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Optimism is high in the Bowling Green State University football camp as the team prepares for the 2000 season. Head coach Gary Blackney enters his 10th season at the Falcon helm, recharged by a strong finish to the 1999 season, a solid showing in spring ball, and a number of new assistants on his staff. Blackney and the Falcons feel that the ingredients are in place for a return to the upper echelon of the Mid-American Conference.

The Falcons are coming off a 5-6 campaign in 1999, but BGSU won the last three games of the season. Success is nothing new to the Falcons, as BGSU was perhaps the premier MAC team in the early 90's, recording a 28-2-2 mark within the league. With 14 starters returning, this could be the season for BGSU to find itself heading back toward the top of the division standings.

OFFENSE

Blackney is excited about the experience of his football team on both sides of the ball. On offense, the skilled-position players have gone through the rigors of MAC football before, and know what it takes to succeed against tough conference opponents week-in and week-out.

"You look at skilled-position players like Kurt Gerling, Aaron Alexander, Joe Alls and Godfrey Lewis," said Blackney. "Those guys have been playing a lot of football for us, and yet they're only juniors. And, Joe Alls is a sophomore.

"A couple of years ago we played a lot of young players. We experienced some of the pains of playing with young players, and now, these guys are veteran players. They've been in the program, learned the system and experienced success. Now, the key for those players is to continue to grow, to try to maximize their abilities and potential and not remain stagnant. If that happens, then we just need the offensive line to develop. That will be the key on the offensive side of the ball.

"I feel like we have the athletes to have a good offensive line. But, we lost three starters who, between them, had played for three or four years (each). So, the coordination and the maturation of the offensive line is something that has to happen." The Falcons appear to be in good shape at quarterback, where a pair of players have starting experience. Sophomore Andy Sahm started the last seven games of 1999, and heads into the fall as the number-one signal-caller. In his first career start, Sahm ripped arch-rival Toledo for 302 yards in the air as BG posted a 34-23 win. For the year, Sahm completed 77 of 152 passes for 1,088 yards, tossed seven touchdowns and was only picked off three times. He scrambled for three scores as well.

"Andy had some excellent games last year," said Blackney. "He just needs to be a little bit more consistent. He is a young player, but he has the size and all the physical tools. Andy also has the intelligence and the competitiveness that, if he continues..."
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to grow as a quarterback, will give him a chance to be an all-star caliber player.*

Senior Ricky Schneider also returns, and Schneider is not your typical backup. He has started several games in each of the last three years, and made four starts a year ago. Schneider completed 22 passes for 271 yards and a career-high four touchdowns in the Kent game last September, and totalled 11 TD throws on the season. Schneider gives Blackney several options behind the center.

"That's a big plus for us, to have both Ricky and Andy at the quarterback position," Blackney said. "It's nice to have a senior quarterback position," Blackney said. "It's nice to have a senior quarter-

back behind the scenes that can really come in with a lot of poise, a lot of knowledge and an understanding of both our offense and of opponents' defenses. Ricky can really help us out if and when that situation arises. So, that's a nice position for us to be in.*

When the Falcon quarterback - be it Sahm or Schneider - takes the snap and turns to make the handoff, there will be no shortage of capable backs waiting to carry the ball. Sophomore Joe Alls and juniors Godfrey Lewis and John Gibson all possess talent and experience.

Alls led the team with 592 yards rushing and an average of 5.1 yards per carry in his initial season. He came into his own late in the year, rushing for 467 yards over the last four games, including a season-high 135 vs. Ball State. Lewis, who was BG's top rusher as a freshman in 1998, gained an even 500 yards and scored a team-high six rushing touchdowns last year.

Alls and Lewis are ranked nationally among the top returning rushing tandems for the 2000 season. The duo combined for 1,092 yards last year, the 10th-most of any returning rushing duo in the country. Gibson proved to be a reliable back when he got his chances last season, totalling 109 yards. He had three rushing scores as a freshman in 1998.

"That is a good combination of backs, and we're very fortunate to have some versatility with all of those kids," said the head coach. "Finding a way to get them in the lineup and utilize their talents is going to be a challenge for our coaches, but they're all talented players."

The Falcons also return a pair of talented receivers, led by junior wideout Kurt Gerling. Coming off a 1998 campaign in which he was named the MAC's Freshman of the Year, Gerling put to rest any notions of a sophomore slump. Gerling led the team with 53 catches and 775 yards, and scored five touchdowns. Gerling has caught at least one pass in all 22 of his games as a Falcon, the ninth-longest current streak in the nation.

Robert Reed (39 grabs, 552 yards, six TDs) is gone, but Aaron Alexander is ready to take over at split end after a solid 1999 season. Alexander caught 35 balls for nearly 500 yards a year ago, and combined with Gerling for 288 yards receiving in the Akron game. That duo became one of the fifth BG receiving combo to have at least 100 yards each in the same game.

DEFENSE

When talking about the Falcon defense, it is difficult for Blackney to contain his excitement. A total of nine starters from last season are back. The head coach, who has seen a plethora of young faces line up at starting spots over the past several years, is looking forward to reaping the rewards of the experience gained during that time.

"We have nine defensive starters returning, and I really think we're as athletic and skilled in our defensive front as we have been in a long time. As I look at our defense overall, and especially our front seven, the biggest thing we have going for us is the fact that we have a lot of people that have played a lot of football. They understand the system and they have a better feel for the techniques within the schemes. Again, I think that relates to their experience.*

Blackney is particularly encouraged by his front seven. The Falcons lost just one starter from that group in middle linebacker Joe O'Neill. After a stellar career in the Brown and Orange, O'Neill joins his brother, Kevin, in the Detroit Lions training camp. The bulk of the other
defensive standouts from 1999 are back, led by senior end D.J. Durkin. Blackney calls Durkin the heart and soul of the defense. "D.J. is the key guy on our defense," said the coach. "He will be a second-year captain, he's coming off an ankle problem that hopefully has been resolved, and there's not a player on our football team that has more of a passion for the game or plays with more energy and effort. He really sets the standard for our defense and raises the bar. D.J. has the ability to elevate the level of play of everyone around him."

Junior Ryan Wingrove will return at the other end, while senior nose guard Brandon Hicks also is back. Wingrove is a very athletic player, while Hicks shared team Defensive MVP honors with O’Neill in 1999. "Ryan has excellent speed for a defensive lineman," said Blackney. "He will be even a better player at that position, now that he has a year of starting experience under his belt. "Brandon sat out spring ball due to mononucleosis, but he's a very productive guy, very athletic. He is a player that could achieve all-star type status this year."

Yet another returnee, but the lone new starter, on the line is D.J. Owchar. A sophomore, he saw action in eight games behind Malcolm Robinson last year. With Robinson’s move to the offensive side of the ball, and Hicks suffering from mono, Owchar got a ton of playing time in the spring. Also battling for time on the line will be Rodney Dawson and the Glantzis brothers, Alex and Chris. Dawson, a junior-college transfer, saw time on the line in ’99, and made his first BGSU start in the win over Toledo. Alex Glantzis, a sophomore, played in five games in his initial collegiate campaign. His brother, a junior, sat out the 1999 season after transferring from Youngstown State. Chris Glantzis helped the Penguins to an NCAA Division I-AA championship in 1997 and totalled 42 tackles in nine games the following year. According to Blackney, both players are capable of playing inside or outside on the line. Blackney feels that it all adds up to a promising future for the D-line.

"The move of Malcolm Robinson to the other side of the ball shows the depth and the quality that we think we have in the defensive line. We have excellent talent, and we’re probably as deep at those positions as we are anywhere, in terms of both talent and experience."

At linebacker, a pair of juniors will man the outside spots. Both Khary Campbell and Garry Fisher will be in their third year as starters, and should benefit from the experience gained.

"We have gone through some growing pains in some positions on the defensive side of the ball, and now those players have accumulated a lot of playing time and have gotten a lot of experience. Again, we’re very athletic in those positions, and we have some depth. Senior Chris Della Vella looks to be the replacement for O'Neill, and could play a key role for the Falcons. Sophomores Geno Burden and Chris Haneline and freshman Mitch Hewitt all should see their share of time in the lineup as well."

"The guy who had a phenomenal spring, in my opinion, was Chris Della Vella," said Blackney. "He really came out of nowhere to take over the middle linebacker position. Chris has seen some playing time over the years, and it just seems like he’s going to take advantage of this - his last opportunity - to really play a significant role on our defense."

A pair of juniors will look to anchor the secondary. Chad Long and Karl Rose have combined to start 36 games over the last two years, with Long starting all 22 contests during that time. Long, who looks to be the starter at strong safety, led the team with 111 tackles a year ago. He is considered one of the nation’s most underrated players, according to CBS Sportsline. Long actually made two starts in 1997 before breaking his thumb and earning a medical hardship season.

Rose is penciled in at one starting cornerback spot, with senior Ken Dobbs at the other corner. Junior Sergio Lund is the leader in the competition at free safety, with junior Jerry Wagner as his backup. Dobbs started the final two games a year ago, and has made nine career starts, while Lund started the final four games of ’99. Wagner was one of BG’s top special-teams players a year ago.

Blackney feels good about his defense as a whole, and says that group will need to lead the team in the early going of the 2000 campaign.

“We will have to hang our hat on the defense early in the season. They will need to hold us in games until our offense can develop and mature a little bit more. But, in my experience, both at Bowling Green and looking at the rest of the conference, it’s very difficult to position yourself to win the division or win the championship without playing good defense.”

SPECIAL TEAMS

One of BGSU’s key losses came in the special teams department where Jason Strasser has exhausted his eligibility. Strasser hit 24-of-28 field-goal attempts over the past two seasons, and capped a four-year reign as starter with an appearance in the East-West Shrine Bowl.

The primary candidate for the placekicking job will be freshman Shaun Suisman. Suisman, an Ontario native, was enrolled in school last spring, but was injured on the first day of spring practice. Junior walk-ons Mike Knapp and freshman Kyle Turano will be in the hunt for the job.

At the punter spot, Pat Fleming returns for his sophomore season. Fleming was solid a year ago, averaging 40.3 yards per boot and placed 10 kicks inside the opponents’ 20-yard line during his initial year. Another returnee in the special-teams area is long snapper Ryan Diepenbrock, a senior. Blackney feels that BG’s large contingent of returning players at the skilled positions is a harbinger of good things for the Falcons’ special teams unit.

“I feel like the coverage and the protection part of our special teams can be outstanding, because those positions are usually manned by skilled-position players. Because of the quality of those players, I think the our special teams in those areas have a chance to be very good.”

The Falcons open the season with an ambitious non-conference slate, to say the least. Michigan, Pittsburgh and Temple are the BGSU opponents prior to opening the MAC slate at Buffalo on Sept. 23.

“The approach I’m going to take with our team is that we have two seasons,” Blackney said. “We have a three-game non-league schedule, and then we’ve got the real season.”

“Let’s face it; we would love to win any of those games on the front end of our schedule, but we can’t judge ourselves by the outcome of the Michigan game. What is most important is how fast we come out of the blocks in our first three MAC games. We play Buffalo, Kent and Akron, and two of those are on the road. Those games are what will define our season."
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A man who believes in discipline. A man who will do whatever it takes to get the most out of his players. A man who is respected by his peers, players, and community. This man is BGSU head football coach Gary Blackney.

Now in his tenth season at the helm, Blackney looks to take his 2000 squad back to the top of the Mid-American Conference standings, where the Falcons finished in his first two years at Bowling Green.

Currently the 26th-winningest active Div. I-A coach in the country, Blackney took over as head coach in 1991, inheriting a team that had suffered through five losing seasons in a row.

He resurrected a once-proud football program in just his first season, guiding the Falcons to an 11-1 record, which earned the team a Mid-American Conference championship and a trip to the California Raisin Bowl. Another MAC title would follow in 1992, and the Falcons finished second and third, respectively, in his next two years as head coach.

The 1994 team came within one game of making it three titles in four years playing for the conference title in the final game of the regular season.

To get an idea of how dominant Falcon teams were in MAC play during Blackney’s first four seasons, consider the fact BG had a perfect record for 26 of the 32 weeks of league play during the period. In addition, Bowling Green did not have a loss on its slate for 29 of those 32 weeks. All in all, Blackney led his teams to an eye-popping 28-2-2 (.906) record in MAC play during those four seasons.

In eight seasons, Blackney has accomplished what some have not in a lifetime. He is the first, and only, BGSU coach to win a bowl game. He is the first BGSU coach to lead his team to back-to-back seasons of at least 10 wins. He tied the NCAA record for “rookie” head coaches, winning 11 games in 1991. And, he led the program to a MAC-record 19 consecutive conference wins and a 22-game unbeaten streak to begin his tenure.

Blackney would like nothing better than to get the Falcons back among the elite teams in the MAC this season after his squads have struggled the last five seasons. With six new assistant coaches on staff, there is a renewed drive and fresh outlook among the staff and players to get the program back to the top of the MAC ladder.

With his continued success, he also ranks among the best in NCAA history in victories to start a career. He ranks among the top five with 11 wins in his first season (third on the list), 21 in two seasons (tied for fifth on the list), and ninth all-time with 36 wins in his first four seasons.

Needless to say, the success that Blackney has brought to
the program has also meant some prestigious honors along the way.

He became only the second coach in league history to earn Coach of the Year honors in back-to-back seasons earning the award in 1991 and 1992. He was also named the Coach of the Year in region 3 by his peers, the American Football Coaches Association, the same two seasons. The region included all I-A schools in the states of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois and Big Ten member schools Wisconsin, Minnesota and Iowa. The BGSU mentor was also the 1992 Ohio Collegiate Coach of the Year.

In February, 1996 he was named to the prestigious 16-member Board of Trustees for the American Football Coaches Association. The board formulates policy and provides direction for its more than 7,500 members.

A little less than ten years ago, Blackney realized his dream of becoming a collegiate head coach. He certainly paid his dues after serving as an assistant the previous 21 years at such programs as Wisconsin, UCLA, Syracuse and, most recently, Ohio State. The names of mentors he had the opportunity to work with as an assistant ring familiar in the ears of college football enthusiasts. . . . Dick MacPherson, Terry Donahue, Earle Bruce, Rick Forzano and John Cooper.

The Plainview, New York native began his coaching career at his alma mater, the University of Connecticut, in 1968, where he spent two seasons as a graduate assistant on a staff that included, in addition to Forzano, former Notre Dame head coach Lou Holtz, former Cleveland Browns head coach Sam Rutigliano, and Dave Adolph and Dan Sekanovich, both NFL assistant coaches.

His stay at UCONN was followed by stops at Brown and Rhode Island, in addition to the aforementioned schools, with all but two of those seasons spent on the defensive side of the ball.

His success story is certainly one that makes all people feel thankful. In March, 1986, Gary’s wife, Lauretta, suffered a basilar artery aneurysm which has led to her need for 24-hour care. Taking over the duties of running the household alone, Blackney still kept up with the demands of being a head coach and a father of four children.

Life has presented many challenges to Gary Blackney. Each and every time, he has risen to the challenge, embraced it, and conquered it. Looking at the challenges ahead in the 2000 season, who would expect anything different?

Willie Williams, who was a sixth-round pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers and led the team in interceptions, is a defensive back. He has a degree in education.

While at Western Carolina, he helped in the development of the defense and was a starting defensive back. He assisted in the development of former Buckeye great Cris Carter.

Elon College in North Carolina as the defensive coordinator and defensive backs coach.

He and his wife, Robin, have been married for five years.

No stranger to the Mid-American Conference, Tom Lichtenberg, 60, brings a plethora of experience to the BGSU staff. The Cincinnati native joins Gary Blackney after competing against him for four seasons as the head coach of the Ohio Bobcats from 1990-1995. The Bobcats went 8-45-2 during that time.

Before taking over the reins at Ohio, Lichtenberg served one season (1989) as the head football coach at the University of Maine, where he was Yankee Conference Coach of the Year, and one season as the assistant head coach at Northern Iowa (1987).

Lichtenberg has also coached on the same sideline with Blackney before, both were assistants at Ohio State under Earl Bruce. Lichtenberg was the quarterback coach and receivers coach for the 1986 and 1987 seasons, having the opportunity to develop the talent of former Buckeyes great Cris Carter.

Before a three-year administrative stint at Iowa State as an Assistant Athletics Director, he spent two seasons as Notre Dame as the offensive coordinator, running backs coach, and quarterbacks coach. Prior to Notre Dame, Lichtenberg spent two seasons as the head football coach and two seasons as an assistant at Morehead State. He also served as the offensive coordinator at Iowa State for five years.

Lichtenberg was a three-year football letterwinner and one-year track letterwinner at the University of Louisville. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education from Louisville in 1962 and a Master of Education in Secondary Administration from Xavier University in 1966.

He and his wife, Sue Ann, have five children, Tamara (38), Michelle (34), Tom, Jr. (32), Susan (29) and Bobbi (27). They also have eight grandchildren.

A 1988 graduate of the University of Findlay, Beckman majored in physical education and lettered in 1984 and 1985 on Oiler teams which qualified for the NAIA national playoffs both seasons.

He attended Forest Park High School in Beaumont, Texas for two years before completing high school at Berea High School.

He and his wife, Kimberly, have three children, Tyler, 9, Lindsay, 7, and Patrick, 3. His father, Dave, coached on the collegiate level and served as head coach of the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League for one season. He also worked for the Cleveland Browns and the San Diego Chargers in the NFL.

After helping to develop the talents of Joe Alls and Godfrey Lewis in one year as the running backs coach, Tim Banks, 28, was appointed the secondary coach for BGSU by Coach Blackney in January.

Banks started his coaching career at Bowling Green in 1996 as a graduate assistant coach for the defensive staff. After his assistantship, Banks joined Jeff Pierce’s staff at Ferris State. He spent the 1997 and 1998 seasons as a graduate assistant coach at Ferris State.

The Detroit, Mich. native earned four letters (1991-94) at Central Michigan, earning second-team All-Mid-American Conference honors his last two seasons.

He led the Chippewas in tackles his junior season with 106 stops before recording 91 tackles as a senior. For his career, he was credited with 205 tackles and a pair of interceptions. He earned his undergraduate degree in industrial supervision and management from CMU in 1994. He will receive his master’s degree in sport administration from Central Michigan in the near future, needing only two classes to complete his work.

He and his wife, Robin, have been married for five years.
A return to Bowling Green is somewhat of a homecoming for new assistant coach, Jim Bridge. Bridge, 30, began his coaching career under Coach Blackney at BGSU as a graduate assistant on both the 1992 and 1993 staffs. During that time, he earned his first master’s degree in sport administration, and he helped the Falcons to a MAC Championship, a trip to the Las Vegas Bowl (where they defeated Nevada), and a final record of 16-5-2.

Now an offensive line and tight end coach at BG, Bridge held a similar position at The Citadel for the past four years. He had additional responsibilities as the recruiting coordinator. In his tenure there, he coached a total of seven all-league players, including a two-time all-conference center and an All-American and all-conference right guard.

Prior to his position at The Citadel and following his first appointment at BGSU, Bridge received a second master’s degree, this time in Sport Psychology, from the University of Virginia. As a graduate assistant on the Cavalier staff, he served as an offensive assistant and was responsible for the defensive and special teams scout teams. In each of his two seasons with UVa, the Cavaliers were bowl bound, winning the Independence Bowl in 1994 and the Peach Bowl in 1995. Under the direction of head coach George Welsh, Bridge helped the team finish the 1994 season ranked #13 and the 1995 season ranked #16 in the national polls.

Bridge, a 1992 graduate of Wittenberg University, majored in history there. On the gridiron, he earned four varsity football letters. He captained the team his senior year and was invited to play on the conference all-star team that competed in the Soviet Union in the spring of ’92.

A native of Rocky River, Ohio, Bridge was a three-sport star at Lakewood St. Edward High School, earning a total of eight varsity letters. Bridge and his wife, Andrea, reside in Bowling Green.

Brian Jenkins, 29, knows the value of hard work on the field and in the weight room. A 1988 graduate of the University of Illinois at Chicago, Jenkins was a four-year letterwinner there and earned the Iron Cat Award, given to the strongest student-athlete in power per pound. He was also ranked in the top 10 nationally in kick-off and punt return average. In 1998, Jenkins was named to the Big Ten all-conference team, yielding just 13.0 points per contest as the Bulldogs captured the Southern Conference championship and advanced to the I-AA playoffs for the third time in five years.

After a two-year stint at Western Kentucky, Jenkins accepted a position at Bowling Green State University as an offensive line assistant coach alongside another new BGSU assistant coach, Jim Bridge, for four seasons. His 1992 linebacker squad acted as the stopper on the No. 1 scoring defense in Division I-AA football, yielding just 13.0 points per contest as the Bulldogs captured the Southern Conference championship and advanced to the I-AA playoffs for the third time in five years.

Before joining The Citadel staff, Seamonson got his first taste of the military life while serving as the linebackers coach at the United States Military Academy (Army) in West Point, New York for the 1985 and 1986 seasons. During his time there, he experienced one of the four Army bowl appearances, as the Cadets beat the University of Illinois, 31-29, in the Peach Bowl.

A 1982 graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Madison, he earned four letters as a wide receiver for the Badgers. In 1980, he earned the Badgers’ “outstanding special teams player” award. Seamonson chose to also pursue a master’s degree at the Madison campus while serving as a graduate assistant on the football staff. He continues to work toward his master’s degree in athletic administration.

The Falcons’ special teams coordinator and linebackers coach, Alan Seamonson, joins the BGSU staff after spending the past 13 seasons at The Citadel in Charleston, South Carolina. 

Ron Hudson, 35, takes over as coach of an offensive line anchored by left tackle Rob Fehrmann and right guard Eric Curi, who were voted offensive co-captains. A former offensive lineman himself while at Muskingum College (’87), Hudson has over 12 years of coaching experience in this area.

A native of Columbus, Ohio, Hudson spent the past two seasons as the offensive line coach at Southeast Missouri State University, a member of the Ohio Valley Conference. Hudson also spent one year with the Golden Flashes of Kent State University. Prior to his stint at Kent, Hudson coached the offensive line at Lenoir-Rhyne College and at The Citadel. While at The Citadel, Hudson coached on the opposite side of the ball from another BGSU assistant, Alan Seamonson. He had similar responsibilities at Urbana University, and he doubled as the head track coach there.

Upon graduation from Muskingum, Hudson began teaching and coaching at the high school level, serving as an assistant coach at Newark HS for a year before joining the staff of Gahanna Lincoln HS, where he spent three years. Hudson then decided to enter the collegiate football coaching arena, receiving his master’s degree in physical and education while serving as a graduate assistant on the Louisville Cardinals’ staff, led by head coach Howard Schnellenberger. Following his graduate assistantship, he accepted a position at Illinois State, serving as the tackle and tight ends coach.

Hudson and his wife, Melissa, have a daughter, Mackenzie, 5, and two sons, Spencer, 4, and David, 1.

### Falcon Coaches

#### Offensive Line/Tight Ends Coach
- **Jim Bridge**
  - Coastal Text: Offensive Line/Tight Ends Coach
  - Alma Mater: Wittenberg ‘92
  - Collegiate Experience: 8 years-
  - Recruiting Areas: BGSU (2), Virginia (2), The Citadel (4)
  - Recruiting Areas: Northeast Ohio and East Coast

#### Offensive Line/Tackles Coach
- **Ron Hudson**
  - Coastal Text: Offensive Line/Tackles Coach
  - Alma Mater: Muskingum ’87
  - Collegiate Experience: 8 years-
  - Recruiting Areas: Louisville (1), Illinois St. (1), Urbana (1), The Citadel (1), Lenoir Rhyne (1), Kent State (1), SE Missouri (2)
  - Recruiting Areas: Columbus, SE Ohio, Midwestern states

#### Running Backs Coach
- **Brian Jenkins**
  - Coastal Text: Running Backs Coach
  - Alma Mater: Cincinnati ’94
  - Collegiate Experience: 6 years-
  - Recruiting Areas: Western Kentucky (2), Eastern Illinois (4)
  - Recruiting Areas: Chicago, N.W. Indiana, Western Michigan, Florida, California

#### Special Teams Coordinator / Linebackers Coach
- **Alan Seamonson**
  - Coastal Text: Special Teams Coordinator / Linebackers Coach
  - Alma Mater: Wisconsin ’82
  - Collegiate Experience: 18 years-
  - Recruiting Areas: Wisconsin (3), Army (2), The Citadel (13)
  - Recruiting Areas: Pittsburgh/Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia, New York, Florida

#### Linebackers Coach
- **Ron Hudson**
  - Coastal Text: Offensive Line/Tackles Coach
  - Alma Mater: Muskingum ’87
  - Collegiate Experience: 8 years-
  - Recruiting Areas: Louisville (1), Illinois St. (1), Urbana (1), The Citadel (1), Lenoir Rhyne (1), Kent State (1), SE Missouri (2)
  - Recruiting Areas: Columbus, SE Ohio, Midwestern states

#### Bowling Green State University

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Mike Ward
Defensive Line Coach
Alma Mater:
Georgetown College '84
College Experience:
8 years-
Georgetown College (2),
Findlay (6)
Recruiting Area:
Northeast Ohio

Scott Kellar
Strength And Conditioning
Alma Mater:
Northern Illinois '86
College Experience:
10 years-
College of DuPage (9), Western Kentucky (1)

John Wood
Graduate Assistant
Alma Mater:
Valparaiso '98

Jesse Miller
Graduate Assistant
Alma Mater:
Wisconsin-LaCrosse '96

New to the "official" football coaching staff, but certainly not new to the program, is defensive line coach Mike Ward. Ward, 38, spent the last eight years as the strength and conditioning coach and director of the BGSU Athletic Fitness Center at Bowling Green, located on the west side of Doyt Perry Stadium, and the weight room located in Memorial Hall.

Known for his enthusiastic approach and motivational techniques, worked with all 22 intercollegiate teams at BGSU. He was also responsible for the maintenance and development of the $300,000 fitness center, a 5,800 square foot facility that offers everything from free weights to Nautilus equipment.

Ward, a native of Mansfield, Ohio, was an assistant football coach at the University of Findlay for six years prior to coming to BGSU. He served as the defensive line coach and the strength and conditioning coordinator for the Oilers before leaving in 1992.

Prior to that, he was an assistant football coach and strength coach at his alma maters, Georgetown College for two years. Ward earned a degree in health and physical education from Georgetown College in 1984. He also earned a graduate degree in secondary education from Georgetown.

While coaching at Findlay, Ward became the head strength and conditioning coach at the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse, where he started 24 games, and helped the team to a pair of NCAA Division I All-America honors as an offensive guard in 1983.

Ward is certified by the National Strength and Conditioning Association as a Strength and Conditioning Specialist. He was twice named as the NSCA Professional of the Year by his colleagues in the Mid-American Conference.

Ward and his wife, Jody, have one child, Michaela, 3.

Scott Kellar

Kellar, 36, is in his first year as Head Coach for Strength and Conditioning at BGSU. He is also the director of the BGSU Athletic Fitness Center, located on the west side of Doyt L. Perry Stadium, as well as the weight room located in Anderson Arena.

Kellar oversees the strength and conditioning programs for all 22 varsity sports at BGSU with the help of graduate assistants and student workers. He works directly with the football team, both during the season and in the off-season. In addition to his responsibilities as strength coach, he is also accountable for the maintenance and development of the $300,000 fitness center. The fitness center is a 5,800 square foot facility that houses both free weights and Nautilus equipment, as well as cardiovascular machines.

Kellar received his bachelor's degree from Northern Illinois University with a major in Sociology and a minor in Physical Education. While at NIU, Kellar earned All-American and All-MAC honors as a defensive lineman on the football team.

Kellar was selected by the Indianapolis Colts in the fifth round of the 1986 National Football League (NFL) draft. After three years with the Colts, he joined the Green Bay Packers and then the Minnesota Vikings, where he retired due to injuries during the 1992 season.

Most recently, he served as the Head Strength and Conditioning Coach, as well as the Head Coach for Men's and Women's Track and Field at the College of DuPage. As the Head Strength and Conditioning Coach, he worked extensively with DuPage's athletes in areas of strength, flexibility, conditioning, speed development, plyometric training, and nutrition counseling. He also led the design, organization, and management of a 3,000 square foot strength and conditioning complex at the college.

Kellar started at DuPage in 1990 and left for a brief stint in 1992 at Western Kentucky University, where he held a similar position as assistant coach and strength and conditioning coach for the football team. He returned to DuPage after the 1993 season.

He and his wife, Dana, have a 4-year-old daughter, Jacquelyn.

John Wood

Wood, 24, joins the Falcon staff this year as a graduate assistant coach, helping the coaches on the defensive side of the ball.

The Milwaukee, Wis. native is a 1998 graduate of Valparaiso University where he was a four-year letterwinner and a two-year starter. Wood played at the strong safety and outside linebacker positions.

Wood was a two-time GTE Academic All-American, earning the national honor in both 1997 and 1998. He also earned Academic All-Conference honors in the Pioneer Football League in each of those same years.

Wood began his coaching career as a defensive assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, where he coached a total of four all-conference performers in two years. Wood coached the outside linebackers in 1998 and the safeties last fall. He also coordinated defensive scouting and video breakdowns and assisted with strength and conditioning as well as on-campus recruiting.

Last year, Wood also served as an assistant boys' track and field coach at South Milwaukee High School, coaching the hurdles and sprint events.

Wood will be working toward a master's degree in sports administration at BGSU. He received his BS in sports management from Valparaiso.

Jessie Miller

Millers, 27, is in his second year on the Falcon staff as a graduate assistant coach.

The Little Chute, Wis., native is a 1996 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, where he started 24 games, and helped the team to a pair of national titles in 1992 and 1995. A defensive end, Miller anchored a unit that allowed only nine touchdowns in 14 games his final year. He led the team in sacks and tackles for loss.

Miller began his coaching career at his alma mater, getting defensive line coach in 1996. After a stint in private business, he returned to the gridiron as a coach at Menasha HS in 1998.

While there, Miller was the head defensive line and assistant offensive backs coach. He coached the conference's co-Offensive Player of the Year as well as three All-conference defensive linemen. The team finished 7-4, the school's best win in 26 years, and earned the first playoff berth in school history.

Miller was a double major at UWL, majoring in both marketing and business administration. He is working toward a master's degree in marketing education at BGSU.
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Ricky Schneider

QUARTERBACK
6-3, 210
AMHERST, OHIO

Ricky will battle incumbent Andy Sahm for playing time at quarterback. He has a wealth of experience for a “backup”, having started a total of 10 games over the first three years of his career.

Weight Room:
Bench (285), Squat (600), Hang Clean (325).

Personal:
Ricky has a 3.13 GPA in interpersonal communications, and was a 1998 Honorable Mention Academic All-MAC pick. He is the son of Roy Schneider and Martha Schneider, and was born Mar. 11, 1978.

LONG SNAPPER
6-2, 215
LIMA, OHIO

Ryan starts his final year as the snapper for punts and place-kick. He will be contending with his younger brother, Greg, for the spot.

Weight Room:
Bench (385), Squat (525), Hang Clean (285).

Personal:
As a Biology (Pre-Dentistry) major with a 3.42 GPA, Ryan was a 1998 Honorable Mention Academic All-MAC pick. He is the son of Ben and Shelly Diepenbrock, and was born Jan. 5, 1978.
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Matt Tyla

Center
6-2, 275
Stow, Ohio

Matt will fight for playing time on the offensive line, he has steadily improved his game over his Falcon tenure.

Weight Room:
Bench (345), Squat (525), Hang Clean (295).

Personal:
Matt, an Integrated Language Arts major, is the son of Ed and Mary Tyla. He was born Sept. 3, 1977.

D.J. Durkin

Defensive End
6-2, 240
Boardman, Ohio

Will serve as a team co-captain for the second straight year. (With Offensive Linemen Eric Curl and Rob Fehrmann) D.J. is a strong candidate for all-conference honors at defensive end. A leader of the defensive unit, D.J. is a strong aggressive player with quick foot speed, which can make him a very pesky to an opposing quarterback.

Weight Room:
Bench (430), Squat (420), Hang Clean (365).

Personal:
Born Jan. 15, 1978, the son of Dan and Marianne Durkin, is a Marketing major.
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BGSU Football Grounds Crew
Rodney Dawson

Defensive Tackle
6-3, 260
RIVERSIDE, CALIF.

Transferred to the Falcon program during his sophomore year, and will compete for playing time at nose guard.

Weight Room:
Bench (370), Squat (510), Hang Clean (315)

Personal:
Born Oct. 4, 1977, Rodney, a telecommunications major, is the son of Lela Lyles.

Middle Linebacker
6-1, 230
NORTH OLMSTEAD, OHIO

Part of a strong linebacker corps that includes Khary Campbell and Garry Fisher, the trio makes one of the best linebacker corps in the MAC. With extensive game action, Chris could have his best campaign as a Falcon.

Weight Room:
Bench (345), Squat (595), Hang Clean (320)

Personal:
Born June 11, 1978, Chris is the son of Charles and Lora Della Vellaan. He majors in interpersonal communication.

Chris Della Vella
AUGUST 31
S.E. Missouri State at Marshall
Ohio at Iowa State
NIU at Northwestern
WMU at Wisconsin

SEPTEMBER 2
Akron at Virginia Tech
Ball State at Florida
BGSU at Michigan
Buffalo at Syracuse
CMU at Purdue
Connecticut at EMU
Kent State at Pittsburgh
Miami at Vanderbilt
Toledo at Penn State

SEPTEMBER 9
Akron at CMU*
Miami at EMU*
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Buffalo at Rutgers
Kent State at Purdue
Marshall at Michigan State
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SEPTEMBER 16
Central Florida at Akron
Ball State at Kansas State
BGSU at Temple
Connecticut at Buffalo

CMU at Wyoming
EMU at South Carolina
Youngstown St. at Kent State
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Indiana State at WMU

SEPTEMBER 23
Akron at Ohio*
BGSU at Buffalo*
Kent State at Miami*
Toledo at WMU*
Boise State at CMU
EMU at Temple
NIU at Auburn
Marshall at North Carolina

SEPTEMBER 30
Miami at Akron*
NIU at Ball State*
BGSU at Kent State*
Buffalo at Marshall*
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Ohio at WMU*
Central Florida at EMU

OCTOBER 5
WMU at Marshall*

OCTOBER 7
Akron at BGSU*
Ball State at Miami*
Buffalo at Ohio*
Kent State at CMU*
In Recognition of Excellence...

The BGSU Alumni Association honored the achievements of seven outstanding individuals at the Third Annual Alumni Awards Recognition Dinner held on campus last night.

Recent Graduate Award
Presented to a graduate of the past 10 years who has demonstrated a commitment to civic involvement and to participation in University/Alumni Association activities.

Calvin C.M. Bowers '96 of Perrysburg, Ohio, is president and founding partner of Alliance Venture Mortgage LLC, one of the leading mortgage brokerages in northwest Ohio. Within the company he oversees the implementation of technology and the basic training of new loan officers, and assists in developing new relationships with various constituents.

Kimberlie L. Goldsberry '90 of Cincinnati, is director for leadership and orientation at Xavier University, where she serves as a key member of the director's team for the Division of Student Development and as the visionary leader for the development of a Leadership and Service Center.

Honorary Alumnus Award
Presented to a non-graduate of the University whose efforts have significantly contributed to the progress and development of Bowling Green State University.

Dr. J. Russell Coffey, professor emeritus of health and physical education, of Bowling Green, is a retired BGSU faculty member from the physical education program, now part of the School of Human Movement, Sport and Leisure Studies. Serving from 1948-69, Coffey was a colleague and friend of BGSU legends Harold (Andy) Anderson, Bo Shembecher and Doyt Perry. As the Alpha Phi Omega adviser he also made a memorable contribution to the athletic program by helping to establish the University's beloved mascot, Freddie Falcon.

Dr. G. Richard (Dick) Horton, professor emeritus of visual communication and technology education, of Bowling Green, joined the BGSU faculty in 1966 as an assistant professor of industrial education and technology, retiring in 1991 after 25 years at the University. As both faculty member and administrator, he witnessed the growth of his department, then housed in the College of Education, to its current status as the College of Technology.

Cynthia C. Stong, former faculty member in the department of biological sciences and the founder of its program in marine biology, of Key Colony Beach, Fla., instilled a love for marine life in hundreds of BGSU students during her tenure on campus. She joined the biology faculty in 1962 as an instructor and gradually developed the curriculum for a marine biology focus while establishing a marine laboratory that has been described as unequalled on any inland college campus in the nation.

Alumni Service Award
Recognizes a graduate who has demonstrated exceptional leadership, devotion and service for the betterment of the BGSU Alumni Association.

Dr. Thomas J. Stellers '62 of Youngstown, Ohio, is a retired educator and administrator who currently serves as the regional education advocate for the Buckeye Association of School Administrators and supervises student teachers at Youngstown State University. Actively involved with his alma mater for nearly 40 years, Stellers has attended every BGSU Homecoming since 1959. He was named an Accomplished Graduate of the College of Education and Human Development in 1993 and is a past president and past treasurer of the Alumni Association Board of Trustees. He frequently returns to campus through the Alumni Faculty program, speaking to prospective educators about the profession and his own career. Stellers also serves as a legislative advocate for the University and assists the Office of Admissions with its outreach programs in Ohio high schools.

Willie J. Young '72 of Springfield, Ohio, is director of Off Campus and Commuter Student Services at Ohio State University where he is responsible for overseeing programs and services for approximately 40,000 students. Recently profiled in the University's alumni magazine for his long-standing commitment to Homecoming (he hasn't missed a single event since 1968), Young has given much of his time to his alma mater through activities in the alumni association and the Dayton Alumni Chapter. He has served as secretary of the Alumni Board of Trustees and in 1993 received the Ohio College Personnel Association's Gerald Saddlemire Award for Mentor of the Year.
Identified Members of the undefeated 1928 Football Team

Warren E. Steller (coach)
Paul E. Landis (coach)
Benny Penchef (quarterback)
Donald Lowell (quarterback)
Howard Filere (end)
Hal Treece (halfback)
Clarence Filiere (end)
Harry M. Gwynn (captain, center)
LaForrest Helvoight (tackle)
Herb Fish (tackle)
Clifford "Red" Stevenson (guard)
Macs Leitman (halfback)
Pete Kerr (guard)
John Swearingen (end)
Chester "Chappy" Chapman (guard)

1928 Football Schedule
Record: 5-0-2

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1948 Football Schedule

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THE MAC... COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

TOLEDO at EMU*
Central Florida at NIU

OCTOBER 14
NIU at Akron*
EMU at Ball State*
BGSU at Miami*
Ohio at Kent State*
Marshall at Toledo*

OCTOBER 21
Ball State at Buffalo*
EMU at BGSU*
CMU at Ohio*
Kent State at Marshall*
NIU at WMU*
Connecticut at Akron

OCTOBER 28
Marshall at Akron*
Ball State at CMU*
Buffalo at NIU*
WMU at Kent State*
Miami at Cincinnati
Toledo at Navy

NOVEMBER 4
WMU at Ball State*
Marshall at BGSU*
Kent State at Buffalo*
CMU at EMU*
Ohio at Miami*
Toledo at NIU*

NOVEMBER 11
Buffalo at Akron*
Ball State at Toledo*
Ohio at BGSU*
WMU at CMU*
NIU at EMU*
Miami at Marshall*

NOVEMBER 18
Akron at Kent State*
Miami at Buffalo*
CMU at NIU*
EMU at WMU*
Marshall at Ohio*
Connecticut at Ball State

NOVEMBER 22
BGSU at Toledo*

DECEMBER 2
MAC Championship Game
(Huntington, W. Va.)

DECEMBER 27
Motor City Bowl
(Pontiac, Mich.)

*Mid-American Conference game
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Eric Gilbo

Right Tackle
6-7, 310
Canton, Mich.

Will battle for playing time at right tackle, and could be a crucial part of helping establish BG’s running and passing game. Eric has battled the injury bug during his career.

Weight Room:
Bench (325), Squat (430), Hang Clean (na).

Personal:
Eric, an Interpersonal Communication major is the son of Frank and Loraine Gilbo. Born Oct. 12, 1977.

Boundary Cornerback
5-10, 170
University Heights, Ohio

The most experienced cornerback for the Falcons. He has lettered all three years in school and should make great contributions with the more experienced secondary.

Weight Room:
Bench (255), Squat (480), Hang Clean (245).

Personal:
Ken is a Production & Operations Management and Purchasing & Supply Chain Management major. He has 3.13 GPA, and was a 1998 Honorable Mention Academic All-MAC selection. Ken is the son of Ken and Lynda Dobbs, and was born on Nov. 28, 1978.

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Eric Curl

Right Guard
6-2, 280
Livonia, Mich.

An anchor point of the offensive line this season, Eric is one of only returning starters from the offensive line. A fifth-year senior with lots of experience whose leadership will be crucial to the overall effectiveness of the Falcons. He has 24 career starts and is a team captain along with Fehrman and D.J. Durkin.

Weight Room:
Bench (420), Squat (465), Hang Clean (310).

Personal:
Social studies major, Eric has a 3.41 GPA, and was a 1998 honorable-mention Academic All-MAC selection. Born May 17, 1978, he is the son of Ronald and Holli Curl.

Left Tackle
6-7, 300
Byesville, Ohio

He and Eric Curl, are the only returning starters on the offensive line, Rob is a team captain, along with Curl and D.J. Durkin. Slated to be the starter at left tackle, Rob is an experienced, and fundamentally sound player who has been named to several preseason All-MAC teams. Fehrman has steadily improved throughout his career in both the run and pass blocking, and has started all 33 games in his career.

Weight Room:
Bench (375), Squat (560), Hang Clean (350).

Personal:
Rob, the son of Roy and Sondra Fehrman, was born Jan. 3, 1978. He is a communication disorder major.

Rob Fehrman
2000 BGSU Cheerleaders

Girls Front Row: Heather Dickinson, April Kreitzer, Melissa Kimbler, Erin Norman
Girls Second Row: Aggie Sanderson & Kristin Seaholm
Men's First Row: Criston Smith, Matt Granit, Adam Halsey, Chris Lewis, Jim Connell,
Gabriel Marquez, Christian Hansen Back: Andy Mathias
Not Pictured: Diesha Dailey, Renee Roseum

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2000 Falcon Football Schedule

September 2
AT MICHIGAN

September 9
PITTSBURGH
BLACK SWAMP WEEKEND

September 16
AT TEMPLE

September 23
AT BUFFALO

September 30
AT KENT

October 7
AKRON
Homecoming/Barney's Day

October 14
AT MIAMI

October 21
EASTERN MICHIGAN
Pepsi Night

November 4
MARSHALL
Family Weekend

October 11
OHIO
Faculty and Staff Day

November 22
AT TOLEDO
General Information

Location: Pittsburgh, Pa.
Address: Box 7436
Pittsburgh, PA 15213
Founded: 1787
Enrollment: 32,293
Colors: Blue and Gold
Nickname: Panthers
Conference: Big East
Stadium: Three Rivers Stadium
Capacity: 59,600
Chancellor: Mark A. Nordenberg
Director of Athletics: Steve Pederson

Team Information

Head Coach: Walt Harris (Pacific, 1968)
Record at UP: 13-21 (three years)
Career Record: 24-45 (six years)
1999 Record: 5-6
1999 Conference Record/Finish: 2-5 / tie-sixth
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 44/20
Starters Returning/Lost: 15/10
Basic Offense: Pro Offense
Basic Defense: Multiple 4-3

1999 RESULTS (5-6)

Sept. 4  BOWLING GREEN  W  30-10
Sept. 11  at Penn State  L  17-20
Sept. 18  KENT  W  30-23
Oct. 2  TEMPLE  W  55-24
Oct. 7  SYRACUSE  L  17-24
Oct. 16  at Boston College  L  16-20
Oct. 23  at Rutgers  W  38-15
Oct. 30  VIRGINIA TECH  L  17-30
Nov. 6  MIAMI (Fla.)  L  3-33
Nov. 13  NOTRE DAME  W  37-27
Nov. 27  at West Virginia  L  21-52

2000 SCHEDULE

Sept. 2  KENT
Sept. 9  at Bowling Green
Sept. 16  PENN STATE
Sept. 23  RUTGERS
Oct. 7  at Syracuse
Oct. 21  BOSTON COLLEGE
Oct. 28  at Virginia Tech
Nov. 4  NORTH CAROLINA
Nov. 11  at Miami (Fla.)
Nov. 18  at Temple
Nov. 24  WEST VIRGINIA

TOP RETURNES

Rushing
- Att.  Yds.  Avg.  TD
  Kevan Barlow  141  630  4.5  6
  Nick Goings  110  469  4.3  6
  Mark Moothart  17  66  3.9  0

Passing
  John Turman  192  92  47.9  1301  10  9
  David Priestly  158  92  58.2  1305  6  3

Receiving
- Rec.  Yds.  Avg.  TD
  Latef Grim  75  1106  14.7
  Antonio Bryant  51  844  16.5  6

Tackling
- UT  AT  Tot.
  Ramon Walker  84  47  131
  Mark Ponko  41  35  76

Series Information

Series Record: Pittsburgh leads, 1-0
At BG: First meeting
At Pitt: Pittsburgh leads, 1-0
Most BG points: 10 (10-30) in 1999
Most Pittsburgh points: 30 (10-30) in 1999
Combined points: 40 (10-30) in 1999
Biggest BG win: none
Biggest Pittsburgh win: 20 (10-30) in 1999
Current streak: Pittsburgh - 1
Blackney vs. Pittsburgh: 0-1
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Conference: Mid-American
Stadium: Rubber Bowl
Capacity: 35,202
President: Dr. Luis M. Proenza
Director of Athletics: Mike Rodriguez

Team Information
Head Coach: Lee Owens (Bluffton, 1977)
Record at UA: 19-36 (five years)
Career Record: 19-36 (five years)
1999 Record: 7-4
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 44/20
Starters Returning/Lost: 14/8
Basic Offense: Offset-I
Basic Defense: Flex 50

1999 Results (7-4)
Sept. 4 at Penn State L 24-70
Sept. 11 at Buffalo W 17-10
Sept. 18 TEMPLE W 25-15
Sept. 25 at Eastern Michigan L 17-38
Oct. 2 at Ball State W 31-9
Oct. 9 OHIO W 41-28
Oct. 16 BOWLING GREEN W 55-25
Oct. 23 at Navy W 35-29
Oct. 30 W. MICHIGAN L 10-24
Nov. 6 at Miami L 23-32
Nov. 13 KENT STATE W 37-34

2000 Schedule

TOP RETURNEES
Rushing
Att. Yds. Avg. TD
Brandon Payne 208 845 4.1 13
Jimmie Gray 65 402 6.2 3
Tony McCray 73 352 4.8 2

Passing
J. Washington 240 131 54.6 1896 12 9

Receiving
Rec. Yds. Avg. TD
Lavel Bailey 42 941 22.4 9
Jake Schifino 37 452 12.2 1

Tackling
UT AT Tot.
Dwight Smith 45 14 59
Rich Reliford 39 15 54

Series Information
Series Record: BG leads, 7-4
At BG: BG leads, 4-1
At Akron: Tied, 3-3
Most BG points: 58 (58-21) in 1998
Most Akron points: 55 (25-55) in 1999
Combined points: 80 (25-55) in 1999
Biggest BG win: 45 (45-0) in 1994
Biggest Akron win: 30 (25-55) in 1999
Current streak: Akron – 1
Blackney vs. Akron: 6-2
Jonathan Gill
Ryan Neer
Brad Detwiler
Duane Griffin
Mike Young
Matt Zuercher
Jake Schifino
Corvin Amos
Rickey McKenzie
Andy Jerdon
Robert Jackson

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General Information
Location: Ypsilanti, Mich.
Address: 2nd Floor, Convocation Center
          Ypsilanti, MI 48197
Founded: 1849
Enrollment: 23,500
Colors: Dark Green and White
Nickname: Eagles
Conference: Mid-American
Stadium: Rynearson Stadium
Capacity: 30,200
President: Dr. Samuel Kirkpatrick
Director of Athletics: Dave Diles

Team Information
Head Coach: Jeff Woodruff (Kent, 1979)
Record at EMU: First year
Career Record: First year
1999 Record: 4-7
1999 Conference Record/Finish: 4-4/4th in West Div.
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 45/16
Starters Returning/Lost: 17/8
Basic Offense: Multiple
Basic Defense: Pro 4-3 (Multiple)

TOP RETURNENES
Rushing
Eric Powell  151  583  3.9  3
Passing
Walt Church  332  178  53.6  2015  8  12
Receiving
Eric Powell  30  178  5.9  0
Kenny Christian  23  176  7.7  0
Tackling
UT AT Tot.
Scott Russell  64  41  105
Kenny Philpot  68  29  97

Series Information
Series Record: BG leads, 17-10-1
At BG: BGSU leads, 10-4-1
At Ypsilanti: BGSU leads, 7-6
Most BG points: 53 (53-12) in 1976
Most EMU points: 74 (0-74) in 1920
Combined points: 74 (0-74) in 1920
Biggest BG win: 41 (53-12) in 1976
Biggest EMU win: 74 (0-74) in 1920
Current streak: BG - 3
Blackney vs. EMU: 2-0
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- 13 teams made NCAA appearances, several earning national rankings
- 28 coaches earned MAC Coach of the Year honors
- Marny Oestreng, women’s gymnastics, was the 1999 NCAA floor exercise champion

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Doyt L. Perry Stadium, with its 30,599 seating capacity, is celebrating its 35th year as the home of Bowling Green State University football.

Built in 1966 for approximately $3 million as a replacement for the 43-year-old University Stadium, Perry Stadium had a capacity of 23,272 until bleacher seats were installed in both end zones in 1982.

One of the largest and most attractive athletic facilities in the Mid-American Conference, Perry Stadium set the conference record for single-game attendance.

On October 8, 1983, a huge crowd of 33,527 packed into Perry Stadium for the annual Northwest Ohio rivalry between Bowling Green and Toledo, establishing a school and MAC record for single-game attendance. The Falcons went on to set a season record, breaking the six-digit figure for five games with a total draw of 100,021. It marked the first time in history that Bowling Green averaged more than 20,000 fans for five home football games. That figure was topped in 1985, when Bowling Green posted a perfect record (11-0) in the regular season and clinched the MAC Championship by shutting out Toledo at Perry Stadium in November. More than 28,000 fans turned out that day, raising Bowling Green’s season attendance to an all-time high 112,110, an average of 22,422.

In 1994, BG fans bettered the mark of 1985 as 114,802 fans, an average of 22,960, attended the five home games.

The Falcons begin the 2000 season looking to maintain the home dominance they have enjoyed during the tenure of head coach Gary Blackney, having compiled a record of 33-10-1.

Perry Stadium is more than just a football facility. The east side of the stadium includes locker rooms, equipment and training rooms, along with the Athletic Department offices. The west side received a face-lift 12 years ago. A physical fitness center/weight room opened its doors to all intercollegiate athletic teams in the summer of 1988.

Also situated on the west side of Perry Stadium are the Falcon Club offices and clubhouse, the men’s and women’s soccer and track and cross country offices, as well as maintenance and storage areas.

Sitting atop the press box on the west side of the stadium is the plush Stadium Club. Now in its 20th year of operation, the Stadium Club’s 106 theatre-type seats, which are all sold, provide loyal BGSU fans with the best view of the game. The President’s Box, located at the top of the east side of the stadium, provides luxury seating for President Sidney Ribeau, his guests, and other supporters of Falcon football.

The construction of elevators on both sides of the stadium, completed in early 1998, has made the stadium more accessible for all fans. Renovations to all boxes on both sides and the stadium club have taken place over the last year making for a more "fan-friendly" atmosphere.

Bowling Green won the first game ever played in Perry Stadium, defeating Dayton, 13-0, on October 1, 1966. Since that time, the Falcons have won over 67 percent of their home games, compiling a 109-52-6 record in the 167 games played at Perry Stadium. Over the last 17 seasons, Bowling Green is 65-19-4 at home for a .761 winning percentage.

Perry Stadium is named in honor of the man who led Bowling Green to a 77-11-5 record in his 10 years as the head coach of the Falcons. Doyt L. Perry was simply one of the greatest football coaches of his day. His .855 winning percentage over 10 seasons in the 1950s and 1960s remains one of the highest in football history. In fact, Perry is fifth all-time behind Bob Reade (Augustana), Knute Rockne (Notre Dame), Frank Leahy (Notre Dame), and Larry Kehres (Mount Union) in winning percentage among coaches with at least 10 years of service on the collegiate level. Perry served as the BGSU athletic director for seven years (1965-71) after stepping down as football coach.
BGSU Home Record

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Total Record: (109-52-6, .671)

Total Home Attendance: 2,571,827
(an average of 15,400 for 167 home games over the last 34 years)

Longest Winning Streak: 16 (1983-86)
Longest Unbeaten Streak: 19 (1991-94)

Top 15 Home Crowds

1. 33,527 vs. Toledo, Oct. 8, 1983
2. 29,210 vs. Toledo, Oct. 2, 1993
3. 28,110 vs. Toledo, Nov. 16, 1985
4. 27,333 vs. Toledo, Oct. 19, 1991
5. 26,860 vs. Toledo, Oct. 9, 1971
6. 25,057* vs. Akron, Sept. 30, 1989
7. 25,000 vs. Akron, Sept. 28, 1985
8. 24,631 vs. Miami, Oct. 29, 1994
10. 24,194 vs. Miami, Oct. 25, 1975
11. 24,063 vs. CMU, Nov. 12, 1994
12. 23,948 vs. Navy, Sept. 17, 1994
13. 23,918 vs. Toledo, Oct. 2, 1999
14. 23,500 vs. Miami, Sept. 21, 1985
15. 22,695 vs. Toledo, Oct. 25, 1997

*Doyt L. Perry Stadium Records

Rushing
Attempts: 46, Bryant Jones vs. Kent, 10/31/81
Yards: 225, Darrel Story vs. Ball State, 11/5/83
TDs: 5, Dave Preston vs. Dayton, 9/21/74

Passing
Attempts: 59, Brian McClure vs. Toledo, 10/8/83
Completions: 35, Brian McClure vs. Toledo, 10/8/83
Yards: 437, Neil Britt (Ball State), 11/5/83
BGSU: 407, Brian McClure vs. CMU, 10/29/83
TDs: 6, Ryon Henry vs. Ball State, 10/22/94
Interceptions: 6, Neil Britt (Ball State), 11/5/83
6, Ryon Henry (BG SU) vs. Louisiana Tech, 8/31/95

Receiving
Receptions: 13, Mark Dowdell vs. CMU, 10/29/83
Yards: 237, Dave Naumcheff (Ball State), 11/5/83
BGSU: 188, Jeff Grath vs. Grand Valley, 9/23/78
TDs: 4, Jeff Grath vs. Grand Valley, 9/23/78

Scoring
Points: 30, Dave Preston vs. Dayton, 9/21/74
Field Goals: 3, Jason Zeller vs. Kent, 11/4/89
John Spengler vs. Southern Mississippi, 11/10/79
Bill Witte vs. WMU, 10/2/71

Long Plays
Rush 93 yds., Mike McGee vs. CMU, 11/21/87 (TD)
Pass 96 yds., Mark Miller to Dave Dudley vs. SDSU, 9/25/76 (TD)
Interception 88 yds., Julius Livas vs. Miami, 10/23/71
88 yds., Scott Frasier (Miami), 10/27/90 (TD)
Punt Return 100 yds., Courtney Davis vs. Kent, 10/12/96 (TD)
Kickoff Return 94 yds., Leon Weaver vs. WMU, 10/11/97 (TD)
Punt 81 yds., Cris Shale vs. Ohio, 10/6/90
Field Goal 60 yds., Derek Schorejs vs. Ohio, 10/21/95

Most Points
By BG 62 vs. Ball State, 9/21/68
By Opponent 42, Xavier, 11/13/71

In the event that a BGSU player does not hold a record, the top Falcon performance is also listed.
BGSU’s Longest Plays...

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| Non-Scoring Pass | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 78         | B. Niemt-R. Redd vs. Akron | 1978 |

| Kickoff Return | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 94        | L. Weathersby vs. WMU | 1997 |

*Returned for touchdown

| Punt Return | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 100     | C. Davis vs. Kent | 1996 |

| *Returned for touchdown |
| Pass Interceptions | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 90         | R. Lash vs. Toledo | 1948 |

| *Returned for touchdown |
| Punts | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 95        | M. Leitman vs. Bluffton | 1928 |

| Field Goal | Name/Opponent | Year |
| Yds. 60     | D. Schorejs vs. Toledo | 1995 |

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**THE LAST TIME ...**

A BG Player Returned a Kickoff for a Touchdown:  
Leon Weathersby vs. Western Michigan, Oct. 11, 1997

An Opposing Player Returned a Kickoff for a Touchdown:  
Jon Eaton (Akron), Oct. 16, 1999

A BG Player Returned a Punt for a Touchdown:  
Courtney Davis vs. Kent, Oct. 12, 1996

An Opposing Player Returned a Punt for a Touchdown:  
Bruce Branch (Penn State), Sept. 12, 1998

A BG Player Returned an Interception for a Touchdown:  
Steve Ayers vs. Central Michigan, Sept. 22, 1995

An Opposing Player Returned an Interception for a Touchdown:  
Dustin Cohen (Miami), Oct. 10, 1998

A BG Player Returned a Blocked Punt for a Touchdown:  
Matt Bunsey vs. Ball State, Nov. 13, 1999

An Opposing Player Returned a Blocked Punt for a Touchdown:  
Ricot Joseph (Central Florida), Nov. 20, 1999

A BG Player Rushed for 200 or more Yards:  

An Opponent Rushed for 200 or more Yards:  
Travis Prentice (Miami), Oct. 9, 1999 (34-209)

A BG Player Had Three Interceptions in a Game:  
Carlos Brooks vs. Kent, Nov. 7, 1992

An Opposing Player Had Three Interceptions in a Game:  
Tevell Jones (Ohio), Oct. 18, 1997

Three BG Players Rushed for 100 or more Yards in a Game:  
Dave Windatt (139 yds.), Mike Wright (131), Dave Cassell (125) vs. Toledo, Oct. 7, 1998
Sidney A. Ribeau became the ninth president of Bowling Green State University in 1995. At his formal installation ceremony on September 20, 1996, Sidney Ribeau joined students, faculty and staff in making a bold commitment that would shape the university’s future. BGSU would become the premier learning community in the state and one of the best in the nation. As BGSU enters a new millennium, it is well positioned to fulfill this spirited vision.

Sidney Ribeau serves as chief executive officer of a vibrant and growing university with an annual budget of $302.2 million. The university’s enrollment has reached more than 19,000 students, a three percent increase since 1996. There are 750 faculty and 1,700 staff members. In addition to a respected graduate college, the university has seven undergraduate colleges and a regional campus, Firelands College. The 115,000 alumni, working in and contributing to communities around the world, serve as impressive examples of BGSU’s distinguished and stimulating learning environment.

Dr. Ribeau received his bachelor’s degree in speech and English education from Wayne State University in his hometown of Detroit, Michigan. Twenty-five years later, in 1996, Wayne State honored him with a Distinguished Alumnus Award. Dr. Ribeau earned his masters and doctorate degrees in speech communication from the University of Illinois, in 1973 and 1979.

His career in education began in 1978 when Dr. Ribeau accepted a position as professor of communication studies at California State University, Los Angeles. During an 11-year stay at Cal State he was honored as an outstanding teacher and student advisor and was named chair of the Pan African Studies Department. In 1987 he joined California State University, San Bernardino as dean of undergraduate studies. He became dean of the College of Liberal Arts at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo in 1990. Two years later, he became vice president for academic affairs at Cal Poly, Pomona. He held this position until coming to BGSU.

Dr. Ribeau has served on the faculty for the National Institute on College Student Values and is on the advisory board of the new electronic “Journal on College and Character.” He has also served as a guest speaker at the LeaderShape Institute, a nonprofit program committed to the development leadership potential and integrity in young adults.

He has assumed leadership roles in numerous state and national higher education organizations including the State Funding Commission for Higher Education and the American Council on Education.

Dr. Ribeau’s publishing activities have covered a broad range of topics. He has written a number of scholarly articles, and in 1994 he received a Distinguished Scholarship Award from the Speech Communication Association for “African American Communication: Ethnic Identity and Cultural Interpretations,” a book he co-authored. Most recently, he wrote the afterward for the book, “Serving Children and Families Through Community-university Partnerships: Success Stories.” He also writes regularly for periodicals, newspapers with recent articles appearing in Visions and Values, Student Union, and newspapers with recent articles appearing in Visions and Values: 2000 Plus and Diversity Exchange. He is a frequent public speaker for campus groups, civic and social organizations in Northwest Ohio and at a number of national public forums including the Chautauqua and Smithsonian Institutes. He recently delivered one of a series of lectures "The Language of Conflict, The Language of Resolution," sponsored by the Smithsonian Associates and the Speech Communication Association.

Since his first day on the job, Dr. Ribeau has focused intensely on efforts to build a sense of community at BGSU. He recognizes that to realize the new vision, a culture of collaboration and integrity must exist at all levels of the university. He frequently meets with student, faculty and staff in small groups to ensure they are closely involved in the growth and development process of the university. These discussions played an important role in establishing the core values that serve as guiding principles for achieving the university’s ambitious goals - respect for one another, cooperation, intellectual and spiritual growth, creative imaginations and pride in a job well done.

Dr. Ribeau has taken a leadership role in many new campus initiatives, including a $34 million Student Union expansion project and the $40 million technology supernet. He continues to concentrate on “creating an accessible environment that develops culturally literate, technologically sophisticated and productive citizens who are prepared to lead, to inspire and to preserve the great traditions of our democracy.” Above all he wants graduates to leave BGSU with a heightened social consciousness and the attributes required to succeed personally and professionally.

He also serves on the boards of numerous Northwest Ohio community and business organizations including the United Way, Urban League, the Toledo Symphony, the Greater Toledo Area Chamber of Commerce and The Andersons, Inc.

Bowling Green State University

2000 Football Program
Paul Krebs was named the 11th athletic director at Bowling Green State University on March 15, 1999, enthusiastically tackling the problems facing the department at the turn of the century, while possessing a vision of how he would like to see his alma mater viewed on a regional and national level.

Krebs has overseen the move of intercollegiate athletics into the student affairs area which was announced in January, 1999, by President Sidney Ribeau.

Some of the other main areas that Krebs has focused on include making the department a fiscally-sound entity, gender equity issues, enhancing the competitiveness of the athletic teams, and increasing attendance at all BGSU home contests.

Krebs had served as the senior associate athletic director at The Ohio State University under Director of Athletics Andy Geiger since September of 1993.

In that capacity, he managed the daily operation of the department and acted as the AD in Geiger's absence. He also coordinated and provided oversight for the departments $58 million budget, directed its long-range financial planning and budget oversight/reporting programs.

He was the department's main liaison when dealing with engineers, architects, and financial planning committees. In addition to overseeing the ticket office, athletic business office, information systems, facility operations and maintenance areas, he was the point person in the planning and design of Ohio State's $105 million Jerome Schottenstein Center, the $150 million renovation of storied Ohio Stadium, the Jesse Owens Stadium, and the $5 million Bill Davis Stadium for baseball.

He was also actively involved in fundraising and securing corporate sponsorship for the new facilities. The OSU Ice Rink and the 36-hole nationally-acclaimed OSU Golf Course also fell under his administrative areas of supervision. He also coordinated game management, including crowd control and game-day timing of football and men's and women's basketball.

Krebs chaired several committees within the Buckeye athletic department and played a key role in attracting some of the nation's premier entertainers to Ohio Stadium and other OSU venues.

He also served as meet director for the NCAA Div. I Golf Championships in 1987 and 1995 and the regional championships in 1993.

Krebs was active in the Columbus community, routinely assisting such programs as Easter Seals, United Way, and the Special Wish Foundation. He was also involved in the Columbus chapter of the National Football Foundation.

He went to Ohio State in 1985 as the ticket director and quickly implemented a new computer program that streamlined the ticket office while improving efficiency. He was named assistant athletic director in 1987. In 1991, he was promoted to assistant athletic director for administration, a position he held until 1993.
Dan Connelly
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Head Coach
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Penny Dean
Head Coach
Women's Tennis

Jay Harris
Head Coach
Men's Tennis

Randy Julian
Head Coach
Men's and Women's Swimming

Dee Knoblauch
Head Coach
Women's Basketball

Mel Mahler
Head Coach
Men's Soccer

Sterling Martin
Head Coach
Men's Track and Cross Country

Buddy Powers
Head Coach
Ice Hockey

Andy Richards
Head Coach
Women's Soccer

Scott Sehmann
Head Coach
Women's Track

Leigh Ross-Shaw
Head Coach
Softball

Danny Schmitz
Head Coach
Baseball

Kurt Thomas
Head Coach
Women's Golf

Cami Wells
Women's Cross Country

Garry Winger
Head Coach
Men's Golf

Denise Van De Walle
Head Coach
Women's Volleyball

Dr. Richard Barker
Team Physician

Dr. Jeffrey M. LaPorte
Team Physician

Dr. Tom Wojciechowski
Team Physician

Bowling Green State University

2000 Football Program
Since 1946, the Mid-American Conference has grown and developed into one of the most aggressive and progressive conferences in the country. As it enters a new millennium, the Mid-American Conference will continue to lead by example to provide its student-athletes and the member institutions with the best possible opportunities.

In its 54th year of existence, the MAC has not only stood the test of time, but has flourished into forming a league that its founders could not have imagined or dreamed of.

Based in Cleveland since July 1999 following a 15 year stay in Toledo, Ohio, the MAC has been in the forefront of national legislation that has enhanced the academic integrity of intercollegiate athletics. The MAC strengthened admittance standards, established an academic progress rule and set increased grade-point-average requirements long before the NCAA adopted or discussed implementing such academic standards.

Under the direction of Rick Crist, the seventh commissioner in the history of the MAC, the Mid-American Conference has been a national leader in the last four years, hosting the 2000 NCAA Men’s Basketball Midwest Regional at The Palace of Auburn Hills in Auburn Hills, Mich.

For the first time in league history, both the men’s and women’s basketball tournaments were held in Cleveland with each event drawing eight institutions to Gund Arena and Public Hall. The men’s tournament, which featured four quarterfinal games decided by a total of six points, set new single session and overall attendance marks.

On the heels of its successful football and men’s basketball campaigns, the MAC in conjunction with ESPN announced on June 9, 2000 a new three-year television agreement. The new deal will feature over 30 football and men’s basketball appearances over the next three years.

Highlighting the programming agreement are exclusive national rights to both the MAC Football Championship Game and the MAC Men’s Basketball Championship Game, as well as a minimum of five regular-season football games and nine regular-season basketball appearances over the next three years.

As part of the agreement, the MAC also announced that the 2000 MAC Football Championship Game will be televised live nationally on ABC Sports. The game will be scheduled for Saturday, December 2 at Marshall Stadium in Huntington, W.Va., and will be the first contest of ABC’s college football tripleheader, followed by the Big 12 Conference and Southeastern Conference championship games.

The Mid-American Conference was founded as a five-school league on February 24, 1946 in Columbus, Ohio with Ohio, Butler, Cincinnati, Wayne State and Western Reserve admitted as charter members.

The Mid-American Conference, which now has 13 schools, consists of the University of Akron (joined in 1992), Ball State University (1973), Bowling Green State University (1952), University at Buffalo (1999), Central Michigan University (1971), Eastern Michigan University (1971), Kent State University (1951), Marshall University (1954-69, 1997), Miami University (1942), Northern Illinois University (1975-86, 1997), Ohio University (1946), University of Toledo (1950) and Western Michigan University (1947).
Bonner was a four-year letterwinner for the Falcons and earned a spot on the MAC All-Freshman team in 1987. She was a second team All-MAC selection and honorable mention academic pick as a sophomore after finishing eighth in the MAC in rebounding and first in field goal percentage (57.9%). As a junior, she was third on the team with a 13.0 scoring average while leading the squad with an 8.0 rebounding figure to earn second team All-MAC honors and first team MAC All-Academic accolades.

The Canton, Ohio native, who came to BGSU from Timken High School was 15th in the MAC in scoring, seventh in rebounding, sixth in field goal percentage (.513), and second in blocks as a junior. Her final season at BG she led the team averaging 15.4 points and 8.0 rebounds. She was a unanimous first team All-MAC selection and also a first team academic pick. Bonner was selected as the MAC Tournament MVP. She helped BG to a 100-22 overall record and a 58-6 MAC record in her four seasons as well as four MAC Tournament titles along with four NCAA Tournament appearances.

Bonner, a 6-2 center, ended her career fifth on the BG list in scoring (1,412), second in field goal percentage (.557%), first in free throw attempts (535), second in free throws made (354), third in rebounds (842) and first in blocks (155). She was selected to the BGSU All-Century Women's Basketball Team this past winter.

She earned an NCAA postgraduate scholarship in 1990 and graduated with an MBA and law degree from The Ohio State University in 1994. Bonner has been employed as a corporate employment lawyer in the San Francisco Bay area the last six years.

Lewis was a four-year letterwinner and was selected an NSCAA All-American in 1974. The native of Penfield, New York (Penfield High School), was drafted by the Cincinnati Comets of the ASL (1975) and played one season with the Comets before joining the Buffalo Blazers of the Canadian Soccer League.

He has served the past 25 years as head coach of the Wilmington College Quakers recording 23 straight winning seasons. The Quakers are one of the top NCAA Division III teams in country. Lewis enters the 2000 season with 328 victories and recently became one of the top 25 Americans, thus earning All-America honors. MacDonald was the MAC runner-up his junior and senior seasons while claiming first place at the All-Ohio championship in both seasons. He helped the Falcons to a worse than an eight-place national finish in his first three years. In track, he was the MAC mile champion as a senior and as a junior was a member of the four-mile relay team which set an American record. The native of Cornwall, Ontario native was voted BG’s outstanding freshman in 1978 and 1979 and won the “Gay Blade Award” for Best Attitude all four years. Markell was CCAA Co-Player of the Year as a senior and was selected to the CCAA First Team his last three years after earning honorable mention accolades as a freshman. BG compiled a 117-34-4 (.768 winning percentage) record in his four seasons. Following his collegiate career, he played parts of four seasons in the NHL before finishing his career in Europe.

He is currently the head hockey coach at Ohio State and was runner-up in national coach of the year voting in 1997-98. Markell resides in Pickerington, Ohio with his wife, Kim, and two children, Ryan and Taylor. Lewis also serves as the director of student services at Wilmington. He and his wife, Margo, are the parents of two sons and a daughter.

MacDonald earned eight varsity letters at BGSU (four each in cross country and track). He earned All-American honors in cross country with a 12th-place finish in the NCAA meet as a junior and helped BG to a second-place NCAA finish at the 1972 national cross country championships, BG’s highest team finish ever. He finished 23rd in the NCAA meet his senior season, but was among the top 25 Americans, thus earning All-America honors. MacDonald was the MAC runner-up his junior and senior seasons while claiming first place at the All-Ohio championship in both seasons. He helped the Falcons to a worse than an eight-place national finish in his first three years. In track, he was the MAC mile champion as a senior and as a junior was a member of the four-mile relay team which set an American record. The native of Cornwall, Ontario native was voted BG’s outstanding freshman in 1978 and 1979 and won the “Gay Blade Award” for Best Attitude all four years. Markell was CCAA Co-Player of the Year as a senior and was selected to the CCAA First Team his last three years after earning honorable mention accolades as a freshman. BG compiled a 117-34-4 (.768 winning percentage) record in his four seasons. Following his collegiate career, he played parts of four seasons in the NHL before finishing his career in Europe.

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Young came to BGSU in 1959 as an assistant football and head baseball coach. He compiled a 31–7 record in eight seasons as head coach of BGSU's freshman football team. Young was the defensive backfield coach for the 1959 NCAA Small College Championship team under Doyt Perry.

He compiled a mark of 184–146–6 in 12 seasons as baseball coach and then spent the next seven years as BGSU Athletics Director. As athletics director, he oversaw the merger of the men's and women's athletic programs during the 1976–77 academic year.

Young received his doctor of philosophy degree in educational administration from BGSU in 1975 and following his tenure at BGSU, served as athletic director at Oklahoma State, Washington State, Florida International and is currently the athletics director at Lynn University in Boca Raton, Florida. He was the athletics director who hired Jimmy Johnson at Oklahoma State and Dennis Erickson at Washington State.
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