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*Ohio Valley Conference game. Home games in boldface type.

1978 Results and Attendance

Overall Record: 8-2 (ranked #4 in final NCAA poll)

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(Homecoming)

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Total Scoring 254-157

Total Attendance: 135,132 (Average - 13,513)

Home: 82,900 (Average - 16,580)**

On the Road: 52,232 (Average - 10,446)

**Western’s average home attendance (16,580) ranked fifth among NCAA Division I-AA schools. Only Southern U. (28,333), Florida A & M (22,614), Grambling (19,625) and Boise State (19,258) outdrew the Hilltoppers.

*Ohio Valley Conference game. Home games in boldface type.

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Western Kentucky University
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

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To The Working Media

Here is your copy of the 1979 Hilltopper Football Brochure which we hope will supply you with the basic information needed in your coverage of this year's Western gridders. It is our pleasure to welcome you again to Topper games and practice sessions.

Press coverage at Western games, like the University's entire football program, entered a new era in 1968 with the opening of 19,250-seat L. T. Smith Stadium. The structure is topped by a press box designed to meet the needs of nearly one hundred writers, broadcasters and photographers. Our press box staff will supply you with game and player information, quarterly play-by-play, halftime and final statistics and scoring summary. Soft drinks, coffee and other refreshments are also available in the press box for your convenience.

Press Box Coverage: Admission to the press box will be granted only to authorized persons with press box tickets for that specific game. Tickets must be secured in advance from Sports Information Director Paul Just. Newspaper press passes and sideline passes will not be honored. Each ticket will carry a seat or booth assignment and will entitle the authorized staff member to the full courtesies and complete services of the press box. Press box tickets are non-transferable.

Photo Coverage: Photographers requiring press box space will need a press box ticket. Sideline passes will be issued to authorized personnel representing media on the field and must be displayed at all times.

Radio Coverage: Radio broadcast permission should be obtained in advance, along with press box tickets, from Sports Information Director Paul Just. Arrangements for installation of broadcast loops should be made well in advance with South Central Bell Telephone Company.

Telecopier-Telephones: Western will have one Telecopier and several telephones in the press box for your convenience. However, if you plan to file copy via Telecopier, it will be necessary to notify Sports Information Director Paul Just in advance to assure its availability for your use—it will be available to visiting writers on a first come-first serve basis.

Please Display Your Press Tickets At All Times.
Western Kentucky University was established by an act of the Legislature of Kentucky in 1906. The act provided for the transferring of Southern Normal School, whose president was Dr. H. H. Cherry, to the State. Upon the transferral, he became the first president of Western Kentucky State Normal School. In 1911, the young state institution was moved from the site of Southern Normal School to College Heights, its present location.

In 1922 the school's name was changed to Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College; in 1930 to Western Kentucky State Teachers College; in 1948 to Western Kentucky State College. In 1948, 1911, the young institution was moved from the site of Southern Normal School to College Heights, its present location.

In 1922, the school's name was changed to Western Kentucky State Normal School and Teachers College; in 1930, to Western Kentucky State Teachers College; in 1948, to Western Kentucky State College. In 1948, the school absorbed the Bowling Green College of Commerce and in 1964, the Bowling Green College of Commerce and the Graduate School were formed as two separate colleges within Western's structure.

In June, 1965, Western's Board of Regents approved the formation of three other new colleges, the College of Education, the Potter College of Arts and Humanities, and the Ogden College of Science and Technology, creating a total of five colleges within Western's framework. The Kentucky General Assembly designated the school as a university and changed its name to Western Kentucky University on February 6, 1966. In 1969, the Board of Regents approved the formation of a sixth college, the College of Applied Arts and Health.

Western was originally created for the sole purpose of training teachers for the elementary and secondary schools of Kentucky, but has steadily increased the scope of its academic programs to meet the expanding needs of its students. The University now offers six four-year undergraduate degrees, three two-year undergraduate degrees, and eleven graduate degrees, with course offerings leading to fifty majors and more than forty-five minors.

Western's enrollment last fall was 13,722 students, more than seven times the enrollment of only 15 years ago. The growth of the University's physical facilities, guided by a carefully organized long-range development plan, is also one of unparalleled magnitude in Western's history.

As the 1979-80 academic year opened, Western's physical plant consisted of more than 60 buildings worth more than $100 million.

The University now has well over 30,000 alumni who have received bachelor's degrees, more than 9,000 who hold the master's degree. Western's seven libraries contain over 700,000 volumes and more than 6,100 journal titles, as well as numerous other holdings.

Western's campus of more than 200 acres is recognized as one of the most beautiful in the nation. It is crowned by a commanding hill from which Hilltopper athletic teams derive their nickname. It affords a view of the University from almost any approach to the city of Bowling Green, a community of approximately 50,000 people.

President Donald W. Zacharias

Dr. Donald W. Zacharias assumed duties as the sixth president of Western Kentucky University August 1, 1979.

Dr. Zacharias previously served as executive assistant to the chancellor of the University of Texas System, a position he had held since June, 1978.

The native of Salem, Indiana, holds a Ph.D. (1963) in speech communications and the M.A. degree (1959) from Indiana University. He holds a B.A. degree (1957) from Georgetown College in Kentucky, where he graduated magna cum laude.

He was a high school teacher in 1958-59 and a teaching associate at IU from 1959 until 1963 when he joined the faculty there.

Dr. Zacharias joined the UT-Austin faculty in 1969 where he taught until his appointment as an assistant to the UT-Austin president in 1974, a position he held until moving to the office of the Chancellor of the UT System.

He is the recipient of two teaching honors, the Indiana University Teaching Award in 1963 and the Cactus Teaching Award at UT-Austin in 1971.

Dr. Zacharias has served on the Texas Union Board of Directors and on a number of key university committees, among them a presidential committee on university priorities, a committee on faculty compensation and promotion and a committee on classified research.

He has authored and contributed to numerous publications in the area of speech communication.

Interested in sports of all kinds, he plays handball and enjoys camping and fishing as vacation activities.

He is married to the former Tommie Dekle, and they have two sons, Alan and Eric, and one daughter, Leslie.
Academic-Athletic Building No. 2 and L. T. Smith Stadium

The 1979 season marks the Hilltoppers' 12th in one of the most modern football stadiums to be found on any college campus. The Academic-Athletic Building No. 2 and L. T. Smith Stadium are part of the final link in a chain of modern and complete athletic facilities matched by few universities.

The stadium and its accompanying facilities sit in the midst of the University's Athletic Complex, which also includes the Academic-Athletic Building No. 1 and its 13,174-seat E. A. Diddle Arena; an all-weather track; a lighted field for varsity football practice, intramurals and physical education activities; lighted tennis courts; and the baseball diamond, Nick Denes Field. All are located in a single area of the campus between Russellville Road and University Boulevard.

This gives Western, in a central area, both a coordinated series of athletic facilities and modern, well equipped teaching areas for the Department of Physical Education and Recreation. It also gives added impetus to the University's evergrowing intramural program.

In addition to the 19,250-seat stadium and track, the Academic-Athletic Building No. 2 contains 12 classrooms, 26 faculty offices, and complete locker, shower and training facilities for Western's spring sports as well as its football program.

The stadium is named for the late L. T. Smith, who came to Western in 1920 to establish the Department of Industrial Arts, now designated the Department of Industrial Education. He headed the department until 1957 when he was elevated to the post of Physical Plant Administrator. In 1963 he was named Coordinator of New Construction, a post he held until he retired in 1965.

In addition to his other duties, Smith coached Western's football team in 1920 and 1921 and its basketball team in 1921-22. He was instrumental in bringing the late Coach E. A. Diddle, a member of the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame, to Western to take over the athletic coaching duties.

Smith also made a great contribution to the University's athletic program by serving as chairman of its Faculty Athletic Committee almost continuously from the time he helped form it in 1922 until he retired.

Smith Stadium's Largest Crowds

Since Smith Stadium opened in 1968, more than three-quarters of a million fans have watched the Hilltoppers perform at home, where Western has won 40 contests, lost only 11 and tied four — a .764 winning percentage. A list of the largest crowds to visit Smith Stadium follows.

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The Hilltoppers' Campus Home

Keen Hall

Western Kentucky University's football players are housed in some of the finest accommodations to be found anywhere. The gridders' quarters are located in Douglas Keen Hall, situated just across Russellville Road from the Athletics Complex that contains the baseball field, tennis courts, practice field, running track and the beautiful Academic Athletic Building No. 2 and L. T. Smith Stadium.

The dormitory was put into operation for the first time in 1968. It is actually made up of two buildings, one of seven stories and one of four stories, connected by a lobby and lounge area that also contains mail facilities for the dormitory.

Designed by architect Frank D. Cain of Bowling Green, the residence hall contains 76,827 feet of floor space and will house 418 men. Its location is ideal for the footballers, since it gives them access to all grid facilities, including training rooms, and is convenient to classes in the Academic Complex, the recreational and food facilities in the Dero Downing University Center, and the College of Education Building.
Hilltopper Travel Plans

UT-Chattanooga
Chattanooga, Tenn.
Sept. 8, 6:30 p.m.
Leave: Sept. 7, 6 p.m.
Quarters: Holiday Inn (Monteagle, Tenn.)
Return: Sept. 9, 12 Noon

Austin Peay
Clarksville, Tenn.
Sept. 22, 7:30 p.m.
Leave: Sept. 22, 2 p.m.
Return: Sept. 22, 12 Midnight
(after game)

Eastern Kentucky
Richmond, Ky.
Oct. 20, 1 p.m.
Leave: Oct. 19, 11:30 a.m.
Workout: EKU, 3:30 p.m.
Quarters: Sheraton Inn (Lexington)
Return: Oct. 20, 10 p.m. (after game)

Middle Tennessee
Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Nov. 3, 1:30 p.m.
Leave: Nov. 2, 6 p.m.
Quarters: Holiday Inn
Return: Nov. 3, 8 p.m. (after game)

Northern Iowa
Cedar Falls, Iowa
Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m.
Leave: Nov. 9, 9:45 a.m.
(Ozark Airlines charter)
Light Workout: UNI-Dome, Nov. 10, 12 Noon
Quarters: Ramada Inn, Waterloo, Iowa
Return: Nov. 10, 12:30 a.m. (after game)

(All Times Listed are Central Standard)

Western’s Red Towel

Western Kentucky University’s red towel tradition originated with the late E. A. Diddle, former Hilltopper coach and athletic director and a member of both the Naismith and Helms Athletic Foundation Halls of Fame.

Through 1,062 Hilltopper basketball games...759 of them victories, the fourth highest total ever for a coach...Diddle clutched a red towel. He chewed on it, threw it in exultation, cried on it, waved it at fans and used it to signal to his players.

The red towel became synonymous with Ed Diddle and Ed Diddle became synonymous with Western’s winning athletic heritage. For years it has been traditional for fans at every Hilltopper sporting event to wave red towels as they cheer for the “Big Red.” Coach Diddle passed away in 1970 at the age of 74, but his memory will live as long as a red towel waves on the Western campus. And red towels will wave there as long as the Hilltoppers compete in intercollegiate athletics.
Johnny Oldham became Western Kentucky University's athletic director in 1971 after a 20-year coaching career, 16 of them as one of the nation's most astute and successful college basketball mentors.

As All-American under the late Coach E. A. Diddle at Western in 1949, Oldham moved into the coaching ranks at Western's College High School in 1951 after playing two seasons with the Ft. Wayne Pistons in the NBA. He went to Tennessee Tech as head coach in 1955, then succeeded Diddle as head coach of the Hilltoppers in 1964.

His coaching accomplishments read almost like a record book in themselves. His teams had records of 118-83 at Tech and 146-41 (.781) at Tennessee Tech. His teams had records of 32-2 and won the coveted state championship award four times. He paced the Hilltoppers to five national post-season tournaments and four holiday tournament titles. His 1970-71 Western team finished third in the NCAA Tournament.

A native of Hartford, Kentucky, Oldham is married to the former Bobbie York of Harlan. They have two children, John Robert, 27, and Suzanne, 14.

After serving seven years as the Hilltoppers' head basketball coach, compiling a career record of 102-84, Jim Richards relinquished his duties at the conclusion of the 1977-78 season to become coordinator of men's athletics.

As a student at Western in the mid-50's Richards established himself as an outstanding baseball player and, after graduation, earned a reputation as one of the finest high school basketball coaches in Kentucky at nearby Auburn and Glasgow High Schools. The Adair County native was awarded high school coach of the year honors in 1968 when his Glasgow team went 32-2 and won the coveted state championship.

As head basketball coach at Western, Richards was honored as the Ohio Valley Conference Coach-of-the-Year in 1973-74 and in 1975-76. He led the 'Toppers to NCAA regional appearances in 1976 and 1978.

In addition to his duties as men's athletic coordinator, Richards is also serving as men's golf coach. Richards and his wife, Annette, have two children, Steve, 17, and Ann, 14.

Besides her duties as women's athletic coordinator, Laney is entering her sixth year as head coach of the women's golf team. She also coached women's track until 1976.

The Edcough, Texas, native came to Western in the fall of 1972 and is currently a member of the faculty in the physical education department. She earned her B.S. degree in physical education at Oklahoma and her Ph.D. in the same field at Texas.

Before moving into the collegiate ranks, Laney taught physical education in Ashland, Ore., and Oxnard, Calif., and also coached a variety of sports.

**Athletic Staff Directory**

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<td>Bill Edwards, Asst. Athletic Trainer</td>
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<td>Gene Keady, Head Men's Basketball Coach</td>
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<td>Betty Langley, Women's Tennis Coach</td>
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<td>John Oldham, Athletic Director</td>
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<td>Bill Powell, Swimming Coach</td>
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<td>Bob Rafferty, Asst. Football Coach</td>
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<td>Margaret Thomas, Asst. Women's Basketball Coach</td>
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<td>Larry Walker, Asst. Football Coach</td>
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The 1979 season will be Jimmy Feix's 12th year as head coach of the Hilltoppers, but his name has been closely connected with winning football at Western Kentucky for much longer than that.

His association with Western gridiron successes began in September, 1949, when he came to the campus as a freshman quarterback from Henderson, Ky. As a player, he led Western to some of its greatest seasons ever. In his senior year, 1952, he and his Hilltopper teammates won almost everything in sight. They tied for the Ohio Valley Conference championship and added a Refrigerator Bowl win over Arkansas State to finish with a 9-1 record.

At the same time Feix was earning Little All-America honors for himself. When his collegiate playing days were over, the New York Giants of the National Football League drafted him, expecting him to become the back-up quarterback for All-Pro Charlie Conerly. Feix was impressive in pre-season drills with the Giants, but a serious injury early that fall ended his pro career.

In 1952 Feix set Western and OVC records with 1,546 yards total offense and 1,581 yards passing. His conference total offense record was unbroken until 1964 and his passing mark stood until the 1965 season.

Feix returned to Western in 1957 after four years of service in the U.S. Air Force. He served as a graduate assistant that first year while completing the requirements for the Master of Arts degree, then became a full-time member of the Western staff the following season.

As an assistant under former Hilltopper Head Coach Nick Denes, Feix was in charge of Western's offense. In his last five years with that responsibility, the Hilltoppers led the OVC in total offense three times, in rushing offense once. His 1967 rushing offense was the third best in the nation among College Division teams, averaging 262.2 yards per game to finish behind only North Dakota State and Ball State.

Feix was named head coach in December, 1967, when Denes retired from active coaching. In 1968, his "rookie" season as head coach, Feix led Western to seven wins against only two losses and a tie with nationally-ranked, and bowl-bound, Akron.

In 11 seasons, only twice have Feix's teams suffered more than three losses in a single season or finished lower than second place in an OVC race. His Hilltoppers have won or shared the coveted league championship five times, in 1970, 1971, 1973, 1975 and 1978.

His 1973 team was the first undefeated, untied team in Western history finishing the regular season with a perfect 10-0 record while leading the nation's Division II teams in scoring at 37.7 points per game.
Assistant Head Coach  
Butch Gilbert  

Since joining the Western staff in 1969, Butch Gilbert has given ample evidence of why he was chosen to handle the offensive line. He has continuously utilized personnel shifts, position changes, technique improvements—and a lot of hard work—to help give the Hilltoppers one of the OVC’s most consistently potent attacks. Gilbert spent 17 years coaching in the Kentucky high school ranks, compiling a record of 67 wins, 47 losses and nine ties in 12 years as head coach at Campbellsville and Glasgow. A stand-out center for Western from 1948-51, he earned All-OVC honors as a senior. He and Western Head Coach Jimmy Feix were teammates for three years. He was promoted to assistant head coach and offensive coordinator, in addition to his duties with the offensive line, in 1973, a well-deserved tribute to his all-around ability.

Personal Info:  
Name—Lawrence Gilbert  
Born—Jan. 28, 1930; Bowling Green, Ky.  
High School—Bowling Green ’47  
H.S. Athletics—Football, center-linebacker, 3 letters (1947 - team captain, All-Conference, Honorable Mention All-State)  
Baseball, pitcher-1B-OF, 3 letters (played in 3 state tourneys)  
College—Western Kentucky ’52 (BS); ’56 (MA)  
College Athletics—Football, offensive guard-center-linebacker, 4 letters (1951 - team captain, All-OVC center)  
Coaching Experience—Russellville H.S., assistant football (1952-53)  
Bowling Green H.S., assistant football-track-assistant basketball (1953-57)  
Campbellsville H.S., head football-assistant basketball-head track (1957-63)  
Glasgow H.S., head football (1963-69) head track (1963-66)  
WKU, 1969.  
Wife—Daphna (Gabbard)  
Children—two sons, Larry (27) and Steve (26) two daughters, Leigh (20) and Kelli (17)  
Hobbies—Fishing, All Outdoor Activities

Defensive Coordinator  
Bill Hape  

Bill Hape joined the Western staff in 1973 and, after coaching the linebackers for five years, was elevated to defensive coordinator in the spring of 1978. However, he continues to work with the linebackers on the field, a phase of the game in which he has had great success. Three of the linebackers he has coached were All-OVC picks. One, Rick Green, was a first-team All-American in 1975 and the OVC’s Defensive Player-of-the-Year. Another of his proteges, Biff Madon, was the league’s Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 1976.

Personal Info:  
Born—July 2, 1948; Evansville, Ind.

Defensive Line Coach  
Stumpy Baker  

Clarence Baker, better known to his friends as “Stumpy,” joined the Western coaching staff in the spring of 1975 after a distinguished career in the high school ranks. After completing his playing career at Western in 1960, he became an assistant, then head coach, at nearby Russellville High School. He took Russellville to the state championship playoffs five times and to the playoff finals in three of those seasons. In 1966, he was voted Kentucky’s high school Coach-of-the-Year. He left RHS to complete work on his master’s degree and then coached high school football in Virginia, Tennessee and Georgia before returning to his alma mater. His prep football teams posted an overall mark of 50-20-3. And, while at Montgomery County High in Mt. Vernon, Ga., he also coached the basketball team, 2-20 the year before, to a 21-9 record and the state finals. He is named for his father’s cousin, Clarence “Ace” Parker, a member of both the College and Professional Football Halls of Fame.

Personal Info:  
Nickname—Stumpy  
High School—Evansville Reitz ’66  
H.S. Athletics—Football, fullback-linebacker, 3 letters (All-State, All-Southern Indiana, All-City)  
Baseball, 3B-OF, 2 letters (All-City)  
Wrestling, 2 letters (All-City, #3 in Indiana)  
College—Western Kentucky ’70 (BS)  
College Athletics—Football, linebacker, 4 letters (2nd team All-OVC; team captain, 1970)  
Coaching Experience—WKU, graduate assistant football (1971-72)  
Castle H.S. (Newburgh, Ind.), assistant football-assistant wrestling (1972-73)  
WKU, 1975.  
Wife—Bonnie (Jenkins)  
Children—one daughter, Amy Susan (5) one son, Andy (3)  
Hobbies—Art, Drawing, Racquetball
Offensive Backfield Coach
Sam Clark

Sam Clark returned to his alma mater in 1973 to direct play in the offensive backfield. He was an assistant coach at Glasgow High School under current Hilltopper Offensive Coordinator Butch Gilbert for four seasons before head coaching stints at Caverna and Campbellsville High Schools. At Campbellsville, his three teams compiled a 21-13-1 record before he joined the Western staff. A halfback and record-setting place-kicker at WKU during his playing days, he was a member of the ‘Toppers’ undefeated OVC and Tangerine Bowl championship team in 1963.

Personal Info:
High School – Tompkinsville ’61
H.S. Athletics – Football, halfback, 4 letters (All-State)
Basketball, guard, 4 letters
Baseball, OF, 6 letters
Track, sprinter, 4 letters
College – Western Kentucky ’65 (BS); ’67 (MA)
College Athletics – Football, halfback, 4 letters
Baseball, OF, 1 letter
Coaching Experience – Glasgow H.S., assistant football (1965-69)
Caverna H.S., head football (1969-70)
Campbellsville H.S., head football (1970-73)
WKU, 1973-
Children – two sons. Terry (11) and David (5) one daughter. Christie (8)

Defensive Backfield Coach
Larry Walker

Larry Walker became a member of the Hilltopper coaching staff in the spring of 1978, assigned to work with the defensive secondary. A graduate of Bishop College, he coached on the high school level in Texas and at Southern Methodist University, where he handled the defensive backfield, before coming to Western. He has both an excellent working and teaching knowledge of individual techniques, as well as the overall strategy of secondary play.

Personal Info:
Born – May 12, 1953; Canton, Ohio
High School – St. Thomas Aquinas (Canton) ’71
H.S. Athletics – Football, quarterback, 3 letters (1970 AA All-Ohio)
College – Grove City (Pa.) College 75 (BA)
College Athletics – Football, quarterback, 4 letters (set 3 school passing records)
Coaching Experience – Mercer (Pa.) H.S., assistant football-track (1975-76)
WKU, graduate assistant football (1976-77) assistant football (1977-
Children – two sons. Terry (11) and David (5) one daughter. Christie (8)

Receiver Coach
Bob Rafferty

Bob Rafferty became a full-time member of the Western staff in 1977 after spending a year as one of the team’s graduate assistant coaches. An Ohio native and a 1975 graduate of Grove City (Pa.) College, he coached high school football in Pennsylvania for one year before coming to ‘‘the Hill.’’ A dedicated and very knowledgeable young coach, he works with all the Topper receivers.

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College – Grove City (Pa.) College 75 (BA)
College Athletics – Football, quarterback, 4 letters (set 3 school passing records)
Coaching Experience – Mercer (Pa.) H.S., assistant football-track (1975-76)
WKU, graduate assistant football (1976-77) assistant football (1977-
Wife – Debbie (Bloch)

Trainer
Ron Dunn

Ron Dunn was named head trainer at Western last summer after five years as an assistant on the Hilltopper staff. He came to WKU in 1974 after having served a year as a graduate trainer at the University of Missouri. Dunn earned both the BS and MS degrees at Central Missouri State University where he was also head trainer in 1972-73. His talents provide Western athletes in every sport some of the finest health and training care in the nation. In addition to his training duties, Dunn also teaches in the University’s Department of Health and Safety.

Personal Info:
Born – April 1, 1950; Jefferson City, Mo.
High School – Helias (Jefferson City) ’68
College – Central Missouri State ’72 (BS); ’73 (MS); Missouri, post graduate work, ’73-74
Assistant Trainer
Bill Edwards

Bill Edwards joined the Western training staff in 1977 after a year with the University's intramural program. He worked as a student trainer on the Hilltopper staff for four years and then added another year as a graduate assistant. He assists in the training program for all WKU sports, including football, but has primary responsibility in the basketball program. His family ties with Hilltopper athletics go back two generations. His grandfather, B. J. White, earned both football and basketball letters on "the Hill" and his stepfather, Bill Kinslow, was a grid letterman at WKU. Edwards also teaches in the Department of Health and Safety.

Personal Info:
Born - Nov. 11, 1952; Franklin, Ky.
High School - Franklin-Simpson '70
H.S. Athletics - Baseball, SS, 1 letter
Football, trainer, 4 letters
College - Western Kentucky '74 (BS); '76 (MA)
Training Experience - WKU, student trainer (1970-74) - graduate assistant trainer (1975-76) - assistant trainer (1977- )
Wife - Jennie (Willoughby)
Hobbies - Tennis, Golf.

Assistant Trainer
Pam Herriford

Pam Herriford is entering her third year as a full-time trainer with the Hilltoppers. However, she has been involved with athletics at Western since women's intercollegiate sports were revived in the fall of 1973. She participated on both the tennis and track teams that first year and then became a student trainer. She now works with most WKU sports; however, her prime responsibilities are the women's teams. She holds both the bachelor's and master's degrees from Western and, in addition to her training duties, teaches in the Department of Physical Education and Recreation.
The 1979 Hilltoppers
(Listed Alphabetically)
Average 40-Yard Times Run in Pads Last Spring

76 JEFF ALSUP Offensive Tackle, Senior, 6-2, 220, Goodlettsville, Tenn.

Regarded as one of the best offensive linemen in the Ohio Valley Conference...Named to All-OVC second team for second consecutive year in 1978...Following in the footsteps of his father, Howard Alsup, who was a two-time All-OVC selection at Middle Tennessee, 1952-53...was one of Western's most consistent linemen last season, and seems to show steady improvement each season...rarely blows an assignment...he and his line mates will figure prominently in how well the 'Topper ground game performs in 1979...an outstanding student.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Howard Alsup (Father, Teacher-Coach; Mother, Teacher). High School - Goodlettsville '75: H.S. Coach - Ernest Smalman; H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 3, Wrestling 4; Major - Accounting; Ambition - Accounting, Management; Hobbies - Camping, Hiking; 40-Yd. Time - 5.1.

11 RALPH ANTOLE Quarterback, Freshman, 6-2, 195, McMurray, Pa.

An outstanding quarterback prospect...was red-shirted last fall after coming to "the Hill" as one of the better prep signalcallers in Pennsylvania...good size, quickness and range with a strong throwing arm...a fine all-around athlete, he earned all-star recognition in three sports - football, baseball and hockey - in high school...Coming off a good spring practice, he is in position to challenge both Hall and Jaggers for the starting quarterback spot.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Antone (Father, Salesman; Mother, Housewife). High School - Peters Township '78: H.S. Coach - Jack Cox (Waynesboro, Pa.); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Baseball 4, Hockey 5; Major - Business; Ambition - Sales; Hobbies - Hockey, Spectator Sports; 40-Yd. Time - 5.1.

83 KIRBY BENNETT Tight End, Senior, 6-0, 210, Maysville, Ky.

Appeared in every Hilltopper contest last season despite spending most of the season as the squad's backup tight end...caught five passes for the year, averaging 10 yards per reception...was a part-time starter as a freshman but missed most of his sophomore season due to knee injury...solid, aggressive blocker, probably stemming from linebacking experience in high school, where he was a second team All-Stater at Maysville.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Bennett (Father, Construction; Mother, Police Officer). High School - Maysville '75: H.S. Coach - John Thomas (Georgetown); H.S. Letters - Football 4, Basketball 3, Baseball 2; Track 1; Major - Health and Safety; 40-Yd. Time - 5.0.

77 TIM BEREITER Offensive Tackle, Junior, 6-2, 215, Zion, Ill.

Will be a key man in the 'Topper offensive line this fall...became a starter early last season and progressed rapidly over the course of the year...is big and aggressive but also possesses good quickness...these qualities plus his experience should make him one of the OVC's top offensive linemen this season...one of Western's more versatile linemen, he can play either guard or quick tackle...brother Gary was a college football and baseball standout at Black Hills (S.D.) State.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. James Bereiter (Father, Pipe Fitter; Mother, Housewife). High School - Zion-Benton '76: H.S. Coach - Lee Roy Cliff (Black Hills State); H.S. Letters - Football 2, Baseball 1; Major - Industrial Technology; Hobbies - Hunting, Fishing; 40-Yd. Time - 5.1.

87 MARK BLACKBURN Tight End, Sophomore, 5-11, 208, Princeton, Ky.

Originally a "walk-on," he developed into a star at corner back for Western last season after winning the starting job in the previous spring practice...led team and Ohio Valley Conference in pass interceptions with five, returning them for 73 yards...also led squad in punt return department with 173 yards in 21 returns...his efforts earned him first-team All-OVC honors...was second on club in fumble recoveries with three...has excellent speed to go along with a flair for showing up where the ball is...no slouch when it comes to "head hunting," he had 26 main tackles and 10 assists last season...is cousin of Archie Griffin, former Ohio State Heisman Trophy winner now with the Cincinnati Bengals of the NFL.

Personal Info: Parents - William Brazley (Father, Clerk); Gwendolyn Brazley (Mother, Nurse). High School - Seneca '75: H.S. Coach - Joe Blankenship; H.S. Letters - Football 2, Basketball 1; Track 3; Major - Broadcasting; Ambition - Pro Ball, Broadcast News; Hobbies - All Sports; 40-Yd. Time - 4.9.

19 BARRY BUMM Free Safety, Sophomore, 6-0, 175, Owensboro, Ky.

An outstanding high school quarterback, Bumm came to Western and quickly adapted to his role in the defensive backfield...intelligent player, good savvy...rebounced from an early season injury to gain Chevrolet Defensive Player-of-the-Game honors in the 'Toppers' exciting 17-16 victory over Eastern Kentucky which was telecast regionally by ABC...scored his first collegiate touchdown in fourth quarter action of season finale at Murray State when he intercepted a Racer pass icing the win for Western and clinching the Hilltoppers' seventh OVC title...a hard hitter, he possesses tremendous potential and is viewed as one of the league's up-and-coming stars.

23 CARL BRAZLEY Cornerback, Senior, 5-11, 172, Louisville, Ky.

An outstanding high school quarterback, Bumm came to Western and quickly adapted to his role in the defensive backfield...intelligent player, good savvy...rebounced from an early season injury to gain Chevrolet Defensive Player-of-the-Game honors in the 'Toppers' exciting 17-16 victory over Eastern Kentucky which was telecast regionally by ABC...scored his first collegiate touchdown in fourth quarter action of season finale at Murray State when he intercepted a Racer pass icing the win for Western and clinching the Hilltoppers' seventh OVC title...a hard hitter, he possesses tremendous potential and is viewed as one of the league's up-and-coming stars.
The 79 Hilltoppers

By States:
- Kentucky - 28
- Tennessee - 10
- Pennsylvania - 4
- Indiana - 3
- Florida - 2
- Illinois - 1
- New York - 1
- Ohio - 1
- Virginia - 1

By Classes:
- Seniors - 9
- Juniors - 14
- Sophomores - 19
- Freshmen - 9

Bumm, cont.
Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bumm (Father, Brickmason; Mother, Housewife); High School - Owensboro Catholic '78; H.S. Coach - Bill Cox (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Baseball 3; Major - Environmental Engineering Technology; Hobbies - Fishing, Hunting, Sking; 40-Yd. Time - 4.9.
Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yds Interceptions Yds TDS
1978 22 13 1/7 2 4 1

44 ELMER CALDWELL
Fullback, Sophomore, 6-1, 185, Hickman, Ky.

Used primarily as a reserve fullback during his rookie season on "the Hill"...performed well and saw limited action in all 10 Hilltopper contests...was a valuable member of specialty teams...has fine speed and is a crisp blocker...with the departure of last year's starting fullback, "Flip" Stevenson, he could easily see increased playing time in '79...was a part-time starter in his first season of eligibility at Western after transferring from well and saw limited action in all 10 Hilltopper contests...was a valuable member of offensive line corps once currently slated to back up converted defensemen Troy Snardon this fall, but is a constant threat to challenge Snardon for the starting nod.

Personal Info: Parent - Mrs. Mildred Kinney (Mother, Factory Worker); High School - Fulton County '77; H.S. Coach - Stan Watts (Murray State); H.S. Letters - Football 4; Major - Undecided; 40-Yd. Time - 4.8.
Year Rushes Yd Rush TD Catches Yd Catch TD Ret Yd Ret TD Tackles Ast Rec
1978 19 83 4.4 0 3 43 14.3 0 2 36 18.0 0 4 0 1

65 STEVE CATLETT
Guard, Freshman, 6-1, 220, Sebree, Ky.

Comes to Western after four-sport prep career at Webster County...will give valuable reserve help for offensive line...possesses tremendous strength along with surprising quickness...was red-shirted last season...came out of this year's spring practice as the No. 2 strong guard behind Pete Walters and will probably be the top backup to transfer Jeff Dungan at strong tackle...should be a valuable member of offensive line corps once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Catlett (Father, Newspaper Publisher; Mother, Newspaper Publisher); High School - Webster County '78; H.S. Coach - Walter Hawkins (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 4, Baseball 3; Wrestling 2, Golf 4; Hobbies - Golf, Fishing, Hunting; 40-Yd. Time - 5.2.

26 RON COLTER
Free Safety, Senior, 6-0, 180, New York, N.Y.

Was a part-time starter in his first season of eligibility at Western after transferring from Jackson State...came to WKU to become a part of the outstanding Hilltopper track program, but decided to give football a shot; he tried out and earned himself a spot on the team...played in nine games in '78 and was credited with 18 main tackles and 12 assists...a member of Western's 1979 OVC championship track squad...was also a member of New York state indoor mile relay championship team at DeWitt Clinton High School.

Personal Info: Parents - Roosevelt Colter, Eliese Colter (Mother, Housewife); High School - De Witt Clinton '75; H.S. Coach - Joe Prestizo; H.S. Letters - Football 2, Track 2; Major - Public Relations; Ambition - Graduate School, Public Relations; Hobbies - Sports, Reading, Dancing; 40-Yd. Time - 4.8.
Year Tackles Ast
1978 18 12

51 DAVE CROSS
Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-1, 207, Newburgh, Ind.

Slated to start at one linebacker at the beginning of frosh season...injuries got to him and he saw little action early in the season...came on strong at the close of '78 (played in four games) and showed he is a sound linebacker when healthy...should be at full strength this year...has good quickness and instincts for his position...at the end of spring practice he found himself the number one backup at both linebacker spots...a hard worker, he should emerge as a key defensive player for the Hilltoppers.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. David Cross (Father, Alcoa Employee; Mother, Children's Psychological Center Employee); High School - Castle '77; H.S. Coach - John Lidy (Evansville); H.S. Letters - Football 4, Basketball 2, Track 2; Major - Banking; Ambition - Import-Export Business, International Trade; Hobbies - Sky Diving, Hiking; 40-Yd. Time - 5.0
Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yds Interceptions Yds TD
1978 5 6 1

22 MARVIN DAVIS
Kicker, Junior, 6-0, 175, Madisonville, Ky.

Was Western's primary kick-off, field goal and extra point specialist last fall...developed into a consistent extra point man, hitting on 27 of 28 for the year...however, he hit on only three of 11 field goals and must improve in '79 to begin to realize his potential...has good range and continues to improve his strength...lacks consistency from long distances, but should improve with experience.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Willie Davis (Father, Night Watchman; Mother, Nurse); High School - Madisonville-North Hopkins '77; H.S. Coach - Jim Meyer (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 1; Major - Health & Safety; Ambition - Pro-Ball; Hobbies - Basketball, Racquetball, Fishing, Swimming; 40-Yd. Time - 4.9.
Year PAT-K FGs TP Tackles Ast Rec
1977 0-0 0-0 0 2 0
1978 27-28 3-11 33 1 0
Career 27-28 3-11 33 3 0

60 CHUCK DeLACEY
Linebacker, Senior, 6-1, 212, Owensboro, Ky.

A true All-America candidate, and pro prospect, DeLacey developed into a star performer for the Toppers last fall...named to All-OVC second team...second on the squad in main tackles with 57 and led the club in assists with 42...did a super job attempting to fill the shoes of departed all-conference linebacker Biff Madon, and is now regarded as one of the league's top defensivemen...a hard hitter, he is as aggressive as they come...selected by his teammates as one of the Hilltoppers' co-captains for '79...one of Western's best in the classroom, he spent a part of last summer studying in Europe.

Personal Info: Parent - Mrs. Marcy DeLacey; High School - Owensboro '76; H.S. Coach - Gerald Poynter (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 4; Major - History; Ambition - Law; Hobbies - Skiing, Tennis, Photography; 40-Yd. Time - 5.0.
Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yds Interceptions Yds TD
1976 6 5 0 0 0 0 0
1977 3 35 1 2 0 0 0 0
1978 57 42 5-25 1 7 0 2
Career 100 82 6-27 1 7 0 2

21 CHARLES DILLARD
Cornerback, Sophomore, 5-10, 195, Woodbury, Tenn.

Was used sparingly last season as a reserve cornerback...had nine tackles and one assist in seven games...sat out 1977 season due to knee injury suffered in first game of that season..."hardship" appeal, however, won him an extra year of eligibility...could be a contender for a starting position this fall...has good quickness and speed...could also
32 CARL ESTELLE  
Banditback, Senior, 6-0, 216, Louisville, Ky.

Has been a starter for the Hilltoppers since his first collegiate game three years ago...one of the club's most consistent defensive performers...started his fine career off with a bang by earning OVC Defensive Player-of-the-Week honors in his first college contest, a feat duplicated only once in Western football history...possesses a solid combination of speed and strength...one of the league's hardest hitters at his position...had 46 main hits and 36 assists to rank fifth on the squad in tackles last season, after placing fourth the previous two years...one of the OVC's most underrated performers...elected by his teammates as alternate captain for the K79 campaign.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Carl Estelle (Father, Ford Factory Foreman; Mother, Teacher); High School — Butler '76; H.S. Coach — Don Pope (Middle Tennessee); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Basketball 3, Track 1; Major — Broadcasting; Math; Ambition — Music Industry-Production; Hobbies — Music, Traveling, Driving, Walking; 40-Yd. Time — 4.9.

Year  Tackles  Ast  For Loss/Yd  Interceptions  Yd  TD
1978  9  1  2  3  0

1977  44  27  2-2  0  0  0
1978  46  36  15-69  0  0  0

Career  133  91  25-190  3  68  0

50 DONNIE EVANS  
Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-4, 230, Franklin, Ky.

Sat out last season as a transfer after a short tenure at the University of Tennessee in 1977...had an excellent spring practice which saw him nail down a starting position at strong bandit...adds great strength and quickness to an already fine defensive unit...had fabulous high school career at nearby Franklin-Simpson...Named All-State as a junior and All-State and All-American as a senior...named Kentucky's Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 1976, his final prep season...could emerge as one of the OVC's top linebackers as his career progresses...a high school teammate of 'Topper linebacker Donnie Evans.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Francis L. Evans (Father, Farmer; Mother, Factory Worker); High School — Franklin-Simpson '77; H.S. Coach — James Mathews (Middle Tennessee); H.S. Letters — Football 4, Basketball 3, Ambition — Pro Football; Hobbies — Fishing, Hunting, Working with Dogs; 40-Yd. Time — 5.0.

25 RAY FARMER  
Punter, Junior, 5-11, 180, Louisville, Ky.

Hilltoppers' number one punter for second season in a row last year...can boom long, high spirals with amazing distance at times (10 sailed 50 yards or further in '78)...inconsistent at times, however, but is constantly improving and should emerge as one of the nation's best booters...follows a long line of standout Western punters, including Gary Mears, Charlie Johnson and Walt Herol...his father was a tight end, guard for Louisville, 1953-57.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Farmer (Father, School Director; Mother, Receptionist); High School — Waggener '76; H.S. Coach — Dave Peak (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters — Football 4, Track 2, Basketball 1; Major — Broadcast Communications; Ambition — Cinematography; Hobbies — Photography, Cinematography, Spelunking; 40-Yd. Time — 5.1.

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55 GREG GALLAS  Center, Sophomore, 6-2, 225, West Jefferson, Ohio
Became the 'Toppers' starting center late in the 1977 season...held that honor at kickoff of the '78 campaign, but was knocked out for the year in the opener and an injury hardship appeal gained him another year of eligibility...fine blocker who possesses bull-like strength...his spring practice efforts indicate that he has fully recovered from the injury and he could easily develop into one of the OVC's top centers this fall.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Gallas (Father, Carpenter; Mother, Nurse's Aide); High School - West Jefferson '77; H.S. Coach - Gene Keel (Ottawamba); H.S. Letters - Football 2, Baseball 3, Basketball 2, Hobbies - All Sports; 40-Yd. Time - 5.2.

58 BRYAN GRAY  Linebacker, Junior, 5-11, 205, Louisville, Ky.
Returns to 'Topper roster after a year layoff...slated for reserve linebacking duty once again this season...has added 15 pounds to frame, which should help...was named to honorable mention All-State team at Louisville Manual as a senior in 1975.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Lee Gray (Father, Brown-Kaiser Employee; Mother, Housewife); High School - Louisville Manual '76; H.S. Coach - Buddy Pfeadt (Eastern Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 3; Major - Broadcasting; Ambition - Broadcast Field; Hobbies - Jogging, Basketball; 40-Yd. Time - 5.1.

18 JOHN HALL  Quarterback, Junior, 6-1, 186, Goodlettsville, Tenn.
Proved to be a revelation as starting signal caller last season...had somewhat of a storybook year, being named All-OVC first-team quarterback and Honorable Mention AP All-America...ranked eighth in the nation in passing accuracy (.507)...completed 106 of 209 tosses for 1439 yards and 12 touchdowns...lost out to Murray State running back Danny Lee Johnson by a single vote as OVC Offensive Player-of-the-Year...threw seven scoring tosses to All-OVC wide receiver Eddie Preston, who is back this fall for his final season...completed over 50 per cent of passes as a freshman also, but played off the bench most of that season learning the tricks of the trade...threw school record-setting five TD passes in 35-7 romp over Morehead State last fall...earning regard as one of the top young field generals in Division I-AA.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Ragan Hall (Father, Self-Employed; Mother, Housewife); High School - White House '76; H.S. Coach - Jon Collins (Middle Tennessee); H.S. Letters - Football 4, Baseball 1; Major - Hospital Administration; Ambition - Hospital Administration or Business; Hobbies - Hunting, Fishing, Cave Exploring; 40-Yd. Time - 4.9.

79 PRESTON HOLT  Defensive End, Sophomore, 6-3, 240, Nashville, Tenn.
Started much of the 1978 season at defensive end, though just a freshman...made 22 main tackles and assisted in 14 others...possesses tremendous strength and should be a little quicker this fall after losing 10 pounds in the off-season...will battle it out with freshman Larry Taylor for starting strong end slot...has potential to develop into one of the league's better linemen as he gains needed experience in the "pits"...is cousin of Jack Tatum, outstanding ex-Ohio State and current Oakland Raider safety.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Christine Holt (Father, Housewife; Mother, Business); High School - East '77; H.S. Coach - Robert Drummond (Tennessee State); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 2, Basketball 1; Major - Business Administration; Ambitions - Hospital Administration, Photography; Hobbies - Basketball, Swimming, Music, Photography; 40-Yd. Time - 5.3.

12 MARTY JAGGERS  Quarterback, Sophomore, 6-1, 190, Ft. Knox, Ky.
Was used sparingly last season behind All-OVC quarterback John Hall...appeared in four games, however, and did connect on eight of 10 passes for 107 yards...also hit for a TD pass in 54-0 Homecoming romp over Middle Tennessee...represents third generation football tradition at Western...his father and grandfather were both outstanding players for the Hilltoppers...won All-State honors at Trigg County High School in 1977 under Coach - and Dad - Joe Jaggers...gives Western more than adequate relief help at reserve QB spot...Fine student.

Personal Info: Parents - Mr. and Mrs. Joe Jaggers (Father, Teacher; Mother, Teacher-Coach); High School - Trigg County '77; H.S. Coach - Joe Jaggers (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters - Football 4, Basketball 2, Track 3, Golf 4, Wrestling 1, Major - Biology; Ambition - Dental School; Hobbies - Fishing, Hunting, Golf, Horseback Riding; 40-Yd. Time - 5.0.

Heaviest: Phil Rich, 260  Jeff Dungan, 260
Lightest: Craig Freeman, 165
Average Weight: 202.4
Fastest (40 yds.): Lamont Meacham, Davlin Mullen, 4.6
55 GREG GALLAS
C. Goodlettsville, Tenn. 6-5, 260. Linebacker, Sophomore
Described as an all-purpose performer who led the '78 defense in tackles...good for 75 yards...had full-time duty this year...showed good improvement in the off-season...is quick, with good hands and fast feet...had fine grid career at Spruce Creek High School (Fla.)...was All-State for three seasons...was named All-District, All-Area and All-State as a senior in '77...isset records in kick-off returns, rushing and points scored during his prep career...could become one of club's most exciting players once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Rearl Gallas (Father, Retired Service: Mother, Housewife).

58 BRYAN GRAHAM
Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-2, 225, Tell City, Ind.
Became the Toppers' starting middle linebacker with all-conference honors last season...read plays well and is adept at flowing with the action...is quick, with good hands and fast feet...had fine grid career at Spruce Creek High School (Fla.)...was named All-District, All-Area and All-State as a senior in '77...set records in kick-off returns, rushing and points scored during his prep career...could become one of club's most exciting players once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. and Mrs. LaVon Graham (Father, Retired Service: Mother, Housewife).

56 MARK KUNKEL
Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-0, 214, Jasper, Ind.
Called to duty for the season opener last fall when an injury sidelined scheduled starter Dave Cross...responding to the challenge, he ranked third on the squad in tackles with 54 and fifth in total hits (76)...slated to retain starting slot...a hard hitter with fine speed and quickness, he reads plays well and is adept at flowing with the action...a good bet to develop into one of the league's outstanding defenders...an Indiana All-State...also an excellent baseball athlete, he set his high school's season and career home run marks as a senior while hitting .422.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Basil Kunkel (Father, County Treasurer: Mother, Housewife).

84 JO-JO LEE
Split End, Freshman, 5-9, 170, Daytona Beach, Fla.
Will understudy All-OVC performer Eddie Preston at split end this fall after being redshirted last season...is quick, with good hands and fast feet...had fine grid career at Spruce Creek High School (Fla.)...was named All-District, All-Area and All-Region as a senior in '77...set records in kick-off returns, rushing and points scored during his prep career...could become one of club's most exciting players once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parents: Mrs. Yvonne Smith (Housewife), High School - Spruce Creek '78; H.S. Coach - Terry Manfredi; H.S. Letters - Football, Track, Major - Industrial Education, Hobbies - All Sports, Girls, Spending Money.

28 LAMONT MEACHAM
Cornerback, Sophomore, 6-0, 172, Clairton, Penn.
Will be starting left cornerback this fall after seeing reserve action at that spot in '78...saw action in nine games last season, garnering four main tackles and assisting in two others...possesses tremendous speed, quickness, and rarely gets beat on deep patterns...was All-Conference, All-Area, All-State as running back at Clairton (Penn.) High School, where he was also the team's highest scorer as a senior...one of three Clairton products on Hilltopper roster...is first cousin of former Atlanta Falcon defensive end Claude Humphrey.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. and Mrs. James Meacham (Father, Steel Worker: Mother, Housewife); High School - Clairton '78; H.S. Coach - Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Track 3, Major - Business Administration, Hobbies - Tennis, Swimming.

20 DAVLIN MULLEN
Cornerback, Sophomore, 6-1, 165, Clairton, Penn.
Will fill reserve right cornerback role this season after seeing reserve action at that spot in '78...saw action in nine games last season, garnering four main tackles and assisting in two others...possesses tremendous speed, quickness, and rarely gets beat on deep patterns...was All-Conference, All-Area, All-State as running back at Clairton (Penn.) High School, where he was also the team's highest scorer as a senior...one of three Clairton products on Hilltopper roster...is first cousin of former Atlanta Falcon defensive end Claude Humphrey.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Mullen (Father, Military Service: Mother, Housewife); High School - Clairton '78; H.S. Coach - Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters - Football 2, Basketball 1, Track 1, Major - Business Administration, Hobbies - Basketball, Track.

81 JOHN NEWBY
Split End, Freshman, 6-1, 186, Clairton, Penn.
Came to Western last fall after brilliant three-sport career at Clairton (Penn.) High School, but sat out '78 season as red-shirt...will team with new-comer Jo-Jo Lee to give all-conference Eddie Preston adequate back-up help at split end...was all-conference performer as a senior at Clairton, and was also named the school's best all-around athlete that year...has fine hands to go along with his outstanding speed...also a key member of Western's track team, which won their 13th OVC Championship last spring...one of three Clairton H.S. products on WKU roster.

Personal Info: Parents: Mr. Nick Newby; Mrs. Beatrice Newby (Housewife); High School - Clairton '78; H.S. Coach - Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters - Football 3, Basketball 2, Track 4, Major - Special Education, Hobbies - To work with mentally retarded children.
43 NATE JONES 
Tailback, Junior, 5-10, 178, Madisonville, Ky.

Shared tailback duties with Jimmy Woods last season and responded by leading the Toppers in rushing...came into his own as a runner and seemed to improve with each game...ranked fourth on the squad in pass receiving with six grabs good for 75 yards...has potential to blossom into one of the OVC’s top runners with full-time duty this fall...gained 145 yards on the ground as a freshman in spite of limited action...has fine speed and some of the niftiest moves around...an exciting player to watch.

Personal Info: Parent — Mrs. Beatrice Jones (Mother, Rest Home Employee); High School — Madisonville-North Hopkins ’77; H.S. Coach — Jim Meyer (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters — Football 4, Track 4; Hobbies — Chess; 40-Yd. Time — 4.7.

73 KEVIN KAST 
Offensive Tackle, Sophomore, 6-2, 225, Tell City, Ind.

Is slated for a second year as a backup at the offensive tackle position...was an Indiana All-Stater and a member of all-Southern Indiana team...has fine size, strength...an outstanding performer in the classroom.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Jervis Kast (Father, Teacher; Mother, Teacher); High School — Tell City ’77; H.S. Coach — Joe Talley (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters — Football 3; Major — Biology; Ambition — Biologist; Hobbies — Hunting; 40-Yd. Time — 5.2.

41 KELLY KEY 
Fullback, Junior, 5-11, 203, Nashville, Tenn.

Sat out last fall after transferring from Baylor, where he played two seasons at fullback...scheduled for reserve duty at fullback this season, but should nevertheless see a lot of playing time...stout, hard-nosed runner and bullish blocker as well...had fine prep career at Nashville’s Bellevue High where he was an All-Stater and the city’s second-leading rusher in 1975...was also school’s student body vice-president as a senior...played in 1975 Tennessee All-Star game with WKU quarterback John Hall.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Key (Father, Editor; Mother, Salesperson); High School — Bellevue ’77; H.S. Coach — Jim Crawford (Middle Tennessee); H.S. Letters — Football 4, Baseball 5, Basketball 1, Wrestling 1; Major — Business Education; Ambition — Business, Coaching; Hobbies — All Sports; 40-Yd. Time — 5.1.

57 MARK KUNKEL 
Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-0, 214, Jasper, Ind.

Called to duty for the season opener last fall when an injury sidelined scheduled starter Dave Croas...responding to the challenge, he ranked third on the squad in main tackles with 54 and fifth in total hits (76)...slated to retain starting slot...a hard hitter with fine speed and quickness, he reads plays well and is adept at flowing with the action...a good bet to develope into one of the league’s outstanding defensemen...an Indiana All-Stater...also an excellent baseball athlete, he set his high school’s season and career home run marks as a senior while hitting .422.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Basil Kunkel (Father, County Treasurer; Mother, Housewife); High School — Jasper ’78; H.S. Coach — Jerry Brewer; H.S. Letters — Football 2, Baseball 3; Major — Accounting; Ambition — Accounting; Farming; Hobbies — Hunting, Fishing; 40-Yd. Time — 4.85.

28 LAMONT MEACHAM 
Cornerback, Sophomore, 6-0, 172, Clairton, Penn.

Will be starting left cornerback this fall after seeing reserve action at that spot in ’78...saw action in nine games last season, garnering four main tackles and assisting in two others...possesses tremendous speed, quickness, and rarely gets beat on deep patterns...was All-Conference, All-State as a senior at Clairton (Penn.) High School, where he was also the track team’s highest scorer as a senior...one of three Clairton products on Hilltopper roster...is first cousin of former Atlanta Falcon defensive end Claude Humphrey.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. James Meacham (Father, Steel Worker, Mother, Housewife); High School — Clairton ’78; H.S. Coach — Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Track 3; Major — Business Administration; Ambition — Pro Football, Marketing; Hobbies — Tennis, Swimming; 40-Yd. Time — 4.6.

20 DAVLIN MULLEN 
Cornerback, Sophomore, 6-1, 165, Clairton, Penn.

Will fill reserve right cornerback role this season after seeing reserve action at that spot in ’78...is quick, with good hands and fast feet...had fine grid career at Spruce Creek High School (Fla.) where he was named All-Conference, All-State and All-Region as a senior in ’77...set school records in kick-off returns, rushing and points scored during his prep career...could become one of club’s most exciting players once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Basil Kunkel (Father, County Treasurer; Mother, Housewife); High School — Clairton ’78; H.S. Coach — Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters — Football 2, Basketball 1, Track 1; Major — Business Administration; Ambition — Pro Football, Marketing; Hobbies — Basketball, Wrestling; 40-Yd. Time — 4.6.

84 JO-JO LEE 
Split End, Freshman, 5-9, 170, Daytona Beach, Fla.

Will understudy All-OVC performer Eddie Preston at split end this fall after being red-shirted last season...is quick, with good hands and fast feet...had fine grid career at Spruce Creek High School (Fla.) where he was named All-Conference, All-State and All-Region as a senior in ’77...set school records in kickoff returns, rushing and points scored during his prep career...could become one of club’s most exciting players once he gains needed college experience.

Personal Info: Parent — Mrs. Yvonne Smith (Housewife); High School — Spruce Creek ’78; H.S. Coach — Terry Manfredi; H.S. Letters — Football, Track; Major — Industrial Education; Hobbies — All Sports, Girls, Spending Money; 40-Yd. Time — 4.7.

81 JOHN NEWBY 
Split end, Freshman, 6-1, 186, Clairton, Penn.

Came to Western last fall after brilliant three-sport career at Clairton (Penn.) High School, but sat out ’78 season as red-shirt...will team with new-comer Jo-Jo Lee to give all-conference Eddie Preston adequate back-up help at split end...was all-conference performer as a senior at Clairton, and was also named the school’s best all-around athlete that year...has fine hands to go along with his outstanding speed...also a key member of Western’s track team, which won their 13th OVC Championship last spring...one of three Clairton H.S. products on WKU roster.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. Nick Newby, Mrs. Beatrice Newby (Housewife); High School — Clairton ’78; H.S. Coach — Pat Risha (Slippery Rock); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Basketball 3, Track 4; Major — Special Education; Ambition — To work with mentally retarded children; Hobbies — Basketball, Running; 40-Yd. Time — 4.8.
52 GREGG NICKS    Linebacker, Freshman, 6-1, 200, Chilhowie, Va.
Comes to Western from Chilhowie (Va.) High School, where he had a fine all-around athletic career...is slated for reserve duty at linebacker this season, but should see plenty of action...is small for his position, but compensates for lack of size with fine quickness, speed...made all-district in both football and basketball in '78...also a good student, earning Who's Who honors, and being elected senior class and Beta Club president during his final prep year.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Nicks (Father, Construction Worker; Mother, Housewife); High School — Chilhowie '78; H.S. Coach — Ron Ball (Virginia Tech); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Basketball 3, Baseball 2; Track: 1; Major — Biology; Ambition — Medical School; Hobbies — Outdoor Sports; 40-Yd. Time — 5.1.

42 EDDIE PRESTON    Split End, Senior, 6-0, 180, Nashville, Tenn.
An All-America candidate, he had a truly outstanding season a year ago, leading Western in receiving and earning Associated Press Honorable Mention All-America honors...also named first-team All-OVC...caught seven touchdown passes for second straight season last year teaming with QB John Hall to form one of the most dynamic tandems in 1979 season as one of the league's top offensive linemen...led Western in receiving as a sophomore with 28 catches good for 476 yards...missed final six games of freshman season with broken leg, but was in the lineup long enough to catch a memorable last-second 92-yard TD pass to give Western a come-from-behind 12-7 win over Austin Peay...speed and agility make him a tremendous deep threat.

Personal Info: Parent — Mrs. Mary Goodner (Mother, Cook); High School — Hillwood '75; H.S. Coach — James Dickerson (Middle Tennesse); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Basketball 2, Track 2; Major — Recreation; Ambition — Pro Ball, Coaching; Hobbies — Billiards, Swimming, Dancing, Women; 40-Yd. Time — 4.8.

70 PHIL RICH    Offensive Tackle, Junior, 6-4, 260, Bee Springs, Ky.
Had a fine season as starter at quick tackle last season...was a key force in the vastly improved 'Topper offensive line of 1978...has good quickness to go along with outstanding size and strength...has improved tremendously over the past two campaigns and should continue to do so this fall...has rapidly won respect of opposing linemen and moves to nose tackle position this season and will battle with veteran Edmonson County High as a senior, he tallied 32 TDs while rushing for 2,300 yards and earning Kentucky "Mr. Football" honor...also a top-flight wrestler, he was state runner-up in that sport as a prep junior.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Charles Skaggs (Father, Farmer; Mother, Secretary); High School — Henderson County '78; H.S. Coach — Mojo Hollowell (Louisville); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Wrestling 3; Hobbies — Swimming; 40-Yd. Time — 4.9.

66 BRANDON SMITH    Guard, Freshman, 6-2, 220, Gainesville, Fla.
Bullish offensive guard joins club after sitting out last season as a red-shirt...will backup All-OVC veteran Jeff Alsup at quick guard...had fine prep career at Gainesville (Fla.) High, where he was named to Florida's All-State team as a senior...strong, stout blocker who possesses surprising quickness as well...one of a number of new players that should see a lot of first-year action.

Personal Info: Parents — Mr. and Mrs. Leon Ball (Father, Truck Driver; Mother, Teacher); High School — Gainesville (Fla.) '78; H.S. Coach — Wesley Dirks (Florida); H.S. Letters — Football 3, Weight Lifting 3, Track 1; Major — Recreation; Hobbies — Football, Girls, Music; 40-Yd. Time — 5.13.
33 CRAIG SMITH Strong Safety, Senior, 5-10, 185, Bardstown, Ky.
A Navy veteran, he joined the squad two years ago and came into his own last season as starting strong safety...ranked seventh on the team in tackles with 35 main stops and 11 assists...also picked off a pass and returned it 14 yards...played often as reserve bandit-back in 1977, and performed admirably...was moved to strong safety during 78 spring drills...highly aggressive, solid hitter with good reactions...dogged in pursuit.

Personal Info: Parent – Mrs. Betty Smith (Mother, Housewife); High School – Bardstown '71; H.S. Coach – Garnis Martin; H.S. Letters – Football 2, Track 4; Major – Industrial Technology; Ambition – Business; 40-Yd. Time – 4.9.

Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yd Interceptions Yd TD
1977 9 4 0/0 0 0 0
1978 35 11 1/1 1 14 0
Career 44 15 1/1 1 14 0

40 TROY SNARDON Fullback, Sophomore, 6-1, 205, Allensville, Ky.
Was the biggest surprise for 'Toppers during spring practice, emerging in the No. 1 fullback slot for the 1979 season...turned in outstanding performance during spring drills, shoring up a potential trouble spot since the departure of "Flip" Stevenson...sidelined by early season knee injury in 1977 while performing at strong safety...younger brother of former Hilltopper fullback Arnold Snardon ('73-76)...played as tailback at Todd County High School, where he gained more than 4,900 yards as five-year starter, breaking into regular lineup as eighth-grader.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. George Snardon (Father, Farmer; Mother, Factory Employee); High School – Todd County '76; H.S. Coach – Jim Jackson (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters – Football 5, Track 3; Major – Industrial Technology; Ambition – Fishing, Hunting; 40-Yd. Time – 4.8.

Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yd
1978 8 1 1/9

31 DAVID SUGGS Strong Safety, Freshman, 6-0, 190, Shelbyville, Tenn.
Starts first season as a Hilltopper after sitting out last fall as a red-shirt...is slated for reserve duty behind Craig Smith at strong safety...had fine grid career at Central High School in Shelbyville, Tenn., where he was an honorable mention All-State performer as a senior...a walkon, he has adequate speed, strength and desire to become a first-line player in the future.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. James Suggs (Father, Mechanist; Mother, Mechanist); High School – Shelbyville Central '78; H.S. Coach – Tom Crawford; H.S. Letters – Football, Basketball, Track; Major – Business Administration; Ambition – Coaching or Pro ball; Hobbies – All Outdoor Sports; 40-Yd. Time – 4.8.

74 LARRY TAYLOR Defensive End, Freshman, 6-3, 225, Williamsburg, Ky.
Begins first grid season on "The Hill" after red-shirting last season...had outstanding spring practice which saw him take over the starting duties at one defensive end...big and strong, he is also surprisingly quick and agile for a man his size...could emerge as one of Western's better defensive linemen as his career progresses...had fine two-sport career at Williamsburg City High, where he earned All-Southeast Conference honors as a senior.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. Jerry F. Taylor (Father, County Judge; Mother, Housewife); High School – Williamsburg City '78; H.S. Coach – Bob Rose (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters – Football 4, Basketball 4; Ambition – Coal Mining; Hobbies – Fishing, Hiking, Skiing; 40-Yd. Time – 5.2.

85 BRAD TODD Bandit Back, Junior, 6-3, 214, Sonora, Ky.
Played tight end as a freshman, moved to strong safety last year, and will play at strong bandit position this season...emerged from spring practice as No. 2 man behind highly-touted transfer Donnie Evans...despite reserve status, he should see a lot of action because of size and experience...honorable mention All-State as a senior at East Hardin High School in 1975.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Todd (Father, GE Employee; Mother, Teacher); High School – East Hardin '76; H.S. Coach – Mike Lewis; H.S. Letters – Football 4, Basketball 3, Baseball 4; Major – Geology; Hobbies – Football, Basketball, Baseball; 40-Yd. Time – 4.9.

Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yd Interceptions Yd TD
1977 0 0 0 0 0 0
1978 2 2 1/1 0 0 0
Career 2 2 1/1 0 1 5 0 0

78 TOM TUSSEY Linebacker, Sophomore, 6-0, 195, Catlettsburg, Ky.
Starts first season at Western after transferring from West Virginia State...not overly big for his position, he makes up for it with good quickness, speed and aggressiveness...is slated for reserve duty this year, but should see plenty of action and gain needed game experience as the season rolls on...had fine prep career at Boyd Co., where he was named All-District and All-State.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. George Tussey, Jr. (Father, Negotiator; U.S.W. Union; Mother, Housewife); High School – Boyd County '77; H.S. Coach – Greg Gregory (Middle Tennessee); H.S. Letters – Football 3, Track 2, Wrestling 2; Major – Industrial Technology; Ambition – Construction; Hobbies – Boxing, Swimming; 40-Yd. Time – 4.9.

68 PETE WALTERS Guard, Junior, 6-2, 255, Shepherdsville, Ky.
Two year starter who was voted second-team All-OVC guard last season...one of biggest, strongest players to ever put on a Hilltopper uniform...has learned and improved steadily over the past couple of campaigns and should emerge as one of the nation's finest offensive linemen by his senior year...added 15 pounds onto his already massive frame during the winter...tremendous all-around high school athlete, finishing third in state class AAA wrestling championships, winning state class AA discus title...excellent student.

Personal Info: Parents – Mr. and Mrs. David Walters (Father, Pastor; Mother, Housewife); High School – Webster County '77; H.S. Coach – Walter Hawkins (Western Kentucky); H.S. Letters – Football 3, Track 2, Wrestling 2; Majors – Religion, Recreation; Hobbies – Christian Activities, Weightlifting; 40-Yd. Time – 5.2.

54 TONY WELLS Nose Tackle, Sophomore, 5-10, 195, Louisville, Ky.
A walkon, he had fine season for 'Toppers as first-year starter at nose tackle last year...ranked sixth on the club in tackles with 35 main hits and 17 assists...plays much bigger than his diminutive size might lead one to think...relies on quickness, technique and desire to offset lack of heft...will battle with veteran Alfred Rogan for starting spot this season...a high school All-State at Louisville Manual who also made some All-America teams.

Personal Info: Parent – Mrs. Barbara Wells (Mother, Housewife); High School – Manual '77; H.S. Coach – Buddy Pascal (Eastern Kentucky); H.S. Letters – Football 3, Basketball 3, Track 2, Wrestling 1; Hobbies – Bowling; 40-Yd. Time – 5.2.

Year Tackles Ast For Loss/Yd Interceptions Yd TD
1978 35 17 9/43 1 3 0
56  RAY WHITE  Center, Junior, 6-1, 223, Corbin, Ky.

Has seen quite a bit of action the last two years despite reserve duty...should again be the team’s No. 2 center behind Greg Gallas, but will definitely be challenging for full-time duty...did a fine job as punt snapper for booster Roy Farmer last season...originally a walkon, he has developed into top-flight blocker, and should be even better this year after adding 13 pounds to his frame during the off-season.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. Edwin White (Father, Self-Employed; Mother, Housewife); High School  - Corbin ’76; H.S. Coach - Archie Powers (Kentucky); H.S. Letters  - Football: 3; Major - Industrial Technology; Ambition - Architecture; Hobbies - Weights, Water Skiing; 40-Yd. Time  - 5.1.

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DAVID BURKE  Center, Freshman, 6-3, 230, Lexington, Ky.

One of the top prep linemen in Kentucky...earned first-team All-State recognition...helped lead his Henry Clay Blue Devil teammates to 10 consecutive victories before bowing in the state 4-A championship playoffs...also has potential as a place-kicker...one of two members of his high school class to sign with the Hilltoppers this year (joins Jack Woodruff, a linebacker).

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. William Burke; High School - Henry Clay ’79; H.S. Coach - Robert Bell.

BRICE CHEATHAM  Split End, Freshman, 6-4, 190, Franklin, Tenn.

A two-year starter at Page High School at both wide receiver and safety...first-team All-Mid-State selection as a senior...led 1978 Patriots to a sparkling 9-2 mark and an appearance in a post-season bowl...53 career catches and 14 interceptions to his credit...twice named his team’s Most Valuable Player...good speed and hands...also returned four punts for TDs in high school, and he holds five of Page’s offensive and defensive records.

Personal Info: Parent  - Mrs. Mary Cheatham; High School  - Page ’79; H.S. Coach - Jim Rogers.

JEFF DUNGAN  Offensive Tackle, Sophomore, 6-7, 260, Somerset, Ky.

Transfers to Western from Somerset Community College...originally signed by Vanderbilt, where he was a starter at strong tackle as a freshman, earning a berth on the All-Southeastern Conference Freshman Team...a first-team Kentucky All-State selection as a senior at Somerset High...very quick and agile for his size, he has the tools to become one of the finest linemen in OVC history...one of the biggest players ever to wear a Hilltopper uniform.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. William Dungan; High School  - Somerset ’77; H.S. Coach - John Cain; Major - Engineering Technology; 40-Yd. Time  - 4.9.

TOM FOX  Defensive End, Freshman, 6-4, 215, Parma, Ohio

Played both linebacker and tight end in high school, but is expected to use his talents at defensive end on the collegiate level...a two-year starter and captain of his Parma High team...a dedicated, hard-working athlete...good student.

Personal Info: Parent  - Mr. Joseph Fox; High School  - Parma ’79; H.S. Coach - Kenneth Wiley.

JOHN HOLLEY  Offensive Guard, Freshman, 6-3, 240, Tampa, Fla.

Second team all-conference and all-county pick at Thomas Jefferson High...helped lead Draggons to a 7-3 season...was also a member of the wrestling team and threw the shot put in track...one of three Tampa-area standouts to sign with Western.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. John Holley; High School  - Thomas Jefferson ’79; H.S. Coach - Clarence White.

SYLVESTER INGRAM  Fullback, Freshman, 6-1, 215, Greensburg, Ky.

A standout on both offense and defense at Green County High, he rushed for 1,453 yards and scored 19 touchdowns as a senior...also named his team’s most valuable defensive player...could play on either side of the line as a collegian, but seems a natural in the offensive backfield...led GCHS through a fine 8-2 season in ’78...Honorable mention All-State.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. Allen Ingram; High School  - Green County ’79; H.S. Coach - Kent McCubbin.

REGINAL JOHNSON  Strong Safety, Freshman, 6-4, 205, Tampa, Fla.

An outstanding athlete with great speed...has all the tools to develop into a top collegiate defensive back.

Personal Info: Parent  - Mr. Loulamay Johnson; High School  - Hillsboro ’79; H.S. Coach - Billy Turner.

ALAN JONES  Defensive End, Freshman, 6-2, 215, Louisville, Ky.

Started at both offensive tackle and defensive end as a senior at Fern Creek High...helped lead the Tigers to one of the school’s best seasons in history, 9-2...

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. James W. Jones; High School  - Fern Creek ’79; H.S. Coach - Wally Cyler.

ELLIOTT MALLARD  Offensive Guard, Freshman, 6-2, 220, Clearwater, Fla.

A second team All-State selection at Clearwater Catholic High...helped lead Marauders to the district championship with an 8-2 mark...a 110% player.

Personal Info: Parent  - Mr. Robert Mallard; High School  - Clearwater Catholic ’79; H.S. Coach - Dick O’Brien (Western Kentucky).

MORRELL MOORE  Nose Tackle, Freshman, 6-1, 210, Somerset, Ky.

All-State AA and All-Central Kentucky Conference selection at Somerset High...a key to Briar Jumpers’ 9-4 record last fall enroute to AA state runner-up honors...aggressive...pursues the ball well.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ingram; High School  - Somerset ’79; H.S. Coach - John Cain.

NORMAN NEUNER  Center, Freshman, 6-3, 215, Louisville, Ky.

A two-year starter at Bishop David High...a strong force in the Falcons’ 1978 drive to the semi-finals of the state 4-A playoffs and a 9-3 record...third team All-Stater.

Personal Info: Parent  - Mr. Norbert Neuner; High School  - Bishop David ’79; H.S. Coach - Denny Nash.

PAT SIMPSON  Defensive End, Freshman, 6-3, 235, Hopkinsville, Ky.

A second team 4-A All-State pick and a member of the All-Western Kentucky Conference team...a team leader...possesses outstanding strength.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Simpson; High School  - Hopkinsville ’79; H.S. Coach - Dan Sundberg (Western Kentucky).

JACK WOODRUFF  Bandit Back, Freshman, 6-1, 205, Lexington, Ky.

A two-year starter at Henry Clay High, where he was a teammate of Hilltopper signee David Burke...earned All-City and second team 4-A All-State honors as the Blue Devils won 10 straight games before losing in the state playoffs.

Personal Info: Parents  - Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Woodruff; High School  - Henry Clay ’79; H.S. Coach - Robert Bell.
**1979 Outlook**

Things are looking up for Western Kentucky University football coach Jimmy Feix as he enters his 12th year at the Hilltopper helm. With only seven seniors gone from last year's team that posted an 8-2 mark and captured the school's seventh Ohio Valley Conference crown with a perfect 6-0 record, Western appears to have the makings of another solid ballclub.

The Hilltoppers return nine starters on offense, with All-OVC selections John Hall and Eddie Preston heading the list. Hall, a junior quarterback who was the league's leading passer a year ago, could be among the premier signalcallers in Division I-AA this season. However, spring practice sessions saw him pressured by freshman Ralph Antone and sophomore Marty Jaggers for that quarterback slot.

"We've had some trouble in recent years with depth and experience at quarterback, but that problem seemed to remedy itself last year," said Feix. "And, things look solid there now. Antone and Jaggers are both very capable young men and I expect them to keep John (Hall) on his toes."

Preston, a popular target of Hall's, returns for his final season at split end as one of the outstanding receivers in the league. At the tight end position, junior Ricky Gwinn and senior Kirby Bennett appear to have things well in hand. Gwinn has been a consistent performer as a two-year starter and, backed up by Bennett, he should make the Hilltoppers' passing attack even more effective. Sophomore Jeff Alsup and Pete Walters returning at guards, Phil Rich and newcomer Jeff Dungan will probably man the tackle positions. The 6-7, 260-pound Dungan was a first-team All-Southeastern Conference Freshman Team selection while at Vanderbilt, and, after attending community college for a year, has signed to play at Western this fall. Greg Gallas has recovered from a knee injury that sidelined him most of last season and is the leading candidate at center.

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"Troy was a truly outstanding running back in high school," Feix said. "So, we decided to give him a shot at it. He responded very well and had a fine spring practice. Elmer Caldwell (a sophomore) has some collegiate experience in that slot and should be a lot of help to us, as well."

The offensive line appears to be solid, with second-team All-OVC picks Jeff Alsip and Pete Walters returning at guards. Phil Rich and newcomer Jeff Dungan will probably man the tackle positions. The 6-7, 260-pound Dungan was a first-team All-Southeastern Conference Freshman Team selection while at Vanderbilt, and, after attending community college for a year, has signed to play at Western this fall. Greg Gallas has recovered from a knee injury that sidelined him most of last season and is the leading candidate at center.

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OVC pick Carl Brazley leading the way. Brazley, who grabbed five interceptions to lead the league last season, has a fine supporting cast in senior Craig Smith and sophomore Barry Bumm. Sophomore Lamont Meacham is the top contender for the deep back position vacated by Fred Kixmiller.

"Our secondary did a great job for us last fall," Feix remarked. "We'll miss Kixmiller, but we've got a bunch of good people back, and they've got one of those basic ingredients we coaches all like—experience."

Western's kicking game should be stronger this season. Junior Ray Farmer gained another year of experience and developed into one of the top punters in Division I-AA. He averaged more than 39 yards per boot last fall and had nine kicks of more than 50 yards. However, the placekicking chores, again scheduled to be handled by junior Marvin Davis, could be improved with more consistency.

In addition, the Hilltopper coaching staff is coming off one of its best recruiting campaigns in recent years and, as a result, some freshmen could play key roles in Western successes this fall.

One thing is for sure, Feix will be counting on a strong passing attack coupled with a ground game to "keep 'em honest" and a tight, aggressive defense to spearhead the Hilltoppers' drive toward the coveted OVC title.

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**1979 Depth Chart**

*Note: This depth chart is definitely subject to continual change.*

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**Position Designation – Offense:** FI-Flanker; SpE-Split End; TD-Tight End; T-Tackle; G-Guard; C-Center; QB-Quarterback; TB-Tailback; FB-Fullback; **Defense:** DE-Defensive End; NT-Nose Tackle; BB-Banditback (Outside Linebacker); LB-Linebacker (Inside); CB-Cornerback; SS-Strong Safety; FS-Free Safety; **Specialists:** P-Punter; PK-Place-Kicker

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**Pronunciation Guide**

- Jack Woodruff: BEE-gluh-urt
- Brawnzy: BRAYZ-lee
- DeLacey: duh-LAY-see
- Ebbes: E.B-LESS-ELL
- Gallas: GAL-uss
- Kunkel: KUNK-ul
- Neuner: NEW-ner
- Rogan: RO-gun
- Snardon: SNAHR-dun
- Tussey: TUSH-ee

- Jack Woodruff signed with the Hilltoppers and will transfer to Western from Somerset Community College. He has previously played one year (1977) at Vanderbilt.
Hilltopper All-Americans

Jim Hardin
G-1957

John Mutchler
E-1963

Dale Lindsey
FB-1964

Jim Burt
HB-1964

Lawrence Brame
DE-1970

Jim Barber
LB-1971

Mike McCoy
DB-1973

Porter Williams
SpE-1973

Jimmy Felix
QB-1952

Academic All-American

1971-Jim Barber, LB
### Game 1

**September 8**

**UT - Chattanooga**

**Kickoff:** 6:30 p.m. (CDT), Chamberlain Field (10,501), Chattanooga, Tenn.

**About UT-Chattanooga**

1979 Schedule

- Sept. 8 **at Western Ky.**
- Sept. 9 **at Bowling Green**
- Sept. 15 **at Missouri**
- Sept. 22 **Louisiana Tech**
- Sept. 29 **at McNeese State**
- Oct. 6 **at Appalachian State**
- Oct. 13 **at Middle Tennessee**
- Oct. 20 **at Marshall**
- Oct. 27 **at Louisiana Tech**
- Nov. 3 **at Western Carolina**
- Nov. 10 **The Citadel**
- Nov. 17 **at Illinois State**
- Nov. 23 **at UT-Arlington**
- Dec. 1 **at Arkansas State**

1978 Results (7-3-1)

- at Western Ky. W 42-15
- at Louisiana Tech W 12-7
- at Marshall W 27-23
- at Middle Tenn. T 14-14
- at Appalachian St. W 72-14
- at Jacksonville St. W 28-21
- at Furman W 13-9
- at McNeese St. L 24-28
- at Western Carolina L 21-31
- at Rich mond W 30-3
- at Tennessee St. L 23-27

1978 Game (Sept. 9 at Bowling Green)

- WKU 0 9 0 6-15
- UT-C 14 14 0 42
- **UT-C - Tony Merendino, 2, run (Phifer Howell kick) UT-C - Merendino, 35 run (Howell kick) UT-C - Joe Burke, 18, pass from Merendino (Howell kick) UT-C - Jim Schoppier, 8, pass from Merendino (Howell kick) WK - Jimmy Woods, 19, pass from Marty Jaggers (pass failed) WK - Marvin Davis, 33, FG UT-C - Merendino, 5, run (Howell kick) UT-C - Kenny Mitchell, 78, punt return (Howell kick) WK - Eddie Preston, 9, pass from John Hall (pass failed).

#### Location

- Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402
- Founded: 1866
- Enrollment: 7,000
- President: Dr. James E. Drinnon, Jr.
- Head Coach: Joe Morrison (Cincinnati '59)
- Head Coaching Record: 35-27-4 (6 years)
- Record at UT-C: 35-27-4 (6 years)
- Record vs. WKU: 1-1
- Office: (615) 755-4558
- Best Time to Call: Around Noon

#### Assistant Coaches

- Joe Lee Dunn (Chattanooga '69)
- Marvin Davis, (Phifer Howell kick)
- WK - Eddie Preston, (Howell kick)
- C - Kenny Mitchell, (Howell kick)
- UT-C - Merendino, (Phifer Howell kick)
- UT-C - Jim Schoppier, 8, pass from Merendino (Howell kick)
- WK - Jimmy Woods, 19, pass from Marty Jaggers (pass failed)
- WK - Marvin Davis, 33, FG
- UT-C - Merendino, 5, run (Howell kick)
- UT-C - Kenny Mitchell, 78, punt return (Howell kick)
- WK - Eddie Preston, 9, pass from John Hall (pass failed).

### Game 2

**September 15**

**Lamar University**

**Kickoff:** 2:00 p.m. (CDT), Smith Stadium (19,250), Bowling Green, Ky.

**About Lamar University**

1979 Schedule

- Sept. 8 **at LSU**
- Sept. 15 **at Western Ky.**
- Sept. 22 **Louisiana Tech**
- Sept. 29 **Open Date**
- Oct. 6 **at SW Louisiana**
- Oct. 13 **at McNeese State**
- Oct. 20 **at Arkansas State**
- Nov. 3 **at NE Louisiana**
- Nov. 10 **NW Louisiana**
- Nov. 17 **at UT-Arlington**
- Nov. 23 **at UN-Las Vegas**

1978 Results (2-8-1)

- at NW Louisiana L 17-21
- at Southern Ill. L 16-23
- at SW Louisiana L 13-17
- at UT-Arlington L 16-55
- at Louisiana Tech L 3-40
- at Arkansas State L 3-6
- at West Texas St. L 16-55
- at SW Louisiana L 13-17
- at Marshall L 27-23
- at Western Carolina L 21-31
- at Tennessee St. L 23-27
- at Missouri L 17-21
- at Arkansas State L 17-17
- at Louisiana Tech L 3-40
- at Arkansas State L 3-6
- at Long Beach St. L 36-31
- at Tennessee St. L 25-17
- at McNeese State L 42-15
- at Western Ky. L 42-15
- at Arkansas State L 3-6
- at Louisiana Tech L 3-40
- at McNeese State L 23-24
- at Arkansas State L 3-6
- at Long Beach St. L 36-31

#### Location

- Beaumont, Texas 77710
- Founded: 1923
- Enrollment: 12,500
- President: Dr. C. Robert Kemble
- Head Coach: Larry Kennan (LaVerne College '66)
- Head Coaching Record: first year
- Record at Lamar: first year
- Record vs. WKU: first meeting
- Office: (713) 838-7316
- Best Time to Call: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., daily

#### Assistant Coaches

- Bob Finklea (North Texas '66)
- Johnny Barr (Oklahoma '70)
- Kenneth Pope (Oklahoma '75)
- John Payton
- Dave Beckman (Baldwin-Wallace '61)
- Carl Smith (Cal-Poly, San Luis Obispo '68)

#### Athletic Director

- J. B. Higgins

#### Trainer

- Paul Zeek

#### SID

- Joe Lee Smith

#### Athletic Director

- Jim Bell

#### President

- Dr. James Drinnon, Jr.

#### Enrollment

- 7,000

#### Location

- Chattanooga, Tennessee 37402
- Founded: 1866
- Enrollment: 7,000
- President: Dr. James E. Drinnon, Jr.
- Head Coach: Joe Morrison (Cincinnati '59)
- Head Coaching Record: 35-27-4 (6 years)
- Record at UT-C: 35-27-4 (6 years)
- Record vs. WKU: 1-1
- Office: (615) 755-4558
- Best Time to Call: Around Noon

#### Assistant Coaches

- Joe Lee Dunn (Chattanooga '69)
- Marvin Davis, (Phifer Howell kick)
- WK - Eddie Preston, (Howell kick)
- C - Kenny Mitchell, (Howell kick)
- UT-C - Merendino, (Phifer Howell kick)
- UT-C - Jim Schoppier, 8, pass from Merendino (Howell kick)
- WK - Jimmy Woods, 19, pass from Marty Jaggers (pass failed)
- WK - Marvin Davis, 33, FG
- UT-C - Merendino, 5, run (Howell kick)
- UT-C - Kenny Mitchell, 78, punt return (Howell kick)
- WK - Eddie Preston, 9, pass from John Hall (pass failed).
Game 3

**Austin Peay**

Kickoff: 7:30 p.m. (CDT), Municipal Stadium (10,000), Clarksville, Tenn.

About Austin Peay

Location: Clarksville, Tennessee 37040
Founded: 1927
Enrollment: 5,000
President: Dr. Robert O. Riggs
Head Coach: Watson Brown (Vanderbilt '73)
Head Coaching Record: first year
Record at APSU: first year
Record vs. WKU: first meeting
Office: (615) 648-7905
Best Time to Call: Mornings

Assistant Coaches:
- Bobby Marcum
- Jay Graham
- Gary Shepard
- John Palermo
- Louis Thompson
- Rick Christophel
- Greg Mantooh
- Ron Sebree

Athletic Director: Johnny Miller
Trainer: Jeff Daniel

**1978 Schedule**

- Sept. 1 at James Madison*
- Sept. 8 at UT-Martin*
- Sept. 15 Open Date
- Sept. 22 Western Ky.*
- Sept. 29 at Eastern Ky.
- Oct. 6 at Morehead St.
- Oct. 13 at Jacksonville St.
- Oct. 20 at Livingston St.*
- Oct. 27 at Middle Tenn.
- Nov. 3 at Murray St.
- Nov. 10 at Tenn. Tech
- Nov. 17 Mars Hill
- Nov. 24 at Livingston St.
- Nov. 30 at Morehead St.

*Night Game

**1978 Results (6-4)**

- at UT-Martin: W 21-14
- at Western Ky.: L 13-17
- Eastern Ky.: L 0-14
- Morehead St.: W 19-16
- No. Alabama: L 6-10
- at Livingston St.: W 13-3
- at Middle Tenn.: W 28-17
- Murray St.: W 23-17
- Tenn. Tech: L 14-28
- at East Tenn.: W 14-7

**1978 Game (Sept. 23 at Bowling Green)**

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The blockers line up and WKU quarterback Steve Larimore looks for a target in the 1975 Camellia Bowl which saw the Toppers lose the National Championship, 16-14, to Northern Michigan.
**Tennessee Tech**

**Kickoff:** 1:00 p.m. (CDT), Smith Stadium (19,250), Bowling Green, Ky.

**About Tennessee Tech**

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8 at Western Carolina
- Sept. 15 at Cameron
- Sept. 22 at Murray St.
- Sept. 29 at Nicholls St.
- Oct. 6 at Jacksonville St.
- Oct. 13 at Western Ky.
- Oct. 20 Morehead St.
- Oct. 27 Troy St.
- Nov. 3 at Eastern Ky.
- Nov. 10 Austin Peay
- Nov. 17 at Middle Tenn.

*Note Game*

**1979 Results (5-6)**

- at Nicholls St. L 10-20
- Western Carolina W 22-20
- Murray St. W 24-14
- at Cameron L 10-21
- at East Tenn. L 17-36
- Western Ky. L 20-26
- at Morehead St. W 21-20
- at Troy St. L 0-45
- Eastern Ky. L 16-20
- at Austin Peay W 28-14
- Middle Tenn. W 35-10

**1978 Game**

(Oct. 14 at Cookeville)

**First Downs** WK 16 TT 15
**Total Offense** 287 265
**Yards Rushing** 128 105
**Yards Passing** 159 160
**Punts** 12 26 14 22
**Penalties/Yards** 11/12 6/44

**1978 Game**

(Oct. 14 at Cookeville)

**First Downs** WK 19 TT 19
**Total Offense** 307 327
**Yards Rushing** 117 263
**Yards Passing** 190 64
**Passes** 16-26 1-5
**Punts/Average** 6/44 4/0
**Fumbles/Lost** 1/0 4/1
**Penalties/Yards** 5/94 6/49

**Record vs. WKU:** 1-3 p.m., Mon.-Thur.

**1978 Game**

(Oct. 21 at Bowling Green)

**First Downs** WK 17 TT 19
**Total Offense** 3-307 3-327
**Yards Rushing** 117 263
**Yards Passing** 190 64
**Passes** 16-26 1-5
**Punts/Average** 6/44 4/0
**Fumbles/Lost** 1/0 4/1
**Penalties/Yards** 5/94 6/49

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8 at Kent St.
- Sept. 15 Troy St.
- Sept. 22 at East Tenn.
- Sept. 29 Austin Peay
- Oct. 6 at Middle Tenn.
- Oct. 13 Cal St.-Fullerton
- Oct. 20 Western Ky.
- Oct. 27 at Murray St.
- Nov. 3 Tenn. Tech
- Nov. 10 Jackson St.
- Nov. 17 at Morehead St.

**1978 Results (8-2)**

- at Troy St. L 10-16
- East Tenn. W 49-6
- at Austin Peay W 16-0
- Middle Tenn. W 42-12
- at Dayton W 17-16
- at Western Ky. L 16-17
- Murray St. W 24-21
- at Tenn. Tech W 20-16
- Akron W 35-14
- Morehead St. W 30-0

**About Eastern Kentucky**

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8 at Kent St.
- Sept. 15 Troy St.
- Sept. 22 at East Tenn.
- Sept. 29 Austin Peay
- Oct. 6 at Middle Tenn.
- Oct. 13 Cal St.-Fullerton
- Oct. 20 Western Ky.
- Oct. 27 at Murray St.
- Nov. 3 Tenn. Tech
- Nov. 10 Jackson St.
- Nov. 17 at Morehead St.

**1978 Results (8-2)**

- at Troy St. L 10-16
- East Tenn. W 49-6
- at Austin Peay W 16-0
- Middle Tenn. W 42-12
- at Dayton W 17-16
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- Murray St. W 24-21
- at Tenn. Tech W 20-16
- Akron W 35-14
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**About Eastern Kentucky**

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8 at Kent St.
- Sept. 15 Troy St.
- Sept. 22 at East Tenn.
- Sept. 29 Austin Peay
- Oct. 6 at Middle Tenn.
- Oct. 13 Cal St.-Fullerton
- Oct. 20 Western Ky.
- Oct. 27 at Murray St.
- Nov. 3 Tenn. Tech
- Nov. 10 Jackson St.
- Nov. 17 at Morehead St.
**Game 7**

**October 27**

**Morehead State**

Kickoff: 1:00 p.m. (CDT), Smith Stadium (19,250), Bowling Green, Ky.

**About Morehead State**

1979 Schedule

- Sept. 8: Open Date
- Sept. 15: at Kentucky St.
- Sept. 22: Middle Tenn.
- Sept. 29: at Murray St.
- Oct. 6: Austin Peay
- Oct. 13: UT-Martin
- Oct. 20: at Tenn. Tech

**1978 Results (2-6-1)**

- Sept. 3: Akron
- Nov. 10: at James Madison
- Nov. 17: Eastern Ky.

**1978 Game**

**Location:** Morehead, Kentucky 40351
**Founded:** 1922
**Enrollment:** 7,682
**President:** Dr. Morris L. Norfleet
**Head Coach:** Tom Lichtenberg (Louisville '62)
**Best Time to Call:** 9 a.m. - Noon
**Assistant Coaches:**
- George Adams (Morehead St. '68)
- John Fritsch (Iowa St. '75)
- Van Holloway (Iowa St. '73)
- Steve Loney (Iowa St. '74)
- Tom Jones (Western Kentucky '73)
**Athletic Director:** Sonny Moran
**Assistant Coaches:**
- Ken Wright
**Sid:** Jim Wells
**Office:** (606) 783-3325
**Home:** (606) 784-8073
**Stadium:** Jayne Stadium (10,000)
**Press Box Phone:** (606) 783-3100
**Playing Surface:** Natural
**Nickname:** Eagles
**Colors:** Royal Blue and Gold
**Conference:** Ohio Valley
**'78 Record (Finish):** 1-5 (sixth, tie)
**'78 Overall Record:** 2-6-1
**All-Time Record:** 169-226-21
**Basic Offense:** Multiple
**Basic Defense:** 50
**Lettermen Returning:** 37
**Lettermen Lost:** 10

**1978 Game**

- WK: 24, 14
- MT: 24, 14
- WKU: 24, 14
- East Tenn: 24, 14

**1978 Schedule**

- Sept. 8: No. Alabama*
- Sept. 15: at UT-Martin
- Sept. 22: Morehead St.
- Sept. 29: Open Date
- Oct. 6: Eastern Ky.*
- Oct. 13: Murray St.
- Oct. 20: at UT-Chattanooga*
- Oct. 27: at Austin Peay

Nov. 3: Western Ky.*
Nov. 10: at Tenn. Tech
Nov. 17: Tenn. Tech

*Note: Game

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8: No. Alabama*
- Sept. 15: at UT-Martin
- Sept. 22: Morehead St.
- Sept. 29: Open Date
- Oct. 6: Eastern Ky.*
- Oct. 13: Murray St.
- Oct. 20: at UT-Chattanooga*
- Oct. 27: at Austin Peay

Nov. 3: Western Ky.*
Nov. 10: at Tenn. Tech
Nov. 17: Tenn. Tech

*Note: Game

**1979 Results (1-9-1)**

- at Tennessee St. L 6-13
- UT-Martin L 17-28
- Morehead St. W 9-6
- UT-Chattanooga T 14-14
- at Eastern Ky. L 12-42
- at Murray St. L 7-33
- Delaware L 3-53
- Austin Peay L 17-28
- at Western Ky. L 0-54
- East Tenn. L 0-34
- at Tenn. Tech L 10-35

- WKU: 27, 14
- MT: 27, 14
- WKU: 27, 14
- East Tenn: 27, 14

**1978 Game**

- WK: 27, 14
- MT: 27, 14
- WKU: 27, 14
- East Tenn: 27, 14

**Lettermen Returning:** 19

**About Middle Tennessee**

**Location:** Murfreesboro, Tennessee 37132
**Founded:** 1911
**Enrollment:** 10,300
**President:** Dr. Sam Ingram
**Head Coach:** Boots Donnelly (MTSU '65)
**Best Time to Call:** Mornings
**Assistant Coaches:**
- Ed Bunio (Austin Peay '65)
- Tom Fiveash (MTSU '66)
- Bubba Hooker (William & Mary '70)
- John Jennings (Georgia '71)
- Duke Shackelford (Auburn '69)
**Athletic Director:** Charles M. Murphy
**Trainer:** George Campbell
**SID:** To be announced
**Office:** (615) 898-2450
**Stadium:** Jones Field (15,000)
**Press Box Phone:** (615) 898-2712

**Playing Surface:** Astroturf
**Nickname:** Blue Raiders
**Colors:** Blue and White
**Conference:** Ohio Valley
**'78 Record (Finish):** 1-5 (sixth, tie)
**'78 Overall Record:** 1-9-1

**Basic Offense:**

**Basic Defense:**

**Lettermen Returning:** 19

**The Series**

- WKU MT
- WKU MT
- WKU MT
- WKU MT

**Head Coaching Record:**

- WKU: 0-0-0
- MT: 0-0-0
- WKU: 0-0-0
- MT: 0-0-0

**Record at MTSU:**

- WKU: 1-4-0 (second)
- MT: 0-4-0 (third)

**Record vs. WKU:**

- WKU: 3-3-0 (first)
- MT: 2-2-0 (first)

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8: No. Alabama*
- Sept. 15: at UT-Martin
- Sept. 22: Morehead St.
- Sept. 29: Open Date
- Oct. 6: Eastern Ky.*
- Oct. 13: Murray St.
- Oct. 20: at UT-Chattanooga*
- Oct. 27: at Austin Peay

Nov. 3: Western Ky.*
Nov. 10: at Tenn. Tech
Nov. 17: Tenn. Tech

*Note: Game

**1979 Results (1-9-1)**

- at Tennessee St. L 6-13
- UT-Martin L 17-28
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**1978 Schedule**

- WKU: 24, 14
- MT: 24, 14
- WKU: 24, 14
- East Tenn: 24, 14

**1978 Game**

- WKU: 24, 14
- MT: 24, 14
- WKU: 24, 14
- East Tenn: 24, 14

**1978 Game**

- WKU: 24, 14
- MT: 24, 14
- WKU: 24, 14
- East Tenn: 24, 14

**1979 Schedule**

- Sept. 8: No. Alabama*
- Sept. 15: at UT-Martin
- Sept. 22: Morehead St.
- Sept. 29: Open Date
- Oct. 6: Eastern Ky.*
- Oct. 13: Murray St.
- Oct. 20: at UT-Chattanooga*
- Oct. 27: at Austin Peay

Nov. 3: Western Ky.*
Nov. 10: at Tenn. Tech
Nov. 17: Tenn. Tech

*Note: Game
Northern Iowa

Kickoff: 7:30 p.m. (CST), UNI-Dome (16,400), Cedar Falls, Iowa

About Northern Iowa

Location: Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613
Founded: 1876
Enrollment: 10,343
President: Dr. John J. Kamerick
Head Coach: Stan Sheriff (Cal-Poly, SLO '54)
Head Coaching Record: 107-80-3 (19 years)
Record at UNI: 107-80-3 (19 years)
Record vs. WKU: 0-1
Office: (319) 273-2143
Best Time to Call: 10:30-11:45 a.m.

Assistant Coaches:
- Dennis Remmert (UNI '80)
- Tom Lorenz (Iowa St. '71)
- Larry Norman (UNI '75)
- Mike Kolling (South Dakota St. '72)
- Roger French (Minnesota)

Athletic Director: Stan Sheriff
Trainee: Dave Burton
SID: Brad Larsen

1978 Results (2-9)
- Wisc.-Whitewater W 15-12
- Youngstown St. L 14-31
- at Eastern Ill. L 22-39
- at Webster St. L 9-35
- at Nebr.-Omaha L 14-17
- No. Dakota W 35-17
- at No. Dakota St. L 14-42
- Western Ill. L 7-21
- So. Dakota St. L 9-10
- Northern Mich. L 18-20
- at Akron L 28-39

1978 Schedule
- Sept. 1 Minn-Morris*
- Sept. 8 at Northern Mich.
- Sept. 15 No. Dakota St.*
- Sept. 22 Nebr.-Omaha*
- Sept. 29 at Youngstown St.*
- Oct. 6 Akron*
- Oct. 13 at Western Ill.
- Oct. 20 at So. Dakota St.
- Oct. 27 at Nebr.-Omaha L 14-17
- Northern Mich. L 18-20
- Nov. 3 Austin Peay
- Nov. 10 Western Ky.*

About Murray State

Location: Murray, Ky. 42071
Founded: 1922
Enrollment: 8,200
President: Dr. Constantine Curris
Head Coach: Mike Gottfried (Morehead St. '66)
Head Coaching Record: 4-7 (1 year)
Record at MSU: 4-7 (1 year)
Record vs. WKU: 0-1
Office: (502) 762-6181
Best Time to Call: 9-11 a.m.; 1:30-2:30 p.m.

Assistant Coaches:
- Bill Baldridge (Morehead St. '68)
- Tommy Liggins (Cincinnati '75)
- Dan Walker (Morehead St. '62)
- Ron Zook (Miami, Ohio '76)
- Frank Beamer (Virginia Tech '69)
- John Behling (Otterbein '60)

Athletic Director: Johnny Reagan
Trainee: Tom Simmons
SID: Doug Vance

1978 Schedule
- Sept. 29 at Youngstown St.*
- Sept. 22 Nebr.-Omaha*
- Sept. 1 Minn-Morris*
- Oct. 6 at UT-Martin *
- Oct. 13 at Middle Tenn.
- Oct. 20 at Ind. Central
- Oct. 27 at Eastern Ky.
- Nov. 3 at Austin Peay
- Nov. 10 Open Date
- Nov. 17 at Western Ky.*

1978 Results (4-7)
- SE Missouri L 21-24
- Evansville W 23-9
- at Tenn. Tech L 14-24
- at Morehead St. L 32-49
- UT-Martin W 21-7
- Middle Tenn. W 33-7
- East Tenn. W 34-21
- at Eastern Ky. L 21-24
- at Austin Peay L 17-23
- at Eastern Ill. L 14-35
- Western Ky. L 6-14

The Series
- WK 1, MU 0
- 1975 W 14-12

Western's Hilltoppers and Northern Iowa square off in Cedar Falls during WKU's 14-12 victory in the 1975 NCAA Division II National Championship series.
**Hilltopper Rivalries**  
Western's All-Time Series Records with 78 Colleges and Universities  

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Former Hilltopper All-American Virgil Livers, now a standout with the Chicago Bears of the NFL, holds several Western and OVC records.
WKU Team Records

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Kickoff Returns

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Scoring

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Scoring By Kicking

| Points By Kicking| Season – 52 (1971, 10 games, 9 FGs, 25 PATs) |
|------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Per Game Point Average| Season – 37.7 (1973, 10 games)* |
| Games Held Scoreless| Season – 5 (1925, 9 games) |
| Winning Margin   | 73 (1924, Western 73, Bethel (Ky.) 0) |
| Losing Margin    | 69 (1923, Western 6, Centenary 75) |
| Points By Both Teams| 81 (1923, Western 6, Centenary 75) |

Defense

| Fewest Total Yards| Game – 13 (vs. Butler, 1971) | Season – 1,511 (1971, 10 games)* |
| Lowest Average Total Yards| Season – 151.1 (1971, 10 games)* |
| Fewest Yards Rushing| Game – minus 77 (vs. Dayton, 1974)* | Season – 485 (1963, 10 games)* |
Did you know that... Western ranks in the top 15 College Division teams in the nation over the 1963-72 decade in points allowed, giving up only 11.6 points per game? ...over the past 16 seasons, the Hilltoppers have led the Ohio Valley Conference in rushing defense nine times, in pass defense four times, in scoring defense six times, and in total defense nine times? ...Western's defensive records break down into two distinct categories; pre-World War II and post-World War II? In 13 seasons prior to WWII the Hilltoppers gave up 69 points or less; no team since WWII has yielded less than the 62 points given up by the 1973 team. ...over one 14-season span (1927 through 1940), Western recorded 69 shutouts? ...the 1927 and 1928 teams had nine consecutive shutouts? ...the best string of shutouts since WWII was the five in a row at the beginning of the 1968 season? ...or that the Hilltoppers were the last team in the nation to give up a point that season? ...But that... ...over the past 15 seasons, the Hilltoppers have not been without considerable offensive punch as well? In that time span they have led the OVC in rushing offense four times, in passing offense four times, in scoring offense seven times.
Punting
Punts:  Game – 13, Charlie Johnson (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1974)  
Season – 78, Walt Herod (1976)  
Career – 166, Gary Mears (1970-72)
Net Yards:  Game – 578, Charlie Johnson (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1974)  
Season – 3,202, Walt Herod (1976)  
Career – 6,316, Walt Herod (1973-76)
Average Per Punt:  Game (min. 4 punts) – 51.3, Charlie Johnson (vs. Middle Tennessee, 1974)  
Season – 42.3, Charlie Johnson (1974)  
Career – 41.8, Charlie Johnson (1972-75)
Long Punt:  77 yards, Charlie Johnson (vs. Morehead St., 1973)

Punt Returns
Returns:  Game – 9, Allen Coker (vs. Butler, 1971; vs. Middle Tennessee, 1972)  
Season – 50, Virgil Livers (1974)*  
Career – 96, Bill Green (1967-70)
Net Yards:  Game – 145, Virgil Livers (vs. East Tennessee, 1974)  
Season – 545, Virgil Livers (1974)*  
Career – 1,294, Bill Green (1967-70)
Long Return:  90 yards, Jerry Nassano (vs. Morehead St., 1953, TD)  
Max Stevens (vs. East Tennessee, 1953, TD)  
Bill Green (vs. Morehead St., 1968, TD)

Kickoff Returns
Returns:  Game – 4, Jim White (vs. Eastern Kentucky, 1951) Bob Bilyeu (vs. Marshall, 1951)  
Bill Green (vs. Morehead St., 1968)  
Season – 17, Bob Bilyeu (1951); Nate Jones (1977)  
Career – 31, Bill Green (1967-70)
Returns:  Game – 4, Jim White (vs. Eastern Kentucky, 1951) Bob Bilyeu (vs. Marshall, 1951)  
Bill Green (vs. Morehead St., 1968)  
Season – 17, Bob Bilyeu (1951); Nate Jones (1977)  
Career – 31, Bill Green (1967-70)
Net Yards:  Game – 124, Joe Baird (vs. Evansville, 1963)  
Season – 432, Jim Garrett (1966)  
Career – 575, Bob Bilyeu (1950-53)
Long Return:  99 yards, John Embree (vs. Appalachian St., 1973)

Interceptions
Returns:  Game – 4, Jim Pickens (vs. Eastern Kentucky, 1948)*  
Season – 9, Mike McCoy (1973)  
Career – 16, Max Stevens (1950-53); Mike McCoy (1970-73)
Net Yards:  Game – 95, Bill Green (vs. Morehead St., 1969, TD)  
Season – 139, Mike McCoy (1973)  
Career – 250, Mike McCoy (1970-73); Virgil Livers (1971-74)
Long Return:  95 yards, Walt Apperson to Jack Binkley, lateral (vs. Eastern Kentucky, 1952, TD) Bill Green (vs. Morehead St., 1969, TD)

Scoring
Points:  Game – 24, Dickie Moore (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1967)  
Porter Williams (vs. Murray St., 1973)  
Season – 114, Dickie Moore (1967)  
Career – 234, Clarence Jackson (1970-73)*
Touchdowns:  Game – 4, Dickie Moore (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1967)*  
Porter Williams (vs. Murray St., 1973)*  
Season – 19, Dickie Moore (1967)*  
Career – 39, Clarence Jackson (1970-73)*

*Also an Ohio Valley Conference record

Extra Points:  Game – 8, Tom Atwood (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1967)  
Steve Wilson (vs. Murray St., 1969)  
Season – 34, Tom Atwood (1967)  
Field Goals:  Game – 2, Tom Atwood vs. East Tennessee, 1967)  
Gerald Thomas (vs. Morehead St., 1968)  
Steve Wilson (vs. Tennessee Tech, 1971)  
Season – 10, Dave Betz (1976)  
Career – 15, Dave Betz (1976-77)

Long Field Goal:  57 yards, Dick Herron (vs. Middle Tennessee 1971)

Points By Kicking

150 - Yard Club
On a dozen occasions in the past 16 years Hilltopper runners have amassed as much as 150 yards rushing in a single contest. Although WKU’s Clarence Jackson holds the Western and OVC records for a single game performance (297 yards), former ‘Topper great Dickie Moore broke the 150-yard barrier more times than any runner in WKU history — seven times (including four in 1967 alone). The last Hilltopper to gain entry into this elite group was Jimmy Woods, who ran up a total of 158 yards while the Toppers were thrashing East Tennessee in 1977.

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*Home game  **Neutral site (Camelia Bowl; NCAA Division II National Championship game)
NCAA Division I-AA Leaders

All-Time Winning Percentage

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(The Courtesy of NCAA Statistics Service)

The 'Hilltopper' Nickname

The evolution of the team nickname, "Hilltoppers," is obvious to those who have seen Western Kentucky University's campus. The operations of Western Kentucky State Normal School were moved from the site of its forerunner, Southern Normal School, to a commanding hill in the southwestern portion of Bowling Green on February 4, 1911. The move was completed as the entire student body marched to the new site, carrying various articles of school equipment.

Since the summit of "The Hill" rises 232 feet above nearby Barren River and the comparatively level plain that surrounds it, it was only natural that the young athletes who represented the institution centered on the crest should come to be known as "Hilltoppers."

Opening-Game Record

Through 60 season-openers, The Hilltoppers have put together a record of 39 victories, 15 defeats, and 6 ties, with no score available for the 1916 season.
Year-By-Year with the Hilltoppers
60 seasons: 325 wins, 181 losses, 28 ties (63.5%)
Homecoming Record

Western played its first homecoming game Nov. 5, 1927, defeating Louisville, 7-6. Since that time the Hilltoppers have played 49 games before the "old grads," compiling a record of 32 wins, 14 losses, and 3 ties.

The longest Homecoming win streak was six, from 1936 through 1941; the longest losing streak was three, 1953 through 1955. Since moving into Smith Stadium in 1968, The Hilltoppers' Homecoming record is 8-2-1.

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Post-Season Appearances

The Hilltoppers have appeared in a total of eight post-season games, six of them as a part of their participation in the NCAA Division II national playoffs in both 1973 and 1975. Here is the complete rundown:

1975—NCAA Division II Playoffs
Western 14, Northern Iowa 12
(First Round; Cedar Falls, Ia.)
Western 14*, New Hampshire 3
(Semifinals; Grantland Rice Bowl, Baton Rouge, La.)
Western 14, Northern Michigan 16
(Finals; Camellia Bowl, Sacramento, Calif.)

1973—NCAA Division II Playoffs
Western 25, Lehigh 16
(First Round; Bowling Green, Ky.)
Western 28, Grambling 20
(Semifinals; Rice Bowl, Baton Rouge, La.)
Western 0, Louisiana Tech 34
(Finals; Camellia Bowl, Sacramento, Calif.)

1963—Tangerine Bowl (Orlando, Fla.)
Western 27, Coast Guard Academy 0

1952—Refrigerator Bowl (Evansville, Ind.)
Western 34, Arkansas State 19

One of the key figures in the Hilltoppers' outstanding 1963 season, one of the finest in WKU history, was Jim Burt, shown here moving the ball over, and around the defense. Burt earned All-America honors as a senior in 1964.

Feast and Famine

Through 60 seasons, Hilltopper gridders have fashioned an enviable record, posting a winning won-lost mark on 40 occasions, while winning up on the losing side of the ledger only 17 times. Twice, Western footballers broke even at .500; and, for one season (1916) there are no results available.

At one point, the Toppers waltzed through 14 straight winning campaigns (1927-40). Under the guidance of six different coaches, those 14 Western teams racked up 96 victories against only 29 defeats and five ties — a .758 winning percentage.

On the other hand, the longest Western has suffered without a win-
ner was four seasons — 1941-42 and 1946-47 (during the war years, 1943-45, Western did not field a team). Those four squads posted a 12-19-4 mark (.400).

During those 60 campaigns, the Hilltopper defense held the opposition scoreless an amazing 144 times — an average of 2.4 shutouts per season. However, seven of those goose-egg games were scoreless ties. And, looking on the negative side, the WKU offense has fallen short of the goal line on 62 occasions.

Below is an outline look at the 10 best and 10 worst seasons, based on winning percentage, in Hilltopper grid history.

10 Years of Feast

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10 Years of Famine

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The Al Almond Memorial Award

The Al Almond Memorial Award was initiated in 1968 in memory of the late Al Almond, who coached for many years at Western's University High School. Signifying the same total devotion to character, loyalty, ability and love of fellow man exhibited by Almond, the award has become the most cherished that can be won by a Hilltopper football player.

The award was originated by the Bowling Green Optimist Club, of which Almond was a member. Former winners include:

1969-Walt Heath, OT
1973-Leo Peckenpaugh , QB
1971-Jimmy Barber, LB
1972-Andrew Francis, DB
1973-Leo Peckenpaugh, QB
1968-Johnny Vance, QB
1977-Chip Carpenter, G
1974-Jimmy Feix, Quarterback
1975-Ray Henderson, G
1978-Reginald Hayden, BB

Hilltopper Grid Milestones

Games Played: Year Opponent Results
1* 1913 Elizabethtown H.S. W 20-0
100 1930 @Centre L 0-31
200 1940 Austin Peay W 20-0
250 1949 Howard W 20-0
300 1954 Louisville W 25-0
400 1965 Tennessee Tech L 6-46
500 1975 Illinois State W 24-14

*First collegiate game: Oct. 10, 1914

Victories: Win No. Year Opponent Results
1* 1913 Elizabethtown H.S. W 20-0
100 1937 @Kansas State Teachers W 70
200 1959 @Austin Peay W 20-12
250 1968 @Western Illinois W 66-0
300 1974 @Morehead State W 36-0

*First collegiate win: Nov. 26, 1914

First Homecoming Game: Nov. 5, 1927 – Western 7, Louisville 6
First OVC Game: Sept. 25, 1948 – Western 6, Evansville 7
First OVC Win: Oct. 9, 1948 – Western 19, Morehead State 14
First OVC Title: 1952 – 4-1, shared title with Tennessee Tech (9-1 overall)
First Bowl Game: Dec. 7, 1952 – Refrigerator Bowl, Evansville, Ind. – Western 34, Arkansas State 19
First All-American: 1952 – Jimmy Feix, Quarterback

Western Football Lettermen (1914-78)

Lucian Adams, '36-37
Raphael Abell, '41-42, '46
Jeff Alsup, '76-78
Don Anderson, '57-59
Karl Anderson, '72-75
Walt Apperson, '51-54
Dallas Arnold, '41-42, '46
Kenneth Arnold, '46-49
Paul Arnold, '75
Jim Atkinson, '75-76
Tom Atwood, '64-67
Jim Aurs, '53-54
Wilfred Ausley, '31-33

Ralph Bagby, '55-58
Lemore Baggett, '33-34
Joe Baird, '63-65
Norval Baird, '56-57
Clarence Baker, '56-59
James Baker, '35-37
Randolph Baker, '29-30
Dan Baldwin, '28-29
Tommy Ballowe, '67-68
Jim Barber, '69-71
Steve Bare, '67-68
John Bariola, '61-62
Dewey Barnes, '21-23, '25
Kenny Barrett, '54-57
Sherold Barrett, '72, '74-75
doug Bartholomew, '76-77
Woody Bartles, '61-62
Gus Basham, '20
Floyd Bates, '23-24
J. C. Batsel, '36-37
Tom Battle, '49
Nelson Baud, '30-32
Earl Beam, '29-31
Lewis Behn, '47-49
Craig Beard, '75-77
Arthur Bell, '14-15, '20
Kirby Bennett, '76, '78
Tim Berette, '77-78
Dudley Berthold, '60-61
Sonny Berthold, '53-55
Buzzy Best, '60-62
Dave Betz, '76-77
George Bibich, '36-38
Dave Betz, '55-60
Jewell Browning, '47-49
Gary Branson, '59-61
Joe Bugel, '60-63
Barry Bumm, '78
Jim Burt, '61-64
John Burt, '52-65
John Bumphis, '71-74
Paul Bumphis, '72-73
Everette Butler, '31-33
Tom Byrd, '36-38
Bay Byrne, '26

Bart Cahoon, '25-26
Eimer Caldwell, '78
Robert Cales, '41
Joe Bill Campbell, '63-64
Clarence Caple, '34-37
Edward Caps, '42
Larry Carty, '59
Freeman Carothers, '35-38
Chip Carpenter, '73-77
Kamos Carpenter, '49
Steve Carrico, '74-76
David Carter, '64-66
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Carman Cartwright, '23
Rick Caswell, '73-75
Harold Chambers, '62-63
Tallas Chambers, '26
Jim Chambless, '53-56
Hollis Champion, '22-25
Don Chapman, '50-52
Virgil Chapman, '30

Billy Booker, '58-61
Dan Boone, '25-26
Winton Boone, '59-61
Jimmy Botto, Mgr., '26
M. M. Botto, '24
Harry Bowling, '39-41
Joey Bowling, '77
Bob Bradford, '56-59
Sam Bradshaw, '29
Lawrence Braman, '67-70
Estill Brannam, '34-36
Jerry Brantley, '54-57
Carl Brazley, '76-78
Jerry Brewer, '55-58
Crosby Bright, '63
John Brizendine, '68-71
Carroll Brokerer, '30-32
Bob Brown, '29-31
David Lee Brown, '66
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Willie Church, '75
Bob Clark, '55-56
Carlton Clark, '37-38
Sam Clark, '61-64
Sterling Clark, Mgr., '53
Claypool, '34
Craig Clayton, '69-70, '72
Fred Clayton, '46-49
Jack Clere, Mgr., '66-67
Roy Cobb, '32-34
Michael Coffey, '24-25
Allen Coker, '70-72
Ron Cotter, '78
Mike Connell, '68-70
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Jack Crangle, '65-66
William Creekmur, Mgr., '48
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Arthur Cromeley, '34-36
Dave Cross, '78
Richard Crouch, '39-41
Johnny Crowdus, '27-28
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Joe Cullen, '41, 46
Lou Cullen, '41-42
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Fred Culley, '52-53
Rupert Cummins, '28-30
George Cunningham, '41
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Thomas Curley, '59-60
Bill Curry, '55-58
Jim Daly, '59-62
David Davidson, '49-50
Charles Davis, '54
Doug Davis, '73-76
H. L. Davis, Jr., '32-33
Jay Davis, '68-71
Marvin Davis, '77-78
Willard Day, '34-35
Charles Delacay, '76-78
Larry Deweese, '72-75
Nick Diachenko, '46-48
Charles Dillard, '78
Buddy Dixon, '53
Athletic Trainers – Lettermen (1969-79)

Mark Bailey, ’75-78
Tim Barron, ’78-79
Susan Brandon, ’76-78
Tim Brueggeman, ’79
Jerry Burger, ’72
Kim Byram, ’78-79
Steve Howard, ’79
Allen Howell, ’78
Fred Cantler, ’74-78
Richard Clemmons, ’79
Toby Crafton, ’77-78
Don Crowder, ’72-74
Robin Lyons, ’76-77
Eugene Dixon, ’70-72
Gary Ebling, ’70-71
Bill Edwards, ’71-76
John Ellis, ’75
Phil Fox, ’76
Teresa Peck, ’77-78
Read Pennington, ’75-79
Dean Geary, ’78-79
Brett Graves, ’74
Nelson Pruett, ’71-73
Larry Pruett, ’70
Pennrollment, ’75-78
Robert Weinberg, ’79
Don Waggner, ’69
Mike Swift, ’50-53
Porter Williams, ’70-73
R. L. Wilson, ’46
Robert Wilson, ’40-42
Steve Wilson, ’64-67
Vernon Wilson, ’52-55
Arnold Winkenhofer, ’25-28
George Withers, ’66-67
Beno Wonsowicz, ’39
Charles Woodruff, ’76-77
Jimmy Woods, ’75-78
L. B. Woosley, ’26, ’30
Ed Worley, ’50-53
Dewitt Worrell, ’31-32
Frank Yakovino, ’71-74
Leo Yeksigian, ’33-34
Bob Young, ’57-58
Dale Young, ’72-75
Al Zimmerman, ’41-42
Thomas Zoretic, ’38-40
Rick Zuttermeister, ’65
All-OVC Players (First Team Only)*

1948 – Frank Wallheiser, E
Jim Pickens, QB

1949 – Frank Wallheiser, E

1950 – Hoyte Threet, T
Roy Hina, G

1951 – Marvin Satterly, G
Lawrence Gilbert, C
Jimmy Feix, QB

1952 – R. E. Simpson, E
Marvin Satterly, G
Jimmy Feix, QB
Gene McFadden, FB
Max Stevens, HB

1953 – Bill Ploumis, E
Marvin Satterly, G
Arnie Oaken, C
Gene McFadden, FB
Max Stevens, HB

1954 – Walt Apperson, E
Tom Patterson, C

1955 – Vernon Wilson, G
Bill Strawn, C

1957 – Bill Holt, E
Jim Hardin, G

1958 – Larry Nutter, T
Jim Hardin, G

1959 – Herb Wassom, G

1960 – Herb Wassom, G

1961 – Jim Hughes, E

1963 – John Mutchler, E
Harold Chambers, T
Joe Bugel, G
Jim Burt, HB
Dale Lindsey, FB

1964 – Stari Napper, E
Ed Crum, G
Jim Burt, HB
Dale Lindsey, FB
Pat Counts, HB

1965 – Dickie Moore, FB

1966 – Wes Simpson, E

1967 – Roy Bondurant, G
Jim Garrett, HB
Walter Heath, T
Allan Hogan, C
Dickie Moore, FB
Larry Watkins, T

1968 – Lawrence Brame, E
Walter Heath, T

1969 – Johnny Vance, QB
Lawrence Brame, E
Bill Green, DB

1970 – Jim Barber, LB
Lawrence Brame, E
Jay Davis, E
Dennis Durso, G
Bill Green, DB
Steve Wilson, K

1971 – Jim Barber, LB
Terry Kokinda, OT
Bob Morehead, DB
Leo Peckenpaugh, QB
Bill Sykes, C
Terry Thompson, DT

1972 – Andrew Francis, DB
Clarence Jackson, TB
Mike McCoy, DB
Brad Watson, DE

1973 – John Bushong, DT
Clarence Jackson, TB
Charlie Johnson, P
Mike McCoy, DB
Bob Morehead, DB
David Nollner, G
Lonnie Schuster, DT
Aundra Skiles, LB
Porter Williams, E

1974 – John Bushong, DT
David Carter, C
Rick Green, LB
John Humphrey, G
Virgil Livers, DB
Keith Tandy, DE

1975 – Sheroid Barrett, OT
Chip Carpenter, G
Rick Green, LB
Walt Herod, P
John Leathers, DB
Keith Tandy, DE

1976 – Chip Carpenter, G
Biff Madon, LB
Keith Tandy, DE
Jimmy Woods, TB

1977 – Chip Carpenter, G
Biff Madon, LB
Tony Towns, DT

1978 – Carl Brazley, CB
John Hall, QB
Reginald Hayden, BB
Eddie Preston, SpE
Tony Towns, DE

*See Page 79 for OVC Players of the Year.
The idea of forming the Ohio Valley Conference was originated in 1941, but could not be implemented until after World War II. In 1948 five schools—Western Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky, Murray State, Morehead State and Louisville—withdraw from the Kentucky Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and were joined by Evansville in forming the original membership of the OVC. They were joined shortly thereafter by Tennessee and Marshall.

The membership has changed somewhat over the years. Middle Tennessee joined the league in 1952, Eastern Kentucky in 1957 and Austin Peay in 1962. They replaced Louisville, which became an independent in 1949, and Marshall and Evansville, which departed in 1952. East Tennessee left in 1978 and was replaced by Akron, which will begin competition in the OVC when scheduling problems are worked out.

In 1955 the National Collegiate Athletic Association formally recognized the OVC as a major basketball conference, giving the league’s champion an automatic bid to the post-season NCAA Tournament. At the time, the OVC was only the second six-team conference to obtain major status from the NCAA. Prior to 1955 Western Kentucky, Eastern Kentucky and Murray State were the only OVC members ranked as major basketball powers.

For many years the OVC has been represented in the nation’s top holiday and post-season basketball tournaments. The league has also won recognition for its programs in football, baseball, track, golf and tennis.

The administration of the conference is now supervised by Jim DeLaney, who came to the OVC in July 1975 from the staff of the NCAA. He is the OVC’s fourth commissioner, following Art Gupe (1963-75), Paul Dietzel (1975-76) and Bob Vanatta (1976-79).

The commissioner is charged with the interpretation and enforcement of all conference regulations and rules of eligibility, as well as the supervision of its officials and distribution of information.

Perhaps the ideals and purposes of the league are best expressed in one sentence of the OVC Code of Ethics, formulated in 1960:

"Member institutions of the Ohio Valley Conference regard the athletic program as a part of the education process."

### All-Time OVC Standings

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*Won or Shared

### OVC Champions

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### Players of the Year

#### Offensive

- 1967-Dickie Moore, FB

#### Defensive

- 1963-John Mutchler, E
- 1969-Lawrence Brame, E
- 1970-Lawrence Brame, E
- 1973-Lonnie Schuster, T
- 1974-Virgil Livers, DB
- 1976-Biff Madon, LB
1978 ALL-OVC Team

**Offense**
RB-Danny Lee Johnson, Murray St.
RB-Dale Patton, Eastern Ky.
RB-Cecil Fore, Tennessee Tech
QB-John Hall, Western Ky.
TE-David Thomas, Murray St.
OT-Ken Dew, Tennessee Tech
OG-Tony Towns, Western Ky.
OG-David Neal, Eastern Ky.
OG-Reginald Hayden, Western Ky.
OG-Danny Martin, Eastern Ky.
OG-Darrell Drake, WR.
DB-Lynn Hailstock, Austin Peay
DB-Carl Brazley, Austin Peay
DB-Lynn Hailstock, Austin Peay (tie)
DB-Joe Grimsley, Austin Peay (tie)
P-Steve Davis, Tennessee Tech

**Defense**
LM-Tony Towns, Western Ky.
LM-Bruce Martin, Murray St.
LM-Joe Richard, Eastern Ky.
DE-Ron Sebree, Austin Peay
DE-Chris Roberts, Eastern Ky.
LB-Stan Wright, Middle Tenn.
CB-Butler
TC-David Neal, Eastern Ky.
OG-Bob Angel, Murray St.
OG-Kris Johnson, Morehead St.
OG-David Neal, Eastern Ky.
OG-John Hall, Western Ky.
OG-Darrell Drake, WR.
DB-Carl Brazley, Austin Peay
DB-Lynn Hailstock, Austin Peay (tie)
DB-Joe Grimsley, Austin Peay (tie)
P-Steve Davis, Tennessee Tech

Western's 1978 second team ALL-OVC members: Offense—Jeff Alsup, OT; Pete Walters, OG; Daryl Drake, WR. Defense—Charles DeLacey, LB; Fred Kixmiller, DB.

1978 Ohio Valley Conference Standings

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*Ohio Valley Conference game.
(dh) Doubleheader with women's varsity.
Home games set in bold face type.

1979-80 Basketball Schedules

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