 25 rankings for 1988.

By being so designated, Blaine became the first-ever Minnesota high school team to be rated in the top 25 in the standings which have been made five times.

Blaine, coached by Dave Nelson, finished 14-0 and brought the Anoka County school its first state tourney of any kind since the school was founded in 1972.

- Blaine (Class AA), Lakeville (Class A), Breckenridge (Class B), Minnetonka (Class C), and Hallock (Class 9-Man) won Minnesota State High School football championships at Prep Bowl VII on Saturday, Nov. 26, at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome in Minneapolis.

The most exciting game was saved for last, with Blaine shading Cretin-Derham Hall 25-24 when it

ran for the two-point conversion.

Lakeville, runner-up to Cambridge in the Class A title game in 1987, bested Staples/Motley 35-28 as John Guentzel passed for a Prep Bowl records of 288 yards and three touchdowns in winning the Class A championship.

Trailing 7-0 after one quarter, the Breckenridge Cowboys rallied to defeat Morris 21-7 for the Class B crown as quarterback Jeff Vizenor passed to Matt Hasbargen for two touchdowns and intercepted a pass and returned it for the other Breck TD. Breckenridge overcame the "runner-up syndrome" with its victory, since the Cowboys had reached the Class B title game in both 1983 and 1984, only to be beaten in the championship clash.

Minnesota's Vikings made Prep Bowl history by stopping Rushford 42-28 for the Class C crown. Coached by Gerhard Meidt, Minnesota became the first school to win three straight Prep Bowl grid titles, and hiked its overall winning string to 37 games. The game was the longest (2 hours, 46 minutes) in Prep Bowl history and Minnesota set a Prep Bowl record of 25 first downs in winning the championship.

Hallock, trailing 18-14 at the half, stormed back to defeat Steward 35-24 for the Class 9-Man title, as J.T. Anderson ran for three touchdowns and gained 168 yards in 25 carries.

Two of the five schools that won Prep Bowl titles—Lakeville and Minnetonka—were rated No. 1 in the final media poll of the season. Blaine was ranked second in Class AA, Breckenridge was rated second in Class B, and Hallock was rated eighth in Class 9-Man.



Craig  
Samuelson



Phil  
Seljevold



Keith  
Nord

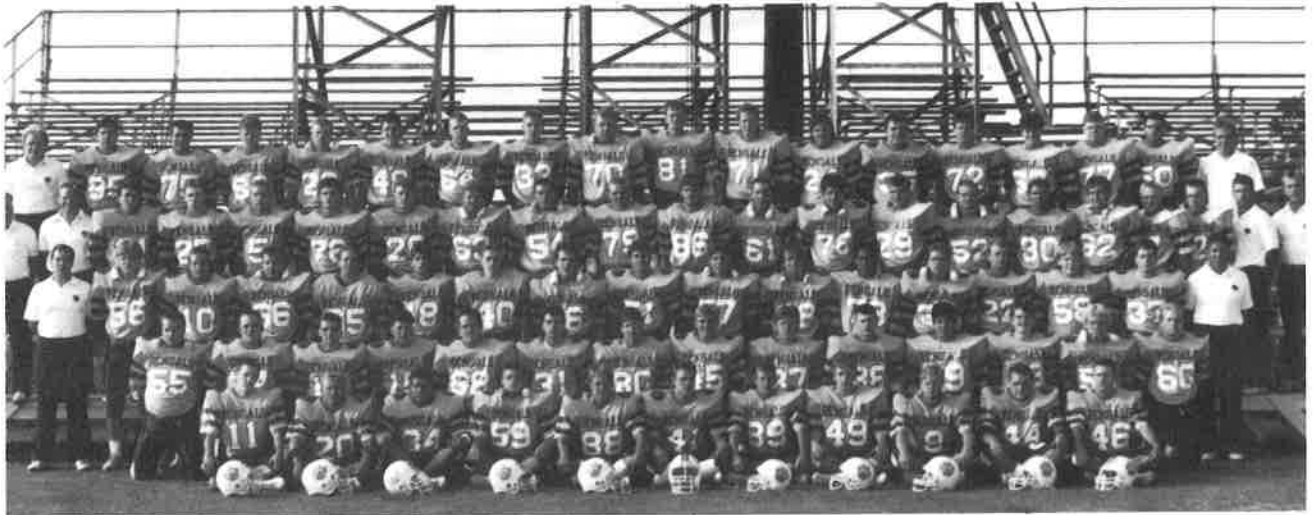
scored a touchdown with two seconds left, to pull within one-point and then added a two-point conversion.

Tom Newman ran six yards for a TD to cap a 73-yard march and pull Blaine within a single point of Cretin-Derham Hall with two seconds left and then

# BLAINE

## SECTION FOUR CHAMPION

A  
A



**Front Row left to right:** Chars Bonin, Jason Wiehle, Pete Buck, Rick Peterson, Jason Rud, Joe Torma, John Phillips, Jason Hawkins, Paul Schulte, John Buzick, Jason Fuller. **Second Row:** Jason Crouch, Todd Chester, Shawn Hoover, Dan Olsen, Mike Ryan, Shawn Anderson, Rick Marciniak, Tim Doyle, Brian Kay, John Swanberg, Mike Novotny, Al Gramont, Randy Kovar, Wayne Jorgenson. **Third Row:** Coach Ray Kirch, Mike Mooney, Noble Rainville, Brandon Morris, Greg McMichael, Troy Tempesta, Shawn Malikowski, Tim Valentine, Bill Fritsinger, Tom Lenarz, Chuck Roberts, Joe Bauer, Todd Erickson, Greg Fryer, Tim Urness, Jason Swanson, Coach Jeff Ferguson. **Fourth Row:** Coach Stan Nelson, Coach Dave Nelson, Kris Marier, Rich Gauthier, Paul Stone, Jason Landborg, Eric Schmidt, Chris Hebrink, Lance Dockter, Gary Olson, Dave Parson, Brad Robinson, Dave Young, Pete Zinda, Greg Engstrom, Jim Canary, Paul Merchlewicz, Chris Laughery, Scott Lorenz, Coach Shannon Gerrety, Coach Joe Suhon. **Fifth Row:** Coach Rick Swanson, Mike McCauley, Dan Schmitz, Kurt Sjodin, Marc Achterkirch, Jason Neros, Matt Bower, Kevin Dietsch, Ryan Severson, Chad Anderson, Eric Vold, Doug St. Hilaire, Mike Thorsland, Mark Arness, Chad Tohm, Mitch Moorehead, Paul Lombard, Coach Bob Bestul.

# LAKEVILLE

## SECTION ONE CHAMPION

A



**Front Row left to right:** Dave Swenson, Jayme Quinnell, Todd Dwire, Mike West, Lance Wolkow, Chad Gilman, Chris Cooper, Andy Drexler. **Second Row:** Dave Hainka, Brandon Full, John Guentzel, Jay Hanson, Dan Hogan, Tyrone Nelson, Mike Gephart. **Third Row:** Eric Demo, Chad Anderson, Aaron Leadens, Jeff VonFeldt, Travis Tuma, Chad Meyer, Kris Keil, Brad Ranum. **Fourth Row:** Dan Anderson, Todd Kremer, Craig Kiefer, Jeff Johnson, Chad Korba, Jon Burns, Shane Minske, Jeff Kirkwold. **Fifth Row:** Joe Mohling, Seth Roxberg, Eric Palmer, Todd Wolkow, Dan Menough, Jerry Blumhoefer, Sam Lintereur, Tony Murray. **Sixth Row:** Matt Fourre, Dan Josselyn, Trent Soberg, Jude Mahowald, Chris Gaulrapp, Dan Thompson, Mike Nordean, Kevin Piekarski. **Seventh Row:** Kevin Beck-Mgr., Dave Comer, Jim Schultz-Trainer, Dick Johnson, Larry Tompson, Dick Zeman, Pat Parker, Jim Knutson, Jason, Polinski. **Not pictured:** Jim Bogue, Dan Roller

# BRECKENRIDGE

## SECTION EIGHT CHAMPION

B

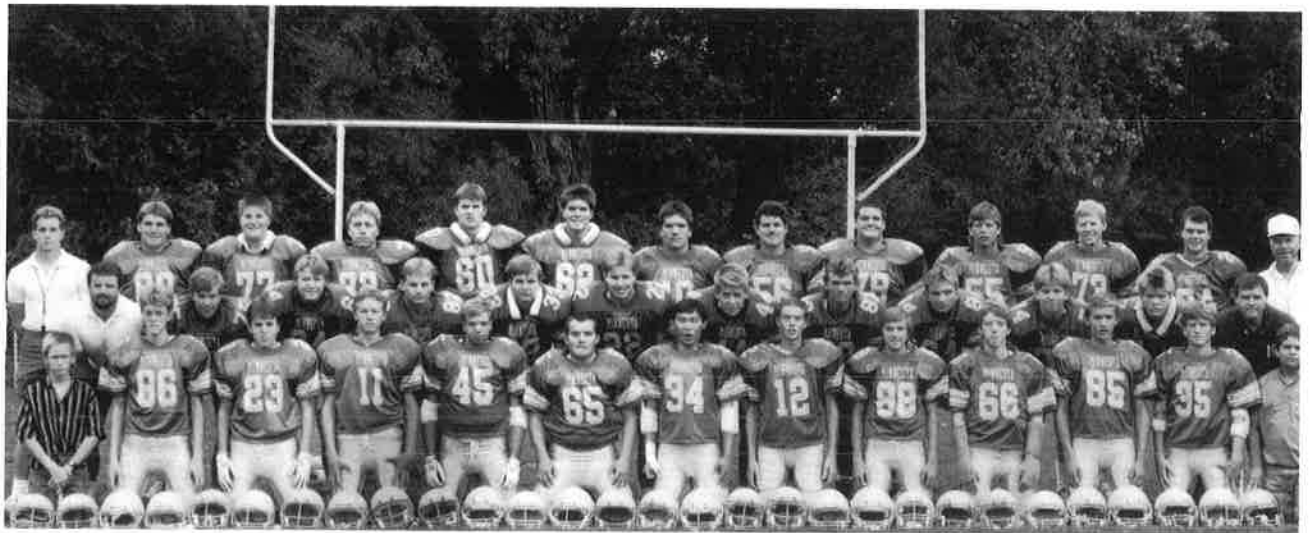


**Front Row:** Amy Boldingh, Darcy Tillman, Tina Grenier, Amy Boll, Bill Hanson, Jennifer Hudson, Sara LeNoue, Caryn Randall and Lisa Herman. **Second Row:** Tris Kusnierek, Jeff Trauman, Bruce Yaggie, Jason Grawe, Paul Robertson, Jason Severson, Jason Ask, Mike Carlrud, Brad Abel and Ray McLaren. **Third Row:** Pat Casey, Gary Dohman, Jeff Vizenor, Corey Andeen, Peter Boldingh, Bruce Miller, Tom Larson, Matt Hasbargen, Monty Wiertzema, Tom Vad and Pat Beyer. **Fourth Row:** Stephen Engelmayr, Chad Dybdahl, Brad Wisneski, Mark Petersen, Scott Aamodt, Dan Aigner, Chad Albertson, Perry Langston, Corey Leinen and Scott Ferguson. **Fifth Row:** Mike Belseth, Bob Greeley, Ron Ekren, Jim Bock, John Wojtalewicz, Dennis Trydahl, Paul Sannes, Bill Mimnaugh, Mark Engebretson and Ron Thimjon. **Sixth Row:** Bill Paech, Alan Korth, Jeff Blowers, Jeff Snyder, Brad Terfehr, Pat Porter, Chris Betz, Trevor Hasse, Vance Johnson and Jeremy Ellingson. **Seventh Row:** Eric Aquila, Chad Stollenwerk, Chris Hansen, Bruce Harner, Steve Lawrence, Chris Amundson, Bill Korinek, Tracy Aarons, David Conzemius and Matt Johnson. **Eighth Row:** Travis Hasse, Jason Rurup, Greg Caspers, Chris Olson, Dustin Bruns, Brandon Chaffins, Mark Martin, Jeff Worner, Kyle Gowin, Carl Oltman and Mike McCullough.

# MINNEOTA

## (SECTION FIVE CHAMPION)

C



**Front Row left to right:** Ricky Myhre, Allen DeCrock, Chris Claey, Tony Finnegan, Jon Rokeh, Wayne Davis, Quyen Chau, Brian Noyes, Jason Boerboom, Scott Johnson, Jeff Sussner, Brian Schulte, Luke DePestel. **Second Row:** Assistant Coach Mike Aagesen, Tom Gislason, Stuart Smith, Jerry Storlien, James Lien, Mark Tillemans, David Dovre, Noel Hasert, Craig Buysse, Chad Stegner, Dave Stienessen, Assistant Coach Jim Folbiecki. **Third Row:** Assistant Coach Joel Skillings, Dennis Swedzinski, Brad Jeremiason, Mark Fonteyn, Rick Gossen, Tony Prinsen, Boyd VanVooren, Martin Hennen, Tony Esping, Tim DeVlaeminck, Curt Buysse, Eric Hennen and Head Coach Gerhard Meidt. **Absent from the photo are:** Chris Ahlschlager, Jason Pohlen, Marvin Prellwitz and Craig Schulte.

# HALLOCK

## SECTION EIGHT CHAMPION

9  
M  
A  
N



**Front Row left to right:** James Satterlund, Chris Stokke, Chris Ingeman, Ryan Anderson-Mgr., Brian Olson, John Bergman. **Second Row:** Assistant Coach Kary Strandell, Peter Gudmundson, J. T. Anderson, Greg Kasproicz, Fred Stockham, Eric Isaacson, Brad Anderson, Kent Waller, Chris Homstad. **Third Row:** Assistant Coach Todd Klein, Travis Giffen, Joel Anderson, Daryn Minske, Scott Nyegaard, Jason Nordling, Scott Hanson, Daniel Stockham, Jason Johnson, Erik Younggren, Head Coach Terry Ogorek



Assistant Coach John Clark of the Waubun High School football team lifted his arm in the air as he and members of the Waubun coaching staff talked with players during halftime. Head Coach Ed Syverson of the Bombers is pictured at the left in the background, while assistant coach Paul Haugo is in the center.

**ACTIVE HIGH SCHOOL HEAD FOOTBALL COACHES 100 VICTORY CLUB**  
(Entering 1989 Season)

<i>Head Coach &amp; School</i>	<i>Won-Lost-Tied Record</i>	<i>Years Head Coach</i>	<i>Head Coach &amp; School</i>	<i>Won-Lost-Tied Record</i>	<i>Years Head Coach</i>
1. Tom Mahoney, Fairmont .....	247-91-8	38	36. Mike Mahlen, Verndale .....	140-44-3	20
2. John Hansen, Osseo .....	242-91-13	37	37. Jerry Sonnek, Blackduck .....	140-65-3	23
3. George Larson, Cambridge .....	235-53-6	32	38. Con Natvig, Swanville/Grey Eagle .....	140-75-2	23
4. George Smith, Mahtomedi .....	233-104-11	39	39. Bruce Harding, East Central, Sandstone .....	137-74-2	22
5. Stav Canakes, Edina .....	196-63-1	27	40. Stuart Nordquist, International Falls/Indus .....	135-70-2	22
6. Les Dreschsel, Crookston .....	195-81-9	32	41. Roger Lipelt, Wayzata .....	133-81-1	24
7. Bob Youso, Moose Lake/Willow River .....	191-77-3	30	42. Dean Taylor, Sartell .....	132-71-0	22
8. Ken Mauer, St. Paul Harding .....	191-89-0	32	43. John Gross, Medford .....	130-81-0	24
9. Jim Korth, Mankato/Loyola .....	191-102-11	34	44. Willie Raunen, Pine Island .....	129-96-2	25
10. Andy Nelson, Lake Benton/Verdi .....	190-96-2	30	45. Wayne Beisel, Lewiston-Altura .....	127-57-1	20
11. Grady Rostberg, Hutchinson .....	186-65-2	25	46. Ron Borchert, Balaton .....	125-106-0	27
12. George Thole, Stillwater .....	184-37-2	21	47. Dave Brokke, Granite Falls/Clarkfield .....	124-28-0	14
13. Burton "Buz" Rumrill, Silver Lake .....	177-84-3	27	48. Gary Trimble, Kimball .....	124-61-0	18
14. Billy Beck, Appleton-Milan .....	176-105-6	31	49. Ron Johnson, Clearbrook/Gonvick-Trail .....	123-55-0	20
15. Ken Bauman, Mahnommen .....	175-34-2	20	50. Dick Oliphant, Faribault .....	123-86-0	23
16. Jim Roforth, Osakis .....	171-71-3	29	51. Ralph Pucci, Rochester Mayo .....	122-93-1	24
17. Don Stueve, Fergus Falls .....	171-89-1	28	52. Frank Fredlund, St. Peter .....	120-54-1	18
18. Gerhard Miedt, Minnesota .....	167-53-0	23	53. Clark Bergloff, Mora .....	119-37-0	16
19. Dick Walker, Richfield .....	167-65-5	26	54. DeWayne Johnson, Anoka .....	118-69-2	20
20. Bob Peterson, Esko .....	165-57-2	23	55. Kenneth Belanger, Zumbrota-Mazeppa .....	118-90-2	23
21. Gerry Brown, St. Thomas Academy .....	164-30-1	20	56. Stan Olson, LeRoy-Ostrander .....	117-49-0	17
22. Ron Stolski, Brainerd .....	163-92-5	27	57. Ham Nelson, Pine City .....	117-136-4	29
23. Earl DeBates, Stewartville .....	159-46-2	23	58. Dave Beadle, Albrook .....	116-95-3	30
24. Jerry Wallskog, LeCenter .....	158-58-1	23	59. Dennis Baldus, Albert Lea .....	113-62-0	16
25. Frank Jaszewski, Preston-Fountain .....	156-105-6	32	60. Howard Emerson, Warren .....	112-51-1	19
26. Roy Hokkanen, Cotton .....	154-117-2	20	61. Dan Saarela, Mesabi East (Aurora-Hoyt Lakes-Biwabik) .....	111-100-0	28
27. David Main, Gaylord .....	151-48-0	20	62. Paul Miller, Apple Valley .....	110-39-0	15
28. Neal Hofland, Chokio-Alberta .....	149-39-2	19	63. Roger Goerish, South Central (Kiester-Walters-Bricelyn) .....	109-79-1	20
29. Dick Hanson, Burnsville .....	149-51-2	21	64. Rich Jaegar, Montevideo .....	108-41-0	15
30. Jerry Peterson, Owatonna .....	146-77-2	25	65. Charles Sundeen, GFW (Gibbon-Fairfax-Winthrop) .....	107-55-0	17
31. Chuck Karger, Wabasha-Kellogg .....	145-73-6	25	66. Dale Svaren, Red Lake Co. Central (Oklee/Plummer) .....	106-70-1	19
32. Jim Simser, New Richland-Hartland/Ellendale-Geneva .....	144-59-1	21	67. David Montgomery, St. Paul Academy .....	105-66-2	19
33. Terry McLean, Elk River .....	142-64-0	26	68. Dick Strand, Southland, Adams .....	103-39-0	16
34. Bill Bailey, Starbuck .....	142-77-0	23	69. Deryl Ramey, Willmar .....	102-36-5	16
35. Dave Nigon, Totino Grace .....	141-45-0	18			



Craig Thielen, quarterback for Detroit Lakes, is pictured here receiving some excellent blocking as he unleashed a pass in the Lakers' Mid-State Conference football victory over Aitkin.

# High School Coaches Rate

Football Headquarters Hotel



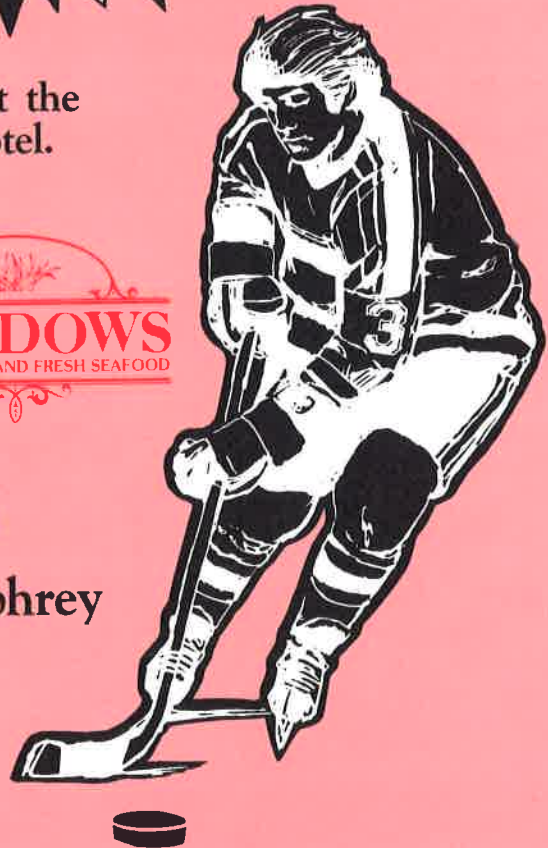
**\$47<sup>00</sup>**

Only \$47.00 per room — children are free. (Based on space availability. Not Applicable to groups or other discounts.)

Enjoy all sport events at the Radisson University Hotel. Deluxe guest rooms, two fine restaurants.

*McCormick's*  
SALOON  
DELI

*MEADOWS*  
PRIME POULTRY AND FRESH SEAFOOD



- Walk to Williams/Mariucci Arena
- Minutes from Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome
- Shuttle bus service



**RADISSON UNIVERSITY HOTEL**  
615 Washington Avenue S.E.  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414  
Phone: 612/379-8888

Bulk Rate  
U. S. Postage  
PAID  
Detroit Lakes,  
Minn. 56501  
Permit No. 14

16th Annual Minnesota High School

# ALL ★ STAR FOOTBALL GAME

7:00 P.M. SATURDAY, AUGUST 5th  
PARADE STADIUM DOWNTOWN MINNEAPOLIS

**METRO ALL-STARS**

vs.

**OUTSTATE ALL-STARS**

Head Coach — Rich Robinson (Minneapolis North)  
Assistants — Dean Aurich (Mayer Lutheran)  
John Heller (Highland Park)  
Doug Elmark (Park-Cottage Grove)  
Bernie Wesloh (Brooklyn Center)

Head Coach — Tom Honek (Staples-Motley)  
Assistants — Terry Ogorek (Hallock)  
Dennis Nigon (Rochester Lourdes)  
Rich Oliphant (Faribault)  
Jerry Carlson (Cambridge)

*Co-sponsored by the  
Minnesota High School  
Football Coaches  
Association and the  
High School All-Star  
Bowl of Minnesota, Inc.*

*Your support helps  
benefit the Human  
Growth Foundation's  
work with seriously  
short-statured children.  
Thanks for helping!*



**Jim Dotseth  
Game Manager**

