

HEAD COACH JOE TILLER



December of 1998 and December of 1999) and a three-year extension in December of 2003.

'We Will Win Again'

A new era in Purdue football began Nov. 22, 1996, when Tiller was introduced as the school's 33rd head football coach.

The question everyone asked Tiller when he took over the program was, "How long will it take to build a winning program?" Tiller's response: "We're not going to wait for four years to figure this out. If I would wait four more years, I would hardly have any hair left. We're here to win a championship. We've won in the past, and we will win again in the future."

Tiller delivered quick results. After losing to Toledo in the 1997 season opener, Purdue reeled off six straight wins. The dream season started with a 28-17 upset of No. 12 Notre Dame on Sept. 13, 1997. The victory broke an 11-year losing streak to the Fighting Irish. On Oct. 25, 1997, the Boilermakers defeated Illinois 48-3 to clinch just its second winning record since 1984 (Purdue was 5-4-2 in 1995 by virtue of a forfeit victory).

Purdue finished with a 9-3 record (6-2 in the Big Ten – tied for second place), including a 33-20 victory over Oklahoma State in the Alamo Bowl, and a No. 15 national ranking. For a program that finished 3-8 overall in 1996, the six-game turnaround was the second best in the nation (behind only Western Michigan – 2-9 to 8-3). It also marked the second-greatest turnaround in school history behind the 1943 team that went 9-0 under head coach Elmer Burnham one year after the 1942 squad finished 1-8 under Burnham.

After his first season at Purdue, Tiller was named National Coach of the Year by both *Football News* and *Kickoff* magazines, the GTE Region 3 Coach of the Year (Big Ten, Mid-American Conference and Conference USA) by the American Football Coaches Association and the Big Ten Dave McClain Coach of the Year. He also was a finalist for the Paul "Bear" Bryant National Coach of the Year and a finalist for National Coach of the Year by *The Sporting News*.

The Beat Goes On

Despite having 17 players make their first collegiate start in 1998, the Boilermakers' success continued. They finished with a 9-4 record (6-2 in the Big Ten – fourth place) and defended their Alamo Bowl title with a thrilling, come-from-behind 37-34 victory over fourth-ranked Kansas State.

For the second straight season, Purdue broke the school record for points (444) while also establishing standards for first downs (315), passing yards (4,208), total offense (5,719) and touchdowns (57). The Boilermakers ranked seventh in the nation in passing offense (331.5).

Third Straight Winning Season

In 1999, the Boilermakers rolled to a 4-0 start and No. 10 national ranking (ESPN/*USA Today*) before playing five of their next six games against top 25 opponents. Purdue wound up with a 7-5 record (4-4 Big Ten – tied for sixth place) after losing to Georgia 28-25 in overtime in the Outback Bowl. The Boilermakers ranked fourth in the nation in passing offense (328.0) and eighth in total offense (456.0).

Great Expectations Realized

With quarterback Drew Brees returning for his senior season, expectations were sky-high for the 2000 campaign. With a 3-2 record in September, the Boilermakers faced a crossroads in October and delivered. They went 4-0 for the month (for just the fifth time in school history), winning all four games in come-from-behind fashion: 32-31

With each passing year, Joe Tiller further solidifies his reputation as one of the greatest coaches in Purdue football history – perhaps the greatest.

Taking the reins of a program that had just one winning season (with the help of a forfeit victory) and no bowl game appearances since 1984, Tiller has engineered nine bowl berths in 10 years, an average of 7.5 wins per season and a Big Ten championship in 2000.

Tiller's teams have qualified for nine of the 14 bowl games in school history: 1997 Alamo, 1998 Alamo, 2000 Outback, 2001 Rose, 2001 Sun, 2002 Sun, 2004 Capital One, 2004 Sun and 2006 Champs Sports.

As for Tiller, who was assistant head coach at Purdue from 1983 to 1986, his 10-year record with the Boilermakers stands at 75-49, a snappy .605 winning percentage. His 16-year head coaching record is 114-79-1, a .590 winning percentage. In Big Ten games, he is 48-32, a .600 winning percentage.

On Nov. 13, 2004, Tiller won his 100th career game with a 24-17 victory over Ohio State at Ross-Ade Stadium.

Tiller served as head coach of the East team in the East-West Shrine Game on Jan. 15, 2005, and earned a 45-27 victory. He played for the West team in 1963 and became just the fifth individual to play and coach in the Shrine Game.

During the 2002 season, Tiller became the second-winningest coach in school history, both for all games and Big Ten games. He trails only Hall of Famer Jack Mollenkopf, who had 84 wins and 57 Big Ten wins from 1956 to 1969. Tiller also ranks second to Mollenkopf with 124 games coached.

Tiller presently is under contract that ensures his presence on the Purdue sideline at least through the 2010 campaign. Since signing a five-year contract to become the Boilermakers' head coach, he has been awarded three separate two-year extensions (January of 1998,

TILLER'S CAREER AT PURDUE

Year	School	Overall	Conf.	Finish
1997	Purdue.....	9-3	6-2	T-2nd
1998	Purdue.....	9-4	6-2	4th
1999	Purdue.....	7-5	4-4	T-6th
2000	Purdue.....	8-4	6-2	T-1st
2001	Purdue.....	6-6	4-4	T-4th
2002	Purdue.....	7-6	4-4	T-5th
2003	Purdue.....	9-4	6-2	T-2nd
2004	Purdue.....	7-5	4-4	T-5th
2005	Purdue.....	5-6	3-5	8th
2006	Purdue.....	8-6	5-3	T-4th

Purdue / 10 Years 75-49 48-32
Overall / 16 Years 114-79-1 74-52-1

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TILLER'S RESUME

Given Name: Joseph H. Tiller
 Date of Birth: Dec. 7, 1942
 Hometown: Toledo, Ohio
 Education: Rogers High School, Toledo, Ohio, 1960;
 B.S., Secondary Education, Montana State, 1965
 Playing Career: Offensive Tackle, Montana State, 1960-63;
 Offensive Lineman, Calgary Stampeders (CFL), 1964
 Family: Wife, Arnette; children, Renee, Julie and Mike

Coaching Experience

1965-70 Montana State, Assistant Coach
 (Offensive Line/Defensive Line)
 1971-73 Washington State, Assistant Coach
 (Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line/Defensive Line)
 1974-76 Calgary Stampeders (CFL), Assistant Coach
 (Offensive Line/Defensive Line)
 1976 Calgary Stampeders (CFL), Interim Head Coach
 1977-80 Calgary Stampeders (CFL), Assistant General Manager
 1980-82 Calgary Stampeders (CFL), Director of Administration
 and Player Personnel
 1983-86 Purdue, Assistant Head Coach
 (Defensive Coordinator/Defensive Line)
 1987-88 Wyoming, Assistant Coach
 (Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line)
 1989-90 Washington State, Assistant Head Coach
 (Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line)
 1991-96 Wyoming, Head Coach
 1997- Purdue, Head Coach

Coaching Honors

1993 GTE Region 5 Coach of the Year
 1996 GTE Region 5 Coach of the Year
 1997 Big Ten Coach of the Year
 1997 GTE Region 3 Coach of the Year
 1997 National Coach of the Year
 2001 Hula Bowl Assistant Coach
 2005 East-West Shrine Game Head Coach

over sixth-ranked Michigan, 41-28 at 17th-ranked Northwestern, 30-24 in overtime at Wisconsin and 31-27 over 12th-ranked Ohio State.

The Boilermakers went on to capture their eighth Big Ten championship (first since 1967). They shared the crown with Michigan and Northwestern and earned the second Rose Bowl invitation in school history by virtue of wins over both the Wolverines and Wildcats. Purdue lost to No. 4 Washington 34-24 in the 87th Rose Bowl Game to finish with an 8-4 overall record (6-2 Big Ten). The Boilermakers ranked fourth nationally in total offense (471.2) and sixth in passing offense (312.5).

Tiller was an assistant coach for the 2001 Hula Bowl.

Best Job Yet

Having lost five offensive starters to the National Football League, Tiller faced a formidable challenge in 2001. He responded with perhaps his best coaching job yet. While trying to find consistency on offense, the Boilermakers relied on defense and special teams to post a 6-6 overall record (4-4 Big Ten – tied for fourth place) and earn a trip to the Sun Bowl, where they lost to No. 13 Washington State 33-27.

Frustrating But Rewarding

Tiller admits that the 2002 season was frustrating, as the Boilermakers went 7-6 overall (4-4 Big Ten – tied for fifth place), losing their six games by a combined 26 points (4.3 per game). Tiller praised his players for staying positive, and the reward was another bowl trip, a return to the Sun Bowl and a convincing 34-24 win over Pac-10 power Washington.

After falling to 105th in the nation in total offense the previous year, the Boilermakers skyrocketed to seventh, averaging 452.2 yards per game. Purdue became just the 13th team in Big Ten history to lead the conference in total offense and total defense (317.2).

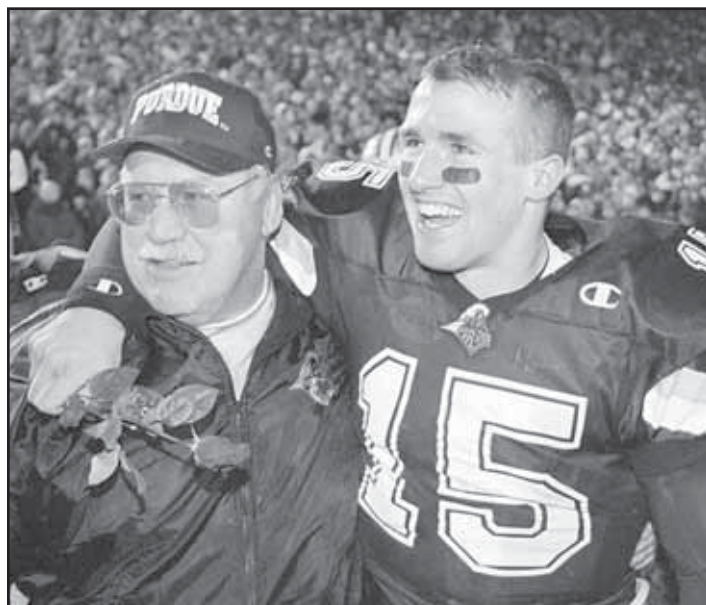
Purdue Football: It's Big

With 16 starters returning, big things were expected of the 2003 Boilermakers. After a season-opening loss to Bowling Green, Purdue rebounded to go 9-4 overall (6-2 Big Ten – tied for second place). The Boilermakers won all three of their trophy rivalry games and returned to the New Year's Day bowl scene with a trip to the Capital One Bowl to play Georgia. Purdue overcame a 24-0 deficit to the Bulldogs, only to fall 34-27 in overtime. In the final polls, Purdue was ranked 18th by *The Associated Press* and 19th by *ESPN/USA Today*. The Boilermakers ranked eighth in the nation in turnover margin, 10th in rushing defense, 13th in total defense and 14th in scoring defense.

Tiller was one of 11 coaches under consideration for the Bobby Dodd National Coach of the Year Award.

Staying The Course

The 2004 Boilermakers opened with five straight wins and climbed to No. 5 in the national polls. Four straight losses followed – by a combined 10 points – but Tiller, his staff and the players stayed the course and rebounded with victories over Ohio State and intrastate rival Indiana. They wound up 7-5 overall (4-4 Big Ten – tied for fifth place) following a last-minute 27-23 loss to Arizona State in the Sun Bowl. Purdue won all three of its trophy rivalry games for the second straight year, beating Notre Dame for the Shillelagh, Illinois for the Cannon and Indiana for the Old Oaken Bucket.



Coach Tiller and two-time Heisman Trophy finalist Drew Brees celebrate the Boilermakers' 2000 Big Ten Conference championship and Rose Bowl berth.

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On Nov. 13, 2004, Joe Tiller won his 100th game as a collegiate head coach with a 24-17 victory over Ohio State at Ross-Ade Stadium. Joining him for the postgame festivities were his wife, Arnette, and two of his three children, Renee and Mike.

The Boilermakers ranked fourth in the nation in passing offense (321.2) and 13th in total offense (446.5). They set a Big Ten record with 763 yards of total offense against Indiana. Taylor Stubblefield became the NCAA career receptions leader with 316 catches and was a finalist for the Biletnikoff Award, presented to the nation's outstanding receiver. Defensively, despite losing seven starters to the NFL, Purdue allowed merely 17.2 points per game to rank 15th nationally.

Streak Snapped

All 11 starters returned on defense in 2005, resulting in lofty expectations. But after winning its first two games and climbing to No. 11 in *The Associated Press* national rankings, Purdue lost six in a row and failed to qualify for a bowl game for the first time under Tiller. The Boilermakers rebounded to win their last three games, including a 41-14 Old Oaken Bucket victory at Indiana on Nov. 19. The end result was a 5-6 overall record (3-5 Big Ten – eighth place).

Back To Bowling

Despite a turnover of five assistant coaches and being the nation's only team to play 13 regular-season games without a bye week, the Boilermakers returned to the bowl scene in 2006, finishing 8-6 overall (5-3 Big Ten – tied for fourth place) with a 24-7 loss to Maryland in the Champs Sports Bowl. Purdue, which had 20 players make their first career starts, became one of 16 schools to play in a bowl game in at least nine of the last 10 seasons.

The Boilermakers led the Big Ten in passing offense (291.6) and in total offense (415.7). Those averages ranked sixth and 13th nationally. Curtis Painter, with the benefit of playing one more game, broke Drew Brees' Big Ten season record with 3,985 passing yards. Mike Otto set a school record with 50 career starts at left offensive tackle – every game he played over four seasons.

A youth-laden defense was anchored by Anthony Spencer, who led the nation with 26.5 tackles for loss en route to becoming the first Purdue defensive lineman to earn first team All-America honors since

tackle Ken Novak in 1975 and first defensive end since Harold Wells in 1964. The Boilermakers forced 23 fumbles, the second-most in school history, and recovered 17 fumbles, tied for the fifth-most nationally.

A school-record 15 football players earned Academic All-Big Ten honors.

Winning In Wyoming

Tiller returned to Purdue after posting a 39-30-1 record as head coach at Wyoming from 1991 to 1996.

In 1996, Tiller led the Cowboys to a 10-2 record, the Western Athletic Conference title game and a No. 22 final national ranking by *The Associated Press*. He led Wyoming to its first top 25 finish since 1988. The Cowboys had the nation's longest winning streak for four weeks, ending at 12 games. Tiller was selected one of six finalists for the Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year Award and was one of 10 finalists for the *Football News* National Coach of the Year.

Tiller's six seasons were highlighted by the Cowboys winning the 1996 WAC Pacific Division title and a share of the 1993 WAC Championship, earning a trip to the 1993 Copper Bowl. Following the 1993 and 1996 seasons, he was named the GTE Region 5 Coach of the Year (WAC and Big 12) by the American Football Coaches Association.

From 1993 to 1996, Tiller compiled a 30-17 record. He was the first coach to lead the Cowboys to four consecutive seasons of six-plus wins since Lloyd Eaton (1966-69).

During his tenure, Wyoming ranked in the top 20 nationally in passing offense and the top 30 in total offense each season. The 1996 Cowboys were No. 1 in passing offense (359.2), No. 3 in total offense (498.9) and No. 9 in scoring offense (38.7).

Individually, wide receiver Marcus Harris finished ninth in Heisman Trophy balloting and garnered the Biletnikoff Award in 1996. He set three NCAA records (4,518 career receiving yards, 24 100-yard games and the first player to have three consecutive 1,400-yard seasons). In 1996, Harris led the nation in receiving yards (137.5) and ranked second in receptions (109). Quarterback Josh Wallwork was tops in total offense (350.8) and fourth in passing efficiency (154.7).

Tiller's players set school season and career records for rushing, passing and receiving yards. Before Harris, Wyoming's Ryan Yarbrough established the NCAA record for career receiving yards (4,357 from 1990 to 1993). So when he left Wyoming, Tiller had coached the top two receiving yards leaders in NCAA history.

Wyoming had three first team All-Americans in 1996: Harris, offensive tackle Steve Scifres and kicker Cory Wedel; two first team Academic All-Americans (for the first time in school history); and six first team All-WAC players.

The 1995 Cowboys had two first team All-Americans, one NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship recipient, two College Football Association National Scholar-Athletes and five first team All-WAC selections. They also led the WAC in academic all-conference selections for the first time in school history with eight.

The Road To Success

In 1989 and 1990, Tiller was assistant head coach, offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Washington State (under Mike Price). While with the Cougars he recruited and helped develop current Dallas Cowboys' quarterback Drew Bledsoe. Prior to that, Tiller was offensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Wyoming (under Paul Roach) in 1987 and 1988. The Cowboys won back-to-back WAC titles and went to two Holiday Bowls.

Tiller's first stint at Purdue was from 1983 to 1986 as assistant

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head coach, defensive coordinator and defensive line coach (under Leon Burtnett). Among the players he coached was perennial NFL All-Pro defensive back Rod Woodson. In 1984, the Boilermakers played in the Peach Bowl.

From 1974 to 1982, Tiller spent nine seasons with the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League. He was an assistant coach (offensive and defensive lines) from 1974 to 1976, interim head coach for six games in 1976 (2-3-1 record), assistant general manager from 1977 to 1980 and director of administration and player personnel from 1980 to 1982.

Tiller was an assistant coach at Washington State from 1971 to 1973, spending one year as defensive line coach and two years as offensive coordinator and offensive line coach (under Jim Sweeney).

In 1965, Tiller began his coaching career as an assistant (offensive and defensive lines) at Montana State (under Sweeney). He was with the Bobcats through 1970.

A native of Toledo, Ohio, Tiller attended Rogers High School and earned a B.S. degree in secondary education from Montana State in 1965. He was an honorable mention All-America offensive tackle and team captain for the Bobcats. Tiller was drafted by the Boston Patriots of the American Football League in 1964 (18th round) but did not sign. He played for Calgary of the CFL during the 1964 season.

The 64-year-old Tiller (he was born Dec. 7, 1942) and his wife, Arnette, have three children: Renee, Julie and Mike. They also have two golden retrievers, Millie and Sami.

Tiller is a member of the American Football Coaches Association and is in constant demand as a public speaker. In 2004, he was instrumental in the formation of the Northwest Indiana chapter of the National Football Foundation, promoting youth football. His autobiography, *Tiller: Not Your Average Joe*, was published in 2006.



The Tiller Family: In front, Arnette and Joe; in the middle, son-in-law Jason Fish (Julie's husband) and daughter Renee; in back, daughter Julie and son Mike.



*Coach Tiller is an active participant in numerous community projects. Here he reads the children's book *I Don't Want to Go to Bed* to a group of 3-year-olds at the Tippecanoe County Child Care Center in downtown Lafayette.*

TILLER'S CHARTS

WINS OVER RANKED OPPONENTS

Date	Opponent	Score
Sept. 13, 1997	#12 Notre Dame	28-17
Oct. 18, 1997	#24 Wisconsin	45-20
Dec. 30, 1997	vs. #24 Oklahoma State (#17)	33-20
Dec. 29, 1998	vs. #4 Kansas State	37-34
Sept. 11, 1999	#16 Notre Dame (#20)	28-23
Oct. 16, 1999	#5 Michigan State (#20)	52-28
Oct. 7, 2000	#6 Michigan	32-31
Oct. 14, 2000	at #17 Northwestern (#21)	41-28
Oct. 28, 2000	#12 Ohio State (#16)	31-27
Sept. 13, 2003	at #20 Wake Forest	16-10
Oct. 18, 2003	at #14 Wisconsin (#13)	26-23
Nov. 8, 2003	#10 Iowa (#16)	27-14

Note: Number to right of opponent denotes Purdue ranking.

PASSING OFFENSE RANKINGS

(Bowl games not included from 1997 to 2001)

Year	Yards/Game	Big Ten	NCAA
1997	281.5	1st	13th
1998	331.5	1st	7th
1999	328.0	1st	4th
2000	312.5	1st	6th
2001	204.2	9th	72nd
2002	255.7	2nd	31st
2003	224.0	4th	51st
2004	321.2	1st	4th
2005	241.7	4th	36th
2006	293.7	1st	6th

COMEBACK WINS FROM DOUBLE-DIGIT DEFICITS

Deficit	Qtr	Opponent	Date	Final
18 (3-21)	2nd	#6 Michigan	10/7/2000	32-31
17 (0-17)	1st	vs. Washington	12/31/2002	34-24
11 (10-21)	4th	Michigan State	11/7/1997	22-21
11 (17-28)	4th	at Minnesota	9/29/2001	*35-28
10 (0-10)	1st	#16 Notre Dame	9/11/1999	28-23
10 (10-20)	3rd	#12 Ohio State	10/28/2000	31-27
10 (7-17)	2nd	at Michigan State	11/16/2002	45-42
10 (0-10)	1st	at Illinois	11/11/2006	42-31

* denotes overtime.

TOTAL OFFENSE RANKINGS

(Bowl games not included from 1997 to 2001)

Year	Yards/Game	Big Ten	NCAA
1997	459.6	1st	7th
1998	457.0	2nd	16th
1999	456.0	1st	8th
2000	471.2	2nd	4th
2001	306.1	11th	105th
2002	452.2	1st	7th
2003	372.9	5th	65th
2004	446.5	2nd	13th
2005	428.5	5th	25th
2006	425.8	1st	13th

FOURTH-QUARTER COMEBACK WINS

Date	Opponent	Deficit / Time Remaining	Final
Nov. 8, 1997	Michigan State	21-10 / 2:13	22-21
Nov. 14, 1998	Michigan State	24-13 / 11:03	25-24
Dec. 29, 1998	#4 Kansas State	34-30 / 1:24	37-34
Sept. 11, 1999	#16 Notre Dame	23-22 / 15:00	28-23
Nov. 20, 1999	at Indiana	24-23 / 15:00	30-24
Oct. 7, 2000	#6 Michigan	31-23 / 11:55	32-31
Oct. 28, 2000	#12 Ohio State	20-10 / 15:00	31-27
Sept. 29, 2001	at Minnesota	28-17 / 8:09	*35-28
Oct. 6, 2001	Iowa	14-13 / 15:00	23-14
Sept. 14, 2002	Western Michigan	24-21 / 6:51	28-24
Nov. 16, 2002	Michigan State	42-37 / 7:43	45-42
Nov. 4, 2006	Michigan State	15-14 / 14:09	17-15

* denotes overtime.

TOTAL DEFENSE RANKINGS

(Bowl games not included from 1997 to 2001)

Year	Yards/Game	Big Ten	NCAA
1997	404.4	9th	89th
1998	343.3	5th	38th
1999	363.6	7th	56th
2000	340.5	3rd	37th
2001	324.9	3rd	26th
2002	317.2	1st	20th
2003	302.5	3rd	13th
2004	345.3	6th	40th
2005	430.7	9th	100th
2006	432.7	11th	114th

TILLER'S CHARTS

LONG RUSHES

88 — Kory Sheets at Minnesota, 9/24/2005
 75 — Edwin Watson vs. Wisconsin, 10/18/1997 (TD)
 64 — Jerod Void vs. Michigan State, 11/5/2005 (TD)
 62 — Dorien Bryant vs. Indiana, 11/20/2004 (TD)
 59 — J. Crabtree vs. Central Michigan, 9/18/1999 (TD)

LONG PASSES

99 — Drew Brees to Vinny Sutherland vs. Northwestern, 9/25/1999 (TD)
 97 — Kyle Orton to Taylor Stubblefield at Notre Dame, 10/2/2004 (TD)
 93 — Billy Dicken to Brian Alford at Minnesota, 11/11/1997 (TD)
 89 — Billy Dicken to Brian Alford at Minnesota, 11/11/1997 (TD)
 88 — Curtis Painter to Selwyn Lymon at Notre Dame, 9/30/2006 (TD)

PLAY SELECTION

Year	Plays	Rush	Pct.	Pass	Pct.
1997	858	401	47%	457	53%
1998	989	395	40%	594	60%
1999	948	380	40%	568	60%
2000	971	443	46%	528	54%
2001	906	429	47%	477	53%
2002	1034	582	56%	452	44%
2003	971	552	57%	419	43%
2004	910	424	47%	486	53%
2005	844	416	49%	428	51%
2006	941	400	43%	541	57%
Totals	9372	4422	47%	4950	53%

BLOCKED KICKS

Date	Opponent	Kick Type	Blocked By
11/1/97	at Iowa	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
11/8/97	Michigan State	Field Goal	Leo Perez*
11/22/97	at Indiana	Field Goal	Michael Hawthorne
9/12/98	Rice	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
9/19/98	Central Florida	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
10/17/98	at Penn State	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
10/17/98	at Penn State	Field Goal	Henry Bell
11/7/98	at Northwestern	Punt	Todd Stelma
1/14/98	at Michigan State	Punt	Todd Stelma
11/21/98	Indiana	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
12/29/98	vs. Kansas State	Field Goal	Rosevelt Colvin
9/4/99	at Central Florida	Punt	Jason Loerzel
9/18/99	Central Michigan	Extra Point	Joe Odom
9/25/99	Northwestern	Extra Point	Willie Fells
9/2/00	Central Michigan	Field Goal	Matt Mitrione
9/23/00	at Penn State	Punt	John Standeford
9/23/00	at Penn State	Extra Point	Joe Odom
10/21/00	at Wisconsin	Field Goal	Craig Terrill**
10/6/01	Iowa	Punt	Ashante Woodyard
9/7/02	at Notre Dame	Field Goal	Bobby Iwuchukwu
10/19/02	Michigan	Field Goal	Shaun Phillips
10/16/02	at Michigan State	Extra Point	Bobby Iwuchukwu
10/26/02	at Northwestern	Extra Point	Jon Goldsberry
12/31/02	vs. Washington	Field Goal	Bobby Iwuchukwu
12/31/02	vs. Washington	Punt	Jerod Void
11/15/03	at Ohio State	Field Goal	Bobby Iwuchukwu
11/22/03	at Indiana	Field Goal	Jacques Reeves
9/11/04	Ball State	Punt	Jerod Void
9/11/04	Ball State	Punt	Bernard Pollard
9/25/04	at Illinois	Field Goal	Bobby Iwuchukwu
10/2/04	at Notre Dame	Field Goal	Bobby Iwuchukwu
10/16/04	Wisconsin	Extra Point	Bernard Pollard
10/23/04	Michigan	Field Goal	Bernard Pollard
11/6/04	at Iowa	Field Goal	Brent Grover
12/31/04	vs. Arizona State	Punt	Bernard Pollard
9/10/05	Akron	Punt	Bernard Pollard***
9/9/06	Miami (Ohio)	Field Goal	Anthony Spencer
9/23/06	Minnesota	Field Goal	Alex Magee
11/18/06	Indiana	Punt	Kory Sheets

TURNOVER MARGIN

Year	Takeaways (Fum., Int.)	Giveaways (Fum., Int.)	Margin
1997	35 (12, 23)	21 (4, 17)	+14
1998	35 (19, 16)	30 (10, 20)	+5
1999	26 (12, 14)	25 (12, 13)	+1
2000	20 (10, 10)	20 (8, 12)	even
2001	40 (19, 21)	29 (12, 17)	+11
2002	24 (9, 15)	34 (19, 15)	-10
2003	28 (14, 14)	16 (9, 7)	+12
2004	15 (7, 8)	18 (10, 8)	-3
2005	24 (10, 14)	21 (8, 13)	+3
2006	28 (17, 11)	28 (8, 20)	even
Totals	275 (129, 146)	242 (100, 142)	+33

TOUCHDOWN PASSES
BY NON-QUARTERBACKS

Chris Daniels (WR) to Brian Alford (WR)
 33 yards – vs. Michigan State, 11/7/1997

Travis Dorsch (K) to Chris Randolph (TE)
 4 yards – at Central Florida, 9/4/1999
 (following blocked field goal)

Vinny Sutherland (WR) to Drew Brees (QB)
 12 yards – at Ohio State, 10/9/1999

Vinny Sutherland (WR) to Drew Brees (QB)
 5 yards – at Penn State, 9/30/2000

Montrell Lowe (RB) to Brandon Hance (QB)
 31 yards – at Minnesota, 9/29/2001

Desmond Tardy (WR) to Kyle Adams (TE)
 25 yards – at Hawaii, 11/25/2006

* returned by Roosevelt Colvin for touchdown (62 yards).

** returned by Ashante Woodyard for touchdown (36 yards).

*** returned by Kory Sheets for touchdown down (13 yards).

TILLER'S CHARTS

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS

Date	Opponent	Play
9/13/97	Notre Dame	Adrian Beasley fumble (43 yards)
9/27/97	Northwestern	Mike Rose interception (24)
10/25/97	at Illinois	Mike Rose fumble (26)
11/22/97	at Indiana	Lee Johnson fumble (35)
11/22/97	at Indiana	Mike Rose interception (24)
9/19/98	Central Florida	Billy Gustin interception (35)
11/7/98	at Northwestern	Rosevelt Colvin fumble (23)
11/14/98	at Michigan State	Matt Mitrione interception (17)
12/29/98	vs. Kansas State	David Nugent fumble (0)
9/4/99	at Central Florida	Mike Rose interception (25)
9/18/99	Central Michigan	Jason Loerzel interception (21)
10/16/99	Michigan State	David Nugent fumble (12)
10/6/01	Iowa	A. Woodyard interception (86)
10/27/01	Northwestern	Jacques Reeves fumble (25)
11/17/01	Michigan State	Craig Terrill fumble (12)
9/28/02	Minnesota	Ralph Turner interception (23)
10/12/02	at Illinois	Brent Grover fumble recovery in end zone after Jacques Reeves interception
12/31/02	vs. Washington	Gilbert Gardner fumble (19)
9/24/05	at Minnesota	Dan Bick interception (29)
11/11/06	at Illinois	Alex Magee fumble recovery in end zone

SPECIAL TEAMS TOUCHDOWNS

Date	Opponent	Play
11/7/97	Michigan State	Leo Perez blocked 39-yard field goal, Roosevelt Colvin 62-yard return
9/18/99	Central Michigan	Vinny Sutherland 64-yard punt return
11/20/99	at Indiana	Vinny Sutherland 66-yard punt return
10/21/00	at Wisconsin	Craig Terrill blocked 58-yard field goal, Ashante Woodyard 36-yard return
9/7/02	at Notre Dame	Anthony Chambers 76-yard punt return
10/11/03	Penn State	Anthony Chambers 76-yard punt return
10/2/2004	at Notre Dame	Jerome Brooks 100-yard kickoff return
9/10/2005	vs. Akron	Bernard Pollard blocked punt, Kory Sheets 13-yard return
10/15/2005	Northwestern	Dorien Bryant 95-yard kickoff return

ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN HONOREES

1997

Brent Botts, DT
 Mark Fischer, OT
 Brandon Gorin, OT
 Noble Jones, LB
 Brandon Kaser, P
 Matt Ludwig, RB
 Chad Manning, OL
 Warren "Ike" Moore, DE
 Todd Stelma, DB
 Robert Tolbert, WR

1998

Adrian Beasley, DB
 Drew Brees, QB
 Aaron Buntin, K
 Chris Clopton, DB
 David Cohen, OG
 Noble Jones, LB
 Ray Lee, LB
 Robert Tolbert, WR

1999

Drew Brees, QB
 Aaron Buntin, K
 Chris Clopton, DB
 Travis Dorsch, K
 Ray Lee, LB
 Pete Lougheed, TE
 Gene Mruczkowski, OG
 Ben Smith, DB
 Robert Tolbert, WR

2000

Drew Brees, QB
 Chris Clopton, DB
 Travis Dorsch, P/K
 Landon Johnson, LB
 Josh Kirkpatrick, OL
 Pete Lougheed, TE
 Seth Morales, WR
 Gene Mruczkowski, OG
 John Shelbourne, LS
 Ben Smith, DB
 Craig Terrill, DT

2001

Travis Dorsch, P/K
 Brandon Hance, QB
 Landon Johnson, LB
 Scott Kurz, P
 Pete Lougheed, OT
 Tyler Moore, OT
 Seth Morales, WR
 Gene Mruczkowski, C
 Patrick Schaub, RB
 John Shelbourne, LS
 Ben Smith, FS
 John Standeford, WR

2002

Nick Hardwick, OG
 Brent Hawkins, DE
 Landon Johnson, LB
 Aaron Levin, P/K
 Pete Lougheed, OT
 Max Miller, OG
 Tyler Moore, OT
 Seth Morales, WR
 Gene Mruczkowski, C
 Jarod Ramirez, DE
 Patrick Schaub, RB
 John Shelbourne, LS
 John Standeford, WR
 Matt Turner, OG

2003

Charles Davis, TE
 Jon Goldsberry, LB/FB
 Nick Hardwick, C
 Landon Johnson, LB
 Aaron Levin, P/K
 Brian Mattaway, FS
 Tyler Moore, OG
 Andy Nelson, K
 Mike Otto, OT
 Patrick Schaub, RB
 Stuart Schweigert, FS
 John Standeford, WR
 Taylor Stubblefield, WR
 Matt Turner, OG

2004

Charles Davis, TE
 Aaron Levin, P/K
 Brian Mattaway, DB
 Tyler Moore, OL
 Matt Turner, OL
 Grant Walker, DB

2005

Ryan Baker, DT
 Dan Bick, LB
 Charles Davis, TE
 Jermaine Guynn, DT
 Pat Kohtz, DB
 John Lampert, LB
 Chase Lecklider, WR
 Brian Mattaway, DB
 Lance Melvin, DB
 Mike Otto, OL
 Nick Raben, OL
 Mat Turner, OL

2006

Jared Armstrong, P
 Ryan Baker, DT
 Paul Dubler, DB
 Jermaine Guynn, DT
 Andy Huffman, LS
 Pat Kohtz, DB
 John Lampert, LB
 Aaron Lane, DB
 Chase Lecklider, WR
 Garrett Miller, OL
 Mike Otto, OL
 Nick Raben, OL
 Jake Standeford, WR
 Casey Welch, P/K
 Jared Zwilling, DT

TILLER'S CHARTS

TRUE FRESHMEN WHO HAVE PLAYED

1997 Drew Brees, QB Chris Clopton, WR Viny Sutherland, WR	2003 Garret Bushong, TE Ray Edwards, DE Kyle Ingraham, WR Bernard Pollard, SS
1998 Travis Dorsch, K A.T. Simpson, WR	2004 Cliff Avril, LB Dan Bick, LB Dorien Bryant, WR Dave Brytus, P Jordan Grimes, OG Torri Williams, FS
1999 Chris James, WR	2005 Brandon King, CB Alex Magee, DT Greg Orton, WR Jason Werner, SS Kyle Williams, LB
2000 Deaunte Ferrell, CB Gilbert Gardner, LB Andre Henderson, WR Niko Koutouvides, LB Jacques Reeves, CB Patrick Schaub, LB Stuart Schweigert, FS John Standeford, WR	2006 Kyle Adams, TE Royce Adams, CB Brandon Erwin, S David Pender, CB Keith Smith, S Chris Summers, K-P
2001 Kevin Noel, WR Kyle Orton, QB Mike Rhinehart, TE	
2002 Dontrey Flemings, DT Marc Huddleston, FS Brandon Kirsch, QB Drew Rucks, WR Ray Williams, WR	

BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Year	Date	O/D/S	Honoree	Opponent	
1997	Sept. 8	S	Brandon Kaser, K	Toledo	
	Sept. 15	O	Billy Dicken, QB *	Notre Dame	
	Sept. 29	D	Mike Rose, LB	Northwestern	
	Oct. 20	O	Billy Dicken, QB *	Wisconsin	
	Nov. 10	D	Rosevelt Colvin, DE	Michigan State	
1998	Aug. 31	O	Drew Brees, QB	Southern Cal	
	Oct. 3	O	Drew Brees, QB	Minnesota	
	Oct. 31	D	Willie Fells, LB	Iowa	
1999	Nov. 7	O	Drew Brees, QB	Northwestern	
	Sept. 5	S	Travis Dorsch, K	Central Florida	
1999	Sept. 12	D	Mike Rose, LB *	Notre Dame	
	Sept. 19	S	Viny Sutherland, PR	Central Michigan	
	Sept. 26	O	Drew Brees, QB	Northwestern	
	Oct. 17	O	Chris Daniels, WR	Michigan State	
	2000	Sept. 11	O	Drew Brees, QB *	Kent State
2000	Sept. 25	O	Drew Brees, QB	Minnesota	
	Oct. 15	O	Drew Brees, QB	Northwestern	
	Oct. 22	S	Craig Terrill, DT *	Wisconsin	
		S	Ashante Woodyard, DB *	Wisconsin	
	Oct. 29	O	Drew Brees, QB *	Ohio State	
2001		D	Akin Ayodele, DE	Ohio State	
	Nov. 20	O	Montrell Lowe, RB *	Indiana	
	Sept. 3	D	Akin Ayodele, DE	Cincinnati	
	Sept. 30	O	Brandon Hance, QB	Minnesota	
		D	Stuart Schweigert, DB	Minnesota	
2001		S	Travis Dorsch, K/P *	Minnesota	
	Oct. 7	S	Travis Dorsch, K/P	Iowa	
	Nov. 4	S	Travis Dorsch, K/P	Illinois	
	Nov. 18	D	Landon Johnson, LB *	Michigan State	
	Dec. 2	S	Travis Dorsch, K/P	Notre Dame	
2002	Sept. 29	D	Ralph Turner, DB	Minnesota	
2003	Sept. 14	D	Stuart Schweigert, DB	Wake Forest	
	Sept. 28	S	Ben Jones, K	Notre Dame	
	Oct. 12	S	Anthony Chambers, PR	Penn State	
	Oct. 19	O	Kyle Orton, QB	Wisconsin	
	Nov. 2	D	Shaun Phillips, DE *	Northwestern	
2003	Nov. 9	D	Shaun Phillips, DE *	Iowa	
	2004	Sept. 13	O	Kyle Orton, QB	Ball State
	Sept. 27	O	Kyle Orton, QB	Illinois	
	Oct. 4	O	Kyle Orton, QB *	Notre Dame	
		S	Jerome Brooks, KR	Notre Dame	
2004	Oct. 11	S	Ben Jones, K *	Penn State	
	Nov. 22	O	Kyle Orton, QB	Indiana	
	2005	Nov. 14	S	Dave Brytus, P *	Illinois
2005	Nov. 21	D	Rob Ninkovich, DE	Indiana	
	2006	Sept. 25	D	Anthony Spencer, DE	Minnesota
2006	Oct. 2	D	Anthony Spencer, DE	Notre Dame	
	Oct. 16	O	Curtis Painter, QB *	Northwestern	
	Nov. 27	O	Curtis Painter, QB	Hawaii	
		D	Cliff Avril, DE	Hawaii	
		S	Jared Armstrong, P	Hawaii	

* denotes co-selection.

TILLER'S CHARTS

WALKONS WHO HAVE BEEN AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS

1997 Lamar Conard, So., DB	2003 Jeff Bennett, So., TE Andy Nelson, Sr., K Nick Pilipauskis, Sr., C Patrick Schaub, Sr., FB Torrey Vogel, Sr., SS
1998 Tarah Graham, Sr., RB Todd Stelma, Sr., DB	2004 Willie Bach, Sr., OG Ben Jones, Jr., K Danny May, Sr., OG
1999 Josh Kirkpatrick, So., C Ray Lee, Sr., LB Andy Standifer, Sr., LS	2005 Jermaine Guynn, So., DT Pat Kohtz, Sr., SS Chase Lecklider, Sr., WR Brian Mattaway, Sr., SS Dan McGowen, Sr., DT Nick Raben, Sr., OG Jerry Wasikowski, So., TE
2000 Bryan Jacquay, Sr., CB Seth Morales, So., WR Tom Vaughan, Sr., FS	2006 Paul Dubler, 5th Year, CB Aaron Lane, Jr., CB Jake Standeford, Sr., WR Casey Welch, 5th Year, K-P
2001 Carl Buergler, Sr., QB Brandon Johnson, Jr., DT Scott Kurz, Sr., P-K	
2002 Nick Hardwick, Jr., OG Jacob Rowe, Sr., RB John Shelbourne, Sr., LS Kyle Smith, Fr., QB	

TILLER'S HEAD COACHING BOWL LEDGER

Year	Bowl Game	Opponent	Result
1993	Copper Bowl	Kansas State	L 17-52
1997	Alamo Bowl	Oklahoma State	W 33-20
1998	Alamo Bowl	Kansas State	W 37-34
1999	Outback Bowl	Georgia	L 25-28 (OT)
2000	Rose Bowl	Washington	L 24-34
2001	Sun Bowl	Washington State	L 27-33
2002	Sun Bowl	Washington	W 34-24
2003	Capital One Bowl	Georgia	L 27-34 (OT)
2004	Sun Bowl	Arizona State	L 23-27
2006	Champs Sports	Maryland	L 7-24

TILLER'S BOILERMAKERS IN THE NFL DRAFT

Year	Player (Position)	NFL Team	Round
1998	Brian Alford (WR)	New York (N)	3rd
	Mark Fischer (C)	Washington	5th
	Edwin Watson (RB)	Green Bay	7th
1999	Chike Okeafor (DE)	San Francisco	3rd
	Rosevelt Colvin (DE)	Chicago	4th
2000	Michael Hawthorne (DB)	New Orleans	6th
	David Nugent (DT)	New England	6th
2001	Drew Brees (QB)	San Diego	2nd
	Matt Light (OL)	New England	2nd
	Vinny Sutherland (WR)	Atlanta	5th
	Chucky Okobi (C)	Pittsburgh	5th
	Brandon Gorin (OL)	San Diego	7th
2002	Akin Ayodele (LB)	Jacksonville	3rd
	Travis Dorsch (K)	Cincinnati	4th
2003	Joe Odom (LB)	Chicago	6th
2004	Nick Hardwick (C)	San Diego	3rd
	Stuart Schweigert (FS)	Oakland	3rd
	Gilbert Gardner (LB)	Indianapolis	3rd
	Landon Johnson (LB)	Cincinnati	3rd
	Shaun Phillips (DE)	San Diego	4th
	Niko Koutouvides (LB)	Seattle	4th
	Kelly Butler (OL)	Detroit	6th
	Craig Terrill (DT)	Seattle	6th
	Jacques Reeves (CB)	Dallas	7th
2005	Kyle Orton (QB)	Chicago	4th
2006	Bernard Pollard (S)	Kansas City	2nd
	Ray Edwards (DE)	Minnesota	4th
	Rob Ninkovich (DE)	New Orleans	5th
	Charles Davis (TE)	Pittsburgh	5th

From 1998-2006, 23 Boilermakers have signed free-agent contracts with NFL franchises in addition to the 29 players listed above, giving Purdue a total of 52 NFL players during the Joe Tiller era.

RECRUITING CLASS RANKINGS

(Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report)

Class	Big Ten	Nationally	Purdue Record	Bowls
1997	10th	NR	39-22 (.639)	5
1998	2nd	11th	37-25 (.597)	5
1999	6th	30th	37-25 (.597)	5
2000	7th	29th	37-25 (.597)	5
2001	5th	20th	34-27 (.557)	4
2002	5th	25th	36-26 (.581)	4
2003	4th	Top 30	29-20 (.592)	3
2004	5th	Top 25	20-16 (.556)	2
2005	4th	Top 20	13-11 (.542)	1
2006	7th	Top 45	8-5 (.615)	1

NR denotes not ranked.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS OF THE TILLER ERA

November 22, 1996

The Joe Tiller Era at Purdue begins as Tiller is named the school's 33rd football coach.

September 13, 1997

After losing at Toledo 33-26 in their season opener the previous week, the Boilermakers stun the football world with a 28-17 victory over No. 12 Notre Dame. The win at Ross-Ade Stadium snaps an 11-game losing streak to the Fighting Irish.

October 11, 1997

The Boilermakers outslug Minnesota 59-43 in Minneapolis. The 59 points are the most scored by a Purdue team since a 62-7 victory over Boston University in 1947.

October 19, 1997

Purdue is ranked No. 22 in The Associated Press poll (No. 23 by ESPN/USA Today), its first ranking since the final 1980 poll.

October 25, 1997

Purdue beats Illinois 48-3 in Champaign to clinch its first winning season since 1984. (Purdue was 5-4-2 in 1995 by virtue of a forfeit win). The victory is the Boilermakers' sixth in a row, their longest streak since 1980. Tiller's 6-1 start is the best by a Purdue coach since Noble Kizer in 1930.

November 8, 1997

Trailing Michigan State 21-10 with 2:13 remaining, the Boilermakers pull off one the greatest comebacks in school history to win 22-21 at Ross-Ade Stadium. Roosevelt Colvin returns a blocked field goal attempt 62 yards for a touchdown to make it 21-16, then Purdue recovers an onside kick at its own 45-yard line and scores on a 3-yard run by Edwin Watson with 40 seconds remaining.



Edwin Watson plunges in from three yards out to cap the Boilermakers' 11-point comeback against Michigan State on Nov. 8, 1997.

December 30, 1997

The Boilermakers defeat No. 24 Oklahoma State 33-20 at the Alamo Bowl in San Antonio, Texas. It is Purdue's first bowl appearance since 1984.



Joe Tiller addresses the media at his introductory press conference Nov. 22, 1996.

October 3, 1998

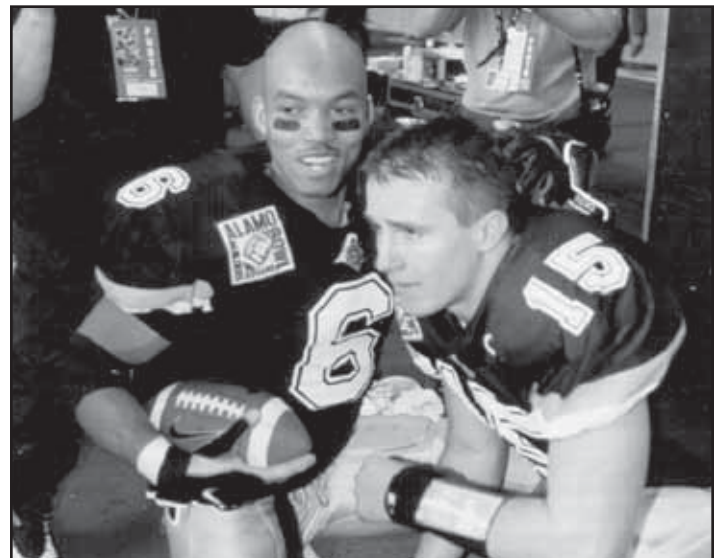
In a 56-21 win over visiting Minnesota, the Boilermakers establish school records for passing yards (604) and total offense (692).

October 10, 1998

Purdue loses 31-24 to No. 10 Wisconsin in Madison. In the defeat, Drew Brees sets the NCAA Division I record for passing attempts (83) and ties the mark for completions (55).

November 14, 1998

For the second straight season, the Boilermakers rally from an 11-point deficit in the fourth quarter to stun Michigan State. This time it is 25-24 in East Lansing. Purdue is down 24-13 with less than seven minutes to go when Todd Stelma blocks a punt to set up a touchdown that makes it 24-19 with 5:07 left. After a defensive stop, the Boilermakers get the ball back and pull out the victory on a 6-yard pass from Brees to Isaac Jones.



Isaac Jones (left) and Drew Brees reflect after hooking up on the game-winning 24-yard touchdown pass with 30 seconds left in the 1998 Alamo Bowl.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS OF THE TILLER ERA

December 29, 1998

Playing in the Alamo Bowl for the second straight year, the Boilermakers upset No. 4 Kansas State 37-34 when Brees and Jones hook up on a 24-yard touchdown strike with 30 seconds remaining. Purdue's final drive covers 80 yards on six plays and takes 54 seconds after Kansas State had taken a 34-30 lead.

October 16, 1999

After losing back-to-back road games at No. 4 Michigan and No. 21 Ohio State, the Boilermakers bounce back with a resounding 52-28 victory over No. 5 Michigan State at Ross-Ade Stadium. Chris Daniels sets Big Ten Conference records with 21 receptions for 301 yards.

October 7, 2000

Trailing No. 6 Michigan 28-10 at halftime, the Boilermakers rebound to post a 32-31 victory at Ross-Ade Stadium. Travis Dorsch kicks a game-winning 33-yard field goal with four seconds left. The 18-point come-from-behind win is the largest of the Tiller era.

October 28, 2000

Purdue keeps its Rose Bowl hopes alive with a 31-27 win over No. 12 Ohio State at Ross-Ade Stadium. Drew Brees connects with Seth Morales for a 64-yard touchdown pass with 1:55 remaining for the winning margin.



Drew Brees is all smiles after Purdue kept its Rose Bowl hopes alive with a dramatic 31-27 win over Ohio State on Nov. 28, 2000, in which Brees threw a 64-yard touchdown pass to Seth Morales with 1:55 remaining.

November 18, 2000

The Boilermakers end a 33-year Big Ten championship drought and a 34-year Rose Bowl dry spell with a 41-13 win over Indiana at Ross-Ade Stadium.

January 1, 2001

Purdue makes its first Rose Bowl appearance since 1967. No. 4 Washington downs the Boilermakers 34-24.

September 29, 2001

Trailing Minnesota 28-25 with 19 seconds remaining in regulation and no timeouts, Purdue has the ball at its own 3-yard line. After completions of 27 and 39 yards, Travis Dorsch kicks a 48-yard field goal as time expires to send the game into overtime. In the extra session, the Boilermakers score on their first possession and then seal the victory when Stuart Schweigert intercepts a Golden Gopher pass in the end zone.



The Boilermakers celebrate after Travis Dorsch (30) kicked a game-tying 48-yard field goal as time expired in regulation at Minnesota on Sept. 29, 2001. Purdue went on to win 35-28 in overtime.

November 16, 2002

Trailing 42-37 with just over three minutes to play and forcing fourth-and-8 from the Michigan State 40-yard line, Brandon Kirsch has the wind knocked out of him and is forced to the sideline. Enter Kyle Orton, supplanted as Purdue's starting quarterback three games earlier, who has been standing on the sideline for nearly 3 1/2 hours with the temperature barely above 30 degrees. Orton gets the play, audibles at the line of scrimmage and calmly throws a perfect pass to John Standeford, who catches it inside the 5-yard line and falls into the end zone. Following a two-point conversion and a defensive stand, the Boilermakers have pulled off a 45-42 victory.



John Standeford hauls in the game-winning 40-yard touchdown pass at Michigan State on Nov. 16, 2002.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS OF THE TILLER ERA

December 31, 2002

The 2002 Boilermakers needed to win their final two games to extend their streak of consecutive bowl games to six under Tiller. They accomplish the feat and earn a return trip to the Sun Bowl to square off against Washington. Purdue falls behind 17-0 in the first quarter, then scores 34 uninterrupted points and goes on to a 34-24 victory.

October 2, 2004

Behind Kyle Orton and Taylor Stubblefield, the Boilermakers roll over Notre Dame 41-16 for their first win in South Bend since Sept. 28, 1974. Orton completes 21 of 31 passes for 385 yards and four touchdowns, while Stubblefield has seven receptions for 181 yards and two scores. Purdue breaks a 3-3 tie when Jerome Brooks returns a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown, the first by the Boilermakers since 1995. On Purdue's first drive of the second half, Orton connects with Stubblefield on a 97-yard touchdown pass – the second-longest in school history – on third-and-10.



Coach Tiller is flanked by Taylor Stubblefield (left) and Kyle Orton after the Boilermakers beat Notre Dame 41-16 on Oct. 2, 2004, for their first win in South Bend since the 1974 season.

October 10, 2004

The Boilermakers are ranked No. 5 in The Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today national polls, their high-water mark since being No. 5 the week of Sept. 10, 1979.

November 20, 2004

The Boilermakers put an exclamation point on the 2004 regular season with a 63-24 win over Indiana at Ross-Ade Stadium. The 63 points are the most by a Purdue team since a 91-0 win over Rose Poly on Nov. 17, 1912. Purdue establishes a Big Ten record with 763 yards of total offense. Taylor Stubblefield becomes the NCAA career receptions leader with his 301st catch, a 7-yarder from Kyle Orton late in the first quarter. The Boilermakers improve to 7-1 in Old Oaken Bucket battles under Joe Tiller.



Coach Tiller accepts the 2002 Sun Bowl trophy.



Taylor Stubblefield is presented the ball by referee Dave Witvoet after becoming the NCAA career receptions leader Nov. 20, 2004.

TILLER YEAR-BY-YEAR

**1991
(4-6-1, 2-5-1 WAC — T6th)**

Captains: Tom Corontzos, Doug Rigby and Robert Rivers

Aug. 31	Hawaii.....	L 17-32
Sept. 7	at #12 Colorado.....	L 13-30
Sept. 14	Southwestern Louisiana.....	W 28-15
Sept. 21	Texas Tech.....	W 22-17
Sept. 28	Texas-El Paso.....	T 28-28
Oct. 5	at Air Force.....	L 28-51
Oct. 12	Utah.....	L 42-57
Oct. 19	at New Mexico.....	W 39-19
Oct. 26	Colorado State.....	W 35-28
Nov. 2	at San Diego State.....	L 22-24
Nov. 9	at Brigham Young.....	L 31-56
		Totals: 305-357

**1992
(5-7, 3-5 WAC — T7th)**

Captains: Dorell Drake, Matt Swenson and Jarod Thiele

Sept. 6	Nevada.....	W 25-6
Sept. 12	at Texas Tech.....	L 32-49
Sept. 19	Air Force.....	L 28-42
Sept. 26	at Louisville.....	W 26-24
Oct. 3	San Jose State.....	L 24-26
Oct. 10	New Mexico.....	W 35-21
Oct. 17	Brigham Young.....	L 28-31
Oct. 24	at Colorado State.....	W 31-14
Oct. 31	at Fresno State.....	L 31-42
Nov. 7	San Diego State.....	W 17-6
Nov. 14	at Utah.....	L 7-38
Nov. 21	at Hawaii.....	L 18-42
		Totals: 302-341

**1993
(8-4, 6-2 WAC — T1st)
~ Tri-Champions ~
~ Copper Bowl ~**

Captains: Joe Hughes, Mike Jones and Kurt Whitehead

Sept. 4	Oregon State.....	L 16-27
Sept. 11	Northern Iowa.....	W 45-42
Sept. 18	at San Jose State.....	W 36-25
Sept. 25	Utah.....	W 28-12
Oct. 2	at Air Force.....	W 31-18
Oct. 9	at Texas-El Paso.....	W 33-26
Oct. 23	Hawaii.....	W 48-10
Oct. 30	Fresno State.....	W 32-28
Nov. 13	at New Mexico.....	L 7-10
Nov. 20	Colorado State.....	L 21-41
Nov. 27	at San Diego State.....	W 43-38

Copper Bowl — Tucson, Ariz.

Dec. 30	vs. #20 Kansas State.....	L 17-52
		Totals: 357-329

**1994
(6-6, 4-4 WAC — T5th)**

Captains: John Burrough, Ryan Christopherson and Tyrone Williams

Sept. 3	Texas-El Paso.....	W 36-13
Sept. 10	at Oregon State.....	L 31-44
Sept. 17	Tulsa.....	W 17-7
Sept. 24	at Utah.....	L 7-41
Oct. 1	at #2 Nebraska.....	L 32-42
Oct. 8	Northeast Louisiana.....	W 28-14
Oct. 15	at Fresno State.....	L 24-38
Oct. 22	San Diego State.....	W 52-35
Oct. 29	Air Force.....	L 17-34
Nov. 5	at #14 Colorado State.....	L 24-35
Nov. 12	New Mexico.....	W 38-28
Nov. 19	at Hawaii.....	W 13-10
		Totals: 319-341

**1995
(6-5, 4-4 WAC — 6th)**

Captains: Joe Cummings and Jeremy Gilstrap

Sept. 9	at Air Force.....	L 10-34
Sept. 16	Hawaii.....	W 52-6
Sept. 23	Oklahoma State.....	W 45-25
Oct. 7	at Tulsa.....	L 6-35
Oct. 14	Louisville.....	W 27-20
Oct. 21	at Brigham Young.....	L 20-23
Oct. 28	Colorado State.....	L 24-31
Nov. 4	Utah.....	L 24-30
Nov. 11	at #25 San Diego State.....	W 34-31
Nov. 18	Fresno State.....	W 38-10
Nov. 25	at Texas-El Paso.....	W 42-19
		Totals: 322-264

**1996
(10-2, 7-1 WAC)**

~ Pacific Division Champions ~

Captains: Marcus Harris, Brent Leu and Steve Scifres

Aug. 31	Idaho.....	W 40-38
Sept. 7	at Iowa State.....	W 41-38 (OT)
Sept. 14	Hawaii.....	W 66-0
Sept. 21	Air Force.....	W 22-19
Sept. 28	at UNLV.....	W 33-21
Oct. 5	at San Jose State.....	W 45-22
Oct. 12	Western Michigan.....	W 42-28
Oct. 19	Fresno State.....	W 42-21
Nov. 2	Southern Methodist.....	W 59-17
Nov. 7	at San Diego State.....	L 24-28
Nov. 16	at Colorado State.....	W 25-24

WAC Championship — Las Vegas, Nev.

Dec. 7	vs. #6 Brigham Young.....	L 25-28 (OT)
		Totals: 464-284

TILLER YEAR-BY-YEAR

1997

(9-3, 6-2 Big Ten — T2nd)
~ Alamo Bowl Champions ~

Captains: Brian Alford, Rosevelt Colvin and Mark Fischer

Sept. 6	at Toledo (N)	L 22-36
Sept. 13	#12 Notre Dame	W 28-17
Sept. 20	Ball State	W 28-14
Sept. 27	Northwestern	W 21-9
Oct. 11	at Minnesota (N)	W 59-43
Oct. 18	#24 Wisconsin (HC)	W 45-20
Oct. 25	at Illinois (#22)	W 48-3
Nov. 1	at #15 Iowa (#18)	L 17-35
Nov. 8	Michigan State (#23)	W 22-21
Nov. 15	#6 Penn State (#19)	L 17-42
Nov. 22	at Indiana (#23)	W 56-7

Alamo Bowl — San Antonio, Texas

Dec. 30	vs. #24 Oklahoma State (#17) (N)	W 33-20
		Totals: 396-267

1998

(9-4, 6-2 Big Ten — 4th)
~ Alamo Bowl Champions ~

Captains: Rosevelt Colvin and Isaac Jones

Aug. 30	at USC	L 17-27
Sept. 12	Rice	W 21-19
Sept. 19	Central Florida	W 35-7
Sept. 26	at #23 Notre Dame	L 30-31
Oct. 3	Minnesota	W 56-21
Oct. 10	at #10 Wisconsin (N)	L 24-31
Oct. 17	at #12 Penn State	L 13-31
Oct. 24	Illinois (HC)	W 42-9
Oct. 31	Iowa	W 36-14
Nov. 7	at Northwestern	W 56-21
Nov. 14	at Michigan State	W 25-24
Nov. 21	Indiana	W 52-7

Alamo Bowl — San Antonio, Texas

Dec. 29	vs. #4 Kansas State (N)	W 37-34
		Totals: 444-276

1999

(7-5, 4-4 Big Ten — T6th)
~ Outback Bowl ~

Captains: Adrian Beasley and Drew Brees

Sept. 4	at Central Florida (#22) (N)	W 47-13
Sept. 11	#16 Notre Dame (#20)	W 28-23
Sept. 18	Central Michigan (#14)	W 58-16
Sept. 25	Northwestern (#13)	W 31-23
Oct. 2	at #4 Michigan (#11)	L 12-38
Oct. 9	at #21 Ohio State (#17)	L 22-25
Oct. 16	#5 Michigan State (#20) (HC)	W 52-28
Oct. 23	#2 Penn State (#16)	L 25-31
Oct. 30	at Minnesota (#18)	W 33-28
Nov. 6	#10 Wisconsin (#17)	L 21-28

Nov. 20	at Indiana (#19)	W 30-24
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Outback Bowl — Tampa, Fla.

Jan. 1	vs. #21 Georgia (#19)	L 25-28 (OT)
		Totals: 384-305

2000

(8-4, 6-2 Big Ten — T1st)
~ Tri-Champions ~
~ Rose Bowl ~

Captains: Akin Ayodele and Drew Brees

Sept. 2	Central Michigan (#15)	W 48-0
Sept. 9	Kent State (#14)	W 45-10
Sept. 16	at #21 Notre Dame (#13)	L 21-23
Sept. 23	Minnesota (#21) (HC)	W 38-24
Sept. 30	at Penn State (#24)	L 20-22
Oct. 7	#6 Michigan	W 32-31
Oct. 14	at #17 Northwestern (#21)	W 41-28
Oct. 21	at Wisconsin (#17)	W 30-24 (OT)
Oct. 28	#12 Ohio State (#16)	W 31-27
Nov. 11	at Michigan State (#9)	L 10-30
Nov. 18	Indiana (#17)	W 41-13

Rose Bowl — Pasadena, Calif.

Jan. 1	vs. #4 Washington (#14)	L 24-34
		Totals: 381-266

2001

(6-6, 4-4 Big Ten — T4th)
~ Sun Bowl ~

Captains: Akin Ayodele and Gene Mruczkowski

Sept. 2	at Cincinnati	W 19-14
Sept. 22	Akron	W 33-14
Sept. 29	at Minnesota (#24)	W 35-28 (OT)
Oct. 6	Iowa (#21)	W 23-14
Oct. 13	at #12 Michigan (#17)	L 10-24
Oct. 27	Northwestern (#24) (HC)	W 32-27
Nov. 3	#21 Illinois (#20)	L 13-38
Nov. 10	at Ohio State	L 9-35
Nov. 17	Michigan State	W 24-14
Nov. 24	at Indiana	L 7-13
Dec. 1	Notre Dame	L 18-24

Sun Bowl — El Paso, Texas

Dec. 31	vs. #13 Washington State	L 27-33
		Totals: 250-278

2002

(7-6, 4-4 Big Ten — T5th)
~ Sun Bowl Champions ~

Captains: Landon Johnson, Gene Mruczkowski, Joe Odom and Ralph Turner

Aug. 31	Illinois State	W 51-10
Sept. 7	at #23 Notre Dame	L 17-24

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Sept. 14	Western Michigan.....	W 28-24
Sept. 21	Wake Forest.....	L 21-24
Sept. 28	Minnesota (HC).....	W 28-15
Oct. 5	at #24 Iowa.....	L 28-31
Oct. 12	at Illinois.....	L 31-38 (OT)
Oct. 19	#11 Michigan.....	L 21-23
Oct. 26	at Northwestern.....	W 42-13
Nov. 9	#3 Ohio State.....	L 6-10
Nov. 16	at Michigan State.....	W 45-42
Nov. 23	Indiana.....	W 34-10

Sun Bowl — El Paso, Texas		
Dec. 31	vs. Washington.....	W 34-24
Totals: 386-288		

2003

(9-4, 6-2 Big Ten — T2nd)
~ Capital One Bowl ~

Captains: Nick Hardwick, Landon Johnson, Niko Koutouvides and Stuart Schweigert

Sept. 6	Bowling Green (#16).....	L 26-27
Sept. 13	at #20 Wake Forest.....	W 16-10
Sept. 20	Arizona (#25).....	W 59-7
Sept. 27	Notre Dame (#22).....	W 23-10
Oct. 4	Illinois (#22) (HC).....	W 43-10
Oct. 11	Penn State (#18).....	W 28-14
Oct. 18	at #14 Wisconsin (#13).....	W 26-23
Oct. 25	at #13 Michigan (#10).....	L 3-31
Nov. 1	Northwestern (#18).....	W 34-14
Nov. 8	#10 Iowa (#16).....	W 27-14
Nov. 15	at #4 Ohio State (#11).....	L 13-16 (OT)
Nov. 22	at Indiana (#16).....	W 24-16

Capital One Bowl — Orlando, Fla.

Jan. 1	vs. #11 Georgia (#12).....	L 27-34 (OT)
Totals: 349-226		

2004

(7-5, 4-4 Big Ten — T5th)
~ Sun Bowl ~

Captains: Jon Goldsberry, Kyle Orton, Antwaun Rogers and Taylor Stubblefield

Sept. 5	Syracuse (#25).....	W 51-0
Sept. 11	Ball State (#25).....	W 59-7
Sept. 25	at Illinois (#15).....	W 38-30
Oct. 2	at Notre Dame (#15).....	W 41-16
Oct. 9	at Penn State (#9).....	W 20-13
Oct. 16	#10 Wisconsin (#5) (HC).....	L 17-20
Oct. 23	#13 Michigan (#12).....	L 14-16
Oct. 30	at Northwestern (#17).....	L 10-13
Nov. 6	at #20 Iowa.....	L 21-23
Nov. 13	Ohio State.....	W 24-17
Nov. 20	Indiana.....	W 63-24

Sun Bowl — El Paso, Texas

Dec. 31	vs. #21 Arizona State.....	L 23-27
Totals: 381-206		

2005

(5-6, 3-5 Big Ten — 8th)

Captains: Charles Davis, Matt Turner, Brandon Villarreal and Jerod Void

Sept. 10	Akron (#13).....	W 49-24
Sept. 17	at Arizona (#12) (N).....	W 31-24
Sept. 24	at Minnesota (#11).....	L 35-42 (2OT)
Oct. 1	#13 Notre Dame (#22) (N).....	L 28-49
Oct. 8	Iowa.....	L 17-34
Oct. 15	Northwestern (HC).....	L 29-34
Oct. 22	at #19 Wisconsin.....	L 20-31
Oct. 29	at #11 Penn State.....	L 15-33
Nov. 5	Michigan State.....	W 28-21
Nov. 12	Illinois.....	W 37-3
Nov. 19	at Indiana.....	W 41-14

Totals: 330-309

2006

(8-6, 5-3 Big Ten — T4th)
~ Champs Sports Bowl ~

Captains: Mike Otto and Anthony Spencer

Sept. 2	Indiana State.....	W 60-35
Sept. 9	Miami (Ohio).....	W 38-31 (OT)
Sept. 16	Ball State.....	W 38-28
Sept. 23	Minnesota (HC).....	W 27-21
Sept. 30	at #12 Notre Dame.....	L 21-35
Oct. 7	at #19 Iowa.....	L 17-47
Oct. 14	at Northwestern.....	W 31-10
Oct. 21	#21 Wisconsin.....	L 3-24
Oct. 28	Penn State.....	L 0-12
Nov. 4	at Michigan State.....	W 17-15
Nov. 11	at Illinois.....	W 42-31
Nov. 18	Indiana.....	W 28-19
Nov. 25	at #25 Hawai'i.....	L 35-42

Champs Sports Bowl — Orlando, Fla.

Dec. 29	vs. Maryland.....	L 7-24
Totals: 364-374		

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Mark Hagen is in his eighth season at Purdue. He is in his fifth year as special teams coordinator and third as assistant head coach. In addition, he is in second season working with the linebackers after coaching the defensive tackles for six seasons.

Hagen came to Purdue from Northern Illinois, where he served as an assistant coach from 1996 to 1999. He coached the defensive tackles and also managed camps and clinics.

Hagen worked at Indiana as graduate assistant to the strength coach in 1992 and 1993 and as administrative assistant to the athletics director from 1993 to 1995. He coordinated all football operations, including game and office management, budget, recruiting, compliance and team travel.

Hagen graduated from Indiana with a B.S. in marketing in 1991. He earned an M.S. in sport marketing and management from Indiana in 1995. He was a standout linebacker for the Hoosiers from 1987 to 1991. Hagen was a four-year letterwinner, two-time second team All-Big Ten selection (1990 and 1991) and three-time Academic All-Big Ten honoree (1989, 1990 and 1991). He returned an interception 21 yards for a touchdown against Purdue in West Lafayette on Nov. 24, 1990.

A native of Carmel, Ind., Hagen (born July 28, 1969) and his wife, Denise, have three daughters: Abby, Emma and Ellie.



Bill Legg is in his fifth season at Purdue. He is in his second season as co-offensive coordinator. He coached the entire offensive line from 2003 to 2005 and now is in his second season concentrating solely on the centers and guards.

Legg came to the Boilermakers from Marshall, where he served as tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator during the 2001 and 2002 seasons. He worked on the same staff as Purdue co-offensive coordinator Ed Zaunbrecher and defensive backs coach Lou Anarumo.

From 1995 to 2000, Legg worked at his alma mater, West Virginia, as interior offensive line coach. He also was offensive coordinator his final season. Legg's other experience includes one season as offensive line coach at Virginia Military Institute (1994), five seasons as offensive

line coach at Eastern Illinois (1989-93) and one season as offensive coordinator at West Virginia Tech (1988). He was a graduate assistant at West Virginia in 1986 and 1987, working with the tight ends and special teams. Legg and Purdue defensive coordinator Brock Spack were on the same staff at Eastern Illinois in 1989 and 1990.

A four-year starting center for West Virginia from 1981 to 1984, Legg was head coach Don Nehlen's first recruit with the Mountaineers. He played in four bowl games.

Legg (born April 9, 1962) is a native of Poca, W.Va. He earned a bachelor's degree in psychology in 1985 and a master's in education in 1987, both from West Virginia. He and his wife, Kelly, have a daughter, Sarah.



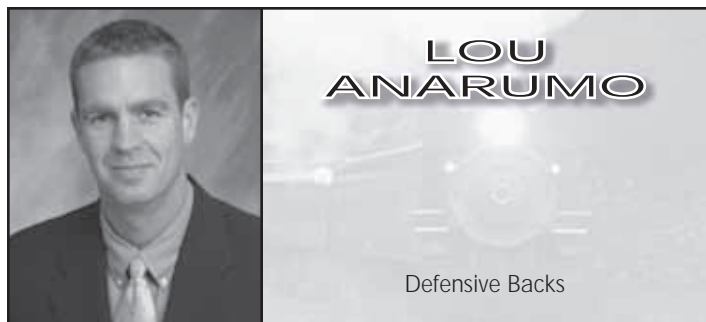
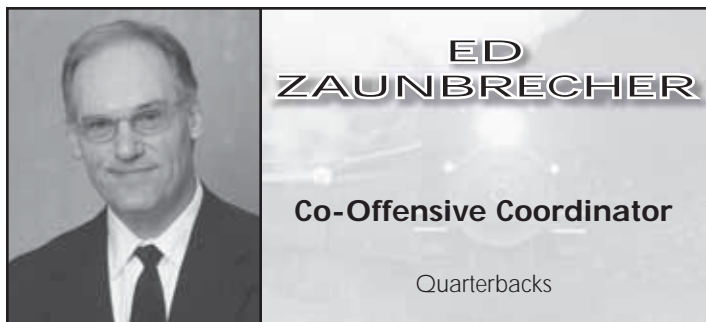
Former Purdue standout Brock Spack is in his 11th year as defensive coordinator. He is in his second season working with the safeties after coaching the linebackers for nine years.

In 1995 and 1996, Spack was defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Wyoming under head coach Joe Tiller. Spack was Purdue's inside linebackers coach from 1991 to 1994. Earlier, he was a defensive graduate assistant with the Boilermakers in 1984 and 1985, working under Tiller. Spack was an assistant coach at Eastern Illinois (linebackers/defensive line/recruiting coordinator) from 1987 to 1990 – serving on the same staff as Purdue co-offensive coordinator Bill Legg the last two seasons – and at Wabash College (defensive line/strength coach) in 1986.

Spack graduated from Purdue in 1984 with a B.S. in social studies. He earned an M.S. in physical education from Eastern Illinois in 1990. Spack played linebacker for the Boilermakers from 1980 to 1983, earning first team All-Big Ten and honorable mention All-America honors as a sophomore. He was a three-year starter and currently ranks fifth on the Boilermakers' career tackles list with 384.

A native of Rockford, Ill., Spack (born Jan. 5, 1962) and his wife, Aimee, have two children, Alicia and Brent. Alicia is a sophomore softball player at Purdue.

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Ed Zaunbrecher is in his second season as co-offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach.

Zaunbrecher, who previously coached at Purdue from 1977 to 1979, returned from Illinois, where he served as passing game coordinator and quarterbacks coach in 2005. He accompanied head coach Ron Zook from Florida, where Zaunbrecher was offensive coordinator in 2002 and 2003 and quarterbacks coach from 2002 to 2004. From 1999 to 2001, Zaunbrecher was quarterbacks coach at Marshall, and he also filled the role of offensive coordinator in 2000 and 2001. Purdue co-offensive coordinator Bill Legg and defensive backs coach Lou Anarumo were on the same Thundering Herd staff in 2001.

Zaunbrecher was head coach at Northeast Louisiana (now Louisiana-Monroe) from 1994 to 1998, compiling a 20-36 record.

Zaunbrecher's other experience includes stops at Michigan State (1991-93 – linebackers and kickers); LSU (1984-90 – offensive coordinator and quarterbacks); Wake Forest (1980-83 – offensive coordinator, quarterbacks and wide receivers); and Arizona (1973-74 – graduate assistant, 1975-76 – offensive line).

During Zaunbrecher's first tenure at Purdue, he coached the running backs (1977-78) and receivers (1979) under head coach Jim Young.

A native of Rayne, La., Zaunbrecher (born March 1, 1950) earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Middle Tennessee State in 1972 and a master's degree in guidance and counseling from Arizona in 1974. At Middle Tennessee State, Zaunbrecher was a three-year starter at center, earned the team's Scholar-Athlete Award and received the 1972 NCAA Postgraduate Award Scholarship. He and his wife, Bobbi, have three children: Ann Lindsay, Emily and Zach.

Lou Anarumo is in his fourth season as defensive backs coach.

Anarumo came to the Boilermakers from Marshall, where he coached the defensive backs from 2001 to 2003. He also served as special teams coordinator his last season. Anarumo worked on the same staff as Purdue co-offensive coordinators Bill Legg and Ed Zaunbrecher in 2001.

Prior to his stint at Marshall, Anarumo was assistant head coach at Harvard from 1995 to 2000, where he coached the defensive backs from 2001 to 2003. He also served as special teams coordinator his last season. From 1992 to 1994, Anarumo was defensive coordinator and defensive backs coach at the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

Anarumo was a graduate assistant coach at Syracuse during the 1990 and 1991 seasons. From January to June 1990, Anarumo was a part-time running backs coach at Wagner College. He filled that same role at the United States Merchant Marine Academy from September 1989 to January 1990.

A native of Staten Island, N.Y., Anarumo (born Aug. 18, 1966) earned his B.S. degree in special education from Wagner in 1990. While in college, he served as head junior varsity coach at Susan Wagner High School in Staten Island, N.Y. Anarumo and his wife, Fran, have three children: Madison, Louis and Christopher.



John McDonnell is in his second season as offensive tackles and tight ends coach.

McDonnell came to the Boilermakers from Stanford, where he coached the offensive tackles and tight ends during the 2005 season. He previously served on the Cardinal staff in 2001, coaching the centers and guards. Between his stints at Stanford, McDonnell coached the centers and guards at Notre Dame from 2002 to 2004.

From 1989 to 2000, McDonnell worked at Washington State. Purdue head coach Joe Tiller was on the staff in 1989 and 1990 as offensive coordinator. McDonnell coached the offensive line and tight ends from 1989 to 1993, and then was offensive coordinator and offensive line

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coach from 1994 to 2000.

McDonnell was offensive line coach at Weber State from 1984 to 1988. He began his coaching career at Carroll College (Mont.), his alma mater, coaching the offensive line in 1981. McDonnell served as head coach at Scobey (Mont.) High School in 1982 and 1983.

A native of Spokane, Wash., McDonnell (born June 2, 1959) earned a bachelor's degree in social science from Carroll in 1981. He was a four-year starter at tackle, earning NAIA All-America honors his senior season. He was a three-time All-Frontier Conference performer and served as team captain. McDonnell was inducted into the Carroll Athletic Hall of Fame in 1994. He and his wife, Mindy, have two children, Michael and Megan.



Brian Rock is in his second season as wide receivers coach.

Rock came to the Boilermakers from Western Michigan, where he was an assistant since 1992 under three head coaches: Al Molde (1992-96), Gary Darnell (1997-2004) and Bill Cubit (2005). Rock coached wide receivers from 1997 to 2004 as well as tight ends (1992-96 and 2000-04), offensive tackles (1992-96) and running backs (2005). He served as offensive coordinator from 2000 to 2004 and special teams coordinator from 1997 to 1999 and in 2005.

Prior to his tenure at Western Michigan, Rock was defensive coordinator at Saint Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind., from 1987 to 1991. He also coached the defensive backs and special teams. Rock was a graduate assistant at Bowling Green in 1985 and 1986.

Widely regarded for his enthusiasm and innovation, Rock has authored several articles on football strategy. His piece "Scoring Zone Efficiency" appeared in American Football Monthly in 2005.

A native of Bowling Green, Ohio, Rock (born Aug. 6, 1962) earned a bachelor's degree in business education in 1985 and a master's of education in sports management in 1986, both from Bowling Green. As an undergraduate, he was an assistant coach at Bowling Green High School. Rock and his wife, Lori, have a daughter, Kirsten, and two sons, Nathan and T.K.



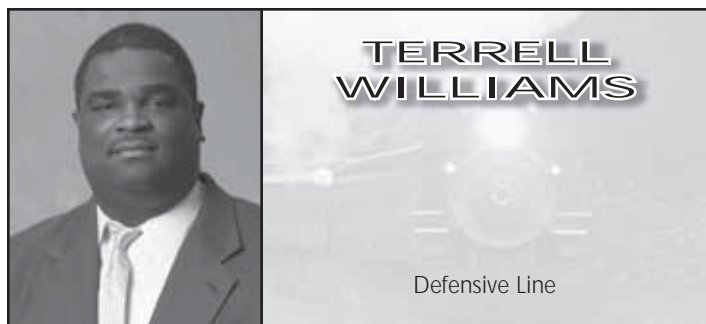
Joel Thomas is in his second season as running backs coach. He also oversees the Boilermakers' walkon program and summer camps.

Thomas previously was a member of the Purdue staff in 2000 and 2001 as a graduate assistant, working with the offensive line and tight ends.

Thomas returned to the Boilermakers after two years at Idaho as co-offensive coordinator and running backs coach. In 2002 and 2003, Thomas was running backs coach at Louisville. Thomas had an additional stint at Idaho as running backs coach in the spring of 2002.

Thomas was a running back at Idaho from 1995 to 1998. He is the Vandals' career leader with 765 rushing attempts, 3,929 rushing yards and 51 rushing touchdowns. As a senior, Thomas was named the Big West Conference Player of the Year by the Football News. He received the Humanitarian Award prior to the 1998 Humanitarian Bowl, which Idaho won in come-from-behind fashion over Southern Mississippi 42-35.

A native of Port Angeles, Wash., Thomas (born Nov. 7, 1974) earned a bachelor's degree in public communications from Idaho in 1998. He is married to the former Ebbie Metzinger, who was a pole vaulter at Purdue and was the Big Ten outdoor champion in 2000 and 2002 and indoor champion in 2002.



Terrell Williams is in his second season as defensive line coach.

Williams came to the Boilermakers from Akron, where he coached the defensive line in 2004 and 2005. The Zips, who opened the 2005 season with a 49-24 loss at Purdue, went on to win the Mid-American Conference championship game over Northern Illinois 31-30 and played in the Motor City Bowl.

Prior to his tenure at Akron, he was defensive line coach at Youngstown State in 2002 and 2003. From 1999 to 2001, Williams coached the defensive line at North Carolina A&T.

Williams spent the summer of 1999 with the Jacksonville Jaguars as part of the NFL minority coaching internship program, assisting on

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the defensive line under head coach Tom Coughlin. Williams worked as the defensive line coach at Fort Scott Community College during the 1998 season.

A native of Los Angeles, Williams (born June 19, 1974) earned a bachelor's degree in communications with a minor in history from East Carolina in 1998. He was a standout nose guard for the Pirates and a member of their 1995 team that defeated Stanford 19-13 in the Liberty Bowl. He transferred to East Carolina from West Los Angeles College, where he was an all-conference defensive lineman. Williams is involved with Big Brothers Big Sisters of America.



Mike Jacobs is in his third season as a graduate assistant. He works with the offensive line.

Jacobs came to the Boilermakers from Wilmington (Ohio) College, where he spent the 2004 season as an assistant coach. In 2002 and 2003, he served as an offensive graduate assistant at Eastern Michigan.

Jacobs earned a B.S. in education from Ohio State in 2001 and played center for the Buckeyes from 1997 to 2001. He was named Academic All-Big Ten in 2001. Jacobs was a football camp counselor at Ohio State during the summers of 1997, 2002 and 2003.

Jacobs (born May 9, 1979) is a native of Toledo, Ohio.



Former Boilermaker Kevin Nesfield is in his first season as a graduate assistant. He works with the defensive line.

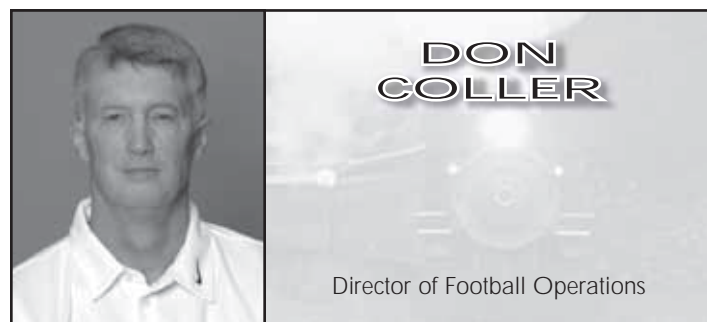
Nesfield was a defensive end for the Boilermakers from 1999 to 2003, earning three letters. As a senior, he started all 13 games and received the team's Leonard Wilson Award for unselfishness and dedication. He earned the Verle Campbell Scout Team Award for defense both his freshman and redshirt freshman seasons. Nesfield ranks tied for 19th on the school career sacks list with 8.5.

Nesfield has spent the last two years in graduate school at Purdue while also serving as an intern in the compliance office. He is scheduled to earn his master's degree in pedagogy (the art of teaching)

in December.

During the 2004-05 school year, Nesfield taught algebra and coached football at Clear Book High School, his alma mater, in Friendswood, Texas.

A native of Houston, Nesfield (born April 13, 1981) earned a B.A. in law and society in 2003. He served on an NCAA recruiting task force committee from January to July 2004.



Don Collier is in his eighth season as director of football operations. His responsibilities include on-campus recruiting visits, fall training camp, team travel and scheduling, as well as other day-to-day duties. He also serves as the program's liaison with professional football teams.

Collier is no stranger to Purdue or Greater Lafayette football. He served as a volunteer assistant coach with the Boilermakers under Jim Young in 1981 and as a part-time coach in 1982 and 1983. He was a graduate assistant coach under Leon Burnett in 1984.

After leaving Purdue, Collier enjoyed a standout high school head coaching career, first at Central Catholic (1985-86) and then at McCutcheon (1987-97). At Central Catholic, he inherited a program that had gone 1-19 the previous two years and led the Knights to a 10-12 record and a pair of sectional runner-up finishes. At McCutcheon, Collier went 73-39, including 40-13 over his final five campaigns. Collier was an assistant coach at Wabash College during the 1999 season.

A native of Derry, N.H., Collier received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Ball State in 1974 and his master's degree in secondary health education from Purdue in 1984.

Collier (born Oct. 14, 1952) and his wife, Ann, have a son, Christopher, and a daughter, Catherine.

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