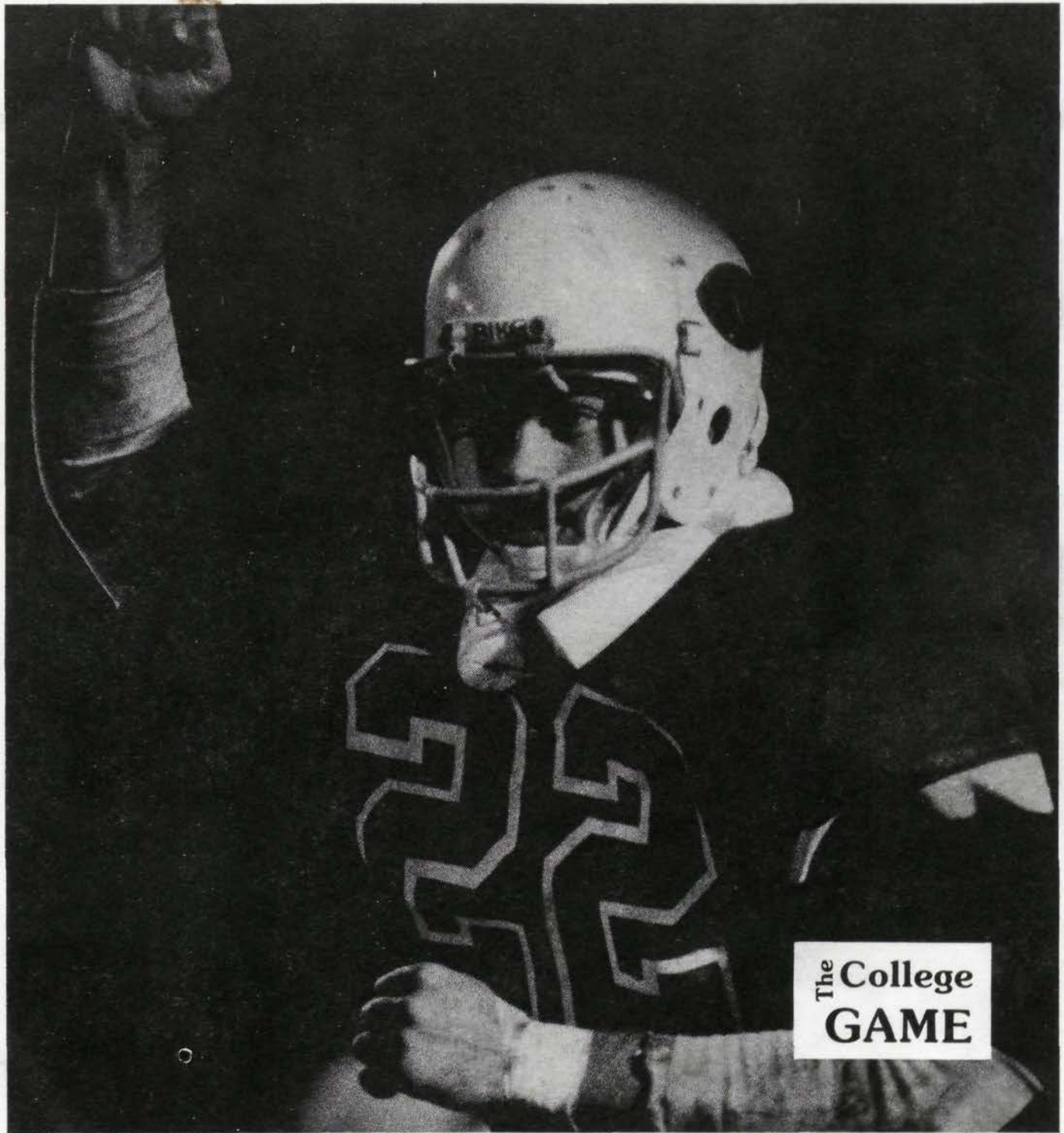


Sept. 8, 1979
MANC Stadium
Olathe, Kansas

MANC
vs.
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The College
GAME

Mid-America Nazarene College Football Program

ONE HAPPY BUNCH... ONE GREAT COLLEGE.

What's your choice? ... football, basketball, golf, tennis, cross country, baseball, or track. Women's sports, too!

All students can participate in varied campus life activities.

They're happy because 30 dynamic liberal arts and career-oriented programs are offered.

Professors that care make a difference. Over half hold doctorates.

He's happy because the male/female ratio is nearly 1:1.

Pre-professional programs in medicine, dentistry, law.

Graduates are prepared for successful careers.

Dr. Smith, President. He's happy because a record 1122 students enrolled.

Mid-America Nazarene College

Olathe, Kansas

Curtis Smith, President

Pioneer Information

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The MANC Pioneers 1979 Football Schedule

Sat. Sept. 8	William Jewell	Home	7:00 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 15	Nebraska Wesleyan	Away	7:30 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 22	Missouri Valley	Away	7:30 P.M.
Sat. Sept. 29	Haskell College	Home	7:30 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 6	Kemper College	Home	7:30 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 13	Culver-Stockton	Away	1:30 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 20	Tarkio College	Homecoming	2:00 P.M.
Sat. Oct. 27	Open Date		
Sat. Nov. 3	Benedictine	Away	1:00 P.M.
Sat. Nov. 10	Huron College	Away	1:30 P.M.

Notice: When you buy a Coke today you will receive a handsome looking spirit cup. After you have finished your Coke or any other drink you can keep this MANC spirit cup as a souvenir. You can use the cup at home when you snack or you can have a collection of these cups of your own. The price for the Coke and cup is only 75¢. Buy now because this spirit cup is a hot MANC item that's going fast.

PRESS INFORMATION

This book was compiled by Phil Griffin for information and entertainment by the fans of MANC football and the media covering Mid-America Football.

As I compiled this book I had several individuals who helped me in this endeavor. I want to thank Harold and Bill of the Shawnee Mission Hospital Printing for their hard work in producing this book.

I owe a great "thank you" to Steve Attig Photography for taking all the pictures in this publication. As you can see, he did a great job.

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YOU CAN HELP SUPPORT THE TEAM!

The purpose of athletics at MANC is to combine spiritual, physical and academic training. There are hundreds of parents who would give everything they have to see their children involved in such a program. And you can make it possible.

**MANC (Athletic Dept.)
2030 College Way
Olathe, KS 66061**

☐ **Yes,** send me more information about the Booster Club.

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

This is Pioneer Country

Athletic Director: Ron Hill

"A Message"

This is the start of our second football season and I would like to compliment Coach DeGraffenreid and his staff for the fine job they are doing in the developing stages of our Football Program at Mid-America Nazarene College. While we are in the growing and developmental stage of our program, coach DeGraffenreid will provide us with teams that will provide Mid-America and Olathe with good college football.

Sincerely,
Ron Hill
Athletic Director



Ron Hill

MANC Athletic Department Information

Enrollment — 1,200	Cheerleader Sponsor — Mrs. Terry Armstrong
Affiliation — NAIA, NCCAA	Womens Basketball Coach — Norton Hook
Conference — Independent	Womens Volleyball Coach — Janis Munn
School Colors — Red, White & Blue	Cross Country Coach — Jim Coburn
Nickname — Pioneers	Track and Field Coach — Gordon DeGraffenreid
President — Dr. Curtis Smith	Tennis Coach — Gerard Reed
Athletic Director — Ron Hill	Golf Coach — John Clark
Football Coach — Gordon DeGraffenreid	Baseball Coach — Rick Fields
Football Stadium — MANC Stadium	Sports Information Director — Phil Griffin
Trainer — Crayton Moss	MANC telephone — 782-3750
Basketball Coach — Jim Smith	Athletic Department Secretary — Mrs. Gerald Yoesel
Field House — Land Memorial Gym	Athletic Department — 782-3570, ext. 260

1980 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE (OPEN)

Sept. 6	*William Jewell College	Away
Sept. 13	*Ottawa	Here
Sept. 20	*Baker	Away
Sept. 27	*Missouri Valley	Here
Oct. 4	*Culver-Stockton	Here
Oct. 11	*Graceland	Here
Oct. 18	Open	
Oct. 25	*Tarkio	Away
Nov. 1	Benedictine	Here
Nov. 8	*Central Methodist	Away

*Heart of America Conference Games

1978 MANC Award Winners

Senior Award
(First R. R. Osborne Award)
Mike Hester
Most Valuable Player Award
(The Dr. Curtis Smith Award)
Craig Doane
Offensive Back Award
Mike Hester
Offensive Lineman Award
Bill Christie
Defensive Lineman Award
Craig Doane
Defensive Back Award
Jim Couchenour



Mike Hester
R. R. Osborne Award

1981 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE (OPEN)

Sept. 5	*William Jewell	Here
Sept. 12	*Ottawa	Away
Sept. 19	*Baker	Here
Sept. 26	*Missouri Valley	Away
Oct. 3	*Culver-Stockton	Away
Oct. 10	*Graceland	Away
Oct. 17	Open	
Oct. 24	*Tarkio	Here
Oct. 31	Open	
Nov. 7	*Central Methodist	Here

*Heart of America Conference Games

Meet the Football Coach

Mid-America's Head Football Coach GORDON DEGRAFFENREID



Gordon DeGraffenreid
Head Football Coach

Agressive, hard working, enthusiastic — they all describe Gordon DeGraffenreid, MANC's second year head football coach.

After more than 16 months as the Pioneers' first grid boss, DeGraffenreid feels he's developing a solid base for his program. "It's been a long, hard and tedious work schedule," he admits, "but we're getting there. This year has been a good year of recruiting. Another good year like this in attracting top prospects and we can begin to see some of our objectives for starting a football program realized."

A native of Marshall, Missouri, DeGraffenreid was a prep star at Marshall High before moving on to play his college ball at Missouri Valley. He started at offensive guard from 1963-65. He captained both his high school grid team as well as the Missouri Valley Vikings.

Following graduation in 1965, DeGraffenreid coached at Norborne, Missouri for one year before moving on to the Head Coaching position at Kansas State College of Pittsburg Laboratory High School. After a very successful three years at Pittsburg, he moved to Pacific, Missouri as Head Line Coach in 1969. In 1971 he assumed the same position at Richmond, Missouri. During his first year at Richmond the team won the Conference Championship then went on to win the Missouri 3-A State Championship.

DeGraffenreid coaches the Pioneer track team which has produced three NCCAA All Americans in the last three years. Coach DeGraffenreid and his wife, JoAnn are the parents of two boys; Jeff age 9 and Jed age 3.

The Coaches "79" Outlook

THE 1979 OUTLOOK FOR PIONEER FOOTBALL Comments by Coach DeGraffenreid

At the end of the 1978 season, the prospect of 25 out of 28 returning lettermen plus the opportunity to recruit in preparation for the fall of 1979 prompted the coaching staff to look with optimism towards the current season. But several factors including ineligibility, transferring, dropping out of school and deciding not to participate eliminated another 14 lettermen.

Thus the nucleus of the 1979 team will be made up of freshmen and transfer players. Several key positions must be filled by these new players.

Lack of experience and overall team depth should be the areas of major weakness for this years team. It is extremely difficult to evaluate our team at this time. If we can avoid key injuries and as a team play competitive in our early games, then we could develop into a strong team. Our freshmen players should give us a great nucleus to build on for the future.

The offensive unit should be bigger, quicker and more experienced than last season. These traits should help us develop and maintain a better overall running and passing unit for 1979.

The defensive unit has five starters returning from last years team. Perhaps the biggest loss to the defense will be that of Craig Doane. Craig will be moved from defensive end to quarterback.

A primary emphasis in recruiting freshmen has been in the area of contacting athletes from very competitive and successful high school programs that are interested in attending a Christian College. Many of the new Pioneers represented their high school in the state playoffs for their particular state.

Another area where major emphasis has been placed on recruiting has been to find linemen with size, speed and overall physical strength. Depth will be our major concern for the offensive and defensive linemen.

The receiving corps has been improved with the addition of several new players possessing more ability, speed and knowledge in catching the football.

Our running backs could be a bright spot for the team this fall. We will have more size and much more speed to get outside than

last fall. We will be working hard early in the year to develop a consistency in our running offense.

Our kicking game should be a major strength this year. Danny Jacques, transfer last spring from Arizona State University, could develop into one of the top place kickers in the area.

We hope to be able to put together an interesting team to watch. Overall we have to consider this a building year because of our young players and the newness of the football program.

In reality, I believe that the success of the program this year can be measured in the competitiveness and consistency with which the team shows from game to game.



MANC Coaching Staff (Left to Right)

Mike Hester (Defensive Back and Head Junior Varsity Coach) Don Steltling (Head Assistant Coach and Offensive Back Coach) Gordon DeGraffenreid (Head Coach) Rick Fields (Offensive and Defensive Line Coach)

A Message from the Coach

Gordon DeGraffenreid

My Philosophy of Football at MANC

About a year and a half ago, the Board of Trustees voted to initiate an intercollegiate football program at MANC. Since that decision many people have been hard at work in many areas to make the program possible.

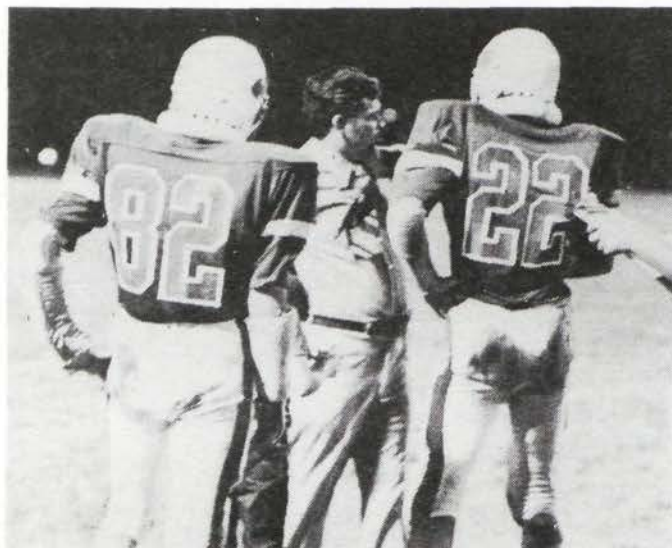
Three individuals have been entrusted with the responsibility for the program during the initial two years. Dr. R. Curtis Smith, college president; Dr. Jerry Ketner, assistant to the president, and Dr. R. R. Osborne, Olathe business man, have been involved with many areas to establish this new sports program at MANC. These three men are typical of the many individuals that have realized the need for football at MANC.

As head coach, I have had the opportunity to express my thoughts concerning the need and value of football at MANC at various times.

I believe that colleges have football and other athletic activities in order to provide a competitive situation wherein the student will have the opportunity to develop himself in areas not emphasized in the academic pursuits, the football field provides the student-athlete with a physical challenge. Such a challenge is necessary because a man ceases to be a man when he loses the desire to equal or surpass what has been accomplished before. Every young man must have the opportunity to develop his courage, his loyalty, his poise, the proper weighing of values, and the proper control of his emotions in adversity and accomplishment.

Dana Bible, one of the great teachers of football made this statement about one of the values of football: "Football in its rightful place, is one of the most valuable sports in schools and colleges today. As no other sport of past time, it teaches a boy in his formative years to control and command his own powers."

As head coach I'm deeply concerned about the rightful place of football at a Christian college and especially at MANC. I know this is a deep concern of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Curtis Smith and our student body.



My emphasis when recruiting prospective student-athletes has been on the high moral values and Christian principles upon which our college functions. I want student-athletes to come to MANC because they feel that this is where God wants them to be for the next few years. I do not want them to come just because of the football program.

There are three things that I emphasize as I talk to young people about MANC and the reasons for coming. First, this is a great place to find God's will for their life and to really become established as a Christian. Second, our academic programs are excellent. The values placed upon academic achievement and the efforts by administration and faculty to make it happen are far superior to other colleges. Third, the social life at MANC is tremendous in that you will have the opportunity to participate in many activities with other young people of like belief. Of course this includes playing football under Christian coaches and with other players that share your love for Christ.

Football has arrived at MANC. It was needed; it will benefit those involved and it will be conducted in light of the commitment that the college has to the students that come to MANC.

TENTATIVE MID-AMERICA NAZARENE COLLEGE

1979-80 Mens Basketball Schedule

Nov. 16 & 17	Point Loma, Calif Homecoming Tournament		Away
Nov. 20	Central Methodist College	8:00	Home
Nov. 22-24	Le Tourneau Tournament		Away
Nov. 30	Missouri Valley College	8:00	Home
Dec. 1	Ottawa University	8:00	Away
Dec. 4	School of the Ozarks	7:30	Away
Dec. 6	Baker University	8:00	Home
Dec. 7	William Jewell College	8:00	Away
Jan. 5	Tabor College	8:00	Home
Jan. 12	Emporia Kansas State College	7:30	Away
Jan. 15	Avila College	8:00	Home
Jan. 18	Tarkio college	7:30	Away
Jan. 22	Missouri Valley College	7:30	Away
Jan. 24	Benedictine College	8:00	Home
Jan. 29	McPherson College	7:30	Away
Feb. 1	Park College	8:00	Home
Feb. 2	Le Tourneau College	7:30	Home
Feb. 5	Benedictine College	7:30	Away
Feb. 8	Park College	7:30	Away
Feb. 11	William Jewell College	8:00	Home
Feb. 12	Baker University	7:30	Away
Feb. 19	Tarkio College	7:30	Home
Feb. 22	Avila college	7:30	Away
Feb. 23	Baptist Bible College	7:30	Home
Feb. 26	Ottawa	7:30	Home

TENTATIVE MID-AMERICA NAZARENE COLLEGE

1979-80 Womens Basketball Schedule

Nov. 20	Tues. Central Methodist College	6:00	Home
Nov. 27	Tues. Missouri Valley College	7:00	Home
Nov. 30	Fri. Calvary Bible College	6:00	Home
Dec. 1	Sat. Ottawa University	6:00	Away
Dec. 4	Tues. School of the Ozarks	5:15	Away
Dec. 6	Thurs. Baker University	6:00	Home
Dec. 7	Fri. William Jewell College	6:00	Away
Dec. 8	Sat. Park	7:00	Home
Dec. 11	Tues. Rockhurst College	7:00	Home
Jan. 5	Sat. Tabor College	6:00	Home
Jan. 8	Tues. Kansas Newman College	5:15	Away
Jan. 11 & 12	Bethany College Tournament		Away
Jan. 15	Tues. Avila College	6:00	Home
Jan. 17	Thurs. Rockhurst College	7:00	Away
Jan. 22	Tues. Ottawa University	7:00	Home
Jan. 24	Thurs. Benedictine College	6:00	Home
Jan. 26	Sat. Friends Bible College	2:00	Home
Jan. 29	Tues. McPherson College	5:30	Away
Feb. 1	Fri. Park College	6:00	Home
Feb. 2	Sat. Peru State College	2:00	Away
Feb. 5	Tues. Missouri Valley College	5:15	Away
Feb. 8	Fri. Hesston College	7:30	Away
Feb. 9	Sat. Friends Bible College	7:00	Away
Feb. 11	Mon. William Jewell College	6:00	Home
Feb. 12	Tues. Baker University	5:00	Away
Feb. 15	Fri. Calvary Bible College	5:30	Away
Feb. 16	Sat. Kansas Newman College	5:15	Home
Feb. 19	Tues. Avila College	5:15	Away

Meet the Pioneers



Roger Alexander
Overland Park, Ks.



Eric Ammons
Valley Center, Ks.



Lyndon Anderson
Florissant, Mo.



Dan Asbill
Oskaloosa, Ia.



Steve Bailey
Broadview, N.M.



Jake Blankenship
Houston, Tx.



Jimmy Canen
Atlanta, Ga.



David Cobb
Lithonia, Ga.



Keith Corbett
Shawnee Mission, Ks.



Jim Couchenour
Vicksburg, Mich.



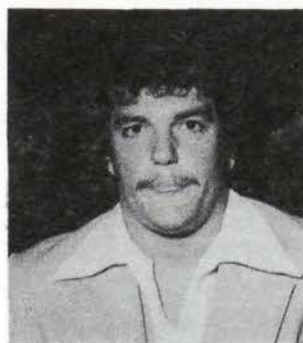
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Russell Draper
Bourbonnais, Ill.



Jerry Evans
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Jeff Ewton
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Don Francis
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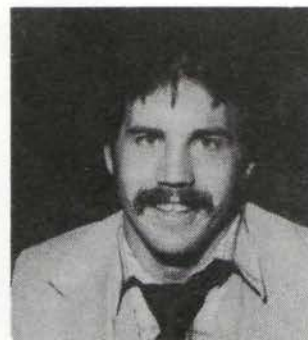
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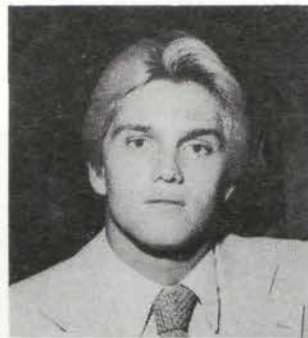
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Gordon Hadley
Blackstone, Va.



Dwight Heincker
St. Louis, Mo.



Mathew Hinkel
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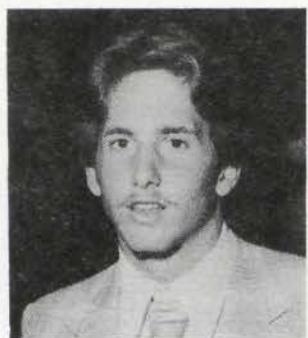
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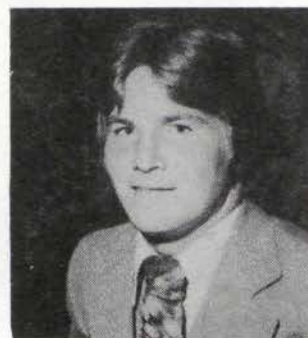
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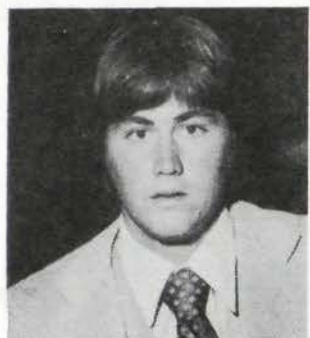
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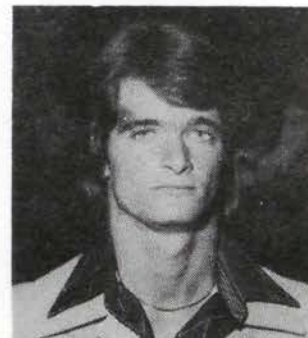
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Wichita, Ks.



Joddy Langford
Victoria, Va.



Jeff Lewis
Chandler, Ariz.



Paul Loving
Collinsville, Okla.

Code of Officials Signals



Touchdown or Field Goal



Helping the Runner, or Interlocked Interference



Ball Ready for Play



Grasping Face Mask



Delay of Game



Roughing the Kicker



Ball Dead; If Hand is Moved from Side to Side: Touchback



Illegally Passing or Handling Ball Forward



Incomplete Forward Pass, Penalty Declined, No Play, or No Score



Touching a Forward Pass or Scrimmage Kick



Safety



Non-contact Fouls



Loss of Down



Substitution Infractions



Clipping



Illegal Procedure or Position



Blocking Below the Waist



Offside (Infraction of scrimmage or free kick formation)



Illegal Shift



Player Disqualified



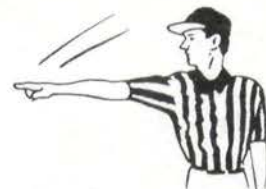
Illegal use of Hands and Arms



Illegal Motion



Personal Foul



First Down



Ineligible Receiver Down Field on Pass



Ball Illegally Touched, Kicked, or Batted



Time out; Referee's Discretionary or Excess Time Out followed with tapping hands on chest.



Forward Pass or Kick Catching Interference



Start the Clock



Intentional Grounding

1979 Pioneer Football Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
2	Bill Wells	3	K-P	5'-11"	175	Cozad, Neb.	61	Keith Corbet	1	G	5'-9"	185	Merriam, Ks.
3	Danny Jacques	3	K	5'-6"	135	Pheonix, Az.	62	Jeff Lewis	1	NG	5'-10"	200	Chandler, Az.
5	Tom Scott	1	FLK	5'-8"	165	Lithonia, Ga.	63	David Cobb	1	LB	5'-8"	180	Lithonia, Ga.
8	Russell Draper	1	QB-DB	5'-10"	170	Bourbonnais, Ill.	64	Gary Walton	1	G-K	5'-8"	170	Colorado Springs, Co.
10	Robert Rouse	1	QB	5'-8"	135	Kingman, Ks.	65	Greg Grosse	1	G	6'-0"	219	Webb City, Mo.
11	Tom Tush	1	QB	6'-0"	170	Shawnee Mission, Ks.	66	Dennis Pritchett	1	LB	5'-7"	175	Olathe, Ks.
15	Rick Allen	2	QB	5'-10"	160	Sabetha, Ks.	68	Dwight Heincker	3	NG	5'-9"	200	Ferguson, Mo.
20	Jim Ranard	1	DB	6'-0"	160	Crawfordsville, Ind.	70	Ken Johnson	1	T	6'-1"	225	Wichita, Ks.
21	Jim Canen	1	DB	5'-10"	170	Atlanta, Ga.	71	Joddy Langford	1	T	6'-2"	200	Victoria, Va.
22	Daryl Pruter	3	DB	6'-0"	170	Natoma, Ks.	72	Randy Gunlock	2	DT	6'-1"	200	Webb City, Mo.
25	Henry Reed	3	RB	5'-7"	165	Buffalo, N.Y.	73	Mark Rhoads	1	DE	6'-4"	205	Urbandale, Ia.
28	Charles Riddle	2	RB	5'-7"	155	Olathe, Ks.	74	Jeff Martin	1	T	6'-3"	219	Ava, Mo.
30	Dan Asbill	1	FLK	5'-8"	155	Olathe, Ks.	75	DeLain Wright	1	T	6'-1"	210	Fort Wayne, Ind.
31	Rick Nelson	1	RB	6'-0"	200	Urbandale, Ia.	76	Jake Blankenship	1	LB	5'-10"	200	Houston, Tx.
32	Ray Mangiesdorf	2	FB	6'-0"	215	St. Louis, Mo.	78	Charles Wallace	1	DT	5'-11"	190	Mott, N. D.
33	Matthew Hinkle	2	FB	6'-0"	210	Wichita, Ks.	80	Craig Shoemaker	2	E	6'-1"	185	Boise, Ida.
35	Brock Snook	1	DB	6'-0"	175	Bartlesville, Ok.	81	Jim Couchenour	2	DB	6'-0"	165	Vicksburg, Mich.
38	Kenneth Brubaker	1	RB	6'-0"	150	Topeka, Ks.	82	Tim Osborne	1	E	5'-11"	163	Charlotte, N. C.
40	Keith Rogers	2	RB	5'-7"	145	Bethany, Ok.	83	Russ Russell	2	E	5'-9"	175	Shawnee, Ks.
41	Jeff Kent	1	FLK	5'-11"	175	Charlotte, N. C.	84	Daniel Foster	1	E	6'-0"	175	Council Bluffs, Ia.
42	Mike Sereg	1	DB	6'-0"	155	Oskaloosa, Ia.	85	Brad Yantis	1	E	6'-1"	180	Marshalltown, Ia.
45	Jerry Evans	2	DE	6'-0"	200	Webb City, Mo.	86	Chip Sell	1	DB	5'-9"	160	Ava, Mo.
48	Glen Wesley	1	FB	5'-9"	230	Kansas City, Mo.	87	Joel Miller	1	E	6'-0"	185	Council Bluffs, Ia.
50	Gordon Hadley Jr.	1	C	5'-9"	140	Blackstone Va.	88	Lyndon Anderson	3	E	6'-2"	198	St. Louis, Mo.
51	Roger Alexander	2	C	6'-4"	197	Overland Park, Ks.	89	Chris King	1	DB-P	5'-10"	176	Lithonia, Ga.
52	Sam Howell	1	C	6'-1"	203	Lithonia, Ga.	90	Richard Elmborg	1	DE	6'-1"	200	Beatrice, Nebr.
53	Don Francis	1	C	6'-0"	210	Colorado Springs, Co.	92	Jeff Ewton	2	DE	6'-0"	203	Claremore, Ok.
55	Tim RexRoth	1	T	6'-2"	195	Atlanta, Ga.	95	Rob Myers	1	DE	5'-11"	185	Ava, Mo.
57	Don Diehl	1	LB	6'-0"	180	Atlanta, Ga.	98	LaMonte Geiger	4	DE	6'-1"	190	Portland, Ore.
60	Tom Kuhns	1	G	6'-0"	195	Wichita, Ks.							

Coaches: Gordon DeGraffenreid, Don Stelting, Rick Fields, Mike Hester, Jeff Hayes

Managers: Mike Ellis, Rick Peters

Head Trainer: Crayton Moss

Trainers: Bob Brown, Rodney Lukehart

Pioneers Probable Starting Lineup

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
QB	11	Tom Tush	Fr.	6'-0"	170	Shawnee Mission, Ks.
HB	31	Rick Nelson	Fr.	6'-0"	200	Urbandale, Ia.
FB	33	Mathew Hinkle	So.	6'-0"	210	Wichita, Ks.
SE	82	Tim Osborne	Fr.	5'-11"	163	Charlotte, N. C.
SB	41	Jeff Kent	Fr.	5'-11"	175	Charlotte, N. C.
TE	80	Craig Shoemaker	So.	6'-1"	185	Boise, Id.
LT	70	Ken Johnson	Fr.	6'-1"	225	Wichita, Ks.
LG	60	Tom Kuhns	Fr.	6'-0"	195	Wichita, Ks.
C	52	Sam Howell	Fr.	6'-1"	203	Lithonia, Ga.
RT	71	Joddy Langford	Fr.	6'-2"	200	Victoria, Va.
RG	61	Keith Corbet	Fr.	5'-9"	185	Merriam, Ks.

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
NG	62	Jeff Lewis	Fr.	5'-10"	200	Chandler, Az.
T	72	Randy Gunlock	So.	6'-1"	200	Webb City, Mo.
DE	92	Jeff Ewton	So.	6'-0"	203	Claremore, Ok.
T	55	Tim RexRoth	Fr.	6'-2"	195	Atlanta, Ga.
DE	45	Jerry Evans	So.	6'-0"	200	Webb City, Mo.
LB	76	Jake Blankenship	Fr.	5'-10"	200	Houston, Tx.
LB	57	Dan Diehl	Fr.	6'-0"	180	Atlanta, Ga.
CB	8	Russ Draper	Fr.	5'-10"	170	Bourbonnais, Ill.
CB	22	Daryl Pruter	Jr.	6'-0"	170	Natoma, Ks.
S	81	Jim Couchenour	So.	6'-0"	175	Vicksburg, Mich.
S	21	Jim Canen	Fr.	5'-10"	170	Atlanta, Ga.

1979 William Jewell College Varsity Football Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown	No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
* 3	Al Garcia	K	Sr.	5'-7"	140	Kansas City, Mo.	50	Ed Place	NG	So.	5'-10"	195	Bethany, Mo.
* 5	Tom Boyd	WO	Sr.	6'-0"	175	Lee's Summit, Mo.	51	Greg Embree	OT	Fr.	6'-10"	190	Blue Springs, Mo.
* 7	Mark Capra	QB	Sr.	6'-3"	190	Kansas City, Mo.	*52	Dennis Carter	LB	Sr.	5'-11"	200	St. Clair, Mo.
9	Tom Cannefax	QB	Fr.	6'-2"	170	Fair Grove, Mo.	54	Doug Boyd	T	Fr.	6'-0"	260	Caruthersville, Mo.
10	Kelly Groom	QB	Fr.	6'-0"	150	LaGrange, Mo.	*55	Dennis Williams	C	Sr.	6'-1"	225	Raytown, Mo.
12	Robbie Vaughn	QB	Fr.	6'-0"	175	Pleasant Hill, Mo.	56	Steve Mattingly	ILB	Fr.	6'-0"	205	St. Louis, Mo.
14	Larry Pleus	QB	Fr.	6'-2"	190	Jefferson City, Mo.	57	Tim Lightner	C	Fr.	6'-1"	210	Chillicothe, Mo.
15	Bruce Hill	CB	Jr.	6'-0"	160	O'Fallon, Mo.	58	Dennis Bigham	OLB	Fr.	6'-0"	180	Tonawanda, N. Y.
*16	Wendell McGill	OLB	So.	5'-11"	190	Caruthersville, Mo.	*59	Danny Carter	ILB	Sr.	5'-11"	200	St. Clair, Mo.
*17	Steve Hobick	WO	Jr.	6'-0"	165	Cleveland, Mo.	*60	Mike Schmidt	OG	So.	5'-11"	205	Kansas City, Mo.
18	John Strough	QB	Fr.	6'-0"	185	Tonawanda, N.Y.	61	Steve Penick	OL	Fr.	6'-0"	195	N. Kansas City, Mo.
19	Mark Hill	QB	Fr.	5'-11"	175	Unionville, Mo.	*62	Chuck Pennewell	NG	Jr.	5'-8"	185	Louisiana, Mo.
*20	Larry Bruns	S	Jr.	6'-0"	175	St. Clair, Mo.	63	Jim Tubbs	NG	Fr.	6'-2"	200	Portageville, Mo.
21	Barry Bowman	WO	Fr.	5'-10"	150	Creve Coeur, Mo.	*64	Mike Hogan	OG	Sr.	6'-0"	185	Independence, Mo.
22	Larry Gant	RB	Fr.	5'-10"	165	Independence, Mo.	*65	Wayne Schmidt	DL	So.	6'-2"	200	N. Tonawanda, N. Y.
*23	Vic Davolt	RB	So.	5'-9"	175	Rolla, Mo.	*66	Randy Wepler	OT	Sr.	6'-5"	240	Liberty, Mo.
24	Chad Hammond	RB	Fr.	5'-8"	180	Graham, Texas	*67	Gary Ainsworth	OLB	So.	6'-1"	205	Booneville, Mo.
*25	David Cunningham	RB	Jr.	6'-2"	200	Louisiana, Mo.	68	Guy Weber	OG	Fr.	6'-0"	215	Hillsboro, Mo.
26	David Rende	WO	Fr.	5'-11"	160	Tonawanda, N.Y.	*69	Steve Spencer	OG	Jr.	5'-10"	220	Raytown, Mo.
*27	Rob Schermerhorn	WO	Sr.	5'-8"	150	Great Mills, Md.	*70	Greg Hicks	OT	Jr.	5'-10"	220	Fair Grove, Mo.
28	Todd Burnidge	RB	Fr.	5'-10"	185	N. Kansas City, Mo.	71	Ted Graves	OT	Fr.	6'-1"	230	Fairfax, Mo.
29	Ed Norris	DB	Fr.	6'-0"	170	Jerseyville, Ill.	*72	Jim Koch	ILB	So.	6'-0"	200	Maryland Heights, Mo.
30	Cary Stronach	CB	Fr.	5'-9"	160	Hickman Mills, Mo.	73	Don Brown	T	Fr.	6'-1"	225	Clinton, Mo.
*31	Jack Stasi	DB	Sr.	5'-10"	170	Kansas City, Mo.	74	Lonnie Bruns	OT	Fr.	6'-3"	210	St. Clair, Mo.
32	Alvin Robertson	DB	Fr.	6'-0"	180	Pleasanton, Ks.	75	Troy Shaw	OT	So.	5'-10"	200	Kearney, Mo.
33	Kevin Sternitzky	DB	Fr.	5'-8"	170	Overland Park, Ks.	*77	Chris Choice	OLB	Jr.	6'-1"	180	O'Fallon, Mo.
34	Brook Boehmlier	RB	Fr.	6'-1"	185	Montgomery City, Mo.	*78	Pat Burke	NG	Jr.	6'-1"	220	Excelsior Springs, Mo.
*35	Brad Gans	DB	So.	6'-0"	185	St. Louis, Mo.	*79	Sid Silvey	OT	Sr.	6'-4"	210	Liberty, Mo.
*36	David Bullock	LB	Sr.	5'-9"	180	St. Louis, Mo.	80	Chuck Williams	TE	Fr.	6'-2"	190	Jennings, Mo.
37	Jerry Burchett	LB	Fr.	5'-9"	175	Freeman, Mo.	*81	John Haase	TE	So.	6'-1"	180	Lonedell, Mo.
38	Tim Nowka	LB	Fr.	6'-3"	200	N. Tonawanda, N.Y.	82	Dwight Fay	TE	So.	6'-3"	185	Centralia, Mo.
39	David Armstrong	DB	Fr.	6'-0"	175	Wood River, Ill.	*83	Marty Hensley	WO	So.	5'-11"	165	Jefferson City, Mo.
40	Mark Cline	RB	Jr.	5'-11"	190	St. Peters, Mo.	84	Scott Martin	TE	Fr.	6'-1"	200	Hickman Mills, Mo.
41	Ed Wachter	ILB	Fr.	5'-10"	180	St. Clair, Mo.	85	Brian Turner	WO	Fr.	5'-9"	170	Moberly, Mo.
42	Kraig Broecker	RB	Fr.	5'-8"	180	N. Tonawanda, N.Y.	86	Jim Sheridan	P	Fr.	6'-0"	160	Tonawanda, N. Y.
43	Mark Dominey	OLB	Fr.	6'-0"	185	Shawnee Mission, Ks.	87	Jeff Gourley	TE	Fr.	6'-1"	200	Liberty, Mo.
44	Gred Wade	ILB	Fr.	6'-0"	195	Ferguson, Mo.	88	John Sivigliano	WO	Sr.	6'-2"	185	Kansas City, Mo.
45	Doug Switzer	DB	Fr.	5'-10"	175	Chillicothe, Mo.	89	Jeff Cain	WO	So.	6'-2"	180	Kansas City, Mo.
46	Kevin Nail	WO	Fr.	5'-8"	160	Guthrie, Ok.	90	Doug Henderson	DL	Fr.	6'-3"	210	N. Kansas City, Mo.
*47	James Merrell	DB	Sr.	5'-10"	180	Blue Springs, Mo.	91	Chuck Foley	DL	Fr.	6'-1"	215	Graham, Texas
*48	Mark Timmerberg	OLB	So.	6'-0"	180	Montgomery City, Mo.	92	Ralph Yeater	DL	Fr.	6'-3"	210	N. Kansas City, Mo.
49	Rob Arnold	OLB	Fr.	6'-2"	220	Kansas City, Mo.	94	Greg Jacobson	WO	Fr.	6'-0"	180	Kansas City, Mo.

Cardinals Probable Starting Lineup

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
QB	7	Mark Capra	Sr.	6'-3"	190	Kansas City, Mo.
HB	23	Vic Davolt	So.	5'-9"	175	Rolla, Mo.
HB	40	Mark Cline	Jr.	5'-11"	190	St. Peters, Mo.
SD	27	Rob Schermerhorn	Sr.	5'-8"	150	Great Mills, Md.
F	83	Marty Hensley	So.	5'-11"	165	Jefferson City, Mo.
TE	81	John Haase	So.	6'-1"	180	Lonedell, Mo.
LT	79	Sid Silvey	Sr.	6'-4"	210	Liberty, Mo.
LG	59	Danny Carter	Sr.	5'-11"	200	St. Clair, Mo.
C	55	Dennis Williams	Sr.	6'-1"	225	Raytown, Mo.
RG	69	Steve Spencer	Jr.	5'-10"	220	Raytown, Mo.
RT	66	Randy Wepler	Sr.	6'-5"	240	Liberty, Mo.

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown
NG	78	Pat Burke	Jr.	6'-1"	220	Excelsior Springs, Mo.
LT	68	Guy Weber	Fr.	6'-0"	215	Hillsboro, Mo.
DE	48	Mark Timmerberg	So.	6'-0"	180	Montgomery City, Mo.
RT	65	Wayne Schmidt	So.	5'-11"	205	Kansas City, Mo.
DE	36	David Bullock	Sr.	5'-9"	180	St. Louis, Mo.
LB	72	Jim Koch	So.	6'-0"	200	Maryland Heights, Mo.
LB	67	Gary Ainsworth	So.	6'-1"	205	Booneville, Mo.
CB	15	Bruce Hill	Jr.	6'-0"	160	O'Fallon, Mo.
CB	47	James Merrill	Sr.	5'-10"	180	Blue Springs, Mo.
S	31	Jack Stasi	Sr.	5'-10"	170	Kansas City, Mo.

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Jim Ranard
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Henry Reed
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Tim RexRoth
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Mark Rhoads
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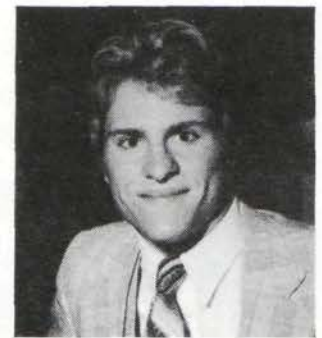
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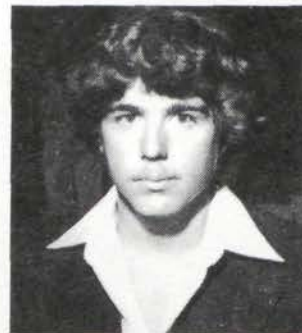
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and resting, Died."*



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The Pioneer

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Bob Brown
Assistant Trainer



Rodney Lukehart
Assistant Trainer

MANC Pioneers into Football

The Beginning: MANC Football Program

On March 17, 1978 the sports headline of the Olathe Daily Newspaper read, "Football program Approved at MANC." It takes a lot of time, hard work, money and especially patience to begin a college football program. After ten years of talk, hard work and relentless courage, Mid-America Nazarene College officials decided it was time to put those ingredients to work.

The program started in 1978 when the MANC Board of Trustees approved the concept of a grid program at the college, making it the second Nazarene College in the country with a football team. Olivet Nazarene College of Kankakee, Illinois started a program four years ago. The Executive Committee of the Board, the MANC administration and the Athletic Council then made a study on how the football concept would be implemented.

Dr. Curtis Smith, president of MANC, told the media why football was started at the college. "The main reason, for me to have football here at the college is because I have had so many young men that have applied here and yet when they find we don't have a football program, they have gone elsewhere. I feel it is our obligation to offer to our constituents a program that so many men are interested in . . . and I feel football players, as a rule, would also add to our other athletic programs."

Last year one of the major obstacles was how to finance the program. However, after a successful fund raising drive headed by Olathe businessman R. R. Osborne, this was soon overcome. The price of starting the football program last year was just under \$30,000.00; all financed by outside sources.

"We want to develop a Christian football program . . ."

Last year the MANC Board of Trustees also selected Gordon DeGraffenreid as its head football coach. Coach DeGraffenreid gave his own insights of philosophies on starting a college football program. "We want to develop a Christian football program for the young men who want to come and play and be involved in that type of program Another area the football program can help is in providing a fall sport the students and faculty can rally around. In the past when weekends come up on our campus it has been a mass exodus off-campus," said DeGraffenreid. "Students come and then go back home, and the more trips they make back home, the more reasons they have to eventually drop out of school."

"It's extremely important that a college have an activity in the fall that the student body can identify with." Coach DeGraffenreid finally suggests, "We're not going to build — at least the philosophy at the present time is, and I hope it

stays that way — we're not trying to build a mammoth type program and I hope we never get to the point where football controls and dictates to the institution."

This last year Coach DeGraffenreid has been very busy recruiting possible future students to play football. Coach DeGraffenreid said, "Our main area of recruiting is Missouri, Kansas, the Dakotas, Nebraska, and Iowa. Surprisingly enough, though, young men are coming from all over the country to play football in the heartland of the United States."

Last year MANC fielded its first team playing five junior varsity games and one varsity game against Culver Stockton. The team ended up with a 1 win, 5 loss record. This year the Pioneers start their first varsity season.

The past six months have been exciting at MANC. This past spring the college was accepted by the Heart of America conference to join its conference in 1980. The conference will include as of 1980 these schools: Central Methodist, Baker, Ottawa, William Jewell, Tarkio, Graceland, Missouri Valley, and another new member, Culver Stockton. This conference in the past has been noted as a great football conference in the NAIA. Athletic Director Ron Hill relates, "this move will help our scheduling for all of our sports."

When Coach DeGraffenreid started his duties as football coach, he began to build a first class football program for the college. Last year a new locker room facility was built. It provides facilities for 90 MANC players and 45 for the visitors. The building is equipped with showers, coaches room, equipment storage area and it has a concession/ticket area. The dressing facilities will also be used for other MANC athletic teams in the spring.

The Pioneers will play on their own field this fall. The field is equipped with lights, a new sodded playing surface that was put in this last summer, permanent bleachers, and a press box. The stadium still needs more seating because last year there were overflow crowds at the games.

"It's going to take time to be able to build a program that will be successful and competitive."

As you can see, there has been hard work in getting the MANC football program on its feet, but it has a successful start. However, Coach DeGraffenreid will tell you that "its going to take time to be able to build a program that will be successful and competitive in every sense of the way." It will take time to build a program with player depth at each position. I'm firmly convinced that there are many young men desiring to be part of a Christian football program and obtaining an education at a college that stresses the fundamental Christian principles.

Pioneer Pride!

Dr. Curtis Smith President of MANC

He likes Pioneer Football

In the first year of intercollegiate football at Mid-America Nazarene College all goals were reached or surpassed. I believe in the football program and promise my continued full support.

As I write this short article the Registrar's Office shows an increase in male enrollment of 83 students. Some of the finest young men I have met will be involved in our football program this year.

The success of our program is due to dedicated coaches, players and concerned friends. They are to be congratulated. The program cost \$27,139.81. It was raised by loyal friends, gate receipts and by the Campus Government.

I'm glad we have a fall football program to unite our MANC family. I predict our 1979 — 80 year will be even better.



Dr. Smith
President of MANC

Crayton Moss: Our Trainer



Crayton Moss
MANC Trainer

Crayton Moss starts his second year as Mid-America's head trainer. The native of St. Louis, Missouri attended MANC from 1972—76 and graduated in 1976 with a bachelor of arts degree in Physical Education. He furthered his education at Central Missouri State University from 1976—77. Crayton finished graduate school in 1977 from CMSU in Warrensburg, Missouri with an M.S. in Athletic Training. Presently, Mr. Moss is working on his Doctorate in Exercise Physiology at Kansas University.

Before coming to Pioneer country, Crayton taught in the Olathe School District as a Physical Education teacher in 1976 through 1978. Last year the Pioneers head trainer taught at MANC as Instructor in Physical Education and Instructor of Athletic Training.

Here are some professional organizations Crayton belongs to: certified athletic trainer in the National Athletic Trainers Association, certified athletic trainer in the American Athletic Trainers Association, President of the Kansas City Chapter of the American Athletic Trainers Association 1979—80, Member of the American College of Sports Medicine, Member of Phi Beta Phi National Honor Society, Instructor for the Red Cross in CPR and First Aid.

"Doc", as Crayton is called by MANC athletes, might never score any points on the field as such, but is an indispensable member of the MANC team.

Success "Means" Pioneers Cross-Country



Kirk Keller
Outstanding Runner

The "79" Outlook Kirk Keller Is Back

What's Cross-country? Just going out and running? No! Cross-country is running and a lot more to the people who experience it. Like most athletes, cross-country runners match themselves against fellow competitors, but they are also at odds with the weather and varying terrain.

As the 1979 MANC Pioneer Cross-Country team travels around Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, and Iowa, its members will experience cross-country. The courses they will run vary tremendously, but the spirit of competition along with the physical and mental development of the individual runner will always be present.

In 1979 the cross-country team will be led by the mainstay of the 1978 team. Last year's team consisted entirely of freshmen and sophomores; this year there will be some experienced juniors among the ranks. Some people say there is strength in numbers. If this is so, there will be more strength in this year's team. However, experience does not come with numbers and half of the 1979 team will be incoming freshmen. These runners will come straight from their High School cross-country or track programs. With the experience they have gained there, most of them should adjust to college distances quite well, creating inter-squad competition for the varsity spots.

Cross-country at MANC has always been successful and this year will be no exception. The inter-squad competition and the five returning lettermen will provide more depth and experience than the Pioneers have ever had.

It is likely that Kirk Keller, last year's most valuable runner in both cross-country and track, will lead the team. Keller, a junior, has lettered in both cross-country and track twice. Last year he won two invitationals and placed high in every meet. His performance last year brought him the honor of being the first Pioneer to qualify for NAIA National competition. Keller also became an NCCAA All-American in the steeplechase last spring.

In a sport such as cross-country, individuals can shine, but it takes five dedicated runners for the team to do well. Another returning runner will include two year letterman, Doug Phillip. Sophomore Paul Wiczorek has also gained invaluable experience and is coming from a very successful track season. Jay Ketterling and Dan Preston are also returning lettermen, and with good summer running programs will be very competitive. Also returning from last year's team is Dan Roland.

The combined experience of these men should promote enthusiasm and competition throughout the 1979 cross-country season.

Jim Coburn Head Coach

PROFILE

MANC's Cross-Country coach this year is Jim Coburn. Coach Coburn has been a runner for around nine years. He lettered four times in Cross-Country in both high school and college. As a Pioneer athlete he received the Most Valuable Runner Award twice in both cross-country and track. As a junior, he received MANC's Most Valuable Athlete Award. He also was an NCCAA All-American in track as a senior.

Although running is an important part of Coach Coburn's life, he has a variety of other interests. Currently he is a graduate student at the University of Kansas. At Mid-America he was involved in Campus Government and Student Publications. He was selected Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities twice as a Pioneer.

PHILOSOPHY

My philosophy for running and for life is basically the same. We are all God's creation. He didn't make us all the same. He doesn't expect the same accomplishments from all of us. However, God does expect us to use the resources He has made available to us. I'm always reminded of Jesus' parable of the talents. People that waste what God has given them are the world's biggest losers.

I believe everyone can be a winner. To be a winner a person has to accept Jesus Christ as Savior. That acceptance alone should be enough to inspire anyone to do their best all the time. They need to be positive and accept themselves for what God made them to be, but also be the best at it they can possibly be.

1979 Cross-Country Schedule

Sept. 7	Friday	Park College	Away
Sept. 22	Saturday	MANC Invitational	Here
Oct. 6	Saturday	Southwest Baptist	Away
Oct. 13	Saturday	Central Missouri	Away

Note: The rest of the 1979 Schedule for the 1979 Cross-Country team was not set when the printing was due to the printers. If you would like to know the rest of the Pioneer runners schedule contact the athletic department.

Lady Pioneers faces challenging schedule

1979 - 80 Womens Volleyball



Front Row (Left to Right); Debra Fought, Carla Wilson, Joyce Mitchell, Judy Sullivan, Michelle Turner, Diane Plymire, Robin Dawdy (Manager) **Back Row (Left to Right);** Marsha Robinson, Ganell Phillips, Tammy Allemang, Vicki Lund (Captain), Margie Lawlor (Captain), Loretta Hunter (Captain), Robin Bichel, Twila McCullough, Janis Munn (Volleyball Coach)

Coach Janis Munn gives her views about the upcoming Volley ball season

Looking ahead to the coming season I feel very confident about the ability of the women athletes that will be participating on this year's volleyball team. We have several new freshman on the team this year that will add strength to our spiking and serves along with the returning letter women that will give leadership and depth to the team.

Our schedule is very competitive with 15 triangulars slated. It will be a very demanding time for the athletes but through this they will have an opportunity to grow physically, through rigorous practices; mentally, by intelligent playing; spiritually, by sharing their Christian life with others in practice and in competition.

I am looking forward to coaching the women's volleyball team here at Mid America Nazarene College and working with the other staff members, but what makes it so special is that I participated as an athlete on the volleyball team in it's first season back in 1974-1975.

I have many thoughts in anticipation for this coming season, but what I sincerely expect from each of my athlete's is the discipline to train aggressively in the skill's that are used in volleyball and to develop as far as they are capable of with the understanding that competition is more than physical skills-it also involves mental skills when it comes to reading the opponents and putting it all together for a successful match.

I expect them to have the will to win, but if defeated to accept the loss and prepare further where we might have previously been weak.

Sincerely
Janis Munn

1979 WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

Sept. 11	William Jewell	Home 6:30 p.m.
Sept. 13	Avila College & Jo Co. Com. Col.	Home 6:30
Sept. 18	Ottawa & Friends	Away 6:30
Sept. 20	Rockhurst College & Park College	Home 6:30
Sept. 24	K.C., KS Com. Col. & Penn Valley Col.	Home 6:30
Sept. 27	Highland Com. Col.	Away
Oct. 2	Missouri Valley & culver Stockton	Away 4:00
Oct. 4	K.C., KS Com. Col.	Away
Oct. 6	Rockhurst College & Penn Valley	Away 12:00 a.m.
Oct. 9	Ottawa University & Longview	Home 6:30
Oct. 11	Highland Com. Col.	Home 6:30
Oct. 13	Wm. Jewell Col.-(Homecoming)	Away 10:00 a.m.
Oct. 15	Longview Com. Col.	Away 6:30
Oct. 16	Baker University	Away 6:30
Oct. 23	Avila College	Away 6:30

1979 MANC Football Team



Front Row (Left to right): Steve Snook, Russell Draper, Dennis Pritchett, Jeff Kent, Tim Osborne, Craig Shoemaker, Bill Wells, LaMonte Geiger, Keith Rogers; **2nd Row:** Russ Russell, Jeff Ewton, Dwight Heincker, Jake Blankenship, Don Diehl, Tim RexRoth, Jim Ranard, Keith Corbett, Tom Tush, Paul Loving; **3rd Row:** Dan Jacques, Lyndon Anderson, Tom Scott, Mike Sereg, Eric Ammons, Tom Kuhns, Ken Johnson, Jeff Martin, Rob Myers, Chip Sell; **4th Row:** Roger Alexander, Gary Walton, Sam Howell, David Cobb, Chris King, Dan Asbill, Glen Wesley, Don Francis, Chuck

Wallace; **5th Row:** Rodney Lukehart (Assistant Trainer), Joel Miller, Brad Yantis, Mark Rhoads, Dan Foster, Brock Snook, Rick Nelson, Steve Bailey, Bob Brown (Assistant Trainer); **6th Row:** Jimmy Canen, Jim Cochenour, Jeff Lewis, Randall Gunlock, Jerry Evans, Daryl Pruter, Gordon Hadley, Greg Grosse, Joddy Langford; **7th Row:** Mathew Hinkel, Mike Ellis (Equipment Manager), Rick Peters (Equipment Manager), Rick Fields (Assistant Coach), Don Stelting (Assistant Coach), Mike Hester (Assistant Coach), Gordon DeGraffenreid (Head Coach)



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DIVISIONS AND AREAS

Unlike basketball, where NAIA institutions compete in Districts, NAIA football institutions are classified according to Divisions I or II. When the NAIA divided into divisions in 1970 member institutions were given an opportunity to declare in which division they wished to compete. The NAIA Football Coaches Association Review Board has had the authority to rule on changes within divisions and an institution is required to spend at least two seasons in a given division once it is placed there.

Within each division member institutions are arranged according to geographic areas:

DIVISION I

Area 1—Alaska, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, Wyoming.

Area 2—Arizona, Arkansas, California, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas.

Area 3—Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, Wisconsin.

Area 4—Alabama, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia.

DIVISION II

Area 1—Alaska, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming.

Area 2—Arizona, California, Colorado, Kansas, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Utah.

Area 3—Connecticut, Iowa, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, Wisconsin.

Area 4—Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.

THE RATERS

Teams selected for participation in the NAIA playoffs are determined by weekly ratings throughout the season. Selected members of the NAIA Football Coaches Association submit a weekly rating during a specified rating period

to determine which teams will participate in the post-season playoffs.

Each of the four geographical areas (see above) within the Division are allocated four raters, thus making 16 raters per division.

In 1979 the Division II rating period runs from Wednesday, September 19 to Wednesday, November 7 and the Division I rating period goes from Wednesday, September 19 to Wednesday, November 14.

SELECTION OF TEAMS

- Teams must declare their intent to participate in the NAIA championship football program by October 1.

- Teams must be ranked in the top 12 in the last regular-season weekly rating (Nov. 7 for Division II, Nov. 14 for Division I) to be considered for the playoffs.

- The top-ranked team from each of the four geographical areas (in each division) within the top 12 is automatically selected for the playoffs.

- The next four highest-ranked teams, **regardless of geographic area**, and not already selected, complete the eight-team field.

- No more than two teams from the same conference (within the same division) are selected for the playoffs.

- Teams may be paired according to geographic proximity to each other for the first round (quarterfinals) and members of the same conference would play each other in quarterfinal or semifinal rounds.

- Teams with four or more non-winning games will not be selected for participation in the playoffs.

1979 PLAYOFF DATES

DIVISION II

Quarterfinals — Saturday, November 17

Semifinals — Saturday, December 1

Championship — Saturday, December 8,
site of participant

DIVISION I

Quarterfinals — Saturday, December 1

Semifinals — Saturday, December 8

Championship — Saturday, December 15,
Palm Bowl, McAllen, TEX



National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics

THE NAIA IN PERSPECTIVE



HARRY FRITZ
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The basic concept upon which the philosophy of the NAIA is focused is that the intercollegiate athletics program of member institutions should be an integral part of the total educational program, subject to the same aims, policies and objectives as are other departments and programs.

The total intercollegiate program must be the full responsibility of the President and his administrative staff who must be in full control of the financial policies and procedures which govern the athletics program. A sound athletics program should be sponsored with the basic intent of providing the benefits of participation in athletics to as many students as possible. Gate receipts, although often essential, should not be the primary criterion for judging the success of the intercollegiate athletics program. Intercollegiate athletics must continually justify its full membership in the educational family of the member institution and, with proper administration, provide benefits to the athlete and the institution that are commensurate with this status and financial support.

For those institutions wishing to organize and administer intercollegiate athletics as a part of the total educational program, NAIA was established to provide opportunities for inter-institutional competition at the highest level of ability. National, district and area recognition is available through a program of 15 national championship events.

Academic policies have been adopted which assure that NAIA student-athletes first fulfill their responsibilities as students. Competitive eligibility must be completed within five years of attendance. The NAIA has adopted rules and standards which require that a student-athlete be fully eligible in every intercollegiate contest in which he competes for his

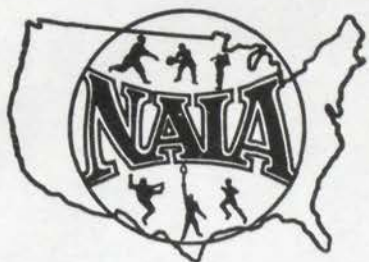
institution. This stringent academic requirement is unique among organizations administering intercollegiate athletics on the national level.

The NAIA is organized so that the major responsibility for the administration of rules and standards lies within the thirty-one districts through a carefully selected District Eligibility Committee. Similarly, the thirty-one District Executive Committees have the major responsibility for administering a broad district participation program, consistent with nationally adopted policies.

The national events program structure makes it possible for any qualified member institution to compete in these events. However, income from all national events, as well as all other income, is used for the benefit of the total program and, secondly, for the benefit of the individual institutions that participate in national events. Consequently, member institutions have a responsibility to give preference to the NAIA program in their consideration of participation in post season or national events.

The philosophy of the NAIA is geared to those colleges and universities of moderate enrollment that administer their varsity sports programs on a sound educational and financial basis. The NAIA is not in competition with any other organization and seeks to support and compliment those with similar philosophies and goals. The test of the soundness of the NAIA philosophy is the continually growing strength of the organization.

The NAIA membership currently includes 520 four-year, fully accredited, degree-granting institutions, plus 40 affiliated conferences.



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Dear Football Fans:

Your support of intercollegiate athletics, and other activities programs offered by your favorite college or university, reflects your belief in the young men and women who are being educated on our great campuses for leadership in tomorrow's world. Your attendance here today has important meaning for both the institutions involved and the participants.

There is nothing quite like the pageantry and excitement of American college football. It is the strong feeling of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics that football and other sports are an integral aspect of the total educational program. Over 70,000 student-athletes are annually involved in the varsity sports programs in the NAIA's more than 500 member institutions. We are very pleased that the Fall football program provides the vehicle for alumni and community involvement on campus, as well as a robust and desirable activity for the students.

The NAIA strives for a well balanced and comprehensive program of activities — one that meets the needs and interests of the total student population. Currently the NAIA conducts 15 national championships in 14 different sports.

This is the second year of a new NAIA football playoff format that assures eight teams in Division I and eight teams in Division II an opportunity to compete for coveted national titles in each division. Angelo State University (TEX) is the defending Division I champion and Concordia College (MN) won the Division II crown last year, narrowly defeating Findlay College (O), 7-0 in a game played at Findlay.



W. C. MYERS

This year the Division I Championship Game will again be played as the Palm Bowl in McAllen, Texas. The Palm Bowl will provide an ideal setting for the 24th renewal of the NAIA Football Championship.

I echo the sentiments of our entire membership when I say thanks to you for your loyal support in helping make today's football game an outstanding athletic competition in the best tradition of American higher education. Return often. Welcome to today's game and congratulations on being a participant in an event that is associated with the best features of American life.

W. C. MYERS
PRESIDENT, 1979-80
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NAIA FOOTBALL

Established in 1940 as the National Association of Intercollegiate Basketball, the NAIA emanated from a "National Small College Basketball Tournament" inaugurated in 1937.

Football, one of 15 national championship events conducted by the NAIA, became part of the NAIA championship program in 1956. The first two years, only two teams were selected for the championship, but in 1958, the NAIA inaugurated a playoff system to determine which teams would advance to the championship game.

NAIA football teams were lumped together in one division for 13 years — from 1956 to 1969. Division II became a reality in 1970 following a year-long study of the membership and an endorsement by the NAIA Football Coaches Association.

Four teams made up the playoff field in each division until 1978 when the championship series was expanded to include eight teams and went from two weekends and seven playoff games to three weekends and 14 playoff games.

The first championship game was played in 1956 with St. Joseph, Ind. and Montana State battling to an 0-0 tie in the

mud in the Aluminum Bowl in Little Rock, Ark. Moving to St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1957 until 1961, the championship game was called the Holiday Bowl. In 1961 the title game moved to Sacramento, Calif., became known as the Camellia Bowl and remained on the West Coast until 1964.

The Champion Bowl became the official name in 1964 and held that title through the 1976 championship game. The last two championship games have been played at neutral sites — Seattle (Apple Bowl, 1977) and McAllen, Tex. (City of Palms Bowl, 1978).

All nine of the Division II championship games have been played at either on-campus sites or nearby locations.

Texas A&I University, holders of the NAIA record for consecutive victories (42) and the longest unbeaten streak (46 games) has captured six of the previous 23 national championship title games.

Westminster PA has won three national titles and Texas Lutheran has taken two crowns since Division II was formed in 1970.