

## INSIDE THE HUDDLE

### WITH COACH CURRIER



The Golden Bears are looking to bounce back after suffering our first loss of the season to #3 ranked Mankato. The defense played a great game and gave us a chance to take control. Our punt team was above the 40 yard net punt average. Our kicker, Danny Laudet, landed a 46 yard field goal, and our coverage units continued to play well. However, with 3 turnovers and missed opportunities we were unable to score until the end of the 4th quarter. The game did show that CSP can compete with anyone in the conference. We need to continue to build on the gritty performance of the defense.

Our focus has been and will continue to be becoming the most improved college football team in the NSIC. Our men have responded well to last week and are excited to get another opportunity this weekend when we face Wayne State (1-2) on the road.

If you are unable to make the trip to Wayne, Nebraska, you can tune watch or listen online - <https://portal.stretchinternet.com/csp/>.

It was great to see the members of the inaugural 1969 Concordia football team that attended last week's game. After the game, I was fortunate to be in attendance at their celebration banquet. Many enjoyable stories and memories were shared from their experiences at Concordia 50 years ago.



We are blessed to have a fantastic group of alumni at CSP that have provided financial support in various ways. This week, I would like to focus on the three football scholarships that have been initiated by former Concordia football players.

## Tom Milbrath Scholarship

A former player from the late '90's, Tom Milbrath, created a scholarship in his name to benefit CSP football student-athletes. He stated, "I knew that once I acquired the financial resources, I wanted to help other student-athletes obtain a four year degree from Concordia University, St. Paul."

Tom set criteria for the scholarship that included a football player that had a minimum GPA of 2.5 and at least be in their 3rd year at CSP.

This year, the Tom Milbrath Scholarship recipient is RSO. LB, Jake Portz.



JAKE PORTZ

## Beau W. Doyle Annual Scholarship

Former All-NSIC 1st Team linebacker and CSP Hall of Fame inductee (2018), Brian Doyle and his wife Amanda, lost their 4 month old son Beau, on February 13, 2017. After the loss of their son, a group of Brian's teammates discussed a football scholarship program in honor of Beau. In the spring of 2018 this dream became a reality, and the Beau W. Doyle Scholarship was born.

Brian and Amanda set criteria for this recipient to be a defensive football player that is at least in their second year at CSP, has achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher and has demonstrated leadership skills.

The inaugural recipient of this scholarship is JR. linebacker Dalton Smerchek.



DALTON SMERCHEK

## Coach Russel Gary Scholarship

The third scholarship is in memory of Coach Russel Gary, who committed 15 seasons to the CSP football program. Coach Gary passed away this past spring due to heart failure. Coach Gary was a special man that brought instant credibility due to his personality, all-pro status, and the love he shared with the CSP football family. Coach Gary was loved by so many!

Former CSP defensive back and current Cretin-Derham Hall Head Football Coach, Chuck Miesbauer, created a CSP football scholarship in Coach Gary's name. When speaking to the team this past week, Chuck explained, "Coach Gary believed in me when others didn't. He gave me the confidence that allowed me to be at my very best. He always filled the role as a supporter for the overlooked player, the one that didn't have the measurables or had other limitations to overcome. The limitations could have related to academics, someone struggling from being a long distance from home or someone coming from a disadvantaged background, etc."

The recipient has to be a student-athlete that is a defensive back, is a veteran player (at least in their 2nd year), and has maintained at least a 2.5 GPA.

The first recipient of the Russel Gary Scholarship is defensive back Desmond Bassett.



DESMOND BASSETT

## HOW YOU CAN HELP CSP FOOTBALL

People often ask how they can help support CSP football which has led to the below image that illustrates how you can help! Our goal is to have more people help us in some fashion, even if it's something very small each month. Below are the various ways that you can support CSP Football. All donations will go directly to CSP football by indicating where you want your gift allocated.

To support any of the above mentioned scholarships, you can give a tax deductible donation that can either be made as a one-time or recurring payment.

This is how you give: Visit [www.ave.csp.edu/giving](http://www.ave.csp.edu/giving) and complete the credit card information. You can put your donation towards the scholarship of your choice by indicating in the comment field your choice.

Double your impact! Check if your employer matches gifts by visiting [www.ave.csp.edu/employermatch](http://www.ave.csp.edu/employermatch) for more information



*Go Bears!*  
**Coach C**

**CSP**



**#BEGOLDEN**

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### GABE STEED #12 - WR



Gabe Steed is from Grand Rapids, Michigan, has two older brothers (Sam and Steve) and one older sister (Aubreigh). His parents, Doug and Roxanne, and grandparents Frank and Mary are extremely involved in his life. They have been his biggest supporters throughout high school and his college career.

Gabe's favorite football memory is experiencing Camp Ripley, as it provided an opportunity to bond and build relationships with his teammates.

He believes that the Golden Bear football program will continue to have many successful seasons. Being a part of our first recruiting class (Coach Carrier era) he has been able to see it all which has been a unique and rewarding experience.

Gabe is an accounting major with a computer science minor. He chose to attend CSP for the location of the school, coaches, and small classroom settings. Even with the majority of the year left to complete, Gabe has accepted a job working for a global independent consulting firm "Protiviti" in Los Angeles, California.

The impact of Concordia and the football team has been monumental. He's created a group of friends that he can always count on and support him at times of need.

**Fun fact about Gabe:** Gabe played piano for about 6 years and his favorite band is Radiohead.

# CSP FOOTBALL ALUMNI- WHERE IS HE NOW?

## GARY MARXHAUSEN



Former Comet Gary Marxhausen played on the first CSP football team (The Blue Machine) in 1969, playing right guard both his junior and senior years. He stated that he personally didn't receive many accolades being an offensive lineman, other than opening big holes for Hall of Famer Mike Bailey.

Marxhausen's most memorable moment was during his senior year when the team beat Concordia River Forest for the first time. Playing taught him many life lessons: being determined when faced with adversity, teamwork, perseverance and hard work.

Gary served the Lord as a Lutheran School teacher/Athletic Director and Administrator for forty years before retiring in 2011. Him and his wife Sandy now have shifted their ministry to witnessing their faith to others through their woodworking (making religious and wildlife wood art). Their mission statement is "Our Faith in Christ-Fashioned in Wood". Marxhausen's daughter, Erin Rathke, played basketball at CSP and currently is the Principal at Justice Page Middle School in Minneapolis. Erin married Eric Rathke, who played football at CSP. They have two children, Maddox and Jade. Marxhausen also has two step-sons Matthew and Jason, who are married to Traci and Anissa. They have given him grandchildren Jaxon, Ramzee, Dawson and Treston. His step-daughter Amy and her husband Jimmy, also have provided grandchildren Skylar and Ryder.



## EXTRA POINTS

### LIVE AUCTION/SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS NEEDED

This year, In lieu of a raffle, we are excited to announce we will be having a live auction prior to the year end banquet and a silent auction the night of. We are seeking donations of a variety of items (large or small) to be included in the auction(s). Large items will be auctioned off individually and smaller items may be packaged together. Some items we are hoping to receive; tickets to sporting events, gift cards (retail, restaurants, etc.), experiences, themed gift basket items, etc. The money raised will directly support our football program.

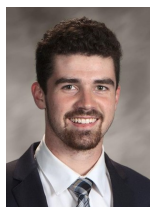
All donors will be recognized during the auction and at the year end banquet. In addition, donors will receive a special thank you gift. All donations are tax deductible!

**Would you be interested in helping us make this a great success?**

If you would be willing to provide an auction item, please email Coach Currier at [scurrier@csp.edu](mailto:scurrier@csp.edu).

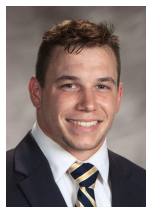


# PLAYERS OF THE GAME - CSP vs. MANKATO ST.



## OFFENSIVE SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**JAKE SHEPLEY - JR.**  
**WR #14**



## DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE GAME

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



## HOG OF THE GAME

**RICH KELLY- SR**  
**OL #70**



## D-LINE PLAYER OF THE GAME

**JACKSON DOBBS- SR**  
**DL #26**



## SPECIAL TEAMS PLAYER OF THE GAME

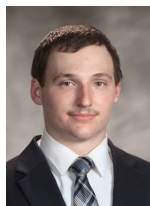
**DANNY LAUDET- SR**  
**P / PK #89**



## LIFTER OF THE WEEK

**GERALD SHEPHERD - FR.**

**LB #42**



## SPECIAL TEAMS SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**SAM BARNACK- FR**  
**LB #57**



## DEFENSIVE SCOUT PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**SIRACH STEWART - SO.**  
**LB #54**



## REHAB PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**DALTON SMERCHEK- JR**  
**LB #32**

*Each week the CSP coaching staff selects players of the game. 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. Finally, the Rehab Player of the week is the player that works diligently with the training staff to rehab an injury to works towards getting healthy. Injuries are part of the game and it's important for our injured players to be committed to improving their health.*

## GAME CAPTAINS- CSP VS. WAYNE STATE



**JACKSON DOBBS**  
**DE #26**



**CHRIS GARRETT - JR.**  
**DE #52**



**RICK KELLY- SR**  
**OLM #70**



**MAXON HUTTON- SR.**  
**QB #3**



## 2019 GAME SCHEDULE

9-5	6 pm	vs	Sioux Falls	W 41-17	10-19	3 pm	at	Minot State
9-14	6pm	at	Upper Iowa	W 28-23	10-26	12pm	vs	Bemidji State
9-21	12pm	vs	Minnesota State	L 29-3	11-2	1pm	at	Augustana
9-28	6pm	at	Wayne State		11-9	12pm	vs	SMSU
10-5	1pm	at	St. Cloud State		11-16	1pm	vs	Winona
10-12	12pm	vs	MSU Moorhead					

## TOUCHDOWN CLUB UPDATE

GAME 1 - 5 TD'S

GAME 2 - 4 TD'S

GAME 3 - 0 TD'S

