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The standard is the standard

Coming off 6-win season, Dobran and his Spartans aren't satisfied

By **BOB ETINGER**
For the Star Beacon

CONNEAUT — Conneaut football coach Rocco Dobran had a philosophy he wanted the Spartans to live by when he took over the program. He has held his troops to that standard ever since. Following a 6-4 breakthrough season in 2013, he wants his team to continue to live by that standard.

"First, we just have to continue doing what we are doing," he said. "We are following the same philosophy as when I first came here — Faith, Family, Education, then Football."

"When it comes to football, we have to maintain a great and enthusiastic attitude and give great effort at all times. Now, as a team, we have to be able to handle success, remember all the work it took to get where we are and to never be satisfied."

In order to build on the momentum of 2013, starting strong is important.

"(A good start is) extremely important, just for the confidence factor alone," Dobran said. "A lot of time and effort goes into the offseason, and it's a great thing when the players can see positive results of their hard work."

Winning at home will have its bonuses, but whether or not the Spartans are at Sparc or on the road, they just want that W.

"It is always fun to win at home because of the crowd support and the community support," Dobran said. "So many amazing people and businesses are very generous to the football program and are a big reason for the success of the program. It is always nice to win at home for these supportive community members. As far as the team goes, home or away doesn't matter, we want to win!"

Dobran lost 10 seniors from last season's team, but should be in good shape in 2014. He has guys who are willing to step in and take over.

"As always, the seniors will be missed, but this year's returning seniors showed great leadership as soon as summer workouts started," Dobran said. "Our three captains, Brian Duris, Troy Colucci and J.J. Lower were a clear choice by the team and all three will be four-year letterwinners. As leaders, they have all done a fantastic job so far."

"Brian is and has always been a great vocal leader. J.J. has a more quiet personality, but is a great leader by example, and Troy, being



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TROY COLUCCI will the Conneaut Spartans offense this season. While Alex Gerdes (below) hopes to be a key contributor, as well.

our quarterback, has done a great job leading in all areas on the field. He is vocal, works extremely hard and gets other players to stay after practice and work extra with him."

The success of a year ago had benefits that are still helping the Spartans. A team that was hurt by injuries in recent seasons and lacking depth usually hit a brick wall because of low numbers. Despite losing just less than a third of his program to graduation, Dobran's team is growing in terms of numbers.

"It is great having the numbers that we have right now," Dobran said. "It is great for the future of the program and for depth this year. We actually have upperclassman backups in almost every skilled position."

"We do have a good number of first-time juniors and seniors, but they are learning quickly and fitting well into the system. This also helps the quality of practice. Everyday our defensive backs and wide receivers are going one on one against each other, which will make them all better."

"Our freshman and young guys are practicing against each other and showing great improvement instead of getting demolished by the upperclassman like they have in the past years because of lack of numbers."

One of the players back for Dobran is



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MOST POINTS SCORED

(1940-2013)

RK	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1	71-0	at Riverside	Nov. 9, 1956
2	62-0	St. John	Sept. 9, 1989
3	57-13	Mercyhurst Prep, Pa.	Aug. 29, 2003
4	53-0	Hubbard	Nov. 17, 1954
4	52-0	Edinboro, Pa.	Oct. 19, 1940
6	51-13	Riverside	Nov. 11, 1955
7	50-6	Millcreek, Pa.	Nov. 2, 1951
7	50-6	Geneva	Sept. 19, 2003
9	48-6	PV	Sept. 21, 2001
9	47-0	Aashtabula	Oct. 31, 1941
9	47-16	Geneva	Oct. 13, 2000
■ Games of 40-49 points — 20.			
■ Games of 50-59 points — 6.			
■ Games of 60-plus points — 1.			
■ Games of 70-plus points — 1.			

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	at Grand Valley	Won	28-13
Sept. 6	at Champion	Lost	36-19
Sept. 13	Geneva	Lost	56-13
Sept. 20	Ledgemont	Won	36-7
Sept. 27	Pymatuning Valley	Won	41-14
Oct. 4	Cleveland Knights	Won	35-14
Oct. 11	Gilmour Academy	Lost	42-12
Oct. 18	at Brookfield	Lost	14-8
Oct. 25	at Edgewood	Won	21-20
Nov. 1	Jefferson	Won	28-19
■ Overall — 6-4 (.600)			
■ Conference — None — Independent			
■ Home — 4-2 (.667)			
■ Away — 2-2 (.500)			
■ Points scored / average — 240 (24.0)			
■ Points allowed / average — 235 (23.5)			
■ Points differential / average — +5 (+0.5)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 30	Grand Valley	Won, 28-13	1-5
Sept. 6	Champion	Lost, 36-19	1-7
Sept. 13	at Geneva	Lost, 56-13	51-53-6
Sept. 20	at Ledgemont	Won, 36-7	3-3
Sept. 27	at PV	Won, 41-14	9-7
Oct. 4	Port Clinton	DNP	0-0
Oct. 11	at Gilmour Acad.	Lost, 42-12	0-7
Oct. 17	Brookfield	Lost, 14-8	2-14
Oct. 24	Edgewood (WFUN)	Won, 21-20	27-22
Oct. 31	at Chalker	DNP	N/A

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2014 WEEK BY WEEK SCHEDULE

(all games kick off at 7, unless noted)

THURSDAY, AUG. 28

■ Youngstown East at Lakeside

FRIDAY, AUG. 29

■ Grand Valley at Conneaut (WFUN)
 ■ Edgewood at Geneva
 ■ Sharon, Pa. at Jefferson
 ■ St. John at Mathews
 ■ Pymatuning Valley at Newbury
 ■ Chagrin Falls at Madison
 ■ Perry at Riverside

FRIDAY, SEPT. 5

■ Brush at Lakeside
 ■ Champion at Conneaut
 ■ Geneva at Perry
 ■ Jefferson at Edgewood (WFUN)
 ■ Newbury at St. John (at Spire)
 ■ Grand Valley at Kirtland
 ■ Pymatuning Valley at Cardinal
 ■ Pickering Ontario at Madison
 ■ Riverside at West Geauga

FRIDAY, SEPT. 12

■ Lakeside at Jefferson
 ■ Conneaut at Geneva (WFUN)
 ■ Kirtland at Edgewood
 ■ St. John at Leetonia
 ■ Berkshire at Grand Valley
 ■ LaBrae at Pymatuning Valley
 ■ Perry at Madison
 ■ Riverside at Harvey

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19

■ Lakeside at Riverside
 ■ Conneaut at Ledgemont
 ■ Geneva at South
 ■ Pymatuning Valley at Edgewood (HC) (WFUN)
 ■ Jefferson at LaBrae
 ■ Grand Valley at Newbury
 ■ University at Madison
 ■ Orange at Perry
 ■ St. John is open

FRIDAY, SEPT. 26

■ Lakeside at Geneva (WFUN)
 ■ Conneaut at Pymatuning Valley (HC)



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TONY HASSETT, Geneva football coach and his Eagles will host county rival Edgewood in Week 1 at Spire to open their 2014 season.

■ Edgewood at Ledgemont
 ■ Campbell Memorial at Jefferson
 ■ St. John at Open Door
 ■ Chardon at Madison
 ■ Perry at West Geauga
 ■ Riverside at North

SATURDAY, SEPT. 27

■ Grand Valley at Gilmour Academy (1)

FRIDAY, OCT. 3

■ University at Lakeside
 ■ Geneva at Riverside (HC)
 ■ The Linsly School at Edgewood
 ■ Jefferson at Liberty

■ Toronto (Ohio) at St. John (at Spire) (WFUN)
 ■ Chalker at Grand Valley
 ■ Windham at Pymatuning Valley
 ■ Madison at North
 ■ Harvey at Perry (HC)

SATURDAY, OCT. 4

■ Port Clinton at Conneaut (1)

FRIDAY, OCT. 10

■ North at Lakeside (WFUN)
 ■ Geneva at Chardon
 ■ Edgewood at Brookfield
 ■ New Day at St. John (at Spire)
 ■ Newton Falls at Jefferson (HC)
 ■ Ledgemont at Grand Valley

(HC)

■ Chalker at Pymatuning Valley
 ■ South at Madison
 ■ Perry at Kenston

SATURDAY, OCT. 11

■ Conneaut at Gilmour Academy (1)
 ■ Riverside at University (1)

THURSDAY, OCT. 16

■ Madison at Geneva (WFUN)

FRIDAY, OCT. 17

■ Lakeside at South
 ■ Brookfield at Conneaut
 ■ Jefferson at Lakeview
 ■ Chalker at St. John (at Spire)
 ■ Mathews at Grand Valley
 ■ Pymatuning Valley at Ledgemont
 ■ Perry at Aurora
 ■ Chardon at Riverside

SATURDAY, OCT. 18

■ Edgewood at Gilmour Academy (1)

FRIDAY, OCT. 24

■ Lakeside at Madison
 ■ Edgewood at Conneaut (WFUN)
 ■ North at Geneva
 ■ Champion at Jefferson
 ■ Grand Valley at Pymatuning Valley
 ■ Perry at Wickliffe
 ■ Riverside at South
 ■ St. John is open

FRIDAY, OCT. 31

■ Chardon at Lakeside (WFUN)
 ■ Conneaut at Chalker
 ■ Youngstown East at Edgewood
 ■ Jefferson at Girard
 ■ St. John at Fairport
 ■ Windham at Grand Valley
 ■ Pymatuning Valley at Mathews
 ■ Madison at Riverside
 ■ Chagrin Falls at Perry

SATURDAY, NOV. 1

■ Geneva at University (1)

2013 SEASON RESULTS

WEEK 1

Thursday, Aug. 29
 ■ Niles McKinley 38, Girard 19
 ■ Struthers 39, Campbell Memorial 5
 ■ Newton Falls 55, Rootstown 7
Friday, Aug. 30
 ■ Lakeside 13, Youngstown East 12
 ■ Conneaut 28, Grand Valley 13
 ■ Geneva 25, Edgewood 13
 ■ LaBrae 15, Jefferson 14
 ■ PV 32, Berkshire 24
 ■ Chagrin Falls 27, Madison 21
 ■ Perry 22, Riverside 8
 ■ Aurora 20, Twinsburg 13
 ■ Solon 48, Kenston 21
 ■ Orange 24, bay 26
 ■ Wickliffe 42, Richmond Heights 20
 ■ Harvey 47, Whitney Young 0
 ■ Mineral Ridge 30, Fairport 18
 ■ Kirtland 62, North 7
 ■ Garfield 19, Cardinal 15
 ■ Mathews 40, Newbury 6
 ■ West Geauga 20, Chardon 15
 ■ Salem 27, Liberty 25
 ■ Hubbard 49, Lakeview 12
 ■ Streetsboro 40, Champion 7
 ■ South 35, NDCL 21
 ■ Trinity 46, Ledgemont 14
 ■ Sebring McKinley 29, Windham 27
Saturday, Aug. 31
 ■ Shaker Heights 54, University 27
 ■ Chalker 21, Jackson-Milton 19

WEEK 2

Friday, Sept. 6
 ■ Jefferson 26, Edgewood 12
 ■ Perry 34, Geneva 27
 ■ Brush 49, Lakeside 0
 ■ Champion 36, Conneaut 19
 ■ Cardinal 36, PV 20
 ■ Kirtland 61, Grand Valley 14
 ■ Madison 53, Collinwood 0
 ■ West Geauga 48, Riverside 29
 ■ Ledgemont 42, Newbury 6
 ■ Lowellville 49, Windham 12
 ■ Sebring McKinley 32, Chalker 13
 ■ Mathews 35, East Palestine 27
 ■ Martins Ferry 36, Wickliffe

26
 ■ Harvey 34, Fairport 8
 ■ Aurora 41, Ravenna 14
 ■ NDCL 16, Chagrin Falls 6
 ■ Kenston 31, Chardon 21
 ■ Liberty 42, Niles McKinley 33
 ■ Struthers 35, Lakeview 14
 ■ Hubbard 28, Girard 26
 ■ South Range 21, Campbell Memorial 7
 ■ Newton Falls 46, Brookfield 0
 ■ South 42, Mayfield 41, OT
 ■ Medina 56, North 7
 ■ Bedford 33, University 0
Saturday, Sept. 7
 ■ Orange 60, Beachwood 50
 ■ Gilmour Academy 49, Berkshire 7

WEEK 3

Thursday, Sept. 12
 ■ Aurora 35, Revere 2
 ■ Orange 35, CVCA 34
Friday, Sept. 13
 ■ Lakeside 25, Jefferson 0
 ■ Geneva 56, Conneaut 13
 ■ Madison 34, Perry 6
 ■ Kirtland 62, Edgewood 7
 ■ Berkshire 21, Grand Valley 14
 ■ LaBrae 21, Pymatuning Valley 14
 ■ Riverside 42, Harvey 13
 ■ Newbury 33, St. John 14
 ■ Cardinal 34, Ledgemont 3
 ■ Jackson-Milton 21, Windham 13
 ■ Chalker 29, Waterloo 13
 ■ Leetonia 33, Mathews 16
 ■ Wickliffe 61, Brooklyn 28
 ■ Chagrin Falls 28, Wooster 15
 ■ Toronto 34, Fairport 14
 ■ Padua 35, West Geauga 34
 ■ Crestview 34, Liberty 26
 ■ Howland 16, Lakeview 6
 ■ Champion 49, Garfield 19
 ■ Brookfield 10, Campbell Memorial 6
 ■ Norton 35, Newton Falls 6
 ■ Garfield Heights 43, North 7
 ■ Chardon 50, John Adams 32
 ■ NDCL 40, University 6
 ■ South 37, Solon 29
 ■ Kenston 23, Brush 22
Saturday, Sept. 14
 ■ Girard 27, Warren JFK 26

WEEK 4

Friday, Sept. 20
 ■ Riverside 44, Lakeside 26
 ■ Conneaut 36, Ledgemont 7

■ South 34, Geneva 14
 ■ Edgewood 55, Pymatuning Valley 12
 ■ NDCL Memorial 20, Jefferson 19
 ■ Kenston 47, Wickliffe 18
 ■ West Geauga 48, Harvey 13
 ■ Aurora 14, Chagrin Falls 13
 ■ Cuyahoga Heights 42, Fairport 6
 ■ Kirtland 56, Newbury 0
 ■ Berkshire 50, Hawken 42
 ■ Liberty 29, LaBrae 6
 ■ Lakeview 36, Champion 28
 ■ Girard 47, Newton Falls 7
 ■ Chardon 35, North 0
 ■ Chalker 34, Open Door Christian 0
Saturday, Sept. 21
 ■ Madison 30, University School 10
 ■ Perry 56, Orange 35
 ■ Youngstown Christian 40, Grand Valley 28

WEEK 5

Friday, Sept. 27
 ■ Geneva 49, Lakeside 6
 ■ Conneaut 41, Pymatuning Valley 14
 ■ Edgewood 63, Ledgemont 20
 ■ Liberty 16, Jefferson 14
 ■ Gilmour Academy 34, Grand Valley 6
 ■ Madison 43, Chardon 26
 ■ West Geauga 25, Perry 15
 ■ Riverside 55, North 21
 ■ Lucas 35, Mathews 13
 ■ Wickliffe 46, Harvey 27
 ■ Chagrin Falls 14, Kenston 7
 ■ Independence 42, Fairport 12
 ■ Kirtland 41, Cuyahoga Heights 14
 ■ Cardinal 40, Richmond Heights 0
 ■ Hawken 60, Newbury 8
 ■ Lakeview 42, Girard 35
 ■ Champion 56, Newton Falls 8
 ■ LaBrae 31, Campbell Memorial 28
 ■ South 49, University 7
 ■ Aurora 58, Orange 28
Saturday, Sept. 28
 ■ Beachwood 57, Berkshire 6
 ■ Windham 39, Lutheran East 12
 ■ Trinity 49, Chalker 6

WEEK 6

Friday, Oct. 4

■ Conneaut 35, Cleveland Knights 14
 ■ Riverside 42, Geneva 12
 ■ Edgewood 31, Beaver Local 10
 ■ Jefferson 52, Newton Falls 18
 ■ Grand Valley 39, Chalker 20
 ■ Pymatuning Valley 38, Windham 12
 ■ Madison 41, North 7
 ■ Perry 44, Harvey 24
 ■ Chardon 14, South 7
 ■ Mathews 20, Ledgemont 7
 ■ Chagrin Falls 34, Wickliffe 0
 ■ Berkshire 34, Fairport 0
 ■ Kirtland 63, Cardinal 20
 ■ Richmond Heights 54, Newbury 6
 ■ West Geauga 35, Aurora 28
 ■ Liberty 41, Campbell Memorial 15
 ■ Lakeview 24, LaBrae 7
 ■ Girard 56, Champion 34
 ■ Kenston 76, Orange 48
Saturday, Oct. 5
 ■ University School 30, Lakeside 20

WEEK 7

Friday, Oct. 11
 ■ Lakeside 33, North 7
 ■ Gilmour Academy 42, Conneaut 12
 ■ Chardon 44, Geneva 27
 ■ Brookfield 20, Edgewood 6
 ■ Lakeview 34, Jefferson 13
 ■ Grand Valley 56, Windham 40
 ■ Pymatuning Valley 52, Mathews 27
 ■ South 48, Madison 24
 ■ Kenston 19, Perry 15
 ■ Riverside 40, University 35
 ■ Chalker 35, Ledgemont 14
 ■ Aurora 61, Wickliffe 7
 ■ Chagrin Falls 55, Harvey 20
 ■ Kirtland 66, Fairport 0
 ■ Cuyahoga Heights 41, Berkshires 14
 ■ Cardinal 61, Newbury 0
 ■ West Geauga 49, Orange 28
 ■ Liberty 40, Girard 39
 ■ Campbell Memorial 21, Champion 12
 ■ LaBrae 37, Newton Falls 7

WEEK 8

Thursday, Oct. 17
 ■ Madison 30, Geneva 0
Friday, Oct. 18
 ■ South 45, Lakeside 7
 ■ Brookfield 14, Conneaut 8

■ Gilmour Academy 49, Edgewood 19
 ■ Jefferson 14, Champion 10
 ■ Grand Valley 22, Pymatuning Valley 16
 ■ Aurora 28, Perry 3
 ■ Riverside 26, Chardon 22
 ■ Windham 26, Ledgemont 25
 ■ Chalker 30, Mathews 27
 ■ Orange 56, Wickliffe 53
 ■ Kenston 49, Harvey 14
 ■ Chagrin Falls 22, West Geauga 20
 ■ Cardinal 48, Fairport 12
 ■ Kirtland 54, Berkshire 0
 ■ Independence 48, Newbury 12
 ■ Liberty 62, Newton Falls 6
 ■ Lakeview 45, Campbell Memorial 13
 ■ Girard 59, LaBrae 21
Saturday, Oct. 19
 ■ North 21, University 18

WEEK 9

Friday, Oct. 25
 ■ Madison 37, Lakeside 0
 ■ Conneaut 21, Edgewood 20
 ■ Geneva 40, North 6
 ■ Girard 55, Jefferson 13
 ■ Grand Valley 22, Mathews 20
 ■ Pymatuning Valley 18, Ledgemont 6
 ■ Perry 53, Wickliffe 8
 ■ Riverside 39, South 22
 ■ Windham 28, Chalker 27
 ■ Chagrin Falls 63, Orange 13
 ■ Kirtland 42, Beachwood 12
 ■ Berkshire 28, Newbury 0
 ■ Richmond Heights 20, Fairport 0
 ■ Aurora 38, Harvey 0
 ■ Hawken 46, Cardinal 22
 ■ Kenston 38, West Geauga 24
 ■ Lakeview 33, Liberty 6
 ■ LaBrae 14, Champion 6
 ■ Campbell Memorial 46, Newton Falls 20
 ■ Chagrin Falls 63, Orange 13
Saturday, Oct. 26
 ■ Chardon 35, University 14

WEEK 10

Friday, Nov. 1
 ■ Chardon 49, Lakeside 21
 ■ Conneaut 28, Jefferson 19
 ■ University 17, Geneva 14
 ■ Madison 28, Riverside 0
 ■ Grand Valley 26, Ledgemont 21
 ■ Pymatuning Valley 28,

Chalker 21
 ■ Chagrin Falls 20, Perry 7
 ■ Mathews 21, Windham 16
 ■ Hawken 28, Wickliffe 16
 ■ Kirtland 63, Independence 9
 ■ Cardinal 40, Berkshire 2
 ■ Fairport 12, Newbury 8
 ■ Orange 41, Harvey 39
 ■ Liberty 24, Champion 6
 ■ Lakeview 41, Newton Falls 0
 ■ Brookfield 37, LaBrae 21
 ■ Girard 50, Campbell Memorial 0
 ■ Soputh 35, North 14
 ■ Aurora 63, Kenston 28
Saturday, Nov. 2
 ■ Edgewood 53, Lutheran East 0
 ■ West Geauga 27, Beachwood 15

WEEK 11

Friday, Nov. 8
 ■ Madison 42, South 14
 ■ Brecksville-Broadview Heights 53, Riverside 35
 ■ Chagrin Falls 26, Cleveland Central Catholic 20
 ■ Struthers 14, Lakeview 3
 ■ Kirtland 57, McDonald 0
 ■ St. Vincent-St. Mary 52, Kenston 7
 ■ Poland 29, West Geauga 28, OT
Saturday, Nov. 8
 ■ Columbiana Crestview 35, Liberty 26
 ■ Norwalk St. Paul 55, Chalker 7

WEEK 12

Friday, Nov. 15
 ■ Madison 22, Brecksville-Broadview Heights 21
 ■ Kirtland 49, St. Thomas Aquinas 21
 ■ Hubbard 49, Aurora 19
 ■ Benedictine 52, Chagrin Falls 35
WEEK 13
Friday, Nov. 22
 ■ Glenville 40, Madison 7
 ■ Kirtland 45, Mogadore 7

WEEK 14

Friday, Nov. 29
 ■ Kirtland 10, Columbus Bishop Ready 7
WEEK 15
Friday, Nov. 29
 ■ Kirtland 44, Wayne Trace 16



EDGEWOOD

Warriors pick up the pace

Coming off four-win season, Edgewood looks for quicker offense, improved defense

By **BOB ETINGER**
For the Star Beacon

ASHTABULA TOWNSHIP — Usually, a new coach will begin the settling process entering his second season in a program. He will let his kids find a comfort zone in order to let the game slow down for them. Edgewood coach Josh Franke isn't going to slow anything down. Instead, he will speed things up.

"I believe things have changed a lot from a philosophy standpoint, but also as a program (from last year)," Franke said. "The kids have spent a whole year in the system now. Going from the former run-heavy team they were to a more balanced attack was an adjustment last year, to say the least, and that was our focus during preseason of last year.

"Now that the kids have a year under their belt with the formations and terminology, we're far ahead of where we were this time last season. We've added a new wrinkle this year and we're going to the hurry-up, no-huddle offense to try and increase the number of possessions we have this year.

"Our offense last year was our strong suit and, as coaches, we felt the more plays we run offensively, the better off we'll be."

That isn't the only new look the Warriors will have in 2014, however.

"The biggest change will be seen in the new look we are rolling out this year," Franke said. "We wanted something new and fresh to start this new era of Edgewood Warrior football. A lot of the kids voiced their opinions on what they would like to look like and (athletic director) Mr. Steve Kray and I put together what we thought would represent us the best.

"The result was a flat, dark gray helmet with a chrome red-and-white headband and a red face mask with new dark gray and white jerseys. It's something that all the students at the school are excited about and it shows, after losing 16 seniors last year our roster is larger this year by about 15 kids."

Along with the looks, there are some other things Franke and his staff have adjusted within the program.

"As far as changes in the program, there's been a lot," he said. "We've had a large focus on community service in the offseason. We visited a children's hospital at Christmas, took kids to tutor our elementary kids once a week during the spring and just really tried to create the idea that our kids should be leaders in our community and that football is a year-round commitment.



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ALEX WISNYAI, Edgewood quarterback, carries the ball during a recent home scrimmage with Lakeside. Wisnyai will be the center of the Warriors offense this season as the only returning starter at a skill position.

"We revamped our strength and conditioning program and we were averaging about 40 kids a day throughout the offseason. We also did a lot of fundraising to update the equipment we have."

One issue Franke wants to see a dramatic change in is the win-loss record at Corlew Stadium. The Warriors were 4-6 a year ago and just one of those victories were at home.

"You don't see that very often, do you? We have to win games at home, that's supposed to give you a major advantage," Franke said. "The hardest thing for me, as a player or coach, has been to go into a stadium with an amazing student section. It causes such a distraction. Our band does a great job of getting into the games and doing chants, but I would really like us to have a student section right

next to our band joining in, faces painted, and getting into the game.

"All of our students our supportive, they're at the games but they don't all sit together. I'd like to challenge our students to start a student section and make Corlew one of the toughest places to play in the county. We have some really passionate students, I've seen them during basketball season. I'd just like them to possibly get started a little bit earlier for football season."

Alex Wisnyai returns for his second season under center for the Warriors.

"You can't put a value on how important Alex Wisnyai coming back is to this team," Franke said. "Last year, when naming him the starter, I knew he would have growing pains, but I also knew that losing 16 seniors

won't hurt as bad if your starting quarterback is coming back.

"This offseason, he has put in a ton of work, this is what he wants to do after high school and you can tell. He was in the weight room every day and it's showed. Not only has he put on 25 pounds from last year, but he's also the fastest kid on the team now. Once a week he and I sat down, went over coverages, audibles, watched film and chalk talked and to watch him grow and mature as a quarterback has been a pleasure. This kid wants to win and you can tell by his work ethic."

After Wisnyai, the list of returning bodies on the offense is limited. Lost to graduation were Riis Smith, Anthonie Magda, Connor

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MOST POINT SCORED

(all-time)

RK	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1	68-0	Pymatuning Valley	Nov. 4, 1967
1	68-7	St. John	Sept. 20, 1996
3	67-0	at Pymatuning Valley	Oct. 11, 1968
3	67-8	at Richmond Heights	Sept. 18, 2009
5	64-0	at Jefferson	Sept. 22, 1972
6	63-7	Richmond Heights	Sept. 17, 2010
6	63-7	AT LEDGEMONT	SEPT. 27, 2013
7	58-35	Conneaut	Oct. 7, 2005
9	56-0	Chardon	Oct. 29, 1960
10	55-12	Elyria Cath.	Sept. 16, 2005
10	55-12	AT PYMATUNING VALLEY	SEPT. 20, 2013

- Games of 40-49 points — 20.
- Games of 50-59 points — 10.
- Games of 60-plus points — 7.

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	Geneva	Lost	25-13
Sept. 6	at Jefferson	Lost	26-12
Sept. 13	at Kirtland	Lost	62-7
Sept. 20	at PV	Won	55-12
Sept. 27	Ledgemont	Won	63-20
Oct. 4	at Beaver Local	Won	31-10
Oct. 11	Brookfield	Lost	20-6
Oct. 18	Gilmour Academy	Lost	49-19
Oct. 25	Conneaut	Lost	21-20
Nov. 2	at Lutheran East	Won	53-0
■ Overall — 4-6 (.400)			
■ Conference — None — Independent			
■ Home — 1-4 (.200)			
■ Away — 3-2 (.600)			
■ Points scored / average — 279 (27.9)			
■ Points allowed / average — 245 (24.5)			
■ Points differential / average — +34 (+3.4)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	at Geneva (WFUN)	Lost, 25-13	11-36-1
Sept. 5	Jefferson (WFUN)	Lost, 26-12	38-28-2
Sept. 12	Kirtland	Lost, 62-7	6-3-1
Sept. 19	PV (WFUN)	Won, 55-12	11-1
Sept. 26	at Ledgemont	Won, 63-20	6-1
Oct. 3	The Linsly School	DNP	0-0
Oct. 10	at Brookfield	Lost, 20-6	0-4
Oct. 18	at Gilmour Acad.	Lost, 49-19	2-4
Oct. 24	at Conneaut (WFUN)	Lost, 21-20	22-27
Nov. 1	Youngstown East	DNP	0-0

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GENEVA

Youth will be served for Eagles

Rossi returns, but most of his supporting cast will be inexperienced

By **STEVE GOLDMAN**
For the Star Beacon

GENEVA — In examining the prospects for the 2014 Geneva Eagles, one subject keeps coming up — inexperience.

True, the Eagles (4-6, 2-5 in the Premier Athletic Conference in 2013) return two-time regular-season area rushing leader Aaron Rossi, a 2013 candidate for the Tony Fisher award, who is now a senior. Another of their four returning lettermen is senior Austin Clutter, one of the best wideouts in the area. To a man, however, all of Rossi's blockers are new.

Junior Dylan Rhodes will be the center. As things stood as the season approached, he would be flanked by sophomores Daniel Verdi and Juan Rodriguez at guard. Sophomore Abram Alamo was battling freshman Travon Miller at one tackle spot, with sophomore John Gildersleve at the other.

Hassett relates that Miller has "some of the best feet I've seen in a long long (period of) years."

"We're extremely young," he said. "I can honestly say this is the youngest team I've ever seen up front. I've seen a couple freshmen in 30-some years who have been able to start, but it's extraordinary to have somebody on the offensive line in a physical sport like this be able to do that. You can do it in basketball and wrestling because in wrestling you're going to be going against somebody your own size. But so far, Travon's been extremely coachable and works hard in practice, and he's done an outstanding job."

Senior Zac Sweat, another returning letterman, will see time at fullback along with sophomore Josh Way and senior Nick Coach. Along with Clutter (tied for first in the area with 32 receptions, second in the area with 572 receiving yards, first in the area with 37.7 yards per kickoff return, 56 points in 2013), juniors Brent Bell and Mike Clark and senior Ryan Mackynen are in the mix at wide receiver. Juniors Seth Calhoun and Matt Otto are the tight ends.

With quarterback Brandon Pakkala (927 passing yards and 10 passing touchdowns; 386 rushing yards in 2013) having graduated, that job was up for grabs between sophomore Chase Livingston and senior Alex Fistek.

"How fast we can get (the offensive line) to gel and play together, and keep working hard



CHASE LIVINGSTON (left) will be charged with taking care of an offense that primarily ran through 2013 Star Beacon Ashtabula County Player of the Year **Aaron Rossi** (right).

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to get off the line to get better, will tell how well Rossi will do in the backfield," Hassett said. "Every one — they have been exceptional in practice — their work ethic, so I'm very happy with them

"(Rossi) has a lot of respect throughout our conference, which says a lot for him."

Rossi racked up 1,501 rushing yards while registering 6.0 yards per carry in 2013, while scoring 108 points (3rd in the area). Only Madison's Brandon Davis, who had the benefit of three playoff games, finished ahead of him in the area, and only by 60 yards. His efforts helped the Eagles average 256 yards on the ground, tops in the area.

As Hassett points out, Geneva scored almost 26 points per game last year. That was more than they gave up (232), but not by very much.

"We were just small (on defense)," he said. "If you look at our games, we had the lead on Chardon for the first time (before losing 44-27); we could have won that game. Perry — we ran twice as many plays as they did. Our own mistakes cost us in that game (which was decided by a 34-27 score). South

— we had 'em tied late in the fourth quarter and we just ran out of gas (en route to a 34-14 defeat). In this football-dominated conference, it is tough to play a kid both ways when we have a lot of schools that (are) going one. And that makes a huge difference."

Clutter, who didn't play much on defense last year because of an injury, returns at cornerback, while Sweat does the same at inside linebacker. Bell brings back some experience at corner also. But other than that...

Mackynen, Clark and sophomore Tegan Shaughnessy will vie for time at cornerback and/or safety. Rodriguez and Way were battling for the other inside backer position. Sophomore Kody Brown, Fistek, Verdi and sophomore Collin Deering were in the mix at outside linebacker.

Calhoun and Otto were leading candidates for defensive end as the season neared. Coach and freshman Chucky Jackson were the leaders to get the nod at the tackle spots.

The other returning letterwinner, junior Paul Hitchcock (26 kicking points, 2nd in the area in 2013), will do the placekicking

and Way will replace Pakkala as the punter.

"I thought for our first scrimmage against Richmond Heights, Jefferson and Grand Valley, we moved the ball very well," Hassett said. "I think Jefferson scored one on us. Other than that, we scored every time we got the ball, so that was very positive for us. But a lot of inexperienced mistakes. We're going to have to live with that for a little bit. We don't want to, but we have to. We only have, I think, about seven seniors on the entire squad right now. In the upper two classes, I think there's only 12 kids. That's a lot of sophomores and freshmen on a squad of about 55.

"The coaches have been very pleased with the effort and their dedication. You can't teach game experience though. You can do it on scrimmages, but still, it's going to be interesting the first time we put 'em underneath the lights. That's a huge effect for a young kid."

When asked about the race for the final PAC crown, Hassett first mentioned the usual suspects.

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(1940-2012)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	69-0	Conneaut	Sept. 14, 2012
2.	67-14	John Hay	Oct. 18, 1963
2.	67-0	at Pymatuning Valley	Oct. 30, 1969
4.	66-0	Pymatuning Valley	Sept. 25, 1970
5.	63-0	Gilmour Academy	Oct. 29, 2010
6.	62-0	Jefferson	Oct. 10, 1969
7.	61-6	Edgewood	Sept. 17, 1999
7.	61-0	at Conneaut	Sept. 9, 2011
9.	60-20	Cleveland St. Stanislaus	Nov. 10, 1950
10.	57-13	Harvey	Sept. 5, 1997
10.	57-16	PV	Oct. 29, 1999
■ Games of 40-49 points — 37.			
■ Games of 50-59 points — 10.			
■ Games of 60-plus points — 9.			

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	at Edgewood	Win	25-13
Sept. 6	Perry	Lost	34-27
Sept. 13	at Conneaut	Won	54-13
Sept. 20	South	Lost	34-14
Sept. 27	at Lakeside	Won	49-6
Oct. 4	Riverside	Lost	42-12
Oct. 11	Chardon	Lost	44-27
Oct. 17	at Madison	Lost	30-0
Oct. 25	at North	Won	40-6
Nov. 1	University	Lost	17-14
■ Overall — 4-6 (.400)			
■ Conference — 2-5 (.286 in PAC)			
■ Home — 1-4 (.200)			
■ Away — 3-2 (.600)			
■ Points scored / average — 228 (22.8)			
■ Points allowed / average — 186 (18.6)			
■ Points differential / average — +42 (+4.2)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	Edgewood (WFUN)	Won, 25-13	36-11-1
Sept. 5	at Perry	Lost, 34-27	8-11-3
Sept. 12	Conneaut (WFUN)	Won, 54-13	53-51-6
Sept. 19	at South	Lost, 34-14	18-41-1
Sept. 26	Lakeside (WFUN)	Won, 49-6	6-7
Oct. 3	at Riverside	Lost, 42-12	24-31
Oct. 10	at Chardon	Lost, 24-27	9-7
Oct. 16	Madison (WFUN)	Lost, 30-0	33-46-3
Oct. 24	North	Won, 40-6	7-3
Nov. 1	at University	Lost, 17-14	1-4

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2013 RESULTS WEEKS 3-6

LaBrae 21, Pymatuning Valley 14 at LaBrae. PV 0 0 14 0 - 14. LaBrae 0 21 0 - 21. SCORING SUMMARY: LaBrae - Jamal Dawkins 2 pass from Justin Jenkins (Austin Jones kick).

Edgewood 19 77 22 - 55. Pymatuning Valley 6 6 0 0 - 12. SCORING SUMMARY: EDGEWOOD - Riis Smith 5 run (kick failed).

Category PV LaBrae. First Downs 12 8. Rushes-Yards 37-191 23-122. Passing Yards 95 154. Total Yards 286 276. Total Off. Plays 56 48. Avg. Yards per play 5.1 5.8. Comp.-Att.-Int. 9-19-0 12-15-1. Penalties-Yards 4-44 5-53. Fumbles-Lost 4-2 3-1. Punts-Avg. 4-34.8 4-44.3. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - PV: Quintin Ratliff 18-160 yards, J.T. Willis 12-36 yards; LaBrae: Kevon Harris 2-61 yards, Jamal Dawkins 12-58 yards, Chris Mathews 1-6 yards.

Category Edgewood PV. First Downs 27 9. Rushes-Yards 47-326 28-168. Passing Yards 142 14. Total Yards 468 182. Total Off. Plays 62 41. Avg. Yards per play 7.5 4.4. Comp.-Att.-Int. 8-15-0 1-13-0. Penalties-Yards 11-96 10-99. Fumbles-Lost 0-0 3-2. Punts-Avg. 1-34.0 4-50.5. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Edgewood: Anthonie Magda 17-145 yards, Riis Smith 13-124 yards, Gavin Buckmeier 4-24 yards; PV: Quintin Ratliff 12-157 yards, Nick Such 3-11 yards, Wade Buckley 4-6 yards.

WEEK 4 FRIDAY, SEPT. 20 PREMIER. Riversiderside 44, Lakeside 26 at Lakeside Stadium. Riversiderside 7 0 10 27 - 44. Lakesiderside 7 16 6 - 26. SCORING SUMMARY: LAKESSIDE - Demetrius Green 17 pass from Tyler Loftus (Tyler Brock kick).

Conneaut 36, Ledgemont 7 at Conneaut Stadium. Ledgemont 0 0 7 0 - 7. Conneaut 14 7 0 15 - 36. SCORING SUMMARY: CONNEAUT - C.J. Rice 15 run (Kyle Sprinkle kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Riversiderside Lakesiderside. First Downs 13 19. Rushes-Yards 27-142 34-94. Passing Yards 133 189. Total Yards 275 283. Total Off. Plays 50 68. Avg. Yards per play 5.5 4.2. Comp.-Att.-Int. 11-23-0 20-34-0. Penalties-Yards 7-68 9-74. Fumbles-Lost 2-1 2-2. Punts-Avg. 2-48 2-32. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Riversiderside: Jones 6-68 yards, 2 TD; Cameron Jeffries 3-57 yards, 1 TD; Lakesiderside: Loftus 22-64 yards, Downs 7-12 yards.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Ledgemont Conneaut. First Downs 7 13. Rushes-Yards 25-130 38-335. Passing Yards 62 76. Total Yards 192 411. Total Off. Plays 44 54. Avg. Yards per play 4.3 7.6. Comp.-Att.-Int. 4-12-1 9-14-0. Penalties-Yards 8-58 5-36. Fumbles-Lost 4-0 1-0. Punts-Avg. 6-30.0 2-39.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Ledgemont: Jarrett Young 15-153 yards; Conneaut: Troy Colucci 17-202 yards, C.J. Rice 19-127 yards, Steven Gaugh 2-6 yards.

South 34, Geneva 14 at Spire Stadium. South 7 0 7 20 - 34. Geneva 7 0 7 0 - 14. SCORING SUMMARY: SOUTH - Andre Smith 24 run (Brad Nelson kick).

SATURDAY SEPT. 21 CVC CHAGRIN. Perry 56, Orange 35 at Orange. Perry 7 15 21 13 - 56. Orange 14 7 0 14 - 35. SCORING SUMMARY: ORANGE - Dae'Shawn Henderson 14 run (Alex Krasnow kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category South Geneva. First Downs 14 9. Rushes-Yards 40-328 35-92. Passing Yards 55 145. Total Yards 383 237. Total Off. Plays 52 49. Avg. Yards per play 7.4 4.8. Comp.-Att.-Int. 3-12-1 5-14-1. Penalties-Yards 6-53 3-25. Fumbles-Lost 2-0 1-0. Punts-Avg. 4-35.0 6-37.7. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - South: D.J. Greene 24-245 yards, Andre Smith 6-82 yards, Russell Porter 8-1 yard; Geneva: Aaron Rossi 19-72 yards, Austin Clutter 2-16 yards, Zac Sweet 3-13 yards, Shane Herter 1-3 yards.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Perry Orange. First Downs 26 19. Rushes-Yards 54-477 26-131. Passing Yards 36 286. Total Yards 513 417. Total Off. Plays 59 56. Avg. Yards per play 8.7 7.4. Comp.-Att.-Int. 2-5-0 20-30-0. Penalties-Yards 8-55 8-54. Fumbles-Lost 0-0 1-0. Punts-Avg. 2-38.5 2-49.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Perry: Kyle Kremiller 21-178 yards, Zak Hurd 16-172 yards, Ryan Kahoun 13-119 yards; Orange: Dae'Shawn Henderson 15-72 yards, Daluan White 3-35 yards, Stephen Borgman 8-24 yards.

ALL-AMERICAN. Campbell Memorial 20, Jefferson 19 at John Knapp Field. Jefferson 0 7 12 0 - 19. Campbell Memorial 7 16 0 - 20. SCORING SUMMARY: CM - Stephen Elash 1 run (Yanna Koullias kick).

PREMIER. Madison 30, University School 10 at University School. Madison 12 3 8 7 - 30. University School 3 0 0 7 - 10. SCORING SUMMARY: US - Ryder Bell 40 FG.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Jefferson CM. First Downs 20 9. Rushes-Yards 51-308 31-152. Passing Yards 50 43. Total Yards 358 195. Total Off. Plays 62 36. Avg. Yards per play 5.7 5.4. Comp.-Att.-Int. 4-11-0 5-8-0. Penalties-Yards 2-20 7-33. Fumbles-Lost 4-3 0-0. Punts-Avg. None 4-38.8. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Jefferson: Knight 33-225 yards, 3 TD; Justin Butler 13-83 yards, Lucas Hitchcock 2-4 yards; CM: Desean Jackson 9-79 yards, Clutter 2-89 yards, Elash 7-19 yards, 1 TD.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Madison US. First Downs 19 10. Rushes-Yards 49-280 174-118. Passing Yards 117 176. Total Yards 397 158. Total Off. Plays 67 44. Avg. Yards per play 5.9 3.6. Comp.-Att.-Int. 10-18-0 15-27-2. Penalties-Yards 9-85 2-10. Fumbles-Lost 3-2 2-1. Punts-Avg. 2-36.5 3-32.7. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Madison: Brandon Davis 21-177 yards, Connor Nikes 15-67 yards, Ben Bruening 4-28 yards; US: Andrew Dorigi 10-29 yards.

NON-CONFERENCE. Edgewood 55, Pymatuning Valley 12 at Lakor Stadium. Edgewood 55, Pymatuning Valley 12. Grand Valley 6 0 6 16 - 28.

NON-CONFERENCE. Youngstown Christian 40, Grand Valley 28 at Poland. Youngstown Christian 40, Grand Valley 28. Grand Valley 6 0 6 16 - 28.



HUNTER BEAN, of Jefferson, catches a pass during a recent scrimmage.

Youngstown Christian 0 0 20 20 - 40. SCORING SUMMARY: CV - Gabe Kovats 50 pass from Jake Vormeler (kick failed).

RIVERSIDE - Jones 1 run (Horvat kick). RIVERSIDE - Pat Remington 2 run (pass failed). RIVERSIDE - Remington 48 pass from Brubaker (Horvat kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category CV YC. First Downs 14 9. Rushes-Yards 30-114 33-260. Passing Yards 247 210. Total Yards 361 470. Total Off. Plays 64 45. Avg. Yards per play 5.6 10.4. Comp.-Att.-Int. 19-34-1 9-12-0. Penalties-Yards 3-16 4-20. Fumbles-Lost 1-1 5-2. Punts-Avg. 1-13.0 2-22.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - GV: Jake Vormeler 16-66 yards, Luke Baldwin 9-53 yards, YC: Kimonie Bryant 17-135 yards, Darian Townsend 3-88 yards, Hector Colon 6-26 yards.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category North Riverside. First Downs 12 18. Rushes-Yards 54-298 40-301. Passing Yards 11 194. Total Yards 309 495. Total Off. Plays 57 51. Avg. Yards per play 5.4 9.7. Comp.-Att.-Int. 1-3-0 8-11-0. Penalties-Yards 2-10 7-45. Fumbles-Lost 4-3 3-2. Punts-Avg. 5-32.8 2-37.5. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - North: Mike Ranallo 12-103 yards, Josh Kozel 3-94 yards, Sean Kergan 9-38 yards; Riverside: Jones 9-129 yards, Remington 5-61 yards, Austin Van Pelt 7-36 yards, Jeffries 5-30 yards.

PREMIER. Geneva 49, Lakeside 6 at Lakeside Stadium. Geneva 14 0 12 17 - 49. Lakeside 0 0 0 6 - 6. SCORING SUMMARY: GENEVA - Brandon Pakkala 58 run (Paul Hitchcock kick).

ALL-AMERICAN. Liberty 16, Jefferson 14 at Falcon Ridge Stadium. Liberty 8 8 0 0 - 16. Jefferson 8 0 0 6 - 14. SCORING SUMMARY: LIBERTY - Lynn Bowden 5 run (Asim Pleas run).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Geneva Lakeside. First Downs 15 8. Rushes-Yards 44-265 26-15. Passing Yards 137 151. Total Yards 402 166. Total Off. Plays 52 50. Avg. Yards per play 7.7 3.3. Comp.-Att.-Int. 4-8-0 10-24-0. Penalties-Yards 2-25 7-58. Fumbles-Lost 3-1 2-0. Punts-Avg. 2-33.0 7-34.4. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Geneva: Aaron Rossi 33-214 yards, Brandon Pakkala 9-83 yards, Austin Clutter 3-20 yards, Shane Herter 3-14 yards; Lakeside: Kyle Downs 4-15 yards, Mo Lebron 2-13 yards.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Liberty Jefferson. First Downs 14 12. Rushes-Yards 44-265 36-109. Passing Yards 0 127. Total Yards 265 236. Total Off. Plays 49 52. Avg. Yards per play 5.4 4.5. Comp.-Att.-Int. 0-0-0 8-16-1. Penalties-Yards 8-70 5-41. Fumbles-Lost 1-1 2-0. Punts-Avg. 2-46.0 3-36.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Liberty: Bowden 23-195 yards, Pleas 18-62 yards, Hunter Ingram 1-10 yards; Jefferson: Knight 19-64 yards, Cam Pedregon 6-18 yards, Hitchcock 7-16 yards.

Madison 43, Chardon 26 at Blue Streak Memorial Stadium. Chardon 14 0 12 - 26. Madison 7 22 17 - 43. SCORING SUMMARY: CHARDON - Jordan Barrett 5 run (Bobby Bukovec kick).

NON-CONFERENCE. Conneaut 41, Pymatuning Valley 14 at Conneaut Stadium. Conneaut 8 0 0 6 - 14. Pymatuning Valley 19 15 0 7 - 41. SCORING SUMMARY: CONNEAUT - C.J. Rice 16 pass from Troy Colucci (Kyle Sprinkle kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Chardon Madison. First Downs 17 20. Rushes-Yards 43-191 32-54. Passing Yards 163 243. Total Yards 354 397. Total Off. Plays 63 50. Avg. Yards per play 5.6 7.94. Comp.-Att.-Int. 10-20-4 12-18-2. Penalties-Yards 4-40 1-16. Fumbles-Lost 0-0 0-0. Punts-Avg. 2-29.5 1-36.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Chardon: Ben Cuyas 16-92 yards, Joe Gripe 2-25 yards, Patrick Sullivan 14-24 yards, Joe Connick 3-19 yards, Christian Ross 2-16 yards, Jordan Barrett 6-15 yards; Madison: Brandon Davis 24-126 yards, Connor Nikes 6-24 yards, Ben Bruening 1-13 yards, Austin Burkholder 1-1 yard.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category PV Conneaut. First Downs 16 18. Rushes-Yards 42-137 32-332. Passing Yards 133 122. Total Yards 270 454. Total Off. Plays 62 41. Avg. Yards per play 4.4 11.1. Comp.-Att.-Int. 9-20-0 5-9-0. Penalties-Yards 2-10 4-32. Fumbles-Lost 2-1 1-0. Punts-Avg. 3-43.7 0-0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - PV: Ratliff 23-100 yards, Wade Buckley 4-28 yards, Travis Kiser 3-12 yards; Conneaut: Colucci 11-170 yards, Rice 8-70 yards, R.J. Nelson 3-41 yards, Justin Franklin 5-32 yards, Alex Rivera 4-16 yards.

Edgewood 63, Ledgemont 20 at Corlew Stadium. Ledgemont 0 0 7 14 - 21. Edgewood 14 15 7 27 - 63. SCORING SUMMARY: EDGEWOOD - Connor McLaughlin 34 pass from Alex Wisnyai (Breyton Santee kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Edgewood Ledgemont Edgewood. First Downs 8 12. Rushes-Yards 31-193 32-223. Passing Yards 145 188. Total Yards 358 411. Total Off. Plays 60 62. Avg. Yards per play 5.9 6.6. Comp.-Att.-Int. 10-19-0 3-12-1. Penalties-Yards 8-90 5-30. Fumbles-Lost 3-0 3-3. Punts-Avg. 3-39.7 1-23.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Edgewood: Riis Smith 12-200 yards, Anthonie Magda 7-91 yards, Alex Wisnyai 10-46 yards; Ledgemont: Robert Johnston 16-54 yards, Morley Marsden 13-49 yards, Dustin Marsden 4-26 yards.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Total Yards Total Off. Plays Avg. Yards per play Comp.-Att.-Int. Penalties-Yards Fumbles-Lost Punts-Avg. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Ledgemont: Jarrett Young 20-156 yards, Mike McKeon 4-48 yards; Edgewood: Anthonie Magda 12-96 yards, Alex Sturgill 9-64 yards, Riis Smith 5-25 yards.

Gilmour Academy 34, Grand Valley 6 at Grand Valley Stadium. Gilmour Academy 8 0 0 17 - 34. Grand Valley 6 0 0 0 - 6. SCORING SUMMARY: GA - Jason Hart 34 interception return (kick failed).

WARREN DILLAWAY / Star Beacon. TD, 0 INT; Geneva: Pakkala 3-12 25 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT.

TEAM STATISTICS. Category GA GV. First Downs 13 8. Rushes-Yards 31-179 40-129. Passing Yards 238 34. Total Yards 417 163. Total Off. Plays 57 56. Avg. Yards per play 7.31 2.91. Comp.-Att.-Int. 16-26-1 6-16-0. Penalties-Yards 5-32 2-10. Fumbles-Lost 1-0 1-0. Punts-Avg. 4-31.5 8-32.5. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - GA: Jonathan Adams 11-27 yards, Hargrove 4-31 yards, Lesko 5-9 yards; GV: Jake Vormeler 20-82 yards, Jerome Walker 10-33 yards.

CVC CHAGRIN. West Geauga 25, Perry 15 at Alumni Stadium. West Geauga. 6 6 7 6 - 25. Perry 8 0 15 0 - 15. SCORING SUMMARY: WG - Connor Krouse 32 run (kick failed).

Madison 41, North 7 at Blue Streak Memorial Stadium. North 0 0 0 7 - 7. Madison 7 20 17 - 41. SCORING SUMMARY: MADISON - Connor Nikes 39 run (Dave Albert kick).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category WG Perry. First Downs 16 14. Rushes-Yards 46-434 36-69. Passing Yards 29 187. Total Yards 463 256. Total Off. Plays 53 60. Avg. Yards per play 8.7 4.3. Comp.-Att.-Int. 2-7-1 15-24-0. Penalties-Yards 7-44 5-45. Fumbles-Lost 2-1 1-0. Punts-Avg. 0-0.0 4-26.5. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - WG: Krouse 27-229 yards, 0 TD, 1 INT.; Perry: Kahoun 15-23 187 yards, 1 TD, 0 INT., Jackson Burdshaw 0-1 0 yards, 0 TD, 0 INT.

Madison 41, North 7 at Blue Streak Memorial Stadium. North: Nikes 15 run (Albert kick). Madison: Nick Brooks 1 run (Albert kick). North: Josh Kozel 7 run (Anton Vreabac kick).

WEEK 6 FRIDAY, OCT. 4 PREMIER. Riversiderside 42, Geneva 12 at Spire Stadium. Riversiderside 10 19 6 - 42. Geneva 6 6 0 0 - 12. SCORING SUMMARY: RIVERSIDE - Adam Horvat 22 FG.

NON-CONFERENCE. Edgewood 31, Beaver Local 10 at Beaver Local. Edgewood 0 19 6 6 - 31. Beaver 0 0 7 3 - 10. SCORING SUMMARY: EDGEWOOD - Riis Smith 37 run (kick failed).

TEAM STATISTICS. Category Riversiderside Geneva. First Downs 19 16. Rushes-Yards 41-216 50-290. Passing Yards 186 25. Total Yards 402 315. Total Off. Plays 60 62. Avg. Yards per play 6.7 5.1. Comp.-Att.-Int. 10-19-0 3-12-1. Penalties-Yards 8-90 5-30. Fumbles-Lost 3-0 3-3. Punts-Avg. 3-39.7 1-23.0. INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS: Rushing - Riverside: Marcus Jones 14-78 yards, Maxx Brubaker 14-65 yards, Erik Thomas 3-37 yards, Pat Remington 3-14 yards, Cameron Jeffries 4-11 yards, Nick Fitzgerald 3-11 yards; Geneva: Aaron Rossi 25-163 yards, Brandon Pakkala 12-84 yards, Austin Clutter 4-19 yards, Zac Sweet 6-12 yards, Shane Herter 3-12 yards.

Edgewood 31, Beaver Local 10 at Beaver Local. Edgewood: 0 19 6 6 - 31. Beaver: 0 0 7 3 - 10. Edgewood: Riis Smith 37 run (kick failed). Edgewood: Anthonie Magda 56 run (Juliana Kosik kick).

GRAND VALLEY

Mustangs want faster start

After 5-0 finish last season

Glavickas hopes GV picks up where it left off

By BOB ETTINGER
For the Star Beacon

ORWELL — Grand Valley coach John Glavickas will tell you there is certainly no magic formula for a football team getting out of the gates quickly, as he can attest to after his Mustangs stumbled to an 0-5 opening in 2013. And though he guided those very same Mustangs through a run to the finish any thoroughbred would be proud of with five-straight wins, he will also tell you there no's prescription to cure those ills that befell his team early on.

With that in mind, Glavickas' approach to 2014 is simple. The past is the past. The Mustangs will focus on the immediate future.

"The thought in our locker room is that was then this is now," he said. "That happened last year and we need to concentrate on this year one game at a time. We hope to get off to a better than 0-5 start. Conneaut (GV's Week 1 opponent) is what we are preparing for.

"It is very important to avoid that kind of start. Although we are very proud of our boys winning five games in a row to save us from having a losing season, we do not want to be back in that situation."

Of those five losses a year ago, three came at home. That is something Glavickas and the Mustangs want to remedy.

"It is very important to win at home," Glavickas said. "We want to win every game whether home or not, but we talk to the kids about the importance of winning at home."

When Glavickas took the reins of the Mustang program, he made it clear that the tradition of a great program lives on not only in memories, but in the players left behind in a program at the end of each year. As has been the case for the last several seasons, there are holes to patch in the lineup, leaders to be replaced.

Quarterback Jake Vormelker graduated. Leading receivers Gabe Kovats and Jason Hart moved on.



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MATT LARNED (left) and Zack Oscar are battling it out to take the reins of the Mustangs offense in place of last year's star Jake Vormelker.

Glenn Zaller, who set the tone on the offensive line and on defense, is no longer a Mustang.

"In our locker room, tradition never graduates," Glavickas said. "Before our first scrimmage I talked to the players about who was going to fill the shoes of last year's players. The negative thing about coaching high school football is that it feels as though every year you have to fill shoes. The great part of coaching high school football is that you watch these kids step up and fill."

Vormelker rushed for 1,185 of the Mustangs' 1,809 yards (65.5 percent) and threw for 98.7 percent (1,273 of the 1,290 GV passing yards) of the aerial output. He scored nearly half of the GV points and passed for 12 touchdowns. The void he leaves in the offense is sizeable.

"Replacing Jake Vormelker is a big shoe to fill," Glavickas said. "I feel pretty confident that both of our two candidates are up for the challenge. They both want to be

that guy."

Through summer camp, a pair of candidates emerged as replacements for Vormelker.

"Right now, we have two quarterbacks fighting for the starting position," Glavickas said. "Senior Zach Oscar played tight end and defensive end for us the last two years. The other player is junior Matt Larned. He was a receiver and safety for us last year."

Both Oscar and Larned have their strengths.

"Zach is a two-year letterwinner," Glavickas said. "He understands the grind of the season. Zach does a great job running our option. He pretty much has a great understanding of our offense. He is big and tough to bring down. Zach always has put the team first."

"Matt was a first year letterwinner last year. Matt, I think, has more of the skill set as Jake did. He has an incredible ability to comprehend what I want from him. Where he reminds me of Jake is in his ability to improvise on the run. He

also has a strong desire to compete and win."

With that established, Glavickas will be able to keep the offense in place that has been so successful in recent seasons.

"Offensively, we are going to run what we have for the past few years," he said. "Both of them have the ability to run our offense. We may change some things for the one who isn't our quarterback. Both of them are just as good at their other positions."

There's a battle in camp to replace the second and third leading rushers, Luke Baldwin and Jason Hart, respectively, from 2013.

"Our running backs start with junior Cody Freeman," Glavickas said. "He is a returning letter winner. Our next running back is Jake Kocab. He is a sophomore who lettered last year as a freshman. They have been battling it in our camp. They both bring in different skill sets."

Like Oscar and Larned, the backs

are suited for the offense.

"These two running backs fit right into our system. I feel we should be able to run a little more power and two back sets out of our pistol," Glavickas said.

All four of the young men in the backfield will be counted upon to move the ball on the ground.

"I feel establishing the run any year is important," Glavickas said. "Whether it is through our backs or quarterbacks, we have to be able to run the ball."

Nick Sundman, Austyn Spoon, Colt Yox and Matthew Moodt will be the receivers. Jake Reichek, Cody Rhoads and Bobby Krystosik are waiting in the wings and will get opportunities to make plays.

"They can help our quarterback tremendously," Glavickas said. "We have some guys with the ability to make big plays. We need them to be threats vertically for our system. This would help our quarterback big time."

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(all-time)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	62-8	Southington	Oct. 3, 1997
2.	61-7	Kirtland	Sept. 25, 1992
3.	61-0	PV	Nov. 1, 1996
4.	59-12	Mathews	Sept. 28, 1968
4.	59-20	Fairport	Oct. 1, 1993
6.	56-6	Mathews	Nov. 5, 1982
6.	56-14	Fairport	Sept. 27, 1996
6.	56-0	Harbor	Sept. 3, 1999
6.	56-40	at Windham	Oct. 11, 2013
10.	55-0	Harbor	Aug. 30, 1996

- Games of 40-49 points — 42.
- Games of 50-59 points — 15.
- Games of 60-plus points — 3.

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	Conneaut	Lost	28-13
Sept. 6	Kirtland	Lost	61-14
Sept. 13	at Berkshire	Lost	21-14
Sept. 21	at Yo. Christian	Lost	40-28
Sept. 27	Gilmour Acad.	Lost	34-6
Oct. 4	Chalker	Won	39-20
Oct. 11	at Windham	Won	56-40
Oct. 18	PV	Won	22-16
Oct. 25	at Mathews	Won	22-20
Nov. 1	at Ledgesmont	Won	26-21
Overall — 5-5 (.700)			
Conference — 5-0 (NAC champions)			
Home — 2-3 (.400)			
Away — 3-2 (.600)			
Points scored / average — 240 (24.0)			
Points allowed / average — 301 (30.1)			
Points differential / average — -61 (-6.1)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	at Conneaut	Lost, 28-13	5-1
Sept. 5	at Kirtland	Lost, 61-14	10-16
Sept. 12	Berkshire	Lost, 21-14	15-19
Sept. 19	at Newbury	DNP	N/A
Sept. 27	at Gilmour Acad.	Lost, 34-6	1-3
Oct. 3	Chalker	Won, 39-20	18-5
Oct. 10	Ledgesmont	Won, 26-21	12-1
Oct. 17	Mathews	Won, 22-20	12-1
Oct. 25	at PV	Won, 22-16	30-15-2
Nov. 1	Windham	Won, 56-40	1-0

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Falcons earned their feathers

Jefferson just missed in '13, returns experienced, hungry

By **BOB ETTINGER**
For the Star Beacon

JEFFERSON — If there's a team in the area that understands how big a difference a single point can make, it's Jefferson. The Falcons finished the 2013 campaign with three victories. They were four points away from a winning season.

"We were 3-7 last year," coach Jimmy Henson said. "We lost two games by a point and another one by two points. We were a couple of points away from being 6-4."

In recent seasons, Henson had gotten used to replacing just about everyone in his starting lineup. Entering this season, he's finally on the other side of that coin.

"We had 19 new starters last year," Henson said. "We talked all last year about the thing we were missing being experience. A lot of the guys who will play this year have experience. Hopefully, that will carry over."

Finishing four points away from a winning season isn't exactly the way Henson would have liked for his guys to learn, but at least they did learn from it.

"Shoot, every coach would rather win," Henson said. "It was a learning experience. We had some opportunities to do some growing last year in the offseason and we took advantage."

"As soon as the season ended, they started back in the weight room. They understood they needed to get bigger, stronger, faster and more physical to compete in the league we play in. When you play those guys, you've got to be ready to go."

One of those returning players is starting quarterback Lucas Hitchcock, which is a luxury Henson hasn't had in quite a while.

"It's the first time we've returned the quarterback in seven years," Henson said.

Which plays into Hitchcock's strengths even more.

"Honestly, I feel very fortunate," Henson said. "Luke has earned the leadership role."

"With Lucas, we felt he did a good job last year. He improved as we went on through the season and the offseason. The big thing, right now, is Lucas is the leader of the football team. He's done things to bring them together. He leads them. He's gone above and beyond with that."

Hitchcock completed 50 percent of his passes for 910 yards and nine scores a year ago. He also rushed for 124 yards.

His understudy will be Zach Collins.

"Right now, I feel we have two guys who



JEREMIAH KNIGHT of Jefferson carries the ball during a recent scrimmage. Knight was one of the young Falcons who impressed in 2013, rushing for more than 900 yards as a freshman. Now a sophomore, he will look to help carry the Jefferson offense this season.

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are starting quarterbacks on the varsity," Henson said.

Collins has his own set of strengths. "Zach is a coach's kid," Henson said. "He understands the game. He throws a great ball. I don't question his ability to lead the team when it's his turn. He's one snap away from being in the game."

With that last sentiment in mind, Henson has been trying to make sure both of his sig-

nal callers get time under center during workouts.

"The hardest thing at practice is getting the two of them enough reps," Henson said. "We're doing everything we can to get them enough reps."

"If something does happen, (Zach) has got to be ready to go."

Jeremiah Knight, who rushed for 735 yards and caught 13 passes for 144 yards in seven

games and returns as the starting tailback.

"Again, (Knight) is a guy who went from playing eighth-grade football to the varsity last year," Henson said. "He started seven games and that will make a difference. He should be even better this year."

That doesn't mean Knight will be the only Falcon toting the pigskin. Henson has been

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(all-time)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	111-0	Harbor	Oct. 14, 1911
2.	88-0	Kingsville	Nov. 18, 1909
3.	67-0	Harbor	Oct. 22, 1910
4.	64-6	Fairport	Sept. 12, 2003
5.	60-0	NE St. Gregory, Pa.	Oct. 2, 1964
6.	56-6	Mathews	Sept. 3, 1999
7.	56-33	Conneaut	Oct. 29, 2004
8.	54-20	Conneaut	Sept. 15, 1995
9.	53-0	Spencer	Sept. 14, 1951
10.	52-7	Grand River Institute	Sept. 26, 1914
10.	52-7	Champion	Aug. 29, 2003
10.	52-0	LaBrae	Sept. 5, 2003
10.	52-18	at Newton Falls	Oct. 4, 2014
■ Games of 40-49 points — 35.			
■ Games of 50-59 points — 10.			
■ Games of 60-plus points — 5.			

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	LaBrae	Lost	15-14
Sept. 6	Edgewood	Won	26-12
Sept. 13	at Lakeside	Lost	25-0
Sept. 20	at Campbell Mem.	Lost	20-19
Sept. 27	Liberty	Lost	16-14
Oct. 4	at Newton Falls	Won	52-18
Oct. 11	Lakeview	Lost	34-13
Oct. 18	at Champion	Won	14-10
Oct. 25	Girard	Lost	55-13
Nov. 1	at Conneaut	Lost	28-19
■ Overall — 3-7 (.300)			
■ Conference — 2-5 (sixth in AAC)			
■ Home — 1-4 (.200)			
■ Away — 2-3 (.400)			
■ Points scored / average — 209 (20.9)			
■ Points allowed / average — 227 (22.7)			
■ Points differential / average — -18 (-1.8)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	Sharon, Pa.	DNP	N/A
Sept. 5	at Edgewood (WFUN)	Won, 26-12	28-38-2
Sept. 12	Lakeside	Lost, 25-0	0-9
Sept. 19	at LaBrae	Lost, 15-14	5-4
Sept. 26	Campbell Mem.	Lost, 20-19	0-2
Oct. 3	at Liberty	Lost, 16-14	1-2
Oct. 10	Newton Falls	Won, 52-18	2-1-1
Oct. 17	at Lakeview	Lost, 34-13	2-3
Oct. 24	Champion	Won, 14-10	9-5
Oct. 31	at Girard	Lost, 55-13	1-1

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Dragons driving forward

In second season under Coach Hall, Lakeside looks to take the next step

By STEVE GOLDMAN
For the Star Beacon

SAYBROOK TOWNSHIP — After taking a program that had gone 2-28 in the prior 3 years and posting a 3-7, 1-6 record in his first season, Lakeside coach Frank Hall hopes to keep the Dragons moving forward.

He will do it without the benefit of experience in some places in the lineup, including the backfield.

“We’re probably going to start an all-sophomore backfield,” Hall said.

Josh Gibson steps into the void formed by the graduation of quarterback Tyler Loftus. Letterman Trevian Archer stands to be the starter at tailback, with Robert Walker at H-back. Ryan Faulkerson and Cyle McAfee are in the mix at tailback as well. All except Faulkerson, who is a junior, are sophomores.

“Coming from Chardon (where I was an assistant coach) and being a wing-T guy, we want to establish the run; there’s no doubt about that,” Hall said. “And our passing game works off our running game. So we definitely want to be able to establish the running game.”

The Dragons do return three letterwinners at wideout: senior Demetrius Green, sophomore Johnny Evans (16 catches in 2013) and sophomore Tyler Nagle. They are backed by junior Michael Fusco and sophomores Matt Lunghofer and Donnie Gaylord.

On the offensive line, Lakeside is young, but does return some experience. Junior letterman Matt Rocco is back, as are sophomore lettermen Ethan Bish (right tackle) and Patton Sidbeck (center).

Junior Jared Layman, senior letterman Bryce Tome and sophomore Nick Lemay are backups on the line.

The tight ends are senior letterman Tyler Brock and junior Orlando Canales. Brock was a second-team all-county choice last year as an offensive lineman.

Loftus, who beat out Edgewood’s Alex Wisnyai by 5 passing yards to lead the area with 1,422, added 16 TD passes, tying for second in the area, and 374 rushing yards last season. Loftus, a first-team all-county selection, came a long way under Hall and his staff, and will be missed. So will Kyle Downs (304 rushing yards, 38 points), tight end Nick Meola (28 catches for 503 yards, 30 points in 2013), Marcell Ballenger (15



JOSH GIBSON of Lakeside (left) prepares to hand the ball to Trevian Archer during a recent scrimmage. Gibson hopes to be a capable replacement for all-county performer Tyler Loftus under center while Archer hopes to lead the running game this fall.

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catches for 175 yards in 2013) and offensive lineman Garrett Vaught (first-team all-county in 2013).

“We started 2 freshmen last year on the offensive line,” Hall said. “We were young last year. We’re still really young, but those guys have developed a lot faster than I thought they would. The first scrimmage, they came out and we were able to establish the run, and I was very happy with their play.”

Hall expects the line to be the strength of the defense. There, juniors Matt Dickson and Jared Patton (letterman) start at the ends, and junior Reggie Bryant, senior Bryan Woissol and junior Cody Smith rotate at tackle with Tome.

Patton, who was named to the county’s second team, had 10 sacks and 16 tackles for loss in 2013.

The inside linebackers are junior letterwinner Tyree Meeks and senior letterman Josh Volk, with Rocco and junior Tim Moore backing them up. Vinny Smith and Damondre Haywood, both senior lettermen,

play the outside, with Canales spelling them. Seniors Mo Lebron and Josh Oblock are the safeties, with Evans, Nagle and Green rotating at corner.

“We had a really good defense last year,” Hall said. “Offensively we just put them in bad situations a lot of times. That’s something that we’re going to work on — being a better partner with our defense and offense.”

However, the Dragons have some shoring up to do on that side of the ball too, after losing some key players.

“We’re young (on defense) also,” Hall said. “We lost the most seniors off our defensive side.”

To name a few, Meola (first-team all-county) had 14 sacks and 21 tackles for loss, Downs (second team all-county) 13 tackles for loss and Malik Carlton was a second-team all-county performer at defensive back.

“We went to a new scheme this year,” Hall said. “We’ll run to the football. We just need to continue to get better with our assignments. We’re happy so far with the results.”

Freshman Keegan Vaught is the placekick-

er and Faulkerson the punter.

“We’re extremely young,” Hall said. “We have (8) seniors on the roster. Our entire backfield is going to be a sophomore starting backfield. We’re young on our defensive line. But the program overall — we have 60 kids this year in junior high. We have 27 freshmen right now; we brought our freshman team back. So we’ve done a good job with that. We’ve got to continue to coach kids hard and let them know what we expect out of them, and continue to get better every day.”

“(Getting the players to buy into the new system last year) wasn’t a problem. Last year our biggest problem was kids learning how to finish games. We lost a close one to Riverside (44-26) in the fourth quarter. We lost against US (30-20) in the fourth quarter.”

“Just knowing how to finish (is the key). We played Madison solid in the first half, come out in the second half and they really put it to us (in a 37-0 loss). But just being able to play a complete, smart football game

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(all-time)

RK	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1	66-26	East Tech	Aug. 31, 2007
2	62-0	John Adams	Oct. 6, 2006
3	60-13	Edgewood	Oct. 15, 2004
4	58-6	at LaBrae	Aug. 24, 2001
5	56-14	Collinwood	Aug. 22, 2003
5	56-12	East Tech	Sept. 1, 2006
7	55-7	at Edgewood	Oct. 10, 2003
8	54-15	Conneaut	Sept. 4, 2009
9	48-6	East Tech	Aug. 29, 2003
9	48-12	Geneva	Sept. 29, 2006
■ Games of 40-49 points — 9.			
■ Games of 50-59 points — 5.			
■ Games of 60-plus points — 3.			

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	at Youngstown East	Won	13-12
Sept. 6	at Brush	Lost	49-0
Sept. 13	Jefferson	Won	25-0
Sept. 20	Riverside	Lost	44-26
Sept. 27	Geneva	Lost	49-6
Oct. 5	at University	Lost	30-20
Oct. 11	at North	Won	33-7
Oct. 18	South	Lost	45-7
Oct. 25	Madison	Lost	37-0
Nov. 1	at Chardon	Lost	49-21
■ Overall — 3-7 (.300)			
■ Conference — 1-6 (.17th in PAC)			
■ Home — 1-4 (.200)			
■ Away — 2-3 (.400)			
■ Points scored / average — 151 (15.1)			
■ Points allowed / average — 322 (32.2)			
■ Points differential / average — -171 (-17.1)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 28	Youngstown East	Won, 13-12	1-0
Sept. 5	Brush	Lost, 49-0	0-1
Sept. 12	at Jefferson	Won, 25-0	9-0
Sept. 19	at Riverside	Lost, 44-26	3-6
Sept. 26	at Geneva (WFUN)	Lost, 49-6	7-6
Oct. 3	University	Lost, 30-20	0-3
Oct. 10	North	Won, 33-7	2-7
Oct. 17	at South	Lost, 45-7	0-9
Oct. 24	at Madison	Lost, 37-0	2-10
Oct. 31	Chardon	Lost, 49-21	1-10

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Blue Streaks keep raising bar

After reaching D-II regional final, Willis and co. still aren't satisfied

By STEVE GOLDMAN
For the Star Beacon

MADISON TOWNSHIP — Madison has the kind of football program that most schools would love to have — perennial conference and playoff contenders.

The 2013 year was the best to date for the Blue Streaks, as they made it to the Division II regional championship game, where they bowed 40-7 to eventual State runner-up Glenville.

Along the way, Madison (10-3), Premier Athletic Conference co-champions with Riverside at 6-1, avenged their only league loss by crushing South 42-14 in the regional quarterfinals before getting past a vaunted Brecksville-Broadview Heights squad, 22-21.

Stability in the coaching staff is a key to Madison's success. It is led by Tim Willis, who enters his 15th year as the head coach after another 10 as an assistant with the program.

As his team is about to enter the 2014 campaign, Willis points out that last season's run could prove to be a boost to Madison's 2014 prospects.

"A lot of guys got a lot of extra practice from (playing) three extra weeks," he said. "Now you're getting 15 extra practices that most teams aren't getting. That helps out the younger kids. It helps. But we start our football season in December in the weight room and conditioning and things like that. We run a pretty demanding program. Hopefully every year we're striving for the same things; we're striving to make the playoffs, win our conference — those type of things. Hopefully our program is at that point where not only once in a while, but every year, we're in contention. It's been that way for a while now. We've got a lot of assistant coaches that work extremely hard, and they're very dedicated and loyal to the program. Our administrative team backs football and backs athletics at Madison, so that helps. We have a good Gridiron Club (that) financially helps us out with a lot of things."

A good number of players are back from the defensive unit that finished the regular season with three-consecutive shutouts, including a 28-0 whitewashing of Riverside in Week 10 that left the two squads in the title tie. But there's also some new to go with the old.



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A HOST of Madison tacklers bring down Demetrius Green of Lakeside during the 2013 season at Lakeside. Madison rode a hot defense that pitched three-straight shutouts and a ball-controlling offense that limited opposing teams possessions to the Division II regional championship game.

"Defense is a work in progress," Willis said. "We've got a lot of returning starters. We're a very athletic defense."

Willis explained that the complexity of the Blue Streaks' defense results in the fact that it takes time for the more inexperienced players to learn it.

"We have a lot of guys that can move," he said. "(We) hope to have it down before (we face) Chagrin (Falls at home in Week 1)."

All of the starters in Madison's three-man front are seniors — lettermen Jack Holl (end) and Connor Nikses (nose guard), and Cam Florian (end). Four lettermen — seniors Matt Atha and Ricky Simcic (2nd team Division II All-Ohio in 2013) on the inside and juniors Vince Primer and Nick Brooks

on the outside — start at linebacker. The cornerbacks, junior Nick Law and senior Jarrad Lasko, are also returning letterwinners.

Sophomore Josh Petrucci starts at one safety, while sophomore Isaiah McClure was the favorite to start at the other as the season neared.

The reserves include junior nose guard Zach Defranco, senior nose guard Billy Glass and junior Brian Delzoppo (end).

On offense, the basic strategy will be the same as usual. The Blue Streaks normally look to pound the ball first, but also have some weapons which enable them to be quite effective via the air.

With the area's leading rusher and scorer, Brandon Davis (1,561 yards, 6.1 yards per

carry, 132 points) having graduated, Nikses (627 rushing yards, 5.5 yards per carry, 36 points in 2013), Brooks (218 yards in 2013) and Law will rotate at running back. Simcic and Atha will play fullback, while junior letterman Connor Smith replaces the graduated Austin Burkholder (1,337 passing yards, first in the area with 18 touchdown passes in 2013) at the quarterback position.

Senior letterman Aaron Petrucci (29 catches for an area-best 642 yards, area-best 22.1 yards per reception 78 points in 2013) returns at wideout. The other three who will play the position are junior letterwinner Nick Serra and Isaiah and Jordan McClure. Holl

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(1940-2013)

RK	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1	71-0	Kirtland	Oct. 26, 1950
2	69-0	Spencer	Oct. 5, 1951
3	62-39	at Chardon	Oct. 8, 2010
3	62-15	at North	Sept. 28, 2012
5	59-6	at Lakeside	Oct. 21, 2011
5	59-6	Riverside	Oct. 28, 2011
7	58-0	at Spencer	Sept. 23, 1960
8	55-2	Lakeside	Oct. 10, 2008
8	55-6	Lakeside	Oct. 14, 2010
10	54-0	John Marshall	Aug. 26, 2005
10	54-20	Lakeside	Oct. 19, 2012

Games of 40-49 points — 41.

Games of 50-59 points — 18.

Games of 60 or more points — 4.

Games of 70 or more points — 1.

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	Chagrin Falls	Lost	27-21
Sept. 6	Collinwood	Won	53-0
Sept. 13	at Perry	Won	34-6
Sept. 21	at University	Won	30-10
Sept. 27	Chardon	Won	43-26
Oct. 4	North	Won	41-7
Oct. 11	at South	Lost	48-24
Oct. 17	Geneva	Won	30-0
Oct. 25	at Lakeside	Won	37-0
Nov. 1	Riverside	Won	28-0
Nov. 8	at South	Won	42-14
Nov. 15	Breck.-Br. Heights	Won	22-21
Nov. 22	Glenville	Lost	40-7
Overall — 10-3 (.769)			
Conference — 6-1 (T-1st in PAC)			
Home — 5-1 (.833)			
Away — 4-1 (.800)			
Neutral — 1-1 (.500)			
Points scored / average — 412 (31.7)			
Points allowed / average — 199 (15.3)			
Points differential / average — +213 (+16.4)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	Chagrin Falls	Lost, 27-21	0-4
Sept. 5	Pickering Ontario	DNP	N/A
Sept. 12	Perry	Won, 34-6	43-28-2*
Sept. 19	University	Won, 30-10	3-2
Sept. 26	at Chardon	Won, 43-26	22-21-3*
Oct. 3	at North	Won, 41-7	17-6
Oct. 10	South	Lost, 48-24; Won, 42-14	6-11
Oct. 16	at Geneva	Won, 30-0	46-33-3
Oct. 24	Lakeside	Won, 37-0	9-2
Oct. 31	at Riverside	Won, 28-0	24-23-1

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Perry's Pirates are all grown

Rosati's upperclassmen are the underclassmen he knew would be special

By STEVE GOLDMAN
For the Star Beacon

PERRY TOWNSHIP — A year ago, the Perry Pirates entered the season with tons of talent, but also tons of youth.

“Not any more,” veteran Perry coach Matt Rosati said. “They’re men now.”

A cursory look at the current whereabouts of last year’s lettermen is enough to indicate the increase in experience that this year’s version of the Pirates have over last year. Perry — and keep in mind that this is a Division IV program — returns 17 of its lettermen. Only five have departed.

Given that, the Pirates, who were 5-5 with a 3-4 record in the Chagrin Valley Conference’s Chagrin Division last year, hope to improve against strong opponents. Although they were a perfect 4-0 against schools that didn’t make the postseason, they lost 5 of 6 games against those that did.

In the process, they started the season off with a 22-8 victory over Riverside. Their five defeats included a narrow 19-15 decision against Kenston and a 25-15 verdict against West Geauga.

Ordinarily, the discussion doesn’t begin with the tight end, but in this case it’s the logical place for its origin. Luke Farrell (15 catches, 226 yards in 2013) has offers from Ohio State and Michigan, and has drawn interest from Notre Dame. It doesn’t get any bigger than that, and Farrell is only just about to enter his junior season.

“Luke Farrell is one of the best tight ends in the country,” Rosati said. “His presence makes a difference.”

Ryan Kahoun (5.2 yards per carry, 36 points in 2013) and Kyle Kremiller (5.5 yards per carry in 2013), return at quarterback and running back respectively. Along with the graduated Zak Hurd, they formed a trio of which each member rushed for at least 645 yards last year. Kahoun added 674 yards via the air.

Sophomore Andy Foley will replace Hurd as the other running back. Perry rushed for 246.3 yards per game last season, ranking second in the area to Geneva. However, it finished last with 69.9 yards passing, and Rosati would like to see more balance.

Seniors Zach Buescher and Joe Medlen will start at wideout. On the line, the Pirates stand to be strong again, with seniors Ryan Bissett and Jake Vicini at the tackles, seniors Seth Cales and Brandon Truhn at the guards,



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LUKE FARRELL will be a key component to Perry’s success this season. The tight end is drawing the attention of some of the biggest collegiate football programs in the country.

and junior Conner VanDeweel at center.

All of the offensive starters lettered last year.

“They look pretty good,” Rosati said. “Zach Buescher is an outstanding receiver as well. Offensively, we should be a strong team.”

Not surprisingly given the numbers, Perry has a lot of experience coming back on defense as well.

Truhn and Cales are the tackles, and are surrounded by senior Tom Smogyi and Farrell (5 sacks, 16.0 tackles for loss in 2013). Kremiller is the middle linebacker, and is flanked by junior letterman Nick Lauria (9.5 tackles for loss in 2013) and sophomore Evan Schenk.

The cornerbacks are senior Brock Hurd and junior D.J. Aultman. The safeties are

both letterwinners — senior Mike Sorine and junior Nick Kuhn (4 sacks, 15.0 tackles for loss in 2013).

“They look pretty good,” Rosati said. “We’ve had two scrimmages so far — one against Lake Catholic and one against Kirtland — and we haven’t given up a touchdown yet. We think we’re a good defensive team.”

Lest it be forgotten, Kirtland entered the season having won two State championships in three years. The respect that Lake Catholic’s program has is also well-known.

Kremiller (67 total points in 2013) returns as the placekicker, while Lauria handles the punting chores. Senior Jeremy Koch, who is a wide receiver and defensive back, also lettered last year.

“We feel like we’re a pretty good football

team, and we’re confident that we’re going to be successful,” Rosati said. “Our goal is to host a playoff game and to compete for a conference championship.”

A playoff berth would be the first one for Perry since 2010.

Rosati feels that the main competition for the league crown will come from “the usual suspects” — namely Kenston, Aurora, West Geauga and Chagrin Falls.

The strength of that group is well-known, and partially accounts for the reason why 5 of the Pirates’ opponents made the playoffs last year. In fact Aurora has made it to the postseason nine-straight years, and won a Division III championship in 2008 and made it to the Division III State semifinals in 2006

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(1939-2013)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	70-35	at Harvey	Sept. 30, 2011
2.	62-7	Geneva	Sept. 8, 2000
3.	61-7	at Newbury	Oct. 15, 1993
3.	61-30	at Grand Valley	Sept. 25, 1998
5.	58-6	Kirtland	Oct. 18, 1946
6.	56-0	Harvey	Oct. 10, 1941
6.	56-12	Trinity	Oct. 10, 1975
6.	56-35	at Orange	Sept. 20, 2014
8.	55-12	Spencer	Nov. 13, 1954
9.	55-8	Ledgemont	Oct. 5, 1990
9.	55-6	at Newbury	Nov. 1, 1991
9.	55-9	Cardinal	Sept. 22, 2000
9.	55-0	at Jefferson	Aug. 31, 2007
9.	55-14	at Wickliffe	Sept. 19, 2008
9.	55-20	Beachwood	Oct. 10, 2008

- Games of 40-49 points — 66.
- Games of 50-59 points — 26.
- Games of 60-plus points — 4.

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	Riverside	Won	22-8
Sept. 6	at Geneva	Won	34-27
Sept. 13	Madison	Lost	34-6
Sept. 20	at Orange	Won	56-35
Sept. 27	West Geauga	Lost	25-15
Oct. 4	at Harvey	Won	44-24
Oct. 11	Kenston	Lost	19-15
Oct. 18	Aurora	Lost	28-3
Oct. 25	Wickliffe	Won	53-8
Nov. 1	at Chagrin Falls	Lost	20-7
■ Overall — 5-5 (.500)			
■ Conference — 3-4 (tied for 5th in CVC Chagrin Division)			
■ Home — 2-3 (.400)			
■ Away — 3-2 (.600)			
■ Points scored / average — 268 (26.8)			
■ Points allowed / average — 205 (20.5)			
■ Points differential / average — -63 (-6.3)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	at Riverside	Won, 22-8	14-8
Sept. 5	Geneva	Won, 34-27	11-8-3
Sept. 12	at Madison	Lost, 34-6	28-43-2*
Sept. 19	Orange	Won, 56-35	17-1*
Sept. 26	at West Geauga	Lost, 25-15	6-12*
Oct. 3	Harvey	Won, 44-24	7-2*
Oct. 10	at Kenston	Lost, 19-15	6-7*
Oct. 17	at Aurora	Lost, 28-3	12-10*
Oct. 24	at Wickliffe	Won, 53-8	20-18-2
Oct. 31	Chagrin Falls	Lost, 20-7	14-10*

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PYMATUNING VALLEY

Lakers want to keep ball rolling

PV, Croston hope to build off momentum of 4-1 finish to last season

By **BOB ETINGER**
For the Star Beacon

ANDOVER TOWNSHIP — The Pymatuning Valley football team lost four of its first five games in 2013. It finished on a stretch — 4-1 — that was the mirror image of the way it began.

Neal Croston and his staff are doing whatever they can to get the Lakers to duplicate the second half of 2013 as they begin 2014.

“Coming off a 5-5 year, you look at things your team did well with and keep,” Croston said. “Things that we did poorly in, we try to improve on by working on in the offseason and during camp.”

Avoiding that slow start will be imperative this season.

“Every year, you want to start off strong,” Croston said. “Lifting and offseason training gives you a chance to be ready when Week 1 rolls around.”

With just four home games a year ago, it was more important than usual to be dominant at Laker Stadium. The Lakers held their own at home, but fell short of dominant in splitting those four contests. They’ll look to improve in that arena this time around.

“You always want to protect your turf,” Croston said. “Winning at home is always important.”

The Lakers have to replace 12 seniors from last year’s team, including Quintin Ratliff, who accounted for more than half (55.9 percent) of the Lakers’ offensive output a season ago.

“We lost a good group of seniors, but I believe we have four captains in Ryan Wilkerson, Travis Kiser, Nick Such and Nick Blascak who will lead our underclassmen.”

The Lakers have three young men competing to be the signal caller this season. Kiser, Blascak and Mitchell Skleres have been battling it out in camp.

Kiser played significant time there last year and threw for 629 yards in completing 57.3 percent of his passes. He threw for five scores. Skleres led the junior-varsity offense.

Ratliff scored 106 points, ran for 1,270 yards, caught 22 passes for 275 yards and threw for 320 yards. It will take more than one player to replace that kind of production.

“Replacing Quintin will be tough, but guys like Wade Buckley and Keegen Hoopes will fill the void,” Croston said.

“Our strength is our backfield because we have four seniors who compete. A weakness could be our receivers, because many of them are sophomores or first-year players.”

Such, Wilkerson and Blascak will be the



running backs, but not without a challenge for a group of youngsters.

Such was the second-leading rusher on the team with 483 yards a season ago. Wilkerson could be a bruiser, having been used in quite a different role a year ago.

“We moved Ryan Wilkerson back to running back,” Croston said. “Last year, he played on the line for us. At 6-feet tall and 245 pounds, he gives us a big back.”

The ground game is integral to the Lakers’ advancement as a team.

“Running the ball can set up a lot things for your offense,” Croston said. “Good teams can run the ball even when the other teams know you are (going to do it).”

Skleres and Hoopes will be the wideouts, but Croston has a few guys he can alternate in, depending on which package Croston needs at the time.

“We have Mitchell Skleres and Keagan Hoopes at receiver,” he said. “We also have two big receivers in Isaac Orahood and Jeremy Fredrick.”

Those guys will impact the running game as well as impact the game vertically.

“If you have good blocking receivers, that can help your running game,” Croston said. “We also have some players who can stretch the field and will assist in creating more room for our running backs.”

“We have a nice combination of size and



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NICK SUCH and Travis Kiser (17) are expected to be the leaders of the Lakers offense this season with Kiser under center and Such at running back.

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(all-time)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
■ 1.	72-0	at Grand Valley	Oct. 24, 1975
■ 2.	62-0	Ledgemont	Sept. 28, 1963
■ 2.	62-0	Southington	Sept. 19, 1997
■ 2.	62-14	CVCA	Sept. 26, 1997
■ 5.	58-6	Lutheran East	Oct. 8, 2004
■ 5.	58-14	SJP	Oct. 17, 2008
■ 6.	57-29	at Cardinal	Sept. 20, 1991
■ 6.	57-6	Newbury	Oct. 11, 1996
■ 9.	56-6	at Grand Valley	Nov. 3, 1972
■ 9.	56-6	Ledgemont	Oct. 24, 1997
■ 9.	56-22	Southington	Oct. 15, 2004
■ Games of 40-49 points	— 25.		
■ Games of 50-59 points	— 13.		
■ Games of 60-69 points	— 3.		
■ Games of 70-plus points	— 1.		

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
■ Aug. 30	Berkshire	Won	32-14
■ Sept. 6	Cardinal	Lost	36-20
■ Sept. 13	at LaBrae	Lost	21-14
■ Sept. 20	Edgewood	Lost	55-12
■ Sept. 27	at Conneaut	Lost	41-14
■ Oct. 4	at Windham	Won	38-12
■ Oct. 11	Mathews	Won	52-27
■ Oct. 18	at Grand Valley	Lost	22-16
■ Oct. 25	Ledgemont	Won	18-6
■ Nov. 1	at Chalker	Won	28-21
■ Overall	— 5-5 (.500)		
■ Conference	— 4-1 (second in NAC)		
■ Home	— 1-4 (.200)		
■ Away	— 4-1 (.800)		
■ Points scored / average	— 244 (24.47)		
■ Points allowed / average	— 265 (26.5)		
■ Points differential / average	— -21 (-2.1)		

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
■ Aug. 29	at Newbury	DNP	N/A
■ Sept. 5	at Cardinal	Lost, 36-20	12-17
■ Sept. 12	LaBrae	Lost, 21-14	1-1
■ Sept. 19	at Edgewood	Lost, 55-12	1-11
■ Sept. 26	Conneaut	Lost, 41-14	7-9
■ Oct. 3	Windham	Won, 38-12	1-0
■ Oct. 10	Chalker	Won, 28-21	36-10
■ Oct. 17	at Ledgemont	Won, 18-6	23-17-1
■ Oct. 24	Grand Valley	Lost, 22-16	15-30-2
■ Nov. 31	at Mathews	Won, 52-27	14-9

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Riverside right on schedule

Despite some obstacles, Bors 5-year plan is still in place

By STEVE GOLDMAN
For the Star Beacon

PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP — As is always the case after a new coach takes over, building a winning football program is a process.

Despite encountering some unexpected hurdles, the Riverside Beavers find themselves about where they expected heading into the fifth year under Dave Bors.

In 2013, Riverside (8-3) secured its first playoff berth under Bors, and tied with Madison for first place in the Premier Athletic Conference, ending South's five-year reign.

"I remember the first thing we talked (about) when my staff got the job — I said this is a three-to-five-year plan," Bors said. "And this is Year 5. We didn't anticipate the pay-to-participate — the elephant in the room that we had to deal with — but in spite of all that, this is still Year 5. We shared the conference championship last year (and earned a Division II) playoff spot. I think the best way to put it is that the expectations are very clear. And that's to compete for a conference championship every year and to compete for a playoff spot, and then hopefully make the playoffs and do something when we get there — not just be satisfied with just playing 11 games. So it definitely is big that every year we've pretty much gone forward in this program.

"And now that we're approaching Year 5, every one of these guys we've had since 8th graders who will be seniors. Again, the expectations are clear. Definitely it's helped us to get that experience last year, but these guys know that just making the playoffs is not good enough, sharing the conference is not good enough. So we're excited to see. We have a very good schedule and take nothing for granted, but in terms of looking forward and having big expectations — that's the bottom line."

The Beavers' offense really rolled in 2013, as it scored 32.7 points per game. Included was a five-game streak of scoring at least 40 points, and eight of tallying at least 26 points.

However, Riverside had some problems on the other side of the ball, as it surrendered 27.5 points per contest and were last in the area in total defense (336.0 yards per game) and rushing defense (125.2).

In fact, its regional quarterfinal loss at Brecksville-Broadview Heights serves as somewhat of a microcosm of the season. While the Beavers put up 35 points, the Bees scored 53.

The defensive struggles weren't really unexpected, given the unit returned only one starter entering 2013. This year the Beavers have about half their defensive starters coming back, causing optimism for the prospect of improvement.

"The defense should be a little more solid than last (year)," Bors said. "I think that was one of our weaknesses last year, without question. Going into last year, we knew it was going to be a struggle. Those guys did a great job, but we only returned one starter on defense from the year before — which showed. It took a while to get things going, and even in our playoff game against Brecksville we struggled at times defensively.

"We're still not thinking we're going to be



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CHRIS CALDWELL (left) will be one of the Riverside big men up front who will be blocking for powerful running back Marcus Jones (right). Jones figures to be a main fixture for the Beavers offense with the graduation of the Riverside's all-time leader in passing Maxx Brubaker.



world beaters, but that's something that's definitely been a point of emphasis this off-season, especially with the way our offense has played."

Brett Peters will hold down one defensive end spot, with Deavonni Temnikar on the other side. John Suba and London Locklear are the tackles.

Marcus Jones, Jack Maxwell, Nick Schoval and Blake Maxwell are the starting linebackers. The secondary is comprised of Austin Hess, Cameron Jefferies and Kyron Ziemak.

All of the defensive starters lettered last year with the exception of Ziemak. Locklear, Blake Maxwell and Jefferies are juniors; the rest are seniors.

Senior lettermen Drew Loehr and Brandon Horn are reserve linebackers.

Although there is a lot of talent coming back from last year's fine offensive unit, there are some new faces there as well. A significant change is at quarterback, where junior Nick Fitzgerald takes the reins from the graduated Maxx Brubaker (1,182 passing yards, 56.7 percent completion rate, 14 TD passes in 2013), who holds the school record for career passing yardage. Fitzgerald was the temporary starter last year after Brubaker went down with an injury in the opener against Perry.

An offensive star who does come back is Jones (922 rushing yards, 7.0 yards per carry, 17 receptions for 233 yards, 90 points in 2013), who is about 600 yards short of the school's career rushing record. He will likely share the load with Jefferies (32 points in 2013) and Jack Maxwell.

Junior lettermen John Maczuzak and Michael Brubaker are new starters at wide-out, and Peters is the tight end.

From left to right, the offensive line is comprised of senior letterwinner Jake Militello, Suba, senior lettermen Dylan Miller and Paul McGlothlin and junior A.J.



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DAVE BORS in his fifth year in charge of the Riverside program.

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MOST POINTS SCORED

(all-time)

RK.	SCORE	OPPONENT	DATE
1.	61-7	Jefferson	Sept. 30, 1988
2.	60-0	Jefferson	Sept. 18, 1992
3.	59-6	at Geneva	Sept. 15, 1966
4.	56-6	Lakeside	Oct. 1, 2010
5.	55-21	North	Sept. 27, 2014
6.	54-6	St. John	Oct. 19, 1990
7.	53-0	Ashtabula	Oct. 7, 1977
8.	52-8	at Harvey	Nov. 6, 1970
8.	52-14	Conneaut	Oct. 20, 1995
10.	50-6	Spencer	Nov. 10, 1950
10.	50-0	Edgewood	Oct. 1, 1993

- Games of 40-49 points — 31.
- Games of 50-59 points — 9.
- Games of 60-69 points — 2.

2013 RESULTS

DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT	SCORE
Aug. 30	at Perry	Lost	22-8
Sept. 6	West Geauga	Lost	48-29
Sept. 13	Harvey	Won	42-13
Sept. 20	at Lakeside	Won	44-26
Sept. 27	North	Won	55-21
Oct. 4	at Geneva	Won	42-12
Oct. 11	University	Won	40-35
Oct. 18	at Chardon	Won	26-22
Oct. 25	South	Won	39-22
Nov. 1	at Madison	Lost	28-0
Nov. 8	at Breck.-Brd. Heights	Lost	53-35
■ Overall — 7-4 (.636)			
■ Conference — 6-1 (1st in PAC)			
■ Home — 4-1 (.800)			
■ Away — 3-3 (.500)			
■ Points scored / average — 368 (33.5)			
■ Points allowed / average — 302 (27.5)			
■ Points differential / average — +66 (+6.0)			

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	LAST YEAR	SERIES
Aug. 29	Perry	Lost, 22-8	8-14
Sept. 5	at West Geauga	Lost, 48-29	5-8
Sept. 12	at Harvey	Won, 42-13	36-24-1
Sept. 19	Lakeside	Won, 44-26	6-3
Sept. 26	at North	Won, 55-21	10-6
Oct. 3	Geneva	Won, 42-12	31-24
Oct. 11	at University	Won, 40-35	1-2
Oct. 17	Chardon	Won, 26-22	26-26-1
Oct. 24	at South	Won, 39-22	12-16
Oct. 31	Madison	Lost, 28-0	23-24-1

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Heralds are back in action

County's most storied program returns to the gridiron and OHSAA for '14

By BOB ETINGER
For the Star Beacon

ASHTABULA — In 40 years of coaching, Dom Iarocci has never been in the situation he finds himself in with the St. John football team. Back on the sideline after a year away from the sport following a season in which he led Edgewood to its first playoff appearance, Iarocci has no returning lettermen. He has precious few players who know what it's like under the Friday night lights. Heck, even players with extended junior varsity experience are limited on the Herald's roster.

None of that matters. Iarocci is happy to lead the Heralds as they will field a team for the first time in five years.

"I'm very, very excited to be back coaching," Iarocci said. "I think one of the most pertinent things said to me was by (St. John public address announcer) Keith Corlew. He said we finally have a program, not just an assemblage kids. I'm proud of that."

"Working for (St. John president) Sister (Maureen) Burke and my brother (Nick Iarocci), the athletic director, and the way they support the coaches they hire is amazing. They hire the coaches and let them coach. Other administrators should pay attention to that."

The 2014 season is not about winning and losing for the Heralds. They've simply scored the greatest victory by suiting up and taking the field. Iarocci is clear on that point. He understands it will take time to build the program and help the Heralds grow.

"Is it going to take time?" Iarocci asked. "Absolutely. We have five sophomores, a freshman and four juniors starting on offense. So yes, it will take time."

"Cleveland Indians manager Terry Francona said it best when he said the journey is just as good as the finish."

That journey has been enjoyable so far for Iarocci.

"The journey since March when I met the kids has been good," he said. "Ultimately, I hope (the players) get to experience a win or two or more. It's about the kids."

"I love the situation at St. John. I love the coaches. I love the administrators. I love the kids. They're very attentive. They give everything they have every day."

St. John has the proudest playoff tradition in Ashtabula County. The latest incarnation has a place in that tradition, win or lose.

"Obviously, we've been educating them (about the tradition) since the first day," Iarocci, himself a St. John graduate, said. "Football is a sport that unites the past and present more than any other sport. Sister Maureen understands that. My brother understands that. And I certainly understand that."

"When they take the field, they're repre-



ZACH THOMAS of St. John prepares to hand the ball to a teammate during a scrimmage against Grand Valley. Thomas will lead the Heralds offense as they look to revive their program this fall.

senting everyone from the past, even though this is their year. People who may have graduated 10 or 15 years ago pick up the paper on Saturday morning to see if their school won Friday night. If it won, they pump up their chest. If it lost, they're a little down. St. John has a great alumni and I think football unites all of that."

Iarocci has his own place in that tradition, first as a player, then as a coach, heading the program in the 1990s. He knows full well what being a Herald truly means and is doing his best to translate that for the current roster of 19.

"I'm an old guy," Iarocci said. "The field we practice on (Massucci) is the field I played on 50 years ago. That's when the tradition hit and it continued for a 20-year period. I'm a guy who has played there, I'm able to know the alumni and all the players and try and pass it on to the kids."

"We've had alumni in to talk to the kids. (Assistant coach) Dave Clemens, who played at Ashtabula, talks about what it was like to play in the City Series with the kids. We do that two or three times a week."

"In (Kenny Chesney's) 'Boys of Fall' video, (current New Orleans Saints coach) Sean Payton was right when he told (the high school team he coached at the time) that so many people lived vicariously through

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— Dom Iarocci, St. John (pictured above)

2014 SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT
Aug. 29	at Mathews
Sept. 5	Newbury
Sept. 12	at Leetonia
Sept. 19	Open
Sept. 26	at Open Door
Oct. 3	Toronto (WFUN)
Oct. 10	New Day
Oct. 17	Chalker
Oct. 24	Open
Oct. 31	at Fairport





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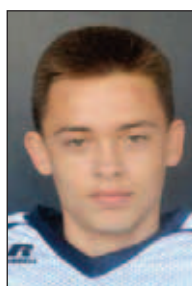
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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
2	Zach Thomas	QB-DB	5-8	130	11
7	Mike Leonard	FB-LB	5-7	210	10
12	Josh Stoll	TE-DB	5-10	145	11
15	Paul Calloway	TE-DB	6-0	150	11
22	Josh Williams	WR-DB	5-6	120	12
23	Nate Severino	WR-DB	6-0	170	10
26	Ron Chambers	TE-LB	6-2	210	12
32	James Woods	RB-DB	5-6	145	10
34	Sam McClure	FB-LB	5-7	175	9
44	Dane Gustafson	RB-LB	5-11	170	11
51	Max Hammers	C-DL	5-10	220	10
52	Andrew Kaschalk	OL-LB	5-10	195	10
55	Ron Nejbauer	OL-DE	6-2	265	12
56	Doug Warren	OT-DL	6-6	260	12
65	Adam Fedler	OL-LB	5-8	210	11
73	Vince Ballard	OL-DL	6-3	240	10
74	Joey Roskovics	OT-DL	5-6	190	10
75	Mason Rought	OL-DL	6-4	350	12
80	Jacob Emerson	TE-DE	6-0	175	11



ZACH THOMAS
 ■ He has the swagger of a quarterback and the team follows his every move.



DANE GUSTAFSON
 ■ He is the prototypical tailback for Dom Iarocci's run-first offense.



MIKE LEONARD
 ■ He is hard-nosed and will punish people from both of his positions.



RON CHAMBERS
 ■ At 6-2, 210 Iarocci feels Chambers can make a big impact as a tight end.



JOSH WILLIAMS
 ■ If the Heralds throw the ball, it will most likely be to Williams. He will be the one counted on to stretch the defense vertically.

St. John

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them.”
 For a group of players who have never experienced the pomp and circumstance of Friday nights, the 2014 season will be a process.

“These guys want to be successful more than any group I’ve coached,” Iarocci said. “But it’s like walking up steps. You have to take baby steps before you can walk or run. The kids want to win and they want to represent their school. My job is to get them there.”

“More than in anything, in football the kids symbolize their head coach. I think these kids do. I told (my brother) would not take the job until I met the kids. I shook hands with each of them and looked each one in the eye. I went right back to Sister Maureen and said I’d take the job.”

“There’s a lot of heart and character on this team.”

That process will be a long one. “First of all, we have to teach them to compete,” Iarocci said. “We do individual drills every day and we want them to win those individual battles. We want them competing in every individual drill. When we get into team, they compete. They’ll learn how to compete as a team if they try to win every individual battle.”

“It may take two weeks or a year or even a couple of years. There are always going to be steps back before you can take steps forward. We’re teaching the kids that it isn’t wrong to take a step back. The amount of progress we’ve seen the last two weeks is astronomical.”

“We’re going to come to a point where it all comes together — the competing then winning the individual drills — then we’re going to win a game. It’s virgin territory we’re entering but the journey has been so much fun.”

The young man tasked with leading the Heralds on that journey is quarterback Zach Thomas.

“He’s a leader,” Iarocci said. “Him transferring over was a godsend. He’s been a leader from Day 1. He’s the first one out on the field, he’s the first one to finish sprints.”

“The first thing is he’s got to stay healthy and like everyone else, get better every day. He’s going to have to keep his head to be a leader. I evaluate a leader on how he leads not when things are going well, but how he leads when everything is not going good. On the field, they are going to look to him and see how he reacts when things go bad.”

“So far, he’s done everything we’ve asked.”

Mike Leonard will be the backup. Dane Gustafson and James Woods will be the tailbacks and Leonard the fullback in Iarocci’s three-back offense.

“Mike is the perfect football player for my offense,” Iarocci said. “He’s a hard-nosed kid. Woods has speed. Dane will find the hole and get four or five yards every



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DAVE GUSTAFSON is a junior running back for St. John.

time. All of these kids are 100-percent kids.

“They complement each other so well. All they want to do is grow every day.”

Sam McClure will spell Leonard at fullback and Josh Williams will be the slot receiver and backup tailback and will be the one charged with stretching the field vertically.

“(Williams) is a good receiver,” Iarocci said. “He catches the ball. (Being the deep threat) is exactly how he fits in the offense.”

The two tight ends will be Ron Chambers and Paul Calloway with Jacob Emerson, Nate Severino and Josh Stoll working in.

“Ron is a big kid at 6-foot-2, 210 pounds. He’s the perfect tight end. Paul can really catch the ball well. Both of them are good blockers.”

The offensive line is big and can be tough. The center will be Max Hammers (5-10, 200) with Ron Nejbauer (6-2, 265) and Adam Fedler

(5-8, 210) as the guards. Vince Ballard (6-3, 240) and Doug Warren (6-6, 260) will be the tackles. Mason Rought (6-4, 350) will get in at tackle with Joey Roskovics (5-6, 190) and Andrew Kaschalk (5-10, 195) versatile enough to play guard and tackle.

“I’m so impressed with the toughness of this group,” Iarocci said. “I could not be more excited about their growth potential.”

Rought and Hammers will be the defensive tacklers with Ballard and Nejbauer the ends. Roskovics and Warren will see time at the tackles and Emerson will play at the end.

Leonard and Fedler will be the inside backers with McClure getting snaps there while Chambers and Gustafson will be the outside backers with Woods and Kaschalk working in.

Williams, Calloway and Severino have been duking it out for the two corner

spots with Stoll and Woods filling in. The safety is Thomas.

Leonard will be the kicker and punter with McClure handling the extra points.

“We’ve been emphasizing kickoffs a lot,” Iarocci said. “The same for extra points. We will tell Sam it’s 14-13 and he needs to make the kick. Zach is the holder and Max does a nice job snapping the ball. I’m content going for one.”

Gustafson and Woods will return kicks with Thomas, Williams and Calloway returning punts.

“In my offense, field position is paramount,” Iarocci said. “We emphasize three and a half yards, three and a half, three and a half then move the chains. I told the punt returners the worst thing they can do is let a punt roll.”

Ettinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Adam Fedler
 ■ 265 pounds.

2 James Woods
 ■ 260 pounds.

3 Mike Leonard
 ■ 235 pounds.

4 Max Hammers
 ■ 225 pounds.

5 Ron Nejbauer
 ■ 215 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Adam Fedler
 ■ 325 pounds.

2 Mike Leonard
 ■ 315 pounds.

3 James Woods
 ■ 300 pounds.

4 Dane Gustafson
 ■ 295 pounds.

5 Max Hammers
 ■ 285 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Dane Gustafson
 ■ 4.9 seconds.

1 Jacob Emerson
 ■ 4.9 seconds.

1 Zach Thomas
 ■ 4.9 seconds.

4 Mike Leonard
 ■ 5.0 seconds.

4 Josh Williams
 ■ 5.0 seconds.

4 James Woods
 ■ 5.0 seconds.



“He’s a leader. ... He’s been a leader from Day 1. He’s the first one out on the field, he’s the first one to finish sprints.”

— Dom Iarocci, St. John coach on Zach Thomas (pictured above)



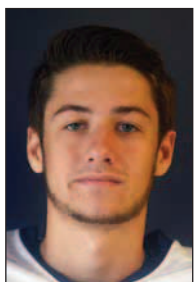
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NO.	PLAYER	HT.	WT.
1	Alex Gerdes	6-2	170
3	Justin Myers	6-0	150
4	Nick Drew	5-4	170
5	Troy Colucci	5-6	175
6	Marcus Barrickman	6-3	175
7	Isaiah Ngraingas	5-6	140
8	Zach Wadsworth	5-11	135
9	Jake Spees	6-4	185
10	Dallis Burdick	5-6	145
11	Justin Mason	5-7	145
13	Justin Campbell	5-6	115
15	Nick Root	5-10	140
16	Victor Rockwell	6-2	160
18	Matt Church	5-10	170
20	Alan Christine	6-1	210
21	Kyle Gaugh	5-4	98
22	Jon West	5-10	160
23	Alex Rivera	5-8	151
25	Steven Gaugh	6-0	155
26	Dylan Case	5-10	152
28	Justin Franklin	5-5	140
30	Cole Tattrie	5-10	155
32	Rashad Al-Aribi	5-10	160
33	Cole Walker	5-9	165
35	Cameron Bogdan	5-5	110
40	Austin Dale	5-7	135
42	Issac Wright	5-8	135
44	Clay Webster	6-1	190
45	David Bohbot	5-8	170
50	J.J. Lower	5-11	215
51	Ethan Parker	5-8	190
52	Nathan Pape	5-10	195
54	Nathan Lower	6-0	180
55	Josh Kay	5-7	240
56	Nathan Eaton	5-10	175
58	Tanner Kapen	5-8	175
60	Gage Janek	5-9	165
62	Gary Brunning	5-9	295
63	Brian Duris	5-8	185
65	Bradley Tisdale	5-8	150
66	Robbie McKay	6-1	295
67	Kyle Curtis	5-10	180
69	Tyler Culbertson	5-10	150
70	Matt Bateman	6-0	185
71	Robert Hathy	5-9	225
72	Bryce Buchanan	5-6	195
74	Chance Woodworth	5-8	300
75	Jake Daub	5-11	185
76	James Brunning	6-5	265
78	Joey Rokosky	5-8	205
80	Desean Taylor	6-0	160
81	Alex Amos	5-10	140
88	Gary Kiel	5-9	150



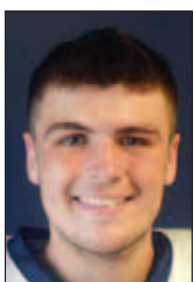
TROY COLUCCI
 ■ Colucci is a triple threat for the Spartans and can score from anywhere at any time in any way.



ALEX GERDES
 ■ Proved to be one of Colucci's favorite targets and can be dangerous in the passing game.



J.J. LOWER
 ■ One of two returning starters who will be key components on the offensive front in protecting Colucci.



BRIAN DURIS
 ■ Another long-time starter on the offensive line, works well with Lower.



STEVEN GAUGH
 ■ Will be the first of many backs to get the chance to prove himself in the running game.

Conneaut

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Colucci, the quarterback who scored 72 points. He rushed for 888 yards (5.7 per carry) and completed 54.7 percent of his passes for 1,209 yards and 16 touchdowns. Despite that, he still has ways he can grow.

"Troy needs to be a great leader, which he has done so far this year," Dobran said. "He has always worked hard but now he is bringing others with him, which is the sign of a true leader. Troy wanted to get faster this off-season and he did. Now, all through doubles, he has called many of the plays himself, helping him to truly understand the offense and what I'm looking for."

"Now, he just needs to understand that the success of his teammates is going to make him more successful, and I think he is just about there. I can't blame a player for wanting the ball in every key situation."

Colucci, Alex Rivera and Justin Meyers will be the signal callers this year.

"Troy is very well rounded, he is still working on his run reads and carrying out his fakes," Dobran said. "Alex is very good with the ball in his hands, and is working on his pass reads, but he is only a sophomore. He has made great strides from last year. Justin is a junior who throws a very nice ball. He is a good pocket passer and has great awareness. He is in his first

year of varsity football and he is still learning the system."

Stephen Gaugh, Justin Franklin, Cole Walker and Isaiah Ngraingas will tote the pigskin.

"We lost both of our starting backs from last year, so we are just waiting to see who is going to really stand out between these four great players," Dobran said. "For now, there will be a lot of rotation until one really stands out and this will allow them all time to rest. All four of them start on the defensive side of the ball. C.J. (Rice) and R.J. (Nelson) were always exhausted last year playing so much both ways."

Those backs will be important in helping Dobran establish the offense and open up the playbook.

"Establishing the run game is always important," Dobran said. "It will help open up the pass game and allows us to control the clock if we want to."

Alex Gerdes (25 receptions, 522 yards, 20.9 yards per reception in 2013), Jake Spees, Justin Myers, and Marcus Barrickman will be the outside receivers. Tommy Manning, Dallis

Burdick, Nick Root and Alex Rivera are the slots.

"They will help Troy out immensely," Dobran said. "This is by far the best group of receivers we've had since I've been here, also with the most depth that we've had."

The Spartans receiving corps was a big part of how they scored and moved the ball down the field a year ago. They hold important roles in that regard again this time around.

"They are very important to the offense," Dobran said. "Their blocking is so extremely important. We have backs that run everywhere. You never know if they are going to follow the hole or improvise, so all the receivers must hold their blocks, no matter where they are on the field."

That said, they will also make plays in the vertical game.

"They also have to run great routes and catch the ball," Dobran said. "This year they give us big play potential. Alex Gerdes continues to turn heads with his great catches and deceiving speed. Jake is a basketball standout, a senior playing for the first time. He gives us another deep threat with his

6-foot-4 height, good speed and great hands.

"Justin and Marcus also gives us height coming to us from the basketball team and both having good ball skills. All of our inside guys have good speed and/or quickness, which will allow us to spread the ball around a lot this year."

The receivers can also move the ball on the ground and can make defenders miss in the short passing game.

"They will have a great impact in the run game," Dobran said. "Tommy Manning coming to us from the track team gives a lot of speed on jet sweeps. For much of our screen game, we will get the ball to Rivera, Burdick, and Root, which are basically runs. With all these weapons at receiver, it should open the run game up for our backs even more."

James Brunning and Josh Kay will be the tackles, J.J. Lower and Jacob Daub the guards and Brian Duris is the center. Allan Christine, Bobby Hathy, and Chance Woodworth are all getting a

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COACH — Rocco Dobran.

COLLEGE — Muskingum

College.

TEACHING SUBJECT — Middle

school math.

YEARS AT CONNEAUT — Second.

CAREER RECORD — 7-23 (.233)

ASSISTANT COACHES — Matt

Pape, Bobby Nelson, Walker

Graher, Art Distelrath, Aaron

Joslin, Ted Johnson.

BASIC OFFENSE — Spread.

BASIC DEFENSE — 3-4.

LETTERMEN LOST — 10.

LETTERMEN RETURNING — Troy

Colucci, J.J. Lower, Brian Duris,

Alex Gerdes, Isaiah Ngraingas,

Dallis Burdick, Nick Root, Alex

Rivera, Steve Gaugh, Cole

Walker, Josh Kay, Gary

Brunning.

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Justin

Myers, Marcus Barrickman, Jake

Spees, Justin Mason, Matt

Church, Alan Christine, Justin

Franklin, Austin Dale, Kyle

Curtis, Bobby Hath, Chance

Woodworth, Jake Daub, James

Brunning.

2013 RECORD — 6-4.

THROUGH THE YEARS

2013 — 6-4

2012 — 0-10 1966 — 1-8-0

2011 — 1-9 1965 — 4-4-1

2010 — 2-8 1964 — 3-5-1

2009 — 1-9 1963 — 2-8-0

2008 — 4-6 1962 — 6-4-0

2007 — 1-9 1961 — 2-8-0

2006 — 1-9 1960 — 3-7-0

2005 — 1-9 1959 — 5-4-1

2004 — 2-8 1958 — 4-5-0

2003 — 4-6 1957 — 8-1-0

2002 — 4-6 1956 — 9-0-0

2001 — 5-4 1955 — 6-2-1

2000 — 6-4 1954 — 6-3-0

1999 — 4-6 1953 — 5-3-1

1998 — 1-9 1952 — 6-1-1

1997 — 1-9 1951 — 8-1-0

1996 — 0-10 1950 — 6-3-0

1995 — 1-9 1949 — 6-3-0

1994 — 2-8 1948 — 1-6-1

1993 — 6-4 1947 — 8-0-2

1992 — 8-2 1946 — 5-5-0

1991 — 5-5 1945 — 3-6-0

1990 — 3-7 1944 — 3-4-2

1989 — 6-4 1943 — 3-4-0

1988 — 6-4 1942 — 8-0-0

1987 — 5-5 1941 — 4-3-3

1986 — 4-6 1940 — 6-3-1

1985 — 10-1 1939 — 10-0-0

1984 — 8-2-0 1938 — 8-2-0

1983 — 10-0-0 1937 — 4-4-0

1982 — 9-1-0 1936 — 4-2-3

1981 — 6-4-0 1935 — 7-1-1

1980 — 6-4-0 1934 — 9-1-1

1979 — 4-6-0 1933 — 7-2-0

1978 — 6-4-0 1932 — 3-6-0

1977 — 3-7-0 1931 — 9-1-0

1976 — 4-6-0 1930 — 6-2-2

1975 — 3-7-0 1929 — 5-2-0

1974 — 4-5-1 1928 — 0-7-2

1973 — 2-7-1 1927 — 3-2-2

1972 — 1-9-0 1926 — 4-3-3

1971 — 1-9-0 1925 — 4-2-1

1970 — 1-9-0 1924 — 7-1-0

1969 — 5-2-2 1923 — 3-7-0

1968 — 4-6-0 1922 — 3-2-1

1967 — 2-8-0 1921 — 5-5-0

TOTAL — 406-449-34 (.475)

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lot of reps trying to crack the starting lineup.

“It all starts up front,” Dobran said. “It is extremely important for these young men to learn their assignment and to be very physical. For our offense to be successful at all, we need our offensive line to gel and work together.

“We have four experienced starters and the rest are continuously learning. The faster the others learn the scheme the more successful we’ll be. We need to get our inexperienced linemen to a spot where they can just play without thinking.”

Despite giving up 23 points and 300 yards per game a year ago, the Spartans were better than they had been recently. The key will be continuing that growth.

“From previous years, last year’s group did make great improvements,” Dobran said. “It may be hard to tell on paper because of the Geneva and Gilmour games, two very good teams. This year we want to continue to improve our defense. We have more

depth and more speed this year. Hopefully, our pursuit to the ball will be as good if not better than last year and we can always improve our tackling skills.”

The key to that improvement might be in the ground game.

“Absolutely, we must stop the run first,” Dobran said. “We are hoping to find enough defensive linemen to rotate so that our guys stay fresh, which has been an issue in the past.”

Getting 11 hats to the ball will also be important.

“I believe there is nothing more frustrating to an offense than 11 guys pursuing to the ball with every bit of effort that they have,” Dobran said. “Sound team defense (is a key). If one guy misses an assignment or a tackle, there is another guy and another to make the play.”

Brunning, Kay and Lower will start on the defensive front with Alan Christine, Daub, Chance Woodworth and Kyle Curtis rotating in.

Duris and Gaugh will be the inside linebackers with Colucci, Matt Church and Justin Mason also getting reps. Outside will be Walker and Barrickman with Manning getting reps, also.

“I think they move very well and get

to the ball quick,” Dobran said. “We have more speed at that position this year, and some very solid tacklers.”

The cornerbacks are Franklin and Ngraingas with Gerdes and Myers being able to step in as backups. At safety will be Spees who is backed up by Root, with Rivera at strong safety backed up by Burdick.

“They need to cause turnovers, a key ingredient to winning games, and stopping third and long situations, which we haven’t been good at the past few years.”

Spees will have the kicking duties and is backed up by Austin Dale. Colucci and Spees will be the punters.

Colucci, Manning, Rivera and Isaiah Ngraingas will return kicks.

“They can be extremely helpful because of field position,” Dobran said. “Kickoff returners allow us to start a drive in good field position. And if we can just catch the punts, we don’t give up hidden yardage. Any return after that is a bonus.”

Ettinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 **J.J. Lower**

■ 293 pounds.

2 **Josh Kay**

■ 240 pounds.

3 **James Brunning**

■ 240 pounds.

4 **Brian Duris**

■ 235 pounds.

5 **Troy Colucci**

■ 215 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 **J.J. Lower**

■ 450 pounds.

2 **Josh Kay**

■ 445 pounds.

3 **Brian Duris**

■ 420 pounds.

4 **Troy Colucci**

■ 400 pounds.

5 **Bobby Hath**

■ 400 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 **Troy Colucci**

4.69 seconds.

2 **Justin Franklin**

4.72 seconds.

3 **Alex Gerdes**

4.8 seconds

4 **Jake Spees**

4.8 seconds

5 **Nick Root**

4.83 seconds



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J.J. LOWER will be a key part of the Spartans line.



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TROY COLUCCI will be the main leader of the Spartans offense after a strong 2013 season.

“Troy needs to be a great leader, which he has done so far this year. He has always worked hard but now he is bringing others with him, which is the sign of a true leader.”

— Rocco Dobran, Conneaut



EDGEWOOD



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EDGEWOOD

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- **LEAGUE** — Independent.
- **HEAD COACH** — Josh Franke.
- **COLLEGE** — Otterbein University.
- **TEACHING SUBJECT** — History.
- **YEARS AT EDGEWOOD** — 2nd.
- **CAREER RECORD** — 4-6 (.400).
- **ASSISTANT COACHES** — Steve Diemer, Chris Monda, Ted Barger, Brett Reinhart, Nick Dalrymple, Lou Wisnyai, Ryan Petro, Jeff Herron, Jeff Applebee, Scott Blank.
- **BASIC OFFENSE** — Multiple.
- **BASIC DEFENSE** — 3-5.
- **LETTERMEN LOST** — 16.
- **LETTERMEN RETURNING** — Seniors Mason Lilja (FS-WR-QB), Alex Newsome (WR-DB), Dan Joslin (WR-DB), Tyler Welton (OL-DL), David Ellis (LB-WR); juniors Alex Wisnyai (QB), Breyton Santee (K), Alex Bancroft (OT-DL), Austin Sturgill (OL-DL), Tyler Ernst (OL-DL); Alex Sturgill (Ath-LB).
- **OTHER KEY PLAYERS** — Senior Ryan Stanton (C-DL); juniors Ian Katon (WR-RB-DB), Zak Noce (WR-DB), Peyton Knox (LB-TE), D'Aundrea Norman (OT-DT), Michael Johnson (DT-OL), Andrew Estock (FS-WR); sophomores Marcus Ernst (QB-WR-FS), Tre Orlik (DT-OL), Tyler Pocatko (DL-OL) and Jake Beninato (LB-TE).
- **2013 RECORD** — 4-6.

THROUGH THE YEARS

- 2013 — 4-6
- 2012 — 7-4
- 1978 — 6-3-1
- 1977 — 7-3-0

■ 2011 — 2-8	■ 1976 — 3-7-0
■ 2010 — 5-5	■ 1975 — 4-6-0
■ 2009 — 7-3	■ 1974 — 3-7-0
■ 2008 — 0-10	■ 1973 — 3-7-0
■ 2007 — 2-8	■ 1972 — 5-3-1
■ 2006 — 4-6	■ 1971 — 4-6-0
■ 2005 — 3-7	■ 1970 — 7-2-1
■ 2004 — 2-8	■ 1969 — 4-6-0
■ 2003 — 1-9	■ 1968 — 6-3-1
■ 2002 — 1-9	■ 1967 — 6-4-0
■ 2001 — 2-8	■ 1966 — 4-5-1
■ 2000 — 6-4	■ 1965 — 7-2-1
■ 1999 — 4-6	■ 1964 — 8-2-0
■ 1998 — 3-7	■ 1963 — 4-4-1
■ 1997 — 3-7	■ 1962 — 5-4-0
■ 1996 — 8-2	■ 1961 — 1-7-1
■ 1995 — 7-3	■ 1960 — 5-4-0
■ 1994 — 1-9	■ 1959 — 4-2-2
■ 1993 — 3-7	■ 1958 — 2-5-1
■ 1992 — 1-9	■ 1957 — 1-8-0
■ 1991 — 0-10	■ 1956 — 1-7-0
■ 1990 — 5-5	■ 1955 — 3-3-2
■ 1989 — 4-6	■ 1954 — 5-3-0
■ 1988 — 3-7	■ 1953 — 3-4-0
■ 1987 — 2-8	■ 1952 — 1-6-0
■ 1986 — 9-1	■ 1951 — 0-7-0
■ 1985 — 6-4	■ 1950 — 2-4-1
■ 1984 — 2-8-0	■ 1949 — 5-2-0
■ 1983 — 3-7-0	■ 1948 — 1-5-0
■ 1982 — 1-9-0	■ 1947 — 1-6-0
■ 1981 — 1-9-0	■ 1946 — 2-5-0
■ 1980 — 3-7-0	■ 1945 — 1-3-0
■ 1979 — 7-3-0	■ 1944 — 1-1-1
■ No football in 1942 and 1943	
■ Played 6-man football in 1940, 1941	
TOTAL — 247-385-15 1,391!	

Warriors

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McLaughlin and Anthony Barger. Those four guys accounted for 3,301 of the 3,866 total yards the Warriors had in 2013. That was 85.4 percent of Edgewood's offense last season.

"We did lose a lot of skill guys, but I've always believed that this offense makes the stars, the stars don't make the offense," Franke said. "Alex will have a strong supporting cast of players around him who are very talented and although he may want to carry the load at times, we're not going to ask him to do that. We have to believe in the system."

"With that being said, Alex has become a more intelligent football player. The difference from him last year and this year is he will be able to read and diagnosis defensive blitzes and coverages both before and post snap, he recognizes fronts and player's in the box. With all of the chalk talk time he's had we've built in some plays were he has some options as far as what to do with the football."

Marcus Ernst will be the backup again this season.

"Marcus will be a sophomore and is a

very talented athlete," Franke said. "He played JV quarterback last year and did extremely well, but being 6-foot-7 and having incredible hands, we thought it best to put him at wide receiver rather than not use his athleticism."

Alex Sturgill, Mason Lilja and Ian Katon will tote the mail from the backfield for the Warriors. Slot receivers Zak Noce and Alex Newsome will also see carries.

"You can't replace kids like Riis and Anthonie, but I would like to believe that in this offensive system you can take a player out, plug another in, and get close to the same output," Franke said. "Sturgill carried the ball for us last year extremely well and Mason is a senior who runs hard. With Wisnyai getting faster and more durable, we plan to allow him to run a little more, as well."

Ernst and Peyton Knox will be the outside receivers while Zak Enrico and Tyler Ernst will be the receiver/tight end/fullback with Noce and Newsome in the slots.

Those receivers will be good targets for Wisnyai.

"Although it's an extremely young group of receivers, I believe, as a group or unit, they have the best hands of any receiver group I've had," Franke said.

"We have six kids who, if that ball is close to them, they're catching it. We've seen during the 7-on-7 season that they're going to make some impressive catches when other kids wouldn't. Because of their athletic ability, we were able to win a 7-on-7 tournament and placed second in two others at Akron University and Bucyrus."

The receivers can impact the running game, too.

"Absolutely, and it all stems from our wide receiver coach, Nick Dalrymple, working with our receiving corps on downfield blocking," Franke said. "We've stressed that the difference between a first down and a touchdown is blocking by our receivers and that's something they work on every day at practice."

"As soon as one of our guys catches a ball, the rest of our receivers turn into head hunters, they're looking for that highlight block to spring their guy for a touchdown. They've become a very unselfish group in that aspect, most of our kids just want to win."

Alex Bancroft, Austin Sturgill, Ryan Stanton, Tre Orlik, D'Aundrea Norman will start along the offensive front with Michael Johnson, Tyler Welton, Josh

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■ **LEAGUE** — Premier Athletic Conference.

■ **COACH** — Tony Hassett.

■ **COLLEGE** — Hiram College.

■ **TEACHING SUBJECT** — Special education.

■ **YEARS AT GENEVA** — 14th, 11th as head coach.

■ **CAREER RECORD** — 39-61 (.390).

■ **ASSISTANT COACHES** — Rick Pierce, Jay Corlew, Mike Hassett.

■ **BASIC OFFENSE** — Slot-I, spread.

■ **BASIC DEFENSE** — 4-4.

■ **LETTERMEN LOST** — 12.

■ **LETTERMEN RETURNING** — Seniors Austin Clutter (WR-DB), Aaron Rossi (RB) and Zac Sweat (MLB-FB); and junior Paul Hitchcock (K).

■ **OTHER KEY PLAYERS** — Senior Nick Coach (FB-DT), Alex Fistek (QB-LB), Ryan Mackynen (WR-DB); juniors Brent Bell (WR-CB), Seth Calhoun (TE-DE), Mike Clark (WR-DB), Matt Otto (TE-DE), Dylan Rhodes (C); sophomores Abran Alamo (T), Kody Brown (LB), Collin Way (FB-LB-P); freshmen Chucky Jackson (DT) and Trayvon Miller (T).

■ **LAST YEAR'S RECORD** — 4-6 (2-5, T-5th in PAC).

THROUGH THE YEARS

■ 2013 — 4-6	■ 1957 — 3-6-0
■ 2012 — 3-7	■ 1956 — 4-5-0
■ 2011 — 3-7	■ 1955 — 1-8-0
■ 2010 — 6-4	■ 1954 — 0-9-0
■ 2009 — 8-2	■ 1953 — 3-6-0
■ 2008 — 5-5	■ 1952 — 5-3-1
■ 2007 — 4-6	■ 1951 — 2-7-0
■ 2006 — 1-9	■ 1950 — 7-2-0
■ 2005 — 2-8	■ 1949 — 8-1-0
■ 2004 — 3-7	■ 1948 — 6-3-0
■ 2003 — 2-8	■ 1947 — 4-4-1
■ 2002 — 3-7	■ 1946 — 0-9-0
■ 2001 — 4-6	■ 1945 — 0-9-0
■ 2000 — 2-8	■ 1944 — 2-7-0
■ 1999 — 7-3	■ 1943 — 4-4-0
■ 1998 — 8-2	■ 1942 — 4-1-2
■ 1997 — 8-2	■ 1941 — 2-4-1
■ 1996 — 9-1	■ 1940 — 3-4-2
■ 1995 — 7-3	■ 1939 — 4-2-2
■ 1994 — 6-4	■ 1938 — 1-7-0
■ 1993 — 3-7	■ 1937 — 7-1-1
■ 1992 — 3-7	■ 1936 — 2-6-0
■ 1991 — 2-8	■ 1935 — 3-4-0
■ 1990 — 9-1	■ 1934 — 1-7-0
■ 1989 — 9-2	■ 1933 — 1-6-1
■ 1988 — 4-6	■ 1932 — 3-6-0
■ 1987 — 3-7	■ 1931 — 1-4-3
■ 1986 — 4-6	■ 1930 — 0-6-2
■ 1985 — 6-4	■ 1929 — 0-7-0
■ 1984 — 4-6-0	■ 1928 — 4-5-0
■ 1983 — 7-3-0	■ 1927 — 5-3-1
■ 1982 — 3-7-0	■ 1926 — 6-1-1
■ 1981 — 6-3-1	■ 1925 — 4-2-0
■ 1980 — 9-1-0	■ 1924 — 4-4-0
■ 1979 — 9-1-0	■ 1923 — 4-3-2
■ 1978 — 4-6-0	■ 1922 — 4-5-1
■ 1977 — 7-2-0	■ 1921 — 3-5-0
■ 1976 — 10-0	■ 1920 — 2-5-0
■ 1975 — 10-0	■ 1919 — 6-3-0
■ 1974 — 6-3-1	■ 1918 — 0-4-0
■ 1973 — 4-6-0	■ 1917 — 1-7-0
■ 1972 — 9-1-0	■ 1916 — 5-2-0
■ 1971 — 7-3-0	■ 1915 — 4-2-2
■ 1970 — 7-2-1	■ 1914 — 3-4-1
■ 1969 — 9-1-0	■ 1913 — 3-6-0
■ 1968 — 6-3-1	■ 1912 — 4-3-2
■ 1967 — 2-8-0	■ 1911 — 5-3-0
■ 1966 — 7-3-0	■ 1910 — 0-2-0
■ 1965 — 4-5-1	■ 1909 — 0-3-1
■ 1964 — 2-6-2	■ 1908 — 2-5-0
■ 1963 — 7-3-0	■ 1907 — 5-2-0
■ 1962 — 8-2-0	■ 1906 — 5-1-0
■ 1961 — 6-4-0	■ 1905 — 7-0-1
■ 1960 — 0-9-1	■ 1904 — 4-1-0
■ 1959 — 6-3-0	■ 1903 — 0-3-0
■ 1958 — 2-6-1	

TOTAL — 470-490-38 (L489)



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CHASE LIVINGSTON of Geneva prepares to hand off during a recent scrimmage. Livingston is in the mix to start at quarterback this fall.



EDGEWOOD



2014 EDGEWOOD WARRIORS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Ian Katon	WR-RB-DB	5-11	183	11
3	Joe Corlew	WR	6-2	163	9
4	Anthony Jones	WR-DB	5-10	125	11
5	Dalton Talso	LB-DE-FB	5-9	212	10
6	Zach Hall	LB-FB-TE	5-8	160	9
7	Zak Noce	WR-DB	5-8	161	11
8	Marcus Ernst	QB-WR-FS	6-6	181	10
9	Zak Penniman	DB-RB	5-7	138	9
10	Alex Sturgill	ATH-LB	6-1	211	10
11	Jake Beninato	LB-TE	5-11	207	10
12	Nate Jones	LB	5-8	153	12
13	Mason Lilja	FS-WR-QB	5-10	186	12
14	Alex Newsome	WR-DB	5-7	167	12
15	Alex Wisnyai	QB	6-2	215	11
16	Will McNutt	WR-DB	5-8	152	9
17	Danny Joslin	WR-DB	5-9	165	12
18	Tyler Griffith	WR-DB	5-9	155	10
19	Breyton Santee	K	5-10	165	11
20	Tyler Pew	K-DB	5-9	163	10
20	Zach Royer	WR-DB	5-7	110	9
21	Matt Lilja	FB-TE-LB	5-8	155	9
22	Garrick Butler	P	6-3	170	11
23	Adam Hu	LB-TE	5-9	162	9
24	Andrew Estock	FS-WR	6-0	178	11
25	Peyton Knox	LB-TE	6-2	205	11
27	Ethan Ward	DE	6-1	187	9
33	Michael Daye	RB-LB	5-7	152	9
50	D'Aundre Norman	OT-DT	6-4	283	11
51	Brandon Long	DE	6-7	235	11
52	Corey Herron	DL-OL	5-9	158	9
53	Jacob Arsulic	DL-OL	5-7	153	9
54	Tyler Welton	OL-DL	6-3	262	12
55	Tyler Pocatko	DK-OL	6-1	249	10
56	Clay Reed	DL-OL	5-10	189	10
58	Malikah Phochako	OL-DL	5-4	132	10
62	Ryan Maki	OL-DE	5-8	155	9
69	Austin Sturgill	OL-DL	5-9	235	11
70	Alex Bancroft	OT-DL	6-5	265	11
72	Ta'Sean Quickley	OL-DT	6-0	310	10
73	Josh Bliel	OL-DT	5-10	220	9
74	Ryan Stanton	C-DL	6-5	264	12
75	Tre Orlik	DT-OL	6-0	283	10
77	Liam Leveto	OL-DL	6-1	205	9
78	Michael Salviano	DL-OL	5-10	208	9
85	David Ellis	LB-WR	6-0	180	12
88	Zak Enrico	FB-TE-LB	5-10	185	10
98	Tyler Ernst	OL-DL	5-10	213	11
99	Michael Johnson	DT-OL	5-11	220	11



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Austin Sturgill

■ 275 pounds.

2 Mason Lilja

■ 260 pounds.

3 Alex Wisnyai

■ 245 pounds.

3 Michael Johnson

■ 245 pounds.

5 Alex Newsome

■ 235 pounds.

5 Alex Sturgill

■ 235 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Tyler Welton

■ 465 pounds.

2 Michael Johnson

■ 435 pounds.

3 Nate Jones

■ 385 pounds.

4 Alex Newsome

■ 365 pounds.

4 Alex Wisnyai

■ 365 pounds.

4 Zak Enrico

■ 365 pounds.

4 Mason Lilja

■ 365 pounds.

4 Austin Sturgill

■ 365 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Alex Wisnyai

■ 4.78 seconds.

2 Alex Sturgill

■ 4.83 seconds.

2 Mason Lilja

■ 4.87 seconds.

4 Zach Noce

■ 4.91 seconds.

5 Jake Beninato

■ 4.98 seconds.

5 Alex Newsome

■ 4.98 seconds.

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ALEX WISNYAI

■ Returns for his second go under center. One of the few Warriors with experience.



ALEX STURGILL

■ Will be the starting tailback, which in Franke's offense makes him a dangerous man.



JOSH FRANKE

■ In second season with the Warriors, Franke hopes having a year of experience will help his team get off to a better start than it did last year.



MASON LILJA

■ As a tailback in the hurry-up and a receiver, Lilja will get plenty of opportunities to make something happen.



ALEX NEWSOME

■ A typical slot receiver, Newsome will be asked to move the ball on the ground as well as help stretch the field vertically.

Edgewood

From Page 23

Bleil and Tyler Pocatko getting time.

“Everything starts with the line, you need them to run, you need them in order to pass, you need them to win,” Franke said. “We have a ton of size up front this year, of the five starters, only one is under 260 pounds. They spent a lot of time in the weight room getting stronger and it’s showed this preseason. They’re all in pretty good shape by now, as well.”

“This no-huddle has allowed us to get 50 plays into a 20-minute team period every day and we never took out our starting line. They’ve been running as many plays in 20 minutes that some teams run on a Friday night and it’s been great for getting our line in condition to play on Fridays.”

In order for the quicker offense to work the way Franke would like, the line has to come together quickly.

“In this offense, everything is going to happen so quickly that it’s very important to have them gel,” he said. “We ask a lot of our linemen in a lot of different ways and we require them to think quickly, which makes communication key. The best way to have that happen is to have consistency on the line as far as personnel is concerned.”

Defensively, it was no secret the Warriors struggled in 2013. They gave up more than 300 yards and 24 points per contest. It’s an area they need to grow most entering 2014.

“Definitely, we will have to make huge improvements,” Franke said. “At the end of the year, we sat down and we looked at it like this — our offense was one of the best in the county and defense was toward the bottom, that equals out to be an average team, which our record (4-6) indicated.”

“So it was pretty obvious, we had to get better defensively. With that being one of the goals for this past off-season, we hired some new defensive staff members, such as Ken Parise, Scott Bland and Collin Moscorelli, and I’ve already seen a drastic improvement from our defense.”

The Warriors are getting back to basics to improve that unit.

“We have to get better fundamentally,” Franke said. “One of the first things our defensive staff started working on was our tackling, especially in the open field, and then we worked on being in the correct alignment and knowing what each of our assignments are. “With working on these basics every single day, there has been such a drastic improvement.”

Brandon Long and Johnson will be the defensive ends and Tyler Ernst and Welton will be the defensive tackles. Orlik, Bancroft and Nate Jones will rotate in.

The improvement of the



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ALEX WISNYAI will be the leader of the Edgewood.

defense will begin with that unit.

“Our defensive line has a lot of speed, Michael Johnson and Tyler Ernst, although linemen, are two of the fastest kids on the team,” Franke said. “We’re hoping that their play will allow our linebackers to be freed up from blocks and make tackles.”

Strugill and David Ellis will be the middle linebackers with Lilja and Katon on the outside. Jake Beninato and Matthew Sessler will also get time in those spots.

“Having a three-year letterman in Mason Lilja on the outside definitely helps,” Franke said. “He’s a 4.0 student and plays like it, very intelligent football player. Having Alex Sturgill in the middle is a huge plus, as well. He recorded 91 tackles last season as a freshman and he’s only gotten bigger and better in the off-season. He’s playing with an extreme amount of confidence right now and he could be an exceptional defensive talent.”

Andrew Estock and Newsome will be at the corners, as well as Danny Joslin. Knox will be at safety and Marcus Ernst can line up as a corner or safety.

“Andrew Estock has been the most improved player from last season,” Franke said. “He’s played extremely well all summer long against some top talent in our 7-on-7s. Alex Newsome is a seasoned veteran who can cover really well, but we also have two really tall guys at safety, which should make it rather difficult to throw over top on this season.”

Breyton Santee will return



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JOSH FRANKE roams the sideline for the second season this fall as the coach of the Warriors.

as the kicker this season and Garrick Butler will be the punter with Wisnyai back there, as well.

“Special teams is a very important part of the game, it could make or break you,” Franke said. “Because of this and the problems from last year, I’ve taken full control of the special teams this season in hopes that it will correct a lot of the things

from the previous season.”

Lilja, Newsome and Joslin will be the return men.

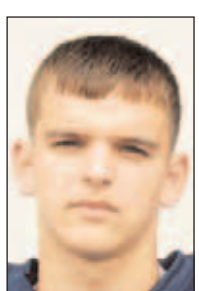
“They can have a big impact on the game,” Franke said. “The goal for our kick returners is to get to the 40-yard line. We feel that if we can start a drive on the 40, the odds of scoring increase exponentially.”

Etinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.



2014 GRAND VALLEY MUSTANGS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Robert Krystosik	WR-DB	6-4	150	11
2	Michael McGovern	QB-DB	6-2	165	9
3	Joe Gallo	RB-LB	5-10	175	9
4	Seth Strock	RB-LB	5-7	160	10
6	Jake Kocab	WR-DB	5-8	165	10
7	Noah Glavickas	WR-DB	5-9	130	10
8	Trevor Louk	WR-DB	6-0	145	11
9	Zach Harding	QB-DB	5-5	125	11
10	Matt Larned	QB-WR-DB	6-1	175	11
12	Austin Spoon	WR-DB	5-10	170	11
15	Matthew Moodt	TE-DE	6-2	200	11
16	Zach Oscar	QB-DE	6-4	205	12
17	Tyler Butler	QB-DB	5-8	150	10
18	Daetin Austin	WR-DB	5-8	130	9
19	Drew Hahn	WR-LB	5-8	155	10
20	Tim Purchase	WR-DB	5-3	110	9
22	Devin Felix	WR-DB	5-1	105	9
23	Alexander White	WR-DB	5-11	165	12
24	Anthony Crum	RB-LB	5-8	165	10
25	Robert Haislah	WR-LB	5-8	140	10
27	Gavin Meeker	WR-LB	5-6	135	10
28	Tyler Davis	WR-LB	5-10	160	12
30	Dan Kalman	WR-LB	5-8	180	11
31	Jake Reichel	WR-DB	5-8	140	10
32	Eduardo Hernandez	RB-DB	5-7	140	9
34	Colt Yox	WR-DB	5-9	170	11
36	Cody Freeman	RB-LB	5-8	165	11
43	Cody Rhoads	RB-LB	5-8	145	10
44	Gary Gearhart	RB-LB	5-8	180	9
52	Owen Porter	OL-DL	5-7	190	9
53	Dakota Nagy	OL-LB	5-9	185	11
55	Tommy Ellsworth	OL-DL	5-9	185	9
56	Nick Watson	OL-LB	5-10	190	12
58	Austin Mooney	OL-DL	5-9	170	9
60	Cody Howson	OL-DL	6-0	205	11
62	Brandon Yaeger	OL-DL	5-10	220	10
63	Brandon Mihalov	OL-LB	5-10	165	11
64	Kaleb Mathis	OL-DT	6-2	315	11
65	Mickey Stepp	OL-DE	6-3	205	12
68	Zack Randell	OL-DT	6-0	205	11
70	Austin Mathis	OL-DT	5-11	260	10
72	Austin Eubank	OL-LB	6-0	190	11
73	Jared Simpkins	OL-DE	6-6	185	10
74	Austin Byler	OL-DT	5-9	230	10
75	John Martin	OL-DT	6-1	360	11
77	Logan Sines	OL-DL-K	5-7	190	10
78	Micah Self	OL-DL	5-11	200	11
80	Jerone Evans	TE-DE	6-0	175	9
81	Gabe Arsulic	WR-DB	6-0	155	10
82	Nick Sundman	WR-DB	5-9	150	12
83	Lukas Quadros	TE-DE	6-1	220	10
86	Cody Osburn	WR-DB	6-0	160	10
88	Colton Photiou	WR-DB	5-9	135	10



CODY FREEMAN

■ The GV running backs start with Freeman. He will see plenty of carries to make things happen.



JACK KOCAB

■ The Mustangs throw the ball plenty and Kocab will be a target on a good number of those attempts.



ZACH OSCAR

■ Takes over the offense for the first time, but GV quarterbacks are known for making plays.



CODY HOWSON

■ Should be quite a wall to run behind for the Mustangs backs.



NICK WATSON

■ A mobile tackle who will be counted on to protect Oscar.

Mustangs

From Page 10

The passing game isn't the only place the receivers can make a mark.

"In our system, our receivers run the ball quite a bit," Glavickas said. "They are hybrid receivers/running backs. But we have placed a lot of emphasis on them being able to block for us."

Most importantly, however, is the ability to make plays through the air.

"I think with this group we are going to be able to make some big plays," Glavickas said. "Big plays are devastating to a defense. Last year, we had Jason Hart to make big plays. We expect some big plays out of these guys."

Up front will be center Austin Eubanks, guards Zack Randell, and Kaleb Mathis and tackles Mickey Stepp and Nick Watson. Lucas Quadros moved down to tackle from tight end and will be in the mix on the line.

"As any coach would say, you live and die with your offensive line," Glavickas said. "When they are in sync, the sky's the limit. Seeing as our quarterback is going to be a little green, we need to protect him and let him build up confidence."

"It is so important for them to gel right away. It doesn't matter what our skill guys can do if you do not have an offensive line. I felt our line play has improved from where we were at the first scrimmage last year. All I ask from the kids is to improve each day. If they keep doing that, we should be in a good place."

Moving the ball and scoring points is important, but limiting other teams is essential as the Mustangs allowed an average of 30 points per game in 2013. Lowering that number in 2014 will be central to whether or not Grand Valley will again contend for a Northeastern Conference title.

"We did give up a bunch of points. The majority of them were in our first six games," Glavickas said. "I did think we improved as the season went on. We have really been working on getting to the ball. Another area that we thought we were poor in was in our ability to tackle. This has been a point of emphasis for us this off-season."

Glavickas has a quick answer for how to change that. He also understands it's not as simple as it appears.

"Don't let them score," he said. "I wish it was that easy, but we have to do a better job of stopping the big play."



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MATT MOODT is expected to help the Grand Valley Mustangs during the 2014 football season.

Playing the whole series instead of taking plays off (is important). That's offensively and defensively."

The defensive tackles are Randell and Mathis. John Martin and Austin Mathis have been emerging at those positions, as well. The ends are Moodt and Oscar. Quadros, Stepp and Jarod Simpkins have been fighting for time.

"They can have a great impact if they just do their jobs," Glavickas said. "As you know, it isn't always

See GV, Page 28



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Kaleb Mathis

■ 280 pounds.

2 Nick Watson

■ 260 pounds.

3 Zack Oscar

■ 235 pounds.

4 Mickey Stepp

■ 225 pounds.

4 Cody Freeman

■ 225 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Zach Oscar

■ 435 pounds.

2 Tyler Davis

■ 385 pounds.

3 Nick Watson

■ 370 pounds.

4 Austin Mathis

■ 365 pounds.

5 Brandon Yaeger

■ 320 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Colt Yox

■ 4.65 seconds.

2 Nick Sundman

■ 4.85 seconds.

2 Austyn Spoon

■ 4.85 seconds.

4 Jake Kocab

■ 4.88 seconds.

5 Noah Glavickas

■ 4.9 seconds.

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TEACHING SUBJECT — Special

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YEARS AT GRAND VALLEY —

Entering his 18th overall, 3rd

as head coach.

CAREER RECORD — 5-5 (.500).

ASSISTANT COACHES — Clint

Nims, Kris Doran, Chris Dorris,

Jeff Takacs, Aaron Brown,

Ralph Turk, Dave Oscar.

BASIC OFFENSE — Pistol.

BASIC DEFENSE — 4-3.

LETTERMEN LOST — 10.

LETTERMEN RETURNING —

Seniors Zach Oscar (QB-DE),

Tyler Davis (WR-LB), Nick

Watson (OL-LB); juniors Matt

Larned (QB-WR-DB), Austyn

Spoon (WR-DB), Matt Moodt

(TE-DE), Cody Freeman (RB-

LB), Cody Howson (OL-DL),

Kaleb Mathis (OL-DT); sopho-

mores Jake Kocab (WR-DB)

and Jake Reichek (WR-DB).

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Seniors

Nick Sundman (WR-DB),

Mickey Stepp (OL-DE); juniors

Colt Yox (WR-DB), Bobby Krystosik (WR-DB), Austin Eubank (OL-LB), Zack Randell (OL-DT), John Martin (OL-DT); sophomores Cody Rhoads (RB-LB), Lucas Quadros (TE-DE), Austin Mathis (OL-DT), Jarod Simpkins (OL-DE).

2013 RECORD — 5-5 (5-0, first in NAC).

THROUGH THE YEARS

2013 — 5-5	1987 — 8-2
2012 — 7-3	1986 — 9-2
2011 — 6-4	1985 — 6-4
2010 — 8-2	1984 — 4-5-0
2009 — 6-4	1983 — 6-3-1
2008 — 3-7	1982 — 6-4-0
2007 — 0-10	1981 — 9-1-0
2006 — 3-7	1980 — 7-3-0
2005 — 5-5	1979 — 8-1-1
2004 — 3-7	1978 — 6-3-1
2003 — 4-6	1977 — 4-6-0
2002 — 4-6	1976 — 1-8-1
2001 — 5-5	1975 — 0-10-0
2000 — 8-2	1974 — 1-9-0
1999 — 7-4	1973 — 0-9-1
1998 — 2-8	1972 — 1-8-0
1997 — 10-1	1971 — DNP
1996 — 10-1	1970 — 3-6-1
1995 — 8-2	1969 — 4-5-0
1994 — 7-3	1968 — 9-1-0
1993 — 9-1	1967 — 2-7-0
1992 — 10-0	1966 — 7-1-0
1991 — 7-3	1965 — 3-5-0
1990 — 4-6	1964 — 2-6-0
1989 — 6-4	1963 — 3-4-0
1988 — 5-5	1962 — 0-1-0
TOTAL — 261-225-6 (.537)	



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MATT LARNED is expected to help the Grand Valley Mustangs during the 2014 football season as he competes for time as the team's starting quarterback.

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glorious playing these positions. It takes a very unselfish player to truly be a good defensive lineman. If they do their jobs, our linebackers make plays.”

Those linebackers will be Nick Watson, Rhoads, Tyler Davis, Kocab, Freeman and Eubanks.

“I think the strengths of our linebackers will be their ability to get to the ball,” Glavickas said. “They seem to be quicker than in years past but only time and live action will tell.”

The defensive backfield will be a bit green, but capable of delivering.

“Our DBs as of now are corners Austyn Spoon and Nick Sundman,” Glavickas said. “These guys are backed up by Alexander White and Bobby Krystosik. Our safeties are led by Matt Larned, Colt Yox, and Jake Reichek.

“I feel all of our guys can make plays back there. Coach (Clint) Nims, our defensive coordinator, is really excited about all of them.”

The kicker is Logan Sines and Oscar will do the punting. The return men will be Yox and Rhoads. Sundman might see some action returning punts.

The Mustangs struggled in the kicking game in 2013. Sines will be charged with improvement in that area.

“(To say) our kicking game was a problem at times was an understatement,” Glavickas said. “For the past two years we have had some problems kicking extra points. Logan has been doing a great job so far. I guess we will have to wait until live action occurs.”

More important than extra points and how the ball is kicked off is avoiding big plays on those kicks and punts.

“I do not think there is a more demoralizing feeling than when a team returns a kickoff against you. We feel we have a couple kids that are going to give us that opportunity. I don't think you can help an offensive unit anymore.”

Ettinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.

“In our locker room, tradition never graduates. Before our first scrimmage I talked to the players about who was going to fill the shoes of last year's players. The negative thing about coaching high school football is that it feels as though every year you have to fill shoes. The great part of coaching high school football is that you watch these kids step up and fill.”

— John Glavickas, Grand Valley



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JOHN GLAVICKAS returns for his third season as the Mustangs coach this season.



PERRY



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THE PERRY PIRATES are ready for the 2014 football season.

PIRATES AT A GLANCE

PERRY

Red, white and black

LEAGUE — Chagrin Valley Conference Chagrin Division.

COACH — Matt Rosati.

COLLEGE — Edinboro University.

TEACHING SUBJECT — Social Studies.

YEARS AT PERRY — Seventh at Perry after 11 years at West Geauga.

CAREER RECORD — 109-71 (.606)

ASSISTANT COACHES — Frank Rico, Aaron Perusek, Jeff Perry, Rich O'Keefe, Chris Bezzeg, Bob Leppla, Jim DiPofi, Mike Crissinger, Matt Sullivan and Layne Richards.

BASIC OFFENSE — Spread.

BASIC DEFENSE — 4-3.

LETTERMEN LOST — 5.

LETTERMEN RETURNING — Seniors Ryan Bissett (OL), Zach Buescher (WR), Seth Cales (OL-DL), Brock Hurd (DB), Ryan Kahoun (QB), Jeremy Koch (WR-DB), Kyle Kremiller (RB-LB-K), Joe Medlen (WR), Mike Sorine (DB), Brandon Truhn (OL-DL), Jake Vicini (OL); juniors D.J. Aultman (DB), Luke Farrell (TE-DE), Nick Kuhn (DB), Nick Lauria (LB-P), Connor VanDeweel (OL); and sophomore Andy Foley (RB).

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Senior Tom Smogyi (DE); and sophomore

Evan Schenk (LB).

LAST YEAR'S RECORD — 5-5 (3-4, 5th, CVC Chagrin).

THROUGH THE YEARS

2013 — 5-5	1974 — 5-3-2
2012 — 4-6	1973 — 6-4-0
2011 — 4-6	1972 — 7-3-0
2010 — 6-5	1971 — 7-3-0
2009 — 6-4	1970 — 6-3-1
2008 — 11-2	1969 — 4-5-1
2007 — 9-2	1968 — 2-8-0
2006 — 9-2	1967 — 4-6-0
2005 — 4-6	1966 — 3-6-1
2004 — 8-2	1965 — 3-7-0
2003 — 8-2	1964 — 0-9-1
2002 — 8-3	1963 — 4-6-0
2001 — 9-2	1962 — 5-4-1
2000 — 10-3	1961 — 8-2-0
1999 — 8-4	1960 — 3-6-0
1998 — 7-3	1959 — 2-6-0
1997 — 8-2	1958 — 4-5-0
1996 — 8-3	1957 — 6-2-0
1995 — 9-1	1956 — 5-3-0
1994 — 8-2	1955 — 1-7-1
1993 — 6-4	1954 — 7-2-0
1992 — 7-3	1953 — 7-1-1
1991 — 9-1	1952 — 6-3-0
1990 — 10-0	1951 — 2-7-0
1989 — 7-3	1950 — 6-4-0
1988 — 4-6	1949 — 0-7-1
1987 — 8-3	1948 — 3-6-0
1986 — 6-4	1947 — 2-7-0
1985 — 5-5	1946 — 5-4-0
1984 — 7-3-0	1945 — 7-1-1
1983 — 8-2-0	1944 — 4-4-0
1982 — 9-1-0	1943 — 2-4-2
1981 — 8-2-0	1942 — 4-1-0
1980 — 7-3-0	1941 — 7-1-1
1979 — 6-4-0	1940 — 7-1-1
1978 — 9-1-0	1939 — 7-2-0
1977 — 7-3-0	1938 — 4-3-2
1976 — 3-7-0	1937 — 6-3-1
1975 — 6-4-0	

TOTAL — 452-286-13 L612



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MATT ROSATI, Perry football coach, has high expectations going into the 2014 season.

BEAVERS AT A GLANCE

RIVERSIDE

Black and gold

LEAGUE — Premier Athletic Conference.

HEAD COACH — Dave Bors.

COLLEGE — John Carroll.

TEACHING SUBJECT — Eighth-grade history.

YEARS AT RIVERSIDE — Fifth year at Riverside, three years at West Geauga.

CAREER RECORD — 42-29 (.597).

ASSISTANT COACHES — Mark Percassi, Dan Kaczmarek, Jeremy Ishmael, Nick Schussler, Chuck Thomasen, Joe Weimer, Will Lopatta, Dan Wayner, Scott Binkiewicz, John Kinch, Ross Santo, Ray Rateno and Jake McDonald.

BASIC OFFENSE — Spread.

BASIC DEFENSE — 4-3.

LETTERMEN LOST — 20.

LETTERMEN RETURNING — Seniors Chris Caldwell (OL-DL), Austin Hess (WR-S), Marcus Jones (RB-DL), Andrew Kuhn (OL-LB), Drew Loehr (LB-TE), Jack Maxwell (LB-RB), Paul McGlothlin (OL-DL), Jake Militello (OL-DL), Dylan Miller (OL-DL), Brett Peters (TE-DE), Nick Schoval (RB-LB), John Suba (OL-DL), Deavonni Temnikar (OL-DL); juniors Michael Brubaker (WR), Nick Fitzgerald (QB), Jesse Hansel (LB-RB), Brandon Horn (RB-LB), Justin Jakopic (WR-DB), Cameron Jefferies (RB-DB), London Locklear (OL-DL), Jake Loehr (DB-RB), John

Maczuzak (WR-DB), Blake Maxwell (S-WR); and sophomore David Howell (QB-S).

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Senior Kyron Ziemak (WR-DB); junior A.J. Barker (OL); sophomore Josh Carafa (WR); freshmen Jonathan Fisher (P) and Colin Shambaugh (K).

LAST YEAR'S RECORD — 7-4 (6-1, T-1st in PAC, Division II regional quarterfinalist).

THROUGH THE YEARS

2013 — 7-4	1980 — 2-8-0
2012 — 7-3	1979 — 6-4-0
2011 — 3-7	1978 — 1-8-1
2010 — 4-6	1977 — 7-3-0
2009 — 2-8	1976 — 7-3-0
2008 — 5-5	1975 — 3-7-0
2007 — 7-4	1974 — 2-8-0
2006 — 8-3	1973 — 2-8-0
2005 — 4-6	1972 — 2-8-0
2004 — 2-8	1971 — 4-5-1
2003 — 2-8	1970 — 4-2-4
2002 — 2-8	1969 — 6-4-0
2001 — 2-8	1968 — 5-5-0
2000 — 9-2	1967 — 2-7-0
1999 — 6-4	1966 — 9-1-0
1998 — 5-5	1965 — 0-10-0
1997 — 6-4	1964 — 5-4-1
1996 — 5-5	1963 — 9-0-1
1995 — 9-2	1962 — 4-5-1
1994 — 9-2	1961 — 8-2-0
1993 — 7-3	1960 — 7-3-0
1992 — 8-2	1959 — 2-5-2
1991 — 9-1	1958 — 6-3-0
1990 — 10-0	1957 — 3-6-0
1989 — 6-4	1956 — 1-8-0
1988 — 7-3	1955 — 1-8-0
1987 — 7-3	1954 — 1-8-0
1986 — 7-4	1953 — 3-5-0
1985 — 6-4	1952 — 3-5-0
1984 — 7-2-1	1951 — 5-3-0
1983 — 5-5-0	1950 — 3-3-0
1982 — 6-4-0	
1981 — 1-8-1	

TOTAL — 313-304-14 L5091



RIVERSIDE



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THE RIVERSIDE BEAVERS will open the season with an important showdown with the Perry Pirates.



JEFFERSON

2014 JEFFERSON FALCONS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Victor Toth	WR-DB	6-1	130	11
2	Frank Fiorrito	WR-LB	5-9	157	11
3	Zach Collins	QB-LB	6-0	172	11
4	Lucas Hitchcock	QB-DB	6-2	185	12
6	Thomas Bevins	WR-DB	5-9	145	11
7	Clay Smock	RB-DB	5-8	151	9
8	Derek Parker	WR-DB	6-0	143	12
10	J.J. Henson	QB-DB	5-10	151	9
11	Josh Butler	K-LB	5-10	140	10
12	Sam Hitchcock	TE-DE	6-4	200	10
14	Austin Patton	WR-DB	6-5	185	11
16	Kyle Lincoln	LB-WR	5-9	162	9
17	Trooper Meade	WR-DB	5-11	142	10
20	Josh Hall	RB-DE	5-11	185	11
21	Hunter Pridemore	RB-LB	5-9	154	12
22	Jon Jackson	WR-DB	5-10	125	10
23	James Jackson	WR-DB	6-5	172	12
24	Blake Yoder	WR-DB	5-7	147	11
25	Jermiah Knight	RB-DB	5-11	175	10
26	Daniel Noscal	WR-DB	5-11	142	11
30	Matt Posidala	RB-DE	6-2	184	12
34	Jared Williams	RB-LB	5-9	155	10
35	Josh Baitt	WR-DB	5-3	106	9
36	Tristan Hayford	RB-LB	5-10	174	12
39	Joe Smith	WR-DB	5-5	140	9
40	Alex Roberts	WR-DB	5-7	130	9
44	Vaughn Johnston	RB-LB	5-10	175	9
50	Chris Jewell	OL-LB	5-5	140	9
51	Garrett Osborne	OL-DL	5-7	211	10
52	Chris Wittenmyer	OL-LB	6-1	194	12
53	Ethan Moore	OL-DL	5-4	175	9
54	Jimmy Fogarty	OL-LB	5-8	164	10
55	Cory Rought	OL-DE	5-10	158	12
56	Jesse Williams	OL-DE	6-0	224	10
57	Austin Norris	OL-DL	5-8	240	10
58	Brandon Zindash	OL-LB	5-9	147	10
59	Micah Cole	OL-DL	5-10	160	9
60	Case Burgett	OL-DL	5-9	160	9
61	Jacob Kuscisk	OL-LB	5-9	193	9
62	Robbie Eckart	OL-LB	5-8	157	9
63	Connor Lesko	OL-DL	5-11	184	12
64	James Miller	OL-DL	5-8	191	9
67	Daniel Gillespie	OL-DL	5-11	202	12
68	Robert Wiley	OL-DL	5-11	190	9
70	Travis Bradley	OL-DL	6-3	269	11
71	John Wise	OL-DL	6-0	193	9
72	Ben Falke	OL-DL	5-8	153	9
74	Brandon Hagerdon	OL-DL	6-2	257	11
75	Reese Stanisa	OL-DL	5-10	222	9
76	Matt Meyers	OL-DL	6-0	222	9
77	Jarrold Burns	OL-DL	5-11	236	12
78	Braden Hamper	OL-DL	6-1	167	10
80	Stormy Meade	WR-DB	5-4	125	9
83	Joe Reighard	WR-DB	5-10	141	10
85	Steven Zindash	TE-DE	6-2	186	12
88	Brendan Legg	WR-DB	6-0	158	9
89	Tim Kuscisk	WR-LB	6-1	175	10



BRANDON HAGERDON

■ The most decorated of the Falcon linemen, Hagerdon will be key to clearing the way for Knight and company.



LUCAS HITCHCOCK

■ Returns for his second season running the offense. He is the Falcons' leader.



JAMES JACKSON

■ Big and fast, Jackson has the potential to wreak havoc on a defense.



JEREMIAH KNIGHT

■ Rushed for nearly 900 yards though he didn't become the feature back until several games into 2013. Has the potential to break 1,000 yards this year.



DEREK PARKER

■ Has shown he is a playmaker and will be counted on to do it with consistency.

Jefferson

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known to spread the ball around and keep feeding the hot hand.

"When it's your turn, you've got to step up when you get the opportunity and make a play," he said.

Matt Posidala, Hunter Pridemore and Tristan Hayford will all get those opportunities.

"(Posidala) is a big, physical back," Henson said. "He does some things very well. Again, we feel like we have a couple varsity tailbacks.

"It's my job to use them in the best way I can for them to be successful and help the team be successful."

If there's one area Jefferson is lacking real experience, it's in the receiving corps, though some of the receivers did at least play some downs.

"All of them saw some playing time last year," Henson said.

Pridemore and Frank Fioritto will be the slot receivers and James Jackson and Derek Parker will be the wideouts. The tight end will be Sam Hitchcock and the H-backs will be Hunter Bean and Josh Hall. Thomas Bevins and Blake Yoder will see time and Austin Patton will work into the rotation once he returns from an injury.

Henson is certainly not lacking for options when it comes to his receivers or the possibilities to change things up.

"We'll use different personnel," Henson said. "We have different types of personnel. We'll do things to put them in positions to be successful so the team can be successful.

"We do have a lot of skill. It's just different than we've had in the past. It's a different type of skill. The basic premise (of our offense) will be the same, but it will look a little different this year."

The Falcons return four lettermen on the line in tackles Travis Bradley and Matt Meyers and guards Brandon Hagerdon and Daniel Gillespie. Cory Rought is the center. Jarrod Burns could see time at tackle, Chris Wittenmyer and



BRAD HAGERDON (77), Travis Bradley (63) and Hunter Bean (75) are expected to be important leaders for Jefferson.

Connor Lesko are guards and Austin Norris is fighting for time along the front.

"The offense doesn't go without the offensive line," Henson said. "There's no question we'll run the ball 50 times a game if we can. Luke has a great chance to have a great year at quarterback if we're able to protect him.

"They've got to play with attitude. They've got to be able to play hard and physical, but under control when chaos ensues around us."

It's easy to question how the defense can do things differently enough to prevent that extra handful of points that translates to more wins, but Henson isn't so quick to blame that unit.

"I'm not going to put it on one side," he said. "I look at all things — offense, defense and special teams. It was all phases of the game."

Hall and Steven Zindash will be the defensive ends with Hagerdon at tackle and Norris at the nose. Posidala, Hitchcock and Tim Kuscisk are fighting for time as ends with Bradley, Gillespie, Burns and Meyers fighting

at the tackle/nose positions. Jesse Williams and Rought will also factor in.

"I like a lot of depth," Henson said. "(Defense) starts with the defensive line. On both sides of the ball, we've got to win on the line of scrimmage."

Collins will be the field line-backer with Pridemore playing the boundary line-backer. Bean will be in the middle. Wittenmyer, Fioritto, Hayford and Brandon Zindash could all find time at one of those spots.

"We've got to be athletic," Henson said. "We're going to see teams like Girard, who will line up and chuck it all over the place. Then

we'll play Lakeview, who will play at you.

"We've got to be able to play both. We've got to be physical, but also athletic."

Jackson and Bevins are the corners with Yoder, Parker and Knight looking for playing time. Lucas Hitchcock will be the boundary safety and Dan Nosquil will be the field safety. Trooper Mead, Victor Toth and Patton could see time at those positions, as well.

Josh Butler returns as the kicker and Lucas Hitchcock will be the punter. The return men will be Parker, Knight, Pridemore and Jackson.

Ettinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.



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JIM HENSON, Jefferson football coach, watches a recent scrimmage.

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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Johnny Evans	WR-CB	6-0	170	11
2	Deonte Rodgers	WR-CB	6-0	170	11
3	Tyler Nagle	WR-CB	5-10	165	10
4	Mo Lebron	HB-CB	5-8	175	12
5	Josh Gibson	QB-DB	6-2	185	10
6	Tim Moore	HB-RB	5-9	165	11
7	Spencer Loftus	QB-LB	5-10	170	9
9	Keegan Vaught	K	5-8	160	10
10	Cyle McAfee	RB-CB	5-7	144	10
11	Trevian Archer	RB-CB	5-7	165	10
13	Robert Walker	HB-LB	6-3	190	10
14	Ryan Faulkerson	QB-CB-P	5-8	180	11
17	Donnie Gaylord	WR-CB	5-7	150	10
18	Orlando Canales	TE-LB	6-0	185	11
19	Joey Bernardo	WR-CB	5-9	150	10
20	Antonio Harris	QB-CB	5-7	155	9
21	Octavius Sanders	RB-CB	5-5	150	9
22	Michael Fusco	WR-CB	5-10	170	11
23	Demetrius Green	WR-DB	5-10	175	9
24	Sandro Mannarino	WR-CB	5-8	160	9
25	Jason White	RB-LB	5-5	155	11
26	Dalton Shannon	RB-DB	5-5	186	9
27	Nathan Hall	RB-DB	5-9	150	9
28	Jacob Polk	HB-LB	6-0	215	12
29	Nathan Reese	WR-CB	5-5	140	9
30	David Moore	RB-LB	6-0	165	9
31	Damondre Haywood	RB-CB	5-10	180	12
32	Josh Oblock	HB-CB	6-0	175	12
33	Shawn Matlock	HB-LB	5-9	140	9
35	Jared Patton	GB-LB	6-3	200	11
37	Ryan Skruppa	RB-LB	5-10	150	9
41	Matt Lunghofer	WR-CB	6-6	185	10
42	Tyree Meeks	RB-LB	5-10	200	11
43	Jerron Munns	WR-CB	5-10	150	9
45	Darnell Partridge	HB-LB	5-11	215	9
47	Bryan Woissol	HB-DL	5-7	185	12
49	Ricky Johnson	WR-DB	5-9	150	9
51	Greg Ehasz	OL-DL	6-0	250	10
52	Patton Sidbeck	OL-DL	5-10	225	10
53	Terrance Williams	OL-DL	5-9	215	11
54	Cody Smith	OL-DL	5-10	195	11
55	Paker Meaney	OL-DL	5-7	195	9
56	Jared Kerby	OL-DL	6-2	220	11
57	Matt Rocco	OL-LB	6-0	210	11
59	Romeno Aponte	OL-DL	6-0	210	10
60	Ethan Barker	OL-DL	5-7	180	9
61	Patrick Roberts	OL-DL	5-6	180	9
63	Jerami Walker	OL-DL	5-9	180	9
64	Bryce Tome	OL-DL	6-0	218	12
65	Michael Alazawl	OL-DL	5-11	240	12
66	Kevin Rettinger	OL-DL	5-7	190	11
67	Anthony Carducci	OL-DL	5-9	215	9
68	Nick Lemay	OL-DL	5-10	230	10
69	Rex White	OL-DL	6-4	215	11
71	Devin Boles	OL-DL	6-1	200	9
72	Joe Fusco	OL-DL	6-2	180	9
73	Reggie Bryant	OL-DL	6-3	285	11
74	Jarred Layman	OL-DL	6-0	300	11
75	Ethan Bish	OL-DL	6-1	225	10
76	Matthew Dickson	OL-DL	6-6	230	11
77	Nick Eisengart	OL-DL	6-0	185	9
79	Yoak Williams	OL-DL	5-11	280	9
82	Daniel Hudson	WR-CB	5-10	140	9
84	Tyler Brock	OL-DL	6-2	245	12
85	DJ Rosario	TE-LB	5-10	185	12
87	Justin Williamson	HB-LB	5-10	215	11
88	Devin Penny	WR-DB	5-10	155	9



TREVIAN ARCHER
 ■ Though they had some capable runners last year, they are still looking for someone who can post large amounts of yardage consistently. Maybe he's the one who will do it.



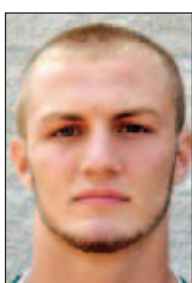
TYLER BROCK
 ■ Moves to tight end after earning second-team all-county honors on the offensive line. Certainly, his blocking skills will be utilized there as well.



JOHNNY EVANS
 ■ He's another key to the prospects for an improved offense as the team's leading returning receiver. He will also play cornerback.



FRANK HALL
 ■ The Dragons looked much improved in Hall's first season, but it only led to three wins. In his second season, Lakeside hopes to take the next step.



JARED PATTON
 ■ He won second-team all-county honors on defense last year, and starts at both defensive end and center.

Lakeside

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— establishing the run, having good special teams. Those are things that we'll continue to work on and we want to get better at."

Madison and Riverside shared the Premier Athletic Conference title last season, dethroning perennial champion South. Hall thinks that this time, which will be the final go-round for the league, it will be the Rebels, the Blue Streaks, or his former team.

"You've got to go with the big three every year — Chardon, Madison and South," he said. "Riverside had a great year last year. But I think it's going to come out to one of those three."

The Dragons will open the season with a Thursday home contest against Youngstown East, and will stay home against Brush before playing at Jefferson and then facing their league opponents.

Goldman is a freelance writer from South Euclid.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

- 1 Demetrius Green**
■ 4.57 seconds.
- 2 Johnny Evans**
■ 4.83 seconds.
- 3 Deonte Rodgers**
■ 4.87 seconds.
- 4 Ryan Faulkerson**
■ 4.95 seconds.
- 5 Trevian Archer**
■ 4.8 seconds.



Top 5 in benchpress:

- 1 Patton Sidbeck**
■ 335 pounds.
- 2 Jarred Layman**
■ 305 pounds.
- 3 Ethan Bish**
■ 275 pounds.
- 4 Tyree Meeks**
■ 285 pounds.
- 5 Cody Smith**
■ 275 pounds.



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MO LEBRON of Lakeside intercepts a pass during a recent scrimmage. Lebron is expected to be a key piece of the Dragons defense in the secondary.

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MADISON



2014 MADISON BLUE STREAKS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
2	Nick Brooks	RB-S	5-8	160	11
3	Nick Law	WR-CB	5-9	175	11
4	Isaiah McClure	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
6	Connor Smith	QB-CB	5-7	160	11
7	Josh Petruccelli	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
9	Ted Davis	QB-DE	6-1	185	10
10	Aaron Petruccelli	WR-CB	5-10	175	12
11	Brandon Horowski	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
12	Jordan McClure	WR	N/A	N/A	12
17	Kevin Guerra	WR-S	6-4	155	11
21	Matt Atha	RB-LB	6-1	195	12
22	Brian Zehe	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
23	Jared Lasko	RB-CB	5-8	140	12
24	Connor Nikses	RB-NT	5-11	205	12
26	Cam Cannady	WR-CB	5-6	135	11
28	Mike Serra	WR-CB	5-9	145	11
31	Lane Lucas	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
32	David Albert	K	N/A	N/A	11
33	Vince Primer	RB-LB	6-2	200	11
34	Josh Cramb	TE-LB	6-0	170	11
36	Mark Primer	N/A	N/A	N/A	9
40	Jack Holl	TE-DE	6-5	215	12
42	Seth Smith	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
43	Tyler McGroder	RB-CB	5-4	150	11
44	Alex Kensingor	RB-LB	5-11	165	11
45	Dante Tolsdorf	WR-LB	5-10	165	11
46	Chaz Numme	TE-DE	6-2	210	12
50	Zack Margelowsky	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
51	Ricky Simcic	OL-LB	5-10	205	12
52	Zach Difranc	OL-DL	5-11	225	11
54	Alex Caswell	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
55	Brandon Caruthers	N/A	N/A	N/A	12
57	Brian Delzoppo	OL-DL	6-2	230	11
59	Zack Cerne	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
60	Zack Meyers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
61	Blake Jerome	OL-DL	6-2	165	11
62	Jacob Gerhardt	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
63	Justin Sapic	N/A	N/A	N/A	11
64	Clay Pyatt	OL-DL	5-4	170	11
65	Cam Florian	OL-DL	5-10	170	12
66	Tyler Norris	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
70	Brad Wienhold	OL-DL	5-10	215	11
71	Josh Gervan	OL-DL	6-1	220	12
72	Patrick Davis	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
74	Ben Golden	OL-DL	6-1	190	12
75	Marcus Kee	OL-DL	6-4	265	11
76	Kevin Cost	OL-DL	5-11	210	11
77	Hunter Drzik	TE-DE	6-3	200	12
78	Devin Ward	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
79	Bill Glass	OL-DL	6-3	415	12
80	Miguel Stone	OL-DL	6-1	175	11
81	Kody Welk	WR-S	6-1	165	11
83	Zach Pridemore	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
85	Kory Baker	N/A	N/A	N/A	10
88	Josh Ferry	N/A	N/A	N/A	10



JACK HOLL

■ Probably one of the team's players who deserves more of the lime-light than he received last year. The senior plays tight end, defensive end and punter.



CONNOR NIKSES

■ Served as a nice alternative to the since-graduated Brandon Davis in 2013, and also plugs up the middle on defense as a nose guard.



AARON PETRUCCELLI

■ Think Madison is all run and no pass? This senior wideout hopes that's what everyone believes.



RICKY SIMCIC

■ A tough inside linebacker who also did some much-needed work at fullback last year after Ben Bruening's horrible injury.



CONNOR SMITH

■ He steps into the quarterback role, and is thus given the task of running what the Blue Streaks hope will remain a potent offense

Madison

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and Primer will both play tight end.

Jordan McClure, a senior who is a key member of the Madison basketball team, is in his first year with the gridiron program.

"We like to be a little more balanced, but when push comes to shove, the Madison Blue Streaks team will run the football," Willis said. "We have some pretty good wideouts and we can also split out Nick Law. Jordan McClure is doing a really nice job. Isaiah McClure is a great athlete. We have some definite threats as far as the passing game, so if teams jam it in there to stop our running game, we can definitely throw the ball just as easily."

Senior Ben Golden, a guard, is the only returning starter on the offensive line. Junior Brad Wienhold will start at center, senior Josh Gervan at guard, senior letterman Hunter Drzik at one tackle and Delzoppo at the other.

"We have a lot of new guys on our offensive line," Willis said. "But in our first scrimmage against Mayfield, they did a nice job. We ran the ball pretty good, so that was a good sign that they're coming together, with only Golden coming back as a starter."

"But that's how it's been at Madison the last three or four years. Every year, we play seniors and then you've just got to basically wait your turn. We know we have some guys in there who are good football players. So they had to wait their turn; we had a good offensive line last year. That's how it works. But those guys (played) really well against Mayfield, and we just need to keep working, and those guys need to keep getting better."

Holl will do the punting, and senior letterman Dave Albert will be the kicker.

Naturally, Willis sees his team as being in the mix for the final PAC championship.

"I would hope we're one of the ones," he said. "I think Willoughby South is going to have a very good football team. Riverside always plays a good brand of football. Chardon is going to be a contender again. Geneva has some good football players. You never know with University School, but they're always competitive. Eastlake North's going to be a little better this year."

"Every week's a grind."



WARREN DILLAWAY / Star Beacon

AARON PETRUCCELLI is one of the main skill players returning for the Blue Streaks this season.

There's no team that you think you can overlook or anything like that. Every week you've got to come to play. Every week you've got to prepare, and be ready to play football — or if you don't, you're going to lose the football game. That's how we go about it at Madison."

After opening against Chagrin Falls, an annual powerhouse to whom the Blue Streaks lost a tough 27-21 decision a year ago, they will host Pickering High School, a team from Canada. They will then stage their annual rivalry with Perry

before they open the league slate against University School.

Goldman is a freelance writer from South Euclid.



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Connor Nikses

■ 320 pounds.

2 Jack Holl

■ 310 pounds.

3 Ricky Simcic

■ 275 pounds.

3 Brian Delzoppo

■ 275 pounds.

3 Bill Glass

■ 275 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Bill Glass

■ 404 pounds.

2 Brian Delzoppo

■ 375 pounds.

3 Connor Nikses

■ 365 pounds.

3 Ricky Simcic

■ 365 pounds.

3 Matt Atha

■ 365 pounds.



"We like to be a little more balanced, but when push comes to shove, the Madison Blue Streaks team will run the football,"

— **Tim Willis, Madison**

Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Nick Law

■ 4.5 seconds.

1 Aaron Petruccelli

■ 4.5 seconds.

3 Connor Smith

■ 4.6 seconds.

3 Jarrad Lasko

■ 4.6 seconds.

3 Connor Nikses

■ 4.6 seconds.

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PERRY

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NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Joe Medlen	DB-RB	5-8	162	12
2	Jackson Burdyslaw	QB-DB	6-3	205	11
3	Casey Lowe	WR-DB	5-9	140	10
4	Christian Cooper	RB-DB	5-8	171	11
5	Dan Aultman	WR-DB	6-0	171	11
6	Michael Sorine	RB-DB	6-0	180	12
7	Zakary Buescher	WR-DB	6-6	203	12
8	Tim Horvath	RB-DB	5-10	171	11
9	Jeremey Koch	WR-DB	6-3	195	11
10	Andrew Foley	RB-DB	6-0	175	10
11	Sam Fasula	WR-DB	5-7	165	11
14	Matthews Collins	WR-DB	5-10	160	10
15	Ryan Kahoun	QB-LB	6-2	210	12
16	David McDaniel	WR-DB	5-6	150	10
20	Bo Bubonic	OL-DL	5-9	195	10
23	Abram Lim	WR-DB	5-9	152	11
27	Jacob Rigby	WR-DB	5-8	152	10
29	Brock Hurd	RB-DB	5-11	166	12
30	Nick Kuhn	RB-LB	6-1	205	11
31	Chris McDaniels	RB-DB	5-7	160	11
33	Robert Slowey	TE-LB	5-9	180	10
34	Desmond Lim	RB-DB	5-7	170	12
40	Steven Carrabine	RB-DB	5-7	150	10
42	Jacob Kailburn	RB-LB	5-9	161	11
44	Kyle Longstreich	OL-DL	5-8	178	11
45	Kyle Kremiller	RB-LB	5-9	210	12
47	Nick Lauria	RB-LB	6-3	205	11
48	Evan Schenk	RB-LB	5-9	185	10
50	Dakota Gilbert	OL-DL	5-9	188	10
52	Jake Vincini	OL-DL	5-11	230	12
53	Seth Cales	OL-DL	5-9	211	12
54	Noah Kuhn	OL-DL	5-10	176	10
56	Axay Patel	OL-DL	5-7	188	11
59	Matthew Huston	OL-DL	5-8	185	10
62	Tom Smogyi	OL-LB	5-9	200	12
64	Evan Jean	OL-DL	6-0	217	10
65	Jordan Allen	OL-DL	5-10	203	10
66	Conner VanDeWeel	OL-LB	6-1	232	11
72	Collin Hagan	OL-LB	5-9	161	10
77	Ryan Bissett	OL-DL	6-1	272	12
78	Brenden Truhn	OL-DL	6-1	260	12
88	Luke Farrell	TE-DL	6-6	240	10



SETH CALES

■ The senior starts at guard and defensive tackle. As we have often said, two-way starting linemen are worth their weight in gold.



LUKE FARRELL

■ The fact he was only a Division IV special mention choice as a tight end last year only proves the voters are influenced too much by receiving stats. Only a junior, he is being recruited by some of the top programs in the country.



RYAN KAHOUN

■ A double-threat as a quarterback who can pass and run. He has the speed to get around the corner and burn you on the option.



KYLE KREMILLER

■ He's often in the center of the field, as a middle linebacker and tough inside runner. Also handles the place kicking and a Division IV All-Ohio special mention selection.



MIKE SORINE

■ The experienced senior safety is a key to the Pirates' defense.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Chris McDaniels
■ 4.57 seconds.

2 Brock Hurd
■ 4.66 seconds.

3 Luke Farrell
■ 4.77 seconds.

4 Ryan Kahoun
■ 4.79 seconds.

5 Christian Cooper
■ 4.76 seconds.



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Kyle Kremiller
■ 365 pounds.

2 Connor VanDeWeel
■ 335 pounds.

3 Luke Farrell
■ 325 pounds.

4 Jake Vincini
■ 315 pounds.

5 Mike Sorine
■ 300 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Kyle Kremiller
■ 580 pounds.

2 Luke Farrell
■ 505 pounds.

3 Jake Vicini
■ 500 pounds.

4 Michael Sorine
■ 485 pounds.

5 Nick Lauria
■ 475 pounds.



WARREN DILLAWAY / Star Beacon

RYAN KAHOUN of Perry is expected to give opposing defenses nightmares with his ability to make plays with his legs and arm. One of his main targets will be Zach Beuscher (pictured above).

Perry

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and the Division II State semifinals in 2010 and 2012. Chagrín hasn't done quite as well as Aurora; it has a mere string of six years in which it has made the postseason and reached the Division IV championship game in 2009 and 2010 and got to the State semifinals in 2011. West Geauga, where Rosati coached for 11 years before coming to Perry for the 2008 season, has made the playoffs in three of the last five years. Kenston has played beyond Week 10 in three of the prior four

seasons. In keeping with their philosophy that it is best for good teams to play against other good teams, the Pirates will begin the season against non-conference opponents Riverside, Geneva and Madison. Riverside and Madison, of course, were Division II playoff qualifiers last season, with the Blue Streaks making it to a regional II championship game, where it lost to eventual state runner-up Glenville.

Goldman is a freelance writer from South Euclid.

"We feel like we're a pretty good football team, and we're confident that we're going to be successful," Rosati said. "Our goal is to host a playoff game and to compete for a conference championship."

— Matt Rosati, Perry

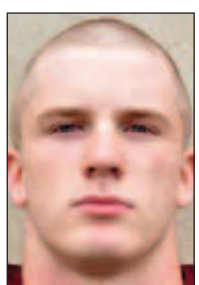


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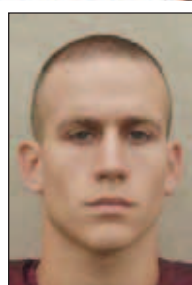
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2	Steven Blascak	QB-S	5-11	140	9
3	Mitchell Skleres	WR-CB	5-8	135	10
5	Nickolas Blascak	WR-LB	6-0	185	12
6	Gunner Ellis	WR-CB	5-8	135	10
7	Isaac Orahood	WR-CB	6-2	160	10
9	Keegan Hoopes	WR-S	5-6	150	11
10	Treston Codyney	WR-CB	5-6	120	9
11	Chris Brazil	WR-K	5-8	160	12
12	Luke Hockran	RB-S	5-9	170	10
14	Gary Baker	RB-CB	5-8	160	12
17	Travis Kiser	QB-LB	5-10	175	12
20	Kaleb Saxion	WR-DB	6-0	180	12
24	Ryan Wilkerson	RB-DE	6-0	245	12
25	Wade Buckley	RB-CB	5-9	165	11
33	Nick Such	RB-LB	5-10	195	12
40	Gage Willis	RB-LB	5-11	180	9
44	Sam Stritch	RB-LB	5-10	165	10
50	Brent Knowles	OL-LB	5-10	170	9
51	Joe Smith	OL-DE	5-10	190	12
52	Jaret Swigger	OL-DL	5-8	185	11
53	Matt Fetters	OL-DE	5-9	215	11
54	Bradley Easton	OL-LB	6-0	190	11
55	Justin Swiger	OL-DL	5-9	295	11
56	Lonard Udell	OL-DL	5-11	180	9
57	Jason Bailey	OL-DL	6-0	195	9
58	Ryan Sito	OL-DE	5-9	170	10
60	Anthony Longnecker	OL-LB	5-11	170	9
63	Eric Kid	OL-DE	6-5	290	12
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72	Christian Sanchez	OL-DL	5-8	270	12
73	Chase Braden	OL-DL	5-11	220	9
74	Dillon Mook	OL-DL	5-8	275	10
75	Owen Hoover	OL-DL	6-1	205	9
80	Ben Berry	WR-CB	5-11	160	12
82	Kyle Isenberg	WR-LB	5-9	170	10
84	Jeremy Fredrick	WR-S	6-3	185	11
85	Mathew Heym	RB-LB	5-10	160	9
88	Kenney McMullen	WR-K	6-0	160	10
89	Clancy McCall	WR-CB	6-1	180	12



NICK BLASCAK
 ■ A three-year letterwinner who will make things happen for the Lakers on both sides of the ball.



BRAD EASTON
 ■ Easton is the most experienced Laker on the line, where experience is thin.



TRAVIS KISER
 ■ In his second year as the signal caller, Kiser will come into his own.



NICK SUCH
 ■ Such is a playmaker for the Lakers and will be used to grind out first downs.



RYAN WILKERSON
 ■ Wilkerson is about as big a back as there is. He will be tough to bring down once he gets up to speed.

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speed on the outside, so we should be able to make plays down the field.”

Bradley Easton, Joe Smith, Justin Swiger, Dillon Harte and Matt Fetters should start on the line, with Dillon Mook and several others pushing for playing time.

“We have a good group of linemen and if they come together, they will create time and space for our skill players to make plays,” Croston said.

The Lakers allowed an average of 217.7 yards on the ground a season ago. Controlling that part of the game defensively will be a must.

“We will need to be physical up front and create more turnovers this year,” Croston said. “Stopping the run is important to any team being successful. Being able to stop teams in your base defense is important. Every week, you need to put players in spots where they can be successful in.”

“Each player knowing his role within the defense helps your players play fast and in limiting what your opponent is doing on offense.”

Harte, Fetters, Wilkerson, Gage Willis, Swiger and Joe Smith will be in charge of setting that tone up front.

“They will need to create problems for our opponents (for us) to be successful,” Croston said.

Such, Blascak, Luke Hockran, Easton, Kyle Isenberg and Clancy McCall will be the linebackers. It’s an athletic group.

“Our linebackers all have good speed and should be able to cover sideline to sideline,” Croston said.

Hoopes, Skleres, Gunner Ellis, Buckley and Kaleb Saxion are the defensive backs. They’re young, but have the ability to make big plays.

“They are all underclassmen except for Kaleb, but are all good coverage guys,” Croston said.

Scoring in the kicking game was a serious issue for the Lakers in 2013. Senior Chris Brazil will be in charge of improving that aspect of the game in 2014 as the kicker.

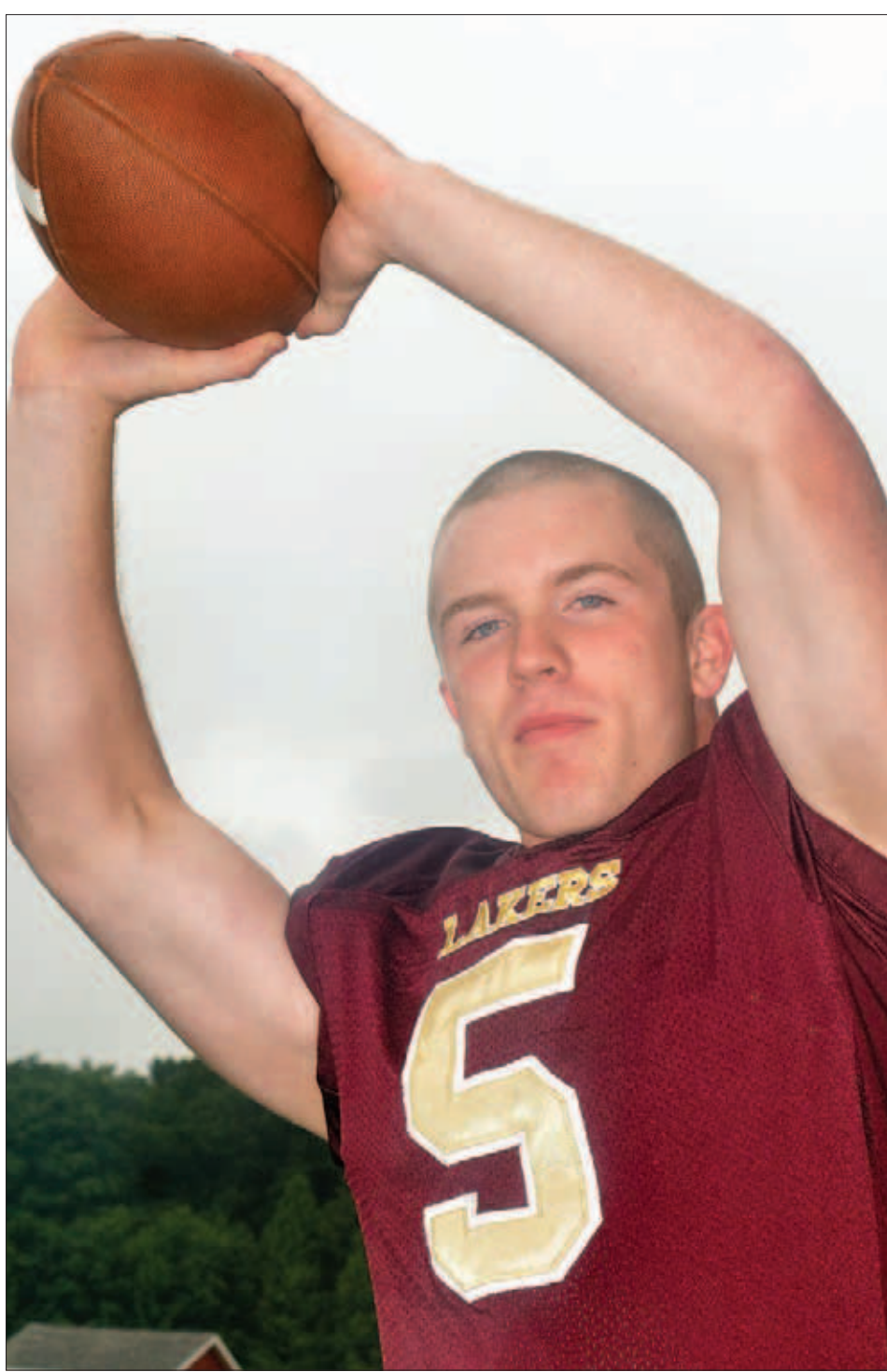
“He will handle kickoff and extra-point duties,” Croston said. “Having Chris just focus on kicking should improve our kicking game this year.”

Such and Blascak are battling it out for the punting duties.

Returning kicks will be Buckley, Blascak and Skleres.

“Good return men can help jump-start your offense or change the momentum of the game,” Croston said.

Ettinger is a freelance writer from Ashtabula.



NICK BLASCAK is expected to be a contributor on both sides of the ball for the Lakers this fall.



“Every year, you want to start off strong. Lifting and offseason training gives you a chance to be ready when Week 1 rolls around.”

— Neal Croston, Pymatuning Valley



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

- 1 Nick Blascak**
■ 4.7 seconds.
- 1 Wade Buckley**
■ 4.7 seconds.
- 1 Mitchell Skleres**
■ 4.7 seconds.
- 4 Travis Kiser**
■ 4.8 seconds.
- 4 Nick Such**
■ 4.8 seconds.



Top 5 in benchpress:

- 1 Nick Such**
■ 325 pounds.
- 2 Nick Blascak**
■ 275 pounds.
- 2 Ryan Wilkerson**
■ 275 pounds.
- 4 Bradley Easton**
■ 225 pounds.
- 4 Joe Smith**
■ 225 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

- 1 Nick Such**
■ 475 pounds.
- 2 Justin Swiger**
■ 450 pounds.
- 3 Ryan Wilkerson**
■ 435 pounds.
- 4 Nick Blascak**
■ 425 pounds.
- 5 Gage Willis**
■ 415 pounds.

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PYMATUNING VALLEY

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- **LEAGUE** — Northeastern Athletic.
- **HEAD COACH** — Neal Croston.
- **COLLEGE** — Mercyhurst College.
- **TEACHING SUBJECT** — High school special education math.
- **YEARS AT PV** — 6th at PV; 3rd as head coach.
- **CAREER RECORD** — 11-9 (.550).
- **ASSISTANT COACHES** — Steve Urchek, Kevin Brown, Dave Miller.
- **BASIC OFFENSE** — Spread.
- **BASIC DEFENSE** — 3-4.
- **LETTERMEN LOST** — 6.
- **LETTERMEN RETURNING** — Seniors Nick Blascak (WR-LB), Gary Baker (RB-CB), Travis Kiser (QB-LB), Ryan Wilkerson (RB-DE), Nick Such (RB-LB), Joe Smith (OL-DE), Brad Easton (OL-LB); juniors Keegen Hoopes (WR-S), Wade Buckley (RB-CB), Justin Swiger (OL-DL); sophomores Mitch Skleres (WR-CB) and Luke Hockran (RB-S).
- **OTHER KEY PLAYERS** — Seniors Clancy McCall (WR-CB), Kaleb Saxion (WR-DB), Chris Brazil (WR-K); juniors Jeremey Fredrick (WR-S), Justin Swiger

(OL-DL), Dillon Harte (OL-DL), Matt Fetters (OL-DE); sophomores Isaac Orahod (WR-CB), Dillon Mook (OL-DL), Kyle Isenberg (WR-LB), Gunner Ellis (WR-CB); freshman Gage Willis (RB-LB).

■ **2013 RECORD** — 5-5 (4-1, second in NAC).

THROUGH THE YEARS	
■ 2013 — 5-5	
■ 2012 — 4-6	■ 1987 — 4-6
■ 2011 — 7-3	■ 1986 — 5-4
■ 2010 — 6-4	■ 1985 — 10-0
■ 2009 — 2-8	■ 1984 — 9-1-0
■ 2008 — 6-4	■ 1983 — 4-5-0
■ 2007 — 8-2	■ 1982 — 2-7-0
■ 2006 — 6-4	■ 1981 — 3-6-1
■ 2005 — 4-6	■ 1980 — 3-7-0
■ 2004 — 6-4	■ 1979 — 3-6-1
■ 2003 — 2-8	■ 1978 — 4-6-0
■ 2002 — 2-8	■ 1977 — 0-10-0
■ 2001 — 0-10	■ 1976 — 5-4-1
■ 2000 — 1-9	■ 1975 — 5-2-1
■ 1999 — 2-8	■ 1974 — 4-4-0
■ 1998 — 2-8	■ 1973 — 0-7-2
■ 1997 — 7-3	■ 1972 — 2-7-0
■ 1996 — 7-3	■ 1971 — 2-8-0
■ 1995 — 4-6	■ 1970 — 0-9-0
■ 1994 — 7-3	■ 1969 — 0-8-1
■ 1993 — 4-6	■ 1968 — 1-8-0
■ 1992 — 6-4	■ 1967 — 1-7-0
■ 1991 — 5-5	■ 1966 — 5-2-0
■ 1990 — 7-3	■ 1965 — 5-2-0
■ 1989 — 9-1	■ 1964 — 3-4-0
■ 1988 — 5-5	■ 1963 — 1-4-0
TOTAL — 208-265-6 (.440)	
(vs. varsity opponents only)	



WARREN DILLAWAY / Star Beacon

JUSTIN SWIGER is expected to be an important lineman for the Pymatuning Valley Lakers.

HERALDS AT A GLANCE

- ### ST. JOHN
- Blue and white
- **LEAGUE** — Independent.
 - **HEAD COACH** — Dom Iarocci.
 - **COLLEGE** — Edinboro State College.
 - **TEACHING SUBJECT** — Not a teacher.
 - **YEARS AT ST. JOHN** — Entering his 1st in new tenure at St. John.
 - **CAREER RECORD** — 26-55 (.321).
 - **ASSISTANT COACHES** — Dave Clemens, Chris Monda, Don Vincenzo, Joe Bento, Alex Izzi.
 - **BASIC OFFENSE** — Slot I, Robust.
 - **BASIC DEFENSE** — 4-4.
 - **LETTERMEN LOST** — n/a.
 - **LETTERMEN RETURNING** — n/a.
 - **OTHER KEY PLAYERS** — Seniors Ron Chambers (TE-LB), Josh Williams (WR-DB), Doug Warren (T-DL), Mason Rought (T-DL); juniors Zach Thomas (QB-DB), Josh Stoll (TE-DB), Paul Calloway (TE-DB), Dane Gustafson (RB-LB), Adam Fedler (G-LB), Jacob Emerson (TE-DE); sophomores Mike Leonard (FB-LB), James Woods (RB-DB), Max

Hammers (C-DL), Vince Ballard (T-DL), Joey Roskovics (T-DL), Nate Severino (WR-DB), Andrew Kaschalk (OL-LB); freshmen Sam McClure (FB-LB), Ron Nejbauer (G-DE).

■ **2013 RECORD** — n/a.

THROUGH THE YEARS	
■ 2008 — 2-7	■ 1981 — 8-3-1
■ 2007 — 0-9	■ 1980 — 5-3-1
■ 2006 — 1-8	■ 1979 — 2-7-0
■ 2005 — 1-9	■ 1978 — 5-4-0
■ 2004 — 3-7	■ 1977 — 9-2-0
■ 2003 — 4-5	■ 1976 — 6-4-1
■ 2002 — 2-8	■ 1975 — 2-7-0
■ 2001 — 2-8	■ 1974 — 4-5-1
■ 2000 — 3-7	■ 1973 — 7-3-0
■ 1999 — 1-9	■ 1972 — 5-3-1
■ 1998 — 2-6	■ 1971 — 7-2-0
■ 1997 — DNP	■ 1970 — 6-1-2
■ 1996 — 0-10	■ 1969 — 4-4-1
■ 1995 — 2-8	■ 1968 — 7-2-0
■ 1994 — 0-10	■ 1967 — 6-3-0
■ 1993 — 2-8	■ 1966 — 5-4-0
■ 1992 — 1-9	■ 1965 — 4-5-1
■ 1991 — 2-7	■ 1964 — 7-2-1
■ 1990 — 1-9	■ 1963 — 6-3-0
■ 1989 — 2-7	■ 1962 — 2-7-0
■ 1988 — 3-7	■ 1961 — 2-6-1
■ 1987 — 7-3	■ 1960 — 4-5-1
■ 1986 — 3-7	■ 1959 — 4-4-1
■ 1985 — 4-6	■ 1958 — 4-5-0
■ 1984 — 2-7-1	■ 1957 — 7-2-0
■ 1983 — 4-5-1	■ 1956 — 6-3-0
■ 1982 — 7-4-0	■ 1955 — 1-7-0
TOTAL — 199-294-15 (.404)	

ST. JOHN



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RIVERSIDE



2014 RIVERSIDE BEAVERS

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Marcus Jones	RB-LB	6-0	226	12
2	Nick Fitzgerald	QB	5-10	185	11
3	James Fitzgerald	TE-LB	6-2	210	10
4	Jake Loehr	S-RB	5-9	155	11
5	Jack Maxwell	LB-QB	5-10	205	12
6	Michael Brubaker	WR-FS	6-3	170	11
7	Josh Carafa	WR-FS	5-8	170	10
8	Taye Alexander	RB-LB	5-11	185	10
9	Dan Watson	TE-DE	5-11	180	11
10	Cameron Jefferies	RB-DB	5-11	180	11
11	Bryan Woltman	WR-DB	5-9	150	12
12	Matt Cleary	WR-DB	5-9	151	10
13	Kyron Ziemak	WR-DB	5-7	150	12
14	David Howell	QB-S	5-10	155	10
15	Mas Marciano	WR	5-7	160	11
17	John Fisher	QB-WR-DB	5-9	132	9
18	Cory Mlinaric	WR-S	5-1	125	9
19	John Maczuzak	WR	6-3	175	11
20	Blake Maxwell	SS	6-0	175	11
21	Steven Ettinger	WR-FS	5-10	150	11
22	Autin Hess	WR-FS	5-11	162	9
23	Toby Pfeifer	WR-DB	5-9	163	11
24	Nick Schoval	LB-RB	5-6	190	12
26	Kyle Rebenock	WR-DB	5-10	132	9
27	Ethan Shust	WR-DB	5-7	150	11
28	Austin VanPelt	RB-LB	5-7	180	10
30	Tommy Price	S-RB	5-5	150	11
31	Nick Grcar	RB-LB	5-7	150	9
32	Johnny Mitchell	RB-S	5-5	140	9
33	Jordan Dunningan	WR-DB	5-2	112	9
34	Ben Hanks	WR-DB	5-7	135	9
35	Brandon Horn	RB-LB	5-11	190	10
36	Austin Hunter	WR-DB	5-8	110	9
37	Colton Shafer	WR-DB	5-9	130	9
38	Sam Pekarcik	WR-DB	6-1	160	12
41	Dustin Ettinger	LB-WR	5-11	161	11
42	Joe Suba	WR-DB	5-7	120	9
44	Chris Thompson	OL-DL	5-7	207	11
45	Colin Shambaugh	K	5-10	150	9
51	Max Gibbons	LT-RT	5-11	236	9
52	London Locklear	OL-DL	6-0	270	11
54	Andrew Kuhn	OL-LB	5-9	203	12
55	Deavonni Temnikar	DE-OL	5-10	225	12
56	John Suba	OL-DL	5-9	230	12
58	Paul McGlothlin	OL-DL	5-9	260	12
59	Christian Caldwell	OL	5-10	240	12
60	John Josko	OL-DL	5-7	165	9
61	Ryan Moreland	OL	5-10	190	10
62	Wills Siers	OL	5-8	160	9
65	Jon Pethel	OL	5-11	196	9
66	Billy McGonnel	DE-OL	6-0	168	9
69	Alex Archacki	OL	5-10	250	10
70	Matt Lamos	OL	5-10	160	9
72	Phil Foltz	C-DL	5-7	190	9
73	Dan Coon	DE-OL	6-3	200	12
74	Colby Ellis	C-DT	6-0	220	10
76	Jake Miltello	OL-DL	6-2	240	12
77	Jimmh Labry	OL	6-1	269	10
78	Charlie Halatek	OL-DL	5-3	195	11
80	Andrew Rakovec	DE-TE	6-5	195	11
81	Claudio Rogelio	WR-DB	5-9	126	9
82	Drew Loehr	LB	6-2	190	12
83	Zack Rutledge	DE-TE	6-2	178	9
84	Jalyn Hall	TE-DE	6-2	181	11
85	Thomas Sullivan	WR-DB	6-0	162	10
86	Michael Senyes	TE-LB	6-0	170	9
87	Brett Peters	TE-DE	6-2	210	12
88	Justin Jakopic	WR-DB	6-1	160	11
99	Jesse Hansel	LB-RB	5-6	180	11



DAVE BORS

■ Now in his fifth years with the Beavers, Bors has put together an impressive run of success that landed Riverside in the playoffs in 2013. They hope to return again this season.



MARCUS JONES

■ A running back with size, speed and quickness, and he also starts at linebacker. One of the most heralded players in the area.



JACK MAXWELL

■ He's a starter at linebacker and is also in the mix at running back. He hopes to be a main factor in an offense that hopes to stay strong as well as a defense that aspires to improve.



BRETT PETERS

■ He starts at tight end and defensive end. When a player starts two ways for a school this large, it's worth noting.



JOHN SUBA

■ Much like Brett Peters, this is a two-way lineman at guard and defensive tackle.

Riverside

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Barker. Sophomore Josh Carafa is a reserve at wide receiver and Temnikar is a backup offensive lineman.

"Fitzgerald gained some good experience — some valuable experience — when Brubaker went down against Perry in the first half last year," Bors said. "He started 3 games, and really kept us in the playoff hunt, to be honest. We're happy with that, but nonetheless, he's still only a junior and he's a different type of player than Maxx was. Right now, if we can be even close to where we were offensively last year, things are going to be pretty solid for us; there's no doubt about it. We've got to get out of the gate quickly though. Perry's loaded. So I feel good about it, but we lost a lot of good receivers who were a big part of our offense. We've got Jones back, but our receivers and quarterback are going to be totally different from last year, so it's going to take a little bit for them to gel."

A pair of freshmen — Colin Shambaugh and Jonathan Fisher — take over as the placekicker and punter respectively.

The other returning lettermen are seniors Chris Caldwell (offensive and defensive lineman), Andrew Kuhn (linebacker), juniors Jesse Hansel (linebacker, running back), Justin Jakopic (wide receiver, defensive back) and Jake Loehr (defensive back and running back) and sophomore David Howell (quarterback, safety).

One thing that has hurt the Beavers in recent years — even in ones that have ended well — is the fact they have struggled to win their first two games against Perry and West Geauga. In fact, the 2011 season was the only one of the last eight in which they have beaten Perry. West G has been their Week 2 opponent starting with the 2007 campaign, and the Wolverines have won each time, the first two when Bors was their coach.

Last season, the PAC race came down to the final week at Madison. The Beavers would have won the title outright with a win, but the Blue Streaks prevailed, 28-



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 London Locklear

■ 415 pounds.

2 Marcus Jones

■ 335 pounds.

3 Jesse Hansel

■ 320 pounds.

4 Jack Maxwell

■ 290 pounds.

5 Cameron Jefferies

■ 275 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Marcus Jones

■ 515 pounds.

2 London Locklear

■ 475 pounds.

3 Deavonni Temnikar

■ 440 pounds.

4 Dylan Miller

■ 425 pounds.

5 Jack Maxwell

■ 420 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Cameron Jefferies

■ 4.71 seconds.

2 Nick Fitzgerald

■ 4.74 seconds.

3 Jack Maxwell

■ 4.75 seconds.

4 Marcus Jones

■ 4.79 seconds.

5 John Maczuzak

■ 4.81 seconds.

0, and finished in a tie with Riverside. Both schools made the Division II playoffs, however.

This is the final year for the PAC. Riverside and several other current PAC members will join with other schools next season to form the new Western Reserve Conference.

"(South has) a boatload back in terms of their running game and skill positions," Bors said. "I still think preseason, you've got to talk about South. I think Madison's doing an excellent job over there.

"I would hope that we're talked about somewhere in the mix, but you have Chardon — they were 6-4 last year, which is by no means a bad year, but I think by their standards it was a down year, and I look for them because they have their entire offensive backfield back. I look for them to be tough as well."

Goldman is a freelance writer from South Euclid.



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GENEVA



2013 GENEVA EAGLES

NO.	PLAYER	POS.	HT.	WT.	GR.
1	Chase Livingston	QB-CB	5-11	165	10
3	Brent Bell	WR-CB	5-9	155	11
4	Mylan Kanicki	QB-CB	5-7	115	9
5	Mike Clark	WR-S	5-10	150	11
6	Derek Cowles	WR-S	5-11	160	10
7	Ryan Rivera	RB-CB	5-7	195	10
11	Ryan Mackymen	WR-CB	6-1	170	12
13	Zac Sweat	LB-RB	5-11	185	12
14	Alex McMullen	WR-CB	5-7	155	10
15	T.J. Showman	WR-CB	4-0	96	9
16	Kyle Hawk	RB-LB	5-8	150	9
20	Austin Clutter	WR-CB	6-1	195	12
22	Paul Hitchcock	K	6-2	150	11
23	Oscar Varkette	QB-CB	5-7	145	9
24	Hayden Long	WR	5-9	120	9
26	Teagen Shaughnessy	RB-CB	5-6	150	10
29	Alex Fistek	QB-LB	5-11	180	12
32	Cody Ulrich	DT-OT	5-8	175	10
33	Aaron Rossi	RB-LB	5-8	195	12
34	Jacob Huelskamp	RB-DT	5-8	190	9
35	Kody Brown	WR-LB	6-1	180	10
37	Aiden Cardaman	Z-LB	5-6	140	9
39	Nike Coach	DT-FB	5-7	175	12
40	Josh Way	FB-LB	5-11	180	10
41	Austin Hungerford	LB-RB	6-0	185	12
43	Collin Deering	LB-FB	5-10	165	10
48	Austin Sturgill	LB-TE	5-10	160	11
51	Brian Seeds	C-DE	5-10	195	10
52	Nathan Buttle	OL-DT	5-8	180	9
53	T.J. Stancliff	OL-DT	6-3	280	11
54	Juan Rodriguex	OL-LB	5-8	190	10
56	Josh Lawler	OT-DT	5-6	176	9
59	Daniel Verdi	OL-LB	5-10	180	10
60	Adam Biery	C-DE	5-8	175	9
61	Jacob Wilms	OL-DE	6-0	210	9
62	Abram Alamo	OT-DT	6-4	275	10
65	Jimmy Holcknecht	OT-DE	6-0	235	10
66	Dylan Rodick	C-DE	5-7	230	12
67	Matt Sovka	OL-DE	5-11	186	10
68	Jon Gildersleeve	OT-DT	6-0	260	10
70	Chuckie Jackson	OL-DL	5-10	270	9
72	Morgan Conrad	OL-DL	5-10	235	11
74	Travor Miller	DT-OT	6-1	240	9
75	Dylan Rhodes	OL-DT	6-0	250	11
76	Chucky Jackson	OT-DT	6-1	250	9
76	Cory Culton	OT-DT	6-2	270	9
77	Logan Cernak	OT-DT	5-11	165	9
78	Jimmy Campbell	OT-DT	5-11	210	9
79	Thomas Higgins	OL-DT	5-9	200	10
81	Matt Otto	TE-DE	6-2	195	11
82	Paul Guzzo	WR-CB	5-5	114	9
83	Jared Rice	TE-DE	5-11	170	9
86	Seth Calhoun	TE-DE	6-2	190	11



AUSTIN CLUTTER
 ■ This senior tied for the area lead in receptions as a junior. He should appear more at corner this year.



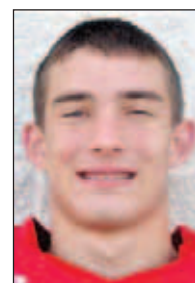
ALEX FISTEK
 ■ This senior is one of the two candidates to win the starting job at quarterback, replacing the versatile Brandon Pakkala.



TONY HASSETT
 ■ Now in his 11th season in charge of the Eagles, Hasset faces one of his biggest challenges yet as he leads a group of talented, but young Eagles this season.



AARON ROSSI
 ■ His achievements to date are well-documented. For those not familiar with him, the fact he was a first-team All-Ohio choice as a Division II running back as a junior should tell you a lot.



ZAC SWEAT
 ■ One of only four returning lettermen, he returns at inside linebacker and will share duties at fullback.

Geneva

From Page 7

“I think Willoughby South; I know (coach Matt Duffy) has a lot of guys back,” he said. “They’re always tough; they have so many kids. I look for Madison (and) Chardon. Riverside loses the quarterback (Maxx Brubaker); I don’t know how (coach Dave Bors’) numbers are this year. He still has the big running back (Marcus Jones).

“They’re all going to be tough — every one of them for us. They have a new coach at Eastlake (North) in (Mike) Bell; he’ll get things going. Lakeside’s going to be improved with Frank (Hall) there for a second year. We’re one or two injuries away from being in deep trouble. We’re just taking it day-by-day and trying to get the kids to play hard.”

Goldman is a freelance writer from Euclid.



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 AUSTIN CLUTTER of Geneva catches a long pass during a recent scrimmage.

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“I thought for our first scrimmage... we moved the ball very well. ... But a lot of inexperienced mistakes. We’re going to have to live with that for a little bit. We don’t want to, but we have to. We only have, I think, about seven seniors on the entire squad right now. In the upper two classes, I think there’s only 12 kids. That’s a lot of sophomores and freshmen on a squad of about 55.”

— Tony Hasset, Geneva



Top 5 in benchpress:

1 Nick Coach
 ■ 285 pounds.

1 Juan Rodriguez
 ■ 285 pounds.

1 Zac Sweat
 ■ 285 pounds.

4 Dylan Rodick
 ■ 280 pounds.

4 Aaron Rossi
 ■ 280 pounds.

Top 5 in squat:

1 Dylan Rodick
 ■ 500 pounds.

2 Nick Coach
 ■ 450 pounds.

3 Juan Rodrigues
 ■ 435 pounds.

4 Zac Sweat
 ■ 405 pounds.

5 Aaron Rossi
 ■ 385 pounds.



Top 5 in 40-yard dash:

1 Autin Clutter
 ■ 4.6 seconds.

2 Aaron Rossi
 ■ 4.7 seconds.

2 Zac Sweat
 ■ 4.7 seconds.

4 Nick Coach
 ■ 4.8 seconds.

4 Ryan Mackynen
 ■ 4.8 seconds.

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BLUE STREAKS AT A GLANCE

MADISON

Blue and white

LEAGUE — Premier Athletic Conference.

COACH — Tim Willis.

COLLEGE — Baldwin-Wallace.

TEACHING SUBJECT — Health and physical education.

YEARS AT MADISON — 25th at Madison, 15th as head coach.

CAREER RECORD — 87-51 (.630).

ASSISTANT COACHES — Mike Martin, Mike Gilligan, Tim Mainello, Scott Herald, Nick Ciani, Tim Reed, Paul D'Onafrio.

BASIC OFFENSE — Spread.

BASIC DEFENSE — 3-4.

LETTERMEN LOST — 22.

LETTERMEN RETURNING —

Seniors Dave Albert (K), Matt Atha (LB-FB), Ben Golden (G), Jack Holl (DE-TE-P), Jarrad Lasko (CB-RB), Connor Nikses (NG-RB), Aaron Petrucci (WR), Ricky Simic (LB-FB); juniors Nick Brooks (OLB-TB), Hunter Drzic (T-LS), Nick Law (CB-RB), Vince Primer (OLB-TE), Mike Serra (WR) and Connor Smith (QB).

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Seniors

Cam Florian (DE), Josh Gervan (G), Billy Glass (NG), Jordan McClure (WR); juniors Zach DeFranco (NG), Brian Delzoppo (DE-T), Brad Wienhold; sophomores Isaiah McClure (DB-WR) and Josh

Petrucci (S).
LAST YEAR'S RECORD — 10-3 (6-1, T-1st in PAC).

THROUGH THE YEARS

2012 — 10-3	2012 — 6-4
2011 — 8-3	1975 — 5-5-0
2010 — 7-3	1974 — 4-6-0
2009 — 4-6	1973 — 10-0-0
2008 — 8-4	1972 — 4-4-2
2007 — 7-3	1971 — 6-3-1
2006 — 6-4	1970 — 5-4-1
2005 — 4-6	1969 — 5-5-0
2004 — 7-3	1968 — 8-2-0
2003 — 8-2	1967 — 7-2-0
2002 — 9-2	1966 — 8-2-0
2001 — 6-4	1965 — 5-4-0
2000 — 4-6	1964 — 2-6-1
1999 — 9-2	1963 — 9-0-0
1998 — 7-3	1962 — 4-5-0
1997 — 6-4	1961 — 6-2-1
1996 — 8-2	1960 — 10-0-0
1995 — 9-2	1959 — 2-5-2
1994 — 8-2	1958 — 6-1-1
1993 — 10-1	1957 — 2-6-0
1992 — 6-4	1956 — 2-4-2
1991 — 8-2	1955 — 6-1-1
1990 — 5-5	1954 — 5-3-1
1989 — 2-8	1953 — 1-7-1
1988 — 5-5	1952 — 7-2-0
1987 — 5-5	1951 — 7-1-0
1986 — 5-5	1950 — 6-3-0
1985 — 4-6	1949 — 3-6-0
1984 — 5-5-0	1948 — 4-4-1
1983 — 5-5-0	1947 — 5-4-1
1982 — 3-7-0	1946 — 6-2-1
1981 — 3-7-0	1945 — 4-3-1
1980 — 5-5-0	1944 — 1-7-0
1979 — 7-3-0	1943 — 2-6-0
1978 — 2-8-0	1942 — 1-7-0
1977 — 5-4-0	1941 — 0-7-0
1976 — 3-6-1	1940 — 0-5-2
TOTAL — 338-292-24 (.537)	



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FRANK FERRITTO of Jefferson reaches for a pass during a recent scrimmage.

FALCONS AT A GLANCE

JEFFERSON

Red, white and black

LEAGUE — All-American.

COACH — Jimmy Henson.

COLLEGE — St. Joseph's College of Indiana.

TEACHING SUBJECT — Eighth-grade science.

YEARS AT JEFFERSON — 9th.

CAREER RECORD — 41-49 (.456).

ASSISTANT COACHES — Rob Mead, Dave Wright, Scott Collins, John Ashley.

BASIC OFFENSE — Spread.

BASIC DEFENSE — 4-3.

LETTERMEN LOST — 13.

LETTERMEN RETURNING —

Seniors Lucas Hitchcock (QB-DB), Derek Parker (WR-DB), Hunter Pridemore (RB-LB), James Jackson (WR-DB), Matt Posiadala (RB-DE), Chris Wittenmyer (OL-LB), Cory Rought (OL-DE), Daniel Gillespie (OL-DL), Matt Myers (OL-DL); juniors Victor Toth (WR-DB), Frank Fioritto (WR-LB), Zach Collins (QB-LB), Thomas Bevins (WR-DB), Austin Patton (WR-DB), Josh Hall (RB-DE), Daniel Noscal (WR-DB), Hunter Bean (FB-LB), Travis Bradley (OL-DL), Brandon Hagerone (OL-DL); sophomores Josh Butler (K-LB) and Jeremiah Knight (RB-DB).

OTHER KEY PLAYERS — Seniors

Tristan Hayford (RB-LB), Connor Lesko (OL-DL), Jarrod Burns (OL-DL), Steven Zindash (TE-DE); junior Blake Yoder (WR-DB); sophomores Sam Hitchcock (TE-DE), Austin Norris (OL-DL), Tim Kuscsik (WR-LB), Jesse Williams (OL-DE).

2013 RECORD — 3-7 (2-5 in the

AAC, sixth place).

THROUGH THE YEARS

2013 — 3-7	1965 — 2-7-0
2012 — 7-3	1957 — 5-3-0
2011 — 7-3	1964 — 5-4-1
2010 — 4-6	1963 — 0-7-2
2009 — 3-7	1962 — 0-8-0
2008 — 2-8	1961 — 0-7-0
2007 — 3-7	1960 — 3-6-0
2006 — 5-5	1959 — 6-2-0
2005 — 7-3	1958 — 2-5-1
2004 — 7-3	1957 — 5-3-0
2003 — 8-2	1956 — 2-5-1
2002 — 7-3	1955 — 2-5-1
2001 — 4-5	1954 — 6-1-1
2000 — 6-4	1953 — 4-1-3
1999 — 7-4	1952 — 2-6-0
1998 — 6-4	1951 — 5-3-0
1997 — 5-5	1950 — 1-5-2
1996 — 4-6	1949 — 6-0-1
1995 — 6-4	1948 — 4-1-1
1994 — 3-7	1947 — 5-2-0
1993 — 2-8	1946 — 5-1-0
1992 — 1-9	1926 — 0-2-0
1991 — 7-3	1925 — 1-4-0
1990 — 5-5	1924 — 0-7-0
1989 — 3-7	1923 — 3-5-2
1988 — 0-10	1922 — 1-8-0
1987 — 2-8	1921 — 1-7-0
1986 — 3-7	1920 — 0-1-0
1985 — 6-4	1919 — 0-7-0
1984 — 8-1-1	1918 — 2-1-0
1983 — 3-6-1	1917 — 4-2-0
1982 — 5-5-0	1916 — 2-3-0
1981 — 4-6-0	1915 — 1-5-0
1980 — 2-7-1	1914 — 4-2-0
1979 — 3-7-0	1913 — 6-0-1
1978 — 2-8-0	1912 — 2-5-0
1977 — 7-3-0	1911 — 1-6-0
1976 — 9-1-0	1910 — 8-1-0
1975 — 6-3-1	1909 — 6-2-0
1974 — 4-5-1	1908 — 2-1-0
1973 — 1-8-0	1907 — 5-3-0
1972 — 1-9-0	1906 — DNP
1971 — 1-8-1	1905 — 2-4-0
1970 — 3-6-1	1904 — 0-4-0
1969 — 1-9-0	1903 — 1-2-0
1968 — 0-10-0	1902 — 1-1-0
1967 — 1-9-0	1901 — 1-0-0
1966 — 1-8-1	1900 — 0-1-0
No football from 1942-45	
Played 6-man football in 1940, 1941	
No football from 1927-39	
TOTAL — 316-441-23 (.417)	



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■ **COACH** — Frank Hall.

■ **COLLEGE** — Kent State University

■ **TEACHING SUBJECT** — Dean of Students at Building Bridges.

■ **YEARS AT LAKESIDE** — Second.

■ **CAREER RECORD** — 3-7 (.300).

■ **ASSISTANT COACHES** — Ray Enrico, Bill Blackie, Eric Elmore, Olajuwon Cooper, Tyler Wilber, Brian McEndree, Rob McEndree and Garrett Vaught.

■ **BASIC OFFENSE** — Pistol.

■ **BASIC DEFENSE** — 4-2-5.

■ **LETTERMEN LOST** — 11.

■ **LETTERMEN RETURNING** — Seniors Tyler Brock (TE-LB), Demetrius Green (WR-CB), Damondre Haywood (DB), Vinny Smith (DB), Bryce Tome (OL-DL), Josh Volk (LB); Johnny Evans (WR-CB), Tyree Meeks (LB), Jarred Patton

(DE), Matt Rocco (G); sophomores Trevian Archer (RB), Ethan Bish (T), Tyler Nagle (WR-DB) and Patton Sidbeck (C).

■ **OTHER KEY PLAYERS** — Seniors Mo Lebron (S), Josh Oblock (S), Bryan Woissol (DT); juniors Reggie Bryant (DT), Orlando Canales (TE-LB), Matt Dickson (DE), Ryan Faulkerson (TB-P), Jarred Layman (OL), Miachel Fusco (WR), Donnie Gaylord (WR), Tim Moore (LB), Cody Smith (DT); sophomores Josh Gibson (QB), Nick Lemay (OL), Matt Lunghofer (WR), Cyle McAfee (TB), Robert Walker (RB); and freshman Keenan Vaught (K).

■ **LAST YEAR'S RECORD** — 3-7 (1-6, T-7th in PAC).

THROUGH THE YEARS

■ 2013 — 3-7	■ 2006 — 5-5
■ 2012 — 1-9	■ 2005 — 7-3
■ 2011 — 1-9	■ 2004 — 6-4
■ 2010 — 0-10	■ 2003 — 7-3
■ 2009 — 5-5	■ 2002 — 8-3
■ 2008 — 5-5	■ 2001 — 8-2
■ 2007 — 2-8	
TOTAL — 58-73 (.443)	



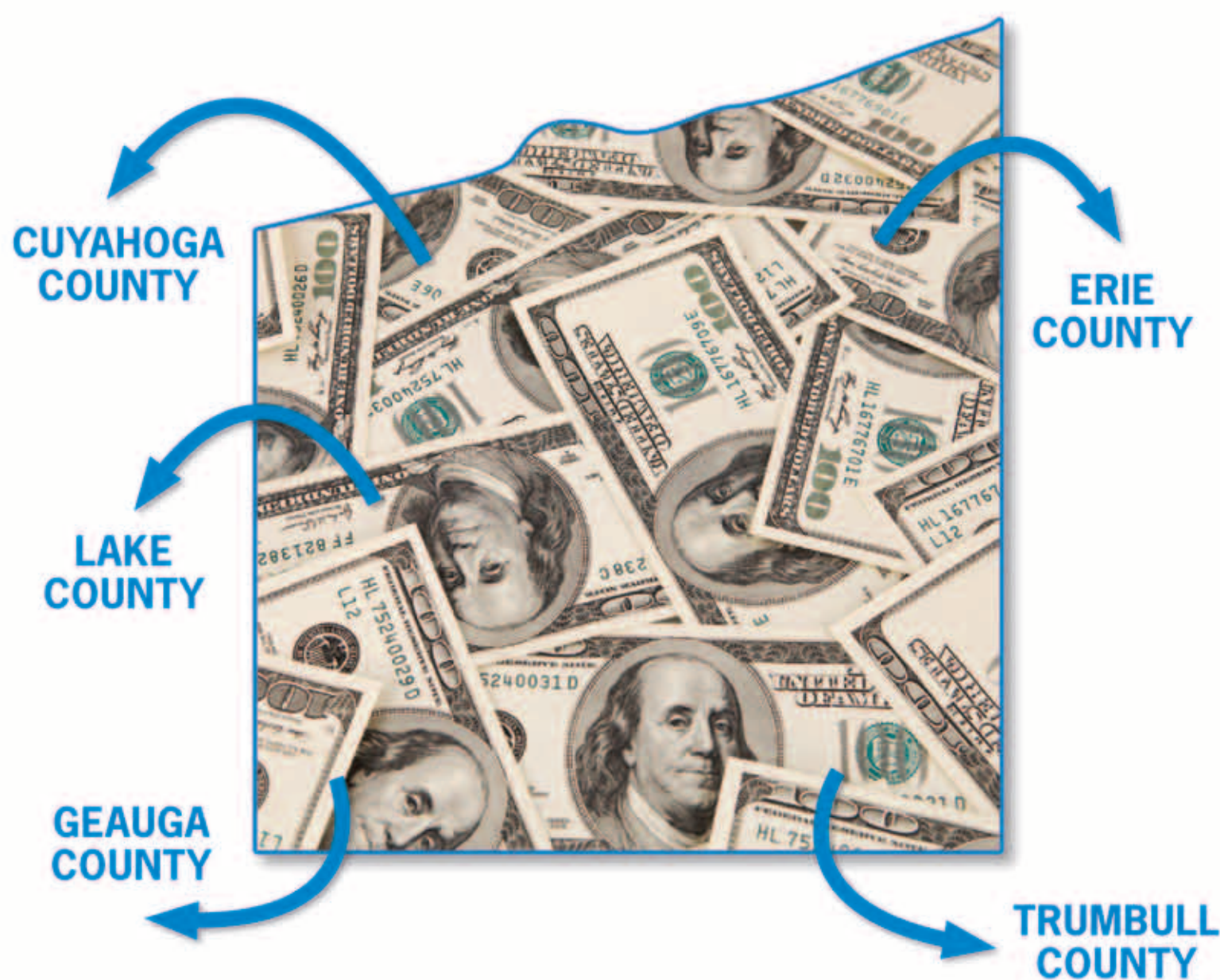
JARED PATTEN of Lakeside is expected to be a problem for opposing offenses.

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