

WATCH LIST ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2012 FRED MITCHELL AWARD



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August 1, 2012 - The Watch List for the Fred Mitchell Award includes 44 Football Championship Subdivision (FCS), Division II, III, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) collegiate place-kickers that were nominated by their colleges for excellence on the football field and in the community.

The Award's Selection Committee Chairman Chris Kearney said, "These place-kickers are terrific on the football field and off the field representing their schools, their football teams, their conferences, their communities, their families and themselves. We look forward to following their accomplishments during the next few months." The Watch List includes place-kickers from more than 750 eligible colleges. Fred Mitchell said, "It is a pleasure to include these fine young men on the Watch List for this Award. We are delighted to recognize them based on outstanding performance in the community and expectations going into the 2012 college football season. It is also a thrill to see so many familiar names on the Watch List, including 22 place-kickers that were finalists for the Award last season."

The breakdown of the 44 place-kickers is as follows:

- Collegiate Division – 16 FCS, 11 Division II, 14 Division III, 0 NAIA and 3 NJCAA
- State – the place-kickers play at schools located in 25 different states, five play at schools in Pennsylvania
- Year – 23 Seniors, 14 Juniors, 7 Sophomores
- Fred Mitchell Award Finalists in 2011 that are on the 2012 Watch List - 22

In alphabetical order, the 2012 Fred Mitchell Award Watch List is provided below.

TREVER AUSTIN

Gardner-Webb University (North Carolina) – FCS

Sophomore from Shelby, NC....led the Runnin' Bulldogs in 2011 scoring with 57 points from 12 of 15 FG's and 21 of 22 PAT's....led the Big South Conference with 12 FG's which ranks 2nd in Conference history for freshmen....led Conference in FG %...Second Team All-Big South....Conference Freshman of the Week three times....National FCS Place-Kicker of the Week after scoring 14 points in 26-24 win at Coastal Carolina on October 22....made game-winning 31-yard FG as time expired to beat Coastal Carolina....executed successful onside kick and made 41-yard FG at Ohio on September 10....averaged 51 yards on 42 kickoffs....participated in team service project at a fundraiser for a local cancer patient....assisted with a team appearance at an event at the Dover YMCA

STEVEN BALLARD

College of the Siskiyous (California) – NJCAA

Junior from Mt. Shasta, CA....2nd on the team in 2011 scoring with 56 points from 5 of 5 FG's and 41 of 47 PAT's....set school records for most PAT's in a season (41), season FG % (100%) and most FG's in two seasons (68)....set school record with 10 PAT's in 70-7 win over Shasta on October 29....scored 11 points in 65-6 win over Mendocino on October 22....made game-winning 30-yard FG to beat highly-ranked Santa Rosa 37-34....averaged 45 yards on 38 kickoffs....Mt. Shasta youth football camp volunteer

ZACH BROWN

Portland State University (Oregon) – FCS

Senior from Keizer, OR....led the Vikings in 2011 scoring with 101 points from 24 of 27 FG's, 27 of 29 PAT's and one 2-point conversion rush....led the Big Sky Conference in FG % and only FG misses were from 46+ yards....led FCS in FG's made per game....holds school record for most career FG's with 60 and with one season yet to play....set school record for most FG's in a season....All-Big Sky Conference First Team....set school record with 16 consecutive FG's made dating to last season before missing a 53-yard FG....has made 6 of the school's 10 all-time FG's over 50 yards including 53-yard FG against Montana on October 15....tied career record with 44 consecutive PAT's made....scored 10 points in 38-36 loss against then-#3 Montana State on October 8....scored 13 points in 43-26 win over defending National Champions Eastern Washington on October 29....averaged 61 yards on 70 kickoffs....volunteer at McLaren Juvenile Detention Center....participated in Male Involvement Night at River Road Head Start which is a child development program for low-income and special needs children...participated in the Walk to D'Feet ALS in memory of longtime school booster Elinore Nudelman

ALLEN CAIN

Texas Lutheran University – Division III

Senior from San Antonio, TX...led the team in 2011 scoring with 83 points from 17 of 21 FG's and 32 of 32 PAT's...three-year starter back for his senior year after collecting four playing All-America citations and a Capital One First Team Academic All-America Team honor...First Team All-American by Beyond Sports, American Football Coaches Association and d3football.com in 2011...Second Team AP Little All-America in 2011...first student-athlete in TLU history to claim four playing All-America honors and an Academic All-America award in the same season...first TLU football player to claim First Team All-America and First Team Academic All-America honors in the same season...led Division III in FG's made (17) and in FG's made per game (1.70) in 2011...17 FG's in 2011 set ASC and TLU single-season records...made 5 FG's in a game in 2011 to set a new conference record...kicked a school-record 53-yard FG in the 5 FG game...five-time ASC Special Teams Player of the Week in 2011...three-time D3football.com Team of the Week selection in 2011...tied for 4th in Division III kick scoring with 83 points...averaged 64 yards on 58 kickoffs...served as a math grader, a resident assistant, a Student Government Association senator, a TLU Honors Program member, a Math Club member...Fellowship of Christian Athletes...Student-Athlete Advisory Council representative...Seguin Youth Services math tutor...youth football coach

CHASE CARPENTER

Northwest Mississippi Community College – NJCAA

Sophomore from Slayden, MS...2nd on the team in 2011 scoring with 57 points from 4 of 7 FG's and 45 of 49 PAT's...MACJC Second Team All-State...two-time NJCAA Special Teams Player of the Week...ranks 6th in school history with 45 PAT's made and 49 attempted in a season...scored 33 points in October from 3 of 3 FG's and 24 of 25 PAT's...scored career-high 12 points in 66-41 win over Holmes...scored 8 points in 45-7 win over Itawamba on October 27...averaged 54 yards on 58 kickoffs...exceeded 50 hours in community service...Vacation Bible School volunteer

ZACH CZAP

Lycoming College (Pennsylvania) – Division III

Junior from Philipsburg, PA ... led the Warriors in 2011 scoring with 73 points from 12 of 14 FG's and 37 of 40 PAT's...Third Team Beyond Sports College Network Preseason All-American ... 2011 Honorable Mention Beyond Sports College Network Preseason All-American ... led the MAC in scoring by kickers at 7.3 points per game and added a league-topping 12 made FG's in 2011 ... 2011 First Team All-MAC kicker ... hit the longest FG in the MAC during the season with a 45-yard FG at Stevenson ... made his last nine FG's of the year, all of which came in conference play ... earned three MAC Special Teams of the Week awards, giving him five in his career ... helped with flood cleanup along the Loyalsock Creek with the football team ... helped a local church with a basketball open gym last spring ... participated in the Student Senate of Lycoming College's haunted house ... active in youth work at his hometown YMCA

RAINER DUZAN

Morehead State University (Kentucky) - FCS

Senior from Dublin, OH...led team in 2011 scoring with 85 points from 12 of 17 FG's and 49 of 51 PAT's...was 4 of 4 in FG's including 48-yard FG against Kentucky Christian...2012 Phil Steele's Preseason All-Pioneer Football League Team...2012 Preseason Watch List for College Football Performance Awards...PFL Player of the Week honors three times...2011 All-PFL First Team...2011 Academic All-PFL First Team...Morehead State Student-Athlete Advisory Committee...Freshman Move-In Day volunteer...Earth Week Clean-Up volunteer

KYLE EVANS

Manchester College (Indiana) – Division III

Senior from Winamac, IN...2nd on the Spartans in 2011 scoring with 59 points from 12 of 18 FG's and 23 of 25 PAT's...Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference Special Teams Player of the Year...ranked 2nd in Conference scoring among kickers and 8th overall...set school record and tied Conference record by making 4 FG's in a game which he has done twice...led Conference in FG's made this season and ranks 15th in Division III in FG%...averaged 61 yards on 45 kickoffs...Special Olympics volunteer...works voluntarily with youth football place-kickers in his hometown during the summer...North Manchester Parks and Recreation volunteer including assisting children in developing motor skills

WARREN FREVERT

William Jewell College (Missouri) – Division II

Junior from Lee's Summit, MO...led the Cardinals in 2011 scoring with 42 points from 8 of 10 FG's and 18 of 20 PAT's in school's first full season of Division II competition...scored 5 points in 17-12 win over Kentucky Wesleyan on November 12...led NAIA in 2010 FG % in last season in NAIA...averaged 58 yards on 38 kickoffs...participated in the football team's annual Community Service Day...part of group that provided holiday gifts to a local family

JACOB GAHART

Ripon College (Wisconsin) – Division III

Senior from Elkhorn, WI... led the Red Hawks in 2011 scoring with 77 points from 15 of 16 FG's, 30 of 33 PAT's and one 2-point conversion...his 15 FG's breaks the single season school record...his 31 career FG's breaks the school record of 25, with one year left of eligibility...converted a school-record 54-yard FG in season finale against Lawrence on November 5, breaking the previous mark by seven yards...54-yard FG ranks second in Midwest Conference history... converted all three of his field goals against Lawrence on November 5, tying the school record for most FG's in a single game...scored a season-high 14 points against Lawrence on November 5...five-time Midwest Conference Special Teams Performer of the Week this season out of 10 possible weeks...named All-Conference for the third consecutive season and All-Conference First Team for the second straight year...15 FG's this season led the MWC and is nearly double the second-highest total (8)...ranks 7th in school history for career points (215), making him the only kicker to rank in the top 10...has made 11 consecutive FG's...11-for-11 on FG's less than 42 yards this

season...scored 38 points in October from 8 of 8 FG's, 12 of 13 PAT's and one 2-point conversion.... made his second 45-yard FG of the season against St. Norbert on October 29 which is his 3rd longest FG and 7th longest in school history....averaged 53 yards on 60 kickoffs....has one reception for 9 yards this season....career development department volunteer at Ripon College....mentor to students at Ripon Middle School....assisted with research to establish an improved test for freshmen during Summer orientation

JORDAN GAY

Centre College (Kentucky) – Division III

Senior from Danville, KY....led the team in 2011 scoring with 84 points from 11 of 16 FG's, 45 of 46 PAT's and one TD....2011 d3football.com Second Team All-South Region and SCAC First Team....2nd in the SCAC in scoring....SCAC Special Teams Player of the Year....three-time SCAC Special Teams Player of the Week....scored 18 points in 38-21 win over Hanover including 5 FG'saveraged 62 yards on 45 kickoffs...Salvation Army volunteer....Harvest Hope Soup Kitchen volunteer....works with local kickers and punters

EVERETT GOLDBERG

Norfolk State University (Virginia) - FCS

Senior from Mesa Ridge, CO....2012 First Team preseason All-MEAC....served as the team's kickoff and long-distance FG kicker in 2011....made 6 of 10 FG's in 2011 all of which were 47 yards or longer....only FCS kicker to make 3 FG's of 50+ yards...made 50+-yard FG's against Howard, West Virginia and Bethune-Cookman....MEAC Special Teams Player of the Week after making 47 and 50-yard FG's against Bethune-Cookman...volunteers at the Brentwood Victory Bingo Hall in Portsmouth....volunteered to help run two flag football camps for children with special needs

TAYLOR GROFF

East Stroudsburg University (Pennsylvania) – Division II

Junior from Manheim, PA....led the team in 2011 scoring with 50 points from 11 of 14 FG's and 17 of 19 PAT's despite missing the first 3 games of the season due to injury....tied career-long with 48-yard FG against West Chester then kicked 52-yard FG on October 8 against Kutztown....was 6 of 7 in FG's from 40+ yards....made FG's from 44 and 27 yards and kicked game-winning PAT with no time left in 27-26 win over Edinboro in final game of season on November 12....set school record as a freshman by making 16 of 21 FG's including making all 12 FG's from under 40 yards...27 of 35 FG's for career...has made 10 FG's from 40+ yards in career....10 of 11 on game-tying or lead-changing FG's....6 of 6 in FG's in the last minute of the first half....averaged 62 yards on 37 kickoffs....volunteer for children's programs at local church....participates in school's Breakfast with the Warriors during preseason camp...volunteers at Kohl's Kicking Camps and Special Teams Solutions Camps

BRIAN HARVEY

University of Maine – FCS

Senior from Wayland, MA....2nd on the Black Bears in 2011 scoring with 65 points from 8 of 14 FG's and 41 of 44 PAT's....made two PAT's and game-tying 34-yard FG with 44 seconds left to send game into OT against James Madison....made career-long 41-yard FG at New Hampshire and added three PAT's....made 4 of 5 PAT's at Appalachian State in the NCAA Playoffs....made 21-yard FG and both PAT's at Georgia Southern in NCAA Quarterfinal game....averaged 45 yards on 14 kickoffs....Maine Troop Greeters volunteer....volunteers to assist the senior citizens in hometown....volunteers at several kicking camps

NOAH HEIMER

Lock Haven University (Pennsylvania) – Division II

Senior from Lock Haven, PA....led the team in 2011 scoring with 32 points from 8 of 14 FG's and 8 of 11 PAT's...made 4 of 4 FG's from 20-29 yards and 4 of 7 FG's from 30-39 yards....FG % was 8th in the PSAC....volunteered at Robbie Gould's "Good as Gould" kicking camp to support the Goulden Touch Foundation....mentored 250 Upward Bound students....Lock Haven 7 vs. 7 Passing Camp volunteer....worked with local high school kickers

AARON JAMIESON

University of Central Missouri – Division II

Senior from Cassville, MO....2nd on the Mules in 2011 scoring with 64 points from 7 of 12 FG's and 43 of 45 PAT's.... named MIAA Special Teams Player of the Week....scored 8 points against Northwest Missouri State on October 8.... 1st place in school history with 149 made PAT's....ranks 5th in school history with 28 made FG's....233 career points ranks 2nd among UCM kickers and 4th for all players....set school record with a 53-yard FG against Missouri Western....Literacy Team volunteer where student-athletes read to local elementary school students....Veteran's Home volunteer in Warrensburg....Fellowship of Christian Athletes...leads worship services...collaborated with his father at his high school alma mater to start The Character Project where students participate in regular community service

JOSH KAY

Linfield College (Oregon) – Division III

Senior from Salem, OR....led the team in 2011 scoring with 93 points from 14 of 17 FG's and 51 of 52 PAT's....First Team Northwest Conference All-Star...ranks 2nd in school history with 14 FG's in a season....longest FG of the season was 49 yards...4 of 5 FG's from 40+ yards...ranks 3rd on Linfield's single-season list for FG % (82.4%)...made all 10 PATs in 73-7 win over Puget Sound on October 8...made all 4 FG's in 47-14 win over Lewis & Clark on November 12...made the first 35 PAT's without a miss this season before suffering his first miscue...ranks 5th in school history for PATs made in one season...two-time NWC Special Teams Player of the Week....averaged 62 yards on 30 kickoffs... football camp volunteer for the "See Ya Later" Foundation...works with the Foundation's director on developing and managing a Kids Golf Camp for the spring of 2012 with the goal of reaching 150 local youth ...competed in golf at Linfield where he helped the school capture the 2011 Northwest Conference championship...competed at the 2011 NCAA Division III Championships

ERIC KINDLER

University of Wisconsin-Whitewater – Division III

Junior from Germantown, WI....led the #1 ranked Warhawks in 2011 scoring with 93 points from 14 of 21 FG's and 51 of 52 PAT's....All-Conference First Team....two-time Conference Special Teams Player of the Week....tied school record with 4 FG's in 26-7 win over UW-La Crosse on September 3....made FG's of 47 and 44 yards in 34-14 win over UW-Platteville on October 1....made FG's from 47 yards and game-winning FG from 17 yards with 1:18 left in 20-17 win over UW-Oshkosh on October 22....averaged 62 yards on 77 kickoffs....volunteered for loft takedown and loft delivery for incoming students....taught a beginner-level fistball class in June and July....worked at events to raise money for the United States Fistball Association....usher for local church during the summer....chosen to be starting setter/defenseman for the USA Fistball World Championship in Austria

JOSEPH MALLOCK

Williams College (Massachusetts) – Division III

Junior from West Orange, NJ....3rd on the team in 2011 scoring with 32 points from 6 of 10 FG's and 14 of 19 PAT's....became the team's primary place-kicker in the 4th game of the 8 game season....made 5 of 6 FG's and 13 of 16 PAT's since becoming primary kicker....enters 2012 season with streak of 5 consecutive FG's....made 40-yard FG with 4:48 to play to lift Ephs to 19-17 win at rival Wesleyan....volunteered with teammates for Habitat for Humanity, cleaning up debris in local trailer park after Hurricane Irene and served food at the Berkshire Food Project....note taker on campus for students who are unable to take their own notes....contributing writer for the Williams Record covering the men's golf team....volunteer caddie instructor at golf club in hometown

JIMMIE MATTON

St. John's University (Minnesota) – Division III

Senior from Eau Claire, WI....led Johnnies in 2011 scoring with 58 points from 8 of 8 FG's and 34 of 39 PAT's....All-MIAC Second Team for second consecutive season....led conference kickers (MIAC games only) in FG%, FG's per game and scoringtied for 4th on the school's all-time list for most FG's in a season with 8....made a season-long and career-long and school-record 52-yard FG to put the Johnnies on the board in the first quarter at Gustavus Adolphus on October 20....named MIAC Special Teams Player of the Week on October 31 and November 7....has made all 15 FG's in career....averaged 60 yards on 57 kickoffs....is now a perfect 15 of 15 in FG's at SJU....volunteered with the Eau Claire Area Youth Football camp for three summers....has volunteered with the Eau Claire Salvation Army each of the last four seasons....read and helped at Eau Claire Elementary School as a classroom volunteer during breaks and summers each of the past four years....volunteered with the non-profit Eau Claire Crush football team during summer 2012 including helping in the community and donating all fundraising proceeds to local charities....volunteered with Volunteers in Service to Others (VISTO) on campus organization in 2011-12 academic year including swimming with disabled adults and those with special needs

KELLY MORGAN

Western Oregon University – Division II

Senior from Sherwood, OR....led the team in 2011 scoring with 62 points from 8 of 13 FG's and 38 of 38 PAT's....made 4 FG's in upset win over #15 Humboldt State....led the team in scoring each of the past three seasons....ranked 2nd in the Conference in kick scoring in 2011 and 5th in the Conference overall...summer counselor at multiple kicking camps in the Northwest....gives kicking lessons to local youth

JASON MYERS

Marist College (New York) – FCS

Senior from Chula Vista, CA....led the team in 2011 scoring with 41 points from 6 of 7 FG's and 23 of 25 PAT's....set school record with 49-yard FG in 13-9 win over Davidson on October 8....Pioneer Football League Honorable Mention in 2011 and 2010....averaged 66 yards on 42 kickoffs....led Pioneer Football League in touchbacks for second straight season with 13....Special Olympics volunteer for past three years....Boys and Girls Club volunteer....has helped Coach John Matich at "The Kicking System" camps

THOMAS OBARSKI

Concordia University (Minnesota) – Division II

Sophomore from Burnsville, MN....2nd on the Golden Bears in 2011 scoring with 62 points from 9 of 12 FG's and 35 of 36 PAT's....made 3 of the school's 4 longest FG's in his first season including school record 56-yard FG on his first FG attempt in college....8 of 9 FG's inside 50 yards including 4 of 5 from 40-49 yards....27 consecutive kicks made including FG's and PAT's....earned National Special Teams Player of the Week honors after debut performance at Minot State....averaged 57 yards on 28 kickoffs....drug education mentor/teacher to middle school children....high school camp volunteer....Feed My Starving Children volunteer....church student leader....Bible Study leader....served on overseas missions trip....helped raise over \$6,000 for the tsunami relief fund in Japan....supported and raised funds for Project Rescue

NICK POLLARD

University of Tennessee at Chattanooga –FCS

Sophomore from Nashville, TN....led the Mocs in 2011 scoring with 61 points from 10 of 14 FG's and 31 of 33 PAT's....SoCon All-Freshman Team....set school record for most points by a freshman and ranks 2nd with 10 FG's as a freshman....converted all 9 FG's inside 30 yards....made career-long 38-yard FG against Western Carolina....made last 8 FG's of the season....averaged 60 yards on 50 kickoffs...earned the SoCon Commissioner's Medal...volunteered with the football team and recruited local residents for the Get in the Game initiative involving Chattanooga Blood Assurance and Bone Marrow Be the Match Registry

ZACH PULKINEN

Bemidji State University (Minnesota) – Division II

Junior from Minot, ND....3rd on the team in scoring with 51 points from 6 of 11 FG's and 33 of 36 PAT's....4th on the team in special teams tackles with 6....scored 12 points at Upper Iowa on October 1 from 2 of 2 FG's and 6 of 6 PAT's....scored 9 points against Minot State from 2 of 4 FG's and 3 of 3 PAT's....ranked 9th in NSIC in PAT %....averaged 64 yards on 54 kickoffs....participates in the Spring Clean-Up effort at a local park....volunteers at Ducks Unlimited...Twice but Nice second hand store volunteer....volunteers at animal shelter in Bemidji

CHRIS ROGERS

Sacred Heart University (Connecticut) – FCS

Sophomore from Cazenovia, NY....led the Pioneers in 2011 scoring with 63 points from 11 of 11 FG's and 30 of 34 PAT's ...All-Northeast Conference First Team....All-New England All-Star Team....ECAC FCS All-Star Second Team....set school record for FG% in a season....scored 12 points in 60-45 win over St. Francis (PA) on October 15....scored 6 points including game-winning 22-yard FG in 24-21 win over Dartmouth on September 24....scored 10 points in 34-25 win over Columbia on October 8....NEC Special Teams Player of the Week after win over Columbia...volunteer reader in local elementary school...server in community soup kitchen

DYLAN RUSHE

Endicott College (Massachusetts) – Division III

Junior from Palos Verdes, CA....led the team in 2011 scoring with 102 points from 17 of 26 FG's and 51 of 53 PAT's....ranked 2nd in Division III in FG's per game (1.55) and 27th in points per game (9.36)....NEFC ranks 2nd in scoring, 1st in kick scoring, 1st in FG's, 3rd in FG % and 3rd in PAT %....set Division III New England record for most FG's in a season (17), tied for longest FG (55 yards) and holds record for career FG % (69%)....scored at least 10 points in five games in 2011....participates in annual run to raise funds for St. Vincent de Paul...food and clothing drive volunteer at his local parish in Dublin, Ireland...Habitat for Humanity volunteer in Wilmington and Long Beach....volunteers at weekly events with special needs children at North Shore Arc....Open Door Food Pantry volunteer during holidays to distribute food and household products....raises funds for Relay for Life, Walk for Life, City of Hope and Wellness Community

CODY SANDLIN

University of Tennessee at Martin – FCS

Senior from Goodlettsville, TN....led the team in 2011 scoring with 87 points from 14 of 17 FG's and 45 of 48 PAT's....made career-long 53-yard FG in season finale against Eastern Kentucky....All-Ohio Valley Conference First Team....scored 13 points in 61-23 win over Austin Peay on October 8....scored 6 points in 24-23 win over Eastern Illinois on October 22....OVC Specialist of the Week nominee for his performance against Murray State where he scored 12 points....averaged 56 yards on 60 kickoffs....participates in all team community service projects since freshman year including cleaning up Union City Park after an ice storm...Santa's Village event and food drive volunteer for two years for the Martin Parks and Recreation

JOHN SHAUGHNESSY

Northwestern State University (Louisiana) – FCS

Senior from Shreveport, LA....led the Demons in 2011 scoring with 66 points from 14 of 16 FG's and 24 of 26 PAT's....ended 2011 with school record 12 straight FG's...2011 First Team All-Southland Conference....Beyond Sports Network FCS All-America Team Honorable Mention...4 of 4 on FG's between 40-49 yards including 42-yard FG at LSU that gave the Demons their first points in 11 games against LSU....3 of 3 on FG's between 30-39 yards....averaged 61 yards on 51 kickoffs....chosen for team's Leadership Council...leads team's community outreach programs including appearances at local schools, the Boys & Girls Club and senior citizen assisted living facilities

TYLER SIEVERTSEN

University of Northern Iowa – FCS

Junior from Cedar Rapids, IA....led the Panthers in 2011 scoring with 93 points from 18 of 20 FG's and 39 of 39 PAT's....finished 2nd in FG% in FCS with 90%....2012 Preseason All-American recognition (First Team by Beyond Sports College Network, Second Team by The Sports Network and Phil Steele, Third Team by Associated Press)....2011 First Team All-Conference....MVFC Special Teams Player of the Week three times in 2011....voted 2011 Special Teams MVP by teammates....made all 3 FG attempts in MVFC Championship Game to clinch 23-20 OT win at Illinois State....made only FG attempt at Montana in FCS Quarterfinals....averaged 62 yards on 69 kickoffs....Just Read program volunteer to connect UNI student-athletes with elementary school students....Special Olympics volunteer....Kickers in the Midwest mentor...high school football camp volunteer....Salvation Army bell ringer

WESLEY SKIFFINGTON

Stony Brook University (New York) - FCS

Senior from Brandon, FL....3rd on the team in 2011 scoring with 93 points from 11 of 15 FG's and 60 of 62 PAT's....most prolific kicker in school history....all-time leading scorer in school history...First Team All-Big South Conference in 2011....set Conference record for most PAT's in a season....tied Conference record with 10 PAT's in a game against Gardner-Webb...made career-long 46-yard FG against Lafayette...5th among active players in FCS with 229 career points....averaged 57 yards on 65 kickoffs....Friends of Jaelyn Program volunteer....Sunrise Fund volunteer at Stony Brook University Medical Center

PAT SMITH

Western Illinois University - FCS

Junior from Quincy, IL....2nd on the Leathernecks in 2011 scoring with 30 points from 3 of 6 FG's and 21 of 23 PAT's....named 2011 Special Teams Player of the Year by teammates....made 3 of final 4 FG's in 2011....averaged 63 yards on 35 kickoffs....Relay

for Life volunteer....Special Olympics volunteer...Rocky's Reach volunteer helping elementary school children during recess and reading...Jump Rope for Heart volunteer

MATT STOLL

Texas A&M-Kingsville – Division II

Junior from College Station, TX....finished 2nd on the team in 2011 scoring with 61 points from 9 of 10 FG's and 34 of 41 PAT's....8 of 8 on FG's less than 40 yards....only miss in 2011 was blocked....made game-tying 49-yard FG as time expired at Angelo State to win in triple OT....scored 12 points at Angelo State and was named Conference Special Teams Player of the Week....entering 3rd year as a member of the Conference's SAAC group that has won the SAAC Cup the past two years....Fellowship of Christian Athletes...Keep Kingsville Beautiful volunteer...Driscoll Children's Hospital Teddy Bear Drive volunteer....helped run the Texas A&M consolidated football camp

JOSH STORM

Randolph-Macon College (Virginia) – Division III

Senior from Forest, VA....tied for 1st on the team in 2011 scoring with 74 points from 12 of 16 FG's and 38 of 40 PAT's....2012 Beyond Sports Network Preseason Honorable Mention....First Team All-Conference in 2011....tied for 4th in scoring in the Conference and 1st among kickers....holds school career records for PATs made (116), kicking points (203)....4th in Conference history with 29 career FG's and 1st with 116 PAT's...averaged 57 yards on 70 kickoffs....served as mentor for elementary school students....ALS Walk volunteer

AUSTIN SWEENEY

Bluffton University (Ohio) – Division III

Junior from Adrian, MI....led the Beavers in 2011 scoring with 52 points from 9 of 13 FGs and 25 of 30 PAT's....tied for 2nd in HCAC with 9 FG's...two-time HCAC Special Teams Player of the Week....scored 10 points in 46-27 win over Defiance including a season-long 39-yard FG....holds school record with 72.7% FG%....ranks 5th in school history with 85 kick scoring points....averaged 51 yards on 47 kickoffs....filled sandbags following community flooding....Bluffton Nature Preserve volunteer....assisted with the Mennonite Memorial Home Service Day in 2012 and 2011

STEFAN TERLECKYJ

Wayne State University (Michigan) – Division II

Junior from Warren, MI....school's all-time leader in PATs made (114) and attempted (116) after only two years ... ranks 4th in FG's made with 23 ... named to the 2011 All-GLIAC Honorable Mention team as well as the 2011 GLIAC All-Academic Team tied his own WSU school record with nine made PATs against Urbana to earn WSU's Special Teams Player of the Week honor... earned GLIAC Special Teams Player of the Week honors after scoring 12 points (3-3 PAT, 3-4 FG) in win at Northern Michigan ... connected on both FG attempts against Saginaw Valley to earn WSU's Special Teams Player of the Week award ... made his last six PAT attempts at St. Cloud after having his streak of 44 straight end on the first attempt in blizzard conditions in first round NCAA playoff game... scored 8 points at Nebraska-Kearney on 5 PATs and a season-best 43-yard FG ... became WSU's all-time leader in PATs with his fourth at Minnesota-Duluth (108 for career) as WSU defeated the defending national champions on its home field ... recorded a kickoff coverage tackle at UMD saving a potential TD ... made all three PAT attempts in both the national semifinal at Winston-Salem State and national championship game ... set the WSU single-season scoring record by a kicker with 106 points ... finished first in both PATs made (21) and PATs attempted (22) for the 2011 NCAA Division II playoffs ... helped sell merchandise for breast cancer awareness at the WSU women's basketball game ... collected small toiletry items to make basic needs bags for the Covenant House Michigan as part of the Wayne Cares program ... participated in United Way's Martin Luther King Day of Service by assisting the Motor City Blight Busters with a renovation project in metropolitan Detroit

JOSH THIEL

Saint Francis University (Pennsylvania) – FCS

Senior from Leesburg, VA....2nd on the Red Flash in 2011 scoring with 63 points from 9 of 12 FGs and 36 of 39 PAT's....2012 College Football Performance Awards Watch List....tied school record for most FG's in a season (9) and most PAT's in a season (36)....ranks in the top 3 in career FG's made (18) and attempted (32)....best long distance kicker in school history with 3 FG's of 45 yards or more....tied school 45-yard FG in whiteout conditions against Central Connecticut State...set school record the following week with 47-yard FG against Monmouth....went 1 of 3 in inside kick attempts....enters 2012 season ranked 5th in career points, 3rd in FG's made and attempted, 2nd in PAT's made....Student Ambassador on campus....Relay for Life volunteer...Sports Kids Day volunteer...Special Olympics volunteer...Dorothy Day Center volunteer....Children's Miracle Network and Huntsman Cancer Institute volunteer through church...volunteers at school athletic events

DAN TRYON

Wesley College (Delaware) – Division III

Senior from Wilmington, DE....led the 3rd ranked Wolverines in 2011 scoring with 84 points from 6 of 13 FG's, 64 of 74 PAT's and one two-point conversion....set school records for most FG's in a game (3), FG's in a season (13), PAT's made in a game (9), PAT's made in a season (64) and the longest FG (46 yards)....named to the d3football.com Team of the Week and ECAC Special Teams Player of the Week on October 18, 2011 after scoring school-record 14 points including a 45-yard FG....averaged 58 yards on 97 kickoffs....Team Captain and MVP of the 2012 lacrosse team....Special Olympics volunteer....Jumpstart's Read for the Record program

BRETT ULLMAN

Indiana University of Pennsylvania – Division II

Sophomore from Baltimore, MD....led the team in 2011 scoring as a freshman with 63 points from 10 of 11 FG's and 33 of 34 PAT's....named 2012 Preseason First Team All-American by Beyond Sports Network...2011 First Team All-PSAC West....2011

Third Team Don Hansen All-Super Region One... 4 of 4 in FG's between 30-39 yards and 2 of 3 from 40+ yards...made career-long 46-yard FG in the rain against Edinboro...only missed FG was a 47-yarder in second game of the year against Bloomsburg, then made nine straight for the rest of the season...Fitness for a Cause volunteer

BRADEN WIEKING

University of Sioux Falls (South Dakota) – Division II

Senior from Sioux Falls, SD....2nd on the Cougars in 2011 scoring with 53 points from 8 of 12 FG's and 29 of 32 PAT's...enters 2012 season with 309 points ranking 2nd in school history among kickers and 7th overall...scored 13 points against Black Hills State on October 15 including season-high 37-yard FG....scored 8 points in 38-23 win over Minot State on September 24....5 of 7 unsuccessful attempts were blocked....averaged 60 yards on 50 kickoffs....team's nomination for Allstate Good Hands Team....Sioux Falls Fellowship of Christian Athletes volunteer and Group Huddle Leader on campus....Habitat for Humanity volunteer....Vacation Bible Study volunteer

JORDAN WIGGS

Stephen F. Austin (Texas) – FCS

Sophomore from Grand Prairie, TX....led the Lumberjacks in 2011 scoring with 87 points with 17 of 24 FG's and 36 of 38 PAT's....Honorable Mention All-Conference....led Conference kickers in scoring and finished 2nd overall in scoring in the Conference and 16th nationally in FCS....made career-best 42-yard FG at Nicholls....SAAC Toy Drive volunteer with football team serving underprivileged youths

KYLE WILLIAMS

Hinds Community College (Mississippi) – NJCAA

Junior from Pearl, MS....led the Eagles in 2011 scoring with 70 points from 10 of 17 FG's and 40 of 44 PAT's... scored 29 points in October from 4 of 6 FG's and 17 of 17 PAT's....scored 10 points in win over Jones County Junior College on October 6 by making both FG's and all four PAT's....scored 10 points in 59-32 win over Pearl River Community College on October 22 by making his FG and all seven PAT's....made career-long 45-yard FG against East Mississippi and was 1 of 2 FG's and 4 of 4 PAT's in the game....Habitat for Humanity volunteer....Muscular Dystrophy Association of Mississippi volunteer

SEAN WILLIAMS

Wittenberg University (Ohio) – Division III

Senior from Plainfield, IN....led the Tigers in 2011 scoring with 75 points from 12 of 14 FG's and 39 of 41 PAT's....made school record 19 straight FG's over the course of two seasons to break the previous school record of 12....made 50 consecutive PAT's over the past two seasons to break the school record of 48....82 of 85 PAT's for his career and holds school record for the highest PAT % among kickers with at least 40 attempts....tied the school record for most FG's in a season (12) that he also tied in 2010....ranks 6th in school history with 75 points in 2011 and 4th with 79 points in 2010....made career-long 41-yard FG in 27-23 win over Carnegie Mellon.... 154 career kicking points is 6th in school history and just 12 points behind Fred Mitchell....ranks 5th in career FG's (24) and career FG % (75%)....averaged 53 yards in 63 kickoffs....youth football camp volunteer in hometown....volunteered at Habitat for Humanity Re-Store in Springfield....Springfield Regional Medical Center intern/volunteer

CHANCE WILSON

Alabama A&M University – FCS

Senior from Huntsville, AL....led the Bulldogs in 2011 scoring with 60 points from 11 of 15 FG's and 27 of 30 PAT's....2nd in the SWAC in FG%....ranked 2nd in FCS in FG's made per game....holds school record with a 49-yard FG against Jackson State...Martin Luther King elementary school volunteer....Special Olympics volunteer...volunteer high school kicking coach....Read Across America participant....blood donations to the Red Cross....North American Food Drive participant....Into the Streets of Birmingham participant....visits children in hospitals in Birmingham and surrounding area

About the Fred Mitchell Award

The annual Fred Mitchell Outstanding Place-Kicker Award (also known as the Fred Mitchell Award, www.fredmitchellaward.com) is provided to the nation's top collegiate place-kicker among more than 750 FCS, Division II, III, NAIA and NJCAA football teams. The Award is named for Fred Mitchell, the record-setting place-kicker, Wittenberg University Athletic Hall of Famer, author, philanthropist and *Chicago Tribune* sports columnist. The recipient of the Fred Mitchell Award will be chosen based on excellence on the football field and in the community. The Award's Watch List is released in August, top performers are recognized monthly during the college football season, and the winner (who is not required to be on the Watch List) is announced in mid-December. The school of the Award winner receives scholarship funds and the Fred Mitchell Award trophy will be presented in February 2013 at the National Football Foundation Chicago Metro Chapter Awards Ceremony at Halas Hall.

A blue-ribbon Selection Committee (listed at www.fredmitchellaward.com) evaluates place-kickers that are nominated by their schools. Members of the Pro and/or College Football Hall of Fame on the Selection Committee include Tom Beck, Kevin Butler, Paul Hornung, Marv Levy, Steve McMichael, Don Pierson and Gale Sayers. Former football players and others that are active in their communities are also on the Selection Committee including Carl Allegretti, Sean Gothier, Teddy Greenstein, Michael Husted, Dan Jiggetts, Rick Kolaczewski, Connie Kowal, Greg Loberg, Tom Lynch, Carol Monroe, Jeff Michalczyk, Mark Murphy, Rob Perry, Jeff Schebler, Caroline Schrenker, Jay Sebben, Bob Thomas, Wolfe Tone, Todd Wilkins, Gary Zauner and Rob Zvonar. There are 10 former college or NFL place-kickers on the Selection Committee, including Schebler (the inaugural Fred Mitchell Award recipient in 2009 and the highest-scoring place-kicker in NCAA history at any level) and Lynch (two-time recipient of the Award and the kicker on the 2011 NAIA National Champion Saint Xavier University Cougars).