



**COACHING
STAFF**



MIKE LEACH
Ninth-Year Head Coach

Arguably one of the most innovative coaches in the country, Mike Leach not only has transformed Texas Tech Football, but also the face of college football with an all-out aerial assault. This is evidenced by the number of programs incorporating more passing into their schemes than before. Leach's offense has become a hot commodity as coaching staffs from across the country have come to Lubbock get a glimpse into what makes the program tick; but none have mastered it like the 10th-year coach.

Leading the most prolific passing offense in the country, Leach, who received three national coach of the year awards in 2008 – the Woody Hayes Award, Howie Long/Fieldturf Coach of the Year, and George Munger Award – spreads the field with his exciting brand of football and has guided the Red Raiders to six NCAA passing titles and three total offense titles during his tenure. Leach's offense produced school records in nearly every passing category in 2000, but surpassed those numbers in each of the last nine seasons. His nine teams have combined for more than 155 team and individual records at Tech.

Texas Tech, which appeared in its second Cotton Bowl since 2005, experienced one of the most memorable seasons in school history in 2008 as the team set a program record with 11 regular-season wins en route to an 11-2 record. The win total tied the mark, set previously by the 1953 and 1973 squads. Numerous accolades poured in from across the country as an unprecedented four players earned first-team All-America status, in addition to Leach's three coach of the year honors. Quarterback Graham Harrell, offensive tackle Rylan Reed and offensive guard Brandon Carter each garnered first-team honors, while wide receiver Michael Crabtree was honored as a unanimous consensus All-American for the second-straight season.

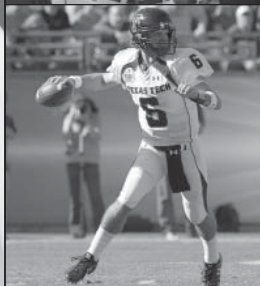
On the field, the Red Raiders led the nation in passing for the sixth time in Leach's nine seasons and ranked among the top five in total offense. Harrell finished his storied career second on the NCAA career passing yardage list with 15,793 yards. Harrell also broke the career NCAA passing touchdowns mark with 134.

LEACH'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS AT TEXAS TECH 2000-present



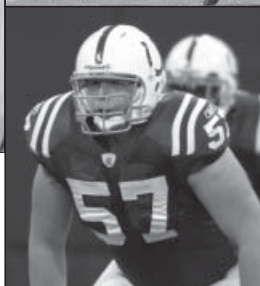
BOWL APPEARANCES

TEXAS TECH HAS PLAYED IN NINE STRAIGHT BOWL GAMES SINCE 2000, including two appearances in the tradition-rich Cotton Bowl and a prestigious Gator Bowl showing, both played on New Year's Day. Leach's five bowl wins matches the five overall bowl wins during the first 75 years of the Red Raider Football program.



NCAA PASSING TITLES

TEXAS TECH HAS WON SIX NCAA PASSING TITLES behind Leach's prolific offense, including four straight from 2002-05 and two more the last two seasons. Leach's offensive style, while borrowed from various schemes through the years, has become his trademark with its all-out aerial attack that turns the blitz on the defenses.



NFL DRAFT PICKS

SEVENTEEN RED RAIDERS HAVE HEARD THE PHONE RING DURING THE NFL DRAFT since the 2000 season, including four in 2009. The list goes beyond quarterbacks and receivers as offensive and defensive linemen, linebackers and defensive backs have been selected. Additionally, two of those players went on to win Super Bowls with their respective teams.



COACHING HOTBED

BEING A PART OF MIKE LEACH'S STAFF is an attraction for programs and coaches across the country. Former Red Raider assistants have gone on to be collegiate head coaches and coordinators from coast-to-coast. Two former assistants are head coaches – Art Briles at Baylor and Greg McMackin at Hawaii. Briles previously served as the head coach at Houston.



NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

TEXAS TECH PLAYERS HAVE BEEN SHOWERED WITH RECOGNITION for their accomplishments. Michael Crabtree reeled in the prestigious Biletnikoff Award the last two seasons as the nation's top receiver. Former quarterbacks Kliff Kingsbury, B.J. Symons and Graham Harrell all have garnered the Sammy Baugh Trophy as the top quarterback.



ACADEMIC STANDARDS

FOR NINE-STRAIGHT YEARS Texas Tech has been honored as one of the top academic football programs in the country by the American Football Coaches Association. The program consistently produces one of the top graduation rates in the Big 12 Conference at more than 70 percent annually.

The Texas Tech program has established itself as one of the nation's leading producers of productive quarterbacks since the 2000 season. Harrell threw for 4,555 yards in his debut as the starter in 2006 and became the sixth player and third Red Raider in NCAA history to throw for 5,000 yards in a season with his 5,705-yard effort in 2007 and 5,111 yards last season. He also is the third quarterback under Leach to win nine games in a season and the first Red Raider in history to win 11 in a regular season. Former quarterback Kliff Kingsbury in 2002 and Cody Hodges in 2005 each posted nine-win seasons during their careers, while 2003 and 2004 signal callers B.J. Symons and Sonny Cumbie each won eight games in their respective seasons as the starter.

The Red Raiders have improved their total offensive numbers from 324.8 yards per game to 531.0 yards per game since Leach's arrival. The last nine seasons rank as the top nine all-time at Tech in total offense, while scoring went from 23 points per game in 1999 to a school-record 43.8 points last season. The most significant increase has been in the passing game, where the Red Raiders averaged 475.3 yards per game in 2008 compared to 175.4 yards in 1999.

The running game has flourished under Leach as well. Former Red Raider Taurean Henderson holds the NCAA career record for receptions by a running back. The Red Raiders' 28 total rushing scores in 2008 were the most for a Tech team since the 1993 team scored 30. Despite Tech's offense revolving around the pass, Leach has done a tremendous job of incorporating the running back position into the mix. Henderson finished his career with 303 receptions, which ranks first in NCAA history among running backs and fourth overall.

The Red Raiders are not solely known for their play on the scoring side of the ball. The Texas Tech defense also has flourished during Leach's nine seasons. The Red Raiders tied for the national lead with three shutouts in 2000 and followed with others in 2001, 2002, 2005 and 2006. Combined with the six shutouts are five other games where the opposition was held without an offensive touchdown. Tech's shutout of Baylor in Waco during the 2005 season marked Tech's first blanking of a conference opponent on the road since the inception of the Big 12 Conference in 1996.

The play of the special teams also has improved with each season. Former placekicker Alex Trlica holds the NCAA record with 233 career extra points and another record for extra points made without a miss. He finished with 377 career points, which ranks among the top 10 in NCAA history among kickers.

While leading the Red Raiders to 76 wins in his nine seasons, Leach is the only coach in school history to lead nine teams to bowl games. The 76 wins are the third-most among Big 12 coaches since the 2000 season.

Although Leach's presence has been felt throughout the team, it also has been beneficial for the players individually. In addition to picking up the Sammy Baugh Trophy in 2007, Harrell was the recipient of the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame's Post-Graduate Scholarship and was one of 15 players selected as a candidate for the prestigious Draddy Award, the academic Heisman. Harrell also ranked fourth in last year's Heisman voting, while Crabtree was fifth.

Symons was the second Tech quarterback to receive The Touchdown Club of Columbus' Sammy Baugh Trophy (Kingsbury in 2002).

Kingsbury, a 2002 All-Big 12 first-team quarterback and sixth-round draft pick

of the New England Patriots, led the Big 12 Conference in several passing categories during his final three seasons and was a Heisman Trophy candidate in 2002. He also was named the Verizon Academic All-American of the Year for football and was awarded an \$18,000 postgraduate scholarship by the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame in a ceremony in New York City.

In 2004, inside receiver Trey Haverly became the first Associated Press All-American since Montae Reagor in 1998, when he was selected to the third team. Free safety Dwayne Slay earned first-team All-America honors from Sports Illustrated in 2005, marking the first in seven seasons. Slay was one of the country's most punishing tacklers that year and led the conference and finished second nationally with eight forced fumbles.

Leach has coached several players who have gone on to the NFL. While at Tech, 17 players have been drafted and 21 others have signed free agent contracts. This past spring four players were selected among the first four rounds of the NFL Draft, marking the most successful draft for Texas Tech in the Leach era.

Crabtree became the highest draft pick at No. 10, since Gabe Rivera in 1983. Crabtree, selected by the San Francisco 49ers, is the highest drafted Tech receiver since Dave Parks went No. 1 overall in 1964.

Safety Darcel McBath was selected by the Denver Broncos in the second rounds, while offensive lineman Louis Vasquez was taken in the third by San Diego. Defensive end Brandon Williams went to the Dallas Cowboys in the fourth.

The program continues to make strides academically as well under Leach. For the last nine years Tech has been recognized as one of the nation's top institutions for consistently being above a 70 percent graduation rate, according to the American Football Coaches Association. In 2008, 17 players were named to the Big 12 Conference Academic Football Team.



LEACH IN THE POSTSEASON

Five Bowl Championships



2002 Tangerine Bowl



2003 Houston Bowl



2004 Holiday Bowl



2006 Insight Bowl



2008 Gator Bowl

Prior to coming on board at Texas Tech, Leach, in just one season at Oklahoma, directed a Sooner offense that went from one of the worst in the Big 12 Conference to one of the best. Under Leach's tutelage, Josh Heupel was named 1999 Big 12 Offensive Newcomer of the Year. For his efforts, Leach was nominated for the 1999 Broyles Award as the top assistant coach in the country.

Leach guided an Oklahoma offense that went from 11th in the Big 12 in 1998 to first in 1999 and 101st in the nation to 11th. In just one year, OU's total offense numbers improved from 293.3 to 427.2 yards per game.

The rise in passing and scoring offense categories is just as impressive. Oklahoma went from last to first in the Big 12 in passing offense in one year, from 107th in the country to ninth. Under Leach, the Sooners improved from 109.9 yards passing per game to 321.7 yards per game.

In 1998, Oklahoma was last in the Big 12 and 101st in the country in scoring offense at 16.7 points per game. In 1999, the Sooners improved to second in the league and eighth in the country in scoring at 36.8 points per game, an increase of just over 20 points per game.

Under Leach, the Oklahoma offense set six Big 12 Conference and 17 OU records. The Sooners were one of only two schools in the nation to have six players with 20 or more receptions in 1999.

Prior to joining Bob Stoops' Oklahoma staff, Leach served as offensive coordinator for Hal Mumme at the University of Kentucky and Valdosta (Ga.) State University.

For two years at Kentucky under Mumme, Leach coached the Kentucky "Air Raid" offense that was one of the most explosive in Southeastern Conference history. Under Mumme and Leach, the Kentucky offense set six NCAA records, 41 Southeastern Conference records and 116 school records in 22 games.

Leach's Kentucky offense featured the talented Tim Couch, who passed for 4,275 yards and 34 touchdowns as a senior.

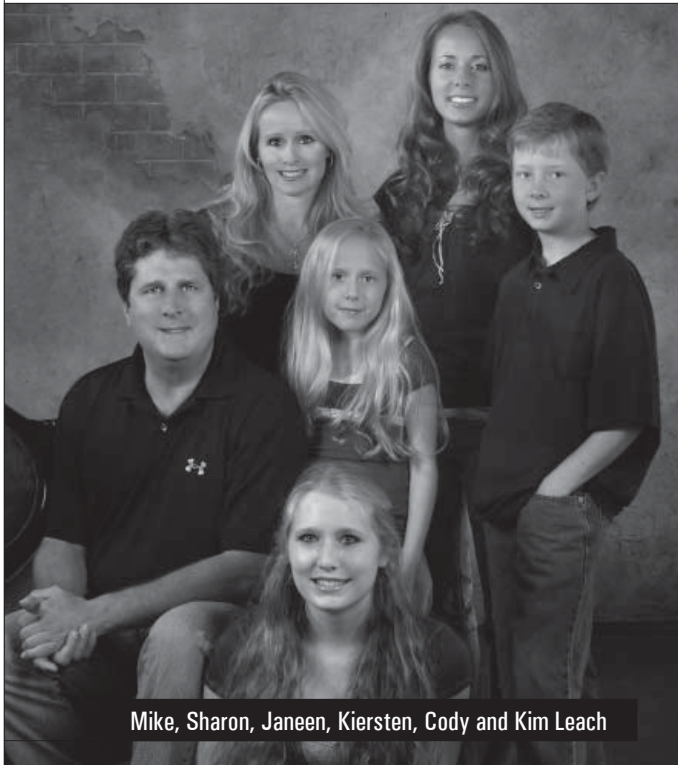
Named 1996 Division II Offensive Coordinator of the Year by American Football Quarterly magazine, Leach helped Mumme lead Valdosta State to a 40-17-1 record. The 1993 Blazer offense smashed 66 school records, 22 conference records and seven national records. In 1994, Valdosta State advanced to the Division II playoffs with Leach's offense shattering 80 school records, 35 conference records and seven more national marks.

Leach and Mumme first teamed up at Iowa Wesleyan College in 1989. From 1989 to 1991 Leach served as offensive coordinator and line coach for an offense that led the NAIA in passing yardage one season and finished second the other two. Iowa Wesleyan quarterbacks passed for more than 11,000 yards in Leach's three seasons and broke 26 national records.

Leach also has made coaching stops in Pori, Finland, where he served as a head coach in the European Football League (1989), as well as one-year stints at College of the Desert (1988) and Cal Poly-San Luis Obispo (1987).

After graduating with honors from BYU in 1983, Leach earned a master's degree from the U.S. Sports Academy and his law degree from Pepperdine University, where he graduated in the top one-third of his class.

The oldest of six siblings, Leach and his wife, Sharon, are the parents of four children; Janeen (24), Kim (19), Cody (13) and Kiersten (10). Janeen, a graduate of BYU, is currently attending medical school at the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center and married Mike Clark in July. Kim is a sophomore year at Texas Tech.



Mike, Sharon, Janeen, Kiersten, Cody and Kim Leach

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Immediate Impact

MIKE LEACH'S MARK IN THE FBS



KENTUCKY, 1997-98

During Leach's two seasons in Lexington, the Wildcat offense accounted for six NCAA records, 41 Southeastern Conference marks and 116 school records in 22 games. The offense produced more than 500 yards of total offense each in a seven-game stretch, including an 801-yard effort. Leach also developed future NFL top pick Tim Couch into one of the nation's leading passers. Couch passed for 4,275 yards and 34 touchdowns during his senior season.

OKLAHOMA, 1999

Although a Sooner for just one season, Leach left his thumbprint on the program and established an offense that would carry the Sooners to the National Championship in 2000. He helped lead the Sooners from the bottom of the Big 12 Conference in scoring offense to second in the league in 1999. The offensive unit made a 134-yard improvement in total offense, led by Big 12 Newcomer of the Year and Leach pupil, quarterback Josh Heupel.



TEXAS TECH, 2000-PRESENT

Statistical numbers aren't the only ones that define the Texas Tech Football program since Mike Leach's hiring in December 1999. The program has enjoyed nine bowl appearances, five bowl championships, 76 wins, six NCAA passing titles, a NCAA total offense title, 17 NFL Draft picks and a consistent graduation rate of more than 70 percent each of the last nine years. However, since statistics are relevant, the following numbers from 2008 are nothing short of impressive:

569	Total Points Scored	► Most in school history (552 in 2003)
43.8	Scoring Average	► Ranked third nationally; school record
47	Passing Touchdowns	► Tied third nationally
27.5	First Downs per Game	► Ranked third nationally
5,371	Passing Yards	► Ranked first nationally (also led from 2002-05)
413.2	Passing Yards per Game	► Ranked first nationally
6,903	Total Offense Yards	► Ranked fourth nationally
531.0	Total Offense Yards per Game	► Ranked fourth nationally
999	Kick Return Yards	► Second on school list
54.4%	Third-Down Percentage	► Ranked fourth nationally
34	Sacks	► Top 20 nationally

LEACH TENURE IN BIG 12

The 10th-year head coach has the fourth-longest tenure at a Big 12 school of the league's coaches.

1. Bill Snyder, Kansas State.....	17
2. Mack Brown, Texas.....	11
3. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma.....	10
4. Mike Leach, Texas Tech.....	9
5. Gary Pinkel, Missouri.....	8
6. Mark Mangino, Kansas.....	7
7. Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State.....	4
8. Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....	3
9. Art Briles, Baylor.....	1
10. Bo Pelini, Nebraska.....	1
11. Mike Sherman, Texas A&M.....	1
12. Paul Rhodes, Iowa State.....	First Season

BIG 12 COACHING WINS

Mike Leach ranks sixth among active Big 12 coaches in NCAA wins.

1. Mack Brown, Texas.....	200
2. Bill Snyder, Kansas State.....	137
3. Gary Pinkel, Missouri.....	132
4. Dan Hawkins, Colorado.....	106
5. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma.....	109
6. Mike Leach, Texas Tech.....	76
7. Mark Mangino, Kansas.....	45
8. Art Briles, Baylor.....	38
9. Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State.....	27
10. Bo Pelini, Nebraska.....	9
11. Mike Sherman, Texas A&M.....	4
12. Paul Rhodes, Iowa State.....	First Season

WINS SINCE 2000

Texas Tech has posted 76 wins since Mike Leach's arrival in 2000, which ranks the program third among Big 12 programs during that span.

1. Oklahoma.....	102
2. Texas.....	97
3. Texas Tech.....	76
4. Nebraska.....	74
5. Kansas State.....	65
6. Missouri.....	62
7. Oklahoma State.....	58
8. Texas A&M.....	57
9. Colorado.....	55
10. Kansas.....	52
11. Iowa State.....	48
12. Baylor.....	30

BIG 12 CONFERENCE WINS SINCE 2000

Texas Tech has 42 wins since Mike Leach's arrival in 2000, which ranks the program in third place during that period.

1. Oklahoma.....	62
2. Texas.....	60
3. Texas Tech.....	42
4. Nebraska.....	41
5. Colorado.....	40
6. Kansas State.....	34
7. Missouri.....	34
8. Texas A&M.....	33
9. Oklahoma State.....	30
10. Kansas.....	25
11. Iowa State.....	25
12. Baylor.....	10

BOWL WINS SINCE 2000

Texas Tech is second in the Big 12 in bowl wins since 2000. Leach has taken the Red Raiders to nine bowl games in as many years.

1. Texas.....	7
2. Texas Tech.....	5
3. Nebraska.....	4
4. Oklahoma.....	4
5. Kansas.....	3
6. Missouri.....	3
7. Oklahoma State.....	3
8. Iowa State.....	2
9. Kansas State.....	2
10. Colorado.....	1
11. Texas A&M.....	1
12. Baylor.....	0



Head Coach Mike Leach was the recipient of three national coach of the year awards in 2008 and a finalist for several others. Pictured (left to right): Big 12 Conference Coach of the Year, Woody Hayes Award, AFCA Regional Coach of the Year, Paul Bear Bryant Coach of the Year (finalist), Texas Tech University Coach of the Year, Fieldturf/Howie Long Division I Coach of the Year and the Maxwell Football Club George Munger Award.

LEACH'S FILE

PERSONAL

Born:	March 9, 1961, in Susanville, Calif.
Hometown:	Cody, Wyoming
Family:	wife, Sharon children, Janeen, Kim, Cody and Kiersten
High School:	Cody High School
College:	Brigham Young University, 1983 (American Studies)
Graduate:	Juris Doctor, Pepperdine University School of Law, 1986 Master's of Sports Science/Coaching, U.S. Sports Academy, 1988

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2007	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2006	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2005	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
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2002	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2001	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
2000	Texas Tech, Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
1999	Oklahoma, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
1998	Kentucky, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
1997	Kentucky, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
1996	Valdosta State, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1995	Valdosta State, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1994	Valdosta State, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1993	Valdosta State, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers/QBs
1992	Valdosta State, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers/QBs
1991	Iowa Wesleyan, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1990	Iowa Wesleyan, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1989	Iowa Wesleyan, Assistant/Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line
1989	Pori, Finland (European League), Head Coach
1988	College of the Desert, Assistant/Linebackers
1987	Cal Poly-SLO, Assistant/Offensive Line

HEAD COACHING RECORD

2008	Texas Tech	11-2 (7-1)	Cotton Bowl
2007	Texas Tech	9-4 (4-4)	Gator Bowl
2006	Texas Tech	8-5 (4-4)	Insight Bowl
2005	Texas Tech	9-3 (6-2)	Cotton Bowl
2004	Texas Tech	8-4 (5-3)	Holiday Bowl
2003	Texas Tech	8-5 (4-4)	Houston Bowl
2002	Texas Tech	9-5 (5-3)	Tangerine Bowl
2001	Texas Tech	7-5 (4-4)	Alamo Bowl
2000	Texas Tech	7-6 (3-5)	Galleryfurniture Bowl

LEACH VS. ALL OPPONENTS

Alabama.....	0-1
Baylor.....	9-0
California.....	1-0
Clemson.....	1-0
Colorado.....	1-3
East Carolina.....	0-1
Eastern Washington.....	1-0
Florida Int'l.....	1-0
Indiana State.....	1-0
Iowa.....	0-1
Iowa State.....	3-1
Kansas.....	4-1
Kansas State.....	4-1
UL Lafayette.....	1-0
Massachusetts.....	1-0
Mississippi.....	2-0
Missouri.....	1-3
Navy.....	1-0
Nebraska.....	3-2
Nevada.....	1-0
New Mexico.....	4-1
North Carolina St.....	0-2
North Texas.....	2-0
Northwestern State.....	1-0
Ohio State.....	0-1
Oklahoma.....	2-7
Oklahoma State.....	6-3
Rice.....	1-0
Sam Houston.....	1-0
SMU.....	6-0
SE Louisiana.....	1-0
Stephen F. Austin.....	1-0
TCU.....	1-1
Texas.....	2-7
Texas A&M.....	7-2
Utah State.....	1-0
UTEP.....	2-0

RECORDS

Overall:	76-39 (.661)
Big 12:	42-30 (.583)
vs. Big 12 North:	16-11
vs. Big 12 South:	26-19

ASSISTANT HEAD COACH/DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR

Ruffin McNeill

10th Season, East Carolina (1980)

In his 24th season on the collegiate level, assistant head coach Ruffin McNeill enters his 10th season as a member of Mike Leach's staff and second as the defensive coordinator. He served the final nine games of 2007 as defensive coordinator on an interim basis, before taking over officially last season. McNeill, who also coaches the linebackers, is one of the most versatile coaches on the staff and also one of the most beloved by the Red Raider football team.



Seen as a father figure by those within the program, McNeill promotes a family-type atmosphere, while at the same time providing disciplined instruction on the field. Many young men have been the beneficiaries of McNeill's presence.

His stamp on the defensive unit was apparent in 2008 as the Red Raider unit helped lead Texas Tech to one of the most memorable seasons in school history. The defense ranked fifth in the Big 12 in total defense, fourth in scoring defense and third in pass defense. The rush defense improved from the previous season by 37 yards per game.

The defensive totaled 34 sacks on the season to rank among the Big 12's top three. Tech's push up the middle not only aided in the unit's ability to stop the run, but also contributed to the disruption of the some of the conference's more potent offenses. Colby Whitlock's safety against Texas early in the first half set the tone for the rest of the game as Tech handed the No. 1 Longhorns a 39-33 defeat. Other players made similar plays throughout the season, enabling the unit to get Tech's high-powered offense back onto the field for its record-setting scoring season.

In just nine games as the defensive coordinator in 2007, the defensive unit made an overnight transition that paid dividends for the program. While the unit finished third overall in the Big 12 Conference in total defense, it finished first when factoring in only the final nine games of the season for each league institution.



The secondary defended its title as the league's top pass defense, while numbers in other areas also improved dramatically.

The Texas Tech defensive unit has steadily improved each of the last four seasons – no season more evident than 2007. Led by the men up front to the guys in the back, the Red Raiders' defense assisted in Tech's 26 sacks to its 10 interceptions.

McNeill's defensive tackles in 2007 were among the best in the league, including the play of true freshman Whitlock at nose tackle. Whitlock had 8.5 tackles for loss and two sacks on the season and was named a first-team Freshman All-American.

The unit continues this season to be one of the youngest in the Big 12, but one of the more productive. Overall, seven of the 11 starters in 2009 could be underclassmen.

McNeill's leadership as special teams coordinator until 2008 took the unit to a new level. Known as the "Little Engine that Could," current New England Patriot Wes Welker set NCAA records in career punt returns, punt return yards and punt returns for touchdowns.

Placekicker Alex Trlica set NCAA records for career PATs made without a miss (233) and is Tech's all-time scoring leader for a kicker (371), and ranks third on the all-time scoring list. Former punter Alex Reyes set a Tech career punt average record with 43.3 yards per punt in 2006, passing former Tech and Chicago Bear great Maury Buford.

A cause of a great deal of frustration for opposing punt return units, the Red Raider punting team allowed only 120 punt return yards on the season, a 222-yard improvement from 2005.

A charter member of Leach's initial coaching staff in 2000, McNeill began his career at Texas Tech as linebackers coach during the 2000-02 seasons, before taking over defensive tackles and special teams duties in 2003.

Under his tutelage, middle linebacker Lawrence Flugence rose to national prominence, setting an NCAA record with 193 tackles in 2002. A seventh-round NFL Draft pick in 2005, current Baltimore Ravens linebacker Mike Smith honed his skills under McNeill during his first two seasons, earning a starting nod midway through his freshman campaign. John Saldi also found success as he kicked off his career as the Defensive MVP of the Tangerine Bowl during his freshman season in 2002.

McNeill began his coaching career as a defensive coach at Lumberton (N.C.) High School from 1980-84, before taking his first collegiate position as a graduate assistant coaching linebackers at Clemson during the 1985-86 seasons. The Tigers won the Atlantic Coast Conference title in 1986 and advanced to the Gator Bowl, a year after appearing in the Independence Bowl.

Following one-year stints at Austin Peay State and North Alabama as linebackers coach, McNeill spent three seasons on the hill at Appalachian State, where the team won the Southern Conference title in 1991. In his first tour of duty at ASU, the school appeared in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs each season. He returned to the Boone, N.C., program after a year as defensive line coach at his alma mater, East Carolina, in 1992. As defensive coordinator at Appalachian State from 1993-96, the team won the 1995 Southern Conference title and competed in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs at the conclusion of the 1994-96 regular seasons.

McNeill tapped the professional ranks for experience, working as a summer intern with the Miami Dolphins in 1996. From there he went to UNLV in 1997 and 1998 as defensive coordinator in both seasons and assistant head coach in 1998.

A four-year letterwinner at East Carolina from 1976-80, McNeill was a three-year starter at defensive back and was the team captain for two seasons. He helped lead ECU to the Southern Conference Championship in 1976 and an Independence Bowl berth in 1978. He graduated from East Carolina in 1980 and received a master's degree in counseling from Clemson in 1987.

McNeill and his wife, Erlene, have two daughters, Olivia (19) and Renata (29). Olivia is a sophomore at Appalachian State.

McNeill's Background

COLLEGIATE COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
2007	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Interim Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Tackles
2003-06	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Special Teams Coordinator/Defensive Tackles
2000-02	Texas Tech, Assistant/Linebackers
1999	Fresno State/Defensive Line
1998	UNLV, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1997	UNLV, Assistant/Defensive Coordinator
1996	Miami Dolphins, Summer Internship
1993-96	Appalachian State/Defensive Coordinator
1992	East Carolina, Assistant/Defensive Line
1989-91	Appalachian State, Assistant/Linebackers
1988	North Alabama, Assistant/Linebackers
1987	Austin Peay State, Assistant/Linebackers
1985-86	Clemson, Graduate Assistant/Linebackers

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2005	Cotton Bowl
2004	Holiday Bowl
2003	Houston Bowl
2002	Tangerine Bowl
2001	Alamo Bowl
2000	Gallerymfurniture.com Bowl
1999	Las Vegas Bowl
1994-96	Division I-AA Playoffs
1989-91	Division I-AA Playoffs
1986	Gator Bowl
1985	Independence Bowl
1978	Independence Bowl (player)



▲ RUFFIN, ERLENE AND OLIVIA MCNEILL

SAFETIES Carlos Mainord

Sixth Season, McMurry (1966)

Despite entering his sixth year on the current coaching staff at Texas Tech, collegiate and professional coaching veteran Carlos Mainord begins his 15th season on the South Plains, dating back to 1968.



Mainord currently is in his fourth tour of duty at Texas Tech, a service he began as a graduate assistant 40 years ago and continued for two years in the early 1980s and six years in the late '80s and early '90s, before assuming his position on the current staff in 2004.

Texas Tech's pass defense has consistently been among the Big 12 Conference's best each of Mainord's last five seasons, including the league's top pass defense unit in 2006 and 2007.

Mainord's group in 2008 was arguably the most productive during his tenure at Texas Tech as safeties Darcel McBath and Daniel Charbonnet wreaked havoc on opposing quarterbacks with a combined 12 interceptions. Each posted three-INT games during the season and each made key picks, swinging games in Tech's favor. Each player received All-Big 12 Conference recognition and McBath was furthered honored by being selected in the second round of the 2009 NFL Draft by the Denver Broncos. McBath's selection was the highest for a Tech defensive back since 1987, when Roland Mitchell was taken in the second round by Buffalo.

The first five years back at Texas Tech reflected Mainord's experience and coaching style as he was responsible for the development and meteoric rise of All-American safety Dwayne Slay. Spending much of the 2004 season in a backup role, Slay matured quickly under Mainord's tutelage and developed into

one of the nation's most productive and fierce safeties the following season. Slay became an overnight sensation with his jaw-dropping hits and earned national honors as well as Big 12 Conference Defensive Player of the Year accolades.

In the same season, Vincent Meeks was lauded with all-conference honors after grabbing three interceptions and finishing his career as one of the top safeties in school history.

The Red Raider secondary has continually improved each of the last five seasons. The unit consistently ranks among the top 30 nationally.

Mainord's resume is extensive and his coaching stops are impressive. Before receiving the call from Texas Tech to join the current staff, Mainord was fresh off of 10 seasons as a secondary coach in the NFL. He began his professional career with the Chicago Bears in 1993 and worked with the franchise through 1998, moving on to the New Orleans Saints in 1999. Following a year in the Crescent City, Mainord was the secondary coach for the Carolina Panthers for two seasons and the St. Louis Rams for a year.

During his NFL tenure, Mainord coached Pro Bowl participants Aneaus Williams (Rams), Sammy Knight (Saints), Dre Bly (Rams), Mike Minter (Panthers) and Mark Carrier (Bears).

Prior to coaching in the NFL, Mainord spent 27 years as a coach in the collegiate ranks, including six years as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Texas Tech under Spike Dykes during the 1987-92 seasons. Former Texas Tech All-America Tracy Saul was one of Mainord's pupils and still holds the school record with 25 career interceptions. Saul picked eight each in the 1989 and 1991 seasons and finished his career among Tech's top 10 with 327 tackles.

Mainord spent the 1986 season on Jimmie Johnson's staff at Miami as the secondary coach, where he was instrumental in Bennie Blades garnering consensus All-America honors and leading the nation in interceptions.

Blades still holds Miami records with 19 career picks. Additionally, the Hurricanes faced Penn State in the Fiesta Bowl that season for the national championship.

Mainord began his coaching career at McMurry College in 1966 as linebackers coach, before moving on to Texas Tech in 1968 as a graduate assistant. A year later, he moved to Ranger Junior College as secondary coach and was named head coach in 1972. Mainord capped his six seasons at the school with 7-2-1 and 9-1 records, including a top 10 ranking. In 1978, he moved to Rice as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator, and returned to Texas Tech in 1984, leading the Red Raiders' NCAA-leading pass defense in 1984. The unit was second in 1985. Tech defensive back Carl Carter received honorable mention All-America honors in 1985.

Mainord was an All-American linebacker at McMurry College, after starting his collegiate playing career at Navarro Junior College. A native of Greenville, Texas, Mainord and his wife, Judy, have four sons: Matt, Mark, Tommy and Cody; and a daughter, Cari.

Mainord's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant/Safeties
2007	Texas Tech, Assistant/Safeties
2006	Texas Tech, Assistant/Safeties
2005	Texas Tech, Assistant/Safeties
2004	Texas Tech, Assistant/Safeties
2002	St. Louis Rams, Assistant/Secondary
2001	Carolina Panthers, Assistant/Secondary
2000	Carolina Panthers, Assistant/Secondary
1999	New Orleans Saints, Assistant/Secondary
1998	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1997	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1996	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1995	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1994	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1993	Chicago Bears, Assistant/Secondary/Linebackers
1992	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1991	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1990	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1989	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1988	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1987	Texas Tech, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Co.
1986	University of Miami, Assistant/Secondary
1985	Texas Tech, Assistant/Secondary
1984	Texas Tech, Assistant/Secondary
1983	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1982	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1981	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1980	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1979	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1978	Rice, Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator
1977	Ranger Junior College, Head Coach
1976	Ranger Junior College, Head Coach
1975	Ranger Junior College, Head Coach
1973	Ranger Junior College, Head Coach
1972	Ranger Junior College, Head Coach
1971	Ranger Junior College, Assistant/Secondary
1970	Ranger Junior College, Assistant/Secondary
1969	Ranger Junior College, Assistant/Secondary
1968	Texas Tech, Graduate Assistant
1967	McMurry/Linebackers
1966	McMurry/Linebackers

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2005	Cotton Bowl
2004	Holiday Bowl
1994	NFL Playoffs (Second Round)
1989	All-American Bowl
1986	Fiesta Bowl
1962	Hospitality Bowl (player)



▲ CARLOS AND JUDY MAINORD

RUNNING BACKS COACH

Clay McGuire Second Season, Texas Tech (2005)

A former player for Texas Tech, Clay McGuire enters his second season on the coaching staff and first as running backs coach, a position he lettered in for four years as a Red Raider.



McGuire began his coaching career last season as the special teams coordinator and moves to the backfield following the departure of Seth Littrell. He was the program's offensive graduate assistant in 2007, and the video intern in 2006.

The second-year coach inherits a backfield that returns one of the top backs in the Big 12 Conference – Baron Batch. As a sophomore, Batch averaged 6.7 yards per carry while splitting the role with former Red Raider Shannon Woods. The duo combined for 19 of the offense's 28 rushing scores, the second-most in school history and two shy of the record set in 1993. Batch contributed seven of the scores.

McGuire has a solid group in 2009, led by Batch and Aaron Crawford, who redshirted during his sophomore season last year. Redshirt freshman Harrison Jeffers had a tremendous spring practice and provides the backfield with three outstanding running back prospects.

McGuire assumed the special teams coordinator role early in 2007 on an interim basis, after Ruffin McNeill moved over to the defensive coordinator position before the fifth game.

He experienced an interesting first season as midway through Matt Williams joined the kicking unit after winning an in-game promotion during the

Massachusetts game. Williams perfectly hit a 30-yard field goal to win a year's free rent at a local apartment complex, but opted to join the Red Raiders when head coach Mike Leach summoned the Weatherford native after the kick and invited him to join the team.

Williams proved to be one of the bright spots in McGuire's first season, connecting on all 33 of his PAT attempts. He joined newcomer Donnie Carona as the team's two primary kickers.

In an offense that doesn't provide many punting opportunities, Jonathan LaCour made the most of each kick, dropping 11 of 25 inside the 20. The punting unit, behind LaCour's strong leg, allowed only 14 returns all season.

Eric Morris took over punt return duties and averaged 10.6 yards per return, while also scoring Tech's first TD on a punt return since the 2004 season. Morris recorded the fifth-longest return in school history when he eluded defenders on an 86-yard scoring return at Nevada.

The special teams units responded to McGuire immediately in 2007 as the punt team thwarted any attempt at return opportunities for the opposition. Tech opponents averaged a mere 6.7 yards per return and returned only 18 of 30 punts. The kickoff coverage unit was second in the Big 12 and Donnie Carona was among the top five nationally in touchbacks.

Place kicker Alex Trlica closed his career out under McGuire's watch in 2007, setting NCAA records in PATs made (233), PATs made without a miss and PATs attempted.

Danny Amendola, splitting punt return duties with Morris, had his best season fielding punts in 2007. The former Red Raider averaged 15.9 yards on 14 returns, including a 65-yard effort, which was the long of the season for Tech. Morris also performed well, averaging 9.2 yards, and helping lead Tech to an 11.6-yard average as a team.

McGuire appeared in 45 games at the H-Back position for the Red Raiders during the course of four seasons from 2000-04. A big, physical player, he was noted for his effectiveness as a blocker in Tech's offense, and also factored into the passing game, catching 32 passes for 320 yards and two touchdowns during his career.

He spent the 2006 season as an intern in the football program's video department, helping break down game and practice film for the coaching staff. As the offensive graduate assistant, his responsibilities included aligning and preparing each week's defensive scout team, working with both the offensive linemen and skill players, and helping the assistant coaches with weekly game plans.

McGuire is a native of Crane, Texas, where he lettered in both baseball and football at Crane High School. He and his wife, Jeri, have a daughter, Jorja, and two dogs, Gus and Roz.

McGuire's Background**COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2008	Texas Tech, Special Teams Coordinator
2007	Texas Tech, Graduate Assistant/Offense
2006	Texas Tech, Intern/Video Department

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2004	Holiday Bowl (player)
2003	Houston Bowl (player)
2002	Tangerine Bowl (player)
2001	Alamo Bowl (player)
2000	Galleryfurniture.com Bowl (player)



▲ JERI, CLAY AND JORJA MCGUIRE



CORNERBACKS **Brian Mitchell** Fourth Season, BYU (1994)

Longevity and commitment are two words that accurately describe fourth-year cornerbacks coach Brian Mitchell. Mike Leach lured Mitchell back to his home state of Texas in 2006 after Mitchell spent 11 seasons as the defensive backs coach at his alma mater, BYU.



The Waco native's approach to coaching reflects his calm and caring demeanor as Red Raider defenders quickly adapted to Mitchell and his defensive philosophy.

The Red Raiders have been solid at the corners each of the last three seasons under Mitchell. Jamar Wall led the corners with 62 tackles and two interceptions last season. His biggest pick was a game-saving INT in overtime against Nebraska on Tech's homecoming.

Wall, a preseason All-Big 12 Conference pick in 2009 and an all-conference selection in 2008, returns for his senior season.

The pass defense ranked best in the Big 12 Conference in 2006 and 2007, limiting opponents to 188.4 yards per game in 2007 – the only Big 12 program to hold opponents below 200 yards per game.

The Texas Tech defense didn't skip a beat during his first season in 2006 as Red Raider corners picked four of the team's 11 interceptions. Starters Antonio Huffman and Chris Parker snagged two each as the Red Raider pass defense ranked first in the Big 12 Conference. Parker, in his first season as a starter in the secondary, blossomed under Mitchell and posted 50 tackles and six pass breakups.

Following a brief career in the NFL, Mitchell returned to BYU and earned a degree in clinical social work in 1994, before landing a position as defensive backs coach the following year on legendary collegiate coach LaVell Edwards' staff.

Mitchell had an outstanding career in 11 seasons with the Cougars, helping guide the team to five bowl appearances and a high ranking of No. 5 at the conclusion of the 1996 season. The Cougars played in the Cotton Bowl that season, knocking off Kansas State, 19-15. Additionally, the 1994 (18th) and 2001 (24th) teams finished among the top 25.

In his second year with the program, BYU won back-to-back Western Athletic Conference championships, including 1996 when the team went 14-1.

Mitchell coached several outstanding players on the Cougar defense, including safety Aaron Francisco, who was a two-time first-team All-Mountain West Conference pick in 2003 and 2004. Francisco went on to play for the Arizona Cardinals. Brian Gray and Jenaro Gilford were all-conference performers in 1999 and 2001, respectively.

Mitchell's 2003 pass defense ranked eighth nationally, while the total defense was 14th. The 1999 total defense unit finished 21st.

Mitchell played at BYU from 1987-90 and was a seventh-round pick of the Atlanta Falcons in 1991. He spent three seasons in the NFL, splitting time with Atlanta and the Dallas Cowboys. The All-WAC cornerback played in four bowls while at BYU and ran the opening leg of BYU's All-American 400M relay team.

Mitchell still holds the BYU record for longest interception return, a 97-yard effort against New Mexico in 1989. His 13 career interceptions ranks in a fifth-place tie on the school lists, while his five picks in 1989 was a season high.

Mitchell and his wife, Carri, have two daughters, Mikenzi and Halie, and a son, Brian.

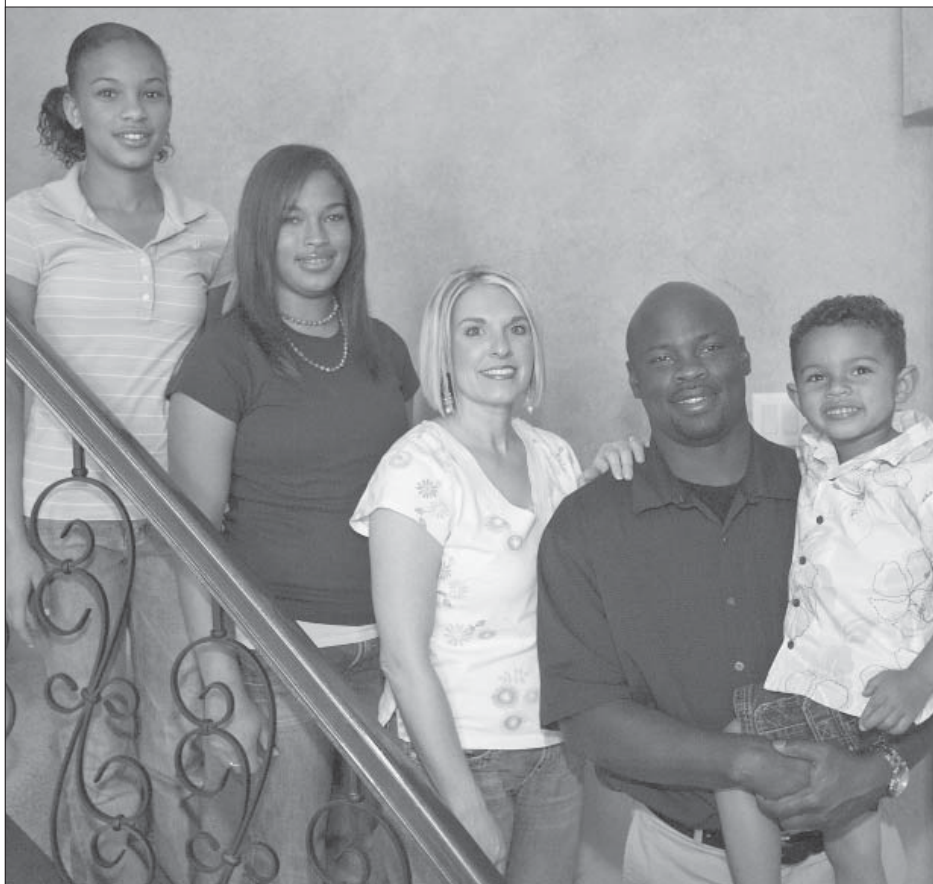
Mitchell's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2007	Texas Tech, Assistant/Cornerbacks
2006	Texas Tech, Assistant/Cornerbacks
2005	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
2004	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
2003	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
2002	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
2001	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
2000	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1999	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1998	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1997	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1996	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1995	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs
1994	BYU, Assistant/Defensive Backs

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2005	Las Vegas Bowl
2001	Liberty Bowl
1999	Motor City Bowl
1998	Liberty Bowl
1997	Cotton Bowl
1994	Copper Bowl
1990	Holiday Bowl (player)
1989	Holiday Bowl (player)
1988	Freedom Bowl (player)
1987	All-American Bowl (player)



▲ MIKENZI, HALIE, CARRI, BRIAN AND BRIAN MITCHELL



OFFENSIVE LINE **Matt Moore** Second Season, Valdosta State (1995)

Matt Moore enters his third season spearheading the coaching efforts for the Red Raiders' front five. Moore is no stranger to the Mike Leach offense and wide line splits as he has coached in the scheme on the high school level for several years and at Troy for a season before joining the Tech staff.



A better season couldn't have been scripted for Moore's offensive line in 2008 as three players earned All-America status, including Rylan Reed and Brandon Carter, who were named to the Walter Camp and AFCA first teams. Carter also was named to The Sporting News first team, while Louis Vasquez picked up AP third-

team honors. Each also was named to various Big 12 All-Conference teams.

The offensive line proved to be the catalyst of the offensive unit last year, allowing a single sack per every 54 pass attempts, a number that led the nation. Additionally, the group paved the way for 28 rushing touchdowns, the second-most in school history and the most since the 1993 team tallied 30.

The Red Raiders picked up another NCAA passing title as Graham Harrell led an offense that accumulated 413.2 yards per game through the air. Harrell went

on to win the Unitas Award and was fourth in Heisman voting at season's end.

Of the three All-Americans, Carter returns for his senior season and is joined by another impressive group of linemen, including returning starter at tackle Marlon Winn. Shawn Byrnes, who started at center in 2007, returns as the starter, while Chris Olson, Mickey Okafor and Terry McDaniel jockey for the remaining two positions on the line.

Moore's unit turned in a successful season in 2007, allowing a slim 18 sacks in 763 pass attempts. The ratio of one sack per every 44 pass attempts led the country. Additionally, Vasquez and Reed showed discipline and poise as both were flagged only once each for holding calls. The duo also allowed only three sacks on the season.

Behind the protection of the offensive line, Texas Tech won its fifth NCAA passing title in the Mike Leach era and first since the 2005 season. The Red Raiders averaged 470.3 yards per game through the air, and quarterback Graham Harrell led the nation in passing and won the Sammy Baugh Award as the country's top quarterback.

Moore came to Tech with one year of collegiate coaching experience at Troy, where he helped lead the Trojans to an 8-5 season in 2006, including a New Orleans Bowl Championship over Rice.

Moore's stint on the collegiate level was preceded by successful runs as a coach at the high school level in Georgia and Alabama, where he quickly established himself as a top prep coach. During six seasons as

offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Hoover (Ala.) High School, Moore helped lead the Buccaneers to three consecutive Class 6A titles and a 77-7 record.

He began his coaching career at Pickens (Ga.) High School in 1996 and continued at Hoover High School after two seasons. Moore served as head coach at North Gwinnett (Ga.) High School, before joining the staff at Troy.

A native of Canton, Ga., Moore played at Valdosta (Ga.) State, where Leach was the offensive coordinator. He started 34 games during the 1991-94 seasons at left guard and was a first-team All-Gulf South Conference selection as a senior.

Moore received his bachelor's degree from VSU in health and physical education. He and his wife, Kelly, have three daughters – Tanner, Reece and Sutton.

Moore's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant/Offensive Line
2007	Texas Tech, Assistant/Offensive Line
2006	Troy, Assistant/Offensive Line

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	New Orleans Bowl



▲ KELLY, MATT, SUTTON, TANNER AND REECE MOORE

INSIDE RECEIVERS **Lincoln Riley** Third Season, Texas Tech (2006)

If the first two seasons are any indication, the future looks bright for third-year assistant Lincoln Riley. He was in charge of the development of wide receiver Michael Crabtree during his record-breaking season in 2007. Under Riley's watch, the freshman became the first underclassman to win the prestigious Biletnikoff Award.



Riley enjoyed the fruits of his labor as the wide receivers coach, but made the transition to inside receivers last season.

Riley took his talents to the inside receiving group which accounted for 135 receptions and 12 touchdowns. Eric Morris led the charge with 74 receptions and nine touchdowns. The elusive receiver managed 59.3 yards per game.

The inside receivers unit returns Tramain Swindall and Adam James, who accounted for 46 and 15 receptions, respectively, while Swindall also scored twice. Redshirt freshman Cornelius Douglas and walk-on talent Blake Kelley will join the mix in 2009, giving Riley a diverse unit with size and speed. Receiver Detron Lewis, the second-leading receiver each of the last two seasons, grabbed 76 receptions for 913 yards and three touchdowns a year ago, while Crabtree amassed 97 catches for 1,165 yards and 19 TDs on his way to a second Biletnikoff Award.

As a redshirt freshman in 2007, Crabtree amassed 134 receptions, 1,962 yards (98 shy of the NCAA record)

and 22 touchdowns under Riley's watch. All three were NCAA freshman records, while the 22 scores tied the most in school history for a single season. Additionally, former Red Raider Danny Amendola provided Tech with a second 100-reception player as the senior grabbed 109 catches for 1,245 yards and six touchdowns. The duo was the first since Jarrett Hicks and Trey Haverty in 2004 to eclipse the 1,000-yard mark. Riley also oversaw the emergence of Ed Britton, who caught 48 passes for 631 yards and four touchdowns.

No stranger to the program, Riley spent several seasons working in different capacities with the Red and Black, before coming aboard as an assistant.

Riley made the trek to Texas Tech from Muleshoe, Texas, in 2002 as a walk-on quarterback. After a year leading the scout team, Riley switched hats and became a student coach, assisting head coach Mike Leach on the offensive side of the ball. He served in that capacity for three seasons while completing his degree, before assuming offensive graduate assistant duties in 2006.

During his four seasons as a student and graduate assistant, Riley had the opportunity to work with some of college football's finest quarterbacks, including single-season NCAA record-setter B.J. Symons in 2003, current Arena League star Sonny Cumbie and Tech's first Cotton Bowl quarterback in 10 seasons, Cody Hodges. In 2006 he saw the emergence of Graham Harrell as one of the top quarterbacks in the country.

Riley has been a part of five bowl game appearances and four bowl victories during his time with Texas Tech. Additionally, the offense has been very productive during Riley's years assisting the explosive system. The quarterbacks won NCAA passing titles in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2007.

Riley earned a degree in exercise and sport sciences from Texas Tech in May 2006 and is currently pursuing a master's in interdisciplinary studies. He prepped at Muleshoe High School, where he was an all-region quarterback for the Mules during the 2000-01 seasons.

Riley and his wife, Caitlin, were married in July 2007.

Riley's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant/Inside Receivers
2007	Texas Tech, Assistant/Wide Receivers
2006	Texas Tech, Graduate Assistant/Offense

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2005	Cotton Bowl (student assistant)
2004	Holiday Bowl (student assistant)
2003	Houston Bowl (student assistant)
2002	Tangerine Bowl



▲ LINCOLN AND CAITLIN RILEY

SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR

Eric Russell First Season, Idaho (1991)

Mike Leach always preaches playing well on "all three sides of the ball," and the 10th year head coach showed his commitment to that phrase with the hiring of one of the top special teams coaches in the country in Eric Russell. The 41-year-old Idaho native comes to the South Plains after spending a highly successful two seasons in the same position at Louisiana Tech.



During his two years in Ruston, La., Russell revamped the Bulldog special teams into one of the nation's leading units. In 2008, Louisiana Tech ranked eighth nationally in kickoff return defense, allowing only 18.1 yards per return, while the punt return defense ranked among the top 25, holding opponents to a mere 6.0 yards per return. All-conference punt return man Phillip Livas ranked seventh nationally with 15.3 yards per return and scored twice and averaged 25.8 yards per kickoff return, while also scoring once. Additionally, the punt return unit blocked five punts.

Upon his arrival in 2007, Russell helped make the Bulldogs one of the top overall return teams in the country. Louisiana Tech ranked No. 8 in punt return average and No. 26 in kickoff returns. Philip Beck ranked fourth in the country individually in punt return average.

Russell helped punter Chris Keagle average 41.3 yards a punt and earn first team All-WAC honors. Keagle and the punt coverage unit ranked No. 27 in the nation in net punting and tops in the WAC.

The Bulldogs also developed quite a reputation for blocking kicks as freshman Dominique Faust blocked

three field goals and one punt while as a team Louisiana Tech blocked a total of five kicks.

Russell spent 13 seasons at North Texas, including five as the special teams coordinator, where he led some of the nation's top special teams units. During his tenure at North Texas, Russell helped lead the program to four-straight Sun Belt Conference titles and four-consecutive appearances in the New Orleans Bowl from 2001 through 2004.

His Mean Green special teams units annually were ranked among the best in the Sun Belt Conference in punt returns, kickoff coverage and field goal percentage. North Texas ranked No. 1 in the Sun Belt in net punting in 2002 and 2003 and No. 1 in kick returns in 2002.

The Mean Green ranked No. 1 in the country in punt return defense and No. 3 in kick return defense in 2003, and No. 5 in kick return defense in 2005. During his time as special teams coordinator, North Texas blocked 14 punts, including seven during the 2003 season.

Russell helped develop two of the top kickers in the program's history in Jason Ball, who set the school record for consecutive field goals made, and Nick Bazaldua, who became the school's all-time scoring leader.

In addition to his special teams duties, Russell served as the defensive tackles coach from 1994 through 2000 before taking over the North Texas defensive ends starting in 2001 and outside linebackers in 2006.

Russell coached 15 all-conference selections during his time at North Texas, including Adrian Awasom, who developed into a Lombardi and Hendricks Award candidate and who finished his career as the Sun Belt Conferences all-time sack leader.

Prior to joining the North Texas staff in 1994, Russell served as a graduate assistant at New Mexico in 1993 and at Idaho in 1991.

An all-state quarterback at St. Marie's High School, Russell was named the Idaho Offensive Player of the Year

as a senior before earning all-conference honors at Spokane (Wash.) Falls Community College in 1986-87.

He earned his bachelor's degree in public relations from Idaho in 1991. Russell is married to the former Shannon Cook of Tyler, Texas, and the couple has a three-year-old son, Hayden.

Russell's Background**COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE**

2008	Louisiana Tech, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2007	Louisiana Tech, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2006	North Texas, Assistant/Special Teams/OLB
2005	North Texas, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2004	North Texas, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2003	North Texas, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2002	North Texas, Assistant/Special Teams Co.
2001	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2000	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1999	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1998	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1997	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1996	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1995	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1994	North Texas, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1993	New Mexico, Graduate Assistant
1991	Idaho, Graduate Assistant

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Independence Bowl
2004	New Orleans Bowl
2003	New Orleans Bowl
2002	New Orleans Bowl
2001	New Orleans Bowl



▲ SHANNON, HAYDEN AND ERIC RUSSELL



DEFENSIVE ENDS **Charlie Sadler** Seventh Season, Northeastern State (1971)

Charlie Sadler's collegiate resume is impressive with a national championship and several conference titles notched in his belt. The seventh-year Red Raider assistant, who also has a Division I head coaching background, has taken his knowledge and experience by the reins and been a valuable teacher in a Texas Tech defense that continually improves each season.



Since joining the defensive staff in 2003, the unit has produced 147 turnovers, 24 of which were forced fumbles by his defensive ends. The rush defense posted its best season three years ago, allowing the fewest yards per game since the 1999 season and the overall defense has improved from a one-time national ranking of 117th in 2003 to consistently finishing among the top half of the Big 12 Conference the last four seasons.

Sadler's troops were among the best in the Big 12 each of the last two seasons as defensive end Brandon Williams had a breakout season in 2007 and followed with another in 2008. The fourth-round pick of the Dallas Cowboys was among the more dominating ends in the conference, leading the Red Raiders with 15.5 tackles for loss and a conference-leading 13 sacks.

Additionally, McKinney Dixon accounted for 11 tackles for loss and nine sacks, leading a defensive front that helped Tech average 2.6 sacks per game, which ranked fourth in the conference.

The contributions of the unit also aided in Tech limiting opponents to the fourth-lowest scoring average in the Big 12.

Among Sadler's pupils during his tenure at Texas Tech, Keyunta Dawson completed his eligibility in 2006 as one of the most prolific defensive ends in school history. Dawson began his career under Sadler's tutelage and prospered during a decorated four years. The All-Big 12 Conference performer led the Red Raiders with a personal-best nine and a half tackles for loss last season and finished his career ranked fourth with 19.5 sacks. He also recorded five forced fumbles during his career, tying former Tech All-American Aaron Hunt in second place at the position. Dawson enjoyed his first season with the Indianapolis Colts in 2007, making an immediate impact.

Sadler has seen the emergence of other players making their mark on the position, including senior Jake Ratliff, who in his sophomore season and first as a starter, was dominant at the end position after moving from defensive tackle the previous year.

Other players who have benefited from Sadler's leadership include Adell Duckett, who set the single-season sacks record with 14 in Sadler's first season.

Former University of Oklahoma head coach Barry Switzer offered Sadler his first collegiate coaching position as an assistant offensive line coach in 1978, following six years in the high school ranks. Sadler moved within the Big Eight Conference the following season to Iowa State, where he was the defensive line coach for Donnie Duncan. Sadler coached in Ames for four seasons, before spending the 1983 season at Missouri.

Sadler moved back to Norman in 1984 and helped lead the Sooners to the national championship in 1985 and a total of four Orange Bowl appearances. Oklahoma All-American and Lombardi Award winner Tony Casillas played two seasons under Sadler and went on to become the second overall pick in the 1986 NFL Draft by the Atlanta Falcons.

Oklahoma led the nation in total defense from 1985-87 and smothered opposing offenses in 1986, allowing an NCAA-best 60.7 yards per game on the ground. Additionally, the pass defense ranked first from 1985-87, while the scoring defense led the nation in 1986 (6.6) and 1987 (7.5).

Sadler spent his last two seasons at OU as the defensive coordinator under Gary Gibbs, before heading north to take the reins of the Northern Illinois program as head coach. While in DeKalb, he coached the nation's leading rusher, LeShon Johnson, in 1993. Johnson was the NCAA leader in all-purpose and rushing yards that season and was a third-round draft pick of the Green Bay Packers.

Sadler, a native of Carrollton, Texas, joined the Texas Tech coaching staff after three years in the high school ranks at two Austin (Texas) area schools - Akins and Lake Travis high schools. He was the defensive coordinator at AHS and head coach and department chair for health and physical education at LTHS.

Sadler began his coaching career at R.L. Turner High School in Carrollton, where he also lettered, in 1972 and spent four seasons as an assistant coach, before assuming defensive coordinator duties at Lamar Consolidated High School in Roseburg, Texas, during the 1975-77 seasons.

An all-state linebacker at RLTHS, Sadler helped lead the program to the state semifinals in 1966. He played freshman football at Oklahoma under head coach Chuck

Fairbanks in 1967, before lettering for two seasons at Northeastern State University in Tahlequah, Okla.

Sadler earned his bachelor's degree in education from NSU in 1971 and received a master's degree in education from Arkansas in 1972. He and his wife, Carla, reside in Lubbock. He also has a daughter, Dustin Kate.

Sadler's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2007	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2006	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2005	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2004	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
2003	Texas Tech, Assistant/Defensive Ends
1995	Northern Illinois, Head Coach
1994	Northern Illinois, Head Coach
1993	Northern Illinois, Head Coach
1992	Northern Illinois, Head Coach
1991	Northern Illinois, Head Coach
1990	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Coordinator
1989	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Coordinator
1988	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Line
1987	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Line
1986	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Line
1985	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Line
1984	Oklahoma, Assistant/Defensive Line
1983	Missouri, Assistant/Linebackers
1982	Iowa State, Assistant/Defensive Line
1981	Iowa State, Assistant/Defensive Line
1980	Iowa State, Assistant/Defensive Line
1979	Iowa State, Assistant/Defensive Line
1978	Oklahoma, Assistant/Offensive Line

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
2007	Gator Bowl
2006	Insight Bowl
2005	Cotton Bowl
2004	Holiday Bowl
2003	Houston Bowl
1989	Citrus Bowl
1988	Orange Bowl
1987	Orange Bowl
1986	Orange Bowl (National Champions)
1985	Orange Bowl
1983	Holiday Bowl
1977	Orange Bowl



▲ CHARLIE AND CARLA SADLER

WIDE RECEIVERS **Dennis Simmons** 10th Season, BYU (1996)

Another charter member of Mike Leach's staff, Dennis Simmons enters his 10th year at Texas Tech and second on the coaching staff. Simmons was appointed to the wide receivers coaching position prior to the 2008 campaign and was Leach's chief of staff from 2005-07.



Simmons stepped into a vital role on the offensive side and inherited the nation's leading receiver and Biletnikoff Award winner Michael Crabtree.

Crabtree repeated as Biletnikoff winner under Simmons' watch and was named a unanimous consensus All-American for the second straight season.

Crabtree, only a redshirt sophomore in 2008, was drafted No. 10 overall in the 2009 NFL Draft by the San Francisco 49ers.

Simmons' group, led by Crabtree's 97 receptions, 1,165 yards and 19 touchdowns, accounted for 31 of the team's 47 receiving touchdowns. The 31 scores by the wide receivers alone were more than 107 Division I teams' total receiving touchdowns a year ago.

Simmons returns a talented group in 2009, led by Lyle Leong, a young talented receiver who caught

18 passes for 206 yards and three touchdowns. Edward Britton also is back for his senior season. The speedy receiver scored six times last season on 35 receptions.

A former three-year starter at Brigham Young University, Simmons had been the assistant athletics director/quality control for the football program.

Previously, Simmons' responsibilities included scheduling and coordinating recruiting visits and coordinating the Texas Tech Football Camps. He also handled player personnel issues and ran the Texas Tech Football Outreach Program and community service initiatives. Simmons is still the staff huddle leader for the FCA chapter and served as the academic liaison.

Additionally, Simmons was involved on campus with President's Select, the Saddle Tramps, Goin' Band from Raiderland and spirit squads when it pertains to recruiting and also served on the Student-Athlete Opportunity Fund Board.

Simmons came to Texas Tech from Cornell University, where he coached the running backs and was assistant athletics director and chief of staff. Prior to Cornell, he served as an assistant coach at his alma mater, BYU, in 1997, working with the offensive line and special teams.

Simmons graduated from BYU in December 1996 with a bachelor of arts degree in broadcast communications. Twice named to the dean's list, Simmons earned four letters and was a three-year starter at outside linebacker. He helped the Cougars win four straight Western Athletic Conference titles and played in four bowl games,

including the Cotton Bowl, Copper Bowl, Holiday Bowl and Aloha Bowl.

A native of Memphis, Tenn., Simmons earned his master's degree in educational leadership in August 1999 from BYU. He served as an NFL Minority Fellowship intern with the Buffalo Bills during the summer of 1999. Simmons and his wife, Kristy, live in Lubbock. They are the proud parents of a baby girl, Kendyll, born in July 14, 2009.

Simmon's Background

COLLEGIATE/PRO COACHING EXPERIENCE

2008	Texas Tech, Assistant/Wide Receivers
1999	Cornell, Assistant/Running Backs
1999	Buffalo Bills, Summer Intern
1997	BYU, Assistant/Offensive Line/Special Teams

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE

2008	Cotton Bowl
1996	Aloha Bowl
1995	Holiday Bowl
1994	Copper Bowl
1993	Cotton Bowl



▲ DENNIS AND KRISTY SIMMONS

Tommy McVay

DIRECTOR OF FOOTBALL OPERATIONS

Tommy McVay is in his 13th year as Texas Tech's director of football operations. Named to his current post in September 1997, he oversees many of the administrative duties for Red Raider football.

McVay is a 1967 graduate of Southeastern Oklahoma State University and also received his master's degree from the school a year later. He began his career as head basketball coach and assistant football coach in Wynoka, Okla., from 1968-70. He spent 13 years as athletic director and head football coach on the high school level in Kansas before moving to the collegiate level as an assistant coach at Kansas State.



McVay compiled a 100-36-2 record in 13 years as a high school head football coach. His football and track teams at Protection (Kan.) High School captured state runner-up honors in 1972. His football team at Derby (Kan.) High School also finished as state runner-up in 1975. He is a past president of the Kansas Coaches Association and was selected to coach in the Kansas East-West Shrine Game.

McVay was a three-year basketball letterman at Southeastern Oklahoma and also was a three-time conference champion in the 440-yard run. McVay finished among the top 16 at the NAIA national championships in 1967.

McVay and his wife, Chele, have two daughters, Kelly and Heather, and four grandchildren.



David Emerick

CHIEF OF STAFF/ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

David Emerick enters his sixth season as a member of the Red Raider Football support staff and second as Chief of Staff/Assistant Athletics Director. He served as unit coordinator during his first season and Director of Player Personnel his next three seasons.



Among Emerick's responsibilities are overseeing the entire recruiting process for the football program and assisting in the organization and execution of the Mike Leach Football Camps. Additionally, Emerick serves as the liaison between the football program and the Texas Tech Athletic Department; more specifically, academics, compliance, media relations and marketing.

Emerick, a 2002 political science graduate of the University of Kentucky, was a college scouting intern with the Houston Texans during the franchise's first season in 2002. Prior to his stint with the Texans, Emerick was the recruiting and football operations intern at Kentucky while in school during the 1997-2001 seasons, which saw the Wildcats advance to the 1998 Outback Bowl and 1999 Music City Bowl. Among the coaches on the UK football

staff during Emerick's five seasons were current Red Raider head coach Mike Leach and former Red Raider wide receivers coach Sonny Dykes.

Emerick is a graduate of Catholic Memorial High School in his hometown of Waukesha, Wis., and lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He received his master's in interdisciplinary studies with an emphasis in sport management in May of 2007 from Texas Tech.



Duane Price

DEFENSIVE GRADUATE ASSISTANT

First Season
Texas Tech (1997)



Duane Price returns to the South Plains for the first time since his playing days during the 1994-97 seasons. The former Red Raider enters his first season as the defensive graduate assistant.

Price's responsibilities include assisting with coaching the defensive line, breaking down game film, preparing the scout team for weekly drills and assisting the defensive coaching staff on game days and during practice.

Price comes to Texas Tech after a year on the Tulane University coaching staff. During his brief stay in the Crescent City, Price was a graduate assistant coach on the Green Wave staff. Prior to his appointment at Tulane, he spent six seasons as an assistant football

coach at A&M Consolidated High School in College Station, Texas, where he helped lead the team to a pair of state quarterfinal campaigns in 2002 and 2005.

Price was a four-year letterwinner at Texas Tech in both football and baseball (1995-98). On the gridiron, Price starred as a defensive back on three bowl teams, and helped Tech to a Southwest Conference title in 1994. Price played centerfield for the Red Raiders and was a 20th round selection of the Cincinnati Reds.

A native of College Station, Price received his bachelor's of science degree in exercise and sport science from Tech in 1999, and earned his master's degree in interdisciplinary studies in 2003. He and his wife, Becca, have one son, Chilton (6).

Sonny Cumbie

OFFENSIVE GRADUATE ASSISTANT

First Season
Texas Tech (2004)



Sonny Cumbie's association with Texas Tech began in 2000, when he walked on to the program as a quarterback in Mike Leach's first season. His journey comes full circle this year as Cumbie assumes graduate assistant duties on the offense.

No stranger to coaching, Cumbie spent the spring as the head coach of the Arena2 team in San Angelo, where he also was the quarterback. Cumbie spent three seasons with the Los Angeles Avengers as the starting quarterback prior to the cancellation of this year's season.

During his career at Texas Tech, Cumbie waited

patiently to run the Tech offense and directed the Red Raiders to an 8-4 season in 2004 and Holiday Bowl Championship over No. 4 California. For his efforts, he was named offensive MVP. Cumbie threw for 4,472 yards that season, fifth-best in school history.

As the offensive graduate assistant, Cumbie's responsibilities will include aligning and preparing each week's defensive scout team, working with the offensive linemen and assisting with weekly game plans.

A native of Snyder, Texas, Cumbie and his wife Tamra reside in Lubbock.



Mark Chisum

DIRECTOR OF SPORTS MEDICINE FOR FOOTBALL

Mark Chisum, who handles many of the sports medicine duties for football, is in his 14th year on the athletic training staff at Texas Tech.

From 1991 until 1996, Chisum was the head athletic trainer at South Plains College.

Chisum is a 1982 graduate of the University of Southwestern Louisiana. He completed his master's degree in physical education at Sul Ross State in 1995.

A native of Brownfield, Texas, Chisum has a varied background in athletic training. He worked in the NFL for the Houston Oilers from 1985-87 as an assistant trainer.

Chisum also has considerable track and field training experience. In 1993, he worked with the U.S. National Junior squad and the NCAA Division II Championships and has annually worked with the NJCAA Track and Field Championships since 1984. In 1996, Chisum served as an athletic trainer at the ARCO Olympic Training Center. He also is a member of the Texas State Athletic Trainers Association (TSATA).

He has been involved as an associate athletic trainer with the Justin Sports Medicine Program, which covers professional rodeo and bull riding events.

Chisum is a member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the Southwest Athletic Trainers Association.

He and his wife, Diane, reside in Lubbock with their two basset hounds, Bess and Elvis, and two cats, Punkin and Miss Kitty.



David Hougland

DIRECTOR OF SPORTS BROADCASTING

David Hougland, who serves as the Director of Sports Broadcasting, is in his 16th year with the Red Raiders. He and his staff coordinate the video needs for all 17 of Tech's intercollegiate sports, while also producing Red Raider Sports with Mike Leach, The Pat Knight Show, and Red Raider Sports with Dan Spencer. Additionally, Hougland oversees the video content on the athletic department web site, the webcasting of Tech sporting events, production of three video screens and the Texas Tech Television Network.

Under Hougland's guidance, Texas Tech became the only university in the Big 12 Conference with the capabilities to run three video boards from one remote location. Hougland designed and oversaw the installation of the fiber optic network and state-of-the-art control room that allows him to run video screens located in Jones AT&T Stadium, the United Spirit Arena and Dan Law Field. With these capabilities, he creates the game-day productions for football, baseball, men's and women's basketball and volleyball. During basketball and baseball seasons, Hougland supervises the production of games for the TTTN.

He and his staff work closely with Red Raider football throughout the year, filming practices, shooting home and away games, and producing various video packages utilized by the staff for scouting and game preparation.

The Houston native served as a video student assistant at Texas Tech before graduating in 1993. Hougland and his wife, Michelle, have two sons, Spencer and Landon. Hougland's daughter, Ashley, also is a graduate of Texas Tech.



Antonio Huffman

DIRECTOR OF PLAYER PERSONNEL/
FOOTBALL TRAINING FACILITY

Former Red Raider Antonio Huffman returns for his second season as director of player personnel. Huffman was a defensive back for Texas Tech during the 2003-06 seasons.

Huffman works closely with the players in all areas of their lives, including public relations, academics, housing and compliance. He also has recruiting responsibilities and conducts tours of the campus, city and Texas Tech facilities on a regular basis to official and unofficial

visitors.

Added to his responsibilities this year is the oversight of the Football Training Facility (FTF). Huffman oversees both the presentation of the building as well as the maintenance of aesthetics, which make the FTF one of the premier training facilities in the country.

Huffman finished his career in 2006 with 189 tackles, four interceptions and 25 pass breakups. In the final game of his career at the 2006 Insight Bowl, he was named Defensive MVP after a game-changing INT helped lead Tech to the win.

He and his wife, Shelley, have a son, Aeson Deon, who was born in February of 2009.



Zane Perry

HEAD FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Zane Perry enters his second season as head football equipment manager. He was promoted midway through the 2007 season after holding the responsibilities of assistant equipment manager. Perry is responsible for the equipment of all football players and making sure each player is properly equipped.

Perry's other responsibilities include issuing all protective and workout gear, preparation of team uniforms, ordering of all team gear including helmets, shoulder pads and other equipment such as the Under

Armour apparel, overseeing the issue of practice and game clothing for coaches, full-time staff and student staff and making sure the equipment is loaded in advance of away games and bowl games. Perry has one assistant and 10-15 student managers. He also charts plays for the offense during practice and games.

A Lubbock native, Perry joined the full-time equipment staff after graduating from Texas Tech with a degree in exercise sport sciences in 2005. During his tenure as a student equipment manager, Perry served as an NFL intern for two summer camps for the Carolina Panthers equipment staff. After graduation from Monterey High School in 1999, he received a scholarship to join the student equipment staff.

He and his wife, Erica, reside in Lubbock.





Steve Pincock

HEAD FOOTBALL ATHLETIC TRAINER

Steve Pincock is in his eighth season with the Red Raider football program. Pincock came to Tech from BYU, where he was the head men's basketball, head baseball and assistant football athletic trainer for nine years.

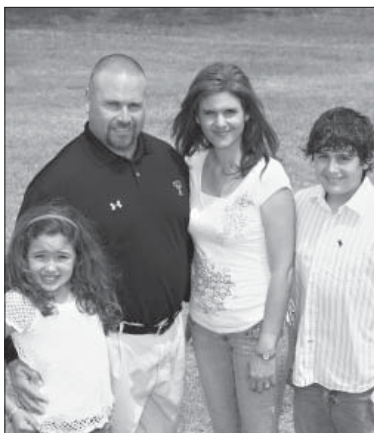
Pincock is a certified athletic trainer with the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA), a certified strength and conditioning specialist with the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA) and a licensed athletic trainer with the state of Texas.

Pincock was the head athletic trainer and strength coach

at Snow College (Ephraim, Utah) for three years before returning to BYU in 1993. Following graduation from Ricks College (Rexburg, Idaho), Pincock earned a degree from BYU in 1990, where he was a three-time All-American power lifter.

Additional experience includes an internship in the NFL with the New York Giants in 1989 and the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta as a baseball athletic trainer. Pincock was the 2006 national powerlifting champion and American record holder. His hobbies include water and snow sports.

He and his wife, Cecilia, have a son Caleb (15) and a daughter Marisa (10).



Patty Ross

ASSISTANT TO MIKE LEACH/
DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

Few, if any people, know as much about Red Raider football as Patty Ross does. After graduating from Western Texas College, Ross attended Texas Tech, where she has served the athletic department for the past 34 years.

By coordinating the many speaking engagements, charity outings, media interviews and the other demands surrounding Texas Tech football and a high-profile head coach, Ross keeps close tabs on head coach Mike Leach's schedule as well as overseeing many administrative duties for Red Raider Football. As Director of Financial Operations, she oversees all financial transactions for the football office, weight room, football training facility and the program. She also handles all accounting of camps, clinics and banquets.

Ross began her association with Texas Tech football during the Steve Sloan era. She has worked for six head coaches – Steve Sloan, Rex Dockery, Jerry Moore, David McWilliams, Spike Dykes and Mike Leach.

She and her husband, Jay, have three children, Ben, Haleigh and Heath, and a granddaughter, Rylin (5).



Bennie Wylie

HEAD STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH

Bennie Wylie is in his fifth season at Texas Tech and second as the athletics department's head strength and conditioning coach.

Wylie's presence has been felt from the beginning and he has quickly established himself as one of the top strength coaches in the country. His training methods and dedication to the student-athletes has garnered national attention and has helped him earn the respect of those who work with him.

Prior to his appointment at Texas Tech, Wylie was an assistant strength and conditioning coach with the Dallas Cowboys for four seasons. He worked under Head Strength and Conditioning Coach Joe Juraszek (former head strength and conditioning for Texas Tech) and head rehab trainer Britt Brown helping implement rehabilitation for injured players.

In addition to working with the Cowboys, Wylie also spent the 2002 spring season heading the strength and conditioning program for the Dallas Desperados arena football team, a property of the Dallas Cowboys.

Wylie and his wife, Jennifer, are the proud parents of twin boys, Braden and Caden (3).



Mark Umstot Photography



Jennie Bailey

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

The 2008 season will mark Jennie Bailey's 23rd working with Texas Tech football.

She handles the many duties that go with helping nine assistant coaches, two graduate assistants, several student aides, managers, trainers and, of course, more than 100 football players.

Bailey is the right arm to all of the assistant coaches in preparing scouting reports, depth charts and daily practice plans. The recruiting duties keep her busy year round. Bailey maintains lengthy mailing lists and data bases, spends countless hours preparing for official visits and works closely with David Emerick in his duties.

She and her husband, Randy, have a son, Geoff.



Andrew Gamel

VIDEO COORDINATOR

Andrew Gamel rejoined the Texas Tech Sports Broadcasting staff in April of 2008. His duties include editing all of the in-house coaches' shows, including "Red Raider Football with Mike Leach" and serving as the lead editor for all of the athletic commercial production and video board elements used throughout the year. Gamel also assists in the Texas Tech Television Network's broadcasting of men's and women's basketball games and Red Raider baseball games that are televised.

A native of Lubbock, Gamel served as a student assistant in the sports broadcasting department for three years before joining the staff full time in 2005. He started in television production as a freshman at Lubbock High School. For four years he worked with LISD TV in all aspects of production, serving as a producer and director for the educational access station.

Gamel graduated from Texas Tech with a degree in general studies in May 2004.

Gamel is also responsible for the "Red Raider Basketball with Pat Knight" show and the "Red Raider Baseball with Dan Spencer."

Gamel and his wife Rachel were married in November 2008 and have one dog, Sassy.



Kameron Harless
ASSISTANT FOOTBALL EQUIPMENT
MANAGER

Kameron Harless enters his first season as assistant football equipment manager. Harless is responsible for assisting Zane Perry with the issuing of equipment, maintenance and proper fitting.

Harless also is responsible for the assistance of the issuing of all protective and workout apparel, preparation of team uniforms and practice and game clothing for all coaches, full-time staff and student support staffs. Harless also will assist with the ordering of Under Armour apparel, and ensuring the equipment is packed for home and away games. He will help oversee the student manager program and field and locker room set up for home and away games.

Harless is an Abilene, Texas, native and graduate of Cooper High School. He completed his undergraduate degree in exercise sport and sciences from Texas Tech in May 2009 and is currently pursuing a master's degree in interdisciplinary studies with an emphasis in athletic administration.

While in school at Tech, Harless was a four-year member of the student equipment staff for football and a graduate assistant in the spring 2009 semester. He also worked as an intern for the San Diego Chargers during the 2008 summer.



Kirk Heard
VIDEO COORDINATOR

Kirk Heard, Producer of "Red Raider Football with Mike Leach," is in his 10th year with Texas Tech. He also produces the weekly television shows for Red Raider basketball and baseball. Among his duties for Texas Tech football

is the production of a season long retrospective video used for recruiting. In addition, he produces highlight videos for special events, commercials for the marketing department and elements for the RaiderVision video board. He also assists other Texas Tech sports in their video production needs and works with the major TV networks to fulfill their various requests.

He wrote and directed the You Choose 2008 political parody spots for the Graham Harrell and Michael Crabtree Heisman Campaign efforts of the Texas Tech Media Relations Department. They received a Telly Award as a 2009 Online Video Bronze Winner in the Campaign-Promotional/Branding category.

A native of West Texas, Heard graduated from Texas Tech in 1999 with a degree in political science. As a student, he won several awards for writing and commercial production. After graduation Kirk worked as a Creative Services Director for KLBK & KAMC before joining the Tech staff in 2000. He resides in Lubbock with Carolina, the blue-eyed wonder mutt.



Jeff Jones
MANAGER, FOOTBALL TRAINING
FACILITY

Jeff Jones is in his second season as head manager for the Football Training Facility. He handles a variety of duties in football complex, including

the oversight of the work on the FTF and the grass practice fields. He is responsible for making repairs and

ordering supplies to keep the building running. Jones also helps with communications for the coaches on game day.

Jones started in 1996 as a student manager for the program and later began working with the baseball team. He became an assistant after receiving a degree in exercise sport and sciences at Tech in 2003. He is a graduate of New Deal High School and lives in Lubbock.



Ty Linder
VIDEO GRADUATE ASSISTANT

Former Red Raider linebacker Ty Linder is in his second season as video graduate assistant on Mike Leach's staff.

Among Linder's responsibilities are assisting in breaking down game and practice film for the coaching staff.

A valuable asset to Texas Tech's special teams units during his career, Linder graduated in 2007 with a degree in business and is currently pursuing a master's in interdisciplinary studies. Linder and his wife, Kelly, reside in Lubbock.



Jacob Saye
COORDINATOR OF VIDEO OPERATIONS

Jacob Saye begins his ninth year as a member of the video operations staff at Texas Tech.

Saye's responsibilities encompass all video needs for the football program, including breakdown of opponent video, shooting practice drills and games, producing gameday highlight videos and overseeing a student staff.

While growing up in a military family, Saye spent two of his high school years in Germany, before returning to San Antonio for his junior and senior years. A graduate of San Antonio Community College, Saye has a bachelor's degree in radio, television and film.

Saye moved to Lubbock in 1996 from San Antonio and began working in news production as a photojournalist until joining Tech in 1999.

Saye and his wife, Jayce, reside in Lubbock with her son, Noah.



Jeremy Smith
COORDINATOR FOR VIDEO OPERATIONS

Jeremy Smith is in his fourth year as Coordinator for Video Operations with Texas Tech Sports Broadcasting.

During football season he is responsible for the production and duplication of game and practice tapes, shooting game highlights and editing the Red Raider Replay. Additionally, he provides video support for volleyball, soccer, basketball and baseball.

Smith served as a student assistant in the Sports Broadcasting Department for one year before joining the staff full time.

A graduate of Quanah High School, Smith is pursuing a degree in photography from Texas Tech University.



Orlando Smith
ASSISTANT STRENGTH AND
CONDITIONING COACH

Orlando Smith brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to Texas Tech in his first season on the strength and conditioning staff.

Most recently, Smith served as an assistant strength coach at the University of South Carolina since 2005, after spending two years at the University of Kansas in a similar role. Following graduation in 1999, Smith took a position as running backs coach and assistant strength coach at Thomas Moore College in Kentucky, before moving on

to his first Division I-A position at graduate assistant strength coach for football at the University of Minnesota.

Current strength and conditioning coach Bennie Wylie worked for Dallas Cowboys' strength and conditioning coach Joe Juraszek for four years before coming to Texas Tech as did current Kansas strength coach Chris Dawson, whom Smith worked under during the 2003-04 seasons.

A former all-conference running back for the University of Cincinnati in the late 1990s, Smith helped lead the Bearcats to the 1997 Humanitarian Bowl championship. He twice earned All-Conference USA honors. Smith graduated from UC in 1999 with a degree in criminal justice/psychology. While with the Minnesota program, he earned a master's degree in sport management in December 2002.



Aaron Uzzell
ASSISTANT STRENGTH AND
CONDITIONING COACH

Aaron Uzzell enters his 13th season as assistant strength coach at Texas Tech.

While working with the football program, Uzzell is responsible for implementing "Muscle Beach," a conditioning workout geared to aid in the reconditioning of Tech Football's injured student-athletes. He is a certified member of the Collegiate Strength & Conditioning Coaches Association (CSCC).

Uzzell also consults with area high schools concerning their strength and conditioning programs.

A 1992 graduate of Sanford Fritch High School, Uzzell received his bachelor's degree in exercise sport and sciences in 1997. He and his wife, Amy, reside in Lubbock, and have twin sons, Aiden and Archer (3).



Laura Vandergriff
ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS
ASSISTANT

Lifelong Lubbock resident Laura Vandergriff begins her fifth season with the Texas Tech Football office as an administrative business assistant to Patty Ross.

Hired in June 2005, Vandergriff's responsibilities include coordinating recruiting travel for the coaches, preparing and submitting expense reports for coaches' travel, assisting with all camps and clinics and various other tasks as assigned.

Vandergriff is a 1994 graduate of Frenship High School in Wolfforth. She has two sons, Nixon (10) and Ethan (5).