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# CSP

## FOOTBALL WEEKLY

CONCORDIA - ST. PAUL ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

## INSIDE THE HUDDLE

### WITH COACH CURRIER



From a spectator point of view, the fans can see what these young men accomplish during a game. However, there is much more to college football than the play on the field. There are many components to making our program special. My belief is that we will find a way! We will find a way to improve our program; we will find a way to win games; and we will find a way to help student-athletes gain employment, secure internships and grow as individuals. Each week Inside the Huddle will feature a specific component of our program. This week will focus on fundraising.

For many reasons, including ticket sales, NCAA DI institutions are not blessed with exorbitant budgets that some DI schools may have. Therefore, the budget to run a successful program must be supplemented by fundraising. Fundraising allows us to not only assist in meeting equipment needs and travel expenses, but it also allows us to make necessary improvements and enables us to provide a memorable experience for our student-athletes. Over the past few years, we have made upgrades to our locker room, purchased Nike gear for our players, customized game uniforms, and added décor around our football facilities to embrace the team spirit.

Most recently, we identified an opportunity to enhance the game day experience for players and fans. From fundraised dollars the program purchased a customized CSP Helmet tunnel system. Additionally, on the last day of our trip to Camp Ripley, we were able to take our players to a resort in northern Minnesota to relax and have fun in the sun while tubing, boat riding, and swimming. During Fall Camp we also surprised our players with a paintball experience.

Our goal is to raise \$100,000.00 throughout this year as there are still many things that we want to accomplish.

Our major fundraisers include:

- Touchdown Club
- Raffle Ticket Sales for the Football Banquet
- On Campus Parking for State Basketball Tournament
- Customized Gear Sales
- Locker Room Project
- C-Club
- US Bank Stadium Security for Major Events



Last Saturday, our coaches and players worked security for the Taylor Swift concert at US Bank Stadium. Our program profits \$100.00 for every person that works an event. This recent effort will profit almost \$10,000 for our program. The upcoming events that will allow our alumni, parents and supporters to also volunteer their time are: November 25 – Vikings vs. Packers and March 30 – Final Four. Details of how to contribute will be distributed in the near future.

We appreciate your commitment to the team and all of the various ways you help support our program.

## PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

### JAKE TANNER #13



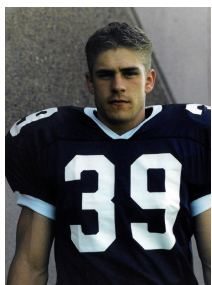
Senior Jake Tanner is a sports psychology major who is scheduled to graduate this spring. Jake's career goal is to be a college football coach. Jake said that "the most intriguing part of coaching for me is helping and watching players grow." He admits that he has had an interesting path in his football career and hopes to help others avoid the same mistakes he has made.

Jake's passion for the game runs deep. He mentioned that "the love for the game is more than on the field. It's the preparation that goes into studying why a play is called, what it gives at that time, how it helps open up other areas later in the game."

After graduation, he is excited to begin his coaching internship with Coach Currier.

## WHERE IS HE NOW?

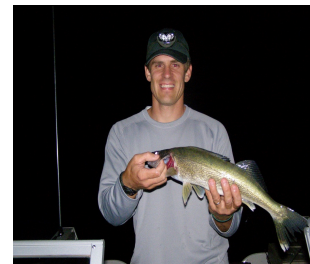
### ERIC SCHUTTE



Former Comet and Golden Bear Eric Schutte played running back for CSP from 1995-1997. As a running back, he was named Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC) First team all-conference in both the 1996 and 1997 seasons and was inducted into the CSP hall of fame in 2008. During his time at Concordia he learned a strong work ethic that propelled him to become a top high school basketball and baseball coach at Concordia Academy here in the Twin Cities.

His favorite memories include running for a 97 yard touchdown, but most importantly being able to go into battle every Saturday with his teammates and friends and learning hard work and discipline every day.

Eric is currently the K-12 Physical Education teacher at Community of Peace Academy in St. Paul and the head basketball and baseball coach at Concordia Academy in Roseville, MN. Eric is married to Amy who is a 1999 CSP Alumni and they have three boys, Tyler, Caleb and Austin.



# PLAYERS OF THE WEEK - CSP VS. USF



## OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE GAME

**SHAQ JOHNSON - SO. RB #2**



## DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE GAME

**DION WALLISCH - JR. CB #20**



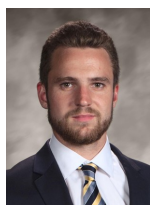
## HOG OF THE GAME

**RICH KELLY - JR. OG #70**



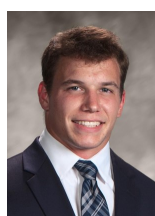
## D-LINE PLAYER OF THE GAME

**SHAWN AARHUS - RFR. DE #73**



## SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE GAME

**JONAS SCHENDERLEIN - SR. K #8**



## LIFTER OF THE WEEK

**JAKE PORTZ - RFR. LB #45**



## OFFENSIVE SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**PEERLESS JACKSON - FR. RB #37**



## DEFENSIVE SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**MARK O'REILLY - FR. DE #90**



## SPECIAL TEAMS SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**FOSTER CONZET - RFR. LB #38**

Each week the CSP coaching staff selects players of the week. The Players of the Game are selected based on film review, demonstrated excellence in play, their game performance evaluation and their impact on that particular game. As important are the Scout Players of the Week. These young men prepare our game day performers for the upcoming opponent, which is paramount to our team's success. The Hog of the Week and D-Line player of the week are highlighted because of their position's importance to winning football games. The Lifter of the Week is a young man that demonstrates his understanding of the importance of the off-field work necessary for one to be at their very best.

# GAME CAPTAINS - CSP VS. UPPER IOWA



**ANDY AUNE - SO.**  
**LB #14**



**JACKSON DOBBS - JR.**  
**DE #98**



**SHAQ JOHNSON - SO.**  
**RB #2**



**DIMONIC RODEN-MCKINZY - SR.**  
**QB #4**

## EXTRA POINTS

### TAILGATING

There will be an area set up in the southwest corner of the parking lot at Sea Foam stadium for a tailgate party. Just look for the CSP flag. Even if you have your own tailgate plans, please stop by so we can all get better acquainted and come together to support our exiting 2018 Golden Bear football team. This will be a bring your own food and drink event but tables and a grill will be available for all to use.

At 10:30 AM, Coach Currier will give tours of the new Athletic Performance Center. Meet at the flag at 10:30 if you are interested.

## 2018 GAME SCHEDULE

8-30 7 pm at Sioux Falls  
9-8 12pm vs Upper Iowa  
9-15 1pm at Minnesota State  
9-20 6pm vs Wayne State  
9-29 1pm at Minnesota Duluth  
10-6 12pm vs Northern State

10-13 2 pm at U-Mary  
10-20 12pm vs Minn. Crookston  
10-27 12pm vs Augustana  
11-3 1pm at SMSU  
11-10 1pm at Winona

**TOUCHDOWN CLUB UPDATE**  
WEEK 1 - 3 TD'S

