Head Football Coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr.

13th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Bethune-Cookman College, 1970

Wyatt Sr. On The Record-Setting Win

"I was more excited about the victory at Hampton University and it was on national television," said Coach Wyatt about setting the new B-CU win mark. "To set the record, was icing on the cake. Bunky Matthews was my mentor here at Bethune-Cookman. The inspiration he instilled in me, carries through to this day. Rev. Matthews, Tank Johnson, "Cy" McClairen, along with Harold Lucas – those men are the reason I'm here today. They guided me along the way."

84 Years of B-CU Football – All-Time Record (421-286-22 - .547)

The 2009 season will be Wyatt's 13th as head coach of the Wildcats and he has been associated with the school for over 40 years since enrolling as a freshman in the 1960's. He was named the school's ninth head football coach on November 27, 1996 following the retirement of legendary head coach and now Senior Associate Director of Athletics, Jack "Cy" McClairen. He became the sixth B-CU alumnus to take over the Wildcats football program – and he has climbed the career winnings charts to be ranked among the top winners in the FCS coaches ranks with an all-time winning

COACH WYATT TOPS WILDCATS' WIN CHART

B-CU Football All-Time Coaching Wins 84 Seasons of Wildcat Football (1925 -2008)

| 1. Alvin B. Wyatt Sr. (1997 – current) | 85-48 (.640) |
|---|----------------|
| 2. Rudolph "Bunky" Matthews (1946-60) | 83-46-6 (.615) |
| 3. Jack "Cy" McClairen (1961-72, 1994-96) | 69-51-3 (.561) |
| 4. T. E. Morris (1929-1945) | 52-30-8 (.634) |
| 5. Larry Little (1983-1991) | 41-49-1 (.451) |

Other Bethune-Cookman Head Football Coaches

| Preston Patterson (1925-1928) | 9-2-1 |
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| Wesley Moore (1973-75) | 27-6-1 |
| Andy Hinson (1976-1978) | 22-11-1 |

WYATT COACHING SKETCH

2008

- Set the all-time head coaches wins record Nov. 8, 2008, 17-6 win at Hampton University
- Team led the MEAC Conference in team rushing per game avg. 217.7/yeards game
- Team wins 8 games (8-3), most wins in a season since the 2003
- B-CU 5-3, tied for second in the final MEAC Conference standings



2007

 More wins than any coach in Bethune-Cookman University's history versus arch rival Florida A&M University (9)

- Ranked no. 2 for all-time career wins in B-CU's history with 77 (record 83)
- Among NCAA Division I-AA winningest active coaches, ranked #13
- Among NCAA Division I-AA all-time winningest coaches, ranked #18
- Ranked ninth in the nation in total defense
- Defense ranked no. 4 nationally in third-down efficiency
- Defense ranked no. 1 in the MEAC in third-down efficiency
- Ranked no. 6 in the nation in pass defense
- Ranked no. 2 in the MEAC in rushing offense
- Ranked no. 24 in the nation in rushing offense
- Set B-CU all-time wins record: 424-257-25 (includes defensive coordinator and women's basketball coach, 1976-2007)

BETHUNE-COOKMAN UNIVERSITY

2006

- Ranked no. 21 in the nation (Division I-AA) in pass defense
- Ranked no. 28 in the nation in total defense
- Ranked no. 20 in the nation in scoring offense
- More wins vs. South Carolina State University than any coach in B-CU's history (7)

2005

- Led team to eighth consecutive winning season
- Ranked no. 7 in SBN Black College Football Poll
- Ranked no. 9 in the nation in rushing offense
- Ranked no. 14 in the nation in scoring



2004

- Led team to seventh consecutive winning season
- Helped B-CU defeat rival Florida A&M for third straight year
- Ranked no. 7 in American Sports Wire Poll
- Ranked no. 11 in SBN Sports Network Poll
- Ranked no. 20 in the nation in scoring
- Ranked no. 17 in the nation in rushing offense
- Defense ranked no. 14 in the nation in pass efficiency

2003

- Led team to best-ever record since joining Division I-AA
- Placed Wildcats in the highest National Ranking in school history (5th)
- Led team to sixth consecutive winning season
- Was ranked in the Top 25 amongst Division
- I-AA schools throughout the entire season . . . first time in school history • Held No. 1 ranking in Sheridan Broadcasting Network (SBN) Black College Poll for five straight weeks
- Earned B-CU's second Division I-AA Playoff Appearance
- First coach in 23 years to help B-CU defeat Florida A&M in back-to-back years
- More MEAC victories than any coach in B-CU's history

2002

- Led B-CU to a MEAC Championship
 Set school record for most wins in a single
- season (11) • Recorded most MEAC wins in a season (7)
- Placed Wildcats in the highest National Ranking in school history (10)
- Recorded fifth straight winning season
- Earned the school's first Division I-AA playoff appearance
- Led the team to a No. 1 ranking in the SBN Black College poll during the regular season
- Won first MEAC title as a head coach in football
- Received 100% Wrong Club MEAC "Coach of the Year," Atlanta, Georgia; Pigskin Club MEAC "Coach of the Year," Washington, DC; Miami

Year, Atlanta, Georgia; Pigskin Club MEAC "Coach of the Year, Washington, DC; Miami Beach "Coach of the Year"



percentage - (.653) ,85-48 overall at Bethune-Cookman.

No one has worked harder to put together the Wildcat football program with more flash and gusto than Alvin Wyatt. Studying under the legendary Jack "Cy" McClairen very closely, Wyatt used McClairen's tough defensive-minded ways to invent something that even the best coaches in the MEAC - have had problems preparing for in just a one week span. He studied hundreds of game tapes, countless hours of plays and finally came up with a system that amazed even himself— ... the WYATTBONE offense!

This offense mixes several variations of both old school wishbone attacks, I-formation triple options, broken bone split backs and Hambone strong attacks up the middle. Clearly, it has become one of the most vaunted offensive attacks in both putting numbers on the board and keeping them off the board with the opponent by holding the ball.

"By running the Wyattbone, we are opening up a variety of things to go our way in a game," expresses Wyatt. "It helps us play defense by allowing us to control the tempo of the game, as well as setting us up to play defense. It shortens the game with us controlling the clock, and allows us to recruit a different kind of athlete. We don't get the top offensive lineman in the state, so we use guys that are smaller and a little quicker and make that work to our advantage. And we are also the only team running the option in the conference which helps us out in recruiting because we are not really recruiting against certain schools."

Wyatt certainly knows how to win from his playing days at Bethune-Cookman as a Wildcat in the late 1960s and during his pro career in the National Football League (NFL) as a defensive back and return man with the Buffalo Bills, Oakland Raiders, and eventually the Houston Oilers. His final professional career ended with the

Jacksonville Sharks of the World Football League.

He came back "home" so to speak, in 1975 as an assistant coach and later the defensive coordinator for the Wildcats under former teammate and Hall of Fame football star Larry Little. As a defensive coordinator, Wyatt helped the 'Cats in winning the 1984 MEAC title, as well as a runner-up finish in 1985. The 'Cats went on

to earn the title again in 1988 with a three-way tie at the top with Delaware State and Florida A&M.

Though being an offensive-minded coach now, make no mistake about the fact that Wyatt is and always will be a DEFENSIVE guy until the day he leaves Bethune-Cookman. His enthusiasm and aggressiveness in getting the best defensive guys in the state of Florida and the nation, has made him one of the best coaches in the Division I level of athletics in a 10-year span.

"Our top priority will always be defense here at Bethune-Cookman University," claims Wyatt. "We recruit defensive players first because we believe in good, aggressive defenses. We like to get



Head Football Coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr.

the team straight on defense first, and then we'll worry about the offensive side of the ball. But defense is my first love, and that

is and always will be the big part of this program. And when you look at the NFL players we've had in the past few years, all of them have come from the defensive side of the ball."

Entering into his 12th year as head coach of the Wildcats is looking to be one of great enjoyment for this "Big Cat" who believes in helping his kids grow and become men ... on and off the playing surface. Having produced numerous NFL talents such as Rashean Mathis (Jacksonville Jaguars), Nick Collins (Green Bay Packers), Ricky Williams (Chicago Bears) and most recently Eric Weems (Atlanta Falcons), Wyatt still maintains a close relationship with those students of his game, as well as the ones who frequent practice on a daily basis—long after their playing days at Municipal Stadium. He has helped to mold many young men, troubled and not, into great men of the community both near and far from their home in Daytona Beach ... a place Wyatt says will always be their home at one of the most famous beaches in the world.

"I have a lot of ties with the young men that we recruit for this program from a variety of different areas," states Wyatt. "I have guys whose fathers played with me here at Bethune-Cookman University, and I have a young man in Bobbie Williams whose aunt played basketball for me when I was head women's basketball coach here.

Travis Roland's father and I played softball against each other in church leagues. A lot of these young men I have watched grow up throughout their lives, and even when they go off to college I try to keep tabs on them. As a coach, I want to make sure that we instill family and religion in these young men, and make sure they know we are more than just football coaches ... we are family here."

The same applies to his former players in his other head coaching exploit at Bethune-Cookman University prior to his current position as football coach. For 18 years, Wyatt served as the head coach for women's basketball at Bethune-Cookman. Named as the head coach for the previously dormant Wildcat squad in 1978, Wyatt quickly jumpstarted the 'Cats to impressive records, including a winning record of 260-200, as well as two (2) MEAC titles during that time. Not only was he one of the

best-dressed coaches of that time, but that has certainly transformed onto the playing surface of Larry Kelly Field at Municipal Stadium and beyond with his flashy suits and patented shades on the sidelines of any game, night or day.

"Alvin Wyatt is more than just a head coach here at Bethune-Cookman University," states current B-CU Director of Athletics, Lynn W. Thompson. "He is a part of the fabric at this institution, and the impact that he has had on young men has been invaluable. His contributions are of legendary proportion, and we are proud to have him as a part of our family."

2001

- Ranked no. 1 in the MEAC in total defense
- Ranked no. 12 in the nation in total defense
- Ranked no. 17 in the nation in rushing offense
- Ranked no. 1 in the MEAC in rushing offense
- Ranked no. 1 in the MEAC in pass defense
- Ranked no. 5 in the nation in pass defense
- Defense ranked no. 1 in the MEAC / no. 9 in the nation in pass efficiency



2000

Finalist for National Coach of the Year Award presented by the Sports Network.
 Led team to best record since joining I-AA, at the time, with a 9-2 mark

1999

• Earned school's first back-to-back winning season since 1984 & '85

1998

- Took team from 1-6 to 6-2 in the MEAC (4-7 to 8-3 overall)
- Recorded most MEAC wins in a season (best
- record at the time) • Produced best record in 21 years
- Placed Wildcats in national ranking for first time in school history
- Earned the school's first post-season appearance since 1977 (McDonald's Heritage Bowl, which is school's first bowl appearance)
- Recorded the highest offensive output in
- school's history (326 points in 10 games) • Recorded best conference start in 14 years, up-
- setting No. 1 Hampton and breaking the Pirates 14-games MEAC winning streak
- Led team to No. 1 ranking in ESPN/USA Today Black College Poll
- Placed Wildcats No. 12 nationally in rushing leaders (2,310 yards)
- NCAA record eight OT in a single game, B-CU vs. Virginia State University
- Received record six "Coach of the Year" awards: First ever Street & Smith Eddie Robinson National "Coach of the Year"; MEAC "Coach of the Year"; Florida "Coach of the Year" (Daytona Beach Quarterback Club), 100% Wrong Club "Coach of the Year"; First ever Central
- Florida Jasper Award "Coach of the Year"

1997

- Pushed the defense to No. 5 ranking in Division I-AA for four (4) consecutive weeks
- Led defense to No. 2 national ranking against the pass

1996

- Resigned as Head Women's Basketball Coach with 260-200 overall record as the MEAC ac-
- tive winningest coach with a .580 winning percentage
- Named B-CC Head Football Coach on November 27





1995-96

Served as Assistant Athletic Director for Women's Sports at B-CC

1994

Served as Assistant Head Coach/Defensive Coordinator and Defensive Backs under legendary football coach Jack "Cy" McClairen

1983-1990

Promoted to Assistant Head Football Coach/Defensive Coordinator and Linebackers under former coach Larry Little

1978

Named Head Women's Basketball Coach

1975

Hired as Defensive Assistant for football helping with defensive backs

Head Football Coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr.

Wyatt first made his mark on the gridiron as a standout for the Wildcats from 1966-69 by earning himself All-America honors and All-SIAC (Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) accolades during his more than illustrious career. A standout defensive back nicknamed "SHINE" by his teammates and coaching staff, Wyatt set numerous school and conference records, including 34 career interceptions and a 100-yard kickoff return—one of only three players to do so at Bethune-Cookman. His current mark of five interceptions in a game still stands as a Bethune-Cookman record, as well as listing Wyatt as first all-time in career interceptions and second for picks in a single season (13 in 1969). He also returned kicks at Bethune-Cookman for an average of 25.9 yards per punt return. He is a graduate of Bethune-Cookman College after earning a Bachelor of Science degree in Physical Education in 1970. He went on to earn a Master of Science in Supervision and Administration in Education from Florida A&M University in 1978.

"Being here and being and being an alumnus means the world to me," testifies Wyatt. "I know there is no other place for me. I said that when I got this job, it was God's gift to me. When I leave and the legacy I leave behind, that will be my gift to God. But there is still a lot of work for us to do here."

ALVIN WYATT AT A GLANCE

- 🖉 Hometown: Jacksonville, FL
- High School: Matthew W. Gilbert
 College: B.S. in Physical Education -
- Bethune-Cookman College 1970
- M.S. in Education Florida A & M -1977

Assistant Head Football/Defensive Coordinator & Assistant Coaching Honors

- Four-year Letterman (Cornerback), B-CU, 1966-1969
- Four-year All-Conference Southern Inter-Collegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC), B-CU, 1966-1969
- © S.I.A.C. 100% Wrong Club Offensive "Player of the Year," B-CU, 1969
- 🖉 Kodak All-American, B-CU, 1969
- B-CU record 5 interceptions in a single game, 34 career interceptions, 102-yard kickoff return, and a 25.9 punt return average

Head Women's Basketball Coaching Honors

- Recognized as the 1984 MEAC Women's Basketball "Coach of the Year"
- Coached the team to their second MEAC Championship in 1984
- © Coached the team to their first MEAC Championship in 1982
- Compiled 260 200 record, 1979-1996

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🖉 Professional Affiliations and Organizations

- Board of Directors Volunteer for the Daytona Beach Arena 2 Professional Football Team (The Thunderbirds)
- Member of American Football Coaches Association
- Member of American Football Coaches Foundation
- © Member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.

Professional Activities

National Football League Site Visits (Observer): New Orleans Saints, Detroit Lions, Jacksonville Jaguars, Miami Dolphins, N.Y. Jets, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Green Bay Packers, Atlanta Falcons, Chicago Bears

Playing Career

- Jacksonville Sharks, Jacksonville, Florida, World Football League (W.F.L.) 1974
- Cornerback and Special Teams
- © Scored first touchdown in World Football League's inaugural season on National Television
- Houston Oilers, Houston, Texas, American Football League (A.F.L.) 1973
- Cornerback and Special Teams
- © Buffalo Bills, Orchard Park, New York, A.F.L. 1971-1973
- Cornerback and Special Teams

- Interception for touchdown versus Washington Redskins, 1972
- Punt return for touchdown versus Houston Oilers, 1971
- © Oakland Raiders, Oakland, California, National Football League (N.F.L.) 1970
- Cornerback and Special Teams (6th round draft pick)
- Punt return for touchdown versus Cincinnati Bengals
- Wildcats, Bethune-Cookman University, Daytona Beach, Florida 1966-1969

Collegiate Honors

- Four-year Letterman (Cornerback), B-CU, 1966-1969
- Four-year All-Conference Southern Inter-Collegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC), B-CU, 1966-1969
- S.I.A.C. 100% Wrong Club Offensive "Player of the Year," B-CU, 1969
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Assistant Head Coach/Outside Linebackers C. Angelo Wyatt

13th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Bethune-Cookman College, 1975

Coach Wyatt on C.A. Wyatt:

"Every staff has to have a C.A. in your program to be successful. You get the real thing with him. He is blood. He and I click with one another and are on the same page all the time. He cries when I cry. He bleeds when I bleed – we are that close. When there is something to address with our program he talks with me about it and we handle it. I admire his ability to work with the kids in our program. He is a good coach and works with them too in the community and on special projects."



A native of Jacksonville, Fla., and the brother of head coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr., C. Angelo Wyatt is beginning his 13th year with the Wildcat football program as the assistant head coach in charge of outside linebackers.

Known to the Bethune-Cookman University athletic family simply as "C.A.", he was appointed as assistant head coach prior to the 2001 season, and originally started coaching for Bethune-Cookman with the linebackers. Staying on the defensive side of the ball, Wyatt was switched over to the safeties, a very special position in the always extraordinary defensive core for the Wildcats, back in the 2000 season. His first assignment within the program, however, was as the outside linebackers coach for the Wildcats, and his job was done effectively



right from the start. At that position, Wyatt coached two great linebackers in Antwuan Wyatt (1996-99) and Steve Baggs (2000-03). Baggs earned the MEAC's Defensive Player of the Year award in 2003, and was also tabbed as an I-AA All-American during that same season.

Last year, Wyatt's safeties included All-America nominee Bobbie Williams who finished tied for third in the nation (I-AA) in interceptions with six on the campaign. Also coming through was strong safety Travis Roland who finished the year third on the team with 82 tackles.

Since switching to the safeties position, Wyatt's secondary has been one of the best in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) year-in and yearout.

He has produced some of the best blitzing schemes in the league, and has never failed in his efforts to create defensive backs that can both play for speed and power by roaming all over the field to cover any part necessary.

Wyatt brings more than 20 years of knowledge to Bethune-Cookman University as he has coached on both the college and high school levels of athletics. Spending more than his fair share of time at high schools in and around his hometown of Jacksonville, Wyatt has also served with local youth programs in the Atlanta, Ga. metropolitan area as well.

Prior to arriving at Bethune-Cookman, Wyatt established the Urban League for Disadvantaged Children (ULDAC) in Jacksonville. The program lasted for three years in its attempt and success in helping design and encourage the youth of the Atlanta area with disciplinary problems to see that football could be a way of support in life. That success simply goes along with the very devoted Christian life that Wyatt and his family exuberate on a daily basis.

Not only has C.A. Wyatt been a success on the football field, but in Corporate America as well. For seven years from 1990-97, Wyatt owned and operated a very successful restaurant in the Atlanta area. His restaurant, Champion Charbroiled Burger Restaurant, was one of the best independent restaurants in the metro area for several years. In his spare time, Wyatt also served as a mentor and teacher at several local schools as both a counselor and classroom moderator on both the high school and elementary education, showing his belief in "Starting

with the youth of America is the only way to create the best adult."

Clarence Angelo Wyatt's playing days include being a football student-athlete at Bethune-Cookman from 1971-74. He graduated from Bethune-Cookman College in 1975 with a degree in Psychology. He is married to the former Kathy Tiller—and a former Miss Bethune-Cookman, and together they reside in Atlanta, Ga.

Offensive Coordinator Brad Bernard

12th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Georgia Southern, 1991

Coach Wyatt On Coach Bernard:

"A very loyal coach to me and the program and he has had many opportunities to go and coach at other universities. He has done nothing but win since he has been here. He is a guy who I can depend on to have my back and I have his. He is from an outstanding program at Georgia Southern and is a fine fit for our teams and what we are doing here at Bethune-Cookman. He knows our offense very well and was an offensive lineman in this system for Georgia Southern's championship teams."



Brad Bernard enters his 12th season as the offensive coordinator for the Bethune-Cookman University Wildcats football program. Brad Bernard and the game of football are almost synonymous in the state of Florida on both the high school and collegiate level of athletics.

The Wildcat offensive line has developed into one of the top units in the league under Bernard's tutelage and during the 2006 campaign, three players earned All-MEAC accolades, including first team center Vernon Edwards and guard Fred Nolan. Johnnie Santiago earned second team honors at the tackle position. Rueben Mordecai III earned All-MEAC honors in 2007 and 2008.

Amongst those honors, Edwards finished as a finalist for All-America honors within the I-AA level of competition.

In 2004, Julius Franklin—now of the NFL's New York Giants organization, earned first team All-MEAC honors, as well as Christopher Olin at the center position on the MEAC's second team. Tight end Xavier Butler also was named to the All-MEAC Second Team. Victor Johnson, entering into his senior season with the Wildcats in 2007, added to those numbers with an appearance on the All-MEAC Second Team in 2006 at the tight end position.

Bethune-Cookman's offense has racked up more than 225 yards per game rushing in four of the last six seasons. In 2005, the Wildcats racked up a league-best 247 yards per game on the ground, which was good enough for a ninth place ranking in the nation (I-AA). The Wildcats also led the league in scoring offense—with most of the points coming on the ground, as well as finishing third in total offense with 361.9 yards per game. In 2006, the air game took effect for B-CU as the offensive line allowed quarterbacks Jimmie Russell and Jarod Rucker to pass for more than 200 yards per contest.

It is Bernard's expertise in helping with the option attack after his playing days at Georgia Southern that have helped him in the development and fluidity of the patented "Wyatt Bone" run by Bethune-Cookman. In his time as the offensive coordinator, the 'Cats have finished amongst the top three teams in the league in each of the past four seasons for rushing offense and scoring offense.

In 1998 with the development of the "Wyatt Bone" offense, Bernard's experience of running the option helped in the recruiting of quality offensive lineman with both size and speed for blocking in that particular offense. Head coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr. wanted to develop an offense that was both high-scoring and time effective in his favor. So, he added Bernard to the staff for the option attack he was soon to employ.

Since that time, Bethune-Cookman has become one of the highest scoring offenses in the league, year-in and year-out. The Wildcats have also enjoyed success on the national stage with back-to-back trips to the NCAA Playoffs in 2002 and 2003, as well as winning the 2002 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) championship with a regular season record of 11-1, including a school-record 7-1 mark in the conference.

Bernard was a standout four-year letter winner at his alma mater of Georgia Southern University. He assisted in the Eagles claiming the 1985, '86 and '89 national championships on the I-AA level of athletics. He was also a team captain during his senior season of 1989. In his senior campaign, Bernard was a offensive lineman while starting in 45 consecutive games for the Eagles.

Upon his graduation, Bernard remained in Statesboro, Ga. serving as the strength and conditioning coordinator, as well as helping the Eagles to yet another national title in 1990—their fourth in a six-year span.

After departing from Georgia Southern, Bernard returned to his hometown of Jacksonville, Fla. 'where he served as the offensive coordinator as well as offensive line coach from 1991-92 at both Sandalwood and Mandarin High School. In 1997, Bernard departed for Raines High School, where he led them to a Florida Class 4-A (AAAA) state title in 1997 as the school's offensive coordinator. In their quest for the title, Raines led the state of Florida in total offense and most points scored.

As a high school letterman himself, Bernard was always known as a fierce competitor with letter winner awards in three (3) different sports, including football, wrestling and track & field. Bernard went on to become a 1991 graduate of Georgia Southern University, earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Rehabilitation Therapy. He would later earn another Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Education from the University of North Florida in 1996.

Defensive Coordinator Marc Lippens

5th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Warner Southern, 2002

Coach Wyatt On Coach Lippens:

"I depend on Coach Lippens and rely on him for much more than preparing our defensive football team. He probably has the most impact of any coach on my staff. He does many things for my self and the football program. His defense is ready to play on Saturdays and he prepares them for many situations. His expertise and experience are very valuable to me and our program."



Marc Lippens is in his fifth season with the Bethune-Cookman University football staff after joining the staff midway through the 2005 campaign. Prior to the start of the 2006 session, Lippens was promoted to defensive coordinator for the Wildcats, and also was tabbed B-CU's



recruiting coordinator in the summer of 2007. Under Lippens, the defensive unit for the Maroon and Gold

will continue to embrace the philosophy of speed along the defensive line, as well as hard-hitting linebackers and aggressive defensive backs. The Wildcats have had four defensive back signed to a National Football League (NFL) contract in the past five seasons. Those names include Rashean Mathis (Jacksonville Jaguars), Nick Collins (Green Bay Packers), Ricky Williams (Chicago Bears) and Bobbie Williams (Oakland Raiders).

Lippens came to Bethune-Cookman in 2005 from Duke University out of the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) in Durham, North Carolina. At Duke, he served for two seasons as the Administrative Assistant to the Head Coach. His duties included assisted on the defensive side of the ball, as well as handling the day-to-day duties of the football office, and coordinating team travel and other football program duties.

Lippens comes to the Daytona Beach area, not as a stranger, but rather returns to his "home away from home." Prior to departing for Duke in 2003, Lippens was an intricate part of the Mainland High School Buccaneers football program for John Moronto from 1998-2002. While coaching for Mainland, Lippens helped the Buccaneers to 52 total victories during a five-year span, including five consecutive playoff appearances within the Florida Class 5-A (AAAAA) State Championship ranks.

Lippens' work in the state of Florida also included stays at Coconut Creek High School for four seasons (1990-93) before moving to the Daytona Beach area at Atlantic High School from 1994-97.

In 2003, Lippens served as the head coach of the Deltona High School football program in nearby Deltona of Volusia County.

A native of Valparaiso, Indiana, Lippens earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Organizational Management from Warner Southern College in 2002. The 42 year-old is married to the former Tina Bate of Greensburg, Indiana. The couple has three children, Rebekah (13), Andrew (12) and Ashlyn (4).

Receivers

Greg Ross

19th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Bethune-Cookman, 1987

Coach Wyatt On Coach Ross:

"Another young man I coached while he was a player here. We are very happy to have his son (Greg Jr.) now playing for the Wildcats. The first time he ever put on a head set as a coach was in 1988 and we beat FAMU that night 25-0. He was working with the defense with me and he had this calmness as a coach. Through the years he has really helped turn this football program around. He is very loyal to the program and he is my number one friend that I have on this earth."





For Greg Ross, he is the most tenured coach on the Bethune-Cookman University coaching staff, besides head coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr., as he begins his 19th season with the Wildcats program this year. He will also be joined with his son – Greg Ross Jr., a highly-recruited quarterback who is in his first year as a Wildcat in 2009.

As one of the senior members, Ross will be in charge of coaching the receivers once again this season.

Working inside the vaunted "Wyattbone" offensive attack, the receivers play a very influential and important role with the Wildcats program. Ross first arrived at Bethune-Cookman as the quarterbacks coach for former head coach Larry Little and stayed on the staff with current head coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr. He served in that position as quarterbacks coach until the start of the 2007 season where he moved over to receivers.

In his first years at Bethune-Cookman, Ross helped to lead the Wildcats to the 1988 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) championship. Since that time, he has been in charge of making some of the names now notorious at B-CC, into their current historical status such as former quarterbacks Allen Suber and Pa'Tell Troutman. Both quarterbacks worked the option to the proverbial "T", and claimed

All-MEAC honors before departing from their alma mater.

He was hired to Bethune-Cookman after serving for one year at nearby Mainland High School in Daytona Beach. At Mainland, Ross helped the Buccaneers in attaining a District Class 5-A (AAAAA) State Runner-up in 1996 as he coached both the quarterbacks and receivers. The Buccaneers also made it to the Regional Semi-final contest in '96.

Before his coaching sting at Mainland, Ross spent four seasons at traditional power Father Lopez Catholic High School, also located in Daytona Beach. He was instrumental in helping the Green Wave to a set of appearances in the Florida Class 2-A (AA) State Playoff games. Ross served as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Father Lopez.

Ross first arrived at Bethune-Cookman as a quarterback himself, and played and lettered for four (4) years under Larry Little. He was a major part of the Wildcats claiming the 1984 MEAC title with the team that went 7-3 overall and scored an average of 28.2 points per game in a stifling air attack, mixed with a solid ground game. He still sits at seventh place on the Bethune-Cookman all-time list for passing yards in a career with 3,366 and 23 touchdowns.

During his high school playing days at the historical Miami Central High School in his hometown of Miami, Fla., Ross displayed a great show of skill in being named as an All-State honoree. Ross is a 1987 graduate of Bethune-Cookman College, having earned a degree in Physical Education.

Ross and his wife Stephanie, a native of California, have two sons together in Gregory Ross, Jr. (18) and Keith (13). The Ross family lives in Daytona Beach.

A-Backs

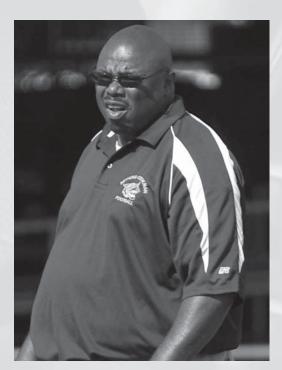
Jeff Fagan

16th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Bethune-Cookman College, 1981

Coach Wyatt On Coach Fagan:

"Coach Fagan has a wealth of talents. He was a student-athlete here and I coached him when he was a player and I tried to make it tough on him then. I hired him from Mainland High School when I got the head coaching position with the Wildcats. He has outstanding coaching abilities and is very valuable in many areas. He is a great organizer and handles all of our travel plans and we don't miss a beat when traveling with the team on the road. He handles our football operations and recruiting and he is a main stay with our football program."





This will be Jeff Fagan's 16th illustrious season as an assistant coach and football operations leader at Bethune-Cookman University. Overall, this is his 21st season as a football coach.

Fagan is no stranger to the offensive side of the ball as he was a former All-State player in high school, and stellar athlete at Bethune-Cookman College. Fagan's coaching career, however, began like so many on the high school circuit.

From 1988-89, Jeff Fagan was an assistant coach with Seabreeze High School in the Daytona Beach area. He later worked his way over to local powerhouse Mainland High School where he served under head coach Doug Stanley and the Buccaneers program from 1990-94.

While at Seabreeze and Mainland, Fagan was instrumental in helping the two dominant local programs to four (4) District titles, two (2) Regional titles and one (1) Central Florida Bowl Championship crown.

It may well be the knowledge of the offense as a former offensive lineman that keeps Fagan's ability to coach THE

OL. at or near the top of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) year-in and year-out. His knowledge of the basic fundamentals, as well as his enthusiastic approach to the game compliments his commitment to head coach Alvin B. Wyatt, Sr. and the Wildcats program.

As a 1981 graduate of Bethune-Cookman College, Fagan believes in the one thing that every successful coach lives with every second of the game, "Calling the right play and making the right block is all that is needed for a drive to be successful." He has instilled in every one of his former B-Backs that a total commitment is needed to produce excellence on and off the field.

While at B-CC in his playing days, Fagan saw his action as an offensive lineman for the Wildcats from 1978-79. He later earned a degree in Physical Education. Prior to that, Fagan was a standout offensive lineman at Killian High School in his hometown of Miami, Florida.

Fagan arrived at Bethune-Cookman in the spring of 1994 as a football administrator, and he stills holds the day-to-day duties of the office in his current tenure at the school. Fagan's responsibilities not only include coaching the offensive line, but assisting with scheduling and arranging travel and practices while on the road.

Currently he is single, and has three children, Jahmal (24), Emerson (21) and Cyrus (11). He lives in Daytona Beach.

Quarterbacks Coach

Raymond Gross

7th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Georgia Southern, 1993

Coach Wyatt On Coach Gross:

A talented individual as a coach. He is great for what we do here offensively. He was part of two NCAA national championships at Georgia Southern University. He worked with our great quarterbacks Allen Suber and Pa'Tell Troutman and now with Maurice (Francois) and Courtney (Keith). He molds the QBs and gets the most out of them. He is very knowledgeable and we look for great things again this year from the quarterbacks under his tutelage."





As a proven and outstanding quarterback mentor, Raymond Gross is in his seventh year with the Bethune-Cookman University Wildcats football staff in two tours of duty at B-CU (1999-2002, 2006-2009). In the 2007 season, Gross had the luxury of switching back to a position he knows very well - the quarterbacks. He had previously been in charge of the

A-Backs for the Wildcats. He is now in charge of helping the quarterbacks to learn and run the patented "Wyattbone" option attack, as well as how to read and attack almost any defense that can be thrown at them in the Wildcats offensive backfield.

Before returning to Bethune-Cookman in 2006, Gross spent some time at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Ga., as the Offensive Coordinator and was previously the quarterbacks coach at Bethune-Cookman while teaching former names like Pa'Tell Troutman and Allen Suber.

Gross began his playing days in college with the infamous option-attack program of Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia. While at GSU, Gross was a dominant part of the offense as an All-American quarterback from 1987-90. He led the team to a perfect 15-0 record under legendary coach Erk Russell at GSU, and helped the Eagles to the 1989 NCAA I-AA National Championship. He returned the favor in 1990 with another championship under the Eagles belt, this time under coach Tim Stowers. These accolades, and more, allowed Gross to be inducted into the GSU Athletic Hall of Fame.

Gross served for three years at Bethune-Cookman from 1999-2002 as the quarterbacks coach and helped the Wildcats in getting the now-infamous "Wyattbone" offense even stronger from the quarterback prospective. After departing from B-CC, Gross made his way over to Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta, Ga. While with the Panthers program, Gross helped the team in becoming a legitimate SIAC (Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) contender year-in and year-out. He stayed with the program from 2001-04.

Prior to joining the Bethune-Cookman staff in 1999, Raymond Gross was a starting quarterback calling the signals for the Ravenna Chiefs of the Italian Football League.

Raymond Gross graduated from Georgia Southern University in 1993 with a degree in Commercial Recreation.

He later earned his Master's Degree in Education from Cambridge College in 1999. He has additional training in Conflict Management, Crisis Management and Public Relations.

Gross resides in the Daytona Beach area.

Defensive Backs **Terry Williams**

12th Year at Bethune-Cookman • Bethune-Cookman, 1988

Coach Wyatt on Coach Williams:

"Another young man that I coached while he was a player here at Bethune-Cookman. He was a very hard worker as a player and he made it into the NFL with the NY Jets. He is now just as hard a worker as a coach and he expects and demands a lot of our players. He is a dedicated individual with a great attitude. He is very disciplined and he molded into NFL players Rasheen Matthis who is now with the Jaguars and Nick Collins who is with the Green Bay Packers. They became great players at Bethune-Cookman working with Coach Williams. Terry has been a great individual for us."



A veteran collegiate coach with NFL playing experience with the NY Jets, Terry Williams begins his 12th season at Bethune-Cookman University, serving as the defensive backs coach for the Wildcats program. He had originally served just as the cornerbacks coach, but was promoted to the entire secondary prior to the 2007 season.

In what has become one of the most illustrious positions at Bethune-Cookman over the past five seasons, Williams has coached



several National Football League (NFL) draftees and caliber players in his experiences with the Wildcats. In 2002, Williams was in charge of directing Rashean Mathis (Jacksonville Jaguars), as well as current Green Bay Packers cornerback Nick Collins in 2004. Williams added another cornerback to the NFL ranks under his tutelage as Ricky Williams signed an NFL contract with the Chicago Bears following the 2005 playing year. In 2007, Bobbie Williams earned his second All-American nod, and was signed to a free agency contract with the Oakland Raiders—thus adding to the long history of defensive backs stemming from "DBU" (Defensive Backs University).

Williams has worked with the entire secondary at times throughout his career, sharing duties with assistant head coach C.A. Wyatt who was in charge of the safeties prior to the start of the 2006 season. He teaches hard-nosed, aggressive blitzing techniques and loves speed on the outside with no excuses from his cornerbacks that they were beaten off the ball. His cornerbacks love to hit at the line, and they will never fail in working in the Wildcat Athletic Performance Center on their size for blocking out receivers. Meanwhile, the safeties are some of the most aggressive defensive backs in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) with league-leading interception playmakers in two of the last four years.

Beginning his coaching career at Pine Ridge High School in nearby Deltona, Fla., Williams served as the defensive coach for the Bulldogs before venturing to Mainland High School in Daytona Beach. While at Mainland, Williams helped in engineering a defensive unit that allowed less than 20 points per game for the season as the Buccaneers went 10-1 in his first year with the program.

Terry Williams was a standout football and track & field star at South Dade High School in his hometown of Miami, Florida. His All-America talent on the track earned him a scholarship to play football at his alma mater of Bethune-Cookman College in 1984. While at Bethune-Cookman, Williams was a stellar defensive back for the Wildcats under former

head coach and NFL Hall of Fame player (Miami Dolphins) Larry Little.

After his playing days at Bethune-Cookman, Williams was drafted by the New York Jets of the NFL where he played for two years until a knee injury ended his playing career well short of what was sure to be an illustrious career. It is not uncommon to see Williams still using his speed and agility to demonstrate defensive routes and blocking techniques to his cornerbacks ... thus showing his exuberance for the position and game he loves to coach so dearly.

Williams currently resides in Daytona Beach with his beloved wife Tonya. Together, the couple enjoys the company of their five children in daughters Alexis, Mercedes, Octavia and Takara, as well as son Terry Williams II.

Offensive Line

C. Ray Gregory

3rd Year at Bethune-Cookman • Emory & Henry, 1986

Coach Wyatt On Coach Gregory:

"Coach Gregory was a six-year head coach at Southern Utah, and his teams led the nation in rushing offense and he is very valuable to our staff and team. He had the luxury of working in this offense at Georgia Southern and is a guru with this offense. His mind and my mind are in synch and he is a perfect fit for us. The players admire his leadership and his door is always open to talk and meet with them. He seems to always say and do the right thing with our student-athletes. He is a great coach for us at Bethune-Cookman."



One of the brilliant offensive minds in collegiate football, as well as a "guru of the option", C. Ray Gregory is entering into his third season with the Bethune-Cookman University coaching staff. In 2009 he will work with offensive line and the massive group of 300 pounders assembled with the returnees up front and the large recruiting class of 2009. He served previously as the A-Backs coach for B-CU ... a position that has been seen as one of the most important in the offense in recent years under the "Wyattbone" system. Gregory comes to B-CU after spending three years (2004-06) splitting time as both a high school and college coach both in Mississippi and Virginia.

In 2006-07, Gregory served as head coach for the varsity football team at Abingdon High School in Abingdon, Virginia. Prior to that, he was the secondary coach at Hines Community College in Raymond, Mississippi. He served as the offensive coordinator at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi during the 2004 football season.

He earned his claim to fame, however, as the head coach at Southern Utah University, where he served for seven years with the Thunderbirds program. On three occasions, his team was named as the NCAA Division I-AA—now Football Championship Subdivision rushing leader (1997, 2000 and 2001). In 2000, his Thunderbirds averaged 394.2 yards per game on the ground, 481 total yards and 35.9 points per game. He was also instrumental in assisting the program to back-to-back winning seasons in 1999 and 2000, as well as helping his team finish ranked amongst the Top 25 in I-AA football. It was, at that time, the school's first winning records since 1992.

Overall, Gregory's teams finished ranked sixth in the NCAA for rushing yards, third in total offense and 14th in scoring. He helped to coach eight (8) single-season 1,000-yard rushers and two more players finish with over 975 yards on the ground. Among those players was quarterback Matt Cannon who broke the 1,000-yard mark for four (4) consecutive seasons via the ground. For that accomplishment, Cannon was named as one of the NCAA's most prolific rushing quarterbacks of all time. His numbers include a 1,602-yard performance, backed by a 1,553-yard performance ... both of which are still national records for a quarterback.

A former offensive lineman at Lees McRae College and Emory & Henry College with a master's degree from the United States Sports Academy, Gregory has been in coaching since 1986 when he took his first position as receivers coach on the staff at Bridgewater State College in Bridgewater, Massachusetts.

He then moved on to Georgia Southern University in Statesboro, Georgia, where he spent two seasons working with the offensive line and receivers under legendary coach Erk Russell who passed away in the fall of 2006. The Eagles had no lack of success during the two seasons Gregory was there, finishing among the nation's top-five rushing and scoring teams twice and making the playoffs both years, advancing to the I-AA championship game in 1988 before falling to Furman by a score of 17-12. These teams had current B-CU assistant coaches Brad Bernard and Raymond Gross as starting players.

Following his tenure at Georgia Southern, Gregory headed to the islands for a two-year stint at the University of Hawai'i, where he was reunited with one of his junior college coaches, Paul Johnson—father of the spread-option offense. Gregory learned the spread offense in depth at Hawai'i, and as running backs and slotbacks coach he saw one of his players, Jamal Farmer, break the NCAA freshman touchdown record, and another, Jeff Sidner, become a successful player in the National Football League (NFL).

At his next stop, Itawamba Junior College in Fulton, Miss., he coached three players – including former NFL standout Joe Horn. He then spent a single season at his alma mater, Lees McRae, followed by two years at the University at Buffalo and a single season at Morton High School in Berwyn, IL.

C. Ray Gregory is a widely-respected published author and a native of Meadowview, Virginia. He is happily married to the former Kristen Lathim while the two share the company of their one son, A.J. (19) who is a member of the United States Army.

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Defensive Line Linwood Ferguson

2nd Year at Bethune-Cookman • East Carolina, 1974

Coach Wyatt On Coach Ferguson:

"I never would have dreamed we would have a coach of his caliber here with us. We are blessed to have Coach Ferguson on our staff. He has a wealth of talent and knowledge and has worked on both sides of the ball and at all positions. He beat us twice while he was at North Carolina A&T. Our kids love him and rally around him. I admire him and his experience and Coach does a fantastic job for our program. We are very fortunate to have him at Bethune-Cookman."

Linwood Ferguson, who has more than 30 years of coaching experience, joined the Bethune-Cookman University coaching staff as the defensive line coach in the spring of 2007. He will be responsible for coaching the defensive line and assisting with other areas of the defense with the Wildcats.

The native of Greenville, N.C., spent the 2007 season as the offensive coordinator for Eastern Kentucky University. Prior to that, he worked the 2006 season as Howard University's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. The Bison finished 4-4 in MEAC action two years ago and ranked 20th nationally in rushing yards per game (184.8). Ferguson has also been the offensive coordinator at North Carolina Central (2003) and North Carolina A&T (2002).

From 1999-2001, Ferguson helped revitalize the football program at Division II Midwestern State University where he served three years as head coach. There he led the Indians to the 2001 Lone Star Conference Divisional championship with a 7-4 record. Ferguson's MSU teams set school or Lone Star Conference season records in nine categories including total offense, points scored, pass offense and touchdowns scored. Two NFL signees came out of the Midwestern State University program under Ferguson – running back Dominic Rhodes with the Oakland Raiders and wide receiver Bryan Gilmore with the San Francisco 49ers.

Ferguson has spent time on the defensive side of the ball as well including coordinator stints at Murray State (1997-98) and Southern Illinois (1994-96). While at Murray, the Racer defense ranked first in the OVC and second nationally in total defense in 1997. In 1980 and 1981, Ferguson was the assistant head coach and defensive coordinator for the back-to-back NAIA national champions, Elon College. In the 1983 and 1984 seasons, he coached defensive backs at East Carolina University

Holds a B.S. and M.A Education from East Carolina University. Ferguson and his wife, Teresa, are parents to Heather, Stan ,and Taylor .

