



# Redbird Football

## GAME NOTES

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# GAME #13

2006 NCAA Division I Football Championship



**#11 Illinois State (9-3) AT #4 Youngstown St. (10-2)**

**WHEN:** Saturday, Dec. 2, 2006

**WHERE:** Stambaugh Stadium (20,630) • Youngstown, Ohio

**TIME:** 5 p.m. CT

**FORECAST:** Partly Cloudy • High 30° • 10% rain

## RADIO

Redbird Radio Network

- ▶ Greg Halbleib, play-by-play
- ▶ Ted Schmitz, color analyst
- ▶ Bruce Evans, sideline
- ▶ L.A. Decker, studio host

## TELEVISION

ESPN+ (Available on ESPN GamePlan)

- ▶ Doug Bell, play-by-play
- ▶ John Congemi, color analyst

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## THE GAME FACTS

- ▶ Illinois State will look to again even the record in the series against Youngstown State. The Penguins enter today's game with a slim 8-7 margin in the previous 15 meetings between the two schools thanks to a 27-13 win at Illinois State earlier this season.
- ▶ Nine of the previous 15 meetings between the two teams have been decided by 10 or fewer points.
- ▶ Today's game will be the second playoff meeting between two Gateway Conference schools. The last was in 2002, when Western Kentucky defeated Western Illinois 31-28.
- ▶ Youngstown State owns a 13-1 record in playoff games at Stambaugh Stadium and has won 13 straight. The Penguins are also 24-6 (.800) all-time in the Division I Football Championship.
- ▶ The Redbirds are 1-0 in quarterfinal games with a 1999 win at Hofstra. Illinois State owns a 3-2 record all-time in the Division I Football Championship.
- ▶ Wide receiver Laurént Robinson needs 82 receiving yards to become the fifth player in Gateway Football Conference history to amass 3,000 receiving yards in a career.

## 2006 YOUNGSTOWN ST. SCHEDULE

A31	SLIPPERY ROCK	W, 51-21
S9	MAINE	W, 34-14
S16	at #25 Penn State	L, 3-37
S23	#16 UC-DAVIS	W, 38-24
S30	at Missouri State*	W, 37-10
O7	INDIANA STATE*	W, 55-17
O14	at Western Illinois*	W, 35-28
O21	#14 NORTHERN IOWA*	L, 23-31
O28	at #3 Illinois State*	W, 27-13
N4	#12 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	W, 31-24
N11	at Western Kentucky*	W, 19-3
N25	#6 JAMES MADISON	W, 35-31
D2	#11 ILLINOIS STATE	5 p.m. CT

## THE COACHES

### ILLINOIS STATE

Denver Johnson is in his seventh season at Illinois State and owns a 41-38 (.519) overall record with the Redbirds. Prior to guiding the 'Birds, Johnson was the head coach at Murray State where he compiled a 21-12 mark. Johnson, 48, is a 1981 graduate of Tulsa and his 10-year head coaching record stands at 62-50 (.554). He is 2-5 against Youngstown State.

### YOUNGSTOWN STATE

Jon Heacock (Muskingum '83) is in his sixth season at the helm of the Penguin football program. Heacock owns a 42-26 (.618) mark at Youngstown State, his only head coaching position. Prior to taking the head coaching duties, Heacock served as the defensive coordinator at Youngstown State for seven years under current Ohio State head coach Jim Tressel. He is 4-2 against Illinois State.

## ILLINOIS STATE SEASON SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Location	Result/Time	Notes
Sept. 2	at Kansas State	Manhattan, Kan.	L, 23-24	K-State held to 44 yards rushing, but ISU's special team miscues costly.
Sept. 9	CENTRAL ARKANSAS	Normal, Ill.	W, 18-3	ISU offense stalls in the red zone with four field goals; Robinson sits.
Sept. 16	#18 EASTERN ILLINOIS	Normal, Ill.	W, 44-30	ISU rallied from 10-0 deficit with 23 second-quarter points.
Sept. 23	at Murray State	Murray, Ky.	W, 35-14	Redbirds out gained Racers 186-28 on the ground.
Oct. 7	at Western Kentucky <sup>^</sup>	Bowling Green, Ky.	W, 28-27	'Toppers miss a 19-yard field goal with 4:03 left in the game.
Oct. 14	#7 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS <sup>^</sup>	Normal, Ill.	W, 37-10	Redbirds roll off 30 unanswered points; ISU posts 499 offensive yards.
Oct. 21	at Western Illinois <sup>^</sup>	Macomb, Ill.	W, 27-14	Rembert rushes for 230 yards as 'Birds rally from 14-3 deficit.
Oct. 28	#10 YOUNGSTOWN STATE <sup>^</sup>	Normal, Ill.	L, 13-27	Penguins out rush Redbirds 345-18; Drone 10-for-31 passing.
Nov. 4	MISSOURI STATE <sup>^</sup>	Normal, Ill.	W, 38-14	Drone passes (19-of-26) for 305 yards; Rembert rushes for three TDs.
Nov. 11	at Indiana State <sup>^</sup>	Terre Haute, Ind.	W, 42-20	Redbirds run away in fourth quarter with 21 unanswered points.
Nov. 18	at #20 Northern Iowa <sup>^</sup>	Cedar Falls, Iowa	L, 27-38	UNI scores 14 points off three Redbird turnovers.
Nov. 25	at #14 Eastern Illinois	Charleston, Ill.	W, 24-13	ISU's J. Tate and Caesar each return interceptions for TDs.
Dec. 2	at #4 Youngstown State	Youngstown, Ohio	5 p.m. CT	YSU has won the last two meetings in the series.

<sup>^</sup> Gateway Football Conference game: All times Central.

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**INTERVIEW PROCEDURES**

Postgame interviews following home contests are conducted in the team room (second floor) of the Kaufman Football Building. A golf cart is available to transport representatives from the visiting team to the interview area. TV lighting is also provided. After road games, representatives will be brought to a designated area. The locker room is closed at all times.

**WEEKLY MEDIA LUNCHEON**

✓ Tuesday, August 29 at noon
<del>Tuesday, September 5 at noon (CANCELLED)</del>
✓ Tuesday, September 12 at noon
✓ Tuesday, September 19 at noon
✓ Tuesday, September 26 at noon
✓ Tuesday, October 3 at noon
✓ Tuesday, October 10 at noon
✓ Tuesday, October 17 at noon
✓ Tuesday, October 24 at noon
✓ Tuesday, October 31 at noon
✓ Tuesday, November 7 at noon
✓ Tuesday, November 14 at noon
✓ Tuesday, November 21 at noon
✓ Tuesday, November 28 at noon

**GAME WEEK**

A quick look at Illinois State's media availability on game week. All appointments can be made through the media relations office (309) 438-3805.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Off Day	Media Luncheon	GFC Teleconference (10-10:40 a.m.)	No pre-practice camera opportunities	No availability
Denver Johnson Radio Show at Schooners 6-7 p.m.	Kaufman Football Building - noon	Practice open to cameras for first 15 minutes	Coach Johnson available after practice (approx. 6:15 p.m.)	
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**WEEKLY MEDIA LUNCHEON**

Each Tuesday during the season, Illinois State hosts a media luncheon in the team room of the Kaufman Football Building. The luncheon begins at noon, with comments from two selected players representing both the offense and defense. Following the student-athletes, head coach Denver Johnson will address the media. Video and audio from the press conference will be available on the web at GoRedbirds.com before 5 p.m. on Tuesday. If you would like to receive the quotes via e-mail, please contact the Illinois State Athletics Media Relations Office at gtkober@ilstu.edu prior to the press conference.

**CREDENTIALS**

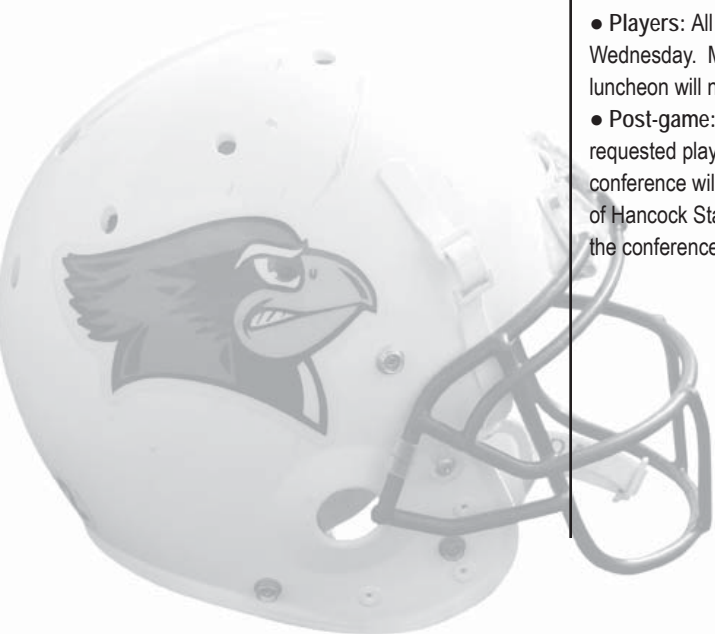
Credentials (game and parking) can be obtained by contacting the Athletics Media Relations Office, Campus Box 7130, Normal, Ill., 61790-7130. Requests must be received on official letterhead at least two days prior to the game. Passes that are not mailed will be available at the Will Call window (Gate 4) 90 minutes before kickoff.

**PRACTICE**

Most practices are open to the media (approximately 3:30-6 p.m.), but only the first 15 minutes of Tuesday through Thursday practices are available to photographers. For all other media, it is recommended that an advance call be made to the media relations office to check on the status of practice for a particular day.

**INTERVIEWS**

- Head Coach Denver Johnson will do general interviews following practice on Tuesday-Thursday. All other requests for interviews must be submitted to the media relations office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled interview.
- Assistant Coaches: Arrangements should be made through the media relations office. Most interviews will be conducted after practice Tuesday-Thursday.
- Players: All interviews with players will take place at the media luncheon or after practice on Tuesday and Wednesday. Media should request players at least 24 hours in advance. Players who attend the Tuesday luncheon will not be available following practice that day.
- Post-game: The Illinois State locker room is closed at all times. Head coach Denver Johnson and requested players will be brought to the designated interview area. At home, the post-game media conference will take place in the team room of the Kaufman Football Building, located in the northeast corner of Hancock Stadium. The media should enter through the west doors and travel up the two flights of stairs to the conference area.



## SCOUTING YOUNGSTOWN STATE

- Youngstown State is located in Youngstown, Ohio, and has an enrollment of 12,898. The Penguins are members of the Gateway Football Conference. YSU has won the NCAA I-AA National Championship four times - 1991, 1993, 1994 and 1997.
- YSU enters the game with the second best rushing offense in the GFC and the eighth best nationally. YSU averages 228.42 yards per game, with the bulk coming from running back Marcus Mason. The senior leads the league and ranks second nationally with 156.8 yards per game. Mason rushed for 176 yards and two TDs against ISU six weeks ago.
- Powered by the running game, the Penguins also rank No. 11 nationally in total offense. YSU is averaging 387.17 yards per game and totaled 438 yards of total offense against the Redbirds earlier this season.
- YSU ranks No. 67 nationally in total defense and is allowing 346.17 yards per game. The Penguins are No. 72 in rushing defense with 153.25 yards per game and No. 67 in passing defense with 192.92 yards per contest.
- Youngstown State owns a 13-1 record at Stambaugh Stadium in the Division I Football Championship and has won 13 straight, including a 35-31 win over James Madison in the first round.
- The Penguins are 24-6 (.800) all-time in the Division I Football Championship.

## PENGUIN PARALLELS

- Youngstown State and Illinois State own the No. 7 largest crowd in Gateway Football Conference history. The two teams played before 19,171 fans on October 20, 2001, in Youngstown, Ohio.
- In 2003, the Redbirds compiled 32 first downs against Youngstown State, which shares the record for the most first downs in a game at Stambaugh Stadium.
- Illinois State head coach Denver Johnson and YSU assistant coach Jerry Olsavsky are both former National Football League players. Johnson spent two seasons with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers, while Olsavsky played for the Pittsburgh Steelers from 1989-97 and appeared in Super Bowl XXX. Olsavsky finished his career in the NFL in 1998 with the Baltimore Ravens.
- ISU's Jarek Thomas and YSU's Jeremiah Wright and Josh Tanner were teammates at Edgewater H.S. in Orlando, Fla.
- The Redbirds' Niall Campbell and Bill Hronec were each teammates with YSU's Chris Goffer at Mt. Carmel High School in Chicago, Ill.
- ISU's Isaiah Wiggins (Prosser H.S.), Pierre Jackson (Harper) and Dan Weiner (New Trier) and YSU's Jim Phelan (DeLaSalle H.S.) and Chris Goffer (Mt. Carmel) are all from Chicago, Ill.
- Kelvyn Hemphill (O'Connor), Jermaine Malcolm (Holmes) and Brandon Wilson (John Jay) from Illinois State and YSU's Jabari Scott (Taft) are all from San Antonio, Texas.
- Illinois State's James Stevenson III and YSU's Marcus Mason both transferred to their current schools from Illinois.

## SISKOWIC TAKES THE FIFTH

For the fifth straight year the Gateway Football Conference's Defensive Player of the Year has been a Redbird. Cameron Siskowic added his name to the list recently, when the senior linebacker was named the league's top defender in 2006. The Illinois State streak, which is the longest in Gateway history, includes Siskowic, Brent Hawkins (2005) and Boomer Grigsby (2002, 2003 and 2004).

## REMBERT'S RAVE REVIEWS

Through 12 games, his first as ISU's featured running back, Pierre Rembert has gotten two thumbs up. With 135.75 rushing yards per game, Rembert ranks No. 6 nationally among running backs. He has also eclipsed the 1,500-yard mark for the season, becoming only the second running back to do so in Illinois State history, while also becoming the Redbirds all-time single-season rushing leader. Rembert has totaled a school record 1,629 rushing yards this season.

## TURNOVER TURNAROUND

Heading into the regular season finale, the Redbirds hadn't committed a turnover in over five games. That has all changed in the last two contests, with the Redbirds committing eight turnovers combined at Northern Iowa and at Eastern Illinois. In the first nine games of the season, the Redbirds surrendered only six turnovers.

## RE-RUNS ARE A RARITY, OR ARE THEY?

The Redbirds had not played a team twice in the same season since 1943, when ISU defeated Illinois Wesleyan 6-0 on October 23 and again on November 20, by a score of 12-6. However this season, the Redbirds have beaten Eastern Illinois twice and will be playing Youngstown State for the second time today.

## TWICE IS NICE

When Jason Tate and Jesse Caesar both returned interceptions for touchdowns against Eastern Illinois, it marked the first time that two ISU defenders had returned touchdowns in the same season since 2000. Dating back to at least 1969, it was also the first time that two teammates returned INT's for touchdowns in the same game.

## ROAD WARRIORS

The Redbirds own a 5-2 record on the road this season and dating back to last season, ISU boasts a 7-2 record in its last nine road games. Illinois State will be on the road for the fourth straight week this week at Youngstown State. The Redbirds haven't played four straight road games since the 1998 season, in which they finished with a 3-1 record.

## THE TALE OF THE TAPE

	ILS	YSU
Record	9-3	10-2
Points	29.7	32.3
Points Allowed	19.5	21.1
First Downs	243	238
Rushing Yards	168.3	228.4
Rushing Defense	142.7	153.2
Passing Yards	231.0	158.8
Passing Defense	191.4	192.9
Total Offense	399.3	387.2
Total Defense	334.1	346.2
Interceptions	17-274	11-200
Punt Return Avg.	6.7	8.7
Kickoff Return Avg.	20.3	18.8
Fumbles Lost	4	4
Penalties	54-483	67-582
Field Goals	11-19	11-14

## 'BIRD BESTS vs. YOUNGSTOWN ST.

### INDIVIDUAL\*

Rushing Yards	222, Brian Thompson, 10-23-04
Rushing TDs	3, Sam Zanders, 11-14-98
Passing Yards	295, Danny Barnett, 11-13-93
Completions	33, Lester Anderson, 9-21-96
TD Passes	3, twice; last by Dusty Burk, 10-30-99
Receptions	10, Ray Fouchea, 9-21-96
Receiving Yards	129, Kevin Glenn, 11-13-93
Receiving TDs	2, three times; last by Jacob Niete, 10-30-99
Tackles	23, Boomer Grigsby, 11-9-02
Tackles for Loss	5, Devon Finn, 11-14-98
Sacks	5, Devon Finn, 11-14-98
Interceptions	1, 11 times; last by Jarek Thomas, 10-29-06
Longest FG	56, Stephen Carroll, 11-9-02

### TEAM\*

Most Points	48, 11-14-98
Fewest Points	0, 11-1-97
Most Points Allowed	44, 10-20-01
Fewest Points Allowed	10, 11-13-93

\*modern era (1936 and later)

**THE REDBIRD CAREER RECORD BOOK****ISU Career Rushing**

1. Toby Davis (1989-92)	3,702
2. Willie Watts (1998-01)	3,210
3. Ron Bell (1970-72)	2,830
4. Larry Spinks (1973-76)	2,523
5. Pierre Rembert (2005-)	2,430

**ISU Career Rushing TDs**

1. Toby Davis (1989-92)	37
2. Pierre Rembert (2005-)	28
Willie Watts (1998-01)	28

**ISU Career 100-Yard Rushing Games**

1. Toby Davis (1989-92)	17
2. Willie Watts (1998-01)	15
3. Pierre Rembert (2005-)	14

**ISU Career Passing**

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-00)	8,251
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	6,238
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	5,712

**ISU Career Completions**

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-00)	663
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	554
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	402

**ISU Career TD Passes**

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-00)	62
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	49
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	41

**ISU Career Receptions**

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	185
2. Rickey Garrett (1996-99)	177

**ISU Career Receiving Yards**

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	2,918
2. Rickey Garrett (1996-99)	2,719

**ISU Career TD Receptions**

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	27
2. Rickey Garrett (1996-99)	22

**ISU Consecutive Games with a Catch**

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	34
2. Vito Golson (1999-02)	29

**ISU 100-Yard Career Receiving Games**

1. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	9
Rickey Garrett (1996-99)	9

**ISU Career Total Offense Yards**

1. Kevin Glenn (1997-00)	8,812
2. John Coppens (1981-84)	5,881
3. Luke Drone (2004-)	5,846

**ISU Career All-Purpose Yards**

1. Toby Davis (1989-92)	4,363
2. Willie Watts (1998-01)	3,940
3. Larry Spinks (1973-76)	3,499
4. Vic Northern (1987-90)	3,256
5. Aveion Cason (1998-99)	3,153
6. Kevin Jones (1980,82-84)	3,094
7. Ron Bell (1970-72)	2,972
8. Laurént Robinson (2003-)	2,923
9. Keith Goodnight (1992-95)	2,877
10. Pierre Rembert (2005-)	2,867

**ISU Career Tackles**

1. Boomer Grigsby (2001-04)	580
2. Galen Scott (1997-00)	579
3. Wilbert Brown (1988-91)	470
4. Chris Stevens (1992-95)	443
5. Ryan Szokola (1997-00)	397
6. Cameron Siskowic (2003-)	380

**HAIL CAESAR!**

Much like Julius Caesar, Jesse Caesar has a way of conquering his foes. Caesar's 45-yard interception return for a touchdown sealed the ISU playoff win over Eastern Illinois and was his second defensive touchdown of his career, after returning a fumble 69 yards at Iowa State in the 2005 season opener. The interception was also Caesar's second of the season, tying him for third on the team.

**DEFENSE WINS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

You hear the phrase a lot in football, but the ISU defense definitely kept the Redbirds' national championship hopes alive last Saturday. The 'Birds held the Panthers to just 138 yards of total offense and 59 yards rushing in the 24-13 win to advance to the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division I Football Championship playoffs. With three interceptions in the game, it also marked the first time that a Redbird defense recorded three picks in a game since 2004, when Antwann Oliver, Evan Allen-Gessesse and Alex Filin each recorded INT's against St. Xavier.

**OVERCOMING ADVERSITY**

ISU quarterback Luke Drone is one of the most efficient quarterbacks in ISU history, but even he has his bad days. Drone has thrown for four interceptions in a game twice in his career, including last week's win at Eastern Illinois. The only other time Drone threw for four INT's in a game was in 2005 at Youngstown State. However, if history repeats itself, the junior signal caller should bounce back this week against the Penguins and in possible future playoff contests. Following the four interceptions last season at Youngstown State, Drone completed 71.7 percent (71-99) of his passes in the next three games, and led the 'Birds to wins over two ranked opponents in Southern Illinois (No. 1) and Northern Iowa (No. 13)

**ROBINSON APPROACHING THREE GRAND**

Senior wide receiver Laurént Robinson enters the game at Youngstown State needing only 82 yards to post 3,000 receiving yards in his Illinois State career. With 3,000 career receiving yards, Robinson would become only the fifth player in Gateway Football Conference history to accomplish the feat.

**CLEANING THE STATE**

With the Redbirds' 24-13 win at Eastern Illinois in the Division I Football Championship last week it marked the fourth victory over schools from the state of Illinois this season. Earlier this season, the 'Birds downed Southern Illinois, 37-10, defeated Eastern Illinois, 44-3 in the regular season, and dropped Western Illinois, 27-14. The four Redbird victories over Illinois' schools hadn't happened since 1968 when ISU downed Illinois Wesleyan, Illinois-Chicago, Eastern Illinois, Western Illinois and Bradley all in the same season.

**SIMPLY THE BEST**

There isn't much doubt that Laurént Robinson is the best receiver to ever play at Illinois State. Robinson continued his takeover of the ISU record books at Indiana State. With his six-catch, 169-yard effort, Robinson became the all-time catch leader in ISU history and the leader in all-time receiving yards. The senior wideout now has 185 catches for 2,918 yards.

**THE THREE-HEADED MONSTER**

Chances are anything running through the middle of the Redbird defense is going to get hit. The chances are also good that it will be by a Redbird linebacker. The linebacking trio of Cameron Siskowic, Kye Stewart and Niall Campbell have each gone over the 100 tackle mark this season, the first time ISU has had three players with 100 stops since 1991. Siskowic has notched 140 tackles on the season and is second in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision with 11.67 tackles per game. Stewart has posted 123 stops, which ranks second in the conference and No. 7 nationally, while Campbell has 100 tackles on the season and ranks ninth in the conference and No. 66 nationally.

**ROBINSON RETURNS; COLLECTS NO. 34**

Reigning Gateway Football Conference Offensive Player of the Year Laurént Robinson returned to the Redbird line-up in the last four games. Robinson has responded with at least one catch in each game, which extended his school record of consecutive games played with a reception to 34.

**BEND, DON'T BREAK**

The Redbird defense is allowing 334.08 yards per game, which ranks No. 3 among Gateway teams, but ISU opponents haven't been able to convert them into points. On the season, ISU is allowing the league-best average with 19.50 points per game, which also ranks No. 29 nationally. The 'Birds have allowed 14 touchdowns in 33 red-zone trips (42 percent).

**DRONE: A WORKER QB**

Not only is quarterback Luke Drone a hard-worker, he is also efficient. In fact, he's the most efficient quarterback the Redbirds have ever had. For his career, Drone has posted a passing efficiency rating of 148.6, which is 21 points higher than the next highest ISU quarterback. His efficiency rating (144.27) this season is third in conference and ranks No. 17 in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision.

**GUNNIN' 'EM DOWN**

Cameron Siskowic is showing why he was named a Buck Buchanan Award watch list member in 2006, as the senior linebacker ranks second the nation in tackles. The San Diego, Calif., native is on pace to lead the Gateway Football Conference in tackles for the second straight season. As a result, Siskowic has totaled 380 tackles in his career at Illinois State, which ranks sixth in school history. He is only the 12th player in ISU history to total 300 or more tackles in a career.

**GETTING YOUR PICKS ON ROUTE 66**

With Hancock Stadium located just off nostalgic Route 66, the Redbird defense has been getting their kicks in 2006. Through 12 games, the 'Birds have intercepted 17 passes, which is tied for the fifth best team total in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision. The kicker is that the Redbirds have the most interceptions since 1989.

**TEN WITH A WIN**

With a victory today, Illinois State would earn its 10<sup>th</sup> win of the season. With nine wins, the Redbirds have achieved the second-highest win total in the 111-year history of the Illinois State football program, but 10 would put them within one victory of tying the school record, trailing only the 11-3 campaign of 1999.

**REMBERT'S DOUBLY GRAND**

Running back Pierre Rembert had already eclipsed the 1,000-yard rushing milestone this season and at Indiana State, he surpassed 2,000 career rushing yards for his career. ISU's offensive workhorse now has a school record 1,629 yards on the season on 331 attempts with 16 touchdowns. It is only the 12th time the 'Birds have had a 1,000-yard rusher in a season, but the fifth in the last seven years. Rembert's 2,430 career rushing yards rank No. 5 all-time.

**THE I-PASS**

The Redbird offense won't necessarily help at the toll booths, but it has been blowing through Gateway football stadiums with regularity the last three seasons. The Redbirds lead the Gateway with 231.0 passing yards per game. If ISU can stay on top in that category, it would mark the third straight season in which the Redbirds have led the conference in passing offense. The 'Birds would only be the third team to accomplish the feat, joining Northern Iowa and Western Illinois.

**APPLYING THE FULL NELSON**

That's exactly what sophomore free safety Tom Nelson has been doing to opposing quarterbacks this season, as he has picked off four passes this season. The 2005 Gateway Freshman of the Year leads the Redbirds in picks and ranks tied for No. 48 in the nation with 0.33 interceptions per game.

**DOUBTING THOMAS**

Lined up at the defensive tackle position, there is reason to be skeptical that Illinois State's Jarek Thomas has two interceptions on the year. But, it's true. Thomas' two interceptions are the most by a Redbird defensive lineman since 1974, when Rick Spain also snagged a pair of passes. Thomas intercepted a shovel pass against Central Arkansas, but later in the season he got the ultimate defensive lineman's dream with an interception returned for a touchdown against Youngstown State.

**ACTION JACKSON**

Despite having all-American wide receiver Laurént Robinson hobbled with an ankle injury, senior Pierre Jackson has emerged as an alternative deep threat for the Redbirds. "Jelly" has notched three 100-yard receiving games this season and leads the team with 44 catches for 746 yards. He has also added a team-high six receiving touchdowns.

**MOVING THE CHAINS**

The Redbird offense has taken advantage of every down this season, especially third down. In 166 attempts on third down, Illinois State has converted 83 of them, or 50 percent. The Redbird success rate on third down ranks as the fourth best in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision, the best of the remaining playoff teams. As a result, the 'Birds have collected 243 first downs on the season.

**REMBERT RUNNING WITH REGULARITY**

In 11 of the 12 games this season, including the first seven straight, Illinois State running back Pierre Rembert has rushed for 100 yards or more. With his streak of seven straight games to start the season, Rembert compiled the longest such string of 100-yard rushing games in ISU history, bettering the old mark by three games. His 11, 100-yard rushing games also sets the school standard for the most in a single season.

**MOVIN' ON UP**

In just his second season as a starter, Luke Drone is starting to creep up the charts in the ISU record book. With 5,712 career passing yards, Drone is in sole possession of the No. 3 spot on the all-time ISU passing list. He is now chasing John Coppens (1981-84) and needs 527 yards to move into second. He is also chasing Coppens in career completions. Drone has 402 in his career and needs 153 to move into second place in ISU history.

**THE START CHART****Offense**

	2006	Current	Steak	Career
Robinson (WR)	8	4		36
Downing (OL)	12	13		33
Mordis (TE)	12	14		30
Wiggins (OL)	12	27		27
Drone (QB)	12	23		23
Jackson (WR)	12	18		22
Rembert (TB)	11	1		16
Niklasch (OL)	12	12		13
Hartman (OL)	0	0		11
Horton (WR)	4	0		10
Joyce (OL)	10	10		10
Meredith (TE)	9	3		9
St-Pierre (OL)	8	8		8
Madsen (OL)	4	0		4
R. Rice (TB)	1	0		3
Lyon (OL)	2	0		2
Joynt (TE)	2	0		2
D. Passarelli (WR)	1	0		1

**Defense**

Martindale (DT)	12	35		44
Temple (DB)	12	34		37
C. Siskowic (LB)	11	11		32
Caesar (DB)	12	21		27
Campbell (LB)	11	11		24
Stewart (LB)	11	9		24
Nelson (FS)	12	23		23
Thomas (DT)	10	0		21
Kittrell (DB)	12	12		15
Stevenson (DE)	5	0		9
N. Passarelli (DB)	0	0		7
R. Tate (DL)	8	3		8
Blankenship (DL)	5	5		5
Simnick (DL)	4	1		4
Hunter (DL)	2	0		2
Filin (DL)	2	0		2
Cucci (LB)	1	0		1
Hawkins	1	0		1
Hronec (LB)	1	0		1
Lagrone (CB)	0	0		1

**RED ZONE**

	ISU	Opp.
at Kansas St.	4-4 (3 TDs, FG)	2-4 (2 FGs)
C. Arkansas	4-5 (4 FGs)	1-2 (FG)
E. Illinois	4-4 (3 TDs, FG)	4-4 (3 TDs, FG)
at Murray St.	4-5 (4 TDs)	1-1 (TD)
at Western Ky.	4-4 (4 TDs)	3-4 (TD, 2 FGs)
S. Illinois	4-6 (3 TDs, FG)	2-3 (TD, FG)
at W. Illinois	5-6 (3 TDs, 2 FGs)	2-2 (2 TDs)
Y'stown St.	1-1 (TD)	4-5 (4 TDs)
Missouri St.	5-6 (4 TDs, 1 FG)	2-5 (2 TDs)
at Indiana St.	4-5 (4 TDs)	2-3 (TD, FG)
at N. Iowa	3-4 (3 TDs)	3-4 (2 TDs, FG)
at E. Illinois	2-3 (TD, FG)	0-0

**POINTS OFF TURNOVERS**

	ISU	Opp.
at Kansas St.	3	11
C. Arkansas	0	0
E. Illinois	17	7
at Murray St.	14	0
at Western Ky.	0	3
S. Illinois	3	0
at W. Illinois	0	0
Y'stown St.	7	0
Missouri St.	14	0
at Indiana St.	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	14
at E. Illinois	14	10

**THE REDBIRD SEASON RECORD BOOK****ISU Season Rushing**

1. Pierre Rembert (304-1507) - 2006	1,629
2. Toby Davis (341-1561) - 1992	1,561

**ISU Season Rushing Attempts**

1. Toby Davis - 1992	341
2. Pierre Rembert (304-1507) - 2006	331

**ISU Season Rushing TDs**

1. Toby Davis - 1992	20
2. Pierre Rembert - 2006	16

**ISU Season Passing Completions**

1. Kevin Glenn (249-407-11) - 1998	249
2. Luke Drone (214-332-12) - 2005	214
Lester Anderson (214-384-10) - 1996	214
4. Yance Vaughan (204-401-21) - 2004	204
5. Kevin Glenn (191-361-13) - 1997	191
6. Danny Barnett (190-311-7) - 1993	190
7. Luke Drone (171-289-5) - 2006	187

**ISU Season Passing Yards**

1. Kevin Glenn (249-407-11) - 1998	3,037
2. Luke Drone (214-332-12) - 2005	2,930
3. Luke Drone (171-289-5) - 2006	2,772

**ISU Season TD Passes**

1. Kevin Glenn - 1998	26
2. Luke Drone - 2005	22
3. Luke Drone - 2006	19
Dusty Burk - 1999	19

**ISU Season Pass Completion Percentage**

1. Luke Drone (214-332-12) - 2005	64.5
2. Dusty Burk (174-275-10) - 1999	63.3
3. Kevin Glenn (249-407-11) - 1998	61.2
4. Danny Barnett (190-311-7) - 1993	61.1
5. Joel Bosman (115-197-11) - 1994	58.4
6. Luke Drone (187-322-9) - 2006	58.1

**ISU Season Passing Efficiency**

1. Luke Drone (214-332-12) - 2005	153.20
2. Luke Drone (187-322-9) - 2006	144.27

**ALL-AMERICA U**

ISU has produced at least one all-American player in 20 of its last 23 seasons. Over the last seven seasons, 27 players from 11 different positions have been honored. Laurént Robinson, Brent Hawkins, Stafford Davis and Cameron Siskowic were all consensus selections in 2005.

**TRANSFERABLE**

Since 1993, when the NCAA rules changed to allow players immediate eligibility at the I-AA level, Illinois State has had 44 players transfer from I-A schools. ISU's I-A transfers on this year's roster include: Alan Abrams (RB, Ole Miss); Adam Blankenship (DL, Nebraska); Pierre Jackson (WR, Minnesota); Brandon Joyce (OL, Indiana); Dan Passarelli (WR, Northern Illinois); Pierre Rembert (RB, Michigan); Cameron Siskowic (LB, Washington St.); Jonathan St-Pierre (OL, Miami (Fla.)) and James Stevenson III (DL, Illinois).

**MEN OF HONOR**

The Redbird football team concluded the spring semester with 35 players on the AFNI Athletics Honor Roll, a new team record. The Redbirds also compiled a 2.68 grade point average for the semester, which was the highest team GPA by the football team in over a decade.

**40 DAYS AND 40 NIGHTS**

Actually it is a little less than 67 days – that's how many straight 24-hour days a person would have to work to equal the 1,595 community service hours that the Illinois State football team put in last academic year. Typically, the goal for the entire athletic department is 1,000, but the Redbird gridders put in 1,595 hours themselves.

**SOMEBODY'S WATCHING**

For the fifth straight season, the Illinois State football team has had some of its members under a watchful eye. This season, both Pierre Rembert and Cameron Siskowic have been put on watch. Siskowic has been on the 2006 Buck Buchanan Award watch all season, after finishing as a finalist for the top defensive honor in the Division I Football Championship Subdivision. Rembert, on the other hand, was added to the 2006 Walter Payton Award watch list on the final revision and finished 11th in the voting with 59 tallies. Meanwhile, Denver Johnson is also on the final ballot for the Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year Award.

**ILLINOIS STATE STARTERS GAME-BY-GAME**

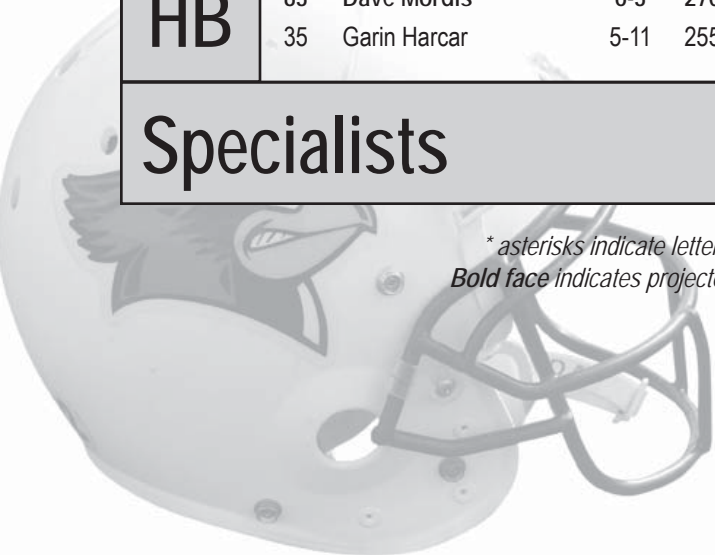
OFFENSE	WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	TB	HB	QB	WR
at Kansas St.	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	Madsen	Downing	Lyon	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
C. Arkansas	Horton	Wiggins	Niklasch	Madsen	Downing	Lyon	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
E. Illinois	Horton	Wiggins	Niklasch	Madsen	Downing	Joyce	Joynt	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at Murray St.	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	Madsen	Downing	Joyce	Joynt	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at Western Ky.	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
S. Illinois	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at W. Illinois	D. Passarelli	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
Y'stown St.	Horton	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
Missouri St.	Horton	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Robinson (WR)	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at Indiana St.	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	Rembert	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at N. Iowa	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	R. Rice	Mordis	Drone	Jackson
at E. Illinois	Robinson	Wiggins	Niklasch	St-Pierre	Downing	Joyce	Meredith	R. Rice	Mordis	Drone	Jackson

DEFENSE	DE	DT	DT	DE	SLB	MLB	WLB	CB	SS	FS	CB
at Kansas St.	Stevenson	Martindale	Thomas	R. Tate	Cucci	Hronec	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
C. Arkansas	Stevenson	Martindale	Thomas	R. Tate	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
E. Illinois	Stevenson	Martindale	Thomas	R. Tate	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Hawkins	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at Murray St.	Stevenson	Martindale	Thomas	R. Tate	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at Western Ky.	Stevenson	Martindale	Thomas	R. Tate	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
S. Illinois	Martindale	Simnick	Thomas	Filin	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at W. Illinois	Martindale	Simnick	Thomas	Filin	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
Y'stown St.	Martindale	Simnick	Hunter	Blankenship	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
Missouri St.	Martindale	Hunter	Thomas	Blankenship	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at Indiana St.	R. Tate	Martindale	Thomas	Blankenship	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at N. Iowa	R. Tate	Martindale	Thomas	Blankenship	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell
at E. Illinois	R. Tate	Martindale	Simnick	Blankenship	C. Siskowic	Campbell	Stewart	Caesar	Temple	Nelson	Kittrell

## ILLINOIS STATE'S PROJECTED TWO-DEEP

Offense						Defense					
<b>WR</b>	81	Laurént Robinson	6-2	195	Sr.	<b>DE</b>	95	Ronnie Tate	6-3	260	Sr.
	86	Jason Horton**	6-0	185	Jr.		99	James Stevenson III*	6-3	250	Sr.
<b>LT</b>	66	Isaiah Wiggins**	6-3	290	Jr.	<b>DT</b>	73	Justin Martindale***	6-2	255	Sr.
	71	Jeff Huntzinger*	6-3	285	Jr.		97	Kaschiev Hunter*	6-2	290	So.
<b>LG</b>	69	Joe Niklasch*	6-4	280	So.	<b>DT</b>	94	Jarek Thomas**	6-3	275	Jr.
	65	Billy Speiser	6-5	295	Jr.		90	Dan Simnick*	6-2	260	Jr.
<b>C</b>	61	Jonathan St-Pierre	6-3	301	So.	<b>DE</b>	93	Adam Blankenship	6-2	245	So.
	68	Erik Madsen	6-3	285	So.		57	Brandon Wilson	6-2	210	Fr.
<b>RG</b>	75	Janiah Downing***	6-3	310	Sr.	<b>SLB</b>	40	Cameron Siskowic***	6-2	225	Sr.
	71	Jeff Huntzinger*	6-3	285	Jr.		48	Pat Cucci*	6-1	240	So.
<b>RT</b>	78	Brandon Joyce	6-5	310	Jr.	<b>MLB</b>	44	Niall Campbell***	6-2	230	Sr.
	71	Jeff Huntzinger*	6-3	285	Jr.		59	Bill Hronec**	6-2	225	Jr.
<b>TE</b>	47	Kedric Meredith*	6-3	260	So.	<b>WLB</b>	6	Kye Stewart**	6-0	205	Jr.
	42	Jeremy Joynt	6-3	255	Jr.		34	Marques Hawkins*	5-8	210	Sr.
<b>WR</b>	4	Pierre Jackson**	6-1	175	Sr.	<b>CB</b>	1	Jesse Caesar**	5-11	185	Jr.
	10	Jake Rourke*	6-3	185	So.		23	Lamont Lagrone*	5-10	175	Sr.
<b>QB</b>	7	Luke Drone**	6-2	210	Jr.	<b>FS</b>	9	Tom Nelson*	6-0	195	So.
	16	Preston Earl	6-2	210	Fr.		31	Jeremy Foster	6-3	205	So.
<b>TB</b>	5	Pierre Rembert*	6-0	220	Sr.	<b>SS</b>	28	James Temple***	6-0	210	Sr.
	2	Rafael Rice*	5-11	220	Jr.		30	Garry Roberts*	6-2	210	Jr.
<b>HB</b>	83	Dave Mordis**	6-3	270	Jr.	<b>CB</b>	25	Leon Kitrell***	5-9	165	Sr.
	35	Garin Harcar	5-11	255	RFr.		37	Jason Tate	5-11	175	Fr.
<b>Specialists</b>						<b>K</b>	36	Kevin Mazur*	5-10	195	So.
							19	Bobby Kelsey*	6-1	225	So.
						<b>P</b>	19	Bobby Kelsey*	6-1	225	So.
							36	Kevin Mazur*	5-10	195	So.

\* asterisks indicate letters earned  
**Bold face** indicates projected starter



**ILLINOIS STATE STARTER NOTES****REDBIRD OFFENSE**

LT	66	Isaiah Wiggins** (Jr. • 6-3 • 290 • Chicago, Ill.)	Began playing the trumpet in elementary school and has been playing it for nine years.
LG	69	Joe Niklasch (So. • 6-4 • 280 • Hartland, Wis.)	An avid Packer fan who, during high school, worked as a janitor at local elementary school.
C	61	Jonathan St-Pierre (So. • 6-3 • 301 • Longueuil, Quebec)	A certified scuba diver who never had the time at Miami, but frequents the lakes of Quebec.
RG	75	Janiah Downing*** (Sr. • 6-3 • 310 • North Marion, Fla.)	The last three summers worked as a Preview guide, an orientation program for incoming ISU students.
RT	78	Brandon Joyce (Jr. • 6-5 • 310 • St. Charles, Mo.)	While in high school, appeared in the Sharpie commercial with Terrell Owens.
WR	81	Laurént Robinson*** (Sr. • 6-2 • 195 • Rockledge, Fla.)	For two years in high school, 10 people, all of which were family, lived in his four-bedroom house.
WR	4	Pierre Jackson** (Sr. • 6-1 • 175 • Chicago, Ill.)	Nicknamed "Jelly;" away from football likes to spend time with his 3-year-old daughter, Itali.
TE	47	Kedric Meredith* (So. • 6-3 • 260 • Peoria, Ill.)	For the last two years has been playing the bass guitar, but can't find the time to join a band.
QB	7	Luke Drone** (Jr. • 6-2 • 210 • Mt. Carmel, Ill.)	Selected for the 2006 NCAA Leadership Conference; 2006-07 SAAC Educational Outreach Coordinator.
RB	5	Pierre Rembert* (Sr. • 6-0 • 220 • Milwaukee, Wis.)	Eats McDonald's at least five times a week; favorite meal is a Big Mac with no pickles, no onions and extra sauce.
FB	83	Dave Mordis** (Jr. • 6-3 • 270 • Palos Park, Ill.)	Owns two dogs, a german shepherd and a shiba inu; enjoys riding around campus on his moped.

**REDBIRD DEFENSE**

DE	95	Ronnie Tate* (Sr. • 6-3 • 260 • Glendale, Ariz.)	Spent his summer working an internship with the Bloomington-Normal Sports Commission.
DT	73	Justin Martindale*** (Sr. • 6-2 • 255 • Wadsworth, Ill.)	Loves to play with toys which are built for speed; owns a jet ski, four-wheeler and a motorcycle.
DT	94	Jarek Thomas** (Jr. • 6-3 • 275 • Orlando, Fla.)	Enjoys cooking, especially soul food, including his favorite dish – BBQ ribs and pork chops.
DE	93	Adam Blankenship (So. • 6-2 • 245 • Tulsa, Okla.)	His father, Bill, was Denver Johnson's roommate in college and coached Justin Fuente at Union HS.
WLB	6	Kye Stewart** (Jr. • 6-0 • 205 • Nashville, Tenn.)	A certified scuba diver, he has dove throughout the state of Florida with his dad, who is also certified.
MLB	44	Niall Campbell*** (Sr. • 6-2 • 230 • Lemont, Ill.)	After college will be focusing on a career in physical therapy.
SLB	40	Cameron Siskowic*** (Sr. • 6-2 • 225 • San Diego, Calif.)	A six-year cancer survivor that grew up surfing, snow boarding and wake boarding.
CB	25	Leon Kittrell*** (Sr. • 5-9 • 165 • Oak Creek, Wis.)	A world-class drummer who plays in two bands on campus – Blue Print and Soft Spoken.
FS	9	Tom Nelson* (So. • 6-0 • 195 • Arlington Heights, Ill.)	Likes to spend his off-weekends golfing with his dad, and favorite course is Rolling Green Country Club.
SS	28	James Temple*** (Sr. • 6-0 • 210 • Savannah, Ga.)	Has been playing the acoustic guitar for over a year and enjoys playing allegro music.
CB	1	Jesse Caesar** (Jr. • 5-11 • 185 • Rockledge, Fla.)	An avid artist who likes to draw particularly in pencil or pen.

**REDBIRD SPECIAL TEAMS**

PK	36	Kevin Mazur* (Fr. • 5-10 • 195 • Mt. Prospect, Ill.)	Fired a 23-under-par on Tiger Woods 2007, a Playstation 2 game, during fall camp.
KO	19	Bobby Kelsey* (Fr. • 6-1 • 225 • Channahon, Ill.)	Worked out this summer with former ISU punter Mike McCabe and Florida's Urban Meyer, a former ISU assistant.
P	19	Bobby Kelsey* (Fr. • 6-1 • 225 • Channahon, Ill.)	Worked out this summer with former ISU punter Mike McCabe and Florida's Urban Meyer, a former ISU assistant.
LS	43	Jake Weber*** (Sr. • 6-2 • 233 • Peoria, Ill.)	Interned over the summer with PricewaterhouseCoopers.
HD	7	Luke Drone** (Jr. • 6-2 • 210 • Mt. Carmel, Ill.)	Selected for the 2006 NCAA Leadership Conference; 2006-07 SAAC Educational Outreach Coordinator.
KR	5	Pierre Rembert* (Sr. • 6-0 • 220 • Milwaukee, Wis.)	Eats McDonald's at least five times a week; favorite meal is a Big Mac with no pickles, no onions and extra sauce.
	9	Tom Nelson* (So. • 6-0 • 195 • Arlington Heights, Ill.)	Likes to spend his off-weekends golfing with his dad, and favorite course is Rolling Green Country Club.
PR	86	Jason Horton** (Jr. • 6-0 • 185 • Bolingbrook, Ill.)	Played ice hockey during the seventh and eighth grade.



**ILLINOIS STATE'S ALPHABETICAL TRAVEL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown (Last School)
27	Alan Abrams	RB	6-0	205	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. (Mississippi)
93	Adam Blankenship	DL	6-2	245	So.	Tulsa, Okla. (Nebraska)
22	Geno Blow	RB	5-11	190	Fr.	Seabrook, Texas (Clear Lake)
12	Kevin Brockway*	QB	6-4	225	So.	Crystal Lake, Ill. (South)
1	Jesse Caesar**	DB	5-11	185	Jr.	Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge)
44	Niall Campbell***	LB	6-2	230	Sr.	Lemont, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
51	Brennan Carroll	LB	6-2	215	So.	Hoffman Estates, Ill. (Hoffman Estates HS)
48	Pat Cucci*	LB	6-1	240	So.	Winter Springs, Fla. (Winter Springs)
75	Janiah Downing***	OL	6-3	310	Sr.	North Marion, Fla. (North Marion)
7	Luke Drone**	QB	6-2	210	Jr.	Mt. Carmel, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)
16	Preston Earl	QB	6-2	210	Fr.	Lincolnshire, Ill. (Stevenson)
3	Alex Filin***	DL	6-4	220	Sr.	Skokie, Ill. (Niles West)
31	Jeremy Foster	DB	6-3	205	So.	Bloomington, Ill. (University)
14	Tyler Funk	P/K	6-0	165	Fr.	Racine, Wis. (William Horlick)
35	Garin Harcar	RB	5-11	255	RFr.	Grand Ridge, Ill. (Ottawa)
34	Marques Hawkins*	LB	5-8	210	Sr.	Chandler, Ariz. (Phoenix College)
11	Kelvyn Hemphill	DB	6-2	175	Fr.	San Antonio, Texas (O'Connor)
86	Jason Horton**	WR	6-0	185	Jr.	Bolingbrook, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)
59	Bill Hronec**	LB	6-2	225	Jr.	Evergreen Park, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)
97	Kaschiev Hunter*	DL	6-2	290	So.	Marietta, Ga. (Harrison)
71	Jeff Huntzinger*	OL	6-3	285	Jr.	Tulsa, Okla. (Union)
4	Pierre Jackson**	WR	6-1	175	Sr.	Chicago, Ill. (Minnesota)
78	Brandon Joyce	OL	6-5	310	Jr.	St. Charles, Mo. (Indiana)
42	Jeremy Joynt	TE	6-3	255	Jr.	Emmetsburg, Iowa (Iowa Central CC)
77	Muhammad Kahlun	OL	6-4	290	RFr.	Garland, Texas (Lakeview Centennial)
84	Clint Keller	TE	6-3	250	Jr.	Lexington, Ky. (Paul Laurence Dunbar)
19	Bobby Kelsey*	K/P	6-1	225	So.	Channahon, Ill. (Providence Catholic)
25	Leon Kittrell***	DB	5-9	165	Sr.	Oak Creek, Wis. (Oak Creek)
23	Lamont Lagrone*	DB	5-10	175	Sr.	Houston, Texas (East Mississippi CC)
68	Erik Madsen	OL	6-3	285	So.	Bolingbrook, Ill. (Joliet Catholic)
73	Justin Martindale***	DL	6-2	255	Sr.	Wadsworth, Ill. (Warren Township)
36	Kevin Mazur*	K/P	5-10	195	So.	Mt. Prospect, Ill. (John Hersey)
85	Warren McCarty	WR	6-4	200	RFr.	Roscoe, Ill. (Hononegah)
47	Kedric Meredith*	FB	6-3	260	So.	Peoria, Ill. (Richwoods)
83	Dave Mordis**	TE	6-3	270	Jr.	Palos Park, Ill. (Stagg)
9	Tom Nelson*	DB	6-0	195	So.	Arlington Heights, Ill. (John Hersey)
69	Joe Niklasch*	OL	6-4	280	So.	Hartland, Wis. (Arrowhead)
80	Dan Passarelli**	WR	5-11	190	Jr.	Naperville, Ill. (Northern Illinois)
5	Pierre Rembert*	RB	6-0	220	Sr.	Milwaukee, Wis. (Michigan)
2	Rafael Rice*	RB	5-11	220	Jr.	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Fullerton JC)
30	Garry Roberts*	DB	6-2	210	Jr.	Edna, Texas (Edna)
81	Laurént Robinson***	WR	6-2	195	Sr.	Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge)
10	Jake Rourke*	WR	6-3	185	So.	Chatham, Ill. (Glenwood)
90	Dan Simnick*	DL	6-2	260	Jr.	Naperville, Ill. (North)
40	Cameron Siskowic***	LB	6-2	225	Sr.	San Diego, Calif. (Washington St.)
45	Kyle Siskowic	LB	6-1	220	RFr.	San Diego, Calif. (Clairemont)
60	Tom Speer	DL	6-4	215	RFr.	Macomb, Ill. (Macomb)
65	Billy Speiser	OL	6-5	295	Jr.	Warrenton, Mo. (Iowa Central CC)
99	James Stevenson III*	DL	6-3	250	Jr.	Franklinville, N.J. (Illinois)
6	Kye Stewart**	LB	6-0	205	Jr.	Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)
61	Jonathan St-Pierre	OL	6-3	301	So.	Longueuil, Quebec (Miami (Fla.))
37	Jason Tate	DB	5-11	175	Fr.	Lake Mary, Fla. (Seminole)
95	Ronnie Tate*	DL	6-3	260	Sr.	Glendale, Ariz. (Glendale CC)
28	James Temple***	DB	6-0	210	Sr.	Savannah, Ga. (Savannah)
94	Jarek Thomas**	DL	6-3	275	Jr.	Orlando, Fla. (Edgewater)
43	Jake Weber***	LS	6-2	235	Sr.	Peoria, Ill. (Dunlap)
41	Dan Weiner	WR	6-1	190	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Palomar College)
58	Mark Whitaker*	LB	6-1	210	Jr.	Moline, Ill. (Drake)
66	Isaiah Wiggins**	OL	6-3	290	Jr.	Chicago, Ill. (Prosser)
57	Brandon Wilson	DL	6-2	210	Fr.	San Antonio, Texas (John Jay)

**NUMERICAL TRAVEL ROSTER**

No.	Name	Pos.	No.	Name	Pos.
1	Jesse Caesar	DB	45	Kyle Siskowic	LB
2	Rafael Rice	RB	47	Kedric Meredith	FB
3	Alex Filin	DL	48	Pat Cucci	LB
4	Pierre Jackson	WR	51	Brennan Carroll	LB
5	Pierre Rembert	RB	57	Brandon Wilson	DL
6	Kye Stewart	LB	58	Mark Whitaker	LB
7	Luke Drone	QB	59	Bill Hronec	LB
9	Tom Nelson	DB	60	Tom Speer	DL
10	Jake Rourke	WR	61	Jonathan St-Pierre	OL
11	Kelvyn Hemphill	DB	65	Billy Speiser	OL
12	Kevin Brockway	QB	66	Isaiah Wiggins	OL
14	Tyler Funk	PK	68	Erik Madsen	OL
16	Preston Earl	QB	69	Joe Niklasch	OL
19	Bobby Kelsey	K/P	71	Jeff Huntzinger	OL
22	Geno Blow	RB	73	Justin Martindale	DL
23	Lamont Lagrone	DB	75	Janiah Downing	OL
25	Leon Kittrell	DB	77	Muhammad Kahlun	OL
27	Alan Abrams	RB	78	Brandon Joyce	OL
28	James Temple	DB	80	Dan Passarelli	WR
30	Garry Roberts	DB	81	Laurént Robinson	WR
31	Jeremy Foster	DB	83	Dave Mordis	TE
34	Marques Hawkins	LB	84	Clint Keller	TE
35	Garin Harcar	FB	85	Warren McCarty	WR
36	Kevin Mazur	K/P	86	Jason Horton	WR
37	Jason Tate	DB	90	Dan Simnick	DL
40	Cameron Siskowic	LB	93	Adam Blankenship	DL
41	Dan Weiner	WR	94	Jarek Thomas	DL
42	Jeremy Joynt	TE	95	Ronnie Tate	DL
43	Jake Weber	LS	97	Kaschiev Hunter	DL
44	Niall Campbell	LB	99	James Stevenson	DL

**PRONUNCIATIONS**

Jesse Caesar	SEE-zahr
Niall Campbell	NILE
Pat Cucci	COO-chee
Luke Drone	rhymes with bone
Alex Filin	FILL-in
Brent Gritton	GRIT-on
Garin Harcar	GARE-in HAR-car
Marques Hawkins	MAR-kuss
Bill Hronec	RON-ick
Kaschiev Hunter	ka-SHEEV
Muhammad Kahlun	ka-LOON
Greg Laffere	LA-fair
Lamont Lagrone	la-GROWN
Joe Niklasch	NICK-lash
Dan Passarelli	PASS-uh-rel-ee
Nick Passarelli	PASS-uh-rel-ee
Mike Piton	last name rhymes with "kitten"
Laurént Robinson	Loor-RAUNT
Cameron Siskowic	SIS-co-wick
Kyle Siskowic	SIS-co-wick
Dan Weiner	WYE-ner

**ILLINOIS STATE'S SERIES HISTORY AGAINST YOUNGSTOWN STATE***Youngstown State leads 8-7*

1979	8-Sep	27	33	H	L
1992	10-Oct	10	34	A	L
1993	13-Nov	13	10	H	W
1995	18-Nov	30	13	A	W
1996	21-Sep	31	28	H	W
1997	1-Nov	0	13	A	L
1998	14-Nov	48	14	H	W
1999	30-Oct	31	28	A	W
2000	7-Oct	12	14	H	L
2001	20-Oct	30	44	A	L
2002	9-Nov	17	24	H	L
2003	25-Oct	35	25	A	W
2004	23-Oct	30	24	H	W
2005	1-Oct	17	20	A	L
2006	28-Oct	13	27	H	L

**#10 Youngstown St. 27, #3 ISU. 13**October 28, 2006 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 15,372**► GAME SUMMARY*****No. 10 YSU Hands No. 3 ISU First Home Loss, 27-13***

NORMAL, Ill. – In a battle between two of the nation's best running attacks, Illinois State was out-rushed 345-18 as No. 10 Youngstown State defeated No. 3 Illinois State, 27-13, in front of 15,372 at Hancock Stadium on Saturday. Youngstown State held ISU to its lowest offensive output since 2002 (161 total yards), when the Penguins held the 'Birds to 198 yards, and snapped ISU's season-best six game winning streak.

Illinois State was unable to get its high-powered offense going against YSU as senior running back Pierre Rembert had his school record of seven straight 100-yard rushing games snapped and junior quarterback Luke Drone was held to 143 yards passing on 10 completions and zero touchdowns. Rembert, who had been averaging 148.86 yards per contest, was limited to a season-low 11 yards rushing.

Youngstown State got on the board first by scoring on its opening possession. Tailback Marcus Mason capped off a 12-play, 61-yard drive that took 7:27 off the clock, with a rush from one yard out. The Penguins had to settle for the 6-0 lead when kicker Brain Palmer pushed his PAT attempt wide right.

The Penguins were looking to extend their lead in the second quarter when ISU junior defensive tackle Jarek Thomas picked off his second pass of the season and ran it back for a 28-yard touchdown. Thomas tapped a pass by YSU quarterback Tom Zetts on 2-and-17 to himself on his way to his first career touchdown that gave the 'Birds a short-lived 7-6 lead with 9:58 remaining in the half.

YSU responded to take the lead 12-7 on the following possession when running back Monquantae Gibson ran for a 17-yard touchdown. Youngstown State wasted little time as it marched down the field on a 4-play, 69-yard drive, that took just 1:38 off the clock. The Penguins failed on their second consecutive PAT when Redbird junior defensive tackle Dan Simnick reached up and blocked Palmer's attempt.

The Penguins extended their lead to 20-7 with 3:04 left in the third quarter when Mason scored on his second rushing touchdown of the game, this time from seven yards out.

The Redbirds scored their first offensive touchdown of the game and cut the YSU lead to 20-13 with 11:38 left in the fourth quarter, when senior running back Rembert scored on a rush from two yards out. ISU failed to convert on its PAT when sophomore kicker Kevin Mazur missed wide right.

**► SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Youngstown St. (7-2)	6	6	8	7	27
ILLINOIS STATE (6-2)	0	7	0	6	13

**FIRST QUARTER**

YSU – Mason 1-yard run (kick failed), 7:27

**SECOND QUARTER**

ISU – Thomas 28-yard interception return (Mazur kick), 9:58

YSU – Gibson 17-yard run (kick blocked), 8:09

**THIRD QUARTER**

YSU – Mason 7-yard run (Irizarry pass from Zetts), 3:04

**FOURTH QUARTER**

ISU – Rembert 2-yard run (kick failed), 11:38

YSU – Zetts 1-yard run (Palmer kick), 4:43

**► TEAM STATISTICS**

	YSU	ISU
First Downs	24	9
Rushing Attempts-Yards	55-345	23-18
Passing	9-17-1	10-31-0
Passing Yards	93	143
Total Offense	438	161
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	8-60	1-5
Time of Possession	37:01	22:59

**► INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (YSU) – Mason 34-176, Zetts 12-110, Gibson 4-33, Ison 5-26. (ISU) – R. Rice 3-17, Rembert 14-11, Drone 6-(-10).

**PASSING:** (YSU) – Zetts 9-17-1-93. (ISU) – Drone 10-31-0-143.

**RECEIVING:** (YSU) – Peterson 6-66, Irizarry 1-14, Mason 1-9, Berry 1-4. (ISU) – D. Passarelli 3-49, Rembert 3-15, Jackson 2-34, Rourke 1-23, Mordis 1-22.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (YSU) – Cotton 2-57, Goffer 4-2-6, Griffin 4-0-4, Phelan 2-2-4, Koval 1-3-4. (ISU) – C. Siskowic 7-8-15, Stewart 4-9-13, Campbell 2-9-11, Temple 8-1-9, Caesar 4-2-6.

**2006 GATEWAY FINAL STANDINGS**

	GATEWAY			OVERALL		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Youngstown State	6	1	.857	10	2	.833
<b>Illinois State</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>.714</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>.750</b>
Northern Iowa	5	2	.714	7	4	.636
Southern Illinois	4	3	.571	9	3	.750
Western Kentucky	4	3	.571	6	5	.500
Western Illinois	2	5	.286	5	6	.455
Missouri State	1	6	.143	2	9	.182
Indiana State	1	6	.143	1	10	.091

**2006 PRESEASON POLL**

1. Northern Iowa (22)	239
2. Youngstown State (7)	208
3. Illinois State (2)	190
4. Southern Illinois	160
5. Western Kentucky (1)	141
6. Western Illinois	103
7. Missouri State	79
8. Indiana State	32

**SCHOLAR-BALLER™**

During the 2006 season, the players listed on the left will wear the patch (shown below) on their uniform to signify their scholar baller™ status.

**ISU's 2005-06 Scholar Ballers™ (2.75 GPA or higher)**

Chance Allard #	Brian Arndt \$
Tristian Borzick \$	Mike Brewer
Kevin Brockway	Mike Calegari #
Niall Campbell	Brennan Carroll
Stephen Carroll #	Wally Cirafesi
Montel Conner \$	Graham Corcoran #
Pat Cucci	Stafford Davis \$
Jonathan Denley	Janiah Downing
Luke Drone \$	Greg Faulkner #
Alex Filin	Eric Follmer
Barry Hartman	Marcus Hayden
Osric Hayes #	Bill Hronec \$
Pierre Jackson \$	Kurt James
Muhammad Kahlun \$	Kyle Korth \$
Ansu Kpandeyenge #	Kevin Kreger
Anthony Kummer	Keith Lesniak #
Jonathan Lyon	Justin Martindale
Warren McCarty	Kedric Meredith
Matt Miglin	Tom Nelson#
Joe Niklasch	Nick Passarelli #
Jeremy Redic #	Rafael Rice
Laurént Robinson	William Rolle
Eyad Salem #	Dan Simnick
Cameron Siskowic \$	Kyle Siskowic \$
Babatunde Soyebó #	Mike Stegeman
Kye Stewart #	James Temple #
Jarek Thomas	Ryan Thorne #
Robert Tomei #	Tom Walters #
Jake Weber #	Dan Weiner #
Bert Whigham #	Mark Whitaker
Isaiah Wiggins	Sam Yeargin \$

# indicates Spring 2006 only member; \$ indicates Fall 2005 only member

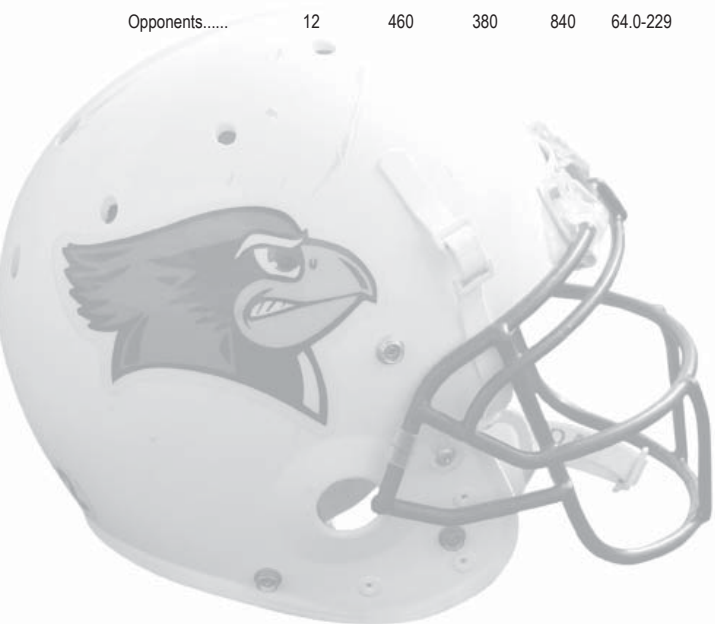
**2006 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM STATISTICS**

TEAM STATISTICS	ISU	OPP			
SCORING	356	234			
Points Per Game	29.7	19.5			
FIRST DOWNS	243	208			
Rushing	116	103			
Passing	114	99			
Penalty	13	6			
RUSHING YARDAGE	2020	1712			
Yards gained rushing	2287	1900			
Yards lost rushing	267	188			
Rushing Attempts	483	409			
Average Per Rush	4.2	4.2			
Average Per Game	168.3	142.7			
TDs Rushing	25	12			
PASSING YARDAGE	2772	2297			
Att-Comp-Int	324-187-10	340-194-17			
Average Per Pass	8.6	6.8			
Average Per Catch	14.8	11.8			
Average Per Game	231.0	191.4			
TDs Passing	19	13			
TOTAL OFFENSE	4792	4009			
Total Plays	807	749			
Average Per Play	5.9	5.4			
Average Per Game	399.3	334.1			
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	35-709	51-1005			
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	18-120	14-127			
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	17-274	10-132			
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	20.3	19.7			
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	6.7	9.1			
INT RETURN AVERAGE	16.1	13.2			
FUMBLES-LOST	8-4	12-5			
PENALTIES-YARDS	54-483	66-538			
Average Per Game	40.2	44.8			
PUNTS-YARDS	42-1676	50-1834			
Average Per Punt	39.9	36.7			
Net punt average	33.1	33.5			
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	30:49	29:08			
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	83/166	66/158			
3rd-Down Pct	50%	42%			
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	8/14	8/20			
4th-Down Pct	57%	40%			
SACKS BY-YARDS	19-109	15-90			
MISC YARDS	0	0			
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	47	28			
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	11-19	13-18			
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-1	0-1			
RED-ZONE SCORES	40-49 82%	22-33 67%			
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	30-49 61%	14-33 42%			
PAT-ATTEMPTS	41-43 95%	23-26 88%			
ATTENDANCE	64021	85774			
Games/Avg Per Game	5/12804	7/12253			
Neutral Site Games		0/0			
SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Illinois State	58	108	85	105	356
Opponents	50	83	45	56	234



**2006 ILLINOIS STATE DEFENSIVE STATISTICS**

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	TACKLES				SACKS		PASS DEF			FUMBLES		BLKD	
		SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFL/YDS	NO-YARDS	INT-YDS	BRUP	QBH	RCV-YDS	FF	KICK	SAF	
40 Siskowic,Cameron	12	65	75	140	5.0-9	2.0-2	2-2	1	2	.	2	.	.	
6 Stewart,Kye	11	56	67	123	10.5-31	2.0-16	.	3	1	.	.	.	.	
44 Campbell,Niall	12	48	52	100	7.0-22	2.0-16	1-24	5	1	.	2	.	.	
28 Temple,James	12	34	23	57	0.5-1	.	3-32	8	.	.	2	.	.	
1 Caesar,Jesse	12	38	18	56	1.0-2	.	2-45	3	2	2-33	.	.	.	
9 Nelson,Tom	12	17	24	41	1.0-1	.	4-63	10	.	.	.	.	.	
25 Kittrell,Leon	12	22	18	40	.	.	1-26	5	.	.	.	.	.	
73 Martindale,Justin	12	15	22	37	5.0-20	1.5-7	.	.	3	.	1	.	.	
94 Thomas,Jarek	12	17	17	34	5.5-11	1.0-1	2-29	.	4	.	.	.	.	
95 Tate,Ronnie	12	18	14	32	7.5-36	3.0-26	.	4	7	1-0	1	.	.	
3 Filin,Alex	12	16	11	27	7.0-23	5.0-20	.	.	2	.	1	.	.	
37 Tate,Jason	12	15	6	21	1.0-3	.	2-53	.	.	.	.	.	.	
97 Hunter,Kaschiev	10	2	13	15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
34 Hawkins,Marques	10	5	10	15	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
99 Stevenson,James	12	5	10	15	1.5-4	0.5-1	.	.	2	1-0	.	.	.	
93 Blankenship,Adam	12	5	7	12	2.5-17	1.0-13	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	
30 Roberts,Garry	12	6	5	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
90 Simnick,Dan	12	2	6	8	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	1	.	
59 Hronec,Bill	11	4	3	7	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
58 Whitaker,Mark	11	2	4	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
57 Wilson,Brandon	10	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
19 Kelsey,Bobby	11	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
23 Lagrone,Lamont	7	4	1	5	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
48 Cucci,Pat	11	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
4 Jackson,Pierre	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
31 Foster,Jeremy	6	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
83 Mordis,Dave	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
36 Mazur,Kevin	12	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
51 Carroll,Brennan	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
43 Weber,Jake	11	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
7 Drone,Luke	12	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
69 Niklasch,Joe	12	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
Total.....	12	414	419	833	58-190	19-109	17-274	39	25	5-33	9	1	.	
Opponents.....	12	460	380	840	64.0-229	15-90	10-132	50	17	4-9	5	1	.	



**REDBIRD CAPTAINS**

Game	Redbird Captains
at Kansas St.	Campbell, Drone, Robinson, Temple
C. Arkansas	Kittrell, Martindale, R. Tate, Rembert
E. Illinois	Hawkins, Jackson, Martindale, Weber
at Murray St.	Campbell, Drone, Jackson, C. Siskowic
at Western Ky.	Campbell, Rembert, C. Siskowic, Temple
S. Illinois	Campbell, Drone, Jackson, Martindale
at W. Illinois	Campbell, Drone, Jackson, Temple
Y'stown St.	Downing, Drone, Kittrell, C. Siskowic
Missouri St.	Campbell, Robinson, C. Siskowic, Temple
at Indiana St.	Campbell, Drone, Rembert, Temple
at N. Iowa	Drone, Robinson, Siskowic, Temple
at E. Illinois	Campbell, Drone, Robinson, C. Siskowic

**GFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

**OFFENSE**

Sept. 4 - Laurént Robinson (WR - 9 rec., 77 yds., 2 TDs)  
 Sept. 24 - Pierre Rembert (RB - 184 yards, 2 TDs, 39 att.)

**DEFENSE**

Sept. 10 - Kye Stewart (LB - 14 tackles, 9 solo and .5 TFL)  
 Sept. 17 - Cameron Siskowic (LB - 22 tackles, 1 FF, 1 QBH)  
 Oct. 15 - Kye Stewart (LB - 17 tackles, 7 solo, 1 sack)  
 Nov. 5 - Cameron Siskowic (LB - 16 tackles, 10 UT, 1 FF)

**SPECIAL TEAMS**

Sept. 10 - Kevin Mazur (K - 4 FGs from 23, 25, 20, 35)

**OFFENSIVE LINE**

Sept. 26 - Isaiah Wiggins (LT - 12 KDs, 0 Sacks, 87%)

**NATIONAL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

**TSN DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Sept. 18 - Cameron Siskowic (LB - 22 tackles, 1 FF, 1 QBH)

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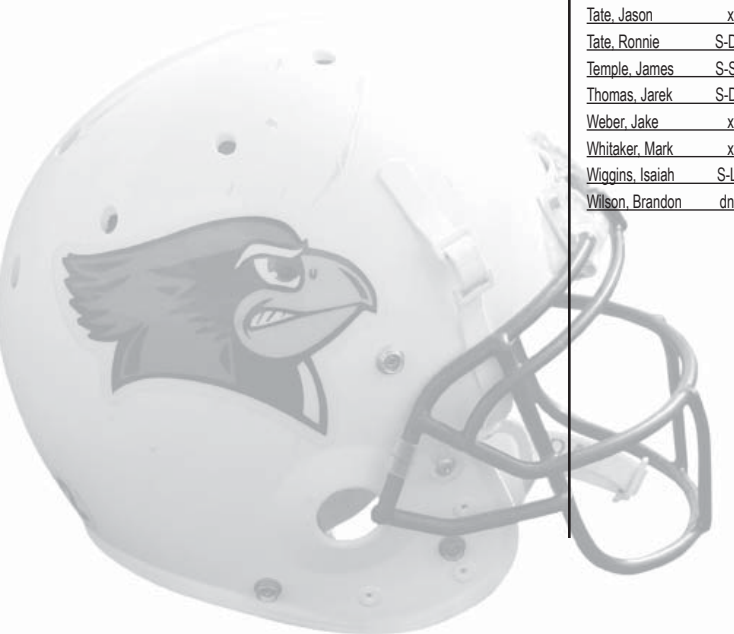
Sept. 18 - Cameron Siskowic (LB - 22 tackles, 1 FF, 1 QBH)  
 Oct. 16 - Kye Stewart (LB - 17 tackles, 7 solo, 1 sack)

**FOOTBALL GAZETTE PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Sept. 18 - Cameron Siskowic (LB - 22 tackles, 1 FF, 1 QBH)  
 Oct. 19 - Kye Stewart (LB - 17 tackles, 7 solo, 1 sack)

**2006 PLAYER PARTICIPATION**

	KSU	UCA	EIU	Murray	WKU	SIU	WIU	YSU	MSU	INS	UNI	EIU
Abrams, Alan	dnp	x	dnp	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	dnp
Blankenship, Adam	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE
Blow, Geno	dnp	x	x	x	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	dnp
Bradbury, Brandon	dnp	x	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj
Caesar, Jesse	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB
Campbell, Niall	x	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB	S-MLB
Carroll, Brennan	dnp	x	x	x	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp
Cucci, Pat	S-SLB	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Downing, Janiah	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG	S-RG
Drone, Luke	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB	S-QB
Filin, Alex	x	x	x	x	x	S-DE	S-DE	x	x	x	x	x
Harcar, Garin	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	dnp	x	x	x	x
Hawkins, Marques	x	dnp	S-WLB	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Horton, Jason	x	S-WR	S-WR	x	x	x	x	S-WR	S-WR	x	x	x
Hronec, Bill	S-MLB	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Hunter, Kaschiv	dnp	x	x	dnp	x	x	x	S-DT	S-DT	x	x	x
Huntzinger, Jeff	dnp	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp
Jackson, Pierre	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR
Joyce, Brandon	dnp	x	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT	S-RT
Joynt, Jeremy	x	x	S-TE	S-TE	x	x	x	x	x	dnp	x	x
Keller, Clint	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	dnp	x	x	dnp	x
Kelsey, Bobby	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	dnp	x
Kittrell, Leon	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB	S-CB
Lagrone, Lamont	dnp	x	dnp	x	x	x	dnp	dnp	x	x	x	x
Lyon, Jonathan	S-RT	S-RT	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj	inj
Madsen, Erik	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	dnp
Martindale, Justin	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT
Mazur, Kevin	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
McCarty, Warren	dnp	x	dnp	x	x	x	dnp	dnp	x	dnp	x	dnp
Meredith, Kedric	S-TE	S-TE	x	x	S-TE	S-TE	S-TE	S-TE	x	S-TE	S-TE	S-TE
Mordis, Dave	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB	S-HB
Nelson, Tom	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS	S-FS
Niklasch, Joe	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG	S-LG
Passarelli, Dan	x	x	x	x	x	x	S-WR	x	x	x	x	x
Rembert, Pierre	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	S-TB	x	S-TB
Rice, Rafael	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	S-TB	x
Roberts, Garry	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Robinson, Laurént	S-WR	inj	inj	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	inj	inj	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR	S-WR
Rourke, Jake	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Sheering, J.W.	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp	dnp
Simnick, Dan	x	x	x	x	x	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	x	x	x	S-DT
Siskowic, Cameron	x	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB	S-SLB
Siskowic, Kyle	dnp	dnp	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Speer, Tom	x	x	x	x	x	dnp	x	x	x	x	x	x
Speiser, Bill	x	x	x	x	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	x	dnp	dnp	dnp
Stevenson, James	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Stewart, Kye	S-WLB	S-WLB	inj	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB	S-WLB
St-Pierre, Jonathan	dnp	x	x	x	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C	S-C
Tate, Jason	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Tate, Ronnie	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE	x	x	x	x	S-DE	S-DE	S-DE
Temple, James	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS	S-SS
Thomas, Jarek	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	x	S-DT	S-DT	S-DT	x
Weber, Jake	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Whitaker, Mark	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
Wiggins, Isaiah	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT	S-LT
Wilson, Brandon	dnp	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x



## THE SPORTS NETWORK POLL

Team (first place votes)	Pts.	Prv. Rank
1. Appalachian State (73)	2,015	1
2. Montana (1)	1,909	2
3. Massachusetts (2)	1,848	3
4. North Dakota State (5)	1,808	4
5. Youngstown State*	1,714	5
6. James Madison	1,568	7
7. Furman	1,434	8
8. Hampton	1,371	9
9. New Hampshire	1,316	10
10. Southern Illinois*	1,248	11
11. Illinois State*	1,185	6
12. Tennessee-Martin	1,133	12
13. Coastal Carolina	960	13
14. Eastern Illinois	796	17
15. Cal Poly	771	16
16. San Diego	755	14
17. Northern Iowa	732	20
18. Montana State	657	15
19. Princeton	635	18
20. Portland State	568	21
21. South Dakota State	414	19
22. McNeese State	356	NR
23. Wofford	247	NR
24. Maine	147	22
25. Central Arkansas	133	NR

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Illinois State opponent

## THE CSN COACHES POLL

Team (first place votes)	Pts.	Prv. Rank
1. Appalachian St (10)	273	1
2. Montana (1)	262	2
3. Massachusetts	253	3
4. North Dakota St	243	4
5. Youngstown St	231	5
6. James Madison	212	8
7. Furman	207	7
8. New Hampshire	186	10
9. Hampton	176	9
10. Southern Illinois	173	11
11. Illinois St	160	6
12. Tenn Martin	145	13
13. Coastal Carolina	125	12
14. Cal Poly	115	16
15. Northern Iowa	103	21
16. Eastern Illinois	97	17
17. San Diego	94	15
18. Princeton	86	19
19. Montana St	85	14
Portland St	85	20
21. South Dakota St	51	18
22. McNeese State	45	NR
23. Monmouth	31	NR
24. Wofford	29	NR
25. Yale	18	NR

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## REDBIRDS IN THE POLLS

	TSN	CSN
Week 1	9	No Poll
Week 2	7	9
Week 3	7	6
Week 4	6	6
Week 5	6	5
Week 6	6	5
Week 7	5	5
Week 8	3	3
Week 9	3	2
Week 10	8	9
Week 11	7	7
Week 12	6	6
Week 13	11	11

## ILLINOIS STATE' SCORING DRIVES/PLAYS

Qtr.	Opponent	Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yds.	TOP	Score
1	Kansas State	9:42	Mazur 35-yard field goal		11-53	4:41	3-0
3	Kansas State	12:25	Robinson 4-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	7-86	2:35	10-10
4	Kansas State	12:35	Robinson 2-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	13-80	7:00	17-13
4	Kansas State	3:02	Jackson 3-yard pass from Drone	Rush Failed	11-47	5:23	23-24
2	C. Arkansas	14:12	Mazur 23-yard field goal		13-83	2:26	3-0
2	C. Arkansas	10:04	Mazur 25-yard field goal		7-34	2:11	6-0
3	C. Arkansas	12:18	Rourke 61-yard pass from Drone	Pass Failed	6-95	2:33	12-0
4	C. Arkansas	12:36	Mazur 20-yard field goal		9-71	3:40	15-3
4	C. Arkansas	3:03	Mazur 35-yard field goal		4-5	1:07	18-3
2	Eastern Illinois	12:48	Rembert 1-yard run	Mazur kick	8-80	2:47	7-10
2	Eastern Illinois	4:59	Jackson 55-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	3-73	1:08	14-16
2	Eastern Illinois	1:58	Horton 41-yard pass from Drone	Rush Failed	3-43	1:28	20-16
2	Eastern Illinois	:17	Mazur 24-yard field goal		4-1	:54	23-16
3	Eastern Illinois	3:50	Rembert 4-yard run	Mazur kick	7-36	1:58	30-23
4	Eastern Illinois	12:49	Jackson 4-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	7-61	3:06	37-23
4	Eastern Illinois	:35	R. Rice 24-yard run	Mazur kick	10-80	4:01	44-30
1	Murray State	3:41	Drone 1-yard run	Mazur kick	7-50	2:40	7-0
2	Murray State	12:56	Rembert 4-yard run	Mazur kick	7-75	2:52	14-0
3	Murray State	12:39	Rembert 9-yard run	Mazur kick	1-9	:06	21-14
3	Murray State	8:12	Robinson 26-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	7-34	3:27	28-14
4	Murray State	9:57	Robinson 6-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	15-80	6:48	35-14
2	Western Ky.	14:01	R. Rice 2-yard run	Mazur kick	3-45	1:03	7-3
2	Western Ky.	:22	Harcar 1-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	9-80	2:05	14-13
3	Western Ky.	10:38	Rembert 13-yard run	Mazur kick	9-78	4:15	21-13
4	Western Ky.	10:40	Rembert 2-yard run	Mazur kick	13-80	7:32	28-27
1	Southern Illinois	1:04	Rembert 4-yard run	Mazur kick	7-68	3:15	7-3
2	Southern Illinois	1:55	R. Rice 17-yard run	Mazur kick	10-92	3:49	14-10
2	Southern Illinois	:17	Mazur 19-yard field goal		5-31	:44	17-10
3	Southern Illinois	12:22	Jackson 36-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	6-62	2:26	24-10
3	Southern Illinois	7:33	Horton 68-yard pass from Drone	Kick Failed	3-93	1:16	30-10
4	Southern Illinois	8:09	R. Rice 6-yard run	Mazur kick	8-60	4:19	37-10
1	Western Illinois	4:19	Mazur 37-yard field goal		9-46	3:18	3-7
2	Western Illinois	7:49	Rembert 1-yard run	Mazur kick	12-80	5:46	10-14
2	Western Illinois	1:30	Mordis 15-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	8-65	3:07	17-14
3	Western Illinois	10:03	Mazur 20-yard field goal		10-47	4:57	20-14
3	Western Illinois	4:23	Rembert 1-yard run	Mazur kick	8-76	3:06	27-14
2	Youngstown St.	9:58	Thomas 28-yard interception return	Mazur kick			7-6
4	Youngstown St.	11:38	Rembert 2-yard run	Kick Failed	7-53	3:28	13-20
1	Missouri State	11:39	Rembert 9-yard run	Mazur kick	7-78	3:21	7-0
1	Missouri State	5:02	Drone 1-yard run	Mazur kick	10-80	4:35	14-0
2	Missouri State	8:16	Rembert 2-yard run	Mazur kick	14-98	6:41	21-0
3	Missouri State	9:40	Rembert 5-yard run	Mazur kick	7-65	3:33	28-0
3	Missouri State	5:26	Passarelli 25-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	6-36	1:34	35-0
4	Missouri State	9:24	Mazur 24-yard field goal		10-81	5:23	38-7
1	Indiana State	7:05	Robinson 90-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	1-90	:22	7-0
1	Indiana State	:29	Jackson 52-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	7-83	2:51	14-7
2	Indiana State	8:23	Harcar 1-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	8-80	4:17	21-7
4	Indiana State	11:29	Jackson 12-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	6-50	2:07	28-20
4	Indiana State	5:21	R. Rice 18-yard run	Mazur kick	8-54	4:07	35-20
4	Indiana State	2:17	Drone 4-yard run	Mazur kick	4-29	2:08	42-20
1	Northern Iowa	4:15	Rembert 4-yard run	Mazur kick	6-80	3:16	7-7
2	Northern Iowa	:49	R. Rice 2-yard run	Kick failed	10-81	4:20	13-28
3	Northern Iowa	9:34	Rembert 1-yard run	Mazur kick	10-57	5:19	20-28
4	Northern Iowa	10:23	Rembert 31-yard pass from Drone	Mazur kick	8-66	3:27	27-35
1	Eastern Illinois	7:35	Mazur 30-yard field goal		13-42	5:49	3-0
2	Eastern Illinois	5:35	J. Tate 41-yard interception return				10-3
4	Eastern Illinois	2:07	Rembert 18-yard run	Mazur kick	4-49	1:38	17-13
4	Eastern Illinois	1:00	Caesar 45-yard interception return				24-13

**OPPONENT SCORING DRIVES/PLAYS**

Qtr.	Opponent	Time	Scoring Play	Conversion	Plays-Yds.	TOP	Score
2	Kansas State	4:54	Snodgrass 52-yard field goal		13-59	4:52	3-3
2	Kansas State	1:55	Figurs 81-yard punt return	Snodgrass kick			3-10
3	Kansas State	4:35	Snodgrass 41-yard field goal		7-10	3:28	10-13
4	Kansas State	8:36	Snodgrass 30-yard field goal		10-45	3:50	17-16
4	Kansas State	8:25	Garvin 9-yard fumble recovery	Norwood catch			17-24
3	Central Arkansas	1:25	Paul 31-yard field goal		8-73	3:49	12-3
1	Eastern Illinois	7:58	Webb 4-yard run	Yates kick	10-64	4:42	0-7
1	Eastern Illinois	:43	Yates 33-yard field goal		8-14	3:51	0-10
2	Eastern Illinois	6:19	Rucker 28-yard pass from Donato	Kick Failed	5-53	1:49	7-16
3	Eastern Illinois	10:50	Rucker 19-yard pass from Donato	Yates kick	8-46	3:55	23-23
4	Eastern Illinois	4:43	Voss 11-yard pass from Donato	Yates kick	9-39	3:36	30-37
2	Murray State	7:10	Woods 75-yard pass from Barnard	Crass kick	1-75	:30	7-14
2	Murray State	:22	Harper 7-yard pass from Barnard	Crass kick	8-60	1:30	14-14
1	Western Ky.	6:13	James 37-yard field goal		6-26	3:36	0-3
2	Western Ky.	11:56	Hamilton 24-yard pass from Haddix	James kick	4-80	1:56	7-10
2	Western Ky.	2:38	James 29-yard field goal		14-60	7:54	7-13
3	Western Ky.	8:10	Moore 1-yard run	James kick	5-42	2:14	21-20
3	Western Ky.	3:11	Hamilton 45-yard pass from Haddix	James kick	6-80	2:36	21-27
1	Southern Illinois	7:54	Coffin 38-yard field goal		14-61	7:06	0-3
2	Southern Illinois	11:47	Jones 8-yard pass from Hill	Coffin kick	9-82	4:08	7-10
1	Western Illinois	11:34	Thomas 18-yard run	Rowan kick	6-64	3:26	0-7
2	Western Illinois	13:35	Payne 1-yard run	Rowan kick	13-72	5:44	3-14
1	Youngstown St.	4:42	Mason 1-yard run	Kick Failed	12-61	7:27	0-6
2	Youngstown St.	8:09	Gibson 17-yard run	Kick Blocked	4-69	1:38	7-12
3	Youngstown St.	3:04	Mason 7-yard run	Irizarry catch	7-40	3:29	7-20
4	Youngstown St.	4:43	Zetts 1-yard run	Palmer kick	14-72	6:44	13-27
4	Missouri State	14:57	McIntosh 1-yard run	Stokes kick	14-69	5:18	7-35
4	Missouri State	5:44	Nicholson 19-yard pass from Horner	Stokes kick	12-75	3:32	14-38
1	Indiana State	3:33	Berman 41-yard pass from Murphy	Hooper kick	8-77	3:20	7-7
2	Indiana State	:01	Hooper 40-yard field goal		8-53	1:00	10-21
3	Indiana State	8:40	Hooper 40-yard field goal		12-50	4:35	13-21
3	Indiana State	1:23	Murphy 7-yard run	Hooper kick	11-62	5:20	20-21
1	Northern Iowa	7:31	Lewis 1-yard run	Wingert kick	7-80	2:43	0-7
1	Northern Iowa	1:05	V. Williams 34-yard pass from Sanders	Wingert kick	1-34	:16	7-14
2	Northern Iowa	14:27	Gray 57-yard pass from V. Williams	Wingert kick	1-57	:28	7-21
2	Northern Iowa	5:09	D. Williams 45-yard pass from Sanders	Wingert kick	1-45	:17	7-28
4	Northern Iowa	14:02	Sanders 1-yard run	Wingert kick	10-80	4:06	20-35
4	Northern Iowa	6:37	Wingert 21-yard field goal		8-50	3:36	27-38
2	Eastern Illinois	9:54	Yates 47-yard field goal		6-5	2:21	3-3
2	Eastern Illinois	:40	Yates 39-yard field goal		12-51	4:45	6-10
4	Eastern Illinois	10:48	Sanders 87-yard interception return	Yates kick			10-13

**NATIONAL RANKINGS**

Team Statistics	Rank	Avg.
Rushing Offense	36	168.33
Passing Offense	18	231.00
Total Offense	8	399.33
Scoring Offense	15	29.67
Rushing Defense	57	142.67
Pass Efficiency Defense	35	116.47
Total Defense	53	334.08
Scoring Defense	29	19.50
Net Punting	42	33.07
Punt Returns	92	6.67
Kickoff Returns	42	20.26
Turnover Margin	14	.67
Pass Defense	66	191.42
Passing Efficiency	14	142.75
Sacks	73	1.50
Tackles for Loss	83	4.75
Sacks Allowed	32	1.25

**Individual Statistics in the Top 20**

Pierre Rembert - Rushing	6	135.75
Luke Drone - Passing Efficiency	17	144.27
Luke Drone - Total Offense	14	231.58
Pierre Rembert - Scoring	14	8.50
Pierre Rembert - All Purpose	12	149.58
Cameron Siskowic - Total Tackles	2	11.67
Kye Stewart - Total Tackles	7	11.18

**TOP FIVE UNDER JOHNSON**

Here is a top five list of ISU players that have passed for 300 yards or rushed or caught 100 yards in Denver Johnson's tenure:

**100-Yard Rushing Games (51)**

272. Pierre Rembert at Missouri State (11/5/05)
239. Sha-Ron Edwards at Missouri State (11/8/03)
233. Sha-Ron Edwards vs. Western Ky. (10/18/03)
230. Pierre Rembert at Western Illinois (10/21/06)
222. Brian Thompson vs. Y'stown State (10/23/04)

**300-Yard Passing Games (12)**

440. Luke Drone vs. Indiana State (11/12/05)
385. Mike Souza at Illinois (9/6/03)
372. Yance Vaughan at Minnesota (9/11/04)
350. Kevin Glenn vs. Missouri State (11/18/00)
348. Yance Vaughan at Indiana State (10/2/04)

**100-Yard Receiving Games (25)**

292. Laurént Robinson vs. Indiana State (11/12/05)
243. Laurént Robinson vs. Northern Iowa (10/22/05)
243. Dwayne Smith at Illinois (9/6/03)
183. Vito Golson vs. Northern Iowa (10/27/01)
180. Laurént Robinson at Southern Illinois (10/15/05)

**ISU LONG PLAYS**

Plays of 20 or more yards from scrimmage ...

	ISU	Opp.
at Kansas St.	3	2
C. Arkansas	3	5
E. Illinois	5	1
at Murray St.	2	3
at Western Ky.	6	7
S. Illinois	5	1
at W. Illinois	3	5
Y'stown St.	4	2
Missouri St.	7	1
at Indiana St.	7	3
at N. Iowa	2	6
at E. Illinois	2	0





## THE REDBIRDS' RECORD WHEN

	2006	DJ Era*
Playing at home	4-1	26-14
Playing on the road	5-2	15-24
Playing on a neutral field	0-0	0-0
Playing at night	4-1	15-10
Playing during the day	5-2	26-28
ISU scores on first possession	2-1	18-5
Opponent scores on first possession	3-1	12-18
ISU scores first	5-1	23-8
Opponent scores first	4-2	17-29
ISU leads after the 1st quarter	5-1	21-8
Opponent leads after 1st quarter	3-2	10-25
ISU leads at halftime	8-0	28-8
Opponent leads at halftime	0-3	8-29
ISU leads after 3rd quarter	8-0	29-6
Opponent leads after 3rd quarter	1-3	9-31
Game goes into overtime	0-0	1-2
ISU has more total yards	8-2	33-16
Opponent has more total yards	1-1	7-23
ISU has more rushing yards	7-1	32-13
Opponent has more rushing yards	2-2	8-26
ISU has more passing yards	5-3	28-22
Opponent has more passing yards	4-0	12-16
ISU has more turnovers	3-1	13-24
Opponent has more turnovers	5-1	21-9
Teams have equal turnovers	1-0	6-5
ISU has more penalties	4-0	20-17
Opponent has more penalties	4-3	16-20
ISU has more time of possession	5-2	23-16
Opponent has more time of possession	4-1	16-23
ISU has 100-yard rusher	9-2	34-16
Opponent has 100-yard rusher	3-2	15-23
ISU scores at least 20 points	8-2	36-18
Opponent scores at least 20 points	3-3	15-35
ISU throws for 300 yards	1-0	9-5
Opponent throws for 300 yards	0-0	1-10
Playing on natural grass	1-0	3-7
Playing on artificial surface	8-3	36-33
ISU defense scores	1-1	8-6
Opponent defense scores	1-0	3-11
ISU returns KO/Punt for TD	0-0	1-0
Opponent returns KO/Punt for TD	0-1	2-3

\*Denotes the Denver Johnson era (2000-present)

## THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

## ILLINOIS STATE INDIVIDUAL

Rushed for 100 yards	122, Pierre Rembert at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Rushed for 200 yards	210, Pierre Rembert at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Passed for 200 yards	258, Luke Drone at Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Passed for 300 yards	305, Luke Drone vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
Passed for 400 yards	440, Luke Drone vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Had 10 receptions	14, Laurént Robinson vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Had 100 yards receiving	169, Laurént Robinson at Indiana State, 11-9-06
Returned a punt for a TD	Joe Walkins (52 yards) vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04
Returned a kickoff for a TD	LaShawn Bullock (97 yards) vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04
Returned an interception for a TD	Jesse Caesar (45 yards) at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Returned a fumble for a TD	James Temple (56 yards) vs. Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Armando Andrade (85 yards) vs. W. Va. Tech, 8-31-00
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Justin Frierson (28 yards) vs. Prairie View A&M, 10-21-00
Rushed for three touchdowns	3, Pierre Rembert vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
Threw three touchdown passes	4, Luke Drone at Indiana State, 11-9-06
Caught three touchdown passes	3, Laurént Robinson vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Kicked three field goals	4, Kevin Mazur vs. Central Arkansas, 9-9-06
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage	70, Demetrus Johnson vs. Saint Xavier, 9-2-04
Had a 70-yard pass completion	90, Luke Drone to Laurént Robinson at Indiana St., 11-9-06
Had 20 tackles	22, Cameron Siskowic vs. Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06
Had 50-yard field goal	50, Stephen Carroll at S. Illinois, 10-14-03
Had a 70-yard punt	70, Ryan Hoffman vs. Y'stown St., 10-23-04

## ILLINOIS STATE TEAM

400 yards rushing	405 vs. Youngstown State, 11-14-98
300 yards rushing	341 at Missouri State, 11-5-05
400 yards passing	440 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
300 yards passing	305 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
500 yards total offense	527 vs. Missouri State, 11-4-06
30 first downs	35 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
50 points	70 vs. Indiana State, 11-12-05
Scored a safety	at Youngstown State (sacked punter), 10-25-03
Posted a shutout	Illinois State 42, Murray State 0, 9-24-05
Held an opponent under 100 yards rushing	59 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Held an opponent under 100 yards passing	79 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Held an opponent under 200 total yards	138 at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Held an opponent under 100 total yards	87 vs. Lincoln, 9-1-84
Blocked a punt	at Northern Iowa, 11-13-04
Blocked a field goal	vs. Drake, 9-10-05
Blocked an extra point attempt	vs. Youngstown State, 10-28-06

## OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL

Rushed for 100 yards	113, Corey Lewis, Northern Iowa, 11-18-06
Rushed for 200 yards	207, Julian Reese, Indiana State, 11-10-01
Passed for 200 yards	279, Reilly Murphy, Indiana State, 11-9-06
Passed for 300 yards	314, Bret Meyer, Iowa State, 9-3-05
Passed for 400 yards	460, A.J. Porter, Missouri State, 11-8-03
Had 10 receptions	10, Jeff Hewitt, Missouri State, 11-18-00
Had 100 yards receiving	105, Jeremy Nicholson, Missouri State, 11-04-06
Returned a punt for a TD	81, Yamon Figurs, Kansas State, 9-2-06
Returned a kickoff for a TD	Steven Rush (100 yards), Missouri State, 10-9-04
Returned an interception for a TD	Terrance Sanders (87 yards) at Eastern Illinois, 11-25-06
Returned a fumble for a TD	9, Byron Garwin at Kansas State, 92-05
Returned a blocked FG for a TD	Travis Williams (66 yards), Illinois, 9-6-03
Returned a blocked punt for a TD	Jason Newell (5 yards), Southern Illinois, 10-6-01
Rushed for three touchdowns	3, Andre Forte, Indiana State, 11-12-05
Threw three touchdown passes	3, Mike Donato, Eastern Illinois, 9-16-06
Caught three touchdown passes	4, Steven Rush, Missouri State, 11-8-03
Kicked three field goals	3, Chris James, Western Kentucky, 10-8-05
Had a 70-yard run from scrimmage	80, Laurence Maroney, Minnesota, 9-11-04
Had a 70-yard pass completion	75, Zach Barnard to Dante Woods, Murray State 9-23-06
Had 20 tackles	21, Ian Dominelli, Youngstown State, 10-30-99
Had 50-yard field goal	52, Jeff Snodgrass at Kansas State, 9-2-06
Had a 70-yard punt	74, Jim Hannula, Northern Illinois, 9-30-78

## OPPONENT TEAM

400 yards rushing	474, Western Kentucky, 11-3-01
300 yards rushing	352, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
400 yards passing	460, Missouri State, 11-8-03
300 yards passing	314, Iowa State, 9-3-05
500 yards total offense	504, Western Illinois, 10-29-05
30 first downs	32, UNLV, 9-27-97
50 points	58, Western Kentucky, 11-3-01
Scored a safety	Iowa State, 9-3-05
Posted a shutout	Florida Atlantic, 11-20-04
Held ISU under 100 yards rushing	18, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
Held ISU under 100 yards passing	53, Drake, 8-28-03
Held ISU under 200 total yards	161, Youngstown State, 10-28-06
Held ISU under 100 total yards	94, Central State, 9-9-89
Blocked a punt	Drake, 9-10-05
Blocked a field goal	Southern Illinois, 10-14-06
Blocked an extra point attempt	Northern Iowa, 11-18-06









## 2006 ILLINOIS STATE OPPONENTS' SCHEDULES AND RESULTS

**KANSAS STATE WILDCATS**  
(7-5, 4-4 Big 12)

S2	#9 ILLINOIS STATE	W, 24-23
S9	FLORIDA ATLANTIC	W, 45-0
S16	MARSHALL	W, 23-7
S23	#8 LOUISVILLE	L, 6-24
S30	at Baylor*	L, 3-17
O7	OKLAHOMA STATE*	W, 31-27
O14	#20 NEBRASKA*	L, 3-21
O21	at #24 Missouri*	L, 21-41
O28	IOWA STATE*	W, 31-10
N4	at Colorado*	W, 34-21
N11	#4 TEXAS*	W, 45-42
N18	at Kansas*	L, 20-39

**MURRAY STATE RACERS**  
(1-10, 0-8 OVC)

S2	at Missouri	L, 7-47
S9	at Tennessee State*	L, 15-25
S16	at Indiana State	W, 59-40
S23	#6 ILLINOIS STATE	L, 14-35
S30	Tennessee Tech*	L, 14-20 (ot)
O5	at Jacksonville State*	L, 17-49
O14	SAMFORD*	L, 7-33
O21	at #17 Eastern Illinois*	L, 10-20
O28	SE MISSOURI STATE*	L, 17-24
N4	at Eastern Kentucky*	L, 21-51
N18	#12 TENNESSEE-MARTIN*	L, 14-42

**WESTERN ILLINOIS LEATHERNECKS**  
(5-6, 2-5 GFC)

A31	MOREHEAD STATE	W, 31-6
S9	at Wisconsin	L, 10-34
S16	KENTUCKY WESLEYAN	W, 58-0
S23	at Northern Colorado	W, 42-28
S30	at Western Kentucky*	L, 35-38
O7	at #7 Southern Illinois*	L, 24-31
O14	#6 YOUNGSTOWN STATE*	L, 28-35
O21	#3 ILLINOIS STATE*	L, 14-27
O28	at #7 Northern Iowa*	W, 24-13
N4	INDIANA STATE*	W, 46-41
N11	at Missouri State*	L, 21-24

**INDIANA STATE SYCAMORES**  
(1-10, 1-6 GFC)

S2	at Purdue	L, 35-60
S9	at #20 Eastern Illinois	L, 21-31
S16	MURRAY STATE	L, 40-59
S23	at Northern Illinois	L, 14-48
S30	at #10 Southern Illinois*	L, 3-55
O7	at #8 Youngstown State*	L, 17-55
O14	#14 NORTHERN IOWA*	L, 14-34
O21	MISSOURI STATE*	W, 28-22
O28	at Western Kentucky*	L, 3-41
N4	at Western Illinois*	L, 41-46
N11	#7 ILLINOIS STATE*	L, 20-42

**CENTRAL ARKANSAS BEARS**  
(8-3, 2-0 SLC)

A31	vs. Henderson State	W, 39-6
S9	at #7 Illinois State	L, 3-18
S16	MISSOURI STATE	W, 16-14
S23	at Stephen F. Austin*	W, 37-35
S30	SOUTH DAKOTA	W, 24-0
O7	at South Dakota State	L, 7-20
O14	at #18 UC Davis	L, 13-33
O19	at #25 Sam Houston State*	W, 38-30
N4	SOUTHERN ARKANSAS	W, 55-21
N11	AUGUSTANA (S.D.)	W, 37-13
N18	at Georgia Southern	W, 34-31 (OT)

**WESTERN KENTUCKY HILLTOPPERS**  
(6-5, 4-3 GFC)

S2	at #14 Georgia	L, 12-48
S9	at #23 Eastern Kentucky	L, 21-26
S16	CHATTANOOGA	W, 28-21
S30	#21 WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W, 38-35
O7	#6 ILLINOIS STATE*	L, 27-28
O14	at Missouri State*	W, 17-14
O21	at #13 Southern Illinois*	W, 27-24
O28	INDIANA STATE*	W, 41-3
N4	at #14 Northern Iowa*	L, 20-31
N11	#6 YOUNGSTOWN STATE*	L, 3-19
N18	AUSTIN PEAY	W, 24-14

**YOUNGSTOWN STATE PENGUINS**  
(10-2, 6-1 GFC)

A31	SLIPPERY ROCK	W, 51-21
S9	MAINE	W, 34-14
S16	at #25 Penn State	L, 3-37
S23	#16 UC-DAVIS	W, 38-24
S30	at Missouri State*	W, 37-10
O7	INDIANA STATE*	W, 55-17
O14	at Western Illinois*	W, 35-28
O21	#14 NORTHERN IOWA*	L, 23-31
O28	at #3 Illinois State*	W, 27-13
N4	#12 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	W, 31-24
N11	at Western Kentucky*	W, 19-3
N25	#6 JAMES MADISON	W, 35-31
D2	#11 ILLINOIS STATE	5 p.m. CT

**NORTHERN IOWA PANTHERS**  
(7-4, 5-2 GFC)

A31	at Drake	W, 48-7
S9	NORTH DAKOTA	L, 31-35
S16	SOUTH DAKOTA STATE	W, 27-17
S30	at Iowa State	L, 27-28
O7	MISSOURI STATE*	W, 38-7
O14	at Indiana State*	W, 34-14
O21	at #5 Youngstown State*	W, 31-23
O28	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	L, 13-24
N4	WESTERN KENTUCKY*	W, 31-20
N11	at #14 Southern Illinois*	L, 23-47
N18	#6 ILLINOIS STATE*	W, 38-27

**EASTERN ILLINOIS PANTHERS**  
(8-5, 7-1 OVC)

S2	at Illinois	L, 17-42
S9	INDIANA STATE	W, 31-21
S16	at #7 Illinois State	L, 30-44
S23	at Samford*	W, 24-13
S30	at Hawai'i	L, 9-44
O7	SE MISSOURI STATE*	W, 21-0
O14	at Eastern Kentucky*	W, 28-21
O21	MURRAY STATE*	W, 20-10
O28	at #12 Tennessee-Martin*	L, 9-15
N4	TENNESSEE STATE*	W, 29-3
N11	at Tennessee Tech*	W, 38-14
N18	JACKSONVILLE STATE*	W, 28-24
N25	#11 ILLINOIS STATE	L, 13-24

**SOUTHERN ILLINOIS SALUKIS**  
(9-3, 4-3 GFC)

A31	LOCK HAVEN	W, 49-0
S16	at Indiana	W, 35-28
S23	at Arkansas-Pine Bluff	W, 48-16
S30	INDIANA STATE*	W, 55-3
O7	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W, 31-24
O14	at #5 Illinois State*	L, 10-37
O21	WESTERN KENTUCKY*	L, 24-27
O28	at Missouri State*	W, 27-17
N4	at #7 Youngstown State*	L, 24-31
N11	#12 NORTHERN IOWA*	W, 47-23
N18	SOUTHERN UTAH	W, 59-0
N25	#12 TENN.-MARTIN	W, 36-30
D2	at #2 Montana	1:30 p.m. CT

**MISSOURI STATE BEARS**  
(2-9, 1-6 GFC)

S2	at Oklahoma State	L, 10-52
S9	SOUTHWEST BAPTIST	W, 45-14
S16	at Central Arkansas	L, 14-16
S23	SAM HOUSTON STATE	L, 17-20
S30	#8 YOUNGSTOWN STATE*	L, 10-37
O7	at #14 Northern Iowa*	L, 7-38
O14	WESTERN KENTUCKY*	L, 14-17
O21	at Indiana State*	L, 22-28
O28	#19 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS*	L, 17-27
N4	at #8 Illinois State*	L, 14-38
N11	WESTERN ILLINOIS*	W, 24-21

## ILLINOIS STATE'S NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

## Rushing Yards • Game

- 156 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 135 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 122 – Pierre Rembert at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 75 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 71 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98

## Rushing Touchdowns • Game

- 3 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 3 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 2 – Willie Watts at Hofstra, 12-4-99

## Rushing Attempts • Game

- 21 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 21 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 18 – Willie Watts vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 12 – Willie Watts at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 12 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98

## Average Per Rush • Game (Min 10 att.)

- 7.5 – Dusty Burk (10/75) vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 7.4 – Aveion Cason (21/156) vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 6.4 – Sam Zanders (21/136) at NW St., 11-28-98
- 5.9 – Aveion Cason (10/59) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 5.9 – Kevin Glenn (12/71) at NW St., 11-28-98

## Longest Rush • Game

- 44 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 43 – Aveion Cason at NW State, 11-28-98
- 39 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 33 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98
- 26 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Passing Yards • Game

- 350 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 219 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98
- 191 – Dusty Burk vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 177 – Luke Drone at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 161 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Passing Touchdowns • Game

- 3 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 2 – Dusty Burk vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98
- 1 – Ryan Spielman at Hofstra, 12-4-99

## Completions • Game

- 31 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 21 – Dusty Burk vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 18 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98
- 16 – Luke Drone at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 12 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Passing Attempts • Game

- 45 – Kevin Glenn at NW State, 11-28-98
- 37 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 33 – Luke Drone at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 32 – Dusty Burk vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 17 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Completion Percentage • Game (Min. 15 att.)

- .838 – Dusty Burk (31/37) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- .705 – Dusty Burk (12/17) vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- .656 – Dusty Burk (21-32) vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- .485 – Luke Drone (16-33) at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- .400 – Kevin Glenn (18-45) at NW State, 11-28-98

## Longest Completion • Game

- 51 – Kevin Glenn to Jacob Niete at NW State, 11-28-98
- 43 – Dusty Burk to Steve Kostro at Hofstra, 12-4-99 (TD)
- 43 – Dusty Burk to Steve Kostro vs. Colgate, 11-27-99 (TD)
- 24 – Dusty Burk to Steve Kostro at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 24 – Luke Drone to Rafael Rice at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Receptions • Game

- 7 – Rickey Garrett at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 7 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 6 – Aveion Cason at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 6 – Scott Preusker at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 5 – Jacob Niete at NW State, 11-28-98
- 5 – Laurént Robinson at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Receiving Yards • Game

- 107 – Jacob Niete at NW State, 11-28-98
- 94 – Steve Kostro at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 90 – Rickey Garrett at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 89 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 58 – Aveion Cason at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99

## Touchdown Receptions • Game

- 2 – Steve Kostro at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Scott Preusker at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Jon Laurenti at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Tom Bardwell at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Jon Laurenti vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Steve Kostro vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Troy Hunter vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Scott Preusker at NW State, 11-28-98

## Average Yards Per Catch • Game (Min. 3 Rec.)

- 23.5 – Steve Kostro (3/32) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 21.4 – Jacob Niete (5/107) at NW State, 11-28-98
- 14.0 – Jason Horton (3/42) at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 12.9 – Rickey Garrett (7/90) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 12.6 – Aveion Cason (7/88) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 11.0 – Laurént Robinson (5/55) at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## TD's Responsible For • Game

- 3 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 3 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 3 – Dusty Burk vs. Colgate, 12-4-99
- 2 – Willy Watts at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 2 – Steve Kostro at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 2 – Dusty Burk vs. Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 – Dusty Burk at Hofstra, 12-4-99

## Tackles • Game

- 16 – Derek Smith at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 12 – Tim Angsten vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 11 – Galen Scott vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 11 – Galen Scott at NW State, 11-28-98
- 11 – Niall Campbell at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Sacks • Game

- 3 – Damian Gregory vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 2 – Derek Smith at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Devon Finn at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Ben Thompson at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Tim Angsten at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Lamont Lagrone at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Tackles for Loss • Game

- 3 – Damian Gregory vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 3 – Tim Angsten at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 – Derek Smith at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 2 – Devon Finn at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 2 – TeJuan Hartley vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 2 – Galen Scott at NW State, 11-28-98

## Interceptions • Game

- 1 – Devon Finn at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Ryan Szokola at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Galen Scott vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Forrest Jackson at NW State, 11-28-98
- 1 – Jason Tate at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 1 – James Temple at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 1 – Jesse Caesar at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Interception Return Yardage • Game

- 45 – Jesse Caesar at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 41 – Jason Tate at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 30 – Galen Scott vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 7 – Devon Finn at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99

## Longest Interception Returns • Game

- 45 – Jesse Caesar at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 41 – Jason Tate at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 30 – Galen Scott vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 7 – Devon Finn at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99

## Passes Broken Up • Game

- 2 – Devon Finn at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 – Derek Smith at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 2 – James Temple at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Fumble Recoveries • Game

- 1 – Vito Golson at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Tim Beshel at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Troy Hunter at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 1 – Chad Pegues at NW State, 11-28-98

## Field Goals Made • Game

- 1 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Kevin Mazur at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Longest Field Goals Made

- 50 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 32 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 30 – Kevin Mazur at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## PATs Made • Game

- 8 – Jake Strader vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 5 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 4 – Jake Strader at NW State, 11-28-98
- 3 – Kevin Mazur at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 2 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99

## Punting Average • Game

- 42.3 – Bobby Kelsey (3/127) at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 41.3 – Jake Strader (3/124) at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 38.8 – Jake Strader (6/233) at NW State, 11-28-98
- 38.6 – Jake Strader (7/270) at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 36.5 – Jake Strader (2/73) vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Punts • Game

- 7 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 6 – Jake Strader at NW State, 11-28-98
- 3 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 3 – Bobby Kelsey at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 2 – Jake Strader vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Longest Punt • Game

- 63 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 49 – Jake Strader at NW State, 11-28-98
- 46 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 46 – Jake Strader vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 46 – Bobby Kelsey at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Kickoff Returns • Game

- 3 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 3 – Jeffrey James at NW State, 11-28-98
- 2 – Aveion Cason at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 – Willie Watts at NW State, 11-28-98

## Kickoff Return Yardage • Game

- 60 – Willie Watts at NW State, 11-28-98
- 54 – Jeffrey James at NW State, 11-28-98
- 40 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 31 – Aveion Cason at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 29 – Jason Horton at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Kickoff Return Average • Game (Min. 3 att.)

- 30 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 18 – Jeffrey James at NW State, 11-28-98

## Longest Kickoff Return • Game

- 42 – Willie Watts at NW State, 11-28-98
- 29 – Jason Horton at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 25 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 21 – Aveion Cason at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
- 20 – Aveion Cason at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 20 – James Jeffrey at NW State, 11-28-98

## Kickoff Return for TD • Game

None

## Punt Returns • Game

- 5 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 3 – Jason Horton at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
- 2 – Ryan Szokola at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 1 – Jon Laurenti vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Punt Return Yardage • Game

- 99 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Punt Return Average • Game (Min. 2 att.)

- 19.8 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Longest Punt Return

- 48 – Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99 (TD)
- 20 – Jason Horton at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Punt Return for TD • Game

- Ryan Szokola vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Points • Game

- 18 – Aveion Cason vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 18 – Sam Zanders at NW State, 11-28-98
- 12 – Willy Watts at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 12 – Steve Kostro at Hofstra, 12-4-99

## Points Kicking • Game

- 8 – Jake Strader at Hofstra, 12-4-99
- 8 – Jake Strader vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 5 – Jake Strader at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99

## ILLINOIS STATE'S NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM RECORDS

## Points • Game

1. 56 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 37 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
3. 28 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
4. 24 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 17 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Points in 1st Quarter • Game

1. 7 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 7 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 3 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 3 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Points in 2nd Quarter • Game

1. 21 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 21 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 7 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
- 7 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 3 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Points at Halftime • Game

1. 28 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 24 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
3. 10 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 10 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 7 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Points in 3rd Quarter • Game

1. 21 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 14 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 13 at Hofstra, 12-04-99

## Points in 4th Quarter • Game

1. 14 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
2. 7 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 7 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 7 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## First Downs • Game

1. 26 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 25 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 25 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
4. 18 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 13 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Rushing Attempts • Game

1. 51 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 42 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 38 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
4. 37 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 28 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Rushing Yards • Game

1. 283 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
2. 282 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 166 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 162 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 69 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Rushing Touchdowns • Game

1. 3 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
- 3 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 2 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 1 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Passes Completed • Game

1. 34 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 21 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
3. 18 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
4. 16 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 12 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Passes Attempted • Game

1. 45 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
2. 40 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
3. 33 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
4. 32 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
5. 17 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Passing Yards • Game

1. 374 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 219 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 191 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
4. 177 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 165 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Completion Percentage • Game

1. .850 (34-40) at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. .706 (12-17) vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. .656 (21-32) at Ga. Southern, 12-11-99
4. .485 (16-33) at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. .400 (18-45) at NW State, 11-28-98

## Passing Touchdowns • Game

1. 3 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 3 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 2 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
4. 1 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Offensive Plays • Game

1. 87 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
2. 77 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
3. 71 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
4. 68 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
5. 60 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Total Offense • Game

1. 540 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 502 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 447 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
4. 339 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 260 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Average Yards per Play • Game

1. 7.0 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 6.6 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 5.8 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
4. 4.8 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 4.3 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Fumbles Lost • Game

1. 1 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Interceptions Thrown • Game

1. 4 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
2. 2 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 2 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
4. 1 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 0 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Interceptions Caught • Game

1. 3 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
2. 2 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 1 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
- 1 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 1 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Penalties • Game

1. 8 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
2. 7 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 6 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 5 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
5. 3 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Punts • Game

1. 7 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
2. 6 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 3 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 3 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
5. 2 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Punt Yards • Game

1. 270 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
2. 233 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 127 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
4. 124 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 73 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99

## Punt Returns • Game

1. 6 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 4 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
3. 2 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 1 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Punt Return Yards • Game

1. 135 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 25 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
3. 11 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 9 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
5. 5 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Punt Return Average • Game

1. 22.5 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
2. 9 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
3. 6.2 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
4. 5.5 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 5 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Kickoff Returns • Game

1. 6 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
2. 4 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
3. 3 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 2 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
5. 1 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Kickoff Return Average • Game

1. 29.0 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
2. 21.7 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
3. 13.5 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
4. 13.3 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 7.3 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Field Goals • Game

1. 1 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 1 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Time of Possession • Game

1. 34:40 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 33:38 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
3. 31:31 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
4. 30:07 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
5. 26:26 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Sacks • Game

1. 4 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
- 4 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 1 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
- 1 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06

## Rushing Defense • Game

1. 18 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
2. 59 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
3. 220 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
4. 306 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98
5. 363 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99

## Passing Defense • Game

1. 76 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
2. 79 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
3. 118 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
4. 323 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
5. 344 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Total Defense • Game

1. 138 at E. Illinois, 11-25-06
2. 338 vs. Colgate, 11-27-99
3. 425 at Hofstra, 12-04-99
4. 439 at Georgia Southern, 12-11-99
5. 650 at Northwestern State, 11-28-98

## Third-Down Conversions • Game

1. .600 vs. Colgate (9-of-15), 11-27-99
2. .462 at Hofstra (6-of-13), 12-04-99
3. .444 at E. Illinois (8-of-18), 11-25-06
4. .429 at Ga. Southern (6-of-14), 12-11-99
5. .353 at NW State (6-of-17), 11-28-98

4th-Down Conversions • Game (*Min. 2 att.*)

1. .600 at NW State (3-of-5), 11-28-98
2. .500 vs. Colgate (2-of-4), 11-27-99



## ILLINOIS STATE'S NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

**Northwestern St. 48, Illinois St. 28**November 28, 1998 • Natchitoches, La. • First Round  
Attendance: 8,118▶ **GAME SUMMARY**

No. 15 seed Illinois State was a team making its first playoff appearance and opened the game as such. No. 2 seed Northwestern State raced to a 21-0 lead before the Redbirds responded. ISU still managed a 502-yard day, but never matched the Demons' speed in surrendering 650 total yards, including 344 on just 12 pass completions. Just one of Northwestern State's seven scoring plays covered less than 29 yards.

▶ **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (8-4)	0	7	14	7	28
Northwestern St. (10-2)	21	0	21	6	48

**FIRST QUARTER**

NSU- Taylor 29-yard urn (LaToof kick), 13:19

ILS - Pritchett 35-yard pass from Spangler (LaToof kick), 1:20

NSU - Pritchett 60-yard pass from Spangler (LaToof kick), :00

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS - Preusker 1-yard pass from Glenn (Strader kick), 3:45

**THIRD QUARTER**

NSU - Jacquet 1-yard run (LaToof kick), 13:26

ILS - Zanders 4-yard run (Strader kick), 12:59

NSU - Jacquet 45-yard run (LaToof kick), 9:54

NSU - Sutherland 59-yard pass from Spangler (LaToof kick), 5:45

ILS - Zanders 2-yard run (Strader kick), 1:12

**FOURTH QUARTER**

NSU - Pritchett 53-yard pass from Spangler (kick failed), 9:29

ILS - Zanders 14-yard run (Strader kick), 3:12

▶ **TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	NSU
First Downs	25	22
Rushing Attempts-Yards	42-283	45-306
Passing	18-45-2	12-19-1
Passing Yards	219	344
Total Offense	502	650
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	2-1
Penalties-Yards	7-85	8-63
Time of Possession	30:07	29:53

▶ **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (ILS) - Zanders 21-135, Glenn 12-71, Cason 5-65, Spielman 1-9, Niete 1-5, Watts 2-(-2). (NSU) - Jacquet 11-97, Taylor 13-90, Powell 11-73, Traylor 4-21, Drago 2-8, Sutherland 1-8, Bivens 1-6, Spangler 1-2, Black 1-1.

**PASSING:** (ILS) - Glenn 18-45-2-219. (NSU) - Spangler 12-17-1-344, Patterson 0-2-0-0.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) - Niete 5-107, Preusker 3-20, Grow 3-15, Garrett 2-21, Watts 1-29, Kostro 1-23, Beverly 1-6, Schaeve 1-(-1), Zanders 1-(-1). (NSU) - Pritchett 6-192, Black 3-21, Sutherland 2-103, Granger 1-28.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) - Scott 2-9-11, Waugh 2-5-7, Young 5-0-5, Szokola 3-2-5. (NSU) - Green 7-5-12, Williams 5-4-9, Delaney 3-5-8, Slate 3-3-6.

**Illinois State 56, Colgate 13**November 27, 1999 • Normal, Ill. • First Round  
Attendance: 7,133▶ **GAME SUMMARY**

In its first home playoff game, sixth-seeded Illinois State routed Patriot League champion and 11th-seeded Colgate behind speedster Aveion Cason, who racked up 196 all-purpose yards, including 156 rushing, and three touchdowns. ISU scored on five of its first seven possessions and tacked on a couple of special teams TDs, while the visiting Red Raiders had little success penetrating a Redbird defense that racked up four sacks. Illinois State head coach Todd Berry substituted freely throughout the second half.

▶ **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Colgate (10-2)	0	0	7	6	13
ILLINOIS STATE (10-2)	7	21	21	7	56

**FIRST QUARTER**

ILS - Laurenti 29-yard p[ass from Burk (Strader kick), 2:49

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS - Killingsworth 20-yard blocked punt return (Strader kick), 9:20

ILS - Cason 16-yard run (Strader kick), 5:44

ILS - Cason 3-yard run (Strader kick), 2:34

**THIRD QUARTER**

ILS - Hunter 26-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), 12:40

ILS - Szokola 48-yard punt return (Strader kick), 11:04

ILS - Kostro 43-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), 6:53

CU - Ojeda 20-yard pass from McCune (Kutschke kick), 2:22

**FOURTH QUARTER**

CU - Joseph 77-yard run (Kutschke kick), 6:14

ILS - Cason 21-yard run (Strader kick), :34

▶ **TEAM STATISTICS**

	CU	ILS
First Downs	14	25
Rushing Attempts-Yards	39-248	51-307
Passing	10-19-2	12-17-0
Passing Yards	118	165
Total Offense	338	447
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-45	4-36
Time of Possession	28:29	31:31

▶ **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (CU) - Joseph 17-176, Lavoie 5-29, Vena 9-17, King 3-7, Weiss 1-5, McCune 4-(-14). (ILS) - Cason 21-156, Burk 10-75, Watts 18-54, Spielman 2-(-3).

**PASSING:** (CU) - McCune 8-15-1-107, Vena 2-4-1-11. (ILS) - Burk 12-17-0-165, Spielman 0-0-0-0.

**RECEIVING:** (CU) - Ojeda 4-50, Morin 3-35, Mattes 2-16, Rossi 1-17. (ILS) - Garrett 3-26, Cason 3-15, Laurenti 2-33, Hunter 2-29, Kostro 1-43, Preusker 1-19.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (CU) - Riley 1-12-13, Russell 5-7-12, Bowman 4-5-9, Hampton 2-5-7. (ILS) - Angsten 3-9-12, Scott 1-10-11, Szokola 3-5-8, Gregory 3-2-5.

**Illinois State 37, Hofstra 20**December 4, 1999 • Hempstead, N.Y. • Quarterfinals  
Attendance: 5,586▶ **GAME SUMMARY**

Hofstra quarterback Giovanni Carmazzi would later be drafted by the San Francisco 49ers, but on this day he took a back seat to ISU's Dusty Burk. The Redbird freshman was amazing, completing 31-of-37 passes for 350 yards and a pair of touchdowns. He also rushed eight times for 54 yards. A 21-0 second-quarter blitz was too much for the homestanding and third-seeded Flying Dutchmen, who spent most of the game playing catch-up.

▶ **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (11-2)	3	21	13	0	37
Hofstra (11-2)	7	0	13	0	20

**FIRST QUARTER**

HU - Jones 4-yard run (Johnson kick), 5:57

ILS - Strader 32-yard field goal, 3:15

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS - Watts 4-yard run (Strader kick), 8:38

ILS - Kostro 6-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), 7:27

ILS - Watts 5-yard run (Strader kick), 1:41

**THIRD QUARTER**

HU - Jones 35-yard pass from Carmazzi (kick failed), 13:40

ILS - Bardwell 6-yard pass from Buck (kick failed), 7:23

HU - Morales 13-yard pass from Carmazzi (Johnson kick), 3:42

ILS - Kostro 34-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), :12

▶ **TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	HU
First Downs	26	28
Rushing Attempts-Yards	37-166	29-102
Passing	34-40-1	31-46-1
Passing Yards	374	323
Total Offense	540	425
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	2-2
Penalties-Yards	6-43	4-27
Time of Possession	34:40	25:20

▶ **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (ILS) - Cason 10-59, Burk 8-54, Watts 12-41, James 7-12. (HU) - Jones 14-51, Carmazzi 9-26, Butler 5-20, Jackson 1-5.

**PASSING:** (ILS) - Burk 31-37-1-350, Spielman 3-3-0-24. (HU) - Carmazzi 28-35-0-291, Butler 3-11-1-32.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) - Garrett 7-90, Cason 7-88, Preusker 6-25, Kostro 4-94, Watts 3-4, Hunter 2-36, Niete 2-23, Laurenti 1-10, Bardwell 1-6, James 1-(-2). (HU) - Jones 9-116, Morales 7-73, Jackson 7-47, Adams 4-56, Roy 3-28, Maxwell 1-3.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) - Smith 5-11-16, Andrade 3-6-9, Scott 3-4-7, Corbin 4-2-6. (HU) - Emanuel 4-9-13, Thomas 9-3-12, Shanahan 6-6-12, Longdon 4-5-9.

## ILLINOIS STATE'S NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY

**Ga. Southern 28, Illinois St. 17**

December 11, 1999 • Statesboro, Ga. • Semifinals  
Attendance: 12,299

► **GAME SUMMARY**

Illinois State's first possession resulted in a 12-play, 68-yard touchdown drive, but that would be the last time the Redbirds would lead the top-seeded and eventual national champion Georgia Southern Eagles. It was the 900th game in the history of ISU's program. GSU ripped off 21 unanswered counters before Jake Strader booted a 50-yard field goal for ISU on the last play of the first half. Each team added a second-half touchdown, but Illinois State had little success penetrating Georgia Southern's defense and Walter Payton Award-winner Adrian Peterson helped GSU control the ball by rushing 31 times for 183 yards and three touchdowns.

► **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (11-3)	7	3	0	7	17
Georgia Southern (12-2)	7	14	0	7	28

## FIRST QUARTER

ILS – Laurenti 18-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), 9:42

GSU– Hill 10-yard run (Chambers kick), 3:43

## SECOND QUARTER

GSU– Peterson 1-yard run (Chambers kick), 2:55

GSU– Peterson 2-yard run (Chambers kick), :43

ISU – Strader 50-yard field goal, :00

## FOURTH QUARTER

GSU– Peterson 10-yard run (Chambers kick), 10:47

ILS – Preusker 2-yard pass from Burk (Strader kick), 8:04

► **TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	GSU
First Downs	13	22
Rushing Attempts-Yards	28-69	67-363
Passing	21-32-2	3-7-1
Passing Yards	191	76
Total Offense	260	439
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	8-80	4-30
Time of Possession	26:26	33:34

► **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Cason 11-48, Burk 9-12, James 5-7, Watts 3-2. (GSU) – Peterson 31-183, Hill 25-80, Cunningham 7-65, Freeman 2-23, Myers 1-14, Weathers 1(-2).

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Burk 21-32-2-191. (GSU) – Hill 3-7-1-76.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Cason 6-58, Kostro 3-32, Garrett 3-24, Preusker 3-10, Niete 2-37, James 2-4, Laurenti 1-18, Watts 1-8. (GSU) – Johnson 3-76.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Scott 6-4-10, Young 9-0-9, Bull 6-3-9, Finn 7-1-8. (GSU) – Thomas 4-3-7, Pesqueira 4-2-6, Allen 4-0-4, Neese 4-0-4.

**Illinois St. 24, Eastern Illinois 13**

November 25, 2006 • Charleston, Ill. • O'Brien Stadium  
Attendance: 4,400

► **GAME SUMMARY**

Jason Tate and Jesse Caesar each returned an interception for a touchdown to lead Illinois State to a 24-13 NCAA Division I Football Championship first round game victory over Eastern Illinois. With 10:48 left in the game, the EIU defense put points on the scoreboard to take the lead. Defensive back Terrance Sanders answered Tate's earlier interception return for a touchdown with one of his own for 87 yards to put the Panthers up 13-10. However, Pierre Rembert would regain the lead for the Redbirds on an 18-yard touchdown run with 2:07 left in the game to make the score 17-13 in favor of ISU. To seal the win, Caesar picked off a Stinson pass and ran it back 45 yards for a touchdown to put the game away at 24-13.

► **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (9-3)	3	7	0	14	24
Eastern Illinois (8-5)	0	6	0	7	13

## FIRST QUARTER

ISU – Mazur 30-yard field goal, 7:35

## SECOND QUARTER

EIU – Yates 47-yard field goal, 9:54

ISU – J. Tate 41-yard interception return (Mazur kick), 5:35

EIU – Yates 39-yard field goal, :40

## FOURTH QUARTER

EIU – Sanders 87-yard interception return (Yates kick), 10:48

ILS – Rembert 18-yard run (Mazur kick), 2:07

ILS – Caesar 45-yard interception return (Mazur kick), 1:00

► **TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	EIU
First Downs	18	7
Rushing Attempts-Yards	38-162	22-59
Passing	16-33-4	15-30-3
Passing Yards	177	79
Total Offense	339	138
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-30	6-35
Time of Possession	33:38	26:22

► **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Rembert 27-122, Drone 7-21, R. Rice 4-19. (EIU) – Webb 14-54, Adeniji 2-9, Smith 3-5, Rucker 1-0, Duhai 1(-2), Stinson 1(-7).

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 16-33-4-177. (EIU) – Stinson 15-30-3-79.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Robinson 5-55, Horton 3-42, D. Passarelli 2-17, Mordis 2-15, R. Rice 1-24, Rourke 1-9, Rembert 1-8, Jackson 1-7. (EIU) – Campanella 7-32, Webb 4-13, Mobley 2-20, Adeniji 1-11, Duhai 1-3.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Campbell 3-8-11, C. Siskowic 5-5-10, Stewart 4-4-8, Caesar 2-4-6, Temple 0-3-3. (EIU) – Burge 6-11-17, Brown 5-1-6, Torres 0-6-6, Seymour 1-5-6, Thomas 1-4-5.

## ILLINOIS STATE'S ALL-TIME NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS	ISU	OPP
SCORING	162	122
Points Per Game	32.4	24.4
FIRST DOWNS	107	93
Rushing	49	50
Passing	53	41
Penalty	5	2
RUSHING YARDAGE	962	1050
Yards gained rushing	1086	1141
Yards lost rushing	124	91
Rushing Attempts	196	202
Average Per Rush	4.9	5.2
Average Per Game	192.4	210.0
TDs Rushing	9	9
PASSING YARDAGE	1126	940
Att-Comp-Int	167-101-9	121-71-8
Average Per Pass	6.7	7.8
Average Per Catch	11.1	13.2
Average Per Game	225.2	188.0
TDs Passing	9	7
TOTAL OFFENSE	2088	1990
Total Plays	363	323
Average Per Play	5.8	6.2
Average Per Game	417.6	398.0
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	16-255	17-280
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	14-185	13-73
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	8-112	9-163
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	15.9	16.5
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	13.2	5.6
INT RETURN AVERAGE	14.0	18.1
FUMBLES-LOST	8-2	7-5
PENALTIES-YARDS	28-274	27-200
Average Per Game	54.8	40.0
PUNTS-YARDS	21-827	22-767
Average Per Punt	39.4	34.9
Net punt average	35.0	26.5
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	31:16	28:44
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	35/77	29/69
3rd-Down Pct	45%	42%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	6/10	4/9
4th-Down Pct	60%	44%
SACKS BY-YARDS	10-44	13-65
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	22	17
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	3-5	2-3
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	15-19 79%	13-16 81%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	13-19 68%	13-16 81%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	21-22 95%	14-17 82%
ATTENDANCE	7133	30403
Games/Avg Per Game	1/7133	4/7601
Neutral Site Games		0/0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Illinois State	20	59	48	35	162
Opponents	35	20	41	26	122

ILLINOIS STATE'S ALL-TIME NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING table with columns: G, Att, Gain, Loss, Net, Avg, TD, Long, Avg/G. Includes players like CASON, Aveion and BURK, Dusty.

PASSING table with columns: G, Effic, Att-Cmp-Int, Pct, Yds, TD, Lng, Avg/G. Includes players like BURK, Dusty and GLENN, Kevin.

RECEIVING table with columns: G, No., Yds, Avg, TD, Long, Avg/G. Includes players like CASON, Aveion and GARRETT, Ricky.

PUNT RETURNS table with columns: No., Yds, Avg, TD, Long. Includes players like SZOKOLA, Ryan and HORTON, Jason.

INTERCEPTIONS table with columns: No., Yds, Avg, TD, Long. Includes players like YOUNG, Sam and TATE, Jason.

KICK RETURNS table with columns: No., Yds, Avg, TD, Long. Includes players like CASON, Aveion and WATTS, Willie.

FUMBLE RETURNS table with columns: No., Yds, Avg, TD, Long. Includes players like PEGUES, Chad and GOLSON, Vito.

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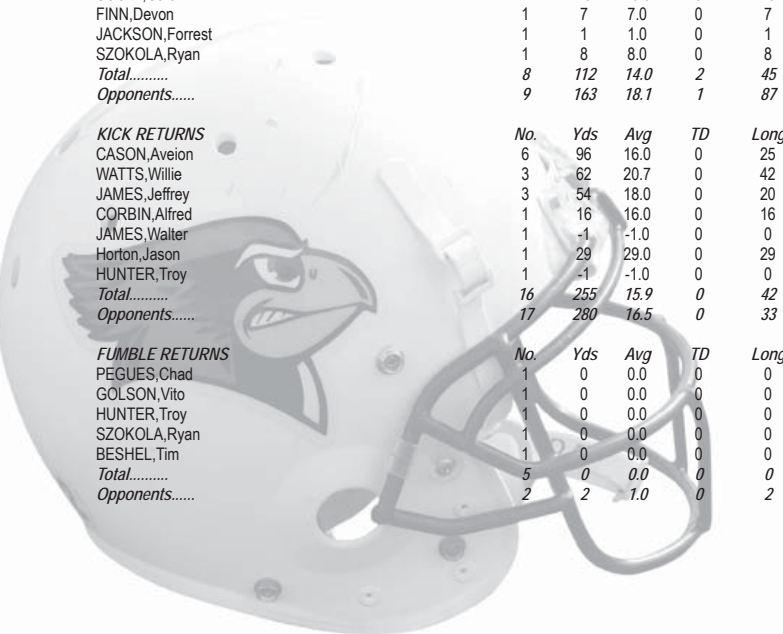
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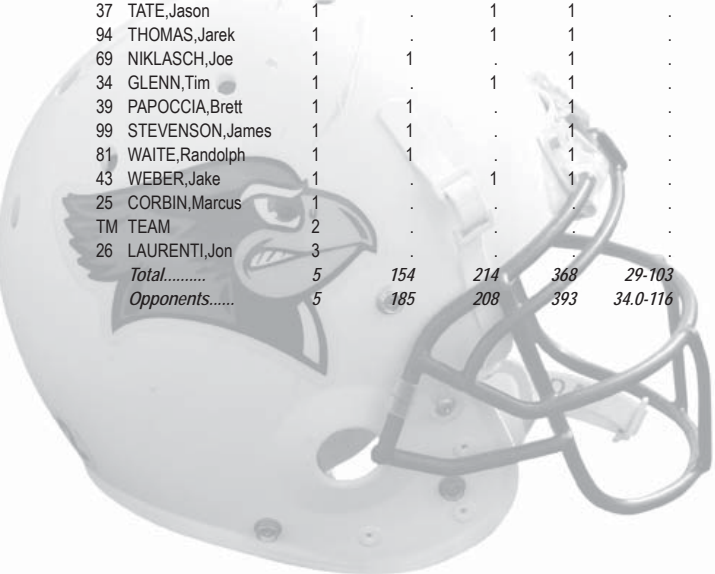
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ALL PURPOSE table with columns: G, Rush, Rec, PR, KOR, IR, Tot, Avg/G. Includes players like CASON, Aveion and WATTS, Willie.



## ILLINOIS STATE'S ALL-TIME NCAA DIVISION I FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	TACKLES				SACKS		PASS DEF			FUMBLES		BLKD	
		SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFLYDS	NO-YARDS	INT-YDS	BRUP	QBH	RCV-YDS	FF	KICK	SAF	
40 SCOTT,Galen	4	12	27	39	3.0-5	.	1-10	1	.	.	.	.	.	
12 SZOKOLA,Ryan	4	12	13	25	.	.	1-8	3	.	1-0	.	.	.	
42 ANGSTEN,Tim	3	9	15	24	3.0-12	1.0-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
96 FINN,Devon	4	11	10	21	3.0-9	1.0-4	1-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	
30 YOUNG,Sam	4	16	4	20	1.0-2	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.	
37 SMITH,Darek	2	6	13	19	2.0-6	2.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
73 BULL,David	2	7	6	13	1.0-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
21 ANDRADE,Armando	3	5	8	13	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	
32 CORBIN,Alfred	4	7	6	13	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	
55 GREGORY,Damian	3	8	5	13	3.0-18	3.0-18	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
44 Campbell,Niall	1	3	8	11	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
22 BIDDLES,Edgar	3	5	5	10	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	
7 WHITE,Marcus	3	1	9	10	1.5-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
40 SISKOWIC,Camero	1	5	5	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
46 COOK,Scott	3	2	6	8	2.5-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
6 STEWART,Kye	1	4	4	8	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
56 HARTLEY,TeJuan	3	1	6	7	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
44 BESHTEL, Tim	2	4	3	7	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
24 GOLSON,Vito	2	6	1	7	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
14 WAUGH,Adam	1	2	5	7	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
1 CAESAR,Jesse	1	2	4	6	.	.	1-45	.	.	.	.	.	.	
38 KILLINGSWORTH,K	2	1	5	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
76 WEESE,Jeff	2	1	4	5	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
31 JACKSON,Forrest	1	2	3	5	.	.	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	
45 WELLS,Hamilton	1	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
94 PEGUES,Chad	1	.	4	4	0.5-4	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
43 THOMPSON,Ben	2	3	.	3	1.0-2	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
28 TEMPLE,James	1	.	3	3	0.5-1	.	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.	
48 BARDWELL,Tom	3	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
52 MOHR,Mike	1	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
3 FILIN,Alex	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	
47 SANDS,Stuart	1	.	2	2	0.5-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
93 BLANKENSHIP,Adam	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
97 HUNTER,Kaschiev	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
23 LAGRONE,Lamont	1	2	.	2	1.0-7	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
98 GOMEZ,Nick	2	.	2	2	0.5-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
73 MARTINDALE,Justin	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
95 TATE,Ronnie	1	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
4 JACKSON,Pierre	1	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
23 WATTS,Willie	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
83 MORDIS,Dave	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
5 BURK,Dusty	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
18 GARRETT,Ricky	4	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
19 NIETE,Jacob	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
90 SIMNICK,Dan	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
7 DRONE,Luke	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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# Denver JOHNSON

*Head Coach  
Seventh Season at Illinois State*



## ***Illinois State's Denver Johnson: A devoted family man, community servant, humorist, professional football player and Academic All-American***



It is only fitting for a former offensive lineman turned head coach to enjoy knocking opposing defenses around, and that is still the case for Illinois State head coach Denver Johnson. As he enters his seventh season as the Redbird mentor, Johnson's previous six years at Illinois State have proven to be some of the most prolific offensive campaigns in the program's history.

During his tenure, the Redbirds have established 25 new offensive school records, including the most points and the most rushing, passing and total yards in a season. Players have also achieved individual accolades under Johnson with 39 first and second team all-conference selections in six seasons, including the league's first ever three-time defensive player of the year Boomer Grigsby and last season's offensive and defensive players of the year Laurént Robinson and Brent Hawkins.

During the 2006 campaign, Johnson's squad led the league in passing offense (231 ypg) and was second in total offense (399.3 ypg). The 'Birds also posted a nine-win season and a playoff win for the first time since 1999. In 2005, Johnson's Redbirds led the conference in total offense (477.5 ypg.) for the third time in his six seasons. The 'Birds also led the league in scoring offense with a school record 39.2 points per game and passing offense with 268.7 yards per game.

ISU showcased its high-powered offense with a 61-35 victory at then-No. 1 Southern Illinois, followed by a 38-3 dismantling of national runner-up Northern Iowa. However, with a 7-4 overall record, the Redbirds were left out of the playoff picture despite being one of the nation's most explosive teams.

In 2004, Johnson's offense also ranked among the league's elite, as the Redbirds led the league in passing yards per game with 226.8.

The Redbirds finished the campaign bruised and battered as injuries decimated early season rotations and starting assignments forcing a

4-7 overall record, including four straight losses to end the campaign. Before the injury bug consumed the Redbird roster, ISU registered 480 yards of total offense at

***Denver Johnson has many qualities and accomplishments, but never lost in his versatility is the fact that he is also a highly successful football coach.***

Minnesota and mounted fourth quarter comebacks against Eastern Illinois, Missouri State and Youngstown State.

In 2003, Johnson led the Redbirds to a 6-6 record, a season where the six losses came to a Big Ten Conference opponent and five NCAA I-AA Playoff participants. It was a typical Johnson team as the Redbirds set the tone on the ground, averaging a then school-record 242.3 yards per game which anchored a conference-best 420 yards of total offense per contest.

The year prior Johnson guided the Redbirds to a 6-5 finish overall and a third-place effort in the Gateway Football Conference with road wins at Northern Iowa and Indiana State and near misses at Western Illinois and Western Kentucky. The Redbirds capped the season with a road victory at Indiana State to rebound from a 2-9 record in 2001.

Illinois State originally plucked Johnson from Murray State after the 1999 season, where he was 7-4 in each of his three campaigns as the Racers' head coach.

The transition to a veteran ISU club was not easy, at least in the beginning. The Redbirds were just 1-4 after five games and appeared destined for a losing record. But with Johnson at the helm, Illinois State righted the ship and became a late-season juggernaut that was arguably one of Division I-AA's best teams at season's end, winning six straight for Johnson's fourth-straight 7-4 mark.

And the Redbirds did not rely too heavily on any particular unit, either. Instead, they became a pleasing blend of explosive offense and stingy defense. They averaged 32.8 points per game, the third-highest total in school history, while setting school records for total offensive yards in a game and a season. Defensively, the team posted back-to-back shutouts, a feat that had not been accomplished at Illinois State in 40 years.

Several deserved credit for the turnaround, not the least of whom was the head coach.

After four years playing pro football, Johnson began his coaching career in 1985 as a graduate assistant at Oklahoma State and was with the Cowboys for the '85 Gator Bowl.

His first full-time coaching job came at Tennessee-Martin from 1986-89, where he was assistant head coach and coached the offensive line. In 1988, UT-Martin, with an explosive offense, fashioned a record of 11-2 with a quarter-final appearance in the Division II playoffs.

Johnson coached the offensive line at Oklahoma State from 1989-93 before embarking on a three-year stint as an assistant at Mississippi State. The 1993 Bulldogs earned a spot in the Peach Bowl, and in 1995 Johnson was recognized as one of the top assistant coaches in the Southeastern Conference.

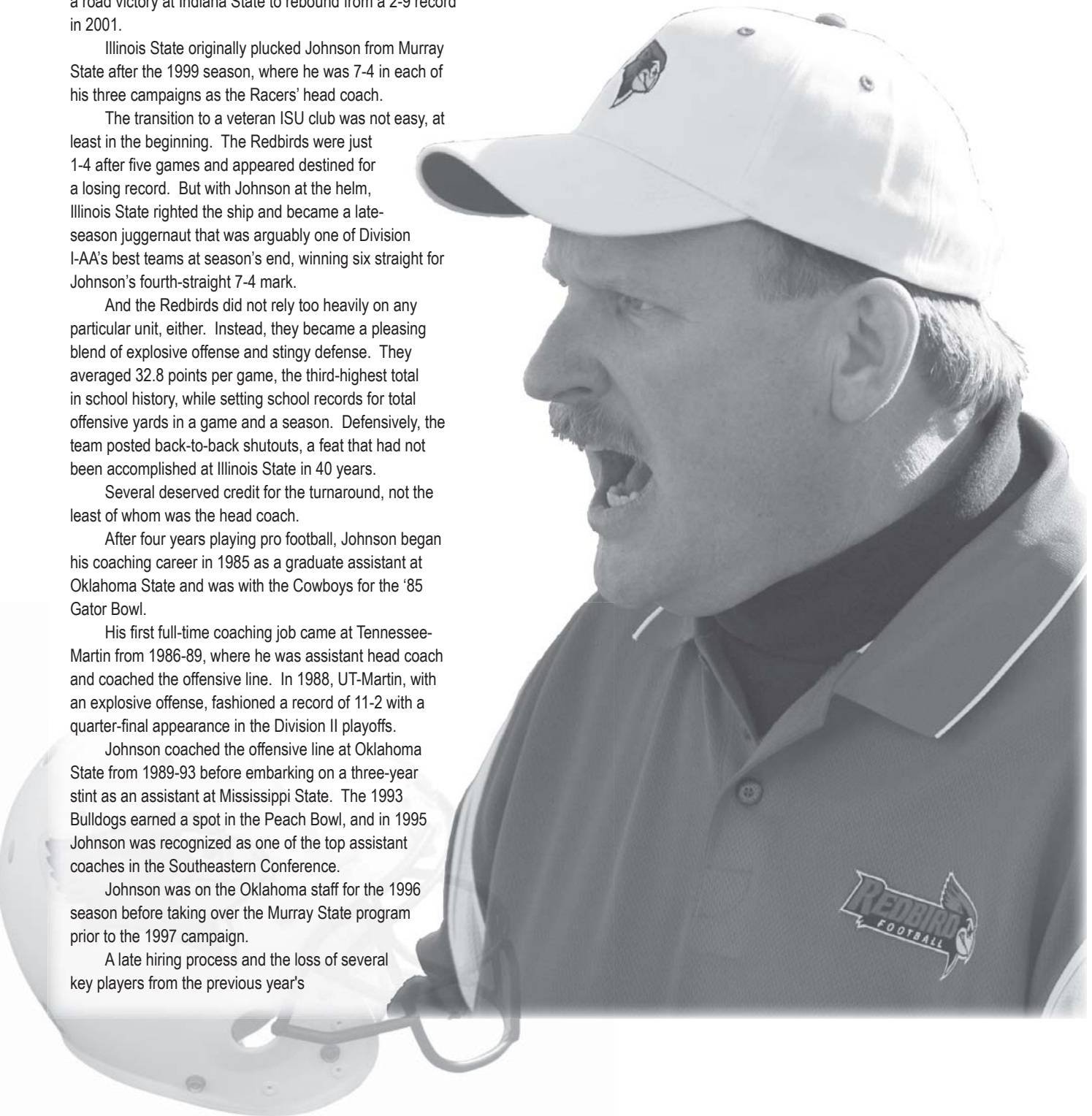
Johnson was on the Oklahoma staff for the 1996 season before taking over the Murray State program prior to the 1997 campaign.

A late hiring process and the loss of several key players from the previous year's

## DENVER'S NUGGETS

Denver Johnson was raised in rural Oklahoma where he picked up a "good bit" of common sense and small-town humor, both of which he verbalizes through litany one-liners ...

- *"He looks like Tarzan, but plays like Jane."* Translation: Good-looking athlete, but doesn't play as well as he looks.
- *"He changes direction like a hog on ice."* Translation: He's not agile.
- *"If you want to play college football you have to go to college."* Translation: Go to class.
- *"He is quicker than a hiccup."* Translation: He's fast.
- *"He can throw a ball like a frozen rope."* Translation: The quarterback has a good arm.
- *"He's not exactly a rolling ball of butcher knives."* Translation: He's not the hardest-nosed player on the team.



team appeared to have Johnson poised for a slow start at Murray, but that was not the case. The Racers responded with a 7-4 mark.

Johnson graduated from Tulsa in 1981. He helped TU to the 1976 Independence Bowl as a player and was a two-time All-Missouri Valley Conference offensive lineman under former Ohio State and Arizona State head coach John Cooper. He was also an academic all-conference pick.

Following his college playing career at Tulsa, Johnson moved to the professional ranks. He was with the National Football League's Tampa Bay Buccaneers from April 1981 to February 1983.

He then joined the Los Angeles Express of the now-defunct United States Football League from February 1983 through August 1984. Then wrapped up his playing career with the USFL's Houston Gamblers from February 1984 through August 1985.

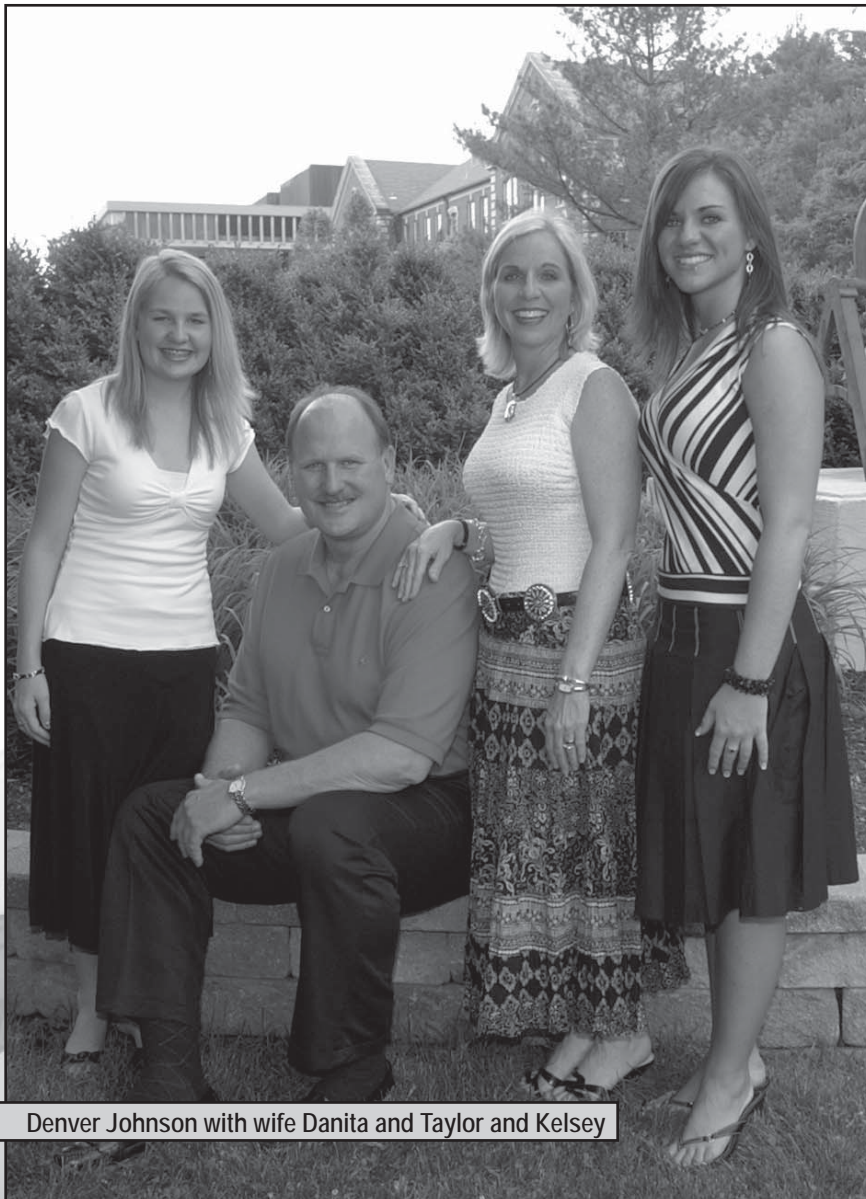
His USFL playing days included playing stints with quarterbacks Jim Kelly and Steve Young, both of whom went on to stardom in the National Football League.

Known for his homespun humor and southern drawl, Johnson is a public speaker in high demand. His interesting delivery combined with a keen mind plays well in the corporate setting, at fund-raisers, in a recruit's home and in the Redbird locker room.

Johnson, a native of Seminole, Okla., has a varied list of interests. He collects vintage cars and guitars, has skydived and lists water skiing as a hobby.

Johnson's father, the late Luke Johnson, was a decorated veteran of World War II, and his mother, Claudia, still resides in Seminole, Oklahoma, near the farm on the which the family lived.

Denver Johnson, 48, and his wife, Danita, have two daughters: Taylor, age 17, and Kelsey, age 15. The family, which is particularly active with the St. Jude Affiliates, resides in Bloomington.



Denver Johnson with wife Danita and Taylor and Kelsey

## THE JOHNSON FILE

### COACHING EXPERIENCE

Illinois State, head coach, 2000-present  
 Murray State, head coach, 1997-99  
 Oklahoma, assistant coach, 1996  
 Mississippi State, assistant coach, 1993-95  
 Oklahoma State, assistant coach, 1989-93  
 Tennessee-Martin, asst. head coach, 1986-89  
 Oklahoma State, graduate assistant, 1985-86

### YEAR BY YEAR COACHING LEDGER

2006 (Illinois State).....	9-3 (5-2 in the GFC)
2005 (Illinois State).....	7-4 (4-3 in the GFC)
2004 (Illinois State).....	4-7 (2-5 in the GFC)
2003 (Illinois State).....	6-6 (3-4 in the GFC)
2002 (Illinois State).....	6-5 (4-3 in the GFC)
2001 (Illinois State).....	2-9 (2-5 in the GFC)
2000 (Illinois State).....	7-4 (4-2 in the GFC)
Illinois State Total.....	41-38 (24-24 in the GFC)
1999 (Murray State).....	7-4 (5-2 in the OVC)
1998 (Murray State).....	7-4 (5-2 in the OVC)
1997 (Murray State).....	7-4 (5-2 in the OVC)
Murray State Total.....	21-12 (15-6 in the OVC)
Eight-year Total.....	62-50

### VERSUS ALL FOES

Austin Peay State.....	1-0
Brigham Young.....	0-1
Central Arkansas.....	1-0
Drake.....	2-0
Eastern Illinois.....	9-1
Eastern Kentucky.....	2-1
Florida Atlantic.....	0-2
Illinois.....	0-1
Indiana State.....	7-2
Iowa State.....	0-1
Kansas State.....	0-1
Kentucky Wesleyan.....	1-0
Middle Tennessee State.....	1-1
Minnesota.....	0-1
Missouri State.....	6-1
Murray State.....	3-1
Northern Illinois.....	0-1
Northern Iowa.....	3-4
Prairie View A&M.....	1-0
Purdue.....	0-1
Quincy.....	1-0
Saint Xavier.....	1-0
Samford.....	1-0
Southeast Missouri State.....	3-2
Southern Illinois.....	5-5
Southwest Texas State.....	0-1
Tennessee-Martin.....	3-0
Tennessee State.....	1-2
Tennessee Tech.....	2-1
Truman State.....	1-0
West Virginia Tech.....	1-0
Western Illinois.....	2-5
Western Kentucky.....	2-7
Western Michigan.....	0-1
Wisconsin.....	0-1
Youngstown State.....	2-5

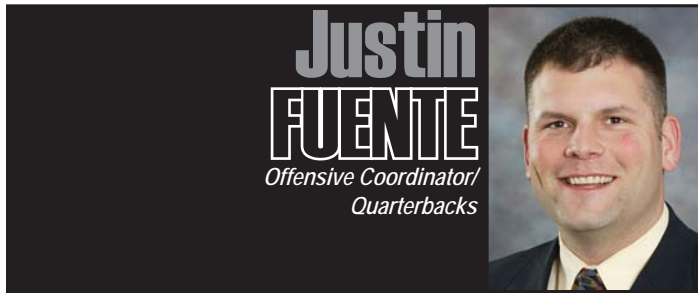
### PLAYING EXPERIENCE

Professional  
 Houston Gamblers, 1984  
 Los Angeles Express, 1983  
 Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1981-82  
 College  
 Tulsa (offensive lineman), 1976-80

### PERSONAL

Education..... Tulsa, B.A. (business), 1981  
 Date of birth..... Oct. 17, 1958  
 Hometown..... Seminole, Okla.  
 Wife..... Danita  
 Children..... Taylor (17) and Kelsey (15)





Former Oklahoma and Murray State quarterback Justin Fuente is in his sixth season on the Redbird staff, spending all six seasons working with the ISU quarterbacks. He enters his third season as the offensive coordinator.

During his span as coordinator of the Redbird offense, ISU has registered record-setting and conference-leading numbers. The 'Birds have led the Gateway in total offense in two of the last three seasons.

During the 2006 season, the ISU offense led the conference in passing offense (231 ypg) and ranked second in the conference in total offense (399.3 ypg).

In 2005, the Redbirds ranked No. 5 nationally in both total offense (477.55) and scoring offense (39.18). The 'Birds were also first in the league in passing offense with 268.73 yards per game.

His knowledge of the Redbirds' offensive system is unique since he played in the same scheme at Murray State during a time when Denver Johnson was the head coach.

Fuente, a highly-recruited high school product from Tulsa, Okla., set an OU freshman record with 11 touchdown passes before moving on to Murray State where he became one of the most prolific throwers in I-AA football.

He set 11 Racer records, including total offense and passing yards in a season and game.

Fuente was the Ohio Valley Conference Offensive Player of the Year and a finalist for the Walter Payton Award, the highest honor bestowed on an offensive player in Division I-AA.

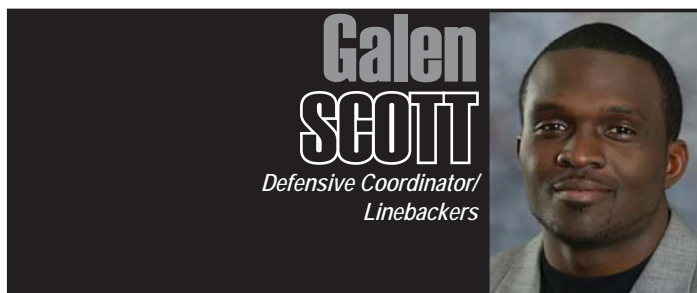
After his Murray State career, Fuente played in the Arena League with the Oklahoma Wranglers.

An all-academic pick at both of his college stops, Fuente holds a degree in finance from Murray State.

Fuente also has been active in community service projects and is a past spokesperson for the United Way.

He and his wife, Jenny, the associate head coach for the Illinois State volleyball team, reside in Normal.

• 2001- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach



Galen Scott, now in his sixth year on the coaching staff, enters his first season as the Redbirds' defensive coordinator.

The 2005 AFCA I-AA Assistant Coach of the Year is one of the most decorated players to ever wear a uniform at Illinois State. Until 2004, Scott owned the career tackles record at Illinois State, but his protegé, Boomer Grigsby, claimed the mark under his guidance.

Scott helped mold Grigsby into an unprecedented three-time Gateway Football Conference Defensive Player of the Year award winner and a consensus all-American.

With the graduation of Grigsby, Scott continued his trend with Cameron Siskowic. The 2005 and 2006 Buck Buchanan Award finalist was named the Gateway's 2006 Defensive Player of the Year after leading the conference in tackles with 140, which ties him for No. 2 nationally in total tackles (11.67 pg). It also marked the fifth-straight season a Redbird defender won POY honors, setting a new conference record.

During Scott's four-year playing career (1997-00), he set ISU records for tackles in a game, season and career. He also helped the Redbirds to their first Gateway Football Conference championship (1999) and a pair of appearances in the NCAA I-AA playoffs (1998, 1999).

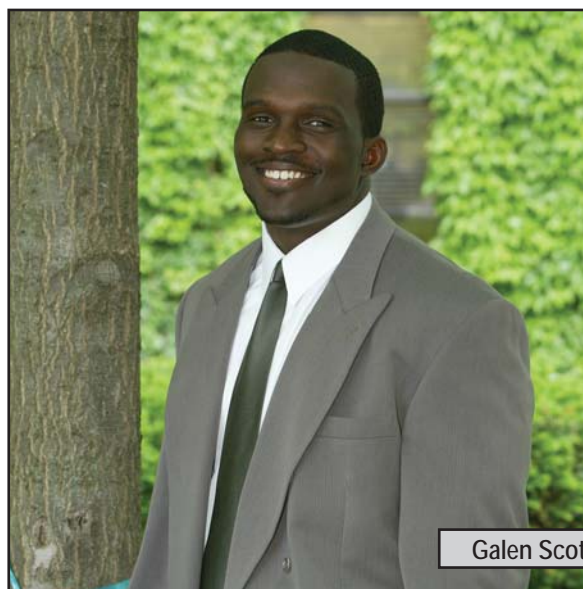
Scott was named to four all-America teams and was only the fifth player in school history to earn all-America status in three different seasons. He also snagged All-Gateway Football Conference honors in each of his four seasons and was a member of the 1997 All-Gateway Newcomer team.

An honor roll student during his career, he set the single-game Illinois State tackle record of 27 and the season tackle record at 186. He was the first Illinois State player to exceed 500 tackles and his final figure is 109 more than that posted by previous record holder, Wilbert Brown.

Scott's single game mark ranks No. 5 in Gateway Conference history as does his season total. His career number ranks No. 3 in the conference.

Scott, who received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Illinois State, hails from Orlando, Fla. He was an all-state selection for Evans High School as a senior.

• 2001- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach



**Chris  
PATTON**  
*Special Teams  
Coordinator/D-Line*



Chris Patton is in his sixth season at Illinois State after completing six years in the highly-regarded Texas high school ranks.

In three of his last four seasons, Patton has mentored three consensus all-America defensive ends, Brent Hawkins, Ray Robinson and Jonathan Friend. All three have left marks on the Illinois State record books by topping each other year after year for the school's top mark in sacks and tackles for loss.

Hawkins became Patton's first Gateway Football Conference Defensive Player of the Year and went on to be named the Defensive MVP at the 2006 Hula Bowl. He was also named the CollegeSportsReport.com National Defensive Player of the Year and finished second in the 2005 Buck Buchanan Award voting. Hawkins led the nation in tackles for loss and forced fumbles, while ranking No. 2 in sacks with a Gateway Conference record, 17.

The Chickasha, Okla., native also guided the Redbird punt team to three straight top 15 national rankings, including No. 1 in 2003, after the special teams unit posted a 103 ranking in 2001.

Redbird punter, Ryan Hoffman, concluded his career as the school's all-time punting average leader and also capped his collegiate career with the Special Teams MVP award at the 2006 Hula Bowl.

Patton was in Dallas' Lake Highlands High School system from 1995-00. During the 1990's, Lake Highlands was the fourth-most successful playoff program in 5A football with three appearances in the semi-finals and one in the quarter-finals.

He played at Oklahoma State from 1980-84, where he lettered on both sides of the ball as an offensive and defensive lineman. Patton was a member of three bowl teams at OSU where he made appearances in the 1983 Bluebonnet Bowl, the 1984 Gator Bowl and was a redshirt on the 1981 Independence Bowl team.

Following his college career, Patton worked in the private sector, but maintained his coaching career, including a stint with a club team in Gavle, Sweden.

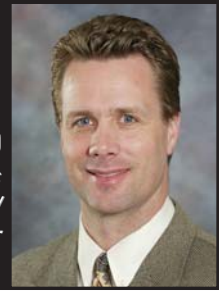
Patton, who graduated from OSU in 1989 with a degree in organizational administration, and his wife, Laura, have two daughters, Rachel (17) and Katie (7).

- 2001- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 1995-00 ..... Lake Highlands HS, Assistant Coach



Chris Patton with his wife Laura and Rachel and Katie.

**Jim  
WILLIAMS**  
*Tight Ends/H-Backs  
Assistant Head Coach/  
Recruiting Coordinator*



Jim Williams enters his third season as a member of the Illinois State staff. Williams will coach the tight ends and H-backs for his second straight season, after serving as the running backs coach his first year at ISU.

In 2005, Williams mentored the top blocking tight end in the league in Jonathan Denley, who went on to earn All-Gateway Honorable Mention honors. Combined with the fullbacks, Williams' crew helped pave the way for the conference's second-best rushing offense with 208.8 yards per game.

Prior to joining the ISU staff, Williams served three seasons as an assistant coach at Nebraska-Omaha and was the offensive coordinator during the 2003 season.

With Nebraska-Omaha, Williams coached the leading Division II rusher Justin Kammrad, who finished third in the voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy, the Division II equivalent of the Heisman Trophy.

Williams' Maverick offense ranked No. 6 nationally in rushing with 240.6 yards per game and No. 13 in total offense with 453.0 yards per contest. Including a playoff game in 2001, Williams mentored three 1,000-yard rushers in his three seasons at UNO.

Prior to his three-year stint at UNO, Williams worked a season as the running backs coach at Western State (Colo.). In the spring prior to leaving Western State, he also served as the co-offensive coordinator.

He entered the college coaching ranks in 1998 as the offensive coordinator at Independence Community College. During his two years, Williams also instructed the quarterbacks, running backs, tight ends and receivers.

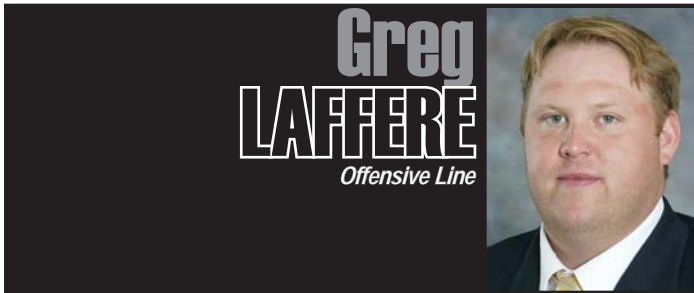
The Altoona, Kan., native earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from New Mexico State in 1990, where he lettered two seasons, and a bachelor of science degree in secondary education from Southern Colorado in 1994. Williams earned his master's degree in business administration from Canyon College in 2001.

Williams and his wife, Kristi, have three daughters, Madison (8), Samantha (5) and Megan (3).

- 2004- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2001-04 ..... Nebraska-Omaha, Assistant Coach
- 2000-01 ..... Western State, Assistant Coach
- 1998-2000 ..... Independence CC, Assistant Coach



Jim Williams with Kristi, Madison, Samantha and Megan.



As a member of the 2000 Gator Bowl and 2001 Sugar Bowl champions, Greg Laffere started 16 of 23 games on the offensive line at Miami (Fla.) and has brought that personal experience to Illinois State as he enters his second season.

The offensive line performed above expectation in 2006, protecting the league's top quarterback in Luke Drone, who led the conference with 231 passing yards per game. The unit also blocked for Pierre Rembert, who became the school's single-season rushing leader with 1,629 yards.

In 2005, Laffere guided two of the league's top offensive linemen in Stafford Davis and Mike Stegeman. Davis went on to become a consensus all-American and first team all-conference selection after making the move from guard to center, while Stegeman earned second team all-league honors.

As a senior with the 'Canes, Laffere was part of an offensive line that only allowed eight sacks in 340 passing plays on the season. Also in 2000, Miami racked up a school record 469 points, while averaging a Big East best 460.8 yards of total offense per game.

He was also the winner of Miami's Unsung Hero Award presented annually by the Hurricane coaching staff to the player whose achievements, while greatly impacting the team's success, are overlooked.

After his playing career, Laffere left football for over a year before returning as the defensive line coach at Kilgore Junior College during the 2002-03 seasons. He then returned to his alma mater as a graduate assistant in 2004, coaching the offensive line.

Prior to transferring to Miami, Laffere was a highly-recruited offensive lineman at Butler County Community College. Ranked on PrepStar's Top 100 Junior College players list, Laffere earned Kansas Valley All-League honors and also participated in the Valley of the Sun Junior College Bowl game.

The native of Basehor, Kan., earned his bachelor's of liberal arts and sciences in 2001, from Miami, and is married to the former Stacy Stacks. The couple have a daughter, Selbe, who was born in April 2006.

- 2005- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2003-04 ..... Miami (Fla.), Graduate Assistant
- 2002-03 ..... Kilgore JC, Assistant Coach

After guiding the Redbird secondary to the most interceptions in the last seven seasons, Mike Menefee will mentor the safeties in his second season at Illinois State after overseeing the cornerbacks last year.

Menefee previously served as the head coach at Edna High School in Edna, Texas. He and Denver Johnson were collegiate football teammates at Tulsa. Menefee started two seasons at free safety with the Golden Hurricane, after transferring from Kilgore Junior College.

Menefee, who became head coach at Edna midway through the 2000 season, began his coaching career as a graduate assistant at Tulsa working with the defensive secondary. He coached the secondary at Texas A&M-Kingsville before getting out of coaching and returning to Edna in 1982. He joined the Edna coaching staff in 1999 and took over as athletic director and head coach during the 2000 season.

Menefee led the 2000 team, which had started the season 2-4, to a 3-1 finish. The Cowboys then went 5-5 in 2001, before snapping an eight-year playoff drought in 2002 with a 7-4 mark. Edna returned to the playoffs in 2003 with a 6-5 record.

During his prep coaching career, Menefee sent 18 of his players from Edna on to the collegiate level, including Garry Roberts, a current Redbird defensive back.

Menefee earned his bachelor's degree in education from Tulsa in 1981. He and his wife, Shelley, have two children, Garrett and Mary Kathryn.

- 2005- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2000-04 ..... Edna (Texas) High School, Head Coach
- 1998-99 ..... Edna (Texas) High School, Assistant Coach
- 1981-82 ..... Texas A&M-Kingsville, Assistant Coach
- 1980-81 ..... Tulsa, Graduate Assistant



Greg Laffere with his wife, Stacy, and daughter, Selbe.



Mike Menefee with wife Shelley and Mary Kathryn.

# Brad CORNELSEN

Wide Receivers



Brad Cornelsen enters his fourth season at Illinois State working with the wide receivers. In his short time, he has made an impact at the position. He mentored arguably the best wide receiver to ever play at Illinois State, Laurént Robinson. During his four years in the program, Robinson became the school's all-time leader in receptions, receiving yards and touchdown receptions and broke several single-season marks in the process.

In 2005, Robinson re-wrote the school and conference record book with 86 catches for 1,465 yards. He also totaled 292 yards on 14 catches in the season finale. The single-game yardage total set both league and school marks. Robinson went on to claim the conference's offensive player of the year award and was a consensus all-American.

In 2004, Cornelsen had three receivers post 30 or more catches each for the year – the most by a Redbird trio since 1996.

A season earlier, Cornelsen was instrumental in the success of first team All-Gateway receiver Dwayne Smith. Smith led the league in both receptions and receiving yards per game, while the Redbird offense as a whole ranked as the best in the conference with 420 yards of total offense per outing.

Prior to joining the Redbird staff, Cornelsen spent two seasons as a graduate assistant at Oklahoma State working with the quarterbacks and wide receivers.

He also served as a graduate assistant at Northwest Missouri State working with the wide receivers.

After graduating from Missouri Southern, Cornelsen served a year term as a student assistant with his alma mater and at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M.

A native of Texhoma, Okla., Cornelsen graduated from Missouri Southern with a bachelor's degree in physical education in 2000. With the Lions, Cornelsen became the first quarterback in the history of NCAA Division II to pass for 4,000 yards and rush for 2,000 yards for a career.

- 2003- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2001-03 ..... Oklahoma State, Graduate Assistant
- 2001 ..... NW Missouri State, Graduate Assistant
- 2000 ..... Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, Student Assistant
- 1999 ..... Missouri Southern, Student Assistant



Brad Cornelsen

# David ROSS

Cornerbacks



David Ross begins his first season with the Redbird cornerbacks. For the last five seasons, Ross served as the head football coach and athletic director at Bacone College in Muskogee, Okla. He served as the Warriors' first head coach since the program's reinstatement, after a 43-year hiatus. During that time, he immediately established an NAIA program that was nationally ranked.

Ross started his coaching career at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M in Miami in the fall of 1982 coaching the defensive line. With the Golden Norsemen, Ross and the team reeled off a pair of 10-1 seasons.

In 1983, Ross accepted a graduate assistantship at Oklahoma State under then Cowboys' head coach Jimmy Johnson. Ross worked with the quarterbacks under offensive coordinator Larry Coker. Once Johnson left the Oklahoma State post, Ross worked on the defensive side of the ball under new head coach Pat Jones.

In 1986, Ross returned to his alma mater, Central Methodist in Fayette, Mo., as the assistant head coach and defensive coordinator. In 1988, he was named the head football coach at his high school alma mater, William Chrisman in Independence, Mo., at the age of 28.

After four years, Ross was named the head coach at Blue Springs South High School, a start-up program. In his second season, the Jaguars finished with an 8-3 record, before posting an undefeated regular season and an 11-1 overall record in 1994.

The success as a prep head coach vaulted Ross back into the collegiate ranks. He was named head football coach at Kemper Military Junior College in Boonville, Mo., in 1995. During his five year stay at Kemper, Ross produced 42 Division I players and a 33-19 record. However, in 1999, Kemper decided to drop the football program, setting the stage for Ross' hiring at Bacone.

He received his bachelor's degree in 1982 from Central Methodist in the area of physical education, and received his master's degree in sports administration from the United States Sports Academy in 2005. Ross has four children, Zac (20), a redshirt freshman football player at Oklahoma State, Hayden (15), Darce (7) and Brogan (5).

- 2006- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2000-05 ..... Bacone College, Head Coach
- 1995-99 ..... Kemper Military Junior College, Head Coach
- 1991-94 ..... Blue Springs South HS, Head Coach
- 1988-91 ..... William Chrisman HS, Head Coach
- 1986-87 ..... Central Methodist, Assistant Head Coach
- 1983-85 ..... Oklahoma State, Graduate Assistant
- 1982-83 ... Northeastern Oklahoma A&M, Assistant Coach



David Ross with his children, Zac, Hayden, Darce and Brogan.

# Bill TEERLINCK

*Defensive Line*



With a lifetime around the game and descending from a football-rich bloodline, Bill Teerlinck brings a wealth of gridiron knowledge to his second season on the Illinois State staff.

Teerlinck, who is the son of John Teerlinck, an 18-year coaching veteran in the National Football League and current defensive line coach with the Indianapolis Colts, will continue to assist Chris Patton with the defensive line and special teams units.

In his first season, Teerlinck, along with Patton, molded Brent Hawkins into the Gateway Football Conference's Defensive Player of the Year, a consensus all-American, the Buck Buchanan Award runner-up and the Defensive MVP at the 2006 Hula Bowl.

Prior to joining the Redbird staff, Teerlinck served two years as a graduate assistant coach at Indiana. With the Hoosiers, Teerlinck occupied the same role he has taken on with the Redbirds.

During his tenure, Indiana tripled the number of sacks by the defensive line in one year, posting five defensive touchdowns and leading the nation in kickoff returns, while ranking No. 18 in net punting and No. 25 in punt returns.

In addition to working at Indiana, Teerlinck has also had the opportunity to work numerous NFL camps in addition to serving as a sideline assistant with the Colts and Denver Broncos.

Prior to coaching, Teerlinck was a Division II All-American at Chadron State, in Chadron, Neb. He led all of Division II in quarterback sacks in 2002, while being named all-league. He earned his bachelor's degree in university studies from Chadron State in 2001.

Teerlinck is single and resides in Normal.

- 2005- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2003-05 ..... Indiana, Graduate Assistant

# Holmon WIGGINS

*Running Backs*



Holmon Wiggins, a former tailback at New Mexico, enters his first season as the running backs coach at Illinois State.

The first year assistant made an immediate contribution, as he helped Pierre Rembert to rush for 1,629 yards on the ground, the highest single-season total in ISU history.

Wiggins was a four-year letterwinner and a three-year starter at running back for the Lobos from 1998-2001. He finished his collegiate career ranked No. 14 all-time in rushing (1,833 yards) and No. 12 in all-purpose yardage (2,912 yards) in New Mexico history.

He remains the Lobos' single-season leader in punt returns (46) and punt return yardage (392), set in 2000. Wiggins led New Mexico in rushing during the 1999 and 2000 seasons.

After his playing career, Wiggins worked one season as a graduate assistant at his alma mater, assisting running backs coach Cornell Jackson.

A native of Los Angeles, Calif., Wiggins played his prep football at San Pedro High School, while being named the city's player of the year for class 4A.

He received his bachelor's degree in Psychology from New Mexico in 2003 and is currently working on his master's degree in Counseling and Child Psychology.

- 2006- ..... Illinois State, Assistant Coach
- 2005-06 ..... New Mexico, Graduate Assistant



Bill Teerlinck



Holmon Wiggins

# 27 Alan ABRAMS



Running Back • Jr.-TR • 6-0 • 205  
Orlando, Fla. (Apopka/Mississippi)

### CAREER RUSHING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rush	Avg.	TD	Long
2006	8-0	3	17	0	11 vs. Southern Illinois

### GAME-BY-GAME

2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	3	17	0	11
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-

2006: Transferred to Illinois State prior to fall camp ... seen action in seven games, mostly on special teams ... carried the ball three times for 17 yards in a win over Southern Illinois. Mississippi 2005: Played in eight games with one start against Vanderbilt (9/17) ... finished the season with 28 rushing yards on 14 carries. Mississippi 2004: Appeared in 10-of-11 games, making starts at running back against Auburn (10/30) and at Arkansas (11/13) ... rushed for 275 yards on 56 carries, and caught

four passes for 26 yards ... set season highs for rushing attempts (11) and rushing yards (59). Mississippi 2003: Redshirted. Apopka HS: Two-time Florida Class 6A All-State selection who was named Most Valuable Player of 2001 Florida 6A championship game ... *Orlando Sentinel* Orange County Offensive Player of the Year ... named 2002 Central Florida Player of the Year ... Florida Class 6A Player of the Year and All-Area Player of the Year ... Florida Kids.net 101 Florida Seniors list ... Jacksonville.com Super 75 ... rated No. 12 on *Orlando Sentinel* Top 100 list ... PrepStar All-Region pick ... Dick Butkus Football Network National Top High School Football Prospects list ... helped lead Apopka to Class 6A State Championship in 2001 as team finished 14-1 ... during prep career, rushed for 3,841 yards on 438 carries, scoring 42 TDs ... as a senior, rushed for 1,649 yards on 184 carries and scored 20 TDs, breaking school single season mark ... averaged 9.0 yards per carry ... rushed for 960 yards and 11 TDs junior season ... earned two letters in football ... coached by Rick Darlington. Data: Born: 12-5-84 in Orlando, Fla. ... son of Michael and Maxine Watts ... named to the U.M.A.A. Honor Roll in fall of 2003 and 2004.

# 93 Adam BLANKENSHIP



Defensive Lineman • So.-TR • 6-2 • 245  
Tulsa, Okla. (Union/Nebraska)

### CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2006	12-5	5	7	12	2.5-17	1-13	0	0	0	0

### GAME-BY-GAME

2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack
at Kansas St.	1	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Murray St.	1	1	1.0-13	1-13
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	2	2	0	0
Missouri St.	1	1	1.0-2	0
at Indiana St.	4	1	0.5-2	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	0	0	0

### • 2006 All-Gateway Newcomer Team

2006: Transferred to Illinois State from Nebraska and took summer classes ... started the last four games of the season at defensive end ... recorded first career ISU tackle in first game at Kansas State ... posted lone sack of the season at Murray State ... had a season-high four tackles in a win at Indiana State. Nebraska 2005: Played in one game (Michigan) and did not record a stat. Nebraska 2004: Redshirted

... named to the 2004 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll. Union HS: Starred at annual powerhouse Tulsa Union High for his father, Bill Blankenship ... the younger Blankenship earned first-team all-state honors from the *Tulsa World* and the Oklahoma Coaches Association (OCA) as a senior, while picking up second-team all-state honors from the *Daily Oklahoman* ... named the OCA Region 7 Male Athlete of the Year ... a first-team all-district (6A-3) selection and was chosen to participate in the 67th Annual Oil Bowl, matching all-star teams from Texas and Oklahoma ... helped Union to a 12-1 record his senior season and a state semifinal appearance in Class 6A ... finished with 85 tackles, had 10 sacks and recovered three fumbles as a senior from his defensive end position ... on offense, he rotated in at the tight end spot ... Union was a perfect 14-0 and captured the 6A state title during his junior year ... totaled 86 tackles, including eight sacks, and recovered four fumbles in Union's championship season, earning second-team all-state honors along the way ... also a four-year letterman in track and finished second in the state in the shot put and fourth in the discus in 2004. Data: Born 6-17-85 in Tulsa, Okla. ... son of Bill and Angela Blankenship ... majoring in communications ... his father played quarterback for Tulsa in the 1970s ... his brother Josh was a quarterback at Eastern Washington and Tulsa, while his brother Caleb was a tight end at Tulsa.

# 22 Geno BLOW



Running Back • Fr.-HS • 5-11 • 190  
Seabrook, Texas (Clear Lake)

### CAREER RUSHING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rush	Avg.	TD	Long
2006	5-0	19	94	0	39 vs. Missouri State


### GAME-BY-GAME

2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	3	3	0	2
at Murray St.	1	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
Southern Ill.	5	22	0	13
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri St.	10	69	0	39
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
at N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-

2006: Saw action against Central Arkansas, which forfeited his redshirt status ... earned first career carry against Eastern Illinois ... carried five times for 22 yard in a win over Southern Illinois ... posted career highs in carries (10) and yards (69) against Missouri State ... had career-long 39-yard carry against MSU. Clear Lake HS: An all-purpose back that rushed for over 3,000 yards during his prep career ... runs the 40-yard dash in 4.5 seconds, which ranked ninth at the 2005 Fort Worth, Texas Nike

Training Camp ... has a 34.5 inch vertical leap ... as a senior, rushed for 1,154 yards on 155 carries with 11 touchdowns ... a first team all-district selection ... named the team's MVP and named the most outstanding back on the team ... as a junior, rushed for 950 yards on 150 attempts with 10 touchdowns ... as a junior, the Falcons won the district championship and finished 13-2 before falling in the state semifinals ... coached by Troy Aduddell ... also lettered in track and field. Data: Born 1-2-88 in Webster, Texas ... son of Larry and Adrienne Blow ... has a younger brother and sister ... full name is Larry Gene Blow ... prep teammates with fellow Redbird recruit Brad Paul.

# 12 Kevin BROCKWAY



Quarterback • So.-1L • 6-4 • 225  
Crystal Lake, Ill. (South)

CAREER PASSING STATISTICS					
Season	G-GS	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Long
2005	5-0	3-4-0	26	0	13 vs. Murray State
2006	1-0	0-0-0	0	0	N/A
<b>Totals</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>3-4-0</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13 vs. Murray State</b>

GAME-BY-GAME				
2005	A	C	Yds.	TD
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	1	1	2	0
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Murray State	3	2	24	0
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
2006	A	C	Yds.	TD
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	-	-	-	-
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Murray St.	-	-	-	-
at Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
Southern Ill.	-	-	-	-
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
at N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-

2006: Listed as the No. 2 quarterback on the depth chart ... only snaps of the season were against Missouri State. 2005: Served as the No. 2 quarterback on the depth chart ... saw action in five games, all in late-game situations when the game was well in hand ... was 3-for-4 on the season passing for 26 yards and scrambled for 42 yards on the year. 2004: Redshirted. Crystal Lake South HS: A two-year starter ... passed for 1,352 yards and eight touchdowns as a senior on an 8-3 team ... completed 84 of his 156 attempts ... set a school record with 21 completions in a game ... rushed for 444 yards and 13 touchdowns on 83 carries ... an all-conference and all-area selection ... named a team captain and was the team's offensive player of the year ... as a junior, passed for 1,217 yards and nine touchdowns ... team posted an 8-4 record his junior year and advanced to the quarterfinals of the IHSA Class 6A state

tournament ... completed 74 passes in 146 attempts, including a school record 12-for-13 performance in a game ... member of the honor roll ... lettered in football and basketball ... coached by Jim Stuglis. Data: Born 12-4-85 in Arlington Heights, Ill. ... son of Kenneth and Shalagh Brockway ... one of four children ... major: general student ... once named to the AFNI Honor Roll.

# Jesse CAESAR



Defensive Back • Jr.-2L • 5-11 • 185  
Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004	11-5	19	23	42	3.5-8	0-0	0	0	0	0
2005	11-10	31	24	55	3-11	0-0	1-6	2	1-69	5
2006	12-12	38	18	56	1-2	0-0	2-45	0	2-33	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>34-27</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>7.5-21</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>3-51</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3-102</b>	<b>8</b>

2006: Recorded a tackle in all 12 games played ... picked off a pass against Eastern Illinois in first meeting ... also had a season-high 11 tackles in a win over Eastern Illinois ... returned a fumble 33 yards against Southern Illinois ... also scooped up a fumble against Missouri State ... broke up passes in back-to-back games against Murray State and Western Kentucky ... picked off second pass of the season and second against EIU in the playoff victory ... INT resulted in a 45-yard touchdown return and his second career touchdown. 2005: Started 10 of 11 games at cornerback ... returned a fumble 69 yards for a touchdown in the opening game of the season at Iowa State ... intercepted a pass at No. 1 Southern Illinois ...

GAME-BY-GAME				
2004	T	UT	TFL	PBU
St. Xavier	6	3	1.5-3	0
at Minnesota	8	5	0.5-2	0
E. Illinois	8	4	0	0
at Indiana St.	8	3	1-2	0
Missouri State	3	1	0	0
at W. Illinois	2	0	0	0
Y'stown St.	3	2	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	0	0	0
S. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	1	0	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	2	1	0.5-1	0
2005	T	UT	TFL	PBU
at Iowa State	5	4	0	1
Drake	6	5	0	0
at E. Illinois	4	2	0	0
Murray State	5	4	2-9	0
at Youngstown St.	4	2	0	0
Western Ky.	2	1	0	1
at Southern Ill.	9	6	0	1
N. Iowa	5	2	0	0
W. Illinois	2	0	0	1
at Missouri St.	10	5	1-2	0
Indiana St.	3	1	0	1
2006	T	UT	INT	PBU
at Kansas St.	1	1	0	0
C. Arkansas	4	3	0	0
E. Illinois	11	6	1-0	0
at Murray St.	6	6	0	1
at Western Ky.	2	2	0	1
Southern Ill.	2	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	6	5	0	0
Youngstown St.	6	4	0	0
Missouri St.	6	4	0	1
at Indiana St.	1	1	0	0
at N. Iowa	5	4	0	0
at E. Illinois	6	2	1-45	0

posted a career-high 10 tackles at Missouri State. 2004: Played in all 11 games with five starts at the rover position ... started the first five games of the season ... posted season-high eight tackles against Minnesota, Eastern Illinois and Indiana State ... ranked sixth on the team in tackles. 2003: Redshirted. Rockledge HS: As a senior, named team's defensive back of the year ... team crowned Space Coast Conference Champions before winning district and state titles with a 14-1 record ... led the secondary in tackles as a junior ... All-Space Coast selection, all-county team and team won district and state championships junior season as well ... played hoops his senior season and participated in track all four years ... regional and district champ in the 800 meters and member of the 4x800 relay team ... high school teammate of Redbird receiver Laurent Robinson ... coached by Chuck Wood. Data: Born 6-8-84 in Rockledge, Fla. ... son of Rudolph and Avil Caesar ... major: industrial technology ... pronounced SEE-zehr.

# 4 Niall CAMPBELL



Linebacker • Sr.-3L • 6-2 • 230  
Lemont, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2003	11-1	18	14	32	4-6	0	0	3	1-0	0
2004	11-2	7	22	29	3.5-16	1-6	0	0	0	0
2005	11-11	25	43	68	8.5-14	0	1-0	1	1-0	4
2006	12-11	48	52	100	7.5-22	2-16	1-24	2	0	5
<b>Totals</b>	<b>45-25</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>22-58</b>	<b>3.0-22</b>	<b>2-24</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2-0</b>	<b>9</b>

GAME-BY-GAME				
2003	T	UT	TFL	Sack
Drake	4	2	2-1	0
at Illinois	2	1	0	0
Truman St.	1	1	0	0
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at S. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Y'stown St.	2	1	0	0
W. Illinois	6	2	0	0
at Missouri St.	11	7	0	0
Indiana St.	6	4	2-5	0

2006: Has recorded five double-digit tackle efforts ... ranks third on the team in tackles with 100 ... posted a season-high 1.5 tackles for loss at Kansas State ... forced fumbles in back-to-back games against Western Kentucky and Southern Illinois ... recorded only interception of the season at Western Illinois ... collected nine tackles and two sacks at Northern Iowa ... led the team in tackles with 11 in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Started all 11 games at middle linebacker ... had a season-high 10 tackles against Eastern Illinois, Northern Iowa and Western Illinois ... also intercepted a pass against Western Illinois ... recovered a fumble in the end zone for a touchdown against Murray State ... forced a fumble at Eastern Illinois, which was returned 42 yards by Kye Stewart for a score. 2004: Saw action in all 11 games with two starting

GAME-BY-GAME (Cont.)

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2004				
St. Xavier	2	0	0	0
at Minnesota	2	0	0	0
E. Illinois	3	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	3	0	0	0
Missouri State	2	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	2	0	0	0
Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	4	2	1-6	0
S. Illinois	3	1	0	0
at N. Iowa	2	0	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	8	4	2.5-10	1-6
2005				
at Iowa State	4	1	0	0
Drake	4	2	1-1	0
at E. Illinois	10	6	1-0	0
Murray State	7	0	2-4	0
at Youngstown St.	9	3	2-5	0
Western Ky.	7	4	1-2	0
at Southern Ill.	3	2	0	0
N. Iowa	10	3	0.5-1	0
W. Illinois	10	5	0.5-1	0
at Missouri St.	1	1	0	0
Indiana St.	3	1	0.5-0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	6	3	1.5-2	0
C. Arkansas	9	4	1.0-1	0
E. Illinois	11	5	0	0
at Murray St.	3	3	0	0
at Western Ky.	12	5	1.0-1	0
Southern Ill.	6	2	0	0
at W. Illinois	6	1	0	0
Youngstown St.	11	2	0	0
Missouri St.	5	4	0	0
at Indiana St.	11	7	0	0
at N. Iowa	9	9	2.0-16	2.0-16
at E. Illinois	11	3	1.5-2	0

assignments ... posted a season-best four tackles at Western Kentucky. 2003: Played in 11 games with one starting assignment ... claimed first career start at Missouri State with 11 tackles, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery ... forced a pair of fumbles at Illinois. 2002: Redshirted. Chicago Mt. Carmel HS: Finished his prep career as the second all-time leading tackler in school history ... garnered all-state and All-Catholic League honors ... was named all-area by five different local papers ... named defensive player of the year by the *Hammond Times* ... named team MVP ... the Caravan won state titles his sophomore and junior seasons ... coached by Frank Lenti. Data: Born 3-13-84 in Chicago, Ill. ... son of Eamonn and Ita Campbell ... major: exercise science ... three-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll ... pronounced: NILE.

Week ... *Orlando Sentinel* Defensive Player of the Week ... in his final prep season, the team finished 7-5 and advanced to the 5A state playoffs and ranked No. 11 in the final state poll ... lettered in football, baseball and wrestling ... recipient of the Lamp of Knowledge, an athletic-academic award ... coached by Steven Katz. Data: Born 9-16-85 in Orlando, Fla. ... son of Patrick and Letha Cucci ... his father wrestled at Appalachian State and was a wrestling coach at Central Florida ... his brother, Vinny, is a freshman on the Central Florida baseball team ... his cousin, Steven, played football at Houston ... major: general student ... pronounced COO-chee.

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## Janiah DOWNING



Offensive Lineman • Sr.-3L • 6-3 • 310  
North Marion, Fla. (North Marion)

• 2006 All-Gateway Honorable Mention

2006: Has started every game at right guard ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. 2005: Started all but one game at right guard ... missed the Missouri State game with a concussion ... blocked for the No. 1 ranked passing offense and No. 2 rushing offense in the Gateway. 2004: Started all 11 games at right guard ... Redbird passing offense ranked No. 1 in the league and No. 37 nationally. 2003: Saw action in 10 games as a reserve. 2002: Redshirted. North Marion HS: Named conference offensive lineman of the year ... first team all-state ... first team all-area junior and senior seasons ... won back-to-back district championships his junior and senior seasons ... his team finished 8-3 senior season ... lettered in football, track and field and weightlifting ... coached by Craig Damon. Data: Born 7-3-84 ... son of Carl and Myra Sherman and Johnny Downing ... major: exercise science ... five-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll ... named vice-president of Illinois State's SAAC.

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## Pat CUCCI



Linebacker • So.-1L • 6-1 • 240  
Winter Springs, Fla. (Winter Springs)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	11-0	1	4	5	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0
2006	11-1	3	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	22-1	4	5	9	0.5-1	0	0	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2005				
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0
Drake	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Murray State	1	0	0.5-1	0
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	3	1	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	1	0	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Murray St.	1	1	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	1	0	0
Southern Ill.	1	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Made first career start at Kansas State ... has played in nine games, mostly on special teams ... recorded special teams tackles in consecutive games against Murray State and Western Kentucky ... also recorded a tackle against Southern Illinois. 2005: Played in all 11 games, mostly on special teams ... recorded first career tackle against Murray State ... posted a career-high three stops at No. 1 Southern Illinois. 2004: Redshirted. Winter Springs HS: Finished his career with 244 tackles ... had 107 tackles, seven tackles for loss, three interceptions and a sack as a senior ... third team Class 5A all-state selection ... second team all-Central Florida ... named the most valuable player of the East team at the Central Florida All-Star Game ... first team all-district and all-county ... Orlando Kiwanis Golden Helmet winner ... Orlando Touchdown Club Defensive Player of the

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## Luke DRONE



Quarterback • Jr.-2L • 6-2 • 210  
Mt. Carmel, Ill. (Mt. Carmel)

CAREER PASSING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	C-A-I	Yds.	TD	Long
2004	7-0	2-1-0	10	0	10 vs. Saint Xavier
2005	11-11	332-214-12	2930	22	88 vs. Drake
2006	12-12	322-187-9	2772	19	90 at Indiana State
Totals	30-23	656-402-21	5712	41	90 at Indiana State

• 2006 All-Gateway First Team

• 2005 All-Gateway Honorable Mention

2006: Has started every game at quarterback ... leads the Gateway with 231 yards passing per game ... also leads the league with 231.6 yards of total offense per game ... most efficient passer in the conference games (144.27) ... has thrown for over three touchdowns in three games ... threw for a season-high 305 yards against Missouri State ... connected on a career-long 90-yard touchdown pass to Laurént Robinson in a win at Indiana State ... also threw for three touchdowns against the Sycamores. 2005: Started all 11 games at quarterback as a sophomore ... his 2,930 passing yards rank second most in a season on the all-time Redbird list ... his 22 touchdown passes rank second most in a season by a Redbird QB ... threw for five touchdowns against Drake



GAME-BY-GAME

Year	A	C	Yds.	TD
2005				
at Iowa State	25	10	222	2
Drake	37	23	342	5
at E. Illinois	31	17	203	0
Murray State	21	10	126	1
at Youngstown St.	27	17	180	0
Western Ky.	32	26	250	0
at Southern Ill.	29	23	319	3
N. Iowa	28	22	321	4
W. Illinois	41	24	300	2
at Missouri St.	28	18	227	0
Indiana St.	33	24	440	5
2006				
at Kansas St.	38	24	253	3
C. Arkansas	38	16	228	1
E. Illinois	26	17	288	3
at Murray St.	20	10	159	2
at Western Ky.	17	12	204	1
Southern Ill.	18	14	280	2
at W. Illinois	20	14	179	1
Youngstown St.	31	10	143	0
Missouri St.	26	19	305	1
at Indiana St.	26	16	298	4
at N. Iowa	29	19	258	1
at E. Illinois	33	16	177	0

and Indiana State ... his 440 yards against Indiana State was the second highest output ever by a Redbird signal caller. 2004: Played in seven games ... second-string quarterback and also personal protector on punt team ... completed one pass on two attempts for 10 yards. 2003: Played on the Illinois State baseball team ... saw action in three games ... had two at bats without a base hit. Mt. Carmel HS: A tremendous athlete who was a four-year starter in baseball and a three-year starter in football and basketball ... as a senior, threw 30 touchdowns and passed for over 2,000 yards, while rushing for over 1,000 yards with 15 TDs ... his passing marks set the standard at Mt. Carmel and in the conference ... a first team all-state selection and academic all-state ... voted the conference MVP and was the MVP of the Illinois Coaches Association All-Star Shrine game ... team posted a 25-3 record during his junior and senior years, finishing as the state runner-up both seasons to Driscoll Catholic

... as a junior passed for over 1,900 yards and 22 touchdowns ... coached by Darren Peach ... averaged 17 points per game his senior season in basketball, while hitting .400 at the plate in his final year as a prep. Data: Born 12-18-84 in Evansville, Ind. ... son of Ron and Karen Drone ... has five sisters and two brothers ... majoring in physical education ... named to the AFNI Honor Roll once ... selected to participate in the 2006 NCAA Leadership Conference ... 2006-07 SAAC Educational Outreach Coordinator ... last name rhymes with bone.

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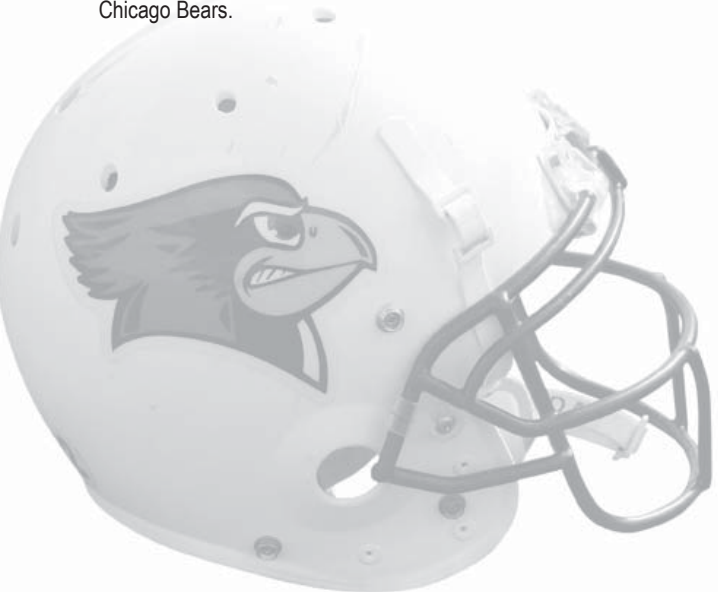
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EARL



*Quarterback • Fr.-HS • 6-2 • 210  
Lincolnshire, Ill. (Stevenson)*

2006: Listed as the No. 3 quarterback on the depth chart. Stevenson HS: Was 11-1 as a starter as a senior ... passed for over 2,000 yards and 12 touchdowns in 2005 ... all-time career and single-season passing record holder at Stevenson ... led to a conference title and a No. 1 seed in the IHSA Class 8A State Playoffs ... finished fourth in the state in 2005 ... passed for 1,350 yards and nine touchdowns as a junior ... coached by Bill Mitz ... also played basketball and ran track. Data: Born 5-8-88 in Park Ridge, Ill. ... son of Robin and Susan Earl... has an older sister, Kristin, and a younger brother, Kevin ... father played college football at Washington and also played in the NFL for the Chicago Bears.



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Alex

FILIN



*Defensive End • Sr.-3L • 6-4 • 220  
Skokie, Ill. (Niles West)*

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004	11-0	16	14	30	1-2	0	3-29	0	0	1
2005	11-0	13	14	27	0-0	0	0	1	0	1
2006	12-2	16	11	27	7-23	5-20	0	1	0	0
Totals	33-2	45	39	84	8-25	5-20	3-29	2	0	2

GAME-BY-GAME

Year	Rec.	Yds.	TD	Long
2003				
Drake	0	0	0	0
at Illinois	0	0	0	0
Truman St.	1	24	0	24
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at S. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2004				
T	UT	PBU	INT	
St. Xavier	2	1	0	1-0
at Minnesota	1	1	0	0
E. Illinois	2	1	0	1-1
at Indiana St.	3	1	0	0
Missouri State	5	3	0	0
at W. Illinois	3	1	0	0
Y'stown St.	2	2	0	1-28
at Western Ky.	6	4	0	0
S. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	3	1	1	0
at Fla. Atlantic	3	1	0	0
2005				
T	UT	PBU	INT	
at Iowa State	6	3	1	0
Drake	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Murray State	1	0	0	0
at Youngstown St.	2	1	0	0
Western Ky.	4	2	0	0
at Southern Ill.	5	4	0	0
N. Iowa	2	1	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri St.	4	1	0	0
Indiana St.	2	1	0	0
2006				
T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	2	2	1.0-1	1-1
E. Illinois	5	2	1.0-7	1-7
at Murray St.	2	2	2.0-5	1-3
at Western Ky.	3	2	1.0-2	1-2
Southern Ill.	3	2	0	0
at W. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	4	2	0	0
Missouri St.	2	1	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	2	2	1.0-7	1.0-7
at E. Illinois	2	0	0	0

2006: Moved to defensive end during spring camp ... currently leads the team with five sacks ... posted one sack in four consecutive games from September 9-October 7 ... recorded two tackles for loss in the win at Western Kentucky ... posted two tackle assists and added a quarterback hurry at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in all 11 games as a back-up at strong safety ... had seven multi-tackle games ... his six tackles at Iowa State tied a career high. 2004: Moved to safety from wide receiver in the spring ... played in all 11 games as a reserve ... registered a career-high six tackles at Western Kentucky ... led the team with three interceptions ... ranked 10th on the team with 30 tackles. 2003: Played in 10 games all as a reserve ... had one catch for 24 yards against Truman State. 2002: Redshirted. Niles West HS: All-state selection ... conference offensive player of the year ... team captain of the Pioneer Press All-Area Team ... Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times All-State Honorable Mention ... team captain the last two seasons ... rushed for a team-high 958 yards ... caught 21 passes for 412 yards ... had 121 tackles, including 71 unassisted ... key player on special teams as punter, kicker, kick returner and punt returner ... averaged 30.6 yards per kickoff return ... averaged 15.5 points and 10 rebounds per game in basketball ... clocked a 400-meter time of 51 seconds ... lettered in football, basketball and track ... coached by Mark Egofski. Data: Born 12-15-83 in Riga, Latvia ... son of Al and Natasha Filin ... major: business administration ... two-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll ... pronounced FILL-in.

# 31 Jeremy FOSTER

Defensive Back • So.-TR • 6-3 • 205  
Bloomington, Ill. (University/Iowa Wesleyan)



2006: Listed as the No. 2 free safety on the depth chart ... has three tackles on special teams. Iowa Wesleyan 2004: Played in two games, primarily on special teams. University HS: Had 40 receptions for 507 yards in senior season ... also recorded eight touchdowns in final year ... all-conference selection ... caught the lone touchdown in U-High's IHSA playoff game ... caught 22 passes for 260 yards as a junior ... coached by Kurt Olson ... also played basketball for one season under coach Cal Hubbard. Data: Born 12-14-85 in Normal, Ill. ... son of Tommy and Valerie Foster ... youngest of three children ... his mother attended ISU.

# 14 Tyler FUNK

Punter/Kicker • Fr.-HS • 6-0 • 165  
Racine, Wis. (William Horlick)



2006: Expected to redshirt, but travels with the team as a back-up punter. William Horlick HS: Four-year letterwinner ... owned a punting average of 41 yards his senior season ... three-time all-conference selection at both kicker and punter ... three-time all-county selection ... named special teams player of the year three times ... all-state selection his senior season as a punter ... rated as the No. 3 kicker/punter combo at the 2005 Denver/Colorado Springs Ray Guy/ProKicker.com Academy ... as a junior, converted 6-of-9 field goal attempts with a long of 39 yards ... made 6-of-8 field goal attempts his sophomore season with a pair of 45-yard kicks ... coached by George Machado ... also lettered in baseball for three years ... member of the high honor roll. Data: Born 10-27-87 in Racine, Wis. ... son of David and Shelly Funk ... has a younger sister, Hannah.

# 35 Garin HARGAR

Fullback • Fr.-RS • 5-11 • 255  
Grand Ridge, Ill. (Ottawa)



CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2006	10-0	3-6	2.0	2	4 vs. Eastern Illinois

GAME-BY-GAME

2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	1	4	0	4
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	1	1	1
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	1	1	1	1
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Has played in nine games, all as a reserve ... has three catches on the year ... two of those catches were for touchdowns, one at Western Kentucky and at Indiana State ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football

Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. 2005: Redshirted. Ottawa HS: Four-year starter ... rushed for over 1,300 yards, earning first-team all-state and all-conference honors his senior season ... owns the school career and single season rushing records along with the points scored record... first-team all-state and all-conference junior season after rushing for over 1,500 yards ... rushed for over 1,200 yards his sophomore season ... coached by Tim Jobst. Data: Born 5-21-87 in Streator, Ill. ... son of Tony (deceased) and Lynn Harcar ... has two sisters, Breann and Becca ... major: general student ... pronounced GARE-in HAR-car.

# 34 Marques HAWKINS

Defensive Back • Sr.-1L • 5-8 • 210  
Chandler, Ariz. (Mountain Pointe/Phoenix College)



CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	5-0	1	2	3	1.5-2	0	0	0	0	0
2006	10-1	5	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	15-1	6	12	18	1.5-2	0	0	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME

2005	T	UT	TFL	Sack
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	1	1	1-2	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Murray State	1	0	0	0
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	1	0	0.5-0	0
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack
at Kansas St.	1	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	-	-	-	-
E. Illinois	8	1	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	2	1	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	1	1	0	0
Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	1	0	0	0

2006: Has notched a tackle in six of his 10 games played ... made first career start at ISU against Eastern Illinois and posted a career-high eight tackles in that game. 2005: Participated in five games, mostly on special teams ... recorded his first career tackle and tackle for loss against Drake. Phoenix College: In two seasons with the Bears, collected over 200 tackles, three interceptions and a touchdown ... earned second team All-Western Conference in 2004 ... coached by Ron Wolfley. Mountain Pointe HS: Played both sides of the ball at running back and safety ... scored at least one touchdown in every game his senior season ... two-time all-region and all-state selection ... coached by Karl Kiefer ... also lettered in basketball, baseball and track and field ... as a junior, won the 100-meter-dash at the regional track meet. Data: Born 6-25-83 in Mesa, Ariz. ... son of Dwayne and Beverly

Hawkins ... older of two children ... major: general student.

# 11 Kelvyn HEMPHILL

Defensive Back • Fr.-HS • 6-2 • 175  
San Antonio, Texas (O'Connor)



2006: Expected to redshirt, but travels with the team as a back-up defensive back. O'Connor HS: A two-time all-district selection ... runs the 40-yard-dash in 4.5 seconds ... had two interceptions his senior season, after moving to safety ... had a pair of touchdowns, one on a fumble return and a second on a kick-off return ... named first team all-city as a junior and second team after his senior campaign ... named one of the top 27-5A Top Players to Watch by TexasFootball.com ... first team selection on the Texas HS Football Class 5A All-Region IV Team ... nominated to play in the 2006 Texas High School

All-Star Game ... in his last two seasons, the Panthers won back-to-back district championships ... collected five interceptions his junior season, while playing cornerback ... coached by Danny Padron. Data: Born 11-19-87 in San Antonio, Texas ... son of Darryl and Glenda Hemphill ... the second of four children ... his father played football at West Texas A&M and later coached the secondary at his alma mater ... his brother, Anthony, is a freshman at the Air Force Academy.

# 86 Jason HORTON



Wide Receiver • Jr.-2L • 6-0 • 185  
Bolingbrook, Ill. (Neuqua Valley)

### CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2004	9-3	18-316	17.6	4	42 at Western Illinois
2005	11-3	30-325	10.8	3	30 vs. Western Illinois
2006	12-6	32-490	15.3	2	68 vs. Southern Illinois
<b>Totals</b>	<b>32-12</b>	<b>80-1131</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>68 vs. Southern Illinois</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
2004				
St. Xavier	-	-	-	-
at Minnesota	1	22	1	22
E. Illinois	3	36	1	16
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri State	4	28	0	12
at W. Illinois	3	77	1	42
Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	3	72	1	36
S. Illinois	1	4	0	4
at N. Iowa	2	37	0	27
at Fla. Atlantic	1	40	0	40
2005				
at Iowa State	1	7	0	7
Drake	4	51	2	25
at E. Illinois	3	37	0	22
Murray State	1	14	0	14
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	6	36	0	12
at Southern Ill.	3	12	0	7
N. Iowa	3	30	0	12
W. Illinois	6	86	0	30
at Missouri St.	2	38	0	22
Indiana St.	1	14	1	14
2006				
at Kansas St.	3	21	0	8
C. Arkansas	4	31	0	10
E. Illinois	3	77	1	41
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	1	5	0	5
Southern Ill.	4	120	1	68
at W. Illinois	3	34	0	18
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri St.	5	72	0	28
at Indiana St.	2	39	0	40
at N. Iowa	4	49	0	19
at E. Illinois	3	42	0	17

2006: Has played in all 12 games at wide receiver ... had a career-high 120 yards receiving against Southern Illinois ... also caught a touchdown pass in that game ... also hauled in a TD catch against Eastern Illinois ... also serves as the primary punt returner ... has returned 12 punts for 81 yards ... has also returned eight kickoffs for 141 yards ... caught three passes for 42 yards in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in all 11 games and caught at least one pass in 10 ... set career highs in catches and yards against Western Illinois ... caught a career high two touchdown passes against Drake ... was the team's primary kick and punt returner ... returned a 51-yard punt against Murray State. 2004: The first two catches of his collegiate career went for touchdowns ... ranked second on the team in receiving touchdowns ... led the team with 17.6 yards per catch ... played in nine games with nine starts ... missed two games with a hamstring and shoulder injury. 2003: Redshirted. Neuqua Valley HS: *Naperville Sun* and *Daily Herald* all-area ... All-Upstate 8 conference pick ... all-state honorable mention ... named special teams MVP (junior year) and best wide receiver ... four-time player of the week ... in 10 games, rushed for 105 yards, two touchdowns and had 35 receptions for

659 yards and five touchdowns ... eight kick returns for 478 yards and four touchdowns ... averaged 47.8 yards per game on kick returns, with longest run at 97 yards ... 1,242 all-purpose yards, a 124.2 average per game ... team finished 6-4 senior year, the best finish in school history ... won Upstate 8 conference and participated in the playoffs for the first time in school history ... in seven games as a junior, rushed for five yards and tallied 289 receiving yards ... coached by Bryan Wells. Data: Born 11-2-84 in Chicago, Ill. ... son of Neil and Regina Horton ... major: general student.

# 59 Bill HRONEC



Linebacker • Jr.-2L • 6-2 • 225  
Evergreen Park, Ill. (Chicago Mt. Carmel)

### CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004	9-0	6	5	11	0	0	0	2	0	0
2005	7-0	7	9	16	1.5	0	0	0	0	1
2006	11-1	4	3	7	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>27-1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2004				
St. Xavier	0	0	0	0
at Minnesota	-	-	-	-
E. Illinois	2	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri State	0	1	0	0
at W. Illinois	0	2	0	0
Y'stown St.	1	1	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
S. Illinois	2	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	1	1	0	0
2005				
at Iowa State	2	1	0.5-1	0
Drake	1	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	3	0	0	0
Murray State	7	3	1-2	0
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	-	-	-	-
N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	2	1	0	0
Indiana St.	1	1	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	3	3	1.0-2	0
C. Arkansas	1	0	0	0
E. Illinois	1	1	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	1	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Made his first career start at Kansas State ... recorded three solo tackles in the game with the Wildcats ... also recorded a TFL in that game ... has played in nine of ten games this season, mostly on special teams. 2005: Played in seven games, all as a reserve ... listed as second-string middle linebacker ... finished the season with 16 tackles ... had a career high seven tackles against Murray State 2004: Played in nine games, all as a reserve ... had 11 tackles on the season ... had a season high two tackles five times ... forced the fumble against Eastern Illinois which led to the game-winning drive ... forced a fumble against Southern Illinois. Chicago Mt. Carmel HS: Ranks No. 7 on the school's all-time tackles list ... posted 111 tackles and 19 tackles for loss his senior season ... team captain and most valuable player ... named all-conference and all-area ... as a junior, the Caravan went 13-1 and won the IHSA Class 6A state championship ... received the Carol Kishka award as a junior as the team's most improved linebacker ... member of the honor roll ... lettered in football, baseball and boxing ... owned a 13-2 record with nine knockouts as a heavyweight on the school boxing team ... coached by Frank Lenti. Data: Born 2-11-86 in Evergreen Park, Ill. ... son of William and Nancy Hronec ... one of

three children ... major: general student ... pronounced RON-ick ... two-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 97 Kaschiev HUNTER



Defensive Line • So.-1L • 6-2 • 290  
Marietta, Ga. (Harrison)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	8-0	3	3	6	2-9	1-7	0	0	0	0
2006	10-2	2	13	15	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	18-2	5	15	21	2-9	1-7	0	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME

2005	T	UT	TFL	Sack
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	-	-	-	-
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Murray State	2	1	0	0
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	3	2	1.5	1
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri St.	1	0	0.5	0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	1	1	0	0
at Murray St.	-	-	-	-
at Western Ky.	1	1	0	0
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	2	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	5	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	3	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	0	0	0

2006: Appeared in nine games, with two starts on the defensive line ... has collected 13 tackles in those games ... had a season-high five stops against Youngstown State. 2005: Played in eight games as a reserve on the defensive line ... recorded first career sack against Northern Iowa ... finished the season with six tackles and two TFLs. Harrison HS: As a senior, started every game and led the team in tackles with 117 ... Preseason Dynamite Dozen ... named all-county ... team was ranked ninth in the state and made the playoffs for the 13th straight season ... as a junior, started 12 games, tallying 68 tackles ... honorable mention all-county as a junior ... also lettered in wrestling and was ranked third in the state of Georgia during senior year ... was an area champion and state qualifier as a junior with a 39-11 record ... was 29-11 as a sophomore ... member of the honor roll ... coached by Bruce Cobleigh. Data: Born 12-19-87 in

Queens, N.Y. ... son of John and Carol Burrows ... one of three children ... major: health education ... pronounced ka-SHEEV ... nickname is "chief."

# 71 Jeff HUNTZINGER



Offensive Line • Jr.-1L • 6-3 • 285  
Tulsa, Okla. (Union)

2006: Only appearance of the season was against Eastern Illinois ... listed as the backup left tackle on the depth chart. 2005: Played in five games, all as a reserve ... was listed as back-up center on the depth chart. 2004: Did not play. 2003: Suffered a torn ACL during his redshirt season. Union HS: *Daily Oklahoman* and *Tulsa World* first-team all-state ... *Tulsa World* all-Metro first team ... first-team all-district ... selected to participate in the Oil Bowl All-Star Game, a battle between the Texas All-Stars and Oklahoma All-Stars ... senior year, team won 6A State Championship by the largest margin of victory in a state championship game (52-3) ... four-year team record of 51-4 ... team ranked No. 3 by Rivals.com and No. 5 in *USA Today* ... as a junior, second-team *Tulsa World* pick and second-team all-district ... 12-1 team record and 6A state semifinalists ... coached by Bill Blankenship. Data: Born 11-22-83 in Oklahoma City, Okla. ... son of Jim and Anne Huntzinger ... major: political science.

# 4 Pierre JACKSON



Wide Receiver • Sr.-2L • 6-1 • 175  
Chicago, Ill. (Harper/Minnesota)

CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2004	9-0	4-59	14.8	1	32 at Northern Iowa
2005	11-10	26-362	11.9	5	55 vs. Western Illinois
2006	12-12	44-746	17.0	6	70 at Kansas State
Totals	32-22	72-1167	16.2	12	70 at Kansas State

GAME-BY-GAME

2004	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
St. Xavier	-	-	-	-
at Minnesota	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri State	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
S. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	3	49	1	32
at Fla. Atlantic	1	10	0	10
2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	1	8	0	8
Drake	2	24	0	20
at E. Illinois	2	26	0	13
Murray State	0	0	0	0
at Youngstown St.	2	33	0	17
Western Ky.	1	6	0	6
at Southern Ill.	5	70	2	30
N. Iowa	2	20	0	11
W. Illinois	5	71	2	55
at Missouri St.	2	20	0	15
Indiana St.	4	84	1	51
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	3	88	1	70
C. Arkansas	9	113	0	41
E. Illinois	6	132	2	55
at Murray St.	3	31	0	15
at Western Ky.	2	47	0	26
Southern Ill.	5	113	1	36
at W. Illinois	3	44	0	25
Youngstown St.	2	34	0	29
Missouri St.	3	48	0	27
at Indiana St.	5	85	2	52
at N. Iowa	2	4	0	3
at E. Illinois	1	7	0	7

• 2006 All-Gateway Second Team

2006: Currently leads the team with 44 grabs for 746 yards ... has posted three games with over 100 yards receiving ... notched two multi-touchdown receiving games ... caught a career high nine catches in the win over Central Arkansas ... hauled in a career-high 132 yards receiving against Eastern Illinois in the first meeting ... caught one pass for seven yards in the first round playoff game at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in all 11 games with 10 starts ... had a career high five catches at Southern Illinois and against Western Illinois ... set career high for touchdown catches in a game at Southern Illinois and tied it with two against Western Illinois ... had a career long 55 yard reception against Western Illinois that went for a TD ... took a reverse 27 yards against Indiana State, his only rush of the season. 2004: Transferred to Illinois State prior to fall camp ... played in nine games, all as a reserve ... opened the season as a defensive back due to a splinted finger ... returned as a wide receiver in the final two games of the season ... had three catches for 49 yards and a touchdown at Northern Iowa ... registered three tackles and a fumble recovery against Eastern Illinois. Minnesota 2003: Played in five games for the Golden Gophers ... saw action on 17 plays. Minnesota 2002: Redshirted at

Minnesota. Harper HS: Three-year letterwinner whose team finished with a 23-9 record during his career ... two time all-area and all-conference selection ... also named to the all-city team ... made 62 receptions for more than 1,000 yards in his 13 games as a senior ... caught 21 touchdown passes in his senior campaign ... versatile athlete who also ran out of the backfield and returned kicks ... had nine carries for 138 yards and three scores his senior year ... returned 13 kickoffs in his final season for more than 300 yards, two of them for touchdowns ... two-year honor roll student who also ran track (four letters) and played basketball (three letters) ... earned all-city honors in both sports ... coached by Terry Lewis. Data: Born 5-7-84 in Chicago, Ill. ... son of Marilyn Jackson ... major: recreation and park administration.

# 78 Brandon JOYCE



Offensive Lineman • Jr.-TR • 6-5 • 310  
St. Charles, Mo. (Duchesne/Indiana)

• 2006 All-Gateway Newcomer Team

2006: Transferred to Illinois State and attended summer classes ... has played in 10 games, with nine starts at right tackle ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. Indiana 2005: Saw action in three games (Kentucky, Illinois and Michigan) ... coached by Terry Hoepfner. Indiana 2004: Did not see game action ... coached by Gerry DiNardo. Indiana 2003: Redshirted. Duchesne HS: A 3A Missouri first-team All-State selection on the offensive line, Joyce led his team to a 9-3 record with an offense that averaged more than 300 yards per game ... one of the highest-rated offensive linemen to come out of the state of Missouri his senior year by several publications ... also recognized for his efforts in the classroom by the St. Louis-Tom Lombardo Chapter of the National Football Foundation with the organization's Scholar-Athlete Award ... on defense, he made 27 tackles ... coached by Charlie Elmendorf. Data: Born 9-5-84 in St. Louis, Mo., ... son of Terry and Linda Joyce ... his father is a former Los Angeles Rams and St. Louis Cardinals punter ... his grandfather was a center in college and his sister, Lindsay, played on the volleyball team at UAB.

# 42 Jeremy JOYNT



Tight End • Jr.-TR • 6-3 • 255  
Emmetsburg, Iowa (Emmetsburg/Iowa Central CC)

2006: Played in nine games, with three starts at tight end ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. Iowa Central CC: Named a first team all-region selection in 2005 ... voted team captain and recipient of the Team Player Award ... in 2005, the Tritons finished with a 9-2 record, including a 17-6 win over No. 15 Rochester in the Graphic Edge Bowl, which was played at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls, Iowa ... shared the MVP award at the Graphic Edge Bowl with the offensive line ... as a freshman, helped block for a pair of 1,200-yard rushers ... coached by Kevin Twait. Emmetsburg HS: An all-state performer on back-to-back Class 2A state championship teams ... two-time all-district selection ... named elite all-state as a senior and first team all-state as a junior ... a three-time state finalist in the shot put, including a second-place finish at the state meet as a junior ... coached by Duane Twait and Tom Steen. Data: Born 11-20-85 in Emmetsburg, Iowa ... son of William and Cinda Joynt ... has an older brother, Jarrod, and sister, Rachel ... his brother played football at Central College ... junior college teammate of Billy Speiser ... major: recreation and park administration.

# 84 Clint KELLER



Tight End • Jr.-Sq. • 6-3 • 250  
Lexington, Ky. (Paul Laurence Dunbar)

2006: Has played in nine games, all as a reserve. 2005: Missed the season with an ACL tear. 2004: Missed the season with a torn quad tendon in his right knee. 2003: Redshirted. Paul Laurence Dunbar HS: Started all 14 games as a senior, recording 52 catches, 921 yards and 10 touchdowns ... had most catches of all tight ends in the conference ... 92 percent blocking efficiency ... second-leading receiver in Paul Laurence Dunbar history ... first team all-state, all-district, all-city ... named MVP of the game for two outings senior year by Sports Radio ... team ranked fourth in state and was a 4A semifinalist team last prep year ... 9-5 record, 6-5 regular-season mark ... district and regional champs ... team captain junior and senior years ... academically, member of high school honor roll and academic boosters all four years ... enrolled in school's gifted program all four years and recipient of Kentucky Excellence in Education Award all four years ... coached by Mark Peach. Data: Born 3-29-85 in Kalamazoo, Mich. ... son of Kurt and De-De Keller ... major: business administration.

# 10 Bobby KELSEY



Kicker/Punter • So.-1L • 6-1 • 225  
Channahon, Ill. (Providence Catholic)

CAREER KICKING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	FGA	FGM	Block	Long	KO	Yds.	Avg.	TB	OB
2005	11-0	1	0	1	0	76	4331	57.0	22	4
2006	11-0	1	0	0	0	65	3801	58.5	17	1
Totals	22-0	2	0	1	0	141	8132	57.6	39	5

GAME-BY-GAME

2005	No.	Yds.	Avg.	TB
at Iowa State	4	251	62.8	1
Drake	10	577	57.7	2
at E. Illinois	5	280	56.0	1
Murray State	7	352	50.3	1
at Youngstown St.	4	246	61.5	1
Western Ky.	7	381	54.4	1
at Southern Ill.	11	623	56.6	0
N. Iowa	7	410	58.6	2
W. Illinois	4	246	61.5	3
at Missouri St.	6	385	64.2	5
Indiana St.	11	580	52.7	5
2006 (Punting)	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long
at Kansas St.	4	144	36.0	39
C. Arkansas	6	225	37.5	46
E. Illinois	3	111	37.0	39
at Murray St.	3	104	34.7	43
at Western Ky.	3	136	45.3	48
Southern Ill.	2	96	48.0	60
at W. Illinois	3	113	37.7	42
Youngstown St.	7	305	43.6	59
Missouri St.	1	25	25.0	25
at Indiana St.	4	157	39.2	45
at N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
at E. Illinois	3	127	42.3	46

2006: Took over as the punter in fall camp ... also serves as the kickoff specialist ... averaging 39.6 yards per punt on the season ... has put 12 punts inside the 20 yard line ... kicked three punts over 50 yards ... netted a season-long 60-yard punt in a win over Southern Illinois ... has 14 touchbacks on the season on kickoffs. 2005: Played in all 11 games as a true freshman ... primary kick-off man on special teams ... averaged 57 yards per kickoff ... had 22 touchbacks on the year ... kicked just four of 76 kickoffs out of bounds ... had five touchbacks in consecutive games against Missouri State and Indiana State. Providence Catholic HS: Four-year letterwinner and starter ... member of three Celtic state championship teams (2004, 2002 and 2001) ... as a senior booted seven field goals, while setting the school mark with 52 touchbacks ... boasted a 41.8 yard punting average and hauled in three touchdown catches ... posted 130

touchbacks during his prep career and holds the school record with 18 career field goals ... hauled in the game-winning catch on a 72-yard pass against St. Rita with 1:08 left in the game ... his longest kicks included a 68-yard punt,

a 73-yard kickoff and a 49-yard field goal ... a two-time *Chicago Tribune* and *Chicago Sun-Times* All-State selection ... named to Tom Lemming's Preseason All-America list ... a *Prepstar* All-American ... a two-time all-area and all-conference selection ... competed in Australia as part of the All-Midwest team ... the NFL Punt, Pass and Kick state champion in 1997 ... finished with 11 field goals in 2003 ... coached by Matt Senffner. Data: Born 9-30-86 in Joliet, Ill. ... son of Jeff and Robyn Martis ... the oldest of five children ... major: general student.

# 25 Leon KITTRELL



Defensive Back • Sr.-3L • 5-9 • 160  
Oak Creek, Wis. (Oak Creek)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2003	10-3	8	2	10	2-6	0	0	0	1-0	2
2004	7-0	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
2005	7-0	6	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0
2006	12-12	22	18	40	0	0	1-26	0	0	5
Totals	36-15	38	23	61	0-6	0	1-26	0	1-0	7

GAME-BY-GAME				
	T	UT	INT	PBU
2003				
Drake	2	1	0	1
at Illinois	1	1	0	0
Truman St.	4	3	0	1
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	1	1	0	0
at S. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	1	1	0	0
at Missouri State	1	1	0	0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2004				
T	UT	INT	PBU	
St. Xavier	1	1	0	0
at Minnesota	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri State	-	-	-	-
at W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Y'stown St.	1	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
S. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
at Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
2005				
T	UT	INT	PBU	
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Murray State	-	-	-	-
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	1	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	5	4	0	0
N. Iowa	1	1	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	1	1	0	0
2006				
T	UT	INT	PBU	
at Kansas St.	5	2	0	1
C. Arkansas	5	4	0	0
E. Illinois	3	1	0	0
at Murray St.	3	3	1-26	1
at Western Ky.	5	2	0	2
Southern Ill.	4	2	0	0
at W. Illinois	3	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri St.	6	3	0	1
at Indiana St.	6	5	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Recorded first career interception at Murray State ... broke up two passes at Western Kentucky ... back-to-back six tackle games against Missouri State and Indiana State were both career highs. 2005: Played in seven games, all as a reserve ... racked up a career high five tackles at No. 1 Southern Illinois. 2004: Played in seven games, all as a reserve ... collected a season-best two tackles against Saint Xavier. 2003: Played in 10 games with three starts ... missed a pair of games due to a knee injury ... finished the season with 10 tackles, including eight solos ... recorded a career-high four stops against Truman State with a pair of tackles for loss ... recovered a fumble against Northern Iowa. 2002: Redshirted. Oak Creek HS: Team finished 9-2 and advanced to the state semi-finals ... had 53 solo tackles, 102 assists, two sacks and 11 interceptions, including two that were returned for touchdowns ... returned three punts and four kickoffs for touchdowns ... named all-state, all-area and all-conference ... as a junior at Sahuaro HS (Tucson, Ariz.) had 26 solo stops and one interception at defensive back ... returned four kicks for touchdowns (1 punt, 3 kickoffs) ... named all-state and all-area ... lettered in football, basketball and track ... coached by Joe Koch. Data: Born 6-7-84 in Tucson, Ariz. ... son of Leon and Rita Kittrell ... one of 10 children ... a nationally renowned drummer ... major: telecommunications management.

# 23 Lamont LAGRONE



Defensive Back • Sr.-1L • 5-10 • 175  
Houston, Texas (Clear Brook/East Mississippi CC)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	6-1	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	1
2006	7-0	4	1	5	1-7	1-7	0	0	0	0
Totals	13-1	6	3	9	1-7	1-7	0	0	0	1

GAME-BY-GAME				
	T	UT	INT	PBU
2005				
at Iowa State	1	1	0	0
Drake	1	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Murray State	0	0	0	0
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at Southern Ill.	1	1	0	1
N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2006				
T	UT	INT	PBU	
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	-	-	-	-
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri St.	1	1	0	0
at Indiana St.	2	1	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	2	0	0

2006: Had a career-high two tackles at Indiana State ... also posted a tackle against Missouri State ... had two tackles and first career sack at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in six games, with one start against Drake ... finished the season with four tackles, including two solo stops, and one pass break up ... recorded a tackle in four of his six games played. East Mississippi CC: Played second year of college football with 10 solo tackles and four assisted ... also had four pass deflections. Itawamba CC: Played freshman year of college, tallying three tackles. Clear Brook HS: 21 solo tackles, nine assists and seven passes deflected during senior season ... also lettered in track and was the team's MVP as a senior ... finished third in the district in the long jump, fourth in the triple jump and fourth in the 200-meter dash ... as a junior, tallied eight solo tackles, four assisted and two pass deflections ... coached by James

Smith. Data: Born 4-29-84 in Macon, Miss. ... son of Ernest and Darlene White ... one of four children ... major: recreation and park administration.

# 68 Erik MADSEN



Offensive Lineman • So.-Sq. • 6-3 • 285  
Bolingbrook, Ill. (Joliet Catholic)

2006: Started the first four games at center ... has played in five games total. 2005: Missed the first eight games with a foot injury, but played in the last three as a reserve. 2004: Redshirted. Joliet Catholic HS: A three-time varsity letterwinner ... member of the 2001 and 2003 IHSA Class 5A state championship teams ... both teams finished with a 13-1 record ... as a senior was named first team all-conference and second team all-area ... listed among Rivals.com Top 100 recruit list in Illinois ... ranked in the Top 200 after his junior season ... lettered in both football and basketball ... coached by Dan Sharp. Data: Born 3-10-86 in LaGrange, Ill. ... son of George and Candace Madsen ... older of two children ... major: general student.

# 73 Justin MARTINDALE



Defensive Lineman • Sr.-3L • 6-2 • 255  
Wadsworth, Ill. (Warren Township)

### CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2003	11-10	17	20	37	9-39	4-22	0	0	0	0
2004	11-11	6	23	29	7-21	2-9	0	1	0	0
2005	11-11	13	25	38	6-16	2-8	0	0	1-0	3
2006	12-12	15	22	37	5-20	2-7	0	1	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>45-44</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>27-96</b>	<b>10-46</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>3</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2003				
Drake	6	1	1-8	1-8
at Illinois	4	2	0	0
Truman St.	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	1	2-10	1-5
Fla. Atlantic	3	1	1-3	0
N. Iowa	5	5	2-6	1-2
at S. Illinois	5	2	0	0
Western Ky.	7	2	2-11	1-7
at Y'stown St.	4	2	1-1	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	1	1	0	0
2004				
St. Xavier	2	2	2-10	1-5
at Minnesota	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	1	2	0.5-0	0
at Indiana St.	0	5	1.5-2	-
Missouri State	1	3	1.5-5	1-4
at W. Illinois	1	2	0.5-1	0
Y'stown St.	0	5	1-3	0
at Western Ky.	0	1	0	0
S. Illinois	0	2	0	0
at N. Iowa	1	1	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
2005				
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0
Drake	2	1	0	0
at E. Illinois	6	4	0.5-1	0
Murray State	4	1	0	0
at Youngstown St.	6	2	2-7	1-4
Western Ky.	6	2	2-5	1-4
at Southern Ill.	3	1	0.5-1	0
N. Iowa	1	0	0	0
W. Illinois	4	3	1-2	0
at Missouri St.	5	1	0	0
Indiana St.	1	1	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	2	1	0	0
C. Arkansas	3	1	1.5-8	1-6
E. Illinois	3	1	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	4	2	0	0
Southern Ill.	6	4	1.0-3	0
at W. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Youngstown St.	4	0	0	0
Missouri St.	3	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	6	3	1.5-3	0.5-3
at N. Iowa	2	2	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	0	0	0

### • 2006 All-Gateway First Team

2006: Has started 35 consecutive games for ISU, the longest such streak on the team ... secured a sack and 1.5 tackles for loss in a win over Central Arkansas ... notched six tackles and a TFL against Southern Illinois ... also posted six tackles at Indiana State. 2005: Started all 11 games at defensive tackle ... ranked No. 9 on the team in tackles and second among defensive lineman, behind Brent Hawkins ... ranked fourth on the team in TFLs ... had three games with six tackles and six with four or more ... recorded a sack in consecutive games against Youngstown State and Western Kentucky ... blocked three kicks on the year, with two against Drake. 2004: Started all 11 games at defensive tackle ... ranked No. 13 on the team in tackles and second among defensive linemen ... had a season high five tackles at Indiana State and against Youngstown State ... posted sacks against Saint Xavier and Missouri State ... forced a fumble in the season opener against Saint Xavier ... blocked an extra point attempt at Minnesota ... was fifth on the team with seven tackles for loss. 2003: Started at defensive tackle in 10 of 11 games played ... ranked third among defensive linemen with 37 tackles ... tied for third on the team in sacks with four ... recorded his first career sack in his first collegiate game against Drake ... had a season-high seven tackles against Western Kentucky. 2002: Redshirted. Warren Township HS: Two-time all-conference and all-area selection ... team posted an 8-4 mark and advanced to the third round of the playoffs ... lettered in football all four years ... coached by former ISU assistant Dave Mohapp. Data: Born 9-24-83 in Lake Forest, Ill. ... son of Ben and Astrid Martindale ... major: exercise science ... four-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 36 Kevin MAZUR



Kicker/Punter • So.-1L • 5-10 • 195  
Mt. Prospect, Ill. (John Hersey)

### CAREER KICKING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	FGA	FGM	Block	Long	PAT	KO	Yds.	Avg.	TB	OB
2005	10-0	13	9	0	38	49-53	2	93	46.5	0	0
2006	12-0	18	11	1	37	41-43	5	208	41.6	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>22-0</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>90-96</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>43.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	FGA	FGM	Long	PAT
2005				
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	2	2	34	6-7
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	3-3
Murray State	2	0	0	6-6
at Youngstown St.	1	1	24	2-2
Western Ky.	2	2	38	4-4
at Southern Ill.	2	2	27	7-8
N. Iowa	2	1	21	3-4
W. Illinois	2	1	35	2-2
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	6-7
Indiana St.	0	0	0	10-10
2006				
at Kansas St.	1	1	35	2-2
C. Arkansas	5	4	35	0-0
E. Illinois	1	1	24	5-5
at Murray St.	1	0	0	5-5
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	4-4
Southern Ill.	2	1	19	4-5
at W. Illinois	3	2	37	3-3
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	1-2
Missouri St.	2	1	24	5-5
at Indiana St.	1	0	0	6-6
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	3-4
at E. Illinois	2	1	30	3-3

2006: Ranks second on the team behind Pierre Rembert in scoring with 74 points ... made a career-high four field goals in a win over Central Arkansas ... earned Gateway Football Conference Player of the Week (9/10) honors for that performance ... 38-of-40 (.950) in PAT's ... punted three times at Northern Iowa for a 44.3 average. 2005: Kicked in 10 of 11 games ... did not play at Iowa State ... led the team in scoring with 76 total points ... tied the school record for most PATs in a season with 56 held by Jake Strader ... set a new school record for most PATs in a game with 10 against Indiana State ... had a .925 PAT percentage ... kicked off twice against Missouri State after an injury to Bobby Kelsey ... averaged 46.5 yards in his two kickoffs on the year. John Hersey HS: Varsity placekicker for three seasons ... named all-area honorable mention as a senior ... coached by Mark Gunther. Data: Born 8-6-87 in Chicago, Ill. ... son of Jeff and Diane Mazur ... oldest of three children ... major: general student.

# 81 Warren MCGARTY



Wide Receiver • Fr.-RS • 6-4 • 200  
Roscoe, Ill. (Hononegah)

2006: Has appeared in four games, all as a backup wide receiver ... member of the travel squad. 2005: Redshirted. Hononegah HS: All-area and all-conference senior season ... led team and conference in receiving yards and receptions his senior season ... coached by Steve Stromquist ... also started two years in basketball. Data: Born 5-31-87 in Libertyville, Ill. ... son of Mick and Cindy McGarty ... father played basketball at the U.S. Naval Academy ... has two older sisters, Meghan and Kristen ... major: business administration ... named to the AFNI Honor Roll once.

# 47 Kedric MEREDITH



Fullback • So.-1L • 6-3 • 260  
Peoria, Ill. (Richwoods)

### CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2005	11-0	2-16	8.0	1	13 at Missouri State
2006	12-9	4-42	10.5	0	19 vs. Missouri State
Totals	23-9	6-58	9.7	1	19 vs. Missouri State

### GAME-BY-GAME

2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0
Drake	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Murray State	1	3	1	3
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri St.	1	13	0	13
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	1	7	0	7
at W. Illinois	2	16	0	12
Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	19	0	19
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Has played in all 12 games, with nine starts at tight end ... has caught four passes on the season for 42 yards ... had two catches in a win at Western Illinois ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. 2005: Played in 11 games, all as a reserve ... used primarily as a blocker on goal line situations ... his three-yard TD catch against Murray State was the first catch and first TD of his career ... caught two passes for 16 yards on the year ... blocked for the No. 1 ranked passing offense and No. 2 rushing offense in the Gateway. 2004: Redshirted. Richwoods HS: Had 14 catches for 400

yards and five touchdowns as a senior ... team claimed the Mid-State Six Conference championship with an 8-3 mark, but fell in the second round of the playoffs ... Peoria Journal Star All-Area Team selection ... named to the Times Observer All-Star Team ... first team all-conference ... named second team all-conference as a junior ... prep teammate of Illinois State's Landon Humbles ... lettered in football, baseball and basketball ... coached by former Illinois State defensive back Doug Simper. Data: Born 9-20-85 in Decatur, Ill. ... son of Dale and Barb Meredith ... his dad graduated from Illinois State ... one of two children ... major: accounting ... four-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 83 Dave MORDIS



Fullback • Jr.-2L • 6-3 • 270  
Palos Park, Ill. (Stagg)

### CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2004	11-9	8-111	13.9	1	26 at Minnesota
2005	11-10	19-199	10.5	0	27 vs. Drake
2006	12-12	20-185	9.2	1	22 vs. Youngstown State
Totals	34-31	47-495	10.5	2	27 vs. Drake

### GAME-BY-GAME

2004	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
St. Xavier	1	9	0	9
at Minnesota	1	26	0	26
E. Illinois	1	2	1	2
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
Missouri State	1	20	0	20
at W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Y'stown St.	2	9	0	5
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
S. Illinois	1	26	0	26
at N. Iowa	1	19	0	19
at Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0
Drake	2	46	0	27
at E. Illinois	4	62	0	19
Murray State	1	2	0	2
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	3	22	0	8
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	4	20	0	5
W. Illinois	1	14	0	14
at Missouri St.	1	5	0	5
Indiana St.	1	9	0	9
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	4	31	0	14
C. Arkansas	1	18	0	18
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	2	14	0	11
Southern Ill.	1	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	1	15	1	15
Youngstown St.	1	22	0	22
Missouri St.	2	12	0	7
at Indiana St.	1	5	0	5
at N. Iowa	5	53	0	19
at E. Illinois	2	15	0	8

### • 2006 All-Gateway Second Team

2006: Has started all 12 games at fullback ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game ... has caught 20 passes for 185 yards on the season ... tied a career high with four catches in the season opener at Kansas State ... hauled in a 15-yard touchdown pass in a win over Western Illinois. 2005: Started 10 of 11 games played at tight end/H-back ... had four catches at Eastern Illinois and against Northern Iowa ... led all tight ends in catches ... ranked No. 4 on the squad with 19 grabs. 2004: Played in all 11 games and started in nine ... ranked No. 7 on the squad with eight catches for 111 yards ... scored his first collegiate touchdown against Eastern Illinois ... had a multiple catch game (2) against Youngstown State ... his 13.9 yards per catch ranked fifth on the team. 2003: Redshirted. Stagg HS: Four-year honor roll member ... all-area honorable mention by Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times ... team captain junior and senior year ... named team MVP senior season ...

all-conference pick (punter) ... totaled 850 yards rushing, 12 touchdowns and 100 yards receiving as a senior ... also registered 90 tackles as a senior ... team posted a 10-3 record senior year, best in school history ... participated in 7A State Semifinals ... all-conference selection as a junior and all-area honorable mention by the Palos Star ... racked up 400 yards and had seven touchdowns junior year ... lettered in football three years ... coached by Tim McAlpin. Data: Born 11-29-84 in LaGrange, Ill. ... son of Kenneth and Nancy Mordis ... major: business administration.





# 9 Tom NELSON



Defensive Back • So.-1L • 6-0 • 195  
Arlington Heights, Ill. (John Hersey)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	11-11	28	29	57	2.5	0	0	1	1-0	6
2006	12-12	17	24	41	1	0	4-63	0	0	10
Totals	22-22	45	53	98	3.5	0	4-63	1	1-0	16

GAME-BY-GAME

2005	T	UT	TFL	PBU
at Iowa State	3	3	1	0
Drake	6	4	0	1
at E. Illinois	5	4	0.5	1
Murray State	7	1	0.5	0
at Youngstown St.	7	3	0.5	2
Western Ky.	10	3	0	0
at Southern Ill.	6	4	0	0
N. Iowa	3	2	0	0
W. Illinois	4	3	0	0
at Missouri St.	4	2	0	0
Indiana St.	2	1	0	2
2006	T	UT	INT	PBU
at Kansas St.	0	0	2-29	1
C. Arkansas	2	1	1-0	1
E. Illinois	2	1	0	1
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	9	1	0	0
Southern Ill.	7	2	0	0
at W. Illinois	3	0	1-34	3
Youngstown St.	4	2	0	0
Missouri St.	2	2	0	2
at Indiana St.	8	4	0	1
at N. Iowa	3	3	0	0
at E. Illinois	1	1	0	1

- 2006 All-Gateway Second Team
- 2005 GFC Freshman of the Year
- 2005 All-Gateway Newcomer Team

2006: Leads the team with four interceptions ... tied for the conference lead in passes defended with 14 ... hauled in first two career interceptions at Kansas State ... added his third in the next game against Central Arkansas ... also picked off a pass and returned it for 24 yards against Western Illinois ... has broken up nine passes on the season ... recorded a season-high nine tackles in a win at Western Kentucky. 2005: Started all 11 games as a true freshman at free safety ... first freshman to start in his first game since 1998 ... led the team in pass break ups (PBU) ... ranked sixth on the team in tackles ... had a career-high 10 tackles on Homecoming against Western Kentucky ... forced and recovered a fumble on the same play at No. 1 Southern Illinois. John Hersey HS: A two-year starter ... as a senior, totaled

900 rushing yards and scored nine touchdowns, while passing for 1,034 yards and eight touchdowns as an option quarterback ... a two-time all-conference and all-area selection ... earned all-state honorable mention honors as a senior ... as junior, played in seven games and gained 568 yards on 112 attempts with seven touchdowns, while throwing for 261 yards and 14 touchdowns ... coached by Mark Gunther ... also lettered in basketball and baseball ... all-academic selection in football and basketball ... member of the honor roll. Data: Born 12-4-86 in Hoffman Estates, Ill. ... son of Tom and Cheryl Nelson ... one of four children ... his father, Tom, was a member of the golf team at Northwestern ... major: marketing ... once named to the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 6 Joe UNIKLASCH



Offensive Lineman • So.-1L • 6-4 • 280  
Hartland, Wis. (Arrowhead)

2006: Has started all 12 games at left guard ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 169 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. X nationally with 404.8 yards per game. 2005: Played in seven games ... started against Missouri State when regular starter Janiah Downing sat out with a concussion ... listed as backup right guard on the depth chart. 2004: Redshirted. Arrowhead HS:

Team finished with an 11-3 record his senior season and finished runner-up in the state tournament and ranked No. 2 in the state ... an all-state, all-area and two time all-conference selection ... team also finished No. 2 and as state runner-up in 2002 ... honorable mention all-conference selection as a sophomore ... member of the honor roll ... coached by Tom Taraska. Data: Born 11-22-85 in Menomonee Falls, Wis. ... son of Gary and Debbie Niklasch ... the youngest of three children ... his brother, Gary, played football at Western Michigan ... pronounced NICK-lash ... major: general student.

# 8 Dan PASSARELLI



Wide Receiver • Jr.-2L • 5-11 • 190  
Naperville, Ill. (Central/Northern Illinois)

CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2005	11-0	1-13	13	0	13 vs. Drake
2006	12-0	15-182	12.1	1	36 vs. Youngstown State
Totals	23-0	16-195	12.2	1	36 vs. Youngstown State

GAME-BY-GAME

2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0
E. Illinois	4	23	0	10
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	2	41	0	29
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	1	12	0	12
Youngstown St.	3	49	0	36
Missouri St.	3	40	1	25
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	17	0	12

2006: Caught a career-high four passes against Eastern Illinois ... hauled in a 36-yard catch that set up a touchdown against Youngstown State ... recorded first career touchdown reception in a win over Missouri State ... caught two passes for 17 yards in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in eight games, all as a reserve ... caught only pass of the season against Drake ... also returned only punt of the season against Drake. 2004: Played in three games, all on special teams

... returned four punts, including a long of 15 yards against Eastern Illinois ... averaged eight yards per return. Northern Illinois 2003: Redshirted. Central HS: A two-time all-state selection ... versatile two-year regular with 2,245 all-purpose yards, including 58 catches for 1,109 yards and 10 TDs, as wide receiver, running back, quarterback, defensive back and kick returner ... rushed for 792 yards and 13 touchdowns on 134 carries ... in his final prep game, hauled in 11 receptions for 199 yards ... named team captain, MVP and Player of the Year ... first team Naperville Sun All-City ... unanimous first team All-DuPage Valley Conference ... first team All-DVC Academic, first team Daily Herald All-DuPage Area ... special mention Chicago Sun-Times All-Area ... honorable mention all-state by the Champaign News-Gazette ... selected pre-season Chicago Tribune and Chicago Sun-Times Area Top 100 Players ... preseason All-Midwest Region by Rivals.com in PrepStar magazine and Senior to Watch in Street & Smith's (2002) ... played in the Suburban All-State game ... as a junior caught 47 passes for 908 yards for a 19.3 yards per catch average and 10 touchdowns ... returned five kickoffs for 189 yards and one touchdown ... junior team posted a 13-1 record as league champions and Class 8A state runner-up ... cited as honorable mention All-DVC, first team all-city, honorable mention Daily Herald All-DuPage Area and honorable mention all-state by the Chicago Tribune ... two-year letterwinner in football and baseball ... honor roll student ... coached by Joe Bunge. Data: Born 10-12-84 in Hinsdale, Ill. ... son of Richard and Lynn Passarelli ... his brother Nick is a defensive back at Illinois State ... pronounced PASS-uh-rel-ee ... major: general student.

# Pierre TREMBERT



Running Back • Sr.-1L • 6-0 • 220  
Milwaukee, Wis. (Cudahy/Michigan)

### CAREER RUSHING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rush	Avg.	TD	Long
2003*	7-0	21-89	4.0	3	18 vs. Houston
2004*	4-0	8-46	5.8	0	10 vs. San Diego State
2005	10-5	145-801	5.5	12	56 vs. Murray State
2006	12-11	331-1629	5.0	16	56 at Western Illinois
Total	33-16	505-2565	5.1	31	56 at Western Illinois

\* at Michigan

- 2006 All-Gateway Second Team
- 2006 Walter Payton Award Finalist
- GFC Offensive Player of the Week (9-24-06)
- 2005 All-Gateway Newcomer Team

### GAME-BY-GAME

2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	7	-9	0	2
Drake	12	70	0	13
at E. Illinois	29	112	2	18
Murray State	14	139	2	56
at Youngstown St.	6	11	0	6
Western Ky.	5	14	0	7
at Southern Ill.	12	87	1	41
N. Iowa	5	20	0	10
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	34	272	6	51
Indiana St.	21	85	1	14
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	29	105	0	16
C. Arkansas	27	139	0	23
E. Illinois	24	105	2	17
at Murray St.	39	184	2	25
at Western Ky.	26	142	2	25
Southern Ill.	19	137	1	19
at W. Illinois	39	230	2	56
Youngstown St.	14	11	1	9
Missouri St.	22	112	3	24
at Indiana St.	27	132	0	49
at N. Iowa	38	210	2	16
at E. Illinois	27	122	1	19

2006: Including the playoffs, has rushed for 1,629 yards, the most by any Redbird in a season in ISU history ... rushed for over 100 yards in 11 games, setting a new school record ... leads the team in touchdowns with 17 ... started the season with seven-consecutive 100-yard rushing performances, breaking the school record ... rushed for a season high 230 yards against Western Illinois, including a 56-yard carry on 3rd-and-37 ... found the end zone three times against Missouri State ... put up 210 yards on the ground and three touchdowns (two rush, one receiving) at Northern Iowa ... rushed for 122 yards and the lone offensive touchdown in the playoff victory over Eastern Illinois. 2005: Played in 10 games with five starts ... led the team in rushing yards and rushing TDs ... tied for the team lead with 12 TDs ... set the single-game rushing record of 272 yards at Missouri State ... tied the ISU and Gateway records for most rushing TD's in a game with six against Missouri State, en

route to being named the GFC Offensive Player of the Week, *Sports Network* National I-AA Offensive Player of the Week, *CollegeSportsReport.com* I-AA Performer of the Week, I-AA.org Weekly All-Star and *Football Gazette* National Player of the Week ... had back-to-back 100-yard rushing games against Eastern Illinois and Murray State ... named the GFC's Offensive Player of the Week after his 139 yards and two touchdown performance against Murray State ... caught eight passes for 138 yards ... scored the go-ahead touchdown in the fourth quarter in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois ... also rushed for 122 yards in that game. Michigan 2004: Rushed once for nine yards and played special teams vs. Miami (Ohio) ... carried four times for 23 yards at Notre Dame ... had two carries for 11 yards vs. San Diego State ... saw action at running back and special teams vs. Iowa ... rushed once for three yards at Indiana ... saw action at running back and special teams vs. Minnesota ... saw action at running back and special teams at Illinois ... saw action at running back and special teams at Purdue ... saw action at running back and special teams vs. Michigan State. Michigan 2003: Earned first varsity letter ... played in all 13 games ... saw action at tailback in 11 contests ... rushed 21 times for 85 yards and scored three touchdowns ... contributed four special teams tackles ... made career debut against Central Michigan, rushing five times for 14 yards and contributing one special teams tackle ... rushed three times for 22 yards and scored two touchdowns vs. Houston ... gained 15 yards on four carries and scored one touchdown vs. Notre Dame ... played backup running back and was on kickoff return unit at Oregon ... played running back vs. Indiana, rushing five times for 15 yards ... special teams contributor at Iowa and at Minnesota ... rushed twice for 15 yards vs. Illinois ... special teams contributor vs. Purdue

... played running back and special teams at Michigan State, recording one special teams tackle ... played running back and special teams at Northwestern ... rushed once for three yards and recorded one special teams tackle vs. Ohio State ... rushed once for one yard vs. Southern California in the Rose Bowl. Michigan 2002: U-M Athletic Academic Achievement ... redshirted ... coached by Lloyd Carr. Cudahy HS: Started and lettered four years on varsity team ... ran 40-yard dash in 4.5 seconds ... carried 696 times for 5,203 career yards ... caught 27 passes for 500 yards ... scored 80 career touchdowns ... 2,188 yards and 29 touchdowns senior season ... ran for 1,491 yards and 16 touchdowns in six games as a junior ... ran for 1,500 yards as a sophomore ... three-time all-conference selection ... ranked No. 32 running back in the country and No. 22 in Midwest by *SuperPrep* ... rated No. 17 running back and given a four-star rating by *Rivals100.com* ... named No. 4 player in the state of Wisconsin by *Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* ... ranked No. 31 player in Midwest by *Midwest Football Recruiting News* ... ranked No. 53 player in Midwest by *Prep Football Report* ... named all-conference in basketball and track as a sophomore and junior ... coached by Jeff Cavanaugh. Data: Born 10-30-83 ... son of Rosalind Rembert ... major: economics.

# Rafael RICE



Running Back • Jr.-1L • 5-11 • 220  
Los Alamitos, Calif.  
(Mater Dei [Santa Ana]/Fullerton JC)

### CAREER RUSHING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rush	Avg.	TD	Long
2005	7-2	87-324	3.7	6	20 at Youngstown State
2006	12-1	66-339	5.1	6	24 vs. Eastern Illinois
Totals	19-3	153-663	4.3	12	24 vs. Eastern Illinois

### GAME-BY-GAME

2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	11	46	1	15
at E. Illinois	13	36	1	11
Murray State	8	34	1	11
at Youngstown St.	9	65	1	20
Western Ky.	18	69	2	16
at Southern Ill.	-	-	-	-
N. Iowa	17	52	0	11
W. Illinois	11	22	0	6
at Missouri St.	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0
C. Arkansas	7	30	0	11
E. Illinois	5	45	1	24
at Murray St.	8	15	0	5
at Western Ky.	7	26	1	12
Southern Ill.	12	53	2	17
at W. Illinois	6	29	0	13
Youngstown St.	3	17	0	13
Missouri St.	6	39	0	12
at Indiana St.	4	42	1	18
at N. Iowa	4	24	1	17
at E. Illinois	4	19	0	19

2006: Ranks second on the team in rushing yards with 339 ... tied for third in scoring with 36 points (six rushing TD's) ... tied for second on the team in touchdowns with six ... has played in all 12 games, with one start at Northern Iowa... scored first touchdown of the season against Eastern Illinois ... carried the ball a season-high 12 times for 53 yards and two TD's against Southern Illinois. 2005: Played in seven games, with two starts and missed three games due to an ankle injury ... scored a rushing touchdown in five consecutive games ... tied for second on the team with six rushing TDs ... ranked third on the team in rushing yards ... missed the Southern Illinois game due to an ankle injury. Fullerton JC: Rushed for 985 yards and seven touchdowns ... also had 103 receiving yards ... earned first team All-Mission Conference National Division honors ... all-state honorable mention ...

led the Hornets to a 7-4 record and a Golden Empire Bowl championship ... finished the season ranked No. 10 in Southern California ... coached by Gene Murphy. San Jose State 2003: Redshirted. Mater Dei HS: Rushed for 1,287 yards his senior season with 26 touchdowns ... first team All-Serra League selection ... *PrepStar* All-American ... All-California Interscholastic Federation (CIF) selection ... rushed for 1,365 yards and 21 touchdowns as a junior en route to a first team All-Sierra League selection ... coached by Bruce Rollinson ... played his first two prep seasons at Loyola High School and rushed for 1,410 yards and 24 touchdowns as a sophomore. Data: Born 2-26-85 in Columbus, Ohio ... son of William and Alice Rice ... one brother, Cortes, is also a running back on the Redbird roster ... major: general student ... named twice to the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 30 Garry ROBERTS

Defensive Back • Jr.-1L • 6-2 • 210  
Edna, Texas (Edna)



2006: Has played in all 12 games ... has 11 tackles, six of which are solo stops ... extra defensive back in the nickel package defense. 2005: Played in 10 games, mostly on special teams ... recorded three tackles on the season ... credited with 0.5 TFL vs. Drake. 2004: Member of the scout team. 2003: Redshirted. Edna HS: Played senior year at Edna, returning three kickoffs for touchdowns and one punt return for a TD ... notched 350 yards rushing ... had 40 tackles, one interception and three deflections ... first team all-district on defense ... team went 7-3 senior year ... also participated in basketball and track at Edna and was a state qualifier in track ... played football at Industrial High School sophomore and junior years, compiling 900 yards rushing and 400 passing as a junior ... sophomore year, had 1,200 yards rushing and one interception ... coached by Mike Menefee, now an Illinois State assistant coach. Data: Born 3-20-84 in Victoria, Texas. ... son of Garry and Sheila Roberts ... major: family and consumer sciences.

# 81 Laurent ROBINSON

Wide Receiver • Sr.-3L • 6-2 • 195  
Rockledge, Fla. (Rockledge)



CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS					
Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2003	12-6	19-260	13.7	3	28 at Missouri State
2004	11-11	47-564	12.0	7	74 vs. Saint Xavier
2005	11-11	86-1465	17.0	12	88 vs. Drake
2006	8-8	33-629	19.1	5	90 at Indiana State
Totals	42-36	185-2918	15.7	27	90 at Indiana State

- 2006 All-Gateway Second Team
- 2007 Hula Bowl Invite
- 2005 Walter Payton Award Finalist
- 2005 GFC Offensive Player of the Year
- 2005 All-Gateway First Team
- 2005 Walter Camp All-America First Team
- 2005 Sports Network All-America First Team
- 2005 AFCA All-America First Team
- 2005 Associated Press All-America First Team
- 2005 CollegeSportsReport.com All-America First Team
- 2005 Sports Xchange All-America Second Team

2006: During the season, became the school's all-time leader in career receiving yards, receptions and touchdown receptions ... has caught a pass in 34 consecutive games played ... hobbled most of the season with an ankle injury ... started the season strong with two touchdown receptions at Kansas State en route to being named the league's offensive player of the week (9/3) ... after missing two games, returned to grab six catches for 121 yards and two TD's at Murray State ... posted a season-high 169 yards at Indiana State ... broke the school records for career receiving yards and receptions in the win at Indiana State ... hauled in five catches for 55 yards at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Started all 11 games at wide receiver ... led the team in receptions, receiving yards, TD receptions and yards per catch ... tied for first at ISU for career TD receptions ... set ISU and Gateway records for receiving yards in a season ... broke ISU and Gateway records against Indiana State for most receiving yards in a game with 292 yards on 14 catches en route to

## GAME-BY-GAME

2003	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Drake	1	7	0	7
at Illinois	0	0	0	0
Truman St.	1	22	1	22
at E. Illinois	1	4	0	4
Fla. Atlantic	2	39	1	21
N. Iowa	1	9	0	9
at S. Illinois	3	34	0	16
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Y'stown St.	2	23	1	13
W. Illinois	2	31	0	26
at Missouri State	2	35	0	28
Indiana St.	4	56	0	24
2004	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
St. Xavier	4	105	2	74
at Minnesota	9	80	0	23
E. Illinois	2	22	1	15
at Indiana St.	5	61	1	18
Missouri State	9	66	1	11
at W. Illinois	2	30	1	16
Y'stown St.	1	22	0	22
at Western Ky.	3	53	0	32
S. Illinois	4	53	0	31
at N. Iowa	6	31	1	11
at Fla. Atlantic	2	41	0	31
2005	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Iowa State	6	177	2	80
Drake	9	161	3	88
at E. Illinois	3	19	0	9
Murray State	2	37	0	22
at Youngstown St.	8	76	0	19
Western Ky.	12	126	0	21
at Southern Ill.	9	180	1	60
N. Iowa	10	243	3	57
W. Illinois	6	84	0	25
at Missouri St.	7	70	0	25
Indiana St.	14	292	3	49
2006	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
at Kansas St.	9	77	2	22
C. Arkansas	-	-	-	-
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Murray St.	6	121	2	47
at Western Ky.	2	48	0	43
Southern Ill.	1	23	0	23
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Missouri St.	2	46	0	29
at Indiana St.	6	169	1	90
at N. Iowa	2	90	0	62
at E. Illinois	5	55	0	20

being named the GFC's Offensive Player of the Week, USATODAY.com College Football Player of the Week nominee, I-AA.org Weekly All-Star, CollegeSportsReport.com I-AA Performer of the Week and the *Football Gazette's* National Player of the Week ... was also named the league's player of the week on Sept. 3 and Oct. 22 ... tied Pierre Rembert for team lead in TDs with 12 ... tied with Rembert for second on the team in points with 74 ... had two games over 200 yards receiving ... had four multi-TD games. 2004: Started all 11 games ... led the team in receptions, receiving yards and touchdown catches... ranked No. 4 in the league with 4.3 catches per game and ranked No. 7 in receiving yards ... posted his first career 100-yard receiving game in the opener against Saint Xavier ... had a then career best nine catches at Minnesota and repeated the effort at home against Missouri State. 2003: Played in all 12 games with six starts ... tied the school freshman receiving record with three touchdowns on the season ... ranked second on the team in receiving with 19 catches for 260 yards ... averaged 13.7 yards per catch with a long of 28 yards ... scored his first collegiate touchdown against Truman State. Rockledge HS: Member of Rockledge's back-to-back state championship teams in 2001 and 2002 ... totaled 55 receptions for 903 yards as a senior, with 11 touchdowns ... all-state honorable mention, All-Space Coast First-Team pick and member of conference all-star team ... both state championship teams posted 14-1 records ... as a junior, recorded six catches for 70 yards and one touchdown ... four-year member of the football, basketball and track teams ... became a regular starter on football and basketball teams junior and senior seasons ... high school teammate of Redbird defensive back Jesse Caesar ... coached by Chuck Wood. Data: Born 5-20-85 in Ft. Lewis, Wash. ... son of Mike and Linda Brown ... major: communication studies ... twice named to the AFNI Honor Roll ... pronounced: loor-RAUNT.

# 10 Jake ROURKE

Wide Receiver • So.-1L • 6-3 • 185  
Chatham, Ill. (Glenwood)



### CAREER RECEIVING STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	Rec.	Avg.	TD	Long
2005	7-0	2-24	12	0	13 vs. Murray State
2006	12-0	16-345	21.6	1	61 vs. Central Arkansas
<b>Totals</b>	<b>19-0</b>	<b>18-369</b>	<b>20.5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>61 vs. Central Arkansas</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
2005				
at Iowa State	-	-	-	-
Drake	-	-	-	-
at E. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Murray State	2	24	0	13
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	1	24	0	24
C. Arkansas	2	66	1	61
E. Illinois	2	53	0	30
at Murray St.	1	7	0	7
at Western Ky.	1	36	0	36
Southern Ill.	1	16	0	16
at W. Illinois	1	34	0	34
Youngstown St.	1	23	0	23
Missouri St.	2	54	0	39
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	3	23	0	14
at E. Illinois	1	9	0	9

2006: Leads the team with a 21.6 yards per catch average ... has caught at least one pass in 11 of his 12 games played ... caught his first career touchdown pass against Central Arkansas ... also had a career-high 66 yards and a career-long 61 reception in the win over UCA. 2005: Played in seven games, all as a reserve ... two catches for 24 yards ... caught only two passes of the season against Murray State. Glenwood HS: A two-time all-state selection ... hauled in 34 catches for 800 yards and 12 touchdowns as a senior ... also returned three punts and two kickoffs for touchdowns during his senior season ... a three-time all-conference selection ... participated in the Shrine All-Star Football Game... coached by his father, Dan ... also lettered in track and field ... member of the honor roll. Data: Born on 4-27-87 in Garland, Texas ... son of Dan and Julie Rourke ... youngest of four children ... major: general student.

# 90 Dan SIMNICK

Defensive Lineman • Jr.-1L • 6-2 • 260  
Naperville, Ill. (North)



2006: Has played in all 12 games, with four starts ... has recorded eight tackles, including two solo stops ... recorded a TFL against Eastern Illinois ... blocked a kick against Youngstown State. 2005: Played in five games, all as a reserve ... had two tackles and 1.5 TFLs. 2004: Played in one game ... posted one tackle against Saint Xavier. 2003: Redshirted. North HS: All-city, all-area, all-conference, All-DuPage County selection senior year ... Naperville Sun Defensive Player of the Week ... voted team captain ... led the DuPage Valley Conference in sacks (14) ... 61 total tackles, including 47 solo and six for loss ... 14 sacks, four forced fumbles and two recoveries ... between tackles and sacks, added up to 77 yards lost ... team went 10-2 senior year ... one of two losses on year came to Lockport, the eventual state champion ... his team ranked as high as No. 5 in the state ... as a junior, started one game and participated in all ... 20 tackles ... coached by Larry McKeon ... also participated in wrestling and track. Data: Born 6-27-84 in Downers Grove, Ill. ... son of Jim and Suzanne Simnick ... major: business administration ... four-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 40 Cameron SISKOWIC

Linebacker • Sr.-3L • 6-2 • 225  
San Diego, Calif. (Clairemont/Washington State)



### CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2003	11-0	9	7	16	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	11-10	39	53	92	7-32	1-16	0	1	0	1
2005	11-11	55	77	132	14-33	4-10	0	1	2-0	3
2006	12-11	65	75	140	5-9	2-2	2-2	2	0	1
<b>Totals</b>	<b>45-32</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>26-74</b>	<b>7-28</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2-0</b>	<b>5</b>

### GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2003				
Drake	4	3	0	0
at Illinois	3	2	0	0
Truman St.	3	1	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Fla. Atlantic	1	1	0	0
N. Iowa	3	1	0	0
at S. Illinois	1	0	0	0
Western Ky.	1	1	0	0
at Y'stown St.	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2004				
St. Xavier	3	2	0	0
at Minnesota	3	2	1.5-7	0
E. Illinois	14	6	1-16	1-16
at Indiana St.	12	7	1.5-3	0
Missouri State	12	5	0	0
at W. Illinois	10	2	0	0
Y'stown St.	8	3	0	0
at Western Ky.	5	3	1-2	0
S. Illinois	6	1	0.5-1	0
at N. Iowa	6	4	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	11	4	1.5-3	0
2005				
at Iowa State	14	9	3.0-4	1-1
Drake	9	4	0	0
at E. Illinois	11	5	1.5-4	0
Murray State	11	3	2.5-8	0
at Youngstown St.	17	4	0.5-1	0
Western Ky.	13	2	1.0-2	0.5-1
at Southern Ill.	10	6	1.0-3	0
N. Iowa	13	8	2.5-8	2.5-8
W. Illinois	9	1	0	0
at Missouri St.	8	3	0	0
Indiana St.	17	10	2.0	0

2006: Has recorded nine double-digit tackle efforts ... leads the team with 140 tackles ... ranks No. 2 nationally in total tackles and led the Gateway for the second straight year in tackles ... has added five tackles for loss and two sacks ... posted a career-high 22 tackles against Eastern Illinois, earning him conference and national player of the week honors (9/17) ... named national player of the week by *The Sports Network*, *The Football Gazette* and I-AA.org ... recorded first career interception at Murray State and added his second against Southern Illinois ... also named Gateway Defensive Player of the Week on Nov. 5 ... one of two Redbirds with double-digit tackles in the playoff victory at Eastern Illinois (10). 2005: Started all 11 games at outside linebacker ... led the team and conference in total tackles with 132, including 55 solo stops ... averaged 12 tackles per game ... second on the team in TFLs with 14 ... set a career high at Youngstown State and against Indiana State with 17 tackles ... recorded 2.5 of 9 sacks against UNI ... had eight double-digit tackle games. 2004: Started 10 games and played in all 11 ... ranked second on the team in tackles with 92, including 39 solo stops ... posted five double-digit tackle games, including a career-high 14 against Eastern Illinois ... also had a sack and a forced fumble in the EIU game ... collected seven tackles for loss. 2003: Played in 11 games, all as a reserve ... blocked a punt at Eastern Illinois

that forced a game-tying safety ... logged a season-high four tackles in the opener against Drake ... tallied three stops at Illinois and again against Truman State. Washington State 2002: Redshirted. Clairemont HS: Harbor League Defensive MVP senior year ... MVP of team and captain ... tallied 135 tackles in eight and a half games, which broke the single-season tackle record he set as a junior ... all-academic selection three years ... led the league in turnovers and sacks as a senior ... named Clairemont Athlete of the Year ... coached by Manuel Diaz. Data: Born 4-10-84 in San Diego, Calif. ... son of Dan (deceased) and Liz Siskowic ... his younger brother, Kyle, is a freshman linebacker for the Redbirds

GAME-BY-GAME (Cont.)					
2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Kansas St.	15	8	1.0-1	1.0-1	
C. Arkansas	8	2	2.5-6	0.0	
E. Illinois	22	7	0	0	
at Murray St.	5	5	0	0	
at Western Ky.	10	5	0	0	
Southern Ill.	12	6	0	0	
at W. Illinois	11	2	1.0-1	1.0-1	
Youngstown St.	15	7	0	0	
Missouri St.	16	10	0.5-1	0	
at Indiana St.	11	4	0	0	
at N. Iowa	5	4	0	0	
at E. Illinois	10	5	0	0	

... major: recreation and park administration  
 ... twice named to the AFNI Honor Roll ...  
 pronounced SIS-co-wick.

# 45 Kyle SISKOWIC

Linebacker • Fr.-RS • 6-1 • 220  
 San Diego, Calif. (Clairemont)



2006: Has played in seven games, mostly on special teams ... also serves as a backup long snapper. 2005: Redshirted. Clairemont HS: A four-year letterwinner and varsity starter ... registered a school record 164 tackles his senior season ... added four sacks, two blocked kicks, four forced fumbles, four fumble recoveries and one interception ... in 2004 led Clairemont to its first league championship in 32 years ... named the team most valuable player his junior and senior seasons ... team defensive MVP his sophomore season ... two-time first team all-league selection ... named to the *Union Tribune* All-San Diego Selection Football Team ... earned the National Football Hall of Fame Award ... CIF first team recipient ... posted 437 career tackles during his prep career, including 111 stops as a junior ... lettered in football, basketball and tennis ... coached by Mike Smerdon. Data: Born 9-10-86 in La Jolla, Calif. ... son of Dan (deceased) and Liz Siskowic ... younger brother of Illinois State linebacker Cameron Siskowic ... major: general student ... has been named to the AFNI Honor roll once.

# 60 Tom SPEER

Defensive Lineman • Fr.-RS • 6-4 • 215  
 Macomb, Ill. (Macomb)



2006: Has played in 10 games, primarily on special teams. 2005: Redshirted. Macomb HS: Led team in tackles senior season with 120 ... earned all-area and all-conference honors while helping team advance to the IHSA 4A State Playoffs Sweet 16... voted the team's defensive MVP, after posting eight interceptions ... scored lone touchdown against Aledo his junior season. Data: Born 8-12-86 in Macomb, Ill. ... son of Stan and Marybeth Speer ... has two sisters, Jill, a senior at Illinois State and student intern in the athletics media relations office, and Annie ... major: general student.

# 65 Billy SPEISER

Offensive Lineman • Jr.-TR • 6-5 • 300  
 Warrenton, Mo. (Warrenton/Iowa Central CC)



2006: Played in seven games, all as a reserve. Iowa Central CC: A two-year starter at guard ... team captain ... earned all-region honors in 2005 ... received the Team Player Award and Team Leader Award after his sophomore season ... in 2005, the Tritons finished with a 9-2 record, including a 17-6 win over No. 15 Rochester in the Graphic Edge Bowl, which was played at the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls, Iowa ... at the bowl game, the entire Iowa Central offensive line was named the game's MVP ... as a freshman, helped block for a pair of 1,200-yard rushers ... coached by Kevin Twait. Warrenton HS: All-state and all-conference honoree as a senior ... team captain ... named the team's offensive lineman of the year ... received the leadership award ... coached by Steve McDowell. Data: Born 1-17-86 in St. Louis, Mo. ... son of William and Kathy Speiser ... has two older sisters, Angie and Beth ... junior college teammate of Jeremy Joynt ... major: business ... pronounced SPY-zehr.

# 99 James STEVENSON III

Defensive Lineman • Sr.-1L • 6-3 • 250  
 Franklinville, N.J. (Delsea Regional/Illinois)

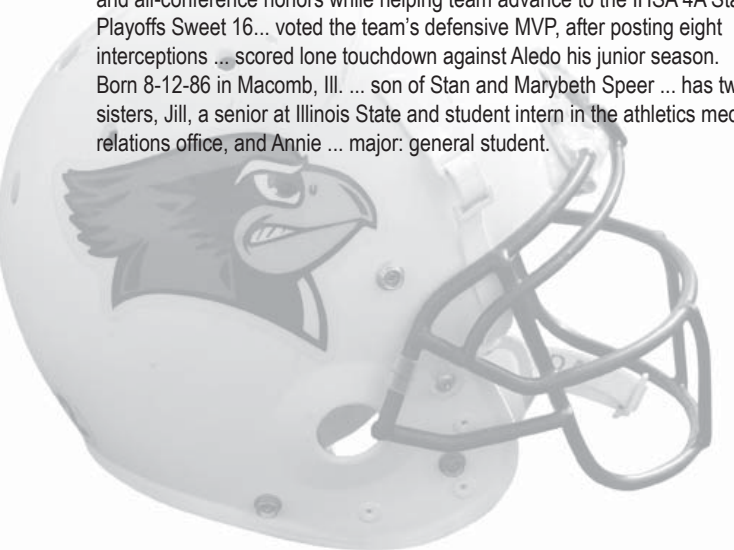


CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004*	4-0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
2005	11-4	9	8	17	2.5-5	1.5-3	0	0	0	1
2006	11-5	5	10	15	1.5-4	0.5-1	0	0	1-0	0
Total	27-9	15	19	34	4-9	2-4	0	0	1	1

\*at Illinois

GAME-BY-GAME					
2005	T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0	
Drake	1	1	0	0	
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0	
Murray State	0	0	0	0	
at Youngstown St.	0	0	0	0	
Western Ky.	2	1	0	0	
at Southern Ill.	1	1	0	0	
N. Iowa	2	0	0.5-1	0.5-1	
W. Illinois	6	4	1-2	0	
at Missouri St.	4	2	1-2	1-2	
Indiana St.	1	0	0	0	
2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0	
C. Arkansas	0	0	0	0	
E. Illinois	1	0	0	0	
at Murray St.	1	1	0	0	
at Western Ky.	2	0	0	0	
Southern Ill.	1	1	0	0	
at W. Illinois	2	0	0	0	
Youngstown St.	4	1	0	0	
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0	
at Indiana St.	1	0	0.5-1	0.5-1	
at N. Iowa	1	1	1.0-3	0	
at E. Illinois	1	1	0	0	

2006: Has played in all 12 games, primarily at defensive end ... recorded first tackle of the season against Eastern Illinois ... has posted at least one tackle in every game since the EIU win ... had a season-high four stops vs. Youngstown State ... tallied a half a sack at Indiana State. 2005: Joined the Redbirds on August 6, 2005 ... Played in all 11 games, with four starting assignments at defensive end ... had a career high six tackles vs. Western Illinois ... recorded four tackles and a sack at Missouri State ... had a tackle in six straight games to end the regular season. Illinois 2004: Played in four games ... recorded two total tackles, one solo during those four appearances... also had one quarterback hurry. Illinois 2003: Redshirted. Delsea Regional HS: Ranked the No. 63 outside linebacker in the country by Rivals.com ... ranked among the Top-25 prospects in New Jersey by SuperPrep ... earned All-Area and All-Tri-County Royal Conference honors from his defensive end position as a junior and senior ... registered over 80 tackles and 8.5 sacks as a senior ... added 80 tackles, 20 tackles-for-loss



and six sacks as a junior ... also a standout tight end, catching 10 touchdowns his final two seasons ... caught seven passes as a junior, six of which he took to the end zone ... averaged 15 yards per catch as a senior while scoring three times ... district champion in wrestling, finishing with a 29-7 record as a junior ... compiled over 235 career wins during his youth wrestling career ... high school coach was Sal Marchese. Data: Full given name is James Woodrow Stevenson III ... son of James Jr. and Vivian Stevenson ... born July 31, 1984 ... has one brother, Shane, who played football at Princeton ... major: general student.

# Kye STEWART

Linebacker • Jr.-2L • 6-0 • 205  
Nashville, Tenn. (Pearl-Cohn)



CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	GAS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004	7-2	13	17	30	3.5-14	1-7	0	0	0	1
2005	11-11	51	42	93	3.5-14	1.5-9	1-21	1	3-61	3
2006	10-10	56	67	123	10.5-31	2-16	0	0	0	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29-24</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>17.5-59</b>	<b>4.5-32</b>	<b>1-21</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3-61</b>	<b>7</b>

GAME-BY-GAME					
2004	T	UT	TFL	PBU	
St. Xavier	6	2	1-7	1-7	
at Minnesota	6	4	1.5-5	0	
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-	
at Indiana St.	-	-	-	-	
Missouri State	-	-	-	-	
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-	
Y'stown St.	-	-	-	-	
at Western Ky.	4	3	0	0	
S. Illinois	2	0	0	0	
at N. Iowa	4	2	1-2	0	
at Fla. Atlantic	6	2	0	0	
2005	T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Iowa State	13	10	1-4	0	
Drake	5	1	1-4	0.5-3	
at E. Illinois	11	2	0	0	
Murray State	6	3	0	0	
at Youngstown St.	11	4	0	0	
Western Ky.	5	5	0	0	
at Southern Ill.	11	8	1-6	1-6	
N. Iowa	10	8	0	0	
W. Illinois	7	3	0	0	
at Missouri St.	10	5	0.5-1	0	
Indiana St.	4	2	0	0	
2006	T	UT	TFL	Sack	
at Kansas St.	13	8	2.5-12	1.0-9	
C. Arkansas	14	9	0.5-1	0	
E. Illinois	-	-	-	-	
at Murray St.	9	7	0.5-1	0	
at Western Ky.	12	2	1.0-3	0	
Southern Ill.	17	7	1.0-7	1.0-7	
at W. Illinois	12	4	1.5-4	0	
Youngstown St.	13	4	1.0-1	0	
Missouri St.	11	3	1.5-2	0	
at Indiana St.	11	5	0	0	
at N. Iowa	3	3	0	0	
at E. Illinois	8	4	1.0-1	0	

### • 2006 All-Gateway First Team

2006: Ranks second on the team in tackles and seventh in all of I-AA football with 123 ... leads the team with 10.5 tackles for loss ... had two TFL's and a sack at Kansas State ... had 14 tackles, including nine solo stops, in a win over Central Arkansas and was named Gateway Defensive Player of the Week (9/10) ... collected a career-high 17 tackles and a sack against Southern Illinois to earn his second GFC weekly honor, while also being named a I-AA.org National Weekly All-Star and the *Football Gazette* National Player of the Week ... collected eight tackles and a TFL in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois ... has posted double digit tackle efforts in eight of 11 games played. 2005: Started all 11 games at outside linebacker ... ranked second on the team and second in the Gateway with 93 tackles ... had six double-digit tackle games ... returned a fumble 42 yards for a touchdown at Eastern Illinois ... returned an interception 21 yards for a touchdown vs. Western Kentucky ... only defensive player to score twice on the season ... twice named the league's defensive player of the week (9/17 and 10/15). 2004: Started the first two games before suffering a stress fracture in his leg ... returned for final four games ... ranked 10th on the team in

tackles with 30 ... posted six tackles in each of the first two games before his injury. 2003: Redshirted. Pearl-Cohn HS: Led the team with 109 tackles ... named all-city and all-region at linebacker ... as a senior, team finished 9-2 and claimed the district championship ... junior team finished 9-3 ... lettered in football and baseball ... as a freshman and sophomore played football at Jasper County High School ... a member of the National Honor Roll ... listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students* ... coached by Maurice Fitzgerald at Pearl-Cohn. Data: Born 2-17-85 in Nashville, Tenn. ... son of Kenneth Stewart ... major: biology ... once named to the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 61 Jonathan ST-PIERRE

OL • 6-3 • 301 • So.  
Longueuil, Quebec (Miami(Fla.)/Edouard Montpetit)



### • 2006 All-Gateway Newcomer Team

2006: Transferred to Illinois State during fall camp ... has played in 10 games, starting the last seven at center ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. Miami 2005: Played in four games, seeing action as a blocker on the field goal and extra point unit ... saw action against Duke, Temple, North Carolina and Virginia Tech. Miami 2004: Sat out the season as a redshirt, playing solely on the scout teams ... underwent surgery for a hip injury late in the season ... coached by Larry Coker. Edouard Montpetit HS: Hails from one of the most successful prep athletic programs in Canada, Montreal's Vieux Montreal Cegep ... played high school football at Gerard Filion Academy ... was a member of Team Canada his last two years in high school, which is the equivalent of an All-Canada All-Star team ... coached by Alain Blondeau. Data: Born 9-15-83 in Greenfield Park, Quebec. ... son of Richard St-Pierre and Celine Racette.

# 37 Jason TATE

Defensive Back • Fr.-HS • 5-11 • 175  
Lake Mary, Fla. (Seminole)



CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS										
Season	GAS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2006	12-0	15	6	21	1-3	0	2-53	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME					
2006	T	UT	INT	PBU	
at Kansas St.	0	0	0	0	
C. Arkansas	2	2	0	0	
E. Illinois	3	1	1-12	0	
at Murray St.	2	2	0	0	
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0	
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0	
at W. Illinois	1	1	0	0	
Youngstown St.	3	2	0	0	
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0	
at Indiana St.	2	1	0	0	
at N. Iowa	5	5	0	0	
at E. Illinois	1	0	1-41	0	

2006: Attended classes at Illinois State during spring semester ... was originally recruited with the 2005 class, but had to complete some college prep courses ... had three tackles and an interception against Eastern Illinois ... recorded two solo tackles and a TFL at Murray State ... returned an interception 41 yards for a touchdown in the playoff win over Eastern Illinois. Seminole HS: Three-year varsity starter ... as a senior, tallied 70 tackles, including three tackles for loss and 44 solo, four interceptions, nine pass break-ups and one defensive touchdown ... named the team's defensive MVP ... first team all-conference, all-district, All-Central Florida and second team all-state ... honorable mention all-South ... team finished 7-3 during senior season ... as a junior, tallied 52 tackles, including 28 solo and four interceptions ... second team all-conference and second team all-district ... four-year member of the honor roll ... coached by Mick Harris. Data: Born 12-28-86 in St. Louis, Mo. ... son of Gwen Tate ... has an older brother, Victor ... high school teammate of ISU's Bert Whigham ... major: undecided.

# 95 Ronnie TATE



Defensive Lineman • Sr.-1L • 6-3 • 260  
Glendale, Ariz. (Westview/Glendale CC)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2005	9-0	3	4	7	1.5-6	0	0	0	0	0
2006	12-8	18	14	32	7.5-36	3-26	0	1	1-0	4
<b>Totals</b>	<b>21-8</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>9-42</b>	<b>3-26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-0</b>	<b>4</b>

GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2005				
at Iowa State	0	0	0	0
Drake	2	2	0	0
at E. Illinois	2	1	1-6	0
Murray State	2	0	0	0
at Youngstown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
at Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	0	0	0	0
Indiana St.	1	0	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	2	2	0	0
C. Arkansas	4	2	1.5-3	0
E. Illinois	1	0	0	0
at Murray St.	4	4	1.0-8	1-8
at Western Ky.	2	2	1.0-11	1-11
Southern Ill.	0	0	0	0
at W. Illinois	3	2	1.0-7	1-7
Youngstown St.	1	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	10	4	2.0-5	0
at N. Iowa	2	2	1.0-2	0
at E. Illinois	2	0	0	0

2006: Has recorded a tackle in 11 of 12 games played ... registered first career sack at Murray State ... had back-to-back sack games against Murray State and Western Kentucky ... secured a career-high 10 tackles and two TFL's in a win at Indiana State. 2005: Played in nine games, all as a reserve ... had two tackles in three consecutive games beginning against Drake ... recorded seven tackles and 1.5 TFLs on the year. Glendale CC: Collected 9.5 sacks as a sophomore ... NJCAA All-Region I honorable mention selection ... team posted a combined 14-6 mark in his two seasons ... coached by Joe Kersting. Westview HS: Posted a team-high 12 sacks, a school record, his senior season ... first team all-region ... first team all-state ... three-year varsity player on a team that advanced to the playoffs every season ... coached by George Martinez. Data: Born 3-8-85 in Phoenix, Ariz. ... son of Ron and

Janie Tate ... youngest of three children ... junior college teammate of ISU's Brian Arndt ... major: recreation and park administration.

# 28 James TEMPLE



Defensive Back • Sr.-3L • 6-0 • 210  
Savannah, Ga. (Savannah)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2003	12-3	17	5	22	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	11-11	23	37	60	1.5-1	1-1	0	1	1-0	2
2005	11-11	41	19	60	2.5	0	4-56	1	1-56	4
2006	12-12	34	23	56	0.5-1	0	3-32	2	0	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>46-37</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>4.5-7</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>7-88</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2-56</b>	<b>14</b>

GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	INT	PBU
2003				
Drake	3	2	0	0
at Illinois	3	2	0	0
Truman St.	6	5	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
Fla. Atlantic	0	0	0	0
N. Iowa	2	1	0	0
at S. Illinois	1	1	0	0
Western Ky.	1	1	0	0
at Y'stown St.	5	4	0	0
W. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Missouri State	1	1	0	0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
2004				
St. Xavier	4	0	0	0
at Minnesota	5	4	0	0
E. Illinois	5	2	0	1
at Indiana St.	12	5	0	0
Missouri State	7	2	0	0
at W. Illinois	3	1	0	0
Y'stown St.	5	1	0	0
at Western Ky.	2	2	0	1
S. Illinois	11	3	0	0
at N. Iowa	2	2	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	4	1	0	0
2005				
at Iowa State	7	5	0	0
Drake	6	3	1-15	2
at E. Illinois	7	4	1-0	1
Murray State	1	1	0	1
at Youngstown St.	6	3	1-41	0
Western Ky.	9	6	0	0
at Southern Ill.	5	4	1-2	0
N. Iowa	4	3	0	0
W. Illinois	4	4	0	0
at Missouri St.	7	4	0	0
Indiana St.	4	4	0	0
2006				
at Kansas St.	3	1	0	0
C. Arkansas	1	1	0	2
E. Illinois	8	1	1-32	0
at Murray St.	1	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	4	2	0	0
Southern Ill.	5	4	0	1
at W. Illinois	5	3	0	1
Youngstown St.	9	8	0	0
Missouri St.	8	5	1-0	1
at Indiana St.	5	4	0	1
at N. Iowa	4	4	0	0
at E. Illinois	3	0	1-0	2

- 2006 All-GFC Honorable Mention
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2006: ISU active career interception leader with seven ... currently ranks fourth on the team in tackles with 56, including 34 solo stops ... posted at least one tackle in all 12 games played ... collected eight tackles against Eastern Illinois ... also returned an interception 32 yards against EIU ... had a season-high nine tackles against Youngstown State ... picked off a pass in the end zone against Missouri State to end a Bears drive ... snagged an INT in the end zone in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois. 2005: Started all 11 games at strong safety ... led the team with four interceptions ... ranked fifth on the team in tackles with 60 ... returned a fumble 56 yards for touchdown against Western Kentucky ... had at least one tackle in every game. 2004: Started in all 11 games at free safety ... third on the team in tackles with 60 stops ... registered a career best 12 tackles at Indiana State ... posted another double-digit effort against Southern Illinois with 11 tackles ... stripped a Minnesota ball carrier and returned the fumble 33 yards in the third quarter against the Gophers. 2003: Saw action in all 12 games with three starting assignments ... logged a season-best six tackles at Truman State ... collected five stops at Youngstown State. 2002: Redshirted. Savannah HS: Rushed and passed for over 1,000 yards, with only two interceptions ... named the team MVP as a senior and was selected to the all-region team ... recruited in football, basketball and baseball ... a three-year varsity player in basketball, helped lead his team to the Sweet 16 every season, including a second-place finish as a junior and a trip to the Elite 8 ... coached by Greg Manior. Data: Born 12-23-83 in

Homestead, Fla. ... son of James and Barbara Temple ... major: industrial technology.



# 94 Jarek THOMAS



Defensive Lineman • Jr.-2L • 6-3 • 275  
Orlando, Fla. (Edgewater)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	G-GS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2004	10-7	6	21	27	3.5-16	2-12	0	0	0	3
2005	4-4	5	7	12	3-23	2-22	0	0	1	0
2006	12-10	17	17	34	5.5-11	1-1	2-29	0	0	0
Totals	26-21	28	45	73	12-50	5-35	2-29	0	1	3

GAME-BY-GAME

Year	T	UT	TFL	Sack
2004				
St. Xavier	2	1	0	0
at Minnesota	1	0	0	0
E. Illinois	6	2	1-5	1-5
at Indiana St.	4	2	0.5-1	0
Missouri State	-	-	-	-
at W. Illinois	4	0	0	0
Y'stown St.	4	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	3	1	1-7	1-7
S. Illinois	2	0	0.5-1	0
at N. Iowa	0	0	0	0
at Fla. Atlantic	1	0	0	0
2005				
at Iowa State	4	2	0.5-0	0
Drake	3	2	1-12	1-12
at E. Illinois	3	1	1.5-11	1-10
Murray St.	2	0	0	0
at Y'stown St.	-	-	-	-
Western Ky.	-	-	-	-
at S. Illinois	-	-	-	-
N. Iowa	-	-	-	-
W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
at Missouri St.	-	-	-	-
Indiana St.	-	-	-	-
2006				
at Kansas St.	3	2	0	0
C. Arkansas	4	2	2.0-4	1.0-1
E. Illinois	3	3	0	0
at Murray St.	2	1	1.5-3	0
at Western Ky.	2	2	0	0
Southern Ill.	2	1	0	0
at W. Illinois	5	1	0.5-2	0
Youngstown St.	4	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	3	1	0.5-1	0
at N. Iowa	3	3	0	0
at E. Illinois	1	0	0	0

2006: Has played in all 12 games, with 10 starts at defensive tackle ... picked off a shovel pass against Central Arkansas, the first interception of his career ... also recorded two TFL's and a sack against UCA ... tallied 1.5 TFL's at Murray State ... had a season-high five tackles at Western Illinois ... returned an interception 28 yards for a touchdown against Youngstown State. 2005: Missed the last seven games of the season after dislocating his right wrist ... started the first four games prior to the injury ... posted three sacks on the season, including 1.5 at Eastern Illinois ... recovered a fumble and blocked a kick against Drake. 2004: Started seven games and played in 10 games ... ranked third on the team among defensive linemen with 27 tackles ... had a season-best six tackles against Eastern Illinois ... had two sacks on the year with one against Eastern Illinois and another at Western Kentucky. 2003: Redshirted. Edgewater HS: Listed as a top-20 recruit in Central Florida ... had 13 sacks and 62 total tackles as a senior ... first-team All-Central Florida, all-county and all-district ... as a senior, team finished runner-up for state title in 2002 with a 13-2 record ... team posted an 11-2 overall record as a junior and 8-3 mark sophomore year ... team named district champs all three years ... coached by Bill Gierke.

Data: Born 8-16-85 in Orlando, Fla. ... son of Diane Thomas ... major: recreation and park administration.

# 43 Jake WEBER



Long Snapper • Sr.-3L • 6-2 • 235  
Peoria, Ill. (Dunlap)

• 2007 Hula Bowl Invite

2006: Accepted an invitation to play in the 2007 Hula Bowl ... has played in all 12 games as the long and short snapper ... has two tackles on special teams, including a stop in the playoff win at Eastern Illinois ... did not have a bad snap all season. 2005: Played in all 11 games as the short and long snapper ... had one tackle. 2004: Played in all 11 games as the long snapper ... also added

four tackles on special teams. 2003: Finished the season as the team's No. 1 long snapper ... played in five games. Dunlap HS: Started his senior season on the offensive line ... Dunlap finished the season with a 6-3 record ... member of the honor roll ... lettered in football, basketball and track and field ... coached by Jeff Alderman. Data: Born 8-23-84 in Peoria, Ill. ... son of Mike and Janet Weber ... one of five children ... major: accounting ... four-time member of the AFNI Honor Roll.

# 58 Mark WHITAKER



Linebacker • Jr.-1L • 6-1 • 210  
Moline, Ill. (Moline/Drake)

2006: Has played in 11 games, mostly on special teams ... collected six tackles, including two solo stops on the season ... amassed a career-high four tackles against Missouri State. 2005: Played in 10 games, all on special teams. 2004: Member of the practice squad while meeting NCAA transfer rules. Drake 2003: Redshirted ... coached by Rob Ash. Moline HS: Started all 10 games as a senior and led the conference in tackles for loss ... team captain ... all-area selection his senior season ... as a junior, named to the *Moline Dispatch* All-Area team and the *Quad City Times* All-Metro team ... a member of the honor roll ... an all-conference academic selection ... recipient of the Presidential Scholarship ... coached by Joel Ryser ... also lettered in basketball and track and field. Data: Born 7-17-85 in Moline, Ill. ... son of Dan and Kim Whitaker ... youngest of three children ... his father played football at Missouri ... his brother, Jeff, and sister, Emily, both attended Illinois State ... major: business ... has been named to the AFNI Honor Roll twice.

# 66 Isaiah WIGGINS



Offensive Lineman • Jr.-2L • 6-3 • 290  
Chicago, Ill. (Prosser)

• GFC Offensive Lineman of the Week (9-24-06)  
• 2006 All-Gateway First Team

2006: Has started all 12 games at left tackle ... blocks for a rushing offense that is averaging 168 rushing yards per game ... has helped running back Pierre Rembert rush for over 100 yards in 11 games and over 1,600 yards ... protects for the No. 1 passing offense in the Gateway Football Conference (231 yds/gm) ... Redbirds' total offense ranks No. 8 nationally with 399.3 yards per game. 2005: Started all 11 games at left tackle ... blocked for the No. 1 ranked passing offense and No. 2 rushing offense in the Gateway. 2004: Played in all 11 games and started the last four at center after the career-ending injury to Jeremy Melville ... played 374 snaps on the season with 43 knockdowns ... had four missed assignments and posted a season blocking grade of 79 percent ... Redbird passing offense ranked No. 1 in the league and No. 37 nationally. 2003: Redshirted. Prosser HS: A two-time all-conference selection ... set the school standard with four-and-a-half quarterback sacks in one game ... played 24 games at the varsity level ... team captain his junior and senior seasons ... posted a team best 90 tackles as a junior ... coached by Jerry Reed. Data: Born 12-15-84 in Chicago ... son of Janice Wiggins ... youngest of three children ... major: information systems ... has been named to the AFNI Honor Roll twice.



# 57 Brandon WILSON



Defensive Lineman • Fr.-HS • 6-2 • 210  
San Antonio, Texas (John Jay)

CAREER DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Season	GAS	UT	AT	Total	TFLs	Sacks	INT	FF	FR	PBU
2006	10-0	2	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0

GAME-BY-GAME

2006	T	UT	INT	PBU
at Kansas St.	-	-	-	-
C. Arkansas	1	0	0	0
E. Illinois	0	0	0	0
at Murray St.	0	0	0	0
at Western Ky.	0	0	0	0
Southern Ill.	1	1	0	0
at W. Illinois	-	-	-	-
Youngstown St.	1	0	0	0
Missouri St.	1	0	0	0
at Indiana St.	0	0	0	0
at N. Iowa	1	1	0	0
at E. Illinois	0	0	0	0

2006: Has played in 10 games, all as a reserve ... has collected five tackles on the season, including two solo stops. **John Jay HS:** Named the 5A Defensive Lineman of the Year by TexasFootball.com in 2005 ... posted the second most sacks in the state of Texas with 13 ... also finished with 72 tackles, including 30 TFLs, and 19 quarterback hurries ... registered three quarterback sacks against Taft ... as a senior, named first team all-District 27-5A, all-city and all-state for a team that finished

with a 10-2 record, before falling in the second round of the state playoffs ... his team beat O'Conner to win its first district championship since 1987 ... named a team captain his senior year ... played linebacker as a junior and was a wide receiver his sophomore season ... as a junior, finished with 32 tackles and a quarterback sack ... coached by John Campbell ... named Scholar-Athlete of the Week by KSAT 12 News. **Data:** Born 11-16-87 in San Antonio, Texas ... son of Valerie Wilson ... has an older sister Marja Jones ... nickname is "B-Wil."

