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Invocation	Pastor Ed Zeiders
Welcome & Opening Remarks	Jack Bailey Central PA Chapter President
Report from National Headquarters	Ron Dilatush Director of Membership
Video Presentation	National Football Foundation
Dinner	Buffet Style
Featured Speaker	John Greene Executive Director of the Big 33 Scholarship Foundation
Recognition of Area Teams and Coaches	Jack Bailey Central PA Chapter President
Video Presentation	High School Highlights
Introduction of High School Scholar Athletes	Phil Riccio Head Football Coach, Altoona
Introduction of College Scholar Athletes	Dick Anderson (Penn State) Darrell Alt (Juniata College) Anthony Naples (Lock Haven)
Scholarship Presentations	Frank Rocco Central PA Chapter Advisory Board
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#### Welcome -

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Welcome to our eleventh annual awards banquet sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. Today, we will take a moment to recognize some of our finest scholar-athletes. These young men have demonstrated the type of characteristics that we admire in people.

Many of our award winners will be heading off to college. Many of them will participate in football as they pursue a college education. Some may elect to stop playing organized football while they work to obtain personal goals. Some have already experienced college football and are ready to begin a professional career. Whatever the case, these young men have shown that they have the tools necessary to be successful in life.

The Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame is honored to recognize these young men for their scholarship, athletic performance, and citizenship.

We hope you enjoy the banquet!

Jack Bailey

Central Pennsylvania Chapter President

#### History -

The National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame was founded in 1947 and is dedicated to mobilizing the constructive forces of amateur football, at all levels, for the benefit of society.

As stated most clearly by former President and Foundation "Gold Medal" recipient Dwight D. Eisenhower, "In football, in business, in the trades and professions, the normal urge to excel provides one of the most hopeful assurances that our kind of society will continue to advance and prosper. Morale...the will, this heart...we need not only in athletic teams and individuals, but collectively."

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The Central Pennsylvania Chapter is one of many chapters who combine with the national office to honor over 3,000 high school and college scholar athletes each year with nearly \$1,000,000 in scholarships for undergraduate and graduate education. Now in its eleventh year, the Central Pennsylvania Chapter is proud to honor 36 high school and 3 college scholar athletes for the 2007-2008 year. Our congratulations to each award recipient who was nominated by their schools.

#### Procedure for Selecting Award and Scholarship Winners -

At the beginning of the scholastic football season, the president of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter sent a letter and nomination form to each of the 36 high school head football coaches in the centre region. Each school was asked to nominate one senior member from their football team to receive an award from the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. Each nomination form included a high school transcript and official test scores (SAT/ACT).

The nomination forms, transcripts and test scores were forwarded to the scholarship selection committee. This committee is composed of knowledgeable representatives from our local chapter who were responsible for evaluating each of the nominees using the following three criteria established by the National office:

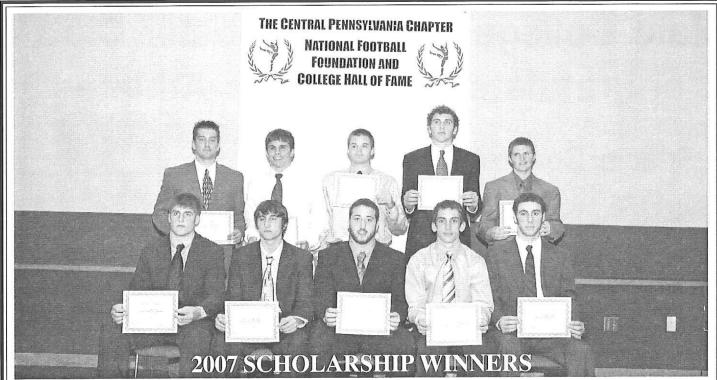
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The scholarship committee carefully evaluated each nominee and rank ordered them accordingly. The rank order was given to the Advisory Board and the top 10 individuals will also receive \$1000 post graduate scholarships.





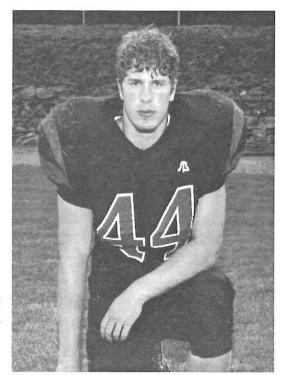
Front row, from left: Trent Adams (Altoona), Paul Szekeresh (Bishop Carroll), Dustin Hawkins (Central Mountain), Kaleb Fleck (Claysburg-Kimmel), and Mark Malacarne (DuBois) Back Row: Jared Wilson (Hollidaysburg), Mike Rocco (Philipsburg-Osceola), Cory Cook (Punxsutawney), Brook Hart (State College), and Theron Ward (West Branch)

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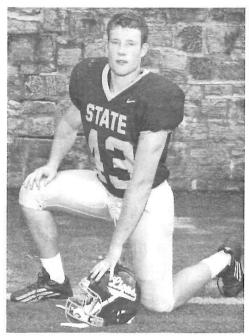


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# Featured Speaker: John Greene, Executive Director of the Big 33 Scholarship Foundation

The Big 33 is currently in its 51st year of operation and John Greene is in his first year as Executive Director of the Big 33 Scholarship Foundation. In his current position, John manages a staff of three and works alongside a volunteer base of more than 175 to coordinate and develop all aspects of the charity's continued growth and success.

This past October, the Big 33 was pleased to have attracted such an experienced leader who brought with him an impressive background that included business management, marketing, sales, philanthropy and an extensive background in athletics management. "We were looking for



someone who could take us to the next level in many areas. The finalists were fantastic, but John had the attributes and background we were seeking. The Big 33 is thrilled that he is equally excited about making this move," said Joe Geiger, who at the time was the Big 33 interim executive director and executive director of the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO).

John, earned his undergraduate degree at Penn State and MBA from Penn State's Smeal College of Business Administration, and was a manager in Penn State's athletics development department since 1999. Previously, he was a partner and chief operating officer with First Affiliated Investment Group. His background also includes five years of financial planning experience at Merrill Lynch. He was also a member of the marketing team at IBM Corporation from 1991 until 1993 in Cleveland, Ohio. Greene also completed studies at the NCAA Leadership Institute for Ethnic Minority Males at the NCAA Headquarters. Greene is currently a board member and volunteer with The Second Mile.

His fund-raising success for Penn State included organized awareness for women's athletics, increased gifts from former students and implementing creative marketing programs such as selling gymnasium floorboard pieces to fans. Greene courted nearly 60 individual gifts totaling more than \$4 million during his last three years at Penn State

Greene's background in athletics is extensive. A former running back, he was a member of the Nittany Lions football team from 1985 through 1988. During that time, the team earned a national championship in 1986 and Greene served as offensive co-captain in 1988. In 1989, he was a Philadelphia Eagles free agent. He has been on board of directors for The State College Quarterback Club since 1988 and was president of the organization from 2002 through 2004.

"I have admired the Big 33's growing legacy and the impact it has had on our young people both on and off the field. I look forward to working alongside the impressive and loyal list of Big 33 supporters," said Greene. "We will continue to build on this momentum, to grow the organization and further the cause of showcasing excellence in youth," said Greene.

Founded in 1957, The Big 33 Scholarship Foundation has since provided 3,288 academic scholarships to college-bound students. The Big 33 is also the producer of the annual PNC Big 33 Football Classic. The nationally acclaimed and televised PNC Big 33 Football Classic has provided at least one player in each NFL Super Bowl rosters since the Super Bowl was founded. In 2007, the Big 33 awarded more than \$295,000 in academic scholarships. The organization's primary mission is to showcase excellence in youth.



#### **Congratulations** to all 2007—2008 Scholar Athletes!

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# Ron Dilatush NFFCHF Director of Membership

A native of Princeton NJ where as a high school senior earned numerous area and state accolades in football at West Windsor Plainsboro High School including First Team All-America Honors. At the University of Delaware, Ron participated in football and baseball and lettered for the Blue Hens top ranked baseball team.



Prior to joining the National Football Foundation, Dilatush was the National Football Commissioner for Pop Warner Little Scholars, the largest youth football program in the country. In 2004, Ron became the East Region Coordinator for the NFF and in 2006, assumed the position of Director of Membership. As Director of Membership Ron oversees the Foundations 120 chapters and the overall development of the chapter system.

Father of 3, Ron currently lives in Flower Mound Texas.

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#### ALTOONA AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Micah Dillen

Hometown: Altoona. <u>Parents</u>: Daniel and Karen Dillen. <u>Position</u>: Safety. <u>Coach</u>: Phil Riccio. <u>Sports</u>: "Leadership and work ethic are exemplary;" Football (3-year starter), Track (Four years). <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society, Three-time PA Football News All-Academic Team, Honor Roll, Camp Counselor Youth Football, Relay for Life, Easter Seals Day Camp, First Church of the Brethren.. <u>College Future</u>: Undecided (Atmospheric Science).

#### BALD EAGLE AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Tyler Hoffman

<u>Hometown</u>: Clarence. <u>Parents</u>: Keith and Lori Hoffman. <u>Position</u>: Tight End/Defensive End. <u>Coach</u>: John Bathhurst. <u>Sports</u>: "Type of player any coach would love to have;" Football, Track. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Distinguished Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Highest Possible PSSA Reading Score, President of FBLA, Symphonic and Marching Band, Leo Club, Sons of American Legion. College Future: Penn State (Biochemistry).

#### BELLEFONTE AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Zack Ciolkosz

<u>Hometown</u>: Bellefonte. <u>Parents</u>: Jerry and Dee Ciolkosz. <u>Position</u>: Linebacker. <u>Coach</u>: Zac Wynkoop. <u>Sports</u>: "Always brings a positive attitude to the practice and game fields;" Football. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Distinguished Honor Roll, Black Belt in Karate (Art -Tang Soo Do), Eagle Scout. <u>College Future</u>: Penn State.

#### BELLWOOD-ANTIS HIGH SCHOOL

#### Alan Wertz

<u>Hometown</u>: Altoona. <u>Parents</u>: Barry and Julie Wertz. <u>Position</u>: Split End. <u>Coach</u>: John Hayes. <u>Sports</u>: "Role model and outstanding citizen on and off the field;" Football (4 years), Basketball, Track. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Student of the Week, Citizen of the Year Award, Spanish Club, Chorus. College Future: Undecided (Physical Therapy).

#### BISHOP CARROLL HIGH SCHOOL

#### Joey Shrift

<u>Hometown</u>: Ebensburg. <u>Parents</u>: Peter and Patricia Shrift. <u>Position</u>: Quarterback. <u>Coach</u>: Craig Sponsky. <u>Sports</u>: "Special student-athlete and always gives his all;" Football. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: PA Football News All-Academic Team, Western PA Football Conference Academic All-State, Class Officer, Student Activity Council, SADD, Spanish Club, Tobacco Coalition. College Future: St. Francis of Loretto (Computer Science).

#### BISHOP GUILFOYLE HIGH SCHOOL

#### Jim Sommer

Hometown: Altoona. Parents: Jim and Charlotte Sommer. Position: Linebacker/Split End/Flanker. Coach: Martin Georgiana. Sports: "A natural leader whose attitude makes him stand out;" Football, Baseball. Honors/Activities: National Honor Society, High Honor Roll, National Society of High School Scholars, VP of Student Council, Blood Drive Officer, Volunteer Waly Warmth Program. College Future: Undecided (Civil Engineering).

#### BROOKVILLE AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Joe Galbraith

<u>Hometown</u>: Brookville. <u>Parents</u>: Rick Galbraith and Michelle Skirts. <u>Position</u>: Tailback/Safety. <u>Coach</u>: Chris Dworek. <u>Sports</u>: "Truly special player with incredible vision, intelligence and toughness;" Football (4-year starter, two-time All Conference), Baseball, Basketball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll (Five years), Coach Brookville Youth Flag Football, Church Youth Group, Spanish Club. <u>College Future</u>: Penn State (Engineering).

#### **BUCKTAIL AREA HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Jesse Newlen

Hometown: Renovo. Parents: Jesse and Santina Newlen. Position: Center. Coach: Bruce Ransom. Sports: "Work ethic, leadership skills second to none:" Football (First team All-Conference), Wrestling, Baseball. Honors/Activities: Honor Roll, Volunteer Fireman, Community Renewal Committee, Environmental Club, Sportsman Club. College Future: Juniata or Messiah (Engineering).

#### CAMBRIA HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL

#### Jordan Fees

<u>Hometown</u>: Carrrolltown. <u>Parents</u>: John and Jenny Fees. <u>Position</u>: Quarterback/Safety. <u>Coach</u>: Justin Myers <u>Sports</u>: "Outstanding athletic and leadership quality that is unmatched:" Football, Baseball, Weight Lifting. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll and High Honor Roll, Cambria Heights Academic Banquet, FLBA Treasurer, Student Council, SAAD. <u>College Future</u>: Pitt-Johnstown (Civil Engineering).

#### CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

#### Chris Kurtz

Hometown: Martinsburg. Parents: Doug and Jamie Kurtz. Position: Quarterback/ Cornerback/ Returner. Coach: A. J. Hoenstine. Sports: "Fantastic leader on and off the field and work ethic second to none:" Football, Basketball. Honors/Activities: High Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Youth Camps, Church Youth Group. College Future: Undecided (Pre-Med-Dental).

#### CENTRAL MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL

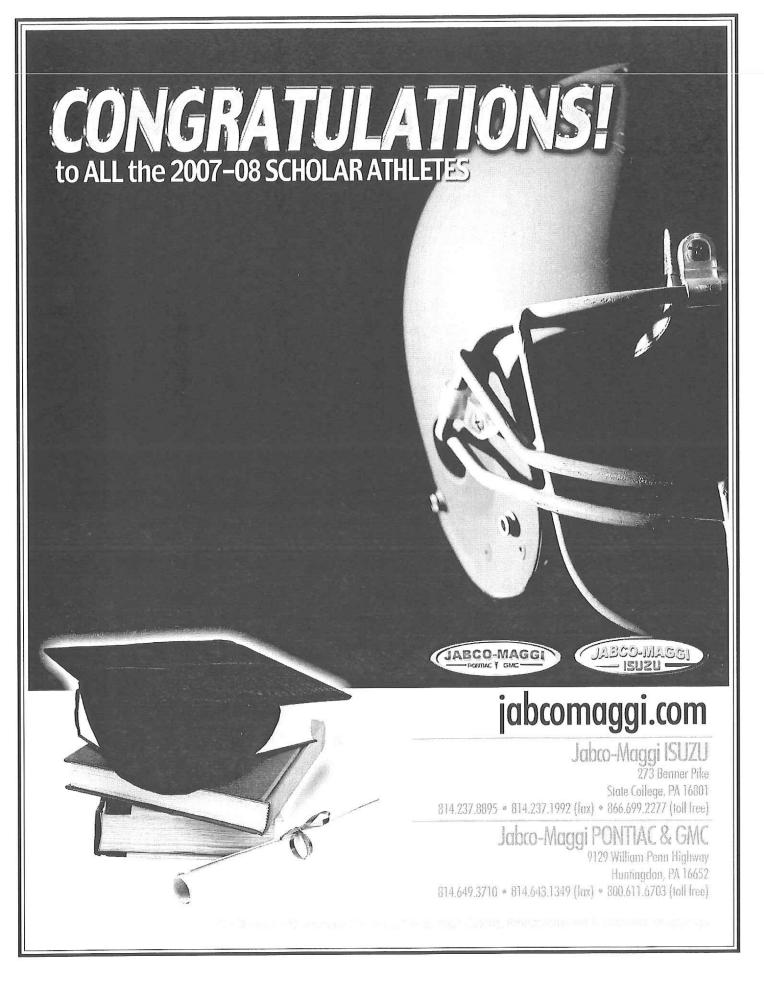
#### Joshua Allen

Hometown: Lock Haven. Parents: Clark and Sherri Allen. Position: Tight End/Defensive end. Coach: Steven Turchetta. Sports: "Great example of student-athlete and leader on field and in classroom;" Football. Honors/Activities: High Honor Roll. National Honor Society, Mountain Athletic Conference Scholar Athlete. Gold Level All-Academic Football Team, Student Council, United Methodist Church. College Future: Penn State (Undecided).

#### CLAYSBURG-KIMMEL HIGH SCHOOL

#### Shane Burkett

Hometown: Imler. Parents: David and Cathy Burkett. Position: Wide Receiver/Cornerback. Coach: Joseph Kitt. Sports: "Remarkable student-athlete who works hard and has a great attitude:" Football, Basketball, Baseball. Honors/Activities: National Honor Society, High Honors, FBLA, Community Service Club, Church Drama Team. College Future: IUP (Anesthesiology).



#### 2008 HIGH SCHOOL AWARD WINNERS

#### **CLEARFIELD AREA HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Justin Karp

Hometown: Hyde. <u>Parents</u>: Dave and Lora Karp. <u>Position</u>: Offensive Guard/Linebacker/ Defensive Line. <u>Coach</u>: Timothy Janocko. <u>Sports</u>: "Outstanding student and solid leader on field and in classroom;" Football, Baseball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: High Honor Roll. <u>College Future</u>: Penn State or Pitt (Civil Engineering).

#### **CURWENSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Derek Johnson

<u>Hometown</u>: Clearfield. <u>Parents</u>: Fred and Becky Johnson. <u>Position</u>: Linebacker. <u>Coach</u>: Andy Evanko. <u>Sports</u>: "Poster boy for dedication and personal sacrifice and commitment to excellence in all endeavors;" Football. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Eagle Scout, President of Lifeguard Club, SAAD, Art Club, Drama Club. <u>College Future</u>: Penn State (Graphic Design).

#### DUBOIS AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Ricky Shenkle

<u>Hometown</u>: DuBois. <u>Parents</u>: Richard and Mia Shenkle. <u>Position</u>: Fullback/Linebacker. <u>Coach</u>: Jason Shilala. <u>Sports</u>: "Absolutely impeccable character coupled with tremendous attitude;" Football (Captain, First Team All District IX linebacker). <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society, "A" Honor Roll, Student of the Week, Student Council, American Red Cross Volunteer, Relay for Life, Physics Club. <u>College Future</u>: IUP (Nursing/Biology).

#### EAST JUNIATA HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Ethan Truitt**

Hometown: McAlisterville. <u>Parents</u>: Ed and Sue Truitt. <u>Position</u>: Quarterback. <u>Coach</u>: Tom Feltman. <u>Sports</u>: "Contribution to team and community is tribute to type of man he has shown to be;" Football (3-year starter, All-League three years), Wrestling, Baseball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll, Senior Class Vice-President, Church Youth Group, Bible School Teacher. College Future: Kutztown (Biology/Ecology).

#### **GLENDALE HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Tyler Thomas

Hometown: Coalport. Parents: Bill and Tilda Thomas. Position: Quarterback/Kicker. Coach: Rick Kozak. Sports: "Gave 100% in practice and game...dedicated;" Football. Honors/Activities: National Honor Society, Honor Roll, Honors Curriculum, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Eagle Scout, Homecoming King, Chorus, Tri-M Music House Society, Environthan, CMA Youth Group. College Future: Juniata (Criminal Justice).

#### HOLLIDAYSBURGAREA HIGH SCHOOL Brad Nocek

Hometown: Hollidaysburg. Parents: Gary and Vikki Nocek. Position: Running Back/ Defensive Back.. Coach: John Barton. Sports: "Incredible work ethic, character, and attitude to join with incredible talent;" Football. Honors/Activities: Honor Roll, Michael Dunn Award (95% GPA or better), TAAD, FBLA, Church Volunteer, Vacation Bible School Instructor. College Future: Undecided (Pre-Med).

#### **HUNTINGDON HIGH SCHOOL**

#### Andrew Young

<u>Hometown</u>: James Creek. <u>Parents</u>: Glenn and Cathy Young. <u>Position</u>: Fullback/Linebacker. <u>Coach</u>: James Zauzig. <u>Sports</u>: "Never had a player more modest, humble, team-oriented, coachable and honest:" Football. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society, High School Youth Group, Varsity Club President, Fitness Club President, Teachers Aide, Church Youth Group Officer, Youth Football League, <u>College Future</u>: Undecided.

#### INDIAN VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

#### Adam Weaver

<u>Hometown</u>: Milroy. <u>Parents</u>: Steve and Brenda Weaver. <u>Position</u>: Offensive and Defensive Lineman. <u>Coach</u>: J. Gawen Stoker. <u>Sports</u>: Football (3-year starter on offense and defense). <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Distinguished Honor Roll, MAFL Academic Achievement Award, YMCA Volunteer Coach, Flag Football Volunteer, Usher Kish Valley Grace Brethren Church. College Future: Undecided.

#### JERSEY SHORE HIGH SCHOOL

#### Christopher Eck

Hometown: Jersey Shore. Parents: Harold and Debra Eck. Position: Linebacker. Coach: Stephen Eck. Sports: "Has a great attitude and was a leader on the field and in the weight room:" Football (led team in tackles). Honors/Activities: Distinguished Honor Roll (Four years), Relay for Life. College Future: Lock Haven (Undecided).

#### JUNIATA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Caleb Parson

Hometown: Port Royal. <u>Parents</u>: Don and Joyce Parson. <u>Position</u>: Offensive End/ Defensive Cornerback. <u>Coach</u>: Gary Klingensmith. <u>Sports</u>: "Led by example by being extremely hard worker on and off the field;" Football (3-year starter, All Twin-Valley Conference); Track, Wrestling, Baseball, Basketball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society, Distinguished Honor Roll, Church Youth Group, March for Life. <u>College Future</u>: Undecided (Psychology).

#### JUNIATA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

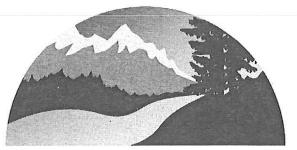
#### Terry Musser

Hometown: Petersburg. Parents: Todd and Cheryl Musser. Position: Tight End/Defensive End/Linebcker/Punter. Coach: Mike Smith. Sports: "Has helped our team in so many ways:" Football (Two years ICC League All-Stars), Baseball, Ski Club. Honors/Activities: Class Officer, Select Chorus. Volunteer for Angel Food Ministries. College Future: Westminster (Liberal Arts).

#### LEWISTOWN AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Sean Heckert

<u>Hometown</u>: Lewistown. <u>Parents</u>: Brian Heckert and Kelly McCoy-Bachman. <u>Position</u>: Receiver/ Defensive Back. <u>Coach</u>: Allen Muir. <u>Sports</u>: "Exceptional athlete with great work ethic and attitude;" Football, Baseball. <u>Honors /Activities</u>: Distinguished Honor Roll, National Honor Society, Tobacco Busters. <u>College Future</u>: Undecided (Undecided).



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#### MOSHANNON VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

#### Chad Moyer

Hometown: Houtzdale. <u>Parents</u>: William and Pamela Moyer. <u>Position</u>: Offensive Line. <u>Coach</u>: Murray Fetzer. <u>Sports</u>: "Displayed leadership qualities on the field and maintained 2<sup>nd</sup> ranking in senior class;" Football (First Team Inter-County Conference), Basketball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society - President, Distinguished Honors, Boy Scouts, Drama Club, Christ the King Church, American Cancer Society. <u>College Future</u>: IUP (Computer Science).

#### MOUNT UNION HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Devon Smith**

<u>Hometown</u>: Mount Union. <u>Parents</u>: James Smith and Shawnee Rupert. <u>Position</u>: Flanker/ Cornerback. <u>Coach</u>: Dave Hummel. <u>Sports</u>: "Great work ethic on and off the playing field and gives 100 % at all times;" Football, Wrestling, Track. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll and Distinguished Honor Student (4<sup>th</sup> Quarter), SADD, Powersource, Looking Out. <u>College Future</u>: Pitt-Johnstown (Wildlife Biology).

#### PENN CAMBRIA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Michael Biglin

<u>Hometown</u>: Cresson. <u>Parents</u>: Mike Biglin and Renee Dorman. <u>Position</u>: Wideout/Safety. <u>Coach</u>: Ernie Fetzer. <u>Sports</u>: "Work ethics...demeanor, attitude and politeness towards others is outstanding;" Football, <u>Baseball</u>. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: Honor Roll, Student of Month, SADD. <u>College Future</u>: Pitt ( Pre-Med).

#### PENNS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

#### Eric Herrold

J.D. Mason

Hometown: Spring Mills. Parents: Robert and Janet Herrold. Position: Linebacker/ Tight End. Coach: Martin Tobias. Sports: "Dedicated, motivated, hard work and a pleasure to coach;" Football (3-year starter, MAFC and ICC First Team All Star), Wrestling, Baseball. Honors/ Activities: National Honor Society, Honor Roll, Varsity Club President, Relay for Life, PTG Elementary Carnival Volunteer. College Future: Penn State (Criminal Justice).

#### PHILIPSBURG-OSCEOLA HIGH SCHOOL

<u>Hometown</u>: Philipsburg. <u>Parents</u>: David and Susan Mason. <u>Position</u>: Split End/ Defensive Back. <u>Coach</u>: Jeff Vroman. <u>Sports</u>: "Outstanding athlete as well as student and citizen off the field;" Football, Basketball. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society - Secretary, Honor Roll, Key Club, Day of Caring, Volunteer at Moshannon Valley "YMCA, Angel Food Ministries, Navasky Foundation for Life, American Cancer Society. College Future: Penn State (Engineering or Business).

#### PUNXSUTAWNEY HIGH SCHOOL

#### **Austin Furman**

<u>Hometown:</u> Punxsutawney. <u>Parents:</u> Dan and Traci Furman. <u>Position:</u> Wide Receiver/Free Safety. <u>Coach:</u> C. Blake Moilan. <u>Sports:</u> "As talented as he was on the field, he is even more outstanding off the field;" Football (3-year starter, Captain). <u>Honors/Activities:</u> National Honor Society, High Honors, IUP Dual Enrollment Courses, Lions Club Diabetes Awareness Fundraiser, Church Youth Group, Salvation Army Bell Ringer. College Future: Undecided.

#### STATE COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

#### Andrew Sharp

Hometown: State College. <u>Parents</u>: Jeff and Marsha Sharp. <u>Position</u>: Linebacker. <u>Coach</u>: Albert Wolski. <u>Sports</u>: "Accepted his leadership role and excelled in this area on and off the field;" Football (Captain, First-Team All Mid-Penn Conference). <u>Honors/Activities</u>: High Honor Roll, Power of the Paws Award, Punt/Pass/Kick Volunteer, Second Mile Volunteer, Film Making. College Future: United States Naval Academy.

#### TYRONE AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### John Franco

Hometown: Tyrone. Parents: John and Sue Franco. Position: Running Back/ Defensive Back. Coach: John Franco. Sports: "An outstanding team leader:" Football (3-year starter, captain, All-State junior year): Basketball, Track. Honors/Activities: High Honor Roll (every semester), PSU-Altoona Dual Enrollment, Volunteer Community Outreach, Special Olympics, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish. College Future: Undecided.

#### WEST BRANCH AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Nicholas Coble

Hometown: Frenchville. <u>Parents:</u> Gerald and Laura Coble. <u>Position:</u> Center/Defensive Tackle. <u>Coach:</u> Chad Koleno. <u>Sports:</u> "Applies himself to his utmost ability on and off field:" Football (3-year starter, Captain, All ICC Offense), Baseball. <u>Honors/Activities:</u> National Honor Society, High Honor Roll, Who's Who Among American High School Students, President's Award for Educational Excellence <u>College Future:</u> Penn State (Communications).

#### WILLIAMBURG HIGH SCHOOL

#### Mitchell Yeager

Hometown: Williamsburg. Parents: Clay and Kathy Yeager. Position: Quarterback. Coach: Richard Baronner. Sports: "Work ethic was unmatched and his ability showed on the field;" Football (First Team Inter County Conference Mountain Division), Basketball. Honors/Activities: Honor Roll, Whitney Wyland Award, Student Council, Vice President Senior Class, FFA, Church Youth Group. College Future: Undecided (Physical Education).

#### WILLIAMSPORT AREA HIGH SCHOOL

#### Jordan Freezer

<u>Hometown</u>: Cogan Station. <u>Parents</u>: Harley and Roxann Freezer. <u>Position</u>: Offensive-Defensive Lineman. <u>Coach</u>: Thomas Gravish. <u>Sports</u>: "Extremely hard worker who is a positive representation of his family, team, school and community;" Football. <u>Honors/Activities</u>: National Honor Society, Honor Roll, Key Club, International Club. <u>College Future</u>: Pennsylvania College of Technology (Graphic Communications).

#### 2007-08 COLLEGE AWARD WINNERS

#### Tyler Payne, Juniata College

Tyler is the son of Tim and Cynthia Payne of Mansfield, PA. He excelled in football and baseball for North Penn High School before graduating from Mansfield High. Tyler was twice named defensive player of the year by the *Williamsport Sun Gazette*. At Juniata Tyler became a contributor early in his career. He earned time on both special teams and defense before solidifying a starting position as a junior. Prior to his senior campaign Tyler moved from linebacker to the defensive line. This move and a strong work ethic led to his most productive season at Juniata in 2007. Tyler is dedicated off the field as well. He has been involved with the PRIDE telethon and many other community service projects. He is working toward a degree in environmental science with a 3.5 GPA. His future plans include attending Penn State University to pursue a degree in civil engineering.

#### Corey Gildea, Lock Haven University

Corey is the son of Tim and Lori Gildea of Hollidaysburg, PA and the 2<sup>nd</sup> of five children. Corey is a 2004 graduate of Hollidaysburg Area High School where he played football for Coach John Barton. In addition to football, Corey played for the Hollidaysburg High School basketball team. While at Lock Haven, Corey was a four year starter and letter winner. His freshman year he started as a safety and was awarded the Dr. Ted Lyon's Outstanding Freshman Award. Corey moved to outside linebacker midway through his junior season. Corey was voted a team captain his senior season and led the team in tackles with 100 which ranked him third in the PSAC. While Corey made strong contributions to Lock Haven football he was also successful in the classroom. Corey's current GPA is a 3.3 and plans to graduate from Lock Haven in May 2008 with a degree in Sports Medicine. After college he plans to attain his master's in exercise science and work as an athletic trainer. In the future, Corey would like to teach in a college setting.

#### Jason Ganter, Penn State University

Jason Ganter just completed his fifth year as a member of Penn State's Nationally Ranked Defense. He spent his entire career playing safety, but made his mark as a special teams standout. He participated as a member of the kickoff, punt and punt return teams and also did a stint as the holder on field goals and extra points. Jason's five years of hard work paid off during the 2007 season when he earned the opportunity to see more regular playing time for the Nittany Lions. Playing in every game, he recorded a career-high four stops in the shutout win at Temple, two solo hits each against Michigan State and Florida International and one solo stop in the Senior Day win over Purdue. Ganter's legacy within the Penn State Football Program extends far beyond the football field. Jason has served the last three years as the football team's liaison for the Penn State Dance Marathon's Make a Wish Program, arranging for his teammates to fulfill a group of "Thon Kids" wish to spend an afternoon with a Penn State football player. The past two years, he has also represented his teammates as a lead organizer of the "Penn State Uplifting Athletes Lift for Life." Every July for the past five years, more than 80 members of the team have organized and competed in an 11-event strength and conditioning challenge to raise awareness and funds for the Kidney Cancer Association. More than \$135,000 has been raised the past two years, including a record total in excess of \$75,000 this past July in front of a record 3,000-plus fans, family and friends in Holuba Hall.Ganter has spent his entire life as a member of the Penn State Football Family. He is one of four sons of Fran Ganter who, after serving 33 years as a Nittany Lion Assistant Football Coach, is now in his fourth year as Penn State's Associate Athletic Director for Football. One of Jason's older brothers, Chris, played quarterback for the Lions for 2001-2004. Another older brother, Jonathan, a 1998 Central Pennsylvania Chapter National Football Foundation Scholarship recipient, played football at Princeton and a younger brother, Ben, is presently a sophomore quarterback at Cornell. Ganter was selected Academic All-Big Ten for the fourth consecutive season in 2007 and earned his degree in economics in December. He was also recently chosen by his coaches as the recipient of the teams' prestigious OutstandingWalk-On Award, presented annually to the player who best exemplifies total commitment, loyalty, hard work and courage.

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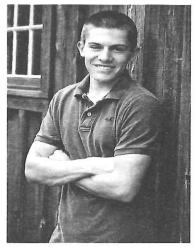
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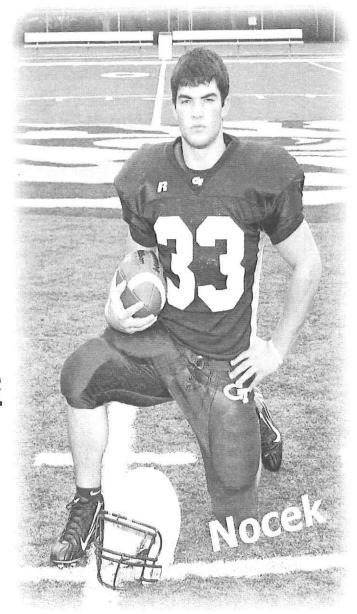


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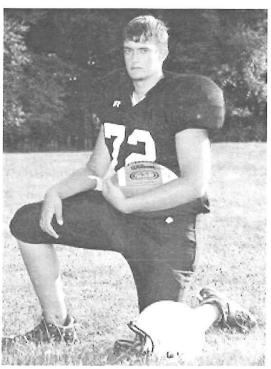


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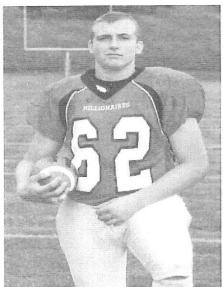
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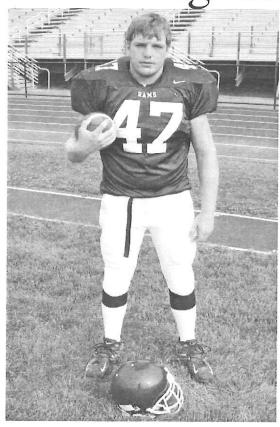
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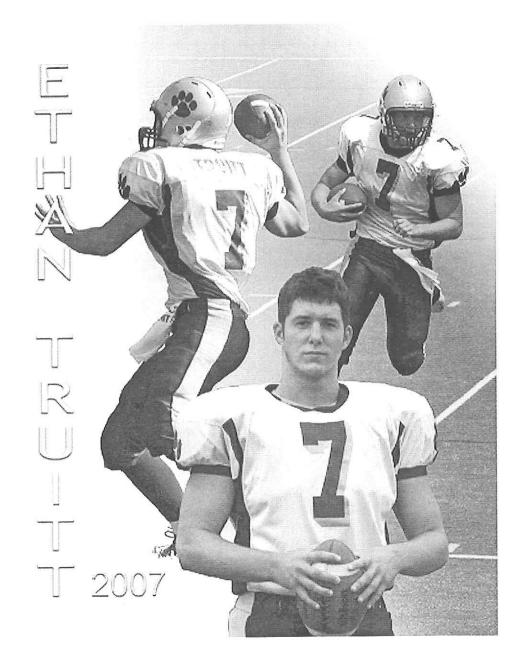
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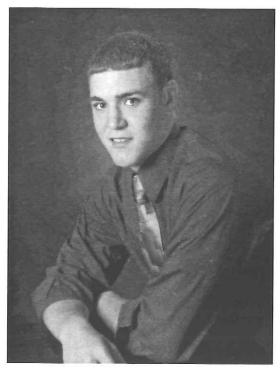
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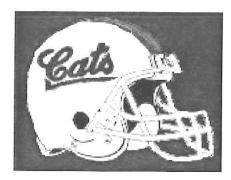
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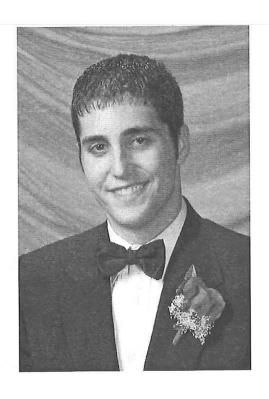
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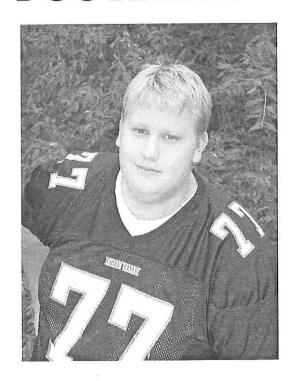
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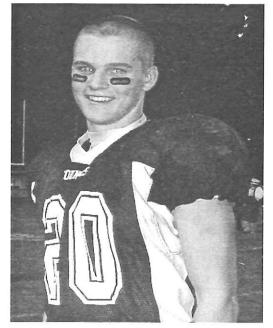
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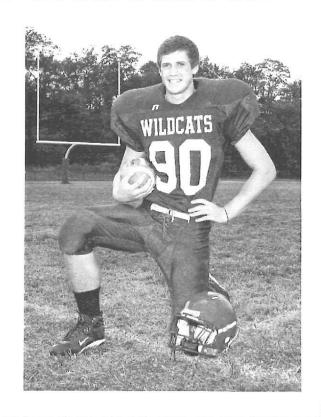
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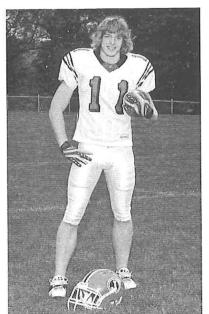
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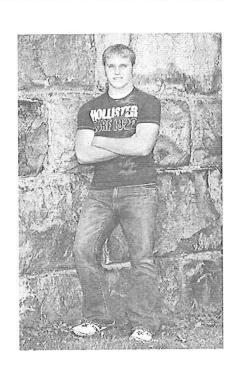


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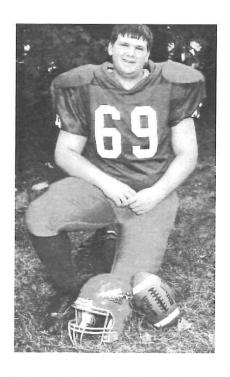
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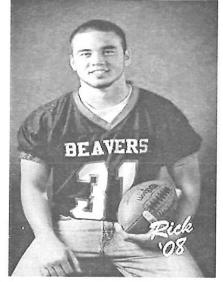
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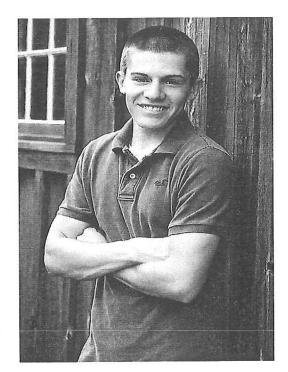
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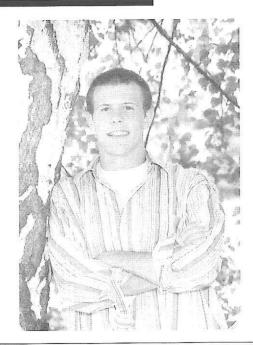


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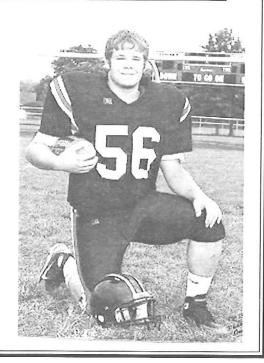


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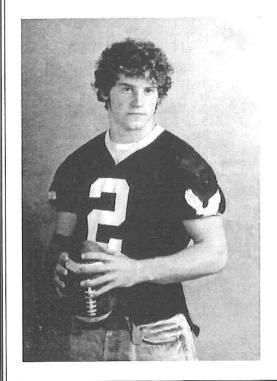
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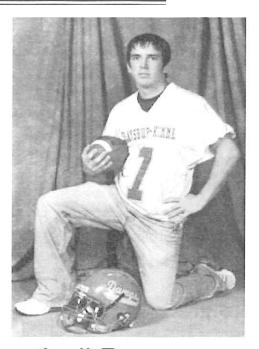
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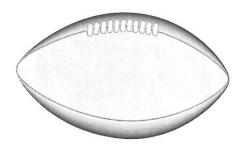
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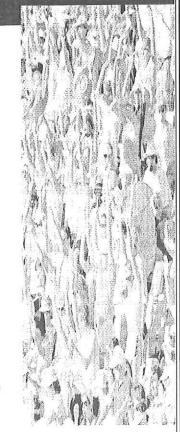
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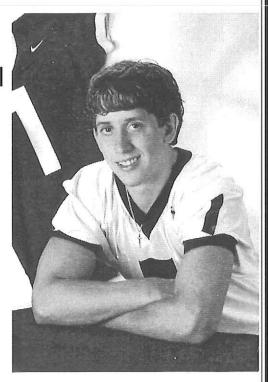
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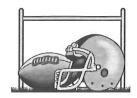


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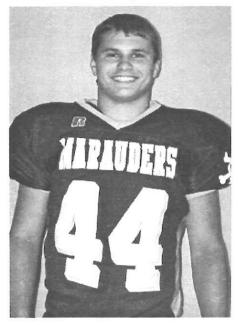


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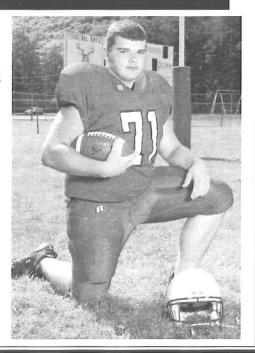
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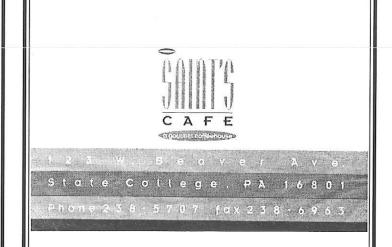




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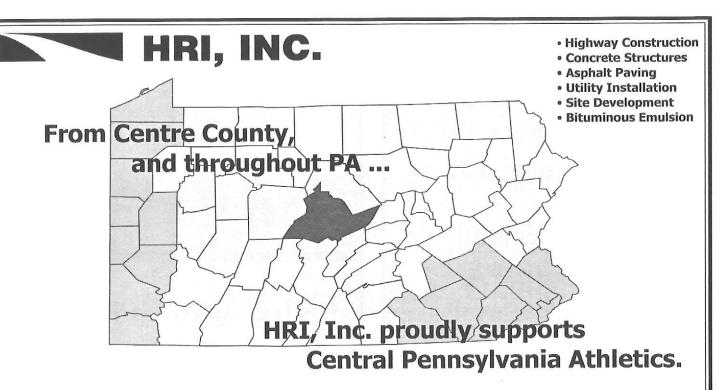
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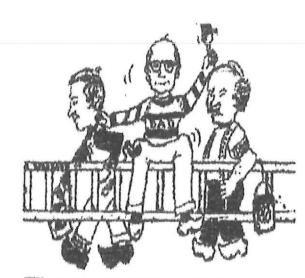
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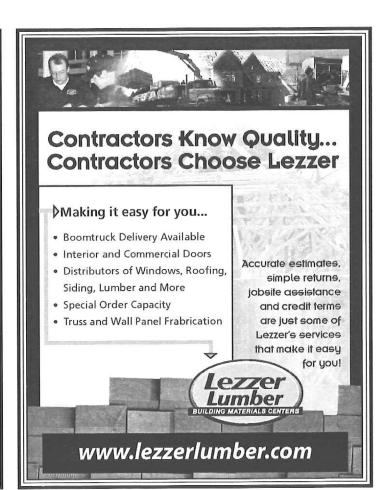
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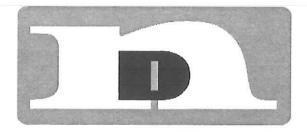
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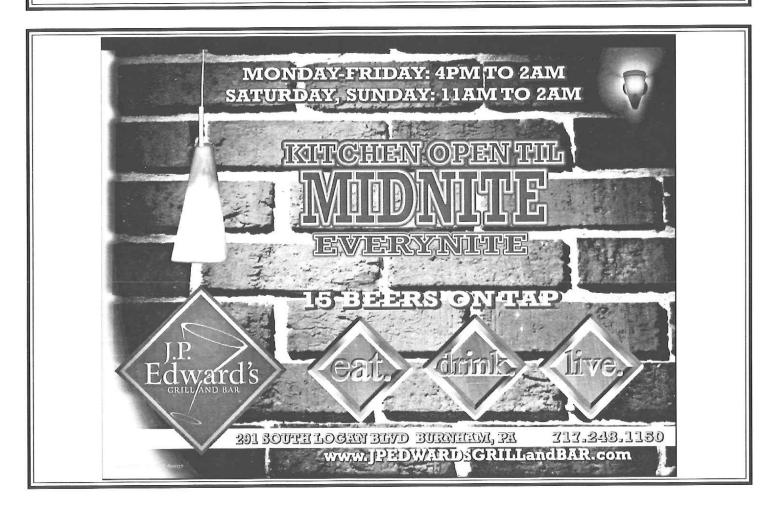




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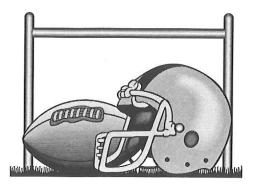
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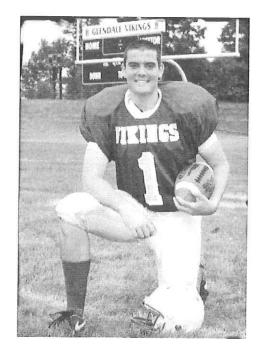
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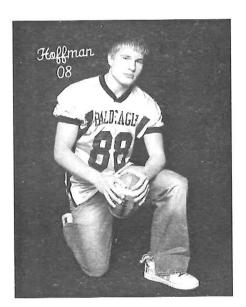


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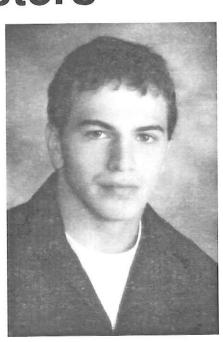
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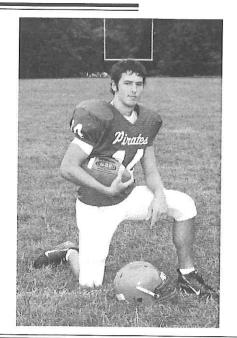


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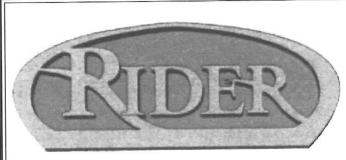
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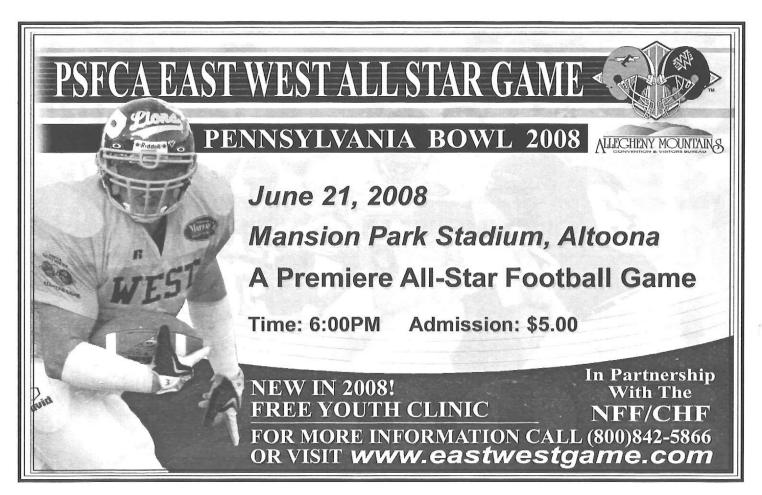
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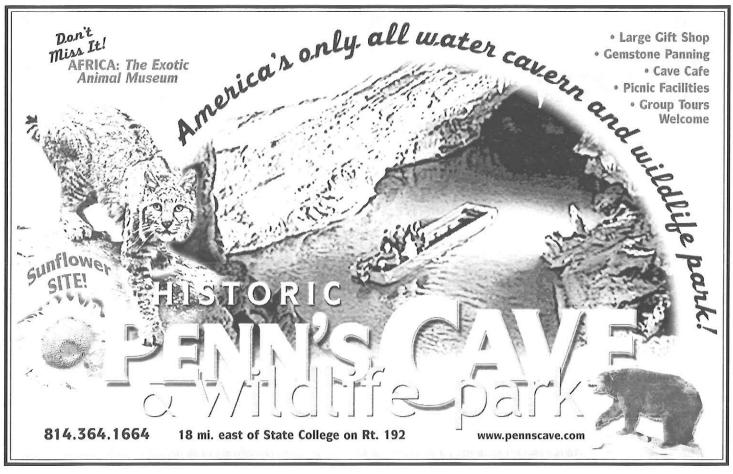
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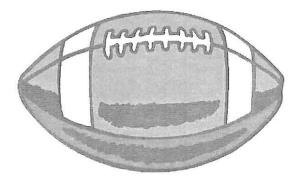
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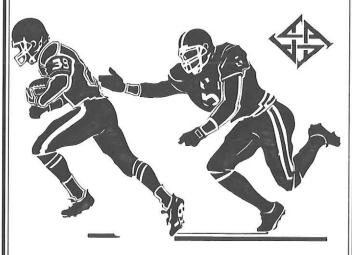
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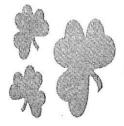
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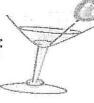
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