



NOTRE DAME

2006 COACHES

Head Football Coach

CHARLIE WEIS



Charlie Weis, a 1978 University of Notre Dame graduate and owner of four Super Bowl-champion rings as products of a stellar 15-season career as a National Football League assistant coach, wasted no time putting his stamp on his alma mater's program in his first year as Notre Dame head football coach in 2005.

Weis quickly transformed the Irish offense into one of the most prolific in the country, as Notre Dame scored more points (440) than in any previous season in school history – and also qualified as the most improved offensive attack in the nation, jumping its total offense production (477.33 yards per game) a national best 131.8 yards per game better than in '04.

That offensive productivity, coupled with an opportunistic, physical defense that forced eight red-zone turnovers, and vastly-improved special teams, equated to a 9-3 mark in '05 that was good for a number-six ranking in the Bowl Championship Series final regular-season standings and a guaranteed at-large BCS berth in the 2006 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl opposite Big Ten co-champion Ohio State. Notre Dame's only losses in '05 came by three points in overtime to then-unbeaten Michigan State, by three points to top-ranked and unbeaten USC on a last-second Trojan touchdown, then to fourth-rated Ohio State in the Fiesta Bowl.

Notre Dame finished ninth in the final Associated Press poll for '05 (its first AP top

10 finish since the Irish were runners-up following the '93 season), 11th according to *USA Today*.

That success helped make Weis winner of the 2005 Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award, as national college coach of the year as selected by the Football Writers Association of America. He also was one of three finalists for the '05 Munger Award as the college coach of the year (presented by the Maxwell Football Club of Philadelphia), one of five finalists for the '05 Schutt Division I-A Sports Coach of the Year (presented by *American Football Monthly*) and finished third in the balloting for the Associated Press college football coach-of-the-year award.

Weis saw his Irish offense flourish right out of the gate in '05, as Notre Dame set a school record by scoring at least 30 points in all but two outings and tied another record by scoring 40 points on six occasions. He helped put a handful of Irish players in contention for major national awards, as quarterback Brady Quinn was a finalist for the Walter Camp Player of the Year Award, one of three finalists for the Davey O'Brien Award

presented to the top quarterback in the country – and finished fourth in the '05 Heisman Trophy voting. In addition, consensus first-team All-America wide receiver Jeff Samardzija was one of three finalists for the Fred Biletnikoff Award as the top receiver nationally, as was tight end Anthony Fasano for the John Mackey Award as the top tight end in the country.

Quinn, only a junior in '05, turned into a star under Weis' tutelage, as he broke 25 career, season, single-game and miscellaneous records in 2005. Quinn already is the Notre Dame career and single-season leader in passing yards (3,919 in '05; 8,336 in his career), pass completions (292 in '05; 640 in his career) and touchdown passes (32 in '05; 58 in his career). He ranked third in the country in '05 with 32 TD passes (behind only Hawaii's Colt Brennan with 35 and UCLA's Drew Olson with 34) — and he also set an Irish single-game record with his six TD passes versus BYU in '05. Meanwhile, Samardzija (an NCAA consensus first-team All-American, based on his selection by *The Sporting News* and the Football Writers Association of America team) finished as runner-up for the NCAA title in TD receptions with 15.

Weis guided the '05 Irish offense to final national rankings of fourth in passing offense (330.25 yards per game), eighth in scoring (36.67 points per game) and 10th in total offense (477.33 yards per game). On an individual basis, Quinn ranked fifth nationally in total offense (334.08 yards per game) and seventh in passing efficiency (158.40 rating points), and Samardzija stood fourth in receiving yards per game (104.08). Samardzija broke the Notre Dame season marks for receiving yardage (1,249) and TD receptions (15) and tied Tom Gatewood's 35-year-old single-season record of 77 receptions from 1970.

The Irish in 2005 were easily the most productive passing team in Notre Dame history, with their average of 330.25 passing yards per game shattering the previous high of 252.7 aerial yards per game from 1970. Notre Dame set another school record by topping the 500-yard mark in total offense seven times in '05, including a 663-yard performance against Stanford in the regular-season finale that marked the fifth-best single-game effort in the Irish record book. Notre Dame in '05 became the first Irish team in history to boast a 3,000-yard passer (Quinn with 3,919), a 1,000-yard rusher (Darius Walker with 1,196) and two 1,000-yard receivers (Samardzija with 1,249 and Maurice Stovall with 1,149). Notre Dame in '05 set 11 single-season offensive team records, nine career individual records, 14 season individual records, seven single-game individual records, plus six other miscellaneous records. Quinn now holds 30 career, season, single-game and miscellaneous Notre Dame records.

With the season-opening Irish victories at 23rd-ranked Pittsburgh and at third-rated Michigan in '05, Weis became the first Irish head coach to win his first two career games on the opponents' home fields since Knute Rockne in 1918 and the first Notre Dame head football coach ever to open with two victories over ranked opponents. The Irish also won at 22nd-rated Purdue in '05 to post three wins over ranked opponents (all on the road) in their first five games of the campaign.

Weis' impact on the Irish program both on and off the field (for the first time in school history Irish players combined for a better than 3.00 grade-point average in both the fall '05 and spring '06 semesters) proved monumental enough that midway through the '05 season he agreed to a new



Irish head coach Charlie Weis was the recipient of the 2005 Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award as selected by the Football Writers Association of America.

10-year contract that takes effect in 2006 and extends through the 2015 season. He ranked 53rd on *The Sporting News* Power 100 list of the most powerful people in sports, as the highest-ranked individual associated with college athletics (Jan. 13, 2006, issue of *The Sporting News*).

A widely-respected disciple of professional coaching standouts Bill Parcells and Bill Belichick, Weis concluded his first year at Notre Dame in 2005 (he was hired Dec. 12, 2004, as the 28th Notre Dame head football coach, signing an original six-year contract) – after spending the previous five years as the highly-regarded offensive coordinator of the New England Patriots (under Patriot head coach Belichick). He played an integral role in New England's victories in three of the last four Super Bowls, including a 24-21 victory over Philadelphia in Super Bowl XXXIX in Jacksonville to cap the 2004 season. That run by Weis and the Patriots marked the most sustained Super Bowl success in the history of that event — matching Dallas' three wins in a four-year period following the 1992 through '95 seasons.

Weis became the first Notre Dame graduate to hold the football head coaching position at his alma mater since Hugh Devore (a '34 graduate) served as interim coach in 1963

(the Irish finished 2-7 that year – Devore also coached the Irish to a 7-2-1 mark as interim coach in 1945). Weis is the first Notre Dame graduate to serve as the Irish football coach on a full-fledged basis since '38 graduate Joe Kuharich did it from 1959 through '62.

Now pointing for his 28th season overall in coaching in 2006, Weis spent nine seasons with the Patriots and five as the team's offensive coordinator – plus three seasons each with the New York Giants (1990-92) and New York Jets (1997-99). In those 15 NFL seasons, his coaching contributions helped produce those four Super Bowl championships (Giants following 1990 season, Patriots following '01, '03 and '04 seasons), five conference titles, six division titles and a 15-3 playoff record. Weis has been a winner everywhere he has coached – and he has received widespread notice as one of the most creative and innovative offensive coordinators in football.

All along the way, Weis has displayed the ability to develop successful offensive players. He helped advance the careers of New York Jets' running back Curtis Martin, Jets' wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson, Patriots' tight end Ben Coates and, most recently, Patriots' two-time Super Bowl MVP quarterback Tom Brady. Under Weis' tutelage, the former sixth-round

draft choice became one of the NFL's premier signalcallers in just four seasons as a starter. Including the playoffs, Brady compiled a 57-14 record as a starting quarterback since stepping in early in 2001, when Weis also was serving as the New England quarterbacks coach, through the end of the '04 campaign.

In addition to his offensive coordinator responsibilities, Weis mentored the Patriot quarterbacks both in 2001 and 2002. In '01, Drew Bledsoe started the first two games of the season before being sidelined with a serious chest injury. By the third week of the season, Weis was preparing Brady for his first NFL start and, over the course of the season, Brady blossomed into a Pro Bowl performer and earned the MVP award in Super Bowl XXXVI. Brady only continued to improve, leading the NFL with 28 touchdown passes in 2002, then turning in a second Super Bowl MVP performance in '03.

In recent seasons, Weis' offense permitted youthful Patriot offensive stars such as Brady, Deion Branch, Notre Dame graduate David Givens and Kevin Faulk to flourish. His offense also allowed New England veterans such as Troy Brown, Christian Fauria and David Patten to enjoy resurgences in their careers. Brown established a New England record with 101 receptions in 2001, earning his initial Pro Bowl

invitation in his ninth NFL season. Fauria led the Patriots with seven TDs in 2002 (his eighth pro campaign), while Patten's 61 catches in '02 were the most of his seven-year career.

Weis also made great use of contributions from a pair of 2002 draft picks to help the team to its second Super Bowl championship in 2003. Branch led the team with 57 receptions in his second pro season, while fellow second-year player Givens paced New England with six receiving TDs. In the post-season, Givens added a pair of scores, while Branch's 10 catches in Super Bowl XXXVIII tied for the third-most in Super Bowl history. Givens, who played for the Irish in 1998-2001, led the '04 Patriots in receptions with 56 for 874 yards and three TDs.

The Patriots finished 2004 with a franchise-record 20 consecutive home field victories (regular-season and postseason combined) over three seasons, the longest current streak in the NFL at that time. Meanwhile, Patriot running back Corey Dillon rushed for 1,635 yards and 12 TDs (ranking third in the league and including nine 100-yard games) in '04 – then added a 144-yard effort versus Indianapolis in the playoffs. New England enjoyed a 21-game unbeaten streak, including the final 15 games in 2003 (including three in the playoffs) and the first six in '04

THE WEIS FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1979	Boonton (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
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1982	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1983	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1984	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1985	South Carolina	Graduate Assistant Coach/ Defensive Backs
1986	South Carolina	Graduate Assistant Coach/ Linebackers
1987	South Carolina (8-4, Gator Bowl)	Volunteer Coach/ Defensive Ends
1988	South Carolina (8-4, Liberty Bowl)	Assistant Recruiting Coordinator
1989	Franklin Township (N.J.) High School	Head Coach
1990	New York Giants (13-3, Super Bowl champion)	Defensive Assistant, Asst. Special Teams
1991	New York Giants (8-8)	Running Backs

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1992	New York Giants	Running Backs
1993	New England Patriots	Tight Ends
1994	New England Patriots (10-6, lost Wild Card game)	Tight Ends
1995	New England Patriots	Running Backs
1996	New England Patriots (11-5, lost Super Bowl)	Wide Receivers
1997	New York Jets (9-7)	Wide Receivers
1998	New York Jets (12-4, lost AFC title game)	Offensive Coordinator/ Wide Receivers
1999	New York Jets (8-8)	Offensive Coordinator/ Wide Receivers
2000	New England Patriots	Offensive Coordinator/ Running Backs
2001	New England Patriots (11-5, Super Bowl champion)	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks/RBs
2002	New England Patriots (9-7)	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks
2003	New England Patriots (14-2, Super Bowl champion)	Offensive Coordinator
2004	New England Patriots (14-2, Super Bowl champion)	Offensive Coordinator
2005	Notre Dame (9-3, Fiesta Bowl)	Head Coach



and had won 32 of its last 34 games overall through the end of the '04 season.

Weis started his professional coaching career with the New York Giants in 1990. After assisting in the Giants pro personnel department while also coaching high school football in '89, Weis a year later was named defensive assistant and assistant special teams coach (under eighth-year Giants head coach Parcells). In his first season on the Giants coaching staff, the Giants claimed the Super Bowl title with a 16-3 overall record. In 1991, Ray Handley took over as coach of the Giants and named Weis his running backs coach. After two seasons on Handley's staff, Weis began a four-year stint in New England – all four of those seasons under Parcells.

In Weis' first tenure with the Patriots from 1993-96, he assisted in the development of some of New England's all-time best individual season performances from Coates, Martin and Terry Glenn, respectively. During his first four seasons in New England, he coached three different positions. In 1993 and '94, he served as the Patriots' tight ends coach and, in his second season at the position, Coates set an NFL record for receptions by a tight end with 96 and earned his first trip to the Pro Bowl. In '95, Weis coached the Patriots' running backs and was credited with developing Martin, a third-round '95 draft pick, into one of the premier running backs in the NFL. That year, Martin won league rookie-of-the-year honors and set franchise rushing records with 1,487 yards and 14 TDs. In '96, Weis coached the New England receivers, with Glenn leading the team and setting an NFL rookie reception record with 90 catches for 1,132 yards and six TDs.

From 1997 to '99 (with Parcells as head coach and Belichick as assistant head coach), Weis called offensive plays for the New York Jets. In his first season, the Jets improved from 1-15 in 1996 to 9-7 in '97. The eight-game improvement ranked as the best in franchise history. In '98, Weis was named the offensive coordinator/wide receivers coach. By season's end, his offense ranked among the greatest in franchise history and led the Jets to their first division title. The team scored 416 points, second-highest total in franchise history (after 419 points in '68) and averaged 357.2 yards per game. It marked the second-best total-offense season average in Jets history (368.5 yards per game in '85). Both of Weis' starting receivers, Johnson (1,131) and Chrebet (1,083), eclipsed the 1,000-yard receiving plateau for the first time in their careers. It marked the first time since '86 that two Jets receivers reached that milestone in the same season.

In '99, Weis' offense produced the NFL's second-leading rusher and the AFC's fourth-ranked receiver. Martin rushed for 1,464 yards, falling only 90 yards shy of the rushing title (won by Indianapolis' Edgerrin James). Johnson led the Jets

and established career highs with 89 receptions for 1,170 yards, earning his second consecutive Pro Bowl nod.

Weis has enjoyed tremendous coaching success at all levels, including high school, college and in the NFL. The Trenton, N.J., native began his coaching career in 1979 at Boonton High School in New Jersey, then spent the next five seasons at Morristown (N.J.) High School as a football assistant. In '85, he was hired by head coach Joe Morrison at the University of South Carolina, where he served four seasons — with the Gamecocks finishing 8-4 and playing in the Gator and Liberty Bowls, respectively, following the '87 and '88 seasons.

He returned to New Jersey as head coach at Franklin Township High School in '89. That year, he directed Franklin Township to the New Jersey state championship while also assisting in the Giants' pro personnel depart-

ment. In '90, he launched his professional coaching career with the New York Giants and celebrated the first of his four Super Bowl championships.

Weis was born March 30, 1956, in Trenton, N.J. After graduation from Middlesex (N.J.) High School, he earned his bachelor's degree in speech and drama from Notre Dame in 1978. While coaching at South Carolina, he earned his master's degree in education in 1989.

In 2003, Weis and his wife Maura established the Hannah & Friends Foundation, dedicated to children affected by developmental disorders. In the spring of '06, the third annual Hannah & Friends Celebrity Golf Classic was held in South Carolina to benefit the foundation.

Charlie and Maura have two children, Charles Joseph and Hannah Margaret.



The Weis family (from left): Charlie, Hannah, Maura and Charlie Jr.

JOHN LATINA



Notre Dame assistant head coach (offense)/offensive line coach John Latina brings a hard-nosed attitude and a strong depth of experience to the Irish staff.

A key figure in Notre Dame's offensive explosion in 2005, Latina assisted head coach Charlie Weis as the Irish attack shattered numerous records. Meanwhile, his work with the Irish offensive line was a key component in yielding those impressive results. The 2005 Irish offense averaged 36.7 points per game. Notre Dame scored 58 touchdowns (just one shy of the Notre Dame single-season mark) and 440 points (a Notre Dame single-season record) and was the nation's most improved offensive unit, in terms of yardage per game. The 2005 Irish offense produced two 1,000-yard receivers (Jeff Samardzija and Maurice Stovall), a 1,000-yard rusher (Darius Walker) and a 3,000-yard passer (Brady Quinn) – one of only two schools to do that in '05 (along with Miami of Ohio).

The 2006 season will be Latina's 25th as an assistant coach. He joined the Irish in '05 after spending six seasons at the University of Mississippi as offensive line coach and coordinated the Rebels' highly successful offense for five years.

Latina directed the most prolific attack in Ole Miss history in 2003, as the Rebels set school records for points scored (442) and total offense (5,631) on the way to a final ranking of 13th in the Associated Press poll. Ole Miss led the Southeastern Conference that season in passing offense (286.0), scoring (34.0) and total offense (433.2). Quarterback Eli Manning was the SEC Offensive Player of the Year and was the number-one overall pick in the NFL draft.

In addition, receiver Chris Collins and offensive guard Doug Buckles earned first-team all-SEC honors (Buckles added second-team all-league honors in 2004 and guard Marcus Johnson also was a 2004 second-team pick). Three other Ole Miss players from that squad signed NFL contracts. There were two seasons during Latina's stay at Ole Miss that the Rebel offensive line allowed the fewest quarterback sacks in the SEC.

Latina helped groom some of the best offensive linemen ever to play at Ole Miss. Center Ben Claxton was All-SEC and was a fifth-round draft pick by the Denver Broncos in 2003. He also developed tackle Terrence Metcalf into an All-America selection chosen the SEC's Most Valuable Offensive Lineman in 2001 and picked in the third round of the 2002 NFL draft.

His first season at Ole Miss (1999) produced a trio of All-SEC picks and All-America accolades for tackle Todd Wade and Metcalf, while Claxton was chosen Freshman All-America. The Rebels finished 22nd in the final AP poll that season. During his tenure at Ole Miss, Latina coached 10 offensive linemen who went on to sign NFL contracts, including first and second-round selections in the 2004 NFL Draft.

Prior to joining the Ole Miss staff, Latina was an assistant coach at Clemson for five years (1994-98), working with the offensive line and helping teams to three bowl appearances. During his time with the Tigers, Latina coached six All-ACC offensive linemen and helped Clemson rank among the top two in the ACC in rushing from 1995-97.

A 1981 graduate of Virginia Tech (earning a bachelor of science degree in education, with a major in therapeutic recreation), Latina lettered four years as an offensive lineman for the Hokies. He joined the Virginia Tech coaching staff as a graduate assistant and helped lead the Hokies to the 1981 Peach Bowl. After spending one season (1982) as an assistant at Pittsburgh (the Panthers finished 10th nationally that season) under head coach Foge Fazio (later defensive coordinator at Notre Dame), Latina became the offensive line coach at Temple (1983-88) under head coach Bruce Arians. His offensive line blocked for first-team All-America tailback Paul Palmer, who led the nation in rushing in 1986. At Temple, Latina coached three players who were drafted by the NFL and four others who signed free-agent contracts.

Latina joined the Kansas State staff in 1989 as offensive line coach and running game coordinator. He spent five seasons with the Wildcats, where he coached two future NFL draft picks and five others who inked free-agent contracts. His 1993 Kansas State team won the Copper Bowl and finished 9-2-1 and 20th in the final AP poll.

Born Sept. 18, 1957, John Joseph Latina is a native of New Castle, Pa. He is married to the former Michele Veltre (also of New Castle). They are parents of two sons, John and Michael.



The Latinas (from left): Michael, Michele and John

THE LATINA FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1979-80	Virginia Tech	Undergraduate Assistant
1981	Virginia Tech	Graduate Assistant
1982	Pittsburgh	Tight Ends
1983-88	Temple	Offensive Line
1989-93	Kansas State	Offensive Line/ Running Game Coordinator
1994-99	Clemson	Offensive Line
2000-04	Ole Miss	Offensive Coordinator/ Offensive Line
2005-06	Notre Dame	Assistant Head Coach (Offense)/Offensive Line

BILL LEWIS



A former college head coach with an impressive wealth of experience from the college and NFL ranks, Bill Lewis will be in his second season with the Irish in 2006 serving as assistant head coach (defense) and defensive backs coach.

Lewis molded a much-improved secondary for the Irish in 2005. The '05 Irish defensive backs were an opportunistic group, producing 19 turnovers (13 interceptions and six fumble recoveries) while contributing to Notre Dame's plus-10 turnover margin. Lewis works with defensive coordinator Rick Minter in molding the Irish defensive unit into an aggressive, competitive group that exhibits superior effort.

That approach helped the '05 Irish defense limit opponents to only a 35 percent success rate on third downs while Notre Dame foes scored touchdowns on only 56 percent of red zone opportunities. Among Lewis' pupils is safety Tom Zbikowski, who led the '05 defense in interceptions and ran back four punts or interceptions for touchdowns.

Lewis joined the Irish after nine seasons with the NFL's Miami Dolphins, working as defense nickel package coach from 1996-2004. Lewis joined the NFL coaching ranks after 32 years (1963-94) of coaching at the collegiate level (including 13 bowl appearances). He coached his first four NFL seasons in Miami under head coach Jimmy Johnson, the last five under Dave Wannstedt (now head coach at the University of Pittsburgh).

Under Lewis, the Dolphins finished in the top eight in the NFL in pass defense six of his last seven seasons (second in 2004 at 162.0 yards per game), including a number-one ranking in 2001. He helped Miami qualify for the NFL playoffs in five of his first six seasons with the Dolphins, including Wild Card wins in three straight seasons from 1998 through 2000. Miami qualified as American Football Conference East Division champion in 2000.

Lewis spent 1995 as athletic director at The Marist School in Atlanta after three seasons as head coach at Georgia Tech from 1992-94. He also served in 1995 as a color analyst on college football games for ESPN and espn2.

In his first season at Georgia Tech in 1992, the Yellow Jackets produced their first back-to-back wins over top 25 teams (Clemson and North Carolina State) in 25 years. That Tech squad was led by two first-team All-Americans – defensive tackle Coleman Rudolph (later a

1993 second-round NFL draft pick by the New York Jets) and kicker Scott Sisson. That 1992 unit also set a Georgia Tech season record for passing yards (2,590) – a mark that was topped by his third Yellow Jackets team in 1994 (2,702).

Prior to his stint at Georgia Tech, Lewis served as head coach at East Carolina for three seasons (1989-91). Taking over a program that hadn't had a winning season since 1983, in his third year (1991) he led the Pirates to an 11-1 record (their only loss came 38-31 to Illinois in the season opener), a victory in the Peach Bowl over North Carolina State following the season (their first bowl appearance in 13 years) and a final ranking of ninth in the AP poll.

Lewis received 1991 National Coach-of-the-Year honors from the American Football Coaches Association, United Press International and Scripps-Howard. Following that 1991 campaign, Lewis accepted the Georgia Tech head-coaching job, replacing the NFL-bound Bobby Ross.

Lewis began his coaching career with three seasons at East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State in 1963 (he also coached the East Stroudsburg baseball team in 1965) and made stops as defensive backs coach at Pittsburgh (1966-68), Wake Forest (1969-70), Georgia Tech (1971-72), and Arkansas (1973-76).

During his initial stop at Georgia Tech in 1971-72 he coached three-time All-America defensive back Randy Rhino – and was part of a staff that eventually produced eight head coaches (including Steve Sloan and Jerry Glanville). The Yellow Jackets qualified for bowl games in both 1971 and 1972 (a Liberty Bowl victory).

Lewis became head coach at Wyoming in 1977 and spent three years at the helm of the Cowboys. He coached a pair of All-Americans there – linebacker Ken Fantetti and offensive tackle Dennis Baker – as well as 16 All-Western Athletic Conference picks.

He began a nine-year stint at Georgia in 1980 as defensive backs coach before occupying the job of defensive coordinator in each of his last eight seasons with the Bulldogs (his defense led the SEC in scoring defense and rushing defense in 1981 in his first season as coordinator). While in Athens, the Bulldogs won the 1980 national championship (capped by a Sugar Bowl win over Notre Dame) and during his nine years at the school, Georgia appeared in nine straight bowl games (four of them wins) and won three Southeastern Conference titles.

He coached 23 all-SEC honorees and seven All-Americans (including defensive backs Scott Woerner, Terry Hoage, John Little and Jeff Sanchez) at Georgia. Those nine seasons in Athens produced a combined 83-21-4 record, including a 43-4-1 record in his first four years at Georgia (the first three with Herschel Walker as tailback) in which the Bulldogs finished sixth or higher in the final polls all four times.

Lewis was a four-year letterman and senior captain as a football quarterback at East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State from 1959-62 and earned Little All-America honors during his playing days. He also played four years of baseball at East Stroudsburg as a pitcher and infielder. He was a three-year letterman in both baseball and football at Delhass High School in Bristol, Pa. Lewis spent two years in the Detroit



Bill and Sandy Lewis

Tigers' minor league system as a pitcher. He received a bachelor's degree in 1963 from East Stroudsburg State in health and physical education and did work toward a master's degree in the same field. Born William

J. Lewis on Aug. 5, 1941, in Philadelphia, Pa., he and his wife, the former Sandy Schmoeyer of Pennsburg, Pa., have two sons, Mark and Geoff; daughters-in-law Dawn, Laurel and Lisa; and grandchildren Ella and Billy.

THE LEWIS FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1963-65	East Stroudsburg State	QB's/Receivers/Secondary
1966-68	Pittsburgh	Defensive Backs
1969-70	Wake Forest	Defensive Backs
1971-72	Georgia Tech	Linebackers
1973-76	Arkansas	Defensive Backs
1977-79	Wyoming	Head Coach
1980	Georgia	Defensive Backs
1981-88	Georgia	Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Backs
1989-91	East Carolina	Head Coach
1992-94	Georgia Tech	Head Coach
1995	The Marist School (Georgia)	Director of Athletics
1996-04	Miami Dolphins	Defensive Nickel Package
2005-06	Notre Dame	Assistant Head Coach (Defense)/ Defensive Backs

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MIKE HAYWOOD



Entering his second season as offensive coordinator and running backs coach at Notre Dame in 2006, Mike Haywood has added more luster to an already sparkling coaching resume in one season with the Irish.

A key figure in Notre Dame's offensive explosion in 2005, Haywood was named NCAA Division 1-A Assistant Coach of the Year by the American Football Coaches Association. The honor recognized not only Haywood's outstanding coaching credentials, but also his stellar work in the community throughout his coaching career.

Haywood's role with the 2005 Irish offense was a vital one, assisting head coach Charlie Weis as the Irish attack shattered numerous records. Meanwhile, his work with the Irish running backs also yielded impressive results. Tailback Darius Walker surpassed the 1,000-yard rushing mark and set an Irish record for pass receptions by a back in a season. Also, reserve tailback Travis Thomas was one of the team's most improved players and freshman fullback Asaph Schwapp developed into a key role player early in his Irish career.

Haywood's return to familiar turf in South Bend was the latest stop in a successful career as one of college football's top assistant coaches.

A four-year football letterman at Notre Dame (1982, 1984-86), Haywood joined the Irish staff after serving two highly successful seasons at the University of Texas. A 17-year coaching veteran, he served as Texas' running backs coach and co-special teams coordinator for two seasons – and was promoted to recruiting coordinator for 2004.

Haywood tutored All-American running back and 2004 Doak Walker Award winner Cedric Benson who finished the 2004 regular season ranked first in the Big 12 Conference and fourth nationally in rushing at 160.4 yards per game. Benson led the conference and finished fourth nationally in scoring with 20 touchdowns (19 on the ground) – and set an NCAA record by rushing for at least one score in 37 straight games. The Longhorns ranked second nationally in rushing in 2004 (302.4 yards per game), ninth in total offense (466.3) and 14th in scoring (35.0 points).

In his first season at Texas in 2003, the Longhorns ranked fifth nationally (and first in the Big 12) in rushing at 241.0 yards per game. Texas' 2,892 rushing yards were the most for the Longhorns since 1977 and Benson rushed for 1,277 yards (seventh on the Texas all-time

single-season list) and 20 touchdowns (third on the Texas all-time single-season list) en route to all-Big 12 honors. Benson led the nation in scoring at 11.6 points per game.

Haywood previously served as LSU running backs coach from 1995-2002 and also was the Tigers' special teams coordinator in 1997-98 and 2001-02. During his time in Baton Rouge, Haywood helped produce some of the finest running backs in LSU history – and in those eight seasons the Tigers played in six bowl games and won five of them.

In 2001 and 2002, Haywood developed LaBrandon Toefield into one of the Southeastern Conference's top backs. Toefield tied an SEC record with 19 rushing touchdowns in 2001 and finished the year with 992 rushing yards on 230 carries en route to first-team all-SEC honors. The 2000 Freshman All-American ran for 475 yards in 2002 despite missing four games due to a broken forearm. Domanick Davis proved to be the perfect complement to Toefield as he rushed for a team-high 931 yards and seven scores in 2002. In 2001, Davis recorded 406 yards and five touchdowns during the regular season and added 122 yards and a Sugar Bowl-record four rushing scores in Toefield's absence. Toefield (Jacksonville Jaguars) and Davis (Houston Texans) were both selected in the fourth round of the 2003 NFL draft.

Haywood also was instrumental in developing Kevin Faulk, Rondell Mealey and Cecil Collins into three of the most productive running backs in school history. Faulk left LSU with virtually every rushing record, while Mealey capped his career ranked in the top 10 in both rushing yards and rushing scores. All were selected in the NFL draft following their respective senior seasons. The New England Patriots chose Faulk in the second round, Mealey was drafted by the Green Bay Packers (seventh round) and Cecil Collins drafted fifth round to the Miami Dolphins.

As special teams coordinator, Haywood had LSU among the best in the SEC in nearly every statistical category. In 2002, the Tigers led the SEC and ranked seventh nationally with a 24.1-yard kickoff return average and third in the league in punt returns (13.9-yard average). Led by punter Donnie Jones' 44.0-yard average (fifth NCAA, second SEC), they also stood 12th nationally in net punting on the year. In 2001, LSU ranked eighth in the NCAA in net punting (39.6 avg.) and the Tigers were tops in the league in kickoff coverage, allowing just 15.2 yards per return. Individually, Davis earned second-team all-SEC honors after leading the league in punt returns (13.8 avg.).

Prior to his stint at LSU, Haywood was the position coach for three All-Mid-American Conference players at Ball State from 1993-94, while helping the Cardinals claim the 1993 MAC crown. Wide receiver Brian Oliver earned all-MAC honors and was tabbed the league's freshman of the year in 1993 and, one year later, running backs Tony Nibbs and Michael Blair earned all-conference honors. He also served as the Cardinals' co-special teams coordinator during his two seasons.

Haywood started his coaching career at Minnesota as a graduate assistant in 1988, and then went to Army as an assistant coach from 1989-90. He coached the Cadets' defensive backs his first year before mentoring the defensive ends in 1990 and also working both years with special teams. Haywood then

moved to Ohio University in 1991 where he tutored outside linebackers and assisted with special teams for two seasons.

Born Michael Anthony Haywood on Feb. 26, 1964 in Houston, Texas, he played flanker during his freshman season at Notre Dame (started five games and caught 13 passes for 128 yards in 1982), then moved to cornerback where he was a significant contributor and starter from 1984-86 (13 career starts, 78 tackles, five interceptions, two blocked kicks).

Haywood is a 1986 graduate of the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree in government from the College of Arts and Letters.



THE HAYWOOD FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1988	Minnesota	Graduate Assistant
1989	Army	Defensive Backs/ Special Teams Assistant
1990	Army	Defensive Ends Assistant/ Special Teams Coordinator
1991-92	Ohio	Outside Linebackers/ Special Teams Assistant
1993	Ball State	Receivers/Co-Special Teams Coordinator
1994	Ball State	Running Backs/Co-Special Teams Coordinator
1995	LSU	Running Backs
1996-98	LSU	Running Backs/ Special Teams Coordinator
1999-2000	LSU	Running Backs
2001-02	LSU	Running Backs/ Special Teams Coordinator
2003	Texas	Running Backs/ Co-Special Teams Coord.
2004	Texas	Running Backs/ Recruiting Coord./ Co-Special Teams Coord.
2005-06	Notre Dame	Offensive Coordinator/ Running Backs

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Rick Minter is in his second season with the Irish in 2006 after producing significant improvement in the 2005 Notre Dame defense as the Irish defensive coordinator/linebackers coach, a post he also held in 1992-93 under former head coach Lou Holtz. Regarded as one of the premier defensive coaches in the country, Minter has 10 years of head coaching experience at the major-college level, plus 12 seasons as a defensive coordinator at Notre Dame, South Carolina and Ball State.

Minter molded a much-improved defense for the Irish last season, a unit that produced 24 turnovers (13 interceptions and 11 fumble recoveries) while contributing to Notre Dame's plus-10 turnover margin. Minter strives to produce a competitive and aggressive unit that plays with superior effort. That effort helped the '05 Irish defense limit opponents to only a 35 percent success rate on third downs while Notre Dame foes scored touchdowns on only 56 percent of red zone opportunities.

Minter's linebackers played a significant part in the Irish defense's improvement in 2005 as weakside linebacker Brandon Hoyte led the team in tackles (92) while middle linebacker Corey Mays was second (80) and strongside linebacker Maurice Crum, Jr., (57) also ranked among the team's tackles leaders. Overall, the starting trio of linebackers combined for 229 tackles, including 32.5 for losses, 11 quarterback sacks, three fumble recoveries and six forced fumbles.

Minter produced major improvement in the South Carolina defense in 2004 under Holtz – as the Gamecocks ranked 20th nationally in total defense (315.18 yards per game) and 15th nationally in pass defense (177.27). Among his pupils was freshman free safety Ko Simpson, who earned second-team All-America honors and ranked third nationally in interceptions (with six).

During 10 seasons as head coach at Cincinnati (1994-2003) he led the Bearcats to four postseason bowl games and was the winningest coach in the program's history. Minter's

2002 team was co-champion of Conference USA. His 1997 team finished 8-4 after a Humanitarian Bowl victory over Utah State, marking the first bowl appearance for Cincinnati since 1951. Minter's Bearcats had three straight seven-win campaigns from 2000-2002 – and all three seasons resulted in postseason bowl invitations.

In Minter's second season at Cincinnati in 1995, the Bearcats' Robert Tate led the nation in kickoff returns with a 34.3-yard average. In 2000, kicker Jonathan Ruffin became the program's first consensus All-America selection, as Ruffin led the nation in field goals (made 26 of 29) and won the Lou Groza Award as the top kicker in the country. Minter's eight seasons in Conference USA produced 26 first-team all-league selections for the Bearcats, including 11 picks on defense.

It was during his two seasons with Holtz at Notre Dame (1992-93) that he earned a national reputation of being one of the top defensive minds in the country. The 1993 Irish defense held nine of its 12 opponents under 100 yards rushing en route to an 11-1 season and runner-up finish in the national championship race. Notre Dame finished that season with the nation's fourth-best rushing defense, with three of Minter's defenders earning first-team All-America honors, including free safety Jeff Burris, cornerback Bobby Taylor and tackle Bryant Young.

The 1992 Notre Dame defense allowed an average of 91 yards rushing and 277 total yards over the last nine games of the season, as the Irish posted a 10-1-1 mark, won the Cotton Bowl and was ranked fourth in the final national polls. That season also saw the Notre Dame defense finish ninth nationally in rushing defense (111.1), with cornerback Tom Carter earning All-America honors. During his two seasons at Notre Dame, Minter coached 21 defensive players who went on to play professionally in the NFL.

Prior to joining the Notre Dame staff, Minter served as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Ball State for seven seasons, annually developing units that were ranked among the national leaders. The 1991 Ball State squad was ranked ninth in the country in scoring defense, 11th in total defense and 16th in passing defense. A year earlier, in 1990, the Cardinals were second in the nation in total defense, third in pass and scoring defense and 10th in rush defense.

Ball State combined for a 28-15-2 mark over his final four seasons in Muncie (1988-91), including a Mid-American Conference title and Raisin Bowl appearance in 1989 that marked the Cardinals' first bowl participation in 22 years. During Minter's seven seasons under head coach Paul Schudel, Ball State produced nine all-Mid-American Conference

players on defense, including three-time MAC Defensive Player of the Year (1987-89) Gary Garnica.

Minter also has collegiate coaching experience at New Mexico State (linebackers in 1984), North Carolina State (outside linebackers in 1980-82 under head coach Monte Kiffin), Louisiana Tech (defensive ends in 1979) and Arkansas, where he was a graduate assistant under Holtz (helping the Razorbacks to nine wins, a No. 11 final ranking and a Fiesta Bowl appearance in 1978).

Born Richard Dale Minter on Oct. 4, 1954 in Nash, Texas, he is a graduate of Texas High School in Texarkana, Texas. He was a three-year starter at defensive end at Henderson State, where he earned both his bachelor's (1977) and master's degrees (1978) in education. Minter is the father of two sons, Josh and Jesse, an intern in the Notre Dame football office.



THE MINTER FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1977	Henderson State	Grad. Assistant/ Linebackers
1978	Arkansas	Grad. Asst./ Linebackers/DBs
1979	Louisiana Tech	Defensive Ends
1980-82	N.C. State	Outside Linebackers
1984	New Mexico State	Linebackers
1985-86	Ball State	Defensive Coordinator
1987-91	Ball State	Assistant Head Coach/ Defensive Coordinator
1992-93	Notre Dame	Defensive Coordinator/ Inside Linebackers
1994-2003	Cincinnati	Head Coach
2004	South Carolina	Defensive Coordinator/ Linebackers
2005-06	Notre Dame	Defensive Coordinator/ Linebackers

ROB IANELLO



Rob Ianello arrived at Notre Dame with a reputation as one of the most dynamic assistant coaches in college football, and he's only enhanced that reputation after one season as wide receivers coach and recruiting coordinator for the Irish.

Ianello, who came to Notre Dame following two seasons as tight ends coach at Wisconsin, was a major contributor to Notre Dame's startling aerial success last season as he developed a wide receivers corps that posted record numbers. Ianello played a crucial role in the most prolific passing offense in Notre Dame history (330.2 yards per game).

The spectacular performances of Jeff Samardzija and Maurice Stovall captivated Irish followers in 2005. Both exceeded the 1,000-yard mark in receiving yards while combining for 26 touchdowns. Samardzija set school records for receiving yards in a season (1,249) and receiving touchdowns (15) while tying the school mark for catches in a season (77). Stovall posted similar numbers (69 catches for 1,149 yards and 11 touchdowns).

Ianello's acumen as a top recruiter was recognized in February when Rivals.com ranked him second in a listing of the nation's top 25 college football recruiters. Ianello helped coordinate a recruiting class that consensus ranked in the nation's top 10. It marked the third consecutive season that Ianello has been mentioned in the ranking.

At Wisconsin, Ianello served as the Badgers' tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator in 2004 and was named UW's tight ends coach prior to the 2003 season following nine years on the Arizona football staff – all nine seasons as recruiting coordinator (1994-2002) and the last six as wide receivers coach. He was ranked among the nation's top 10 recruiters by Sports Illustrated during his stint with the Wildcats.

He helped the Badgers to postseason bowl contests in 2003 and 2004 – including a 7-6 record and Music City Bowl appearance following the 2003 campaign and a 9-3 mark and Outback Bowl slot in

2004. Wisconsin in 2004 won its first nine games (tying a Badger record for consecutive wins) and ranked fourth in both national polls at that point (its highest ranking since 2000).

Promoted to the position of Arizona's passing game coordinator just before coming to Wisconsin, Ianello coached 2002 Pacific-10 receiving leader Bobby Wade, who caught 93 passes for 1,389 yards and eight touchdowns. Wade teamed with Andrae Thurman for 154 catches in 2002, the most in Arizona history by a receiving duo.

The Wildcats' 1998 squad was 12-1, finished as the Pac-10 runner-up, ranked fourth nationally and defeated Nebraska in the Holiday Bowl. That team's offense was the first in Pac-10 history to register five straight games of 500 yards or more of total offense. Arizona's 1999 offense ranked first in the Pac-10 and third nationally (Dennis Northcutt caught 88 passes, then a school record) at 472.9 yards per game.

Ianello was the on-campus recruiting coordinator at Wisconsin from 1990-91 and the recruiting coordinator for the Badgers from 1992-93. It was during those years that Wisconsin built its 1994 Rose Bowl and Big Ten Conference co-champion squad (the Badgers finished fifth in the final 1993 CNN/USA Today poll).

Prior to joining Barry Alvarez's first staff at Wisconsin, Ianello was assistant recruiting coordinator with head coach Bill Curry at Alabama in 1988-89 (the Crimson Tide shared the 1989 Southeastern Conference title and earned a Sugar Bowl berth). That staff signed 17 of the eventual 22 starters on Alabama's 1992 national championship team. Ianello was a graduate assistant for the Crimson Tide in 1987 on an Alabama team that earned a Hall of Fame Bowl invitation.

In 1999 Ianello was named one of the top 10 recruiters in the nation by ESPN.com and one of the top six recruiters in the country by The Sporting News.

Ianello was elected to the board of trustees of the American Football Coaches Association in January of 2003 (the only assistant coach on the board). The board formulates policy and provides direction for the AFCA. Ianello also chairs the AFCA's assistant coaches committee and is the general chairman of the AFCA's all-division assistant coaches committee.

A native of Port Chester, N.Y., Robert S. Ianello is a 1987 graduate of The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., with a bachelor's degree in English. He and his wife, the former Denise Dove, have one son, Zachary. Denise, a former assistant women's basketball coach at Arizona and Wisconsin, is currently a scout for the WNBA.



Denise, Zachary and Rob Ianello

THE IANELLO FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1987	Alabama	Graduate Assistant
1988-89	Alabama	Assistant Recruiting Coordinator
1990-91	Wisconsin	On-Campus Recruiting Coordinator
1992-93	Wisconsin	Recruiting Coordinator
1994-96	Arizona	Recruiting Coordinator
1997-2002	Arizona	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coordinator
2003	Wisconsin	Tight Ends
2004	Wisconsin	Tight Ends/ Recruiting Coordinator
2005-06	Notre Dame	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coordinator

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In his 27th season as a college assistant coach in 2006, Jerome “Jappy” Oliver led a productive defensive line for Notre Dame in 2005, a unit that spearheaded a determined effort by an opportunistic defense that keyed an Irish resurgence.

Oliver’s linemen were vital to the team’s success in 2005. The three-man rotation of defensive tackles Derek Landri, Trevor Laws, and Brian Beidatsch combined for 90 tackles, 13 tackles for loss, 5.5 quarterback sacks, 11 quarterback hurries and two blocked field goals in 2005. The defensive ends rotation of Victor Abiamiri, Justin Brown, Chris Frome and Ronald Talley also blossomed, combining for 89 tackles, 18.5 tackles for loss (15 by Abiamiri), 10 quarterback sacks (eight by Abiamiri), eight quarterback hurries, one fumble recovery and seven pass deflections.

The line was a key factor in Notre Dame’s defensive resurgence in 2005 as the Irish produced 24 turnovers (13 interceptions and 11 fumble recoveries) while limiting opponents to only a 35 percent success rate on third downs and touch-downs on only 56 percent of red zone opportunities.

Oliver spent 2003-04 as defensive line coach under former Irish head coach Lou Holtz at South Carolina, teaming with current Irish defensive coordinator Rick Minter to achieve a noteworthy turnaround on the defensive side in 2004 as the Gamecocks finished with a national ranking of 20th in total defense (315.18 yards per game).

Oliver previously served on the staff of Air Force’s Fisher DeBerry for eight seasons from 1995 through 2002, helping the Falcons to five postseason bowl appearances including wins in the Oahu Bowl (1998) and the Silicon Valley Bowl (2000).

During Oliver’s eight years as defensive line coach at Air Force, the Falcons finished a combined 65-33 – and ended up 25th in the final USA Today/ ESPN poll in 1997 after finishing 10-3, then 10th in USA Today/ESPN in 1998 after finishing 12-1. Air Force in 1998 won the Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division title.

One of Oliver’s prize pupils, Bryce Fisher, earned WAC Mountain Division Defensive Player of the Year honors in 1998. Fisher was also the team’s most outstanding player in the 1997 Las Vegas Bowl, and was later drafted in the seventh round by the Buffalo Bills. Oliver also helped turn Shawn Thomas into one of the Academy’s best defenders. Thomas finished his career ranked fourth in school history in tackles for loss and quarterback sacks. In 2000, one of his players, Zach Johnson, was named all-conference and played in the East-West Shrine All-Star game. In addition to his work with the defensive line, Oliver also worked with the Falcon kickoff team as well as the extra point and field goal blocking units.

From 1991-94 Oliver served on the staff at Vanderbilt, where he helped the Commodores defense set school records for quarterback sacks in consecutive seasons. Vanderbilt also lowered its team rushing yards allowed figure each of Oliver’s four seasons in Nashville under head coach Gerry DiNardo, a former Irish offensive lineman.

He began his coaching career in 1978 at Davison (Mich.) High School (near his hometown of Flint) where he coached the defensive backfield and wide receivers. He returned to his alma mater, Purdue University, as a graduate assistant coach in 1979-80 (working with the wide receivers, tight ends and offensive line) for head coach Jim Young – and helped the Boilers to wins in the Bluebonnet (1979) and Liberty (1980) Bowls and consecutive 10-2 and 9-3 marks. He then coached at Eastern Michigan (offensive backfield and receivers) from 1981-82 under former Irish assistant Mike Stock and Northeastern (outside linebackers) in 1983 under head coach Paul Pawlak. Oliver coached defensive linemen at the Naval Academy from 1984-86 under head coach Gary Tranquill. He also has coaching experience at Grand Valley State (defensive line in 1988) and Western Illinois (inside linebackers in 1989-90).

Born Jerome Wayne Oliver on July 17, 1955, in Flint, Mich., Oliver is a 1978 graduate of Purdue University (bachelor’s degree in Physical Education and Health), where he lettered three years in football as a wide receiver (he caught 15 career passes) and also spent one season as a reserve on the Boilermakers’ basketball squad.

Oliver was a standout athlete at Southwestern High School in Flint, Mich., earning All-City and All-District accolades in both football and basketball. He was the city’s athlete of the year in 1973 and captained teams in football, basketball and baseball. He has one daughter, Candace, and a son, Justin.



THE OLIVER FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1978	Davison (Mich.) High School	Defensive Backs/Wide Receivers
1979	Purdue	Graduate Assistant/Offensive Line
1980	Purdue	Graduate Assistant (Receivers, Tight Ends)
1981	Eastern Michigan	Offensive Backfield
1982	Eastern Michigan	Offensive Backfield/Receivers
1983	Northeastern	Outside Linebackers
1984-86	Navy	Defensive Line
1988	Grand Valley State	Defensive Line
1989-90	Western Illinois	Inside Linebackers
1991-93	Vanderbilt	Defensive Line
1994	Vanderbilt	Linebackers
1995-2002	Air Force	Defensive Line
2003-04	South Carolina	Defensive Line
2005-06	Notre Dame	Defensive Line

BERNIE PARMALEE



Former NFL running back Bernie Parmalee joined the Notre Dame coaching staff in 2005 as tight ends coach and special teams assistant after a three-year stint as an assistant with the Miami Dolphins.

The Irish tight ends flourished in 2005 under Parmalee's guidance in head coach Charlie Weis' offense. Anthony Fasano, a finalist for the John Mackey Award presented annually to college football's finest tight end, posted impressive numbers with 47 catches (second-most in a season by an Irish tight end) for 576 yards (second-most by a Notre Dame tight end) and two touchdowns. Fasano and John Carlson combined for 54 catches for 632 yards and three touchdowns in 2005.

Parmalee's role on special teams helped Notre Dame produce a consistent opportunistic unit that produced two touchdowns (both on punt returns), three blocked punts and two blocked field goals.

Parmalee finished his third season as a member of the Dolphins' staff and his first as Miami tight end coach in 2004. He spent the 2003 season as an assistant special teams/offensive assistant with the Dolphins. He embarked on his NFL coaching career in 2002 as Miami's assistant special teams coach after a nine-year playing career, including the first seven (1992-98) with the Dolphins and the final two (1999-2000) with the New York Jets.

He played from 1992-95 under legendary Dolphins coach Don Shula, 1996-98 with Miami under Jimmy Johnson and 1999-2000 with the Jets under Bill Parcells and Al Groh, respectively (Irish head coach Charlie Weis was the Jets' offensive coordinator in 1999).

In 2002, Parmalee helped the Dolphins rank second in the American Football Conference in kickoff return average (23.5), while Miami's opponents finished with the fourth-lowest punt return average (7.0) in the AFC. Meanwhile, kicker Olindo Mare connected on 24 of 31 field goals. In 2003, Miami's punt-return defense again rated among the AFC leaders (tied for second at 6.4). Under Parmalee's tutelage in 2004, third-year Dolphin Randy McMichael ranked among the league leaders in receptions by a tight end with 73 for 791 yards and four touchdowns.

A featured running back, starting fullback (four games in 1997), third-down back and

special teams stalwart at different times during his professional career, Parmalee played in 134 NFL games, starting 26 of them (10 in 1994, 12 in 1995 and four in 1997, all for the Dolphins). He rushed for 2,179 career yards and 17 touchdowns on 567 carries, caught 168 career passes for 1,485 yards and three touchdowns and returned 16 career kickoffs for an 18.1-yard average.

Parmalee originally made Miami's roster as an undrafted rookie free agent in 1992 after sitting out of football in 1991. In his seven seasons with the club, he amassed 1,959 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns on 513 attempts, and totaled 144 receptions for 1,306 yards and three scores. His rushing figure currently is 12th on the Dolphins' all-time chart.

He led the team in rushing two straight years – with 868 yards (216 attempts, 6 touchdowns) in 1994 for a Dolphins team that finished 10-6, won the AFC Eastern Division title and won a wild-card playoff game against Kansas City, then with 878 yards (236 attempts, nine touchdowns) in 1995 on a Miami team that finished 9-7 and earned a wild-card playoff slot. He also caught a career-high 39 passes for 345 yards and a touchdown in 1995, after grabbing 34 for 249 yards and a score in '94. Parmalee ranked eighth in the AFC in rushing in '94.

His single-game high of 150 rushing yards came against the Los Angeles Raiders in 1994 (on a career-high 30 attempts) – and he added 123 yards a week later versus New England to set a Dolphin record for combined rushing yards in consecutive games. He notched three rushing touchdowns in a game against Detroit in 1994. Three of his 100-yard rushing efforts came in 1994, the other three in 1995. He ranked as the NFL's most improved running back in 1994, going from 14 rushing yards in 1993 to 868 in 1994.

In addition, Parmalee established himself as one of the league's premier special teams players during his tenure, recording 122 tackles on coverage units, including 31 in 1997 and 30 in 1998. He served as Dolphins special teams captain in 1997 and 1998.

Parmalee was a four-year starter (1987-90) as a running back under coach Paul Schudel at Ball State where he remains the Cardinals' all-time leading rusher with 3,483 yards and 26 touchdowns. He also caught 96 career passes for 812 yards and three touchdowns. He earned second-team All-Mid-American Conference honors as a senior in 1990 when he rushed for 1,010 yards and caught 30 passes. The best of his 16 career 100-yard rushing days came as a senior when he gained 169 yards against Illinois State. He also had a 200-yard rushing outing as a freshman in 1987.

He became the Ball State career rushing leader as a junior when he carried for 662 yards and five touchdowns. Parmalee also rushed for 1,064 yards and 13 touchdowns as a freshman when he was named the MAC Freshman of the Year. He earned his degree in business administration from the Muncie, Ind., school in 1991.

A native of Jersey City, N.J., Bernard Parmalee lettered in football (once) and baseball (three times) at Lincoln (N.J.) High School. Born Sept. 16, 1967, he and his wife, Angela, are parents of a daughter, Nakia Marie, and two sons, Tre Bernard and Torian.



The Parmalees (from left): Torian, Bernie, Nakia Marie, Angela and Tre Bernard

THE PARMALEE FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
2002	Miami Dolphins	Assistant Special Teams
2003	Miami Dolphins	Assistant Special Teams/ Offensive Assistant
2004	Miami Dolphins	Tight Ends
2005-06	Notre Dame	Tight Ends/ Special Teams Assistant

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In his second season as a member of the Notre Dame coaching staff, Brian Polian is the Irish head special teams coach and linebackers assistant. Polian led a resurgent Irish special teams unit in 2005, serving as the Irish head special teams coach and defensive backs assistant.

Under Polian's guidance, the Irish special teams were an opportunistic and aggressive component of the Notre Dame attack. The Irish produced two touchdowns on punt returns while ranking 12th in the nation in yards per return (14.1 yards per attempt), caused four fumbles on punt or kick returns, three blocked punts and three blocked field goals.

In 2005, Polian assisted Bill Lewis in coaching the defensive backs. That unit produced 19 turnovers (13 interceptions and six fumble recoveries) while contributing to Notre Dame's plus-10 turnover margin. The Irish defense limited opponents to a 35 percent success rate on third downs while Notre Dame foes scored touchdowns on only 56 percent of red zone opportunities.

Polian spent 2004 as running backs coach and recruiting coordinator at Central Florida under head coach George O'Leary. In 2004, he tutored senior running back Alex Haynes, who became the Golden Knights' all-time leading rusher – finishing with 742 attempts for 3,356 rushing yards and 27 touchdowns, to go with a record 16 career 100-yard games.

He previously served three years at the University of Buffalo as run-

ning backs coach and special teams coordinator. In 2002, his work with tailback Aaron Leeper earned Mid-American Conference Freshman of the Year honors for Leeper, the first major award won by a Buffalo player since the Bulls joined the MAC in 1999. In 2001, he saw placekicker Dallas Pelz set a school record by booting nine straight field goals while going 12 of 18 overall.

Polian returned for his second stint at Buffalo after spending the previous two seasons at Baylor where he coached strongside linebackers as a defensive graduate assistant and served as special teams assistant. Twice an All-Western New York player and a 2004 inductee into the St. Francis High School Hall of Fame, Polian had previously coached at Buffalo during the 1998 season when he served as tight ends and assistant offensive line coach. Prior to joining the Buffalo staff, Polian served as offensive graduate assistant at Michigan State as the Spartans finished 24th in the nation and played in the Aloha Bowl.

A graduate of John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, Polian earned a bachelor's degree in History in 1997. He earned a master's degree in Education in 2000 from Baylor. He lettered three years at linebacker at John Carroll and was named to the all-Ohio Athletic Conference team in 1996. Polian helped lead the 1994 and 1996 teams to top 10 finishes in the Division III rankings.

Born Brian Stewart Polian on Dec. 22, 1974, in the Bronx, N.Y., he's married to the former Laura Maggiotto of Buffalo, N.Y. His father, Bill, is the current president of the NFL Indianapolis Colts. Older brother Chris Polian serves as the assistant general manager for the Indianapolis Colts. Younger brother Dennis Polian is the assistant athletic director for internal operations at Tulane University. Brian also was a contributing author to the AFCA book "A Complete Guide to Special Teams."



Laura and Brian Polian

THE POLIAN FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1997	Michigan State	Graduate Assistant (Offense)/ Tight Ends, Offensive Line
1998	Buffalo	Tight Ends/ Assistant Offensive Line
1999-2000	Baylor	Baylor Graduate Assistant (Defense)/Special Teams Assistant
2001-03	Buffalo	Running Backs/ Special Teams Coordinator
2004	Central Florida	Running Backs/ Recruiting Coordinator
2005	Notre Dame	Head Special Teams Coach/ Defensive Backs Assistant
2006	Notre Dame	Head Special Teams Coach/ Linebackers Assistant

PETER VAAS



Peter Vaas enters his second season as Notre Dame's quarterbacks coach in 2006. Vaas, a Notre Dame assistant football coach in 1990-91 and recently a head coach in NFL Europe, enjoyed a successful return to the Irish coaching staff in 2005.

Working with head coach Charlie Weis, Vaas oversaw the impressive development of Irish quarterback Brady Quinn into the most prolific passer in Notre Dame's storied history. Vaas helped Quinn produce a record-breaking season in 2005 as the quarterback broke 31 Irish career and single-season standards. Perhaps the most impressive statistic of Quinn's 2005 season was his 32-to-7 touchdowns-to-interceptions ratio, contributing to an outstanding 158.40 passing efficiency rating. Quinn was second in the nation in touchdown passes with 32 while ranking among the NCAA leaders in passing efficiency (seventh), total offense (fifth), completions per game (sixth) and points responsible for (fifth).

Vaas joined the Irish staff after two seasons as head coach of the Cologne Centurions, where he led the team to a record of 10-10 in Cologne's first two years in the league. In his first year as head coach, Vaas guided the Centurions through a successful 2004 season, posting a 4-6 mark in the team's first year in NFL Europe. Before joining the Centurions, Vaas served as head coach of the Berlin Thunder for four seasons (2000-2003), winning World Bowls in 2001 and 2002 while compiling an overall record of 21-21.

In his final season in Berlin, Vaas and the Thunder chased an unprecedented third World Bowl crown but ended the year with a 3-7 record. In 2002, Vaas ensured the Thunder made history by helping them become the first team to win back-to-back World Bowls in NFL Europe with a 26-21 victory over the Rhein Fire in World Bowl X, earning coach-of-the-year honors in the process. Berlin boasted the best offense in NFL Europe under Vaas in 2002, gaining 3,704 total yards.

In 2001, Vaas led the Thunder to their first World Bowl title with a 24-17 victory over the Barcelona Dragons at Amsterdam Arena. He first joined NFL Europe in 1998 as an offensive assistant (quarterback and wide receivers) for the Barcelona Dragons. In 1999, he helped the Dragons to a league-best 7-3 record and a berth in the World Bowl – while coaching the league's offensive MVP, former Nebraska running back Lawrence Phillips. Vaas was named Berlin's head coach in 2000.

Vaas started his coaching career in 1974 as an assistant coach at Allegheny College (in Meadville, Pa.), spending five years coaching running backs and quarterbacks under head coach Sam Timer (he also served as assistant basketball coach and was named head baseball coach). From 1979-85 he worked as running backs coach and then offensive coordinator (from 1983-85) at the University of New Hampshire – helping head coach Bill Bowes to a 44-26-2 mark in seven seasons.

In 1986, Vaas returned to Allegheny as head coach, turning around a team that had not posted a winning record in seven years and guided the Gators to two North Coast Athletic Conference championships, including league coach-of-the-year honors both those seasons. In his second season he led them to a 9-1-1 record, followed by an 8-2 mark in 1988. His Allegheny teams went 21-4 in league games, including 17 straight wins over one stretch – and his 1987 team made the NCAA Division III playoffs and finished fifth in the final rankings.

After compiling a 29-11-1 record in four seasons (1986-89) at Allegheny (the Gators went on to win the NCAA Division III national crown in 1990), Vaas became the running backs coach (1990) and then quarterbacks coach (1991) at Notre Dame. He coached standout Irish players such as quarterback Rick Mirer (he ranked eighth nationally in passing efficiency in 1991 and set an Irish single-season touchdown pass mark that year with 18), fullback Jerome Bettis (1,912 yards and 27 rushing touchdowns in his Irish career) and tailback Ricky Watters (career marks of 1,814 rushing yards and 21 touchdowns), all of whom went on to become top-flight NFL players.

In 1990 Vaas helped the Irish finish 9-3, including a berth in the Orange Bowl against top-rated Colorado. A year later, Notre Dame ended up 10-3 following a 39-28 Sugar Bowl win over second-rated Florida.

From 1992-95 Vaas was head coach at Holy Cross before spending a season as offensive coordinator for the Montreal Alouettes of the Canadian Football League in 1996.

In his playing days, the native of Westwood, Mass., was a walk-on quarterback at Holy Cross. He was a three-year starter and set nine individual school passing records in his senior season. As a senior he completed 135 passes for 1,631 yards and 13 touchdowns (and five touchdowns in one



The Vaas family (from left): Kelly, Rosann, Peter and Katelyn

game). His career numbers included 2,642 passing yards and 21 touchdown passes.

He graduated from Holy Cross in 1974 with a degree in history. In 1992 he was inducted into his high school's hall of fame as a player – and in 1999 Allegheny College inducted him into its hall of fame as a coach.

At Allegheny, he spent three years on the institutional Academic Standards Committee, serving as chairman in 1989.

Born April 26, 1952, in Westwood, Mass., Vaas and his wife Rosann have two daughters, Katelyn (a Junior at Notre Dame) and Kelly (a freshman at Saint Mary's).

THE VAAS FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1974-78	Allegheny College (Pennsylvania)	Quarterbacks/Running Backs
1979-85	New Hampshire	Quarterbacks/Running Backs
1986-89	Allegheny College (Pennsylvania)	Head Coach
1990	Notre Dame	Running Backs
1991	Notre Dame	Quarterbacks
1992-95	Holy Cross	Head Coach
1996	Montreal Alouettes	Offensive Coordinator
1998-99	Barcelona Dragons	Quarterbacks/Wide Receivers
2000-03	Berlin Thunder	Head Coach
2004-05	Cologne Centurions	Head Coach
2005-06	Notre Dame	Quarterbacks

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JEFF BURROW
Graduate Assistant (Defense)

The 2006 season will be Jeff Burrow's second as Notre Dame's defensive graduate assistant coach following a two-year stint on the staff at the University of Minnesota. Burrow works on the defensive side of the ball, assisting with all aspects of the defense and working specifically with defensive backs coach Bill Lewis.

The 2005 Irish defensive backs were an opportunistic group, producing 19 turnovers (13 interceptions and six fumble recoveries) while contributing to Notre Dame's plus-10 turnover margin. The Irish defense limited opponents to only a 35 percent success rate on third downs while Notre Dame foes have scored touchdowns on only 56 percent of red zone opportunities.

A native of Sylvester, Ga., Burrow comes to Notre Dame after serving as a graduate assistant coach at the University of Minnesota under head coach Glen Mason the past two seasons. Prior to working at Minnesota, Burrow served two seasons (2001-02) as defensive backs coach at Greenville (IL) College where he coached defensive backs under head coach Scotty Kessler, in addition to serving as the team's strength and conditioning coach.

As a player, Burrow was a two-year starter at cornerback at the University of Cincinnati. He attended Cincinnati from 1995-99, where he was a four-year letterman under then-head coach Rick Minter (now Notre Dame's defensive coordinator). He played one season of professional football, signing as a free agent with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers of the Canadian Football League in 2000 but his season was cut short by an injury.

Burrow earned a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from the University of Cincinnati in 1999, and a master's degree in education from the University of Minnesota in 2004. Born July 17, 1976, Burrow lives in Mishawaka.

THE BURROW FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
2001-02	Greenville College (Illinois)	Defensive Backs
2003-04	Minnesota	Graduate Assistant (Defense)
2005-06	Notre Dame	Graduate Assistant (Defense)



SHANE WALDRON
Graduate Assistant (Offense)

The 2006 season will be Shane Waldron's second as Notre Dame's offensive graduate assistant. Waldron's duties focus primarily with the Irish offensive linemen. A former assistant in the football operations office of the National Football League's New England Patriots, Waldron joined the Irish in 2005.

The 2005 Irish offense shattered numerous school records, averaging 36.7 points per game. Notre Dame scored 58 touchdowns (just one shy of the Notre Dame single-season mark) and 440 points (an Notre Dame single-season record) and was the nation's most improved offensive unit, in terms of yardage per game. The 2005 Irish offense produced two 1,000-yard receivers (Jeff Samardzija and Maurice Stovall), a 1,000-yard rusher (Darius Walker) and a 3,000-yard passer (Brady Quinn) – one of only two schools to do that (Miami of Ohio was the other).

Waldron came to Notre Dame after serving three seasons (2002-04) with the Patriots. He spent one year handling special teams quality control duties, assisting the director of football operations, offensive coaches and defensive coaches with daily tasks, and overseeing the completion of weekly game plans and playbooks. From 2002-04, Waldron assisted the Patriots' director of football operations in preparation of game plans, playbooks and team travel arrangements and helped quality control coaches with pre-game preparations and halftime adjustments.

Waldron attended Tufts University in Medford, Mass., where he was a three-year starter and letterman as a tight end, deep snapper and reserve tight end. Waldron received a degree in economics from Tufts in 2002. A native of Portland, Ore., Waldron attended LaSalle High School in Portland, graduating in 1997. He attended Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., in 1998 before attending Tufts. Born Aug. 17, 1979, Waldron lives in Mishawaka.

THE WALDRON FILE

Year	School/Team	Assignment
2002-04	New England Patriots	Football Operations Assistant
2005-06	Notre Dame	Graduate Assistant (Offense)



The senior football managers for 2006 are (from left to right): head manager for personnel Matthew McQueary (Cincinnati, Ohio), head manager for administration Kent Zimmerman (Sunman, Ind.) and head manager for equipment James Furlong (Albany, N.Y.).

Three senior managers will lead Notre Dame's student managers who work with the 2006 Irish football team. Kent Zimmerman, the head manager for administration, is a native of Sunman, Ind., and a chemical engineering major. Matthew McQueary is the head manager for personnel, from Cincinnati, Ohio, and is a science-business major. James Furlong, the head manager for equipment, is a native of Albany, N.Y., and is majoring in accountancy. The three senior managers are responsible for overseeing the Student Manager Organization as well as tending to all matters regarding players and coaches. There are 21 junior managers who will assist the team: Jeney Anderson (Chicago, Ill.), Laura Bradley (Bowie, Md.), Catherine Costanzo (El Paso, Texas), Tim Flannery (South Euclid, Ohio), Andrew Gathof (Troy, Mich), Emma Grall (Lemont, Ill.), Anna Jordan (Moss Point, Miss.), Kristin Keve (Granger, Ind.), Sarah Lawless (Morristown, N.J.), Rob Lindley, Jr. (Thibodaux, La.), Ann Mason (South Bend, Ind.), Tripp Matteo (Morrestown, N.J.), Kathleen Mulvaney (Danville, Ill.), Kim Murphy (Pittsburgh, Pa.), Kevin Musheno (Exton, Pa.), Rachel Newsted (Cincinnati, Ohio), Fernando Quijano (Bogota, Columbia), Stephanie Smucker (Granger, Ind.), Stephen Springfield (Phoenix, Ariz.), Patrick Starr (Falls Church, Va.), Biz Stohl (Grand Ledge, Mich).

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RUBEN MENDOZA
Strength and Conditioning Coordinator

The 2006 season will be Ruben Mendoza's second football season working with the Fighting Irish football team. Named the University of Notre Dame's strength and conditioning coordinator in January of 2005, Mendoza joined the Irish staff after four years as coordinator of strength and conditioning at the University of Mississippi.

At Ole Miss, Mendoza spent four years overseeing a Rebel strength staff that featured four full-time assistants and three graduate assistants dealing with 500 student-athletes and 18 varsity sports. Ole Miss saw its original 10,000-square foot weight room supplemented in 2004 by a 10,000-square foot facility devoted to football. Those two areas, combined with Mendoza and his staff, provided Ole Miss with one of the top programs of its kind in the country.

Mendoza was assistant director of strength, speed and conditioning for four years at Clemson University before taking over at Ole Miss in January of 2001. His football responsibilities at Clemson included implementation of in-season strength and conditioning programs, assistant coordinator of winter conditioning as well as a speed development program, testing and monitoring all progress in strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness, and educating student-athletes on nutritional factors, including supplementation that affects health and performance.

General responsibilities at Clemson dealt with supervising the development of strength and aerobic fitness for 19 varsity sports through the use of sports-specific training programs. Mendoza managed the 14,000-square foot facility and day-to-day operations, worked closely with the Clemson head trainer in coordinating rehabilitation programs for injured athletes, and provided supervision and developed time schedules for varsity sports for use of athletic weight facilities.

Prior to joining the Clemson staff in June of 1997, Mendoza served as head strength and conditioning coordinator at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga from January 1993 to April 1997. He was the defensive line coach/assistant strength and conditioning coach at Presbyterian College during the 1992 season and served as graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of South Carolina from June 1990 to February 1992.

A Kodak All-America offensive lineman in 1985 while playing at Wayne State (Neb.), Mendoza also earned NAIA All-America and CSIC all-conference first-team honors and was a team captain. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State in 1989 and took graduate-level coursework in education at South Carolina. He spent three seasons in the National Football League as an offensive guard, playing for the Green Bay Packers (1986), Miami Dolphins (1987) and Phoenix Cardinals (1988).

A native of Crystal City, Texas Mendoza is married to the former Kristen Prosocki of Omaha, Neb. They have four children – Nicholas, Emmanuel, Grace and Gabriel.



CHAD KLUNDER
Director of Football Operations

Chad Klunder begins his second year as director of football operations at Notre Dame in 2006. In his role, Klunder coordinates and oversees all day-to-day administrative and operational details including team travel, budgets, pre-season camp arrangements, the annual coaches clinic and summer camps.

A former graduate assistant at Notre Dame in 2003-04, Klunder worked with the Irish offense for two seasons. He previously served as running backs coach and coordinator of football operations at Harvard from 1998 through 2002. During his tenure at Harvard, his running backs led the Ivy League in rushing on three occasions. He coached three all-Ivy League players, including Chris Menick, Harvard's all-time leading rusher. Harvard in 2001 finished 9-0 in the Ivy League and became the first Harvard team to go unbeaten or untied in conference play since 1913.

Klunder also served as a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at Minnesota – and worked as a graduate assistant football coach at St. Cloud State. At St. Cloud, he coached Randy Martin, who was a finalist in 1995 and '96 for the Harlon Hill Trophy that goes to the NCAA Division II player of the year. The Waverly, Iowa, native played defensive back at Wartburg College in Waverly. He earned four letters, was twice a unanimous all-league pick and gained honorable mention All-America recognition. He served as a Wartburg co-captain in 1994 when his team advanced to the NCAA Division III quarterfinals.

Born Aug. 28, 1972, Klunder received a degree in sports management from Wartburg in 1995 and has done master's degree coursework at St. Cloud State, the University of Minnesota and Notre Dame.



RON POWLUS
Director of Personnel Development

The 2006 football season will mark Ron Powlus' second year working with the Notre Dame football program as director of personnel development. Formerly Notre Dame's career leader in football passing yardage, pass attempts, completions and touchdown passes, Powlus assumed his current post in March of 2005. His duties primarily involve administration of Irish recruiting efforts.

A four-year starter at quarterback for the Irish from 1994-97, Powlus joined the Irish football staff after spending three years in the business world, working in the healthcare and home mortgage industries. Immediately before returning to Notre Dame, Powlus worked as a wholesale account executive for First Horizon Home Loans in Pittsburgh. He previously spent a year each as a loan consultant for Seattle-based Washington Mutual Home Loans/American Home Mortgage, and as a healthcare representative for Pfizer Inc.

A native of Berwick, Pa., Powlus was a two-time Irish captain who set 20 school records at Notre Dame. He started all 44 regular-season games (plus two bowl games) in which he played for the Irish and finished with 558 career completions on 969 attempts for 7,602 yards and 52 touchdowns. He set the Irish single-game mark for touchdown passes in a game with four (three times) and at one point completed 14 straight passes. He set single-season marks in 1997 as a senior with his 182 completions and 298 attempts. Powlus rebounded from a broken collarbone suffered in the preseason of what would have been his freshman season in 1993 and then broke a bone in his upper left arm late in the 1995 season.

Powlus originally signed as a free agent in 1998 with the NFL Tennessee Oilers and then was on the Detroit Lions' preseason roster in '99 and the Philadelphia Eagles' roster in 2000. He played with the NFL Europe Amsterdam Admirals in the spring of 2000. He also spent two years from 1998-2000 as executive assistant to the Democratic Policy Committee of the Pennsylvania State Senate. A high school standout at Berwick High School, Powlus was the Parade prep player of the year in '92 and the USA Today offensive prep player of the year.

Born July 16, 1974, Powlus received his Notre Dame degree from the Mendoza College of Business Administration in 1997 with a major in marketing. He also took graduate coursework during his final season with the Irish. Powlus and his wife, the former Sara Ivanina, are parents of two sons, Ron and Thomas. They were married prior to his final season at Notre Dame in 1997.

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DAVID PELOQUIN
Coordinator of Player Personnel Development

The 2006 football season will be Dave Peloquin's third season with the Irish football program, his second as coordinator of player personnel development. In that role, Peloquin assists director of personnel development Ron Powlus in numerous administrative duties involved in the recruiting efforts for the Irish football program.

Peloquin served the 2004 season in a similar role as a recruiting assistant, a role in which he worked with the entire coaching staff assisting in all recruiting aspects. Before rejoining the Irish, Peloquin worked as a sales representative for State Farm Insurance and Financial Services in the Chicago area.

A 2003 Notre Dame graduate with a bachelor's degree in business marketing from the Mendoza College of Business, Peloquin served as a student manager from 2000 to 2002 and was named head senior manager for the 2002 season.

A native of Blue Island, Ill., Peloquin resides in South Bend.



TIM MCDONNELL
Coordinator of Quality Control

Tim McDonnell is in his second season with the Irish football office, having been promoted to coordinator of quality control by head coach Charlie Weiss earlier this year. In this role, McDonnell assists the head football coach in all football-related matters, handles special projects for the coaching staff and assists with personnel development and recruiting.

A 2005 graduate of Holy Cross College in Worcester, Mass. and a three-year football letterman as a receiver, McDonnell was the inaugural recipient of the Daniel Allen Sportsmanship Award in 2005, presented to the Holy Cross varsity athlete who best exemplifies the qualities of sportsmanship the coach Daniel Allen exhibited throughout his life. He also received the 2004 Unsung Hero Award as the player who supported the team spiritually, emotionally and physically for the good of the team.

A native of Harrison, N.Y., McDonnell graduated from Iona Prep before starting his collegiate career at Holy Cross. Born April 15, 1983, he is the grandson of the late Wellington Mara, former president of the New York Giants who was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1997. McDonnell resides in South Bend.



HENRY SCROOPE
Head Football Equipment Manager

The 2006 football season will be Henry Scroope's eighth year with the equipment operation at Notre Dame and his seventh as head football equipment manager. In his position, Scroope directs all facets of athletic equipment management for football and men's lacrosse.

Scroope was a member of the McDavid Advisory Staff from 2004-06. In addition, he was part of the 2002 and 2003 Schutt Safety Council that discusses items such as helmet quality and safety, product design, and other issues important to equipment managers. He also is a member of the Athletic Equipment Managers Association and a certified equipment manager. Additionally, Scroope served as a clubhouse assistant for the 2003 Major League Baseball All-Star Game at U.S. Cellular Field in Chicago.

Scroope spent the 1998-99 academic year as the marketing and promotions coordinator for the athletic department at Wagner College in Staten Island, N.Y. At Wagner, he worked in all facets of athletic promotions and season ticket sales. From 1997-98, Scroope was an assistant manager for the American Golf Corporation on Staten Island, and was in charge of operations for Silver Lake Golf Course.

A native of Staten Island, N.Y., Scroope is a 1997 graduate of Notre Dame with a degree in government. During his undergraduate career, Scroope served in the Irish managerial program and was one of three senior managers for the football team in 1996. Married to the former Margaret Long in July of 2003, the couple resides in South Bend.



STAN WILCOX
Deputy Director of Athletics

Stan Wilcox is in his second year as a deputy director of athletics at his alma mater, the University of Notre Dame. A former Irish basketball letter-winner, Wilcox returned to Notre Dame in July of 2005 after serving 11 years as associate commissioner of the BIG EAST Conference.

Wilcox works with the Irish football squad on a daily basis from an administrative standpoint, working in concert with athletics director Kevin White in that regard. He also has administrative oversight for the areas of RecSports (intramural and club sports), strength and conditioning, game management and athletic training. He also serves as the liaison with the University's Faculty Board on Athletics and is the department's primary liaison with secondary bowl officials. In addition, other Olympic sports report to him, including men's tennis, softball and women's soccer.

At the BIG EAST, Wilcox was responsible for a budget in excess of \$1 million, while also handling oversight for all of the conference's NCAA governance, legislative, enforcement and compliance serv-

ices. He created and implemented comprehensive programs that included various NCAA compliance services, rules interpretation, education, enforcement, gender equity, minority equity and student-athlete welfare service programs.

The BIG EAST representative to the NCAA Management Council from 2000-05, Wilcox served on the Management Council subcommittees on incentives and disincentives, governance, nominations and the task force to review the NCAA's one-time transfer exception rule. He served on the NCAA recruiting task force and the basketball issues committee. For the BIG EAST, he served as staff liaison to league equity, legislation, student-athlete advisory, faculty athletics representatives, legal counsel and compliance coordinators committees - and was recording secretary for the BIG EAST Presidents Committee. In 2001-02 he received the National Association of Athletics Compliance Coordinators Outstanding Achievement Award.

Wilcox is the immediate past president of the Black Coaches Association (BCA) - having served as president from June 2003 to June 2005 and spending 10 years overall on the BCA board of directors.

Before coming to the BIG EAST, Wilcox worked as a legislative assistant at the NCAA from 1989 through 1994 - drafting and finalizing agendas, minutes and reports for various NCAA governing bodies and committees. He handled rules compliance presentations for various Division I, II and III conferences, institutions

and coaches' associations, as well as daily rules interpretations for a variety of constituents. At the NCAA, he served a recording secretary for the NCAA Council and Division I Steering Committee, as well as the staff liaison to the Council Subcommittee on Initial-Eligibility Waivers, Student-Athlete Advisory Committee and Administrative Review Panel.

Wilcox previously worked as a senior court analyst for the King County Supreme Court in Brooklyn, N.Y., from 1982 through 1989. He prepared various criminal and civil statistical analyses for the head administrative judge and also prepared criminal caseload reports and other functions. An account executive from 1981 to '82 for Serres, Visonos & Rice Insurance in New York City, he processed insurance claims and assisted in servicing clients and soliciting new business. A 1981 Notre Dame graduate with a degree in economics, Wilcox went on to earn a juris doctor degree in 1988 from the Brooklyn Law School. He's a member of the New York State Bar Association.

A 6-3 guard from North Babylon, N.Y., for the Irish from 1977-78 through 1980-81, Wilcox was a freshman on Notre Dame's 1978 team that played in the NCAA Final Four in St. Louis. He played in 100 career games with the Irish - and helped Notre Dame to the NCAA Tournament each of his four seasons (including six postseason wins) and a combined record of 92-26. Born March 22, 1959, Wilcox is married to the former Ramona Harrell.

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JIM RUSS
**Head Athletic
Trainer/
Physical Therapist**

The 2006 football season will be Jim Russ's 21st as Notre Dame's head athletic trainer and physical therapist. Since assuming that role in August of 1986, Russ has been responsible for the administration of the athletic training program for all Irish men's and women's athletic teams.

The LaPorte, Ind., native boasted seven years of experience on the collegiate level prior to his three-year stint in the USFL as head athletic trainer of the Tampa Bay Bandits of the United States Football League just prior to coming to Notre Dame. From 1977 through '82, Russ served as assistant athletic trainer and physical therapist at Purdue – then held the same position at Florida the following two seasons.

A graduate of Ball State with a major in physical education and minors in Health Science and athletic training, Russ earned his master's degree in Athletic Training and sports medicine from Arizona and added a bachelor's degree from Florida International in physical therapy.

Russ worked as head athletic trainer at Pueblo High School in Tucson while pursuing his master's degree. As an undergraduate at Ball State, he served as an athletic trainer and worked with the NFL's Detroit Lions. In June of 2000, the Notre Dame National Monogram Club awarded him an honorary monogram. In 2005, he was inducted into the Ball State Cardinal Sports Medicine Hall of Champions.

Russ and his wife, the former Mary Pat Shea, of St. Petersburg, Fla., are parents of four children – Jeff (a 2001 Notre Dame graduate); Laura (a 2004 Notre Dame graduate); Lisa (a freshman at Notre Dame) and Mark.



TIM COLLINS
**Video Systems
Technology**

The 2005 football season was Tim Collins' 16th year in charge of all video and filming needs for Notre Dame's athletic department as its video systems technician. In addition to traveling to shoot Irish football games, Collins compiles all video packages utilized by Notre Dame's football coaches in their scouting and game preparation. Collins and his staff also tape men's and women's home basketball games as well as hockey.

A native of South Bend, Collins is a 1987 graduate of John Adams High School and attended Indiana Vocational Technical College. He also spent three years as a part-time news photographer at WNDU-TV, the local NBC affiliate. Collins was named the Independent Conference video coordinator of the year in 1997, 1998, 2003 and 2004 by the Collegiate Sports Video Association.

In 2001, Collins was elected an executive officer of the CSVA, serving as secretary, and in 2002 was named treasurer of the organization. He is currently completing a second two-year term as treasurer. In June 2004, the Notre Dame Monogram Club awarded Collins an honorary monogram in recognition of his years of service.

Collins, born Dec. 10, 1968, and his wife, the former Michelle Williamson, married in July 1990, and have a son, Carson, born Nov. 15, 2003.



**ANN
KARWOSKI**
**Senior Staff Assistant,
Defensive Coaches**

Ann Karwoski is now in her ninth season in the football office, and has been at the University since 1994. She serves as the administrative assistant to the Notre Dame defensive coaching staff. A native to South Bend she is married to associate athletics director Mike Karwoski.



**JENNIFER
HOLMES**
**Intern, Video Systems
Technology**

Jennifer Holmes is in her third year as the football video intern. She assists video systems technology coordinator Tim Collins with all video and filming needs for Notre Dame's athletic department. In addition to traveling to shoot Irish football games, Holmes assists Collins in compiling all video packages utilized by Notre Dame's football coaches in their scouting and game preparation. A 2002 graduate of Notre Dame with a degree in film, television and theater, Holmes was a student worker in the Irish video department for three seasons (1999-2001) as an undergraduate. Upon graduation, Holmes worked for one year (2002-03) as a video graduate assistant at Marshall University before serving as video coordinator at Bowling Green University in 2003. Holmes worked as assistant video coordinator at Purdue University from 2003 to 2005 before returning to her current post at Notre Dame. Born Nov. 14, 1979, Holmes is a native of Washington Court House, Ohio.



MATT KERLS
**Assistant Football
Equipment Manager**

Matt Kerls is entering his third season as the assistant football equipment manager, serving as the primary assistant to head football equipment manager Henry Scroope in issuing and maintaining equipment for the football team. Kerls is a 2004 graduate of the University of Notre Dame with a bachelor's degree in accounting and economics. While a student at Notre Dame, Kerls worked as a student manager for the football team and other varsity sports. During his senior year, he served as the senior student manager in charge of personnel for the Irish football team for the 2003 season. Upon graduation, he returned to Notre Dame and assumed his current post. A member of the Athletic Equipment Managers Association (AEMA), Kerls is also a certified equipment manager. He is married to the former Laura Metzger, also a 2004 Notre Dame graduate. The couple resides in Mishawaka.



**KAREN
DEMETER**
**Senior Administrative
Assistant**

In her fourth season as senior administrative assistant to the head football coach, Karen Demeter serves as the administrative assistant to head coach Charlie Weis and deputy director of athletics Stan Wilcox. Demeter is in her seventh season working in the Notre Dame football office after serving as the recruiting administrative assistant for the Irish from 2001-03. A native of Akron, Ohio, Demeter and her husband, Darryl are the parents of two daughters: Jocelyn and Lauren. The Demeters live in South Bend.



**JULIE
DEBUYSSE**
**Senior Staff Assistant,
Offensive Coaches**

A 24-year employee of the University of Notre Dame, Julie DeBuysser is in her 22nd season as the secretary for the offensive coaching staff in the Irish football office. In her role, DeBuysser serves as the primary assistant to Notre Dame's offensive coaches. A native of South Bend, DeBuysser is married to Denny DeBuysser and the couple has a son, Chris Martin, who is a 2003 Notre Dame graduate.



**KRISTIN
MARCUCILLI**
**Staff Assistant,
Recruiting**

Beginning her second year as a full-time staff member with the Irish football office, Kristin Marcuccilli serves as the primary assistant for Notre Dame's football personnel development and operations staff, working closely with Ron Powlus, David Peloquin and Chad Klunder. Marcuccilli, a native of Marion, Ind., is a 2005 graduate from the University of Notre Dame with a degree in psychology and pre-professional studies. Marcuccilli resides in South Bend.



JESSE MINTER
Intern

Jesse Minter is in his first season with the Irish football staff. His primary duty will be assisting the defensive coaches in all aspects of the football office.

A 2005 graduate of the College of Mount St. Joseph's in Cincinnati, Ohio, with a degree in liberal studies, he was a four-year football letterman. In four seasons, Mount St. Joseph's compiled a 30-10 record, marking the best four-year mark in school history, as the Lions won consecutive Heartland Collegiate Athletic Conference crowns in '04 and '05.

As a wide receiver, Minter helped the Lions to back-to-back NCAA playoff appearances in both his junior and senior seasons. In '05, Mount St. Joseph's lost to eventual national champion in the first round of the playoffs. A native of Yorktown, Ind., Minter graduated from Yorktown High School before enrolling. Born May 9, 1983, he is the son of Irish defensive coordinator Rick Minter.



TEENA SEXTON
Senior Staff Assistant

Teena Sexton is in her first year as a staff assistant in the football office. Her duties primarily center on serving as the main contact for all general communication within the Notre Dame football office.

A native of London, Ohio, she formerly was the co-owner of the South Bend Stampede semi-pro football team. Sexton earned her bachelor's degree in business from the University of Phoenix. She lives in South Bend with her two children, Meta and Eli.