

FRED MITCHELL AWARD RECOGNIZES PLACE-KICKERS FOR EXCELLENCE ON THE FOOTBALL FIELD AND IN THE COMMUNITY IN OCTOBER



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November 2, 2010 – The Fred Mitchell Award recognizes 42 place-kickers for their excellence on the football field and in the community during the month of October. “October had quite a few college football games decided by late scores by place-kickers, long snappers, holders and blockers on special teams. Some place-kickers throughout the country have already established single-season records at their schools. We are pleased to recognize place-kickers that were nominated by their schools for extraordinary performance during the month,” said Fred Mitchell. The Award’s Selection Committee Chairman Chris Kearney added, “The place-kickers we recognize are having tremendous success on the gridiron. In addition, their civic and volunteer activities are having a profound and positive impact in their communities. It is truly a pleasure to honor this group.”

The recipient of the inaugural Fred Mitchell Award will be announced in mid-December based on performance on the field and in the community. Details are provided at www.fredmitchellaward.com.

The breakdown of the 42 place-kickers is as follows:

- Collegiate Division – 13 FCS, 13 Division II, 10 Division III and 6 NAIA
- State – the place-kickers play at schools located in 27 different states, led by Pennsylvania schools with 8 place-kickers
- Year – 21 Seniors, 7 Juniors, 9 Sophomores, 5 Freshmen
- Included on the Preseason Watch List for the 2010 Fred Mitchell Award - 18

In alphabetical order, the Fred Mitchell Award honorees for October 2010 are listed below.

TYLER ALMEIDA

University of Mount Union (Ohio) – Division III

Sophomore from Elyria, OH....2nd on team in scoring with 67 points from 9 of 12 FG’s and 40 of 41 PAT’s....has made 25 straight PAT’s for the #2 ranked Purple Raiders....has had a season-high 6 PAT’s in three games this season....scored 8 points in 38-0 win over Capital on October 23....scored 9 points in 45-7 win over Heidelberg on October 16....made a career-long 34-yard FG at John Carroll...Raider Buddy Program volunteer to visit local elementary schools to mentor and tutor students

C.J. BAHR

Slippery Rock University (Pennsylvania) – Division II

Senior from Boalsburg, PA....2nd on team in scoring with 41 points from 7 of 9 FG’s and 20 of 22 PAT’s....3 of 3 FG’s and 8 of 8 PAT’s in October....scored 7 of the team’s 13 points against Mercyhurst on October 30....kicked game-tying 47-yard FG with 31 seconds left in regulation to force OT on September 18 against West Chester on September 18, followed by a 33-27 win....scored 9 points on 2 of 3 FG’s and 3 of 3 PAT’s against West Chester....averaging 58 yards in 20 kickoffs....tutors underprivileged youth at the I Care House in New Castle....assists with YMCA youth soccer and football clinics in State College area ... served as volunteer at State Cup youth soccer competition ... developing marketing plan for State College Spikes minor-league baseball team ... served as intern with Spikes ... attended Sport Entertainment and Venues Tomorrow conference in South Carolina ... attended Sport Sales Workshop at Quicken Loans Arena and Progressive Field in Cleveland

GREGG BERKSHIRE

Ashland University (Ohio) – Division II

Junior from Ashland, OH...leads team in scoring with 68 points from 12 of 19 FG's and 32 of 34 PAT's...scored 12 points in 30-24 win over Saginaw Valley State on October 23...made a career-long 50-yard FG and scored 13 of Ashland's 19 points at Northern Michigan on September 25...averaging 61 yards in 57 kickoffs...filmed a television spot for Ashland County United Way to promote the United Drive program to collect canned goods from local residents...volunteered for United Drive collection campaign...spoke to Ashland Middle School students about the importance of goal setting and he also read them books

GARRETT BIEL

Trinity University (Texas) – Division III

Sophomore from Clayton, CA...leads the Tigers in scoring with 47 points from 8 of 12 FG's and 23 of 26 PAT's...scored 7 points in October 23 game against DePauw...48-yard FG against Rhodes tied for the 3rd longest in school history...45-yard FG against Millsaps tied for the 8th longest in school history...ranked in top 5 in Trinity history in career FG's made (25) and attempted (31) in just his second season...averaging 50 yards in 21 kickoffs...assists families unable to properly care for their dogs by working with a San Antonio organization that distributes coupons, dog food, leashes, toys and more...helps youth place-kickers at his former high school

STEPHEN BLOSE

Youngstown State University (Ohio) - FCS

Senior from Erie, PA...leads the Penguins in scoring with 61 points from 10 of 12 FG's and 31 of 33 PAT's...made all 8 FG's in October...scored 11 points in October 9 game against North Dakota State...made key 37-yard FG in 4th quarter and scored 7 points in 31-28 win over 13th ranked Southern Illinois on September 25...set school record by making all 9 PAT's in 63-24 win over Central Connecticut on September 18...Youngstown State SAAC Member...Dean's Dozen Advisory Council volunteer for the school's College of Education...Ohio Council of Teachers and Mathematics Member...International Honor Society in Education...National Leadership Honor Society Member

CHRISTIAN BROM

Texas A&M-Kingsville – Division II

Senior from McAllen, TX...leads the Javelinas in scoring with 57 points from 10 of 13 FG's and 27 of 29 PAT's...LSC South Special Teams Player of the Week after making a career-high 3 FG's in a 28-24 win over 7th ranked West Texas A&M on October 16...named LSC South Player of the Week after kicking 2 FG's including the game-winning 42-yard FG with 21 seconds left in the game to beat Tarleton State 13-10 on October 23 allowing the team to become ranked 7th in the polls...scored 8 points in 56-17 win over Southwestern Oklahoma on October 30...10 FG's this season is a career high...220 career points ranks 10th in school history...ranks 3rd in career FG's (31) and 4th in career PAT's (127)...averaging 58 yards in 40 kickoffs...participates in the Take A Kid to the Game program...volunteered to give presents to children at the Driscoll Children's Hospital...works with kickers from his high school in McAllen during the summer

ERIC BUCHANAN

Walsh University (Ohio) - NAIA

Senior from Green Cove Springs, FL...leads the team in scoring with 62 points from 9 of 15 FG's and 35 of 35 PAT's...scored 9 points in 45-14 win over Olivet Nazarene on October 2...made 29-yard FG in 24-21 win over rival Malone on October 23...ranks 7th in career scoring with 164 points...Akron Children's Hospital volunteer...Green High School volunteer coach...volunteers at Clay High School football camps

CRAIG BURGESS

Indiana University of Pennsylvania – Division II

Senior from Medina, OH...leads team in scoring with 57 points from 14 of 19 FG's and 15 of 18 PAT's...scored 9 points on October 9 against Mercyhurst...scored 10 points in 16-6 win over Southern Connecticut on September 4...scored 11 points in 23-17 win over East Stroudsburg on September 11...holds Crimson Hawks record for career FG's made with 45...has made 123 of 127 PAT's at IUP and set school record with 98 in a row that ended on October 2...averaging 61 yards in 29 kickoffs...spent eight weeks in summer 2010 at the Charlotte Sports Center youth camps to help develop athletic skills for children aged 4-13...bone marrow donation registration fair at IUP...campus and community clean-up projects...Hearts for the Hungry (providing food for starving children in Haiti)...tutored elementary students...coached kickers at Ohio State football camps and summer 2010 camps in Chicago

TYLER CANNON

Eastern New Mexico University – Division II

Junior from Los Lunas, NM...leads the team in scoring with 65 points from 9 of 13 FG's and 38 of 39 PAT's...scored 7 points in 55-20 win over Southeastern Oklahoma on October 30...scored 14 points in 44-21 win over defending Lone Star Conference North Division Champion Texas A&M-Commerce on September 25...volunteer reader to elementary school students in Dr. Seuss Day at schools in Floyd, NM...youth football camp volunteer

T.J. CHIAROLANZA

Lycoming College (Pennsylvania) – Division III

Senior from Warminster, PA...2nd on the team in scoring with 45 points from 7 of 8 FG's and 24 of 27 PAT's...scored 22 points in October including 7 points in 31-24 win over King's on October 2...named Middle Atlantic Conference Special Teams Player of the Week following September 25 upset of 13th ranked Ithaca...2nd in the Conference in scoring by place-kickers...made 23-yard FG with 7 seconds remaining and scored 8 points to beat Ithaca 26-24...averaging 58 yards on 38 kickoffs...assisting with planning for Salvation Army's Breakfast with Santa event on December 4...helped cleanup Brandon Park after the Susquehanna 500 race to support the Red Cross...volunteered at Penn State Tailgate at the sports dome in Muncy

EDGAR COLMENARES

Northwestern Oklahoma State University – NAIA

Freshman from Pauls Valley, OK...2nd on the team in scoring with 57 points from 7 of 9 FG's and 36 of 41 PAT's....Central States Football League Special Teams Player of the Week three times....scored 15 points in 51-14 win over Bacone on October 16....scored 10 points in 62-42 win over Southern Nazarene on October 9....tied school record by making 9 PAT's in 79-20 win over Texas College on September 25....took part in the Big Event community event when the football team planted 80 trees at the recreation center

GORDON CRAIG

Dickinson College (Pennsylvania) – Division III

Senior from Grove City, PA....leads team in scoring with 45 points on 10 of 14 FG's and 15 of 19 PAT's....scored 10 points in 28-24 win over Susquehanna on October 16 when he also set the school record for most career FG's....scored 11 points on 2 of 2 FG's and 5 of 5 PAT's in 41-16 win over McDaniel on September 25....made 47-yard FG on September 18 against Franklin & Marshall....ranks 1st among Dickinson place-kickers with 211 career points....Boiling Springs Bengals youth football camp volunteer...Step Into Africa Program mission trip volunteer to assist disaster recovery efforts and to work with underprivileged children

JASON CUNNINGHAM

Montana State University (Montana) – FCS

Junior from Amarillo, TX....leads the Bobcats in scoring with 88 points from 18 of 21 FG's and 34 of 40 PAT's....set school record with 17 FG's in a season on October 23 against Northern Colorado....made a school record 14 consecutive FG's this season....ranks 2nd in school history with 225 points....made game-tying 36-yard FG with 2:17 left in regulation to force overtime, leading to 20-17 win over Idaho State on October 30....scored 13 points in 37-35 win over Northern Colorado on October 23....scored 17 points in 64-61 win against Sacramento State on October 2, including the game-winning FG in overtime....The Sports Network FCS Special Teams Player of the Week after scoring 18 points in 48-21 win over Drake on September 18....averaging 67 yards in 64 kickoffs....volunteer in the Bozeman public school system

CHRIS DINIZ

Sacramento State University (California) – FCS

Senior from Escalon, CA....leads the Hornets in scoring with 62 points from 11 of 12 FG's and 29 of 30 PAT's....scored 10 points in 40-10 win over 25th ranked Northern Arizona on October 30....four of 11 FG's are 40+ yards and two are 50+ yards...named Big Sky Conference Special Teams Player of the Week after scoring 13 points against 14th ranked Montana on September 25 including tying the school record with 4 FG's in a game....school's all-time leader in FG % with 95%....averaging 62 yards in 43 kickoffs....volunteered to support local homeless people by preparing and delivering lunches

ERIC DOBRATZ

Shepherd University (West Virginia) – Division II

Junior from Woodbridge, VA....ranks 2nd on the Rams with 57 points from 4 of 8 FG's and 45 of 47 PAT's....scored 7 points in 37-26 win over 21st ranked West Virginia Wesleyan on October 16....scored 8 points in 56-19 win over West Virginia State on October 30 to clinch the Conference championship....West Virginia Conference Special Teams Player of the Week following standout performance in September 25 win over Seton Hill and after making game-winning 32-yard FG in 19-16 win over Fairmont State on September 18....averaging 61 yards in 63 kickoffs....entered the 2010 season ranked 6th on the school's all-time scoring list among kickers with 99 points....volunteers at events to raise funds and awareness for Autism....volunteered in his hometown to clean-up the community after an Independence Day celebration

STEVEN FETZER

Illinois State University – FCS

Senior from Mahomet, IL...leads team in scoring with 63 points from 12 of 17 FG's and 27 of 29 PAT's....10 of 13 on FG's less than 50 yards....made both FG's and scored 9 points in 34-24 win over #14 North Dakota State on October 14....kicked 39-yard FG in second OT to beat Missouri State 44-41 on September 25....made career-long 51-yard FG and scored 12 points in the 25th ranked Redbirds win over Missouri State which led to being named the Missouri Valley Conference Special Teams Player of the Week....scored 11 points in 55-54 OT win over Central Missouri on September 2....volunteer for the local campus Habitat for Humanity chapter....participates in State Farm's Just Read program at local elementary schools

DANIEL FISHER

Bloomsburg University (Pennsylvania) – Division II

Freshman from Harrisburg, PA....2nd on the Huskies in scoring with 67 points from 17 of 19 FG's and 16 of 17 PAT's....set school record for most FG's in a game with 5 in 36-16 win over C.W. Post on October 30....17 FG's so far this season broke previous school record of 10 FG's in a season...kicked career-long FG's of 43 yards against Indiana (PA) and Shippensburg....Habitat for Humanity volunteer....helped renew local town park in The Big Event community service program....Ronald McDonald House volunteer

TOM FOOS

Defiance College (Ohio) – Division III

Senior from Helena, OH....2nd on the Yellow Jackets in scoring with 39 points from 6 of 9 FG's and 21 of 25 PAT's....two-time Conference Special Teams Player of the Week....scored 11 points in 41-21 win over Rose-Hulman on October 30....scored 7 points in September 4 game against Muskingum....averaging 57 yards in 40 kickoffs....participated in the College's annual community service day which included clean-up work at numerous nearby playgrounds and parks

JACOB GAHART

Ripon College (Wisconsin) – Division III

Sophomore from Elkhorn, WI...2nd on the team in scoring with 63 points from 7 of 11 FG's and 42 of 44 PAT's...highest scorer among Midwest Conference place-kickers...tied for 4th in Red Hawks history with 7 FG's in a season, just 2 FG's behind his school record in 2009...scored 9 points in October 9 game against Monmouth...made game-winning 25-yard FG in OT to beat Carroll University 27-24 on September 25...named Midwest Conference Performer of the Week following September 25 game...averaging 54 yards on 57 kickoffs...career development department volunteer at Ripon College...assisted with research to establish an improved test for freshmen during Summer orientation

C.J. GRADOVILLE

Morningside College (Iowa) - NAIA

Senior from Council Bluffs, IA...leads the Mustangs in scoring with 85 points from 18 of 24 FG's and 31 of 36 PAT's...14 of 18 FG's less than 40 yards...Great Plains Athletic Conference all-time leader with 381 career kick scoring points, 50 FG's and 223 PAT's...scored 14 points in 43-7 win over Hastings on October 30...scored 11 points in 23-12 win over Nebraska Wesleyan on September 11...averaging 63 yards on 58 kickoffs...volunteer camper companion at Camp Quality Heartland, a camp in Omaha for children with cancer and their siblings...Humane Society volunteer...participated in World Mission trip to the Dominican Republic...youth kicking clinics at high schools and with the Billy Cundiff Kicking Camp in Des Moines

AUBURN JIMENEZ

Macalester College (Minnesota) – Division III

Freshman from East Los Angeles, CA...leads team in scoring with 60 points from 9 of 13 FG's and 33 of 35 PAT's...scored 12 points against Hamline on October 2...scored 12 points in 48-27 win over Minnesota-Morris on October 29...made 43-yard FG with 3 seconds remaining to beat Crown 44-41 on September 25...44-yard FG against Minnesota-Morris was the longest at Macalester since Matt Kesler's 49-yard FG in 1997...averaging 53 yards on 52 kickoffs...volunteered and raised money for the Alhambra American Little League...assisted the elderly at the Montebello Convalescent Home

ANDREW KOCUREK

Southwest Baptist University (Missouri) – Division II

Freshman from Aledo, TX...3rd on the Bearcats in scoring with 63 points from 4 of 7 FG's and 51 of 55 PAT's...scored 10 points in 52-0 win over Central State on October 23...made career-long 47-yard FG against William Jewell on September 18, which was the school's longest FG since 2003...averaging 53 yards in 70 kickoffs...participates in the Big Cat Little Cat program where the school's football players visit local elementary schools each Friday to visit the kids and assist teachers in their daily lessons...visits local nursing homes to volunteer time with the elderly

MICHAEL LANGSTON

Dixie State College (Utah) – Division II

Senior from Riverside, CA...3rd on the team in scoring with 24 points from 2 of 3 FG's and 18 of 19 PAT's...converted on first FG opportunity of the season from 37 yards for the Red Storm's only score on October 16...scored 4 points in 18-15 win over Simon Fraser on October 23...averaging 57 yards on 32 kickoffs...President of the Dixie State Latter-Day Saints Student Association

SHAWN LEO

West Chester University (Pennsylvania) – Division II

Freshman from Harleysville, PA...leads the Golden Rams in scoring with 50 points from 7 of 8 FG's and 29 of 31 PAT's...scored career-high 14 points and converted all five FG attempts in October including a 48-yard FG against Shippensburg in a nationally televised game on CBS College Sports Network on October 7...tied school record for most FG's in a game with 3 against Shippensburg including a 42-yard FG with 25 seconds left in regulation to tie the game, leading to a 44-43 win in double overtime...scored five points against 15th ranked Kutztown on October 30...Autism Walk volunteer on October 16...Relay for Life participant on campus in October...participated in football team's Bone Marrow Donor program...volunteers at the Harleysville Community Center...little league umpire...volunteers at various kicking clinics with kicking coach Jeff Dinnocenti

JOSH LEWIS

McNeese State University (Louisiana) - FCS

Sophomore from Denham Springs, LA...leads the Cowboys in scoring with 46 points from 10 of 12 FG's and 16 of 17 PAT's...7 of 8 FG's in October...made game-winning career-long 52-yard FG (3rd longest in school history) as time expired to beat Southeastern Louisiana 13-10 on October 23 and scored 7 points...named Southland Conference Special Teams Player of the Week two times including after Southeastern Louisiana game and after scoring 12 points on 3 of 3 FG's and 3 of 3 PAT's in 30-27 season opening win over Lamar...named Special Teams Player of the Week after October 23 win by the Sports Network/Fathead.com, College Football Performance National Team and the Louisiana Sports Writers Association...helps young place-kickers with their technique...volunteers to help the underprivileged in his hometown...Fellowship of Christian Athletes volunteer...volunteer assistant coach for his sister's soccer team

TOM LYNCH

Saint Xavier University (Illinois) - NAIA

Junior from Frankfort, IL...2nd on the #2 ranked Cougars in scoring with 85 points from 6 of 6 FG's and 67 of 69 PAT's...ranks 1st in total points among NAIA place-kickers...scored 14 points on 3 of 3 FG's and 5 of 5 PAT's in 46-21 win over Taylor University on October 2...moved up to 2nd in school history in career scoring by place-kickers...named MSFA Midwest League Special Teams Player of the Week on September 6 and October 11...averaging 61 yards in 58 kickoffs...participated in the school's annual Service Day where students do community service projects...Emergency Management Association volunteer at the Department of Homeland Security in Palos Hills...volunteers at the PADS homeless shelter in Hazel Crest...South Bridge Community Church summer day camp volunteer and provides complimentary maintenance and lawn care...place-kicker tutor to kicker at his high school alma mater

JOSH MONTGOMERY

University of North Alabama – Division II

Sophomore from Russellville, AL...leads the Lions in scoring with 58 points from 9 of 11 FG's and 31 of 32 PAT's...scored 7 points in 31-7 win over Delta State on October 28...scored 12 points in 48-6 win over Southern Arkansas on September 18

MATT MYERS

Northern Arizona University - FCS

Junior from Corona, CA...2nd on the team in scoring with 51 points from 10 of 13 FG's and 21 of 23 PAT's...9 of 9 FG's inside 40 yards...scored 9 points in 26-23 win over Southern Utah on October 2...scored 12 points including a 51-yard FG in 48-0 win over Western New Mexico on September 2...scored 12 points in the Lumberjacks 32-7 win over Idaho State on September 25...tied for 21st in the country in FG's made per game...participated in Red Ribbon Week volunteer events...community drug-free campaign speaker at local elementary schools...involved with local Humane Society...Big Brothers Big Sisters volunteer...St. Mary Food Bank volunteer...helped protect homes from 2010 flood and assisted with the flood clean-up efforts

JOHN PAGLIA

Charleston Southern University (South Carolina) - FCS

Senior from Ocala, FL...ranks 3rd on the team with 19 points on 3 of 8 FG's and 10 of 12 PAT's...tied for 2nd in school history with 143 career points...scored all 5 of his points in the first half against Gardner-Webb on October 16...only missed FG's in October were from 50 and 48 yards...averaging 59 yards on 34 kickoffs...works with underprivileged kids at the Closing the Gap in Healthcare fitness seminar...helps place-kickers in the Ocala area with kicking, weight training and flexibility...worked with place-kickers at the University of Florida camp...meets and mentors underprivileged kids in the Charleston area...Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Charleston Southern...helps coach a little league softball team sponsored by his father

THOMAS PARROTT

Northern State University (South Dakota) – Division II

Senior from Tampa, FL...leads team in scoring with 35 points from 6 of 8 FG's and 17 of 18 PAT's...scored 7 points in 38-0 win over Minnesota Crookston on October 16...has made last 5 FG's including two from 43 yards...averaging 59 yards on 30 kickoffs...Red Ribbon Week volunteer...Fellowship of Christian Athletes...volunteer Chemistry tutor to Northern State students...participated in the United Way and Northern State University Day of Champions event to assist with various community service projects in the Aberdeen area

MATT RAWSON

Amherst College (Massachusetts) – Division III

Junior from Bethesda, MD...leads the team in scoring with 56 points from 6 of 7 FG's and 32 of 33 PAT's and scored 1 touchdown after a fake FG...scored 16 points in 70-49 win over Tufts on October 30 from 10 of 10 PAT's and a 3-yard TD run after a fake FG...NESCAC Special Teams Player of the Week following October 30 win...scored 7 points in 37-10 win over Wesleyan University on October 23...scored 45 points during October...raised money during each of the past two years for the Relay for Life cancer fundraiser on campus...Habitat for Humanity volunteer...George Washington University intern for The Eleanor Roosevelt Papers Project

DAVIS RODRIGUEZ

Lafayette College (Pennsylvania) – FCS

Senior from St. Petersburg, FL...leads the Leopards in scoring with 54 points from 12 of 17 FG's and 18 of 18 PAT's...scored 8 points in 28-21 win over Stony Brook on October 16...scored 15 points from 4 of 4 FG's and 3 of 3 PAT's against Princeton on September 25...averaging 61 yards on 34 kickoffs...volunteers at Muscular Dystrophy Association camps for one week each summer...Saint Vincent Depaul soup kitchen volunteer each Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day to feed the homeless...volunteers at an orphanage each summer in Costa Rica...participates in Lauren's First and Goal Football Camp which raises funds for pediatric brain tumor research and for impacted families

GARETH ROWLANDS

Tusculum College (Tennessee) – Division II

Senior from Bellech, Wales...leads team in scoring with 81 points from 15 of 19 FG's and 36 of 37 PAT's...scored 10 points in 51-35 win over Brevard on October 30...scored 6 points in 39-36 win over Urbana on September 18...named South Atlantic Conference Special Teams Player of the Week for his 12 point effort in Tusculum's 54-30 win at Western Carolina from the FCS...averaging 62 yards on 62 kickoffs...Adopt-a-Highway Program roadside clean-up...meets with local elementary school students weekly to help mentor the students in the Lunch Buddies Program...Bible School volunteer...Upward Bound Leader...Tusculum College Sports Information Office volunteer

TAYLOR RUSSOLINO

Millsaps College (Mississippi) – Division III

Senior from Metarie, LA...2nd on the Majors in scoring with 55 points on 6 of 10 FG's and 37 of 39 PAT's...holds school records for career PAT's made (160), PAT's attempted (171) and career FG's made (31)...scored 12 points in 30-0 win over University of the South-Sewanee on October 30...averaging 59 yards on 55 kickoffs...volunteers weekly for the Mississippi School for the Blind and Deaf...assists the New Summit Middle School students that have special needs...Stewpot Community Services volunteer helping to serve 120 meals daily to needy in the Community Kitchen and delivering 50 meals daily to shut-ins in the Jackson, MS area

KEMAR SCARLETT

Morgan State University (Maryland) – FCS

Senior from Temple Hills, MD...leads the Bears in scoring with 46 points on 12 of 17 FG's and 10 of 11 PAT's...scored 5 points including a 47-yard FG against Florida A&M on October 30...set the school record for most FG's in a game with 4...MEAC Special

Teams Player of the Week two times in September including after 20-3 win at Howard on September 25...Fellowship of Christian Athletes Leadership Team

WESLEY SKIFFINGTON

Stony Brook University (New York) - FCS

Sophomore from Brandon, FL...ranks 3rd on the Seawolves in scoring with 43 points from 5 of 9 FG's and 28-30 PAT's...scored 9 points in 27-9 win over VMI on October 9 including career-long 44-yard FG...made 11 PAT's in wins over Charleston Southern on October 30 and Coastal Carolina on October 23...averaging 48 yards on 21 kickoffs...Friends of Jaelyn Program volunteer...Sunrise Fund volunteer at Stony Brook University Medical Center

STEPHEN STANSELL

Austin Peay State University (Tennessee) – FCS

Sophomore from Athens, TN...leads the Governors in scoring with 50 points on 11 of 16 FG's and 17 of 17 PAT's...made 50-yard FG against Jacksonville State on October 23...made 50-yard FG against Tennessee State on September 18 en route to 26-23 win while also tying the school record by making four FG's in the game...earned Conference Specialist of the Week and College Football Performance Awards Place-Kicker Co-Performer of the Week...made 51-yard FG at Wisconsin to score Austin Peay's only points...only place-kicker in school history to make FG's of 50 yards or more in consecutive games...only player in school history to make three 50+ yard FG's in a season...averaging 61 yards in 37 kickoffs...volunteers in the Young Life program that serves youth in the Clarksville area

JON STORCK

Waynesburg University (Pennsylvania) – Division III

Sophomore from Smyrna, DE... leads team in scoring with 54 points on 6 of 7 FG's and 36 of 38 PAT's...scored 13 points in 55-42 win over Geneva on October 9...scored 10 points in 34-6 win over Thiel on September 18 and named to D3football.com's Team of the Week after the win...averaging 56 yards in 51 kickoffs

IAIN VANCE

Georgia State University – FCS

Senior from Duluth, GA...leads the team in scoring with 68 points on 12 of 14 FG's and 32 of 34 PAT's...scored 8 points including game-winning 33-yard FG to beat North Carolina Central 20-17 in overtime on October 16...made the game-winning 30-yard FG with one second left to beat Campbell 24-21...one of just four Seniors on Georgia State's first-ever football team...averaging 59 yards in 36 kickoffs...volunteered for Kaboom Play Day by working with local elementary school students to teach them the value of a healthy, active lifestyle...visited patients at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta...participated in cleanup project at historic Oakland Cemetery

JASON VITARIS

Appalachian State University (North Carolina) – FCS

Senior from Seneca, SC...2nd on the #1 ranked Mountaineers in scoring with 59 points from 7 of 8 FG's and 38 of 42 PAT's...scored 11 points in 39-10 win over The Citadel on October 16...only missed FG was from 49 yards...scored 14 points from 3 of 3 FG's and 5 of 5 PAT's in 44-16 win over North Carolina Central on September 18...averaging 66 yards on 27 kickoffs...March of Dimes volunteer...participates in reading programs at local elementary schools...Special Olympics volunteer...assists school's sports information and radio network offices

CASEY WIEDER

Ottawa University (Kansas) – NAIA

Senior from North Richland Hills, TX...2nd on the top 10 ranked Braves in scoring with 68 points...9 of 15 FG's and 41 of 43 PAT's in PAT's...holds school record with 24 career FG's...24 of 24 PAT's during October...organized the October 15 Red Cross Blood Drive...NAIA Red Cross Internship in Washington, D.C...Braves Buddies Reading Program...volunteered for Habitat for Humanity Community Service Day...Fellowship of Christian Athletes Leadership Team on campus

BRADEN WIEKING

University of Sioux Falls (South Dakota) – NAIA

Sophomore from Sioux Falls, SD...2nd on the #1 ranked Cougars in scoring with 77 points from 10 of 15 FG's and 47 of 47 PAT's...has made 147 consecutive PAT's which is an NAIA record...scored 12 points in 66-21 win over Briar Cliff on October 9...scored 10 points in 34-10 win over 22nd ranked Hastings on September 25...scored 13 points in 37-7 win over Midland Lutheran on September 11 including a career-long 44-yard FG...named NAIA Player of the Week and Great Plains Athletic Conference Player of the Week after win over Midland Lutheran...averaging 61 yards on 65 kickoffs...Sioux Falls Fellowship of Christian Athletes volunteer and Group Huddle Leader on campus...Habitat for Humanity volunteer...Vacation Bible Study volunteer

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 600 FCS, Division II, III and NAIA 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 on February 21, 2010 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. There are eight members of the Pro and/or College Football Hall of Fame on the Selection Committee including Tom Beck, Kevin Butler, Lou Holtz, Paul Hornung, Marv Levy, Steve McMichael, Don Pierson and Gale Sayers. Several former football players that are active in their communities are also on the Selection Committee including Carl Allegretti, Sean Gothier, Dan Jiggetts, Jeff Michalczyk, Mark Murphy, Rob Perry, Jeff Schebler, Jay Sebben, Bob Thomas, Todd Wilkins, Gary Zauner and Rob Zvonar. There are eight former college or NFL place-kickers on the Selection Committee, including Schebler, the 2009 Fred Mitchell Award recipient and the highest-scoring place-kicker in NCAA history at any level.