

Luke Lingenfelter 7 | 5

DEFENSIVE END | 6-4 | 255 | RFR.
PLAINVIEW, NEB.



- » 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll
- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Luke Lingenfelter joined the Huskers as a walk-on performer in the fall of 2007. After a redshirt season when he worked on the Huskers' scout team, Lingenfelter hopes to make a push for playing time at defensive end this fall. Lingenfelter will enter fall camp listed as a reserve behind senior projected starters Zach Potter and Barry Turner.

Lingenfelter made the most of his first season on campus, being named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll each semester.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Lingenfelter sat out his first season at Nebraska as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (PLAINVIEW HS)

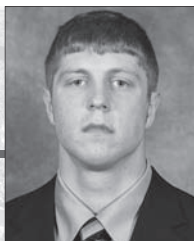
Lingenfelter earned first-team Class C2 all-state accolades from both the Lincoln Journal Star (offensive line) and Omaha World-Herald (defensive line) in 2006. Lingenfelter helped Plainview High School earn a state playoff appearance as a senior. As a junior, Lingenfelter helped Plainview to the Class C2 state title, earning all-state honors. Lingenfelter threw the discus and shot put for Plainview, and won the silver medal in the 2007 Class C discus.

PERSONAL

Lingenfelter is the son of Burt and Kim Lingenfelter, and was born on May 25, 1989. Lingenfelter is majoring in biological systems engineering and carries a 3.455 cumulative grade-point average. Luke's cousin, Newton Lingenfelter, finished his Husker career as an offensive lineman in 2006.

Justin Makovicka 3 | 5

FULLBACK | 6-1 | 240 | SO.
ULYSSES, NEB. (EAST BUTLER)



- » Two-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll (2006, 2007)
- » Two-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll (2007, 2008)

2008 OUTLOOK

Justin Makovicka enters his third season in the Nebraska program hoping to continue to build on the Makovicka family tradition with the Huskers. Justin has served as a backup fullback each of his first two seasons, but is hopeful of moving into the playing rotation this fall.

The 6-1, 240-pound Makovicka has followed in the footsteps of older brothers, Jeff and Joel, who starred at fullback for the Huskers after both beginning their careers as walk-ons. Jeff was the starter on Nebraska's 1995 national championship team, while Joel started in 1997 and 1998 and ranks third among Nebraska fullbacks with 1,458 career rushing yards. The youngest Makovicka brother, Jordan, will also join the Husker program as a walk-on this fall.

Justin is off to a strong start in the classroom, carrying a 3.865 grade-point average after two years. Joel Makovicka was a two-time CoSIDA Academic All-American in 1997 and 1998.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Makovicka provided depth at fullback, but he did not play in a game.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Makovicka sat out the season as a redshirt and worked on the scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (EAST BUTLER HS)

Makovicka twice earned Omaha World-Herald and Lincoln Journal Star first-team Class C-2 all-state honors at East Butler High School. Makovicka rushed for 3,409 career yards and scored 210 points in his career. As a senior, Makovicka gained 1,582 yards rushing and added 17 touchdowns, while leading his team in tackles with 84. He led East Butler and Coach Shawn Biltoft to an undefeated 9-0 regular season, before tripping up against Blue Hill in the second round of the playoffs.

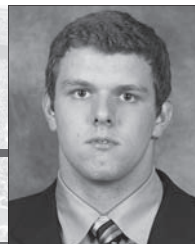
As a junior, Makovicka rushed for 1,601 yards and 16 touchdowns, while tallying 98 tackles. He owns the Class C-2 playoff record with six touchdowns in a 2004 game against Sutton. Makovicka played power forward for the East Butler basketball team and in baseball had a 9-1 record as a pitcher in 2005. He was also an academic all-state selection. He turned down scholarship offers to walk on at Nebraska, receiving strong interest from Iowa State, Kansas State, Air Force and Ohio.

PERSONAL

Justin is the son of John Makovicka and Connie Makovicka, and was born on Jan. 11, 1988. He is majoring in nutrition science, and has earned Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll selections each of his first four semesters. Justin's father, John, was a standout halfback at Kearney State College (1967-70) and earned NAIA All-America honors. John was inducted into the Nebraska Football Hall of Fame in 1996.

Ben Martin 6 | 3

DEFENSIVE TACKLE | 6-4 | 275 | SO.-1L
LINCOLN, NEB. (SOUTHWEST)



- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Lincoln native Ben Martin earned playing time on the defensive line last season as a redshirt freshman. The 6-4, 275-pound Martin will enter fall camp hoping to continue to use his versatility to put himself in position to see action. Martin has the ability to play both defensive end or defensive tackle and will enter the fall listed as a reserve on the interior.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Martin moved to defensive tackle in spring ball and went on to play in seven games in 2007. He served as a backup behind fellow Lincoln Southwest graduate Ty Steinkuhler and Kevin Dixon. Martin finished the year with three tackles, including two stops against Iowa State and an assisted tackle at Kansas.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Martin sat out the season as a redshirt and worked with the scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (LINCOLN SOUTHWEST HS)

Martin was one of three in-state commits in the Huskers' 2006 signing class. Martin helped Coach Mark King's Silverhawks to an undefeated regular-season record in 2005 and a runner-up finish to Millard North for the Class A state championship. He was named to the 2005 Lincoln Journal Star Super State team and the Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska team. Martin was an all-city selection as a junior, recording 63 tackles and six sacks. As a senior, he earned first-team all-state honors, tallying 66 tackles and six tackles for losses.

Martin was rated as the No. 6 prospect in Nebraska by Rivals.com, while PrepStar placed him on its All-Midlands region team. Martin chose NU after also receiving interest from Colorado State, Iowa State, Kansas State, Kansas, Wyoming and Ohio.

PERSONAL

Ben, the son of Michael and Viann Martin, was born on April 6, 1988. He has volunteered with Nebraska's hospital visits and is majoring in biological sciences and was named to the 2008 Big 12 spring academic honor roll.

Jay Martin

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TIGHT END | 6-2 | 215 | RFR.

WAVERLY, NEB.

- » 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll
- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Jay Martin made the switch from defense to offense during spring ball and will enter fall camp looking to push for playing time at tight end. Martin worked as a linebacker during his redshirt season last fall, but will hope to continue to refine his offensive abilities under tight ends coach Ron Brown. Nebraska is looking to replace three graduated seniors at the tight end spot.

Jay is a standout in the classroom, carrying a perfect 4.0 grade-point average after two semesters of college.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Martin sat out his first season in the program and was a reserve linebacker.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (WAVERLY HS)

Martin was a standout multi-sport performer for Waverly High School, where he earned first-team Class B all-state honors as a defensive lineman from the Lincoln Journal Star. Martin, who was selected to play in the 2007 Shrine Bowl, also qualified for the state track meet in the hurdles. His older brother, Lee, recently completed his track career with the Huskers.

PERSONAL

Martin was born on Nov. 30, 1988, and is the son of Bob and Sheir Martin. His father was a 1975 All-American with the Huskers, and Jay is also the cousin of former Husker linebackers Bo and Barrett Ruud. Martin is majoring in business administration and was selected to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll each of his first two semesters. He has volunteered his time with local hospital visits, at the F Street Recreation Center and the Legacy Retirement Center.

Mike Masin

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 325 | RFR.

LINCOLN, NEB. (SOUTHEAST)

2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman offensive lineman Mike Masin is among the largest Huskers, checking in at 6-6 and 325 pounds. Masin worked on the Husker scout team a year ago, and continued to refine his skills this spring under first-year offensive line coach Barney Cotton. A walk-on from Lincoln Southeast High School, Masin will enter fall camp listed as a reserve offensive tackle behind projected starters Javorio Burkes and Lydon Murtha.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Masin sat out his first season with the Huskers as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (SOUTHEAST HS)

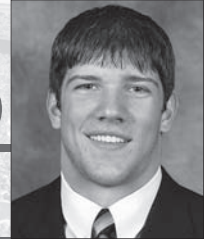
Masin earned honorable-mention Class A all-state honors from both the Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha World-Herald while playing for Lincoln Southeast High School in 2006. He led the way up front for the Knights as a senior, one year after a Class A playoff appearance by Southeast in 2005. Masin also received interest from Colorado State, Illinois, Iowa State, Kansas and Ohio. Masin was also a standout for the Knight basketball team, ranking among the leaders in the state in field-goal percentage and averaging nearly a double-double per contest.

PERSONAL

Masin is the son of Barry and Jan Masin and was born on Feb. 7, 1989. He is majoring in elementary education and has been a volunteer with Nebraska's team hospital visits.

Mathew May

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SAFETY | 6-1 | 195 | RFR.

IMPERIAL, NEB. (CHASE COUNTY)

- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Mathew May is among a large group of young players in the Nebraska secondary who are looking to make strides under new secondary coach Marvin Sanders. May is working primarily at safety, a position where Nebraska must replace three graduated seniors. The 6-1, 195-pound May is an excellent all-around athlete and will enter fall camp listed as a reserve behind Larry Asante at strong safety.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

May sat out his first season as a redshirt and worked on the scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (CHASE COUNTY HS)

May had a standout senior season as a linebacker for Chase County High School. He tallied 104 tackles and four interceptions as a senior to earn Class C1 all-state honors from both the Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha World-Herald. He was also the team's leading rusher with nearly 1,400 yards and 21 touchdowns, as the Longhorns reached the Class C1 state quarterfinals one year after an appearance in the state championship game.

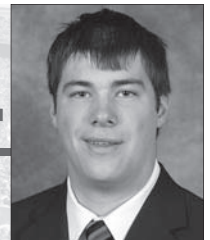
May ran the 100-, 200- and 400-meter dashes for the Chase County track team, as well as a leg on the 4x400 relay team, which finished with a silver medal in Class B at the state track meet in 2007.

PERSONAL

May is the son of Tim May and Tammy May and was born on March 18, 1988. He has not yet declared a major, but earned a spot on the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll. May has volunteered his time with Nebraska's local hospital visits and at the F Street Recreation Center and the Legacy Retirement Center.

Mike McNeill

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TIGHT END | 6-4 | 240 | SO.

KIRKWOOD, MO.

- » 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Tight end Mike McNeill will enter the 2008 season with the possibility of becoming a breakout player in the Husker offense. McNeill has outstanding receiving skills and will head into fall camp listed at the top of the tight end depth chart, where the Huskers lost three seniors to graduation. McNeill saw limited action as a reserve last fall, then spent the winter adding needed muscle to this 6-4 frame.

McNeill battled injuries early in his Nebraska career, after coming to Nebraska following a standout prep career at Kirkwood (Mo.) High School, where he was coached by former Husker Larry Frost.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

McNeill missed spring practice following off-season shoulder surgery, but recovered to play in eight games as a redshirt freshman. He served as a reserve

behind seniors J.B. Phillips, Josh Mueller and Sean Hill. McNeill caught a 25-yard pass in the season opener against Nevada for his only catch of the season. He also had a nine-yard kickoff return at Texas.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

McNeill redshirted in his first season in Lincoln. He had a leg injury early in fall camp, then underwent shoulder surgery in December of 2006.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (KIRKWOOD HS)

McNeill was one of two signees from the state of Missouri in 2006. Playing for Coach Larry Frost at Kirkwood, McNeill earned first-team Class 6A all-state honors in both his junior and senior seasons. McNeill caught 20 passes for 345 yards and five touchdowns as a sophomore, had 44 catches for 806 yards and six touchdowns as a junior and caught 33 passes for 665 yards and four touchdowns in 2005.


He was ranked among the top 40 prospects at tight end nationally and among the top dozen players in the state of Missouri. McNeill chose Nebraska over Colorado, Wisconsin, Missouri, Texas Tech, Kansas, Indiana and Northwestern.

PERSONAL

Mike, the son of Allen and Sally McNeill, was born on March 7, 1988. He is majoring in business administration and was named to the 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll. McNeill has been a volunteer with Nebraska's area hospital visits.

**Max
McShane** 5 | 4

OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 290 | FR.
ELKHORN, NEB.



2008 OUTLOOK

Nebraska native Max McShane joined the Husker football program as a walk-on during winter conditioning. McShane worked on the offensive line in the spring and will enter fall camp as a reserve tackle behind projected starters Lydon Murtha and Jaivorio Burkes. McShane first enrolled at Nebraska in August of 2006 and was a member of the Huskers' track and field team in 2006-07.

2006-07 (NEBRASKA TRACK AND FIELD TEAM)

McShane spent his first year at Nebraska as a member of the Husker track team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ELKHORN HS)

McShane played offensive tackle and defensive guard for Nebraska Class B prep powerhouse Elkhorn. McShane helped Coach Mark Wortman's squad to three district championships.


A three-sport athlete, McShane also competed in basketball and track during his high school career. In track, McShane placed third in the shot put at the 2006 Nebraska Class A state meet with a throw of 57-7. Earlier in his senior season he threw a personal-best 58-8 1/4, the fourth-longest throw in the Nebraska prep ranks in 2006.

PERSONAL

McShane is the son of Tom and Susan McShane and he was born on June 23, 1988. He is majoring in political science.

**Marcus
Mendoza** 3 | 2

I-BACK | 5-10 | 185 | RFR.
HOUSTON, TEXAS (SPRING WOODS)



» **Two-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll (2007, 2008)**

2008 OUTLOOK

Marcus Mendoza will enter the 2008 season as part of a deep and talented Nebraska running back group that includes both youth and experience. The 5-10, 185-pound Mendoza sat out as a redshirt last fall and worked with the Huskers' scout team.

This spring Mendoza earned his share of repetitions at I-back and will enter fall camp listed behind senior Marlon Lucky and sophomores Quentin Castille and Roy Helu Jr. Mendoza is blessed with outstanding speed and could also be a factor on Nebraska's kickoff and punt return units.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Mendoza arrived at Nebraska in January of 2007 and participated in spring practice. He sat out the season as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (SPRING WOODS HS)

Mendoza was one of seven members of the Huskers' 2007 signing class who came from Texas. As a senior at Spring Woods High School, Mendoza had approximately 700 rushing yards and seven touchdowns, while also catching 20 passes for better than 250 yards and another four scores. He was also a dangerous return threat for Coach Dwayne Eggerman. As a junior, Mendoza missed three games, but still earned second-team all-district honors after rushing for better than 650 yards and 10 touchdowns.


Mendoza was ranked as one of the top dozen all-purpose backs in the country by Rivals.com and among the top 20 prospects in Texas by Scout.com. He was also listed 70th on SuperPrep's Texas Super 200 Senior Playmakers List. Mendoza was also a standout on the track, clocking times of 10.64 seconds in the 100 and 21.6 in the 200 meters as a junior. Mendoza chose Nebraska after also visiting Oklahoma State and Texas Tech.

PERSONAL

Marcus is the son of Rubi Mendoza and was born on Sept. 21, 1988. He has not declared a major. He has twice been named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll. Mendoza has been a volunteer with visits to St. Elizabeth's Hospital and Eastmont Towers.

**Terrence
Moore** 9 | 0

DEFENSIVE TACKLE | 6-3 | 275 | RFR.
NEW ORLEANS, LA. (MCDONOGH 35)



2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Terrence Moore made a favorable impression on Nebraska's new defensive staff during spring practice and will look to earn playing time in 2008. The 6-3, 275-pound Moore adds depth on a defensive interior that returns its top four players from last season, including starters Ndamukong Suh and Ty Steinkuhler.

A native of New Orleans, Moore endured hardship during his high school career. Moore and his mother were displaced to Spring, Texas, in 2005, following Hurricane Katrina, but Moore returned to New Orleans for his senior season.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Moore sat out his first season as a redshirt and worked on the scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (MCDONOGH 35 HS)

Terrence Moore was Nebraska's first signee from the Louisiana prep ranks since the 2002 Husker signing class. Moore was an impact performer for McDonogh 35 Senior High School in New Orleans, the same high school as former Husker star and NFL All-Pro defensive lineman Neil Smith.

Moore totaled 81 tackles, including 31 tackles for loss, 14 sacks and a pair of fumble recoveries as a senior. His performance earned him first-team New Orleans all-metro and first-team all-district honors. Moore helped Coach Wayne Reese and McDonogh 35 to a 7-3 record and a trip to the second round of the Louisiana 4A state playoffs.

Moore played in only a handful of games in 2005 after arriving in Texas, but remained on the recruiting radar of numerous schools. Moore was ranked among the top 25 prospects in Louisiana by Rivals.com and among the top 40 defensive tackles in the country. Moore only visited Nebraska, but received strong recruiting interest from Alabama, Missouri, Oklahoma State and Tulane among others.


PERSONAL

Moore is the son of Judy Hunter and was born on Jan. 31, 1989. He has not declared a major. Moore has volunteered his time with NU hospital visits and at the F Street Recreation Center.

Matt O'Hanlon

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SAFETY | 5-11 | 195 | SR.-2L
BELLEVUE, NEB. (EAST)



- » 2007 Second-Team Academic All-Big 12
- » 2006 First-Team Academic All-Big 12
- » 2005 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Honor Roll
- » Three-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll (2005, 2007, 2008)

2008 OUTLOOK

Senior Matt O'Hanlon figures prominently in the gameplan in a revamped 2008 Nebraska secondary. The Huskers lost six players who saw significant action last fall, and O'Hanlon took advantage of the opportunity with a strong showing during spring practice. The 5-11, 195-pound O'Hanlon will enter fall camp listed as the No. 2 free safety behind junior Rickey Thenarse.

A walk-on, O'Hanlon is poised to follow previous walk-on safeties Blake Tiedtke, Brandon Riconi and Ben Eisenhart who have made an impact in the past three years. O'Hanlon has been a fixture on Husker special teams the past two seasons.

2007 (JUNIOR)

O'Hanlon played in 10 games, primarily working on the Huskers' special teams units. He finished the year with three tackles, including solo stops against Nevada and Iowa State, as well as an assist against Texas.

2006 (SOPHOMORE)

O'Hanlon played in all 14 games and made eight tackles, including six stops in the first four games. He made a career-high three tackles against Louisiana Tech, and added two tackles against Nicholls State. O'Hanlon made his first career unassisted tackle against Colorado. His play on kickoff coverage helped Nebraska rank among the nation's best in that category.

2005 (REDSHIRT)

O'Hanlon redshirted after joining the program in January.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (BELLEVUE EAST HS)

O'Hanlon was a quarterback at Bellevue East as a sophomore and junior before moving to running back as a senior for Coach Jerry Lovell. On defense, O'Hanlon played cornerback and free safety, while returning punts and kickoffs. A team captain, O'Hanlon led Bellevue East to two state playoff berths, including the quarterfinals as a senior. He was an all-district and honorable-mention all-state pick for his performance on the gridiron, and was also an honorable-mention

academic all-state pick. He participated in the 2004 Nebraska Shrine Bowl, starting at strong safety.

O'Hanlon also participated in powerlifting, winning a state title in 2003 and finishing as a runner-up in 2004. He earned four varsity soccer letters and helped the Chieftains to the state playoffs in 2003.

PERSONAL

The son of Joe and Becky O'Hanlon, Matt was born on Oct. 5, 1985. He is majoring in history and was a first-team academic All-Big 12 pick in 2006, and a second-teamer in 2007. He has also been named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll four times. O'Hanlon is on track to earn his degree by May of 2009. He has volunteered as part of the Huskers' hospital visits.

O'HANLON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Defense (-----Tackles-----)				Fum.				QB		
	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-R	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.
2005											
2006	14/0	1	7	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
2007	10/0	2	1	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals	24/0	3	8	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Tackles—3 vs. Louisiana Tech, 2006

Solo Tackles—1 vs. Colorado, 2006, vs. Iowa State, 2007

T.J. O'Leary

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LONGSNAPPER | 6-1 | 235 | SR.-2L
OMAHA, NEB. (MILLARD NORTH/NEW MEXICO STATE)



- » 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team

2008 OUTLOOK

Senior T.J. O'Leary is a key returning member of a group of Husker specialists who should again make Nebraska's kicking game one of the Big 12's best. O'Leary is slated to serve as the starting long snapper for the third consecutive season. In 2008, the Omaha native will work with returning starters at place-kicker, punter and holder.

O'Leary began his collegiate career at New Mexico State, before returning to his homestate in 2005. O'Leary is on track to earn his degree in communication studies this December. He is also one of Nebraska's most active players in the community and was named to the 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team.

2007 (JUNIOR)

O'Leary started all 12 games as Nebraska's long snapper. In the punting game, he teamed with Dan Titchener to help Nebraska to a 36.3-yard net punting average. O'Leary was flawless in his snapping for PATs and field goals, helping kicker Alex Henery and Adi Kunalic to a perfect season, as they connected on all nine field goals and each of NU's 46 PATs. O'Leary also had three tackles on punt coverage.

2006 (SOPHOMORE)

O'Leary began the year as Lane Kelly's backup, but stepped up after Kelly suffered a leg injury. O'Leary served as the Huskers' snapper for punts for the final 10 games of the year, while Kelly returned to handle PAT and field goal snaps late in the season.

O'Leary helped Nebraska rank 24th in net punting, while the PAT and field goal unit connected on 55-of-56 extra points and 5-of-7 field goals.

2005 (REDSHIRT)

O'Leary redshirted after transferring from New Mexico State.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (MILLARD NORTH/NEW MEXICO STATE)

O'Leary played in every game for New Mexico State in 2004 and made three tackles on special teams, while serving as the long snapper. O'Leary was a member of the 2003 Class A state title team at Millard North, as well as the 2002 state

runner-up squad. He was a first-team all-state selection and was chosen for the 2004 Shrine Bowl. In addition to three letters in football, O'Leary earned two letters in baseball.

PERSONAL

Timothy John (T.J.) is the son of John and Peggy O'Leary, and was born on Dec. 20, 1985. John O'Leary played for Nebraska from 1971 to 1975. T.J. is majoring in communication studies and will graduate this December. O'Leary was the 2007-08 vice-president of Nebraska's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. He has also been a regular in NU's community outreach projects. O'Leary's activities have included assisting with the Food Bank of Lincoln, the LPS Back Pack Program and team hospital visits.

Niles Paul

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WIDE RECEIVER | 6-1 | 210 | SO.-1L
OMAHA, NEB. (NORTH)



» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Omaha native Niles Paul hopes to work himself into Nebraska's regular rotation at wide receiver as a sophomore. Paul is one of several young wideouts who will look to fill the void after the graduation of four senior receivers from the 2007 squad. The 6-1, 210-pound Paul has all the physical tools to excel, and continues to improve his knowledge of the Husker offense.

The nephew of former Husker great Ahman Green, Paul will enter fall camp listed behind senior starter Todd Peterson at the "Z" receiver position. He could also play a role in the Huskers' return game. Paul was one of 11 true freshmen to see action last fall, following a standout prep career at Omaha North High School.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

Paul played in seven games as a reserve receiver and on kickoff coverage. His lone catch of the season was a six-yarder in the opener against Nevada. Paul had an eight-yard kickoff return against Kansas State, and had assisted tackles against Nevada and Kansas State while serving on the Huskers' kickoff coverage unit.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (OMAHA NORTH HS)

Paul was regarded as the top prospect in Nebraska in 2007, and was NU's first signee from Omaha North since 1998. As a senior, Paul hauled in 46 passes for 814 yards and 13 touchdowns for Coach Larry Martin. Paul averaged nearly 18 yards per reception, and was also averaged better than 18 yards per punt return.

Paul helped North to a 9-2 record and a trip to the Class A state quarterfinals. He was named a first-team All-Nebraska and first-team All-Metro selection by the Omaha World-Herald and a first-team Super-State pick by the Lincoln Journal Star. He was also one of 58 players who were selected as a Parade All-American.

Paul averaged 19.5 yards on 32 receptions and caught 10 touchdown passes as a junior, and also averaged 25.6 yards per kickoff return. He earned second-team all-state honors from the Lincoln Journal Star and all-metro honors from the World-Herald. Paul was regarded as one of the top 20 receiving prospects in the country by both Rivals.com and Scout.com. Paul led the West team in receiving in the U.S. Army All-American Game in San Antonio.

In track, Paul won the 110-meter hurdles at the state meet as both a junior and a senior, while finishing second in the 300-meter hurdles and fourth in the 100-meter dash as senior. His 4x100-meter relay team also finished second. In 2006 he led the Vikings to the Class A state track title by winning four gold medals. Individually, he captured the Class A titles in the 110- and 300-meter hurdles and was part of all-class gold medal teams in the 4x100 and 4x400-meter relays. Paul also won the Class A state title in the 300-meter hurdles as a sophomore. On the basketball court, Paul was among the Class A leaders in scoring and rebounding, averaging nearly 19 points and 12 rebounds per game as a senior.

PERSONAL

Niles is the son of Nick DeCosta-Paul and was born on Aug. 9, 1989. He has not declared a major, but was named to the 2008 Big 12 spring honor roll. Paul has volunteered with NU's hospital visits and at the F Street Recreation Center.

Jonathan Santin

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DEFENSIVE END | 6-3 | 225 | RFR.
FULLERTON, NEB.



2008 OUTLOOK

Nebraska native Jonathan Santin joined the program as a walk-on in 2007, and will look to add depth on the Husker defensive front this fall. The 6-3, 225-pound Santin is listed as a reserve at defensive end entering fall camp, providing depth behind returning senior starters Zach Potter and Barry Turner. Santin was a high school standout at Fullerton High School.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Santin sat out as a redshirt and worked on the Husker scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (FULLERTON HS)

Santin starred at Class C Fullerton High School, where he played tight end and defensive end. Santin helped the Warriors qualify for the state playoffs three of the four years of his career, while earning all-district and all-state honorable mention honors his junior and senior year.

Santin also participated in basketball and track and field during his high school career. A center for the basketball team, he earned all-conference accolades three times, while he threw disc and shot for the track squad. He was a member of National Honor Society and was an academic all-state honoree in all three sports his senior year.

PERSONAL

Santin is the son of John and Kathy Santin and was born on Oct. 25, 1988. He has not declared a major.

Clayton Sievers

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DEFENSIVE END | 6-4 | 255 | SR.-2L
ELKHORN, NEB.



» Two-Time Second-Team Academic All-Big 12 (2005, 2006)
» 2004 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll
» Two-Time Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll (2006, 2008)

2008 OUTLOOK

Senior Clayton Sievers has been a versatile player throughout his Husker career. He began his career on offense, before moving to defense in 2006, where he has spent time at both linebacker and defensive end. Sievers worked primarily at defensive end during spring ball and will enter fall camp listed as the top backup to fellow senior Zach Potter at base defensive end.

The 6-4, 255-pound Sievers is part of a veteran defensive line that returns its two-deep depth intact from last fall. He is also likely to continue as a key performer on several of the Huskers' special teams units. Sievers is a communication studies major who will earn his degree this December.

2007 (JUNIOR)

Sievers played in 11 games, missing only the Missouri contest, and served as Turner's top backup at open end. Sievers finished the season with seven total tackles, including a season-high three stops against Texas A&M. He made two tackles against Iowa State and added single stops against Kansas State and Nevada, when he also added a hurry. He also served on several Nebraska special teams units.

2006 (SOPHOMORE)

Sievers appeared in nine games while serving as the top reserve at SAM linebacker behind Stewart Bradley. Sievers recorded one assisted tackle during

NU's Big 12 North Division-clinching win over Texas A&M. He was a part of NU's goal-line defensive unit, and was a regular on Nebraska's punt, punt block and PAT/field goal units.

2005 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Sievers played in all 12 games as a reserve tight end, including starts against Pittsburgh, Missouri and Oklahoma. Sievers established a career high with two receptions for 12 yards in his first career game in the opener against Maine. He added single receptions against Wake Forest, Pitt, Iowa State and Oklahoma. His catch against the Sooners was a season-long 11-yard grab. Sievers added one tackle, and was a member of NU's kickoff return team.

2004 (REDSHIRT)

Sievers redshirted in his first season with the Huskers.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ELKHORN HS)

A versatile two-way performer for Coach Mark Wortmann at Elkhorn, Sievers starred at outside linebacker, defensive end and tight end in 2003. He finished his senior year with 70 tackles, including seven sacks. He played fullback on offense and averaged more than five yards per carry. His performance helped the Antlers to a 6-4 record in 2003. Sievers made 65 tackles and five sacks as a junior, and played tight end for the Antler offense, helping Elkhorn reach the Class B quarterfinals in 2002.

Sievers was a second-team Super-State selection as a defensive lineman by the Lincoln Journal Star, and a second-team All-Nebraska pick as a defender by the Omaha World-Herald. He earned first-team Class B all-state honors from both publications. Sievers, who began his prep career at Valley High School, chose Nebraska over Iowa, Iowa State, Colorado State and Wyoming.

PERSONAL

Clayton is the son of Scott and Karen Sievers, and was born on Jan. 13, 1986. He is a communication studies major and is a two-time second-team academic All-Big 12 pick and a three-time Big 12 honor roll selection. He has volunteered his time with the Lincoln Action Program and on local hospital visits. Sievers' older brother, Chad, lettered at linebacker from 2002 to 2004 and was a CoSIDA Academic All-American.

SIEVERS' CAREER STATISTICS

Year	Defense (-----Tackles-----)					Fum.			QB		
	G/S	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks	C-R	BK	PBU	PI	Hry.
2004											
2005	12/3	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
2006	9/1	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	11/0	3	4	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1
Totals	32/4	4	5	9	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1

Receiving: 6-39-0 in 2005; long-11 vs. Nevada

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS


Tackles—3 vs. Texas A&M, 2007

Solo Tackles—2 vs. Iowa State, 2007

Mike Smith

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-6 | 285 | SO.-11
LAS VEGAS, NEV. (PALO VERDE)



» 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Sophomore Mike Smith solidified a spot among the top two units in the Husker offensive line with impressive work during spring practice. The 6-6, 285-pound Smith will enter fall camp listed as the top backup behind senior Lydon Murtha at left tackle. Smith's athleticism allowed him to make an impact as a perimeter blocker last fall, and he has lined up as a tight end in power sets.

The first scholarship signee from Nevada in more than 25 years, Smith began as a defensive end, but switched to offense in the spring of 2007.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Smith played in all 12 games as a reserve tackle behind starters Lydon Murtha and Carl Nicks. Smith often blocked on the perimeter on screen plays, and he helped Nebraska rank in the top 10 nationally in both total offense and passing offense. He was also on NU's PAT and field-goal units.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Smith sat out the season as a redshirt and worked with the scout team defense, before switching to the offensive line in the spring of 2007.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (PALO VERDE HS)

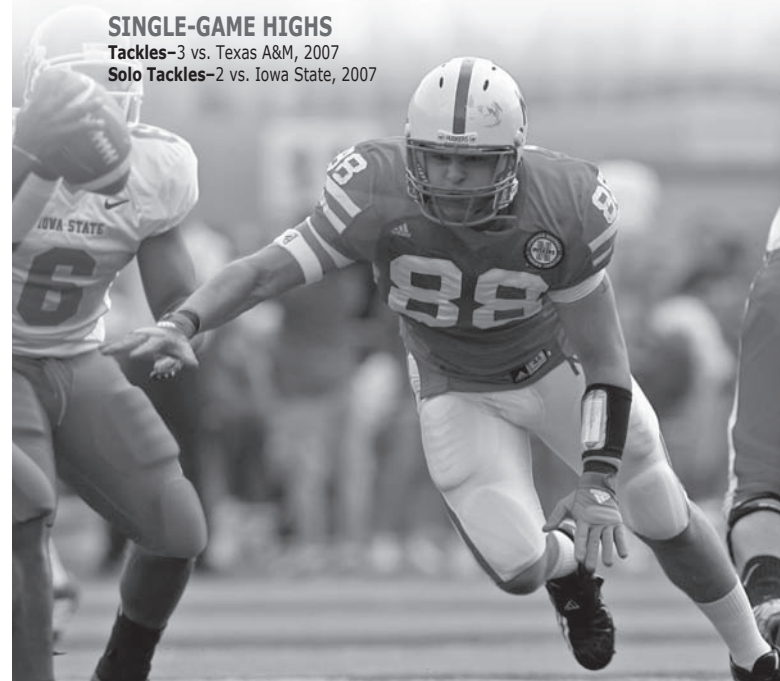
Smith was the first Nebraska scholarship recruit from the state of Nevada since Albert Lewis Jr. in 1982. As a senior, Smith recorded 56 tackles and five sacks in earning first-team all-state honors for Coach Darwin Rost and Palo Verde High School. Smith added eight receptions for 102 yards and one touchdown as a tight end. Smith was ranked among the top 30 defensive ends in the country by both Scout.com and Rivals.com.

As a junior, Smith recorded 71 tackles and a state-leading 17 sacks in helping Palo Verde to a 14-0 record and the 2004 Southern 4A title. He also logged six catches for 122 yards in earning second-team all-state honors.

Smith was a three-sport star for Palo Verde, also playing basketball and baseball. He earned second-team all-state honors as a first baseman as a junior. As a senior, Smith led Class 4A in home runs (10) and runs batted in (54), while ranking third in batting average (.563) to help Palo Verde to a playoff berth. He earned first-team All-Southern Nevada and Northwest Division Player-of-the-Year honors. Smith chose Nebraska over Oregon, Oregon State and UNLV.

PERSONAL

Mike, the son of Michael and Pattie Smith, was born on March 17, 1988. He is a business administration major, and was named to the 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll. He has volunteered as part of the Huskers' local hospital visits.



Kody Spano

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QUARTERBACK | 6-2 | 210 | FR.
STEPHENVILLE, TEXAS

» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Quarterback Kody Spano joined the Nebraska program in January of 2008, graduating high school at mid-term to get a jump-start on his college career. The 6-2, 205-pound Texas native showed outstanding dual-threat skills during spring practice, and will head into fall camp as a reserve behind senior Joe Ganz. Spano could be a redshirt candidate and is a key part of a talented group of young quarterbacks in the Husker program.

Spano made the most of his headstart in the classroom, earning Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll accolades while posting a 3.512 grade-point average.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (STEPHENVILLE HS)

Spano was one of nine Texans in the Nebraska recruiting class, giving the Huskers 16 signees from the Lone Star State over the past two years. During his senior season at Stephenville High School, Spano passed for 2,263 yards and 23 touchdowns, while completing better than 62 percent of his passes. His play helped Coach Chad Morris' squad to a 10-2 record and a trip to the second round of the Class 4-A state playoffs. He also rushed for 366 yards and 11 touchdowns. Spano's performance as a senior earned him Offensive MVP honors in Class 4-A District 8, and second-team Class 4-A all-state honors.

Spano also produced big numbers as a junior, throwing for 2,889 yards and 31 touchdowns, while rushing for an additional 532 yards and 10 touchdowns. Stephenville finished 10-2 under his direction in 2006. Spano earned second-team all-state honors during his junior season.

Spano was ranked as the nation's No. 9 dual-threat quarterback by Rivals.com and among the top 50 players in the Lone Star State. ESPN.com ranked Spano among the nation's top 30 quarterbacks. Spano also competed for the track team, and won the district title in the discus as a junior. Also a standout in the classroom, Spano was a member of the National Honor Society. In addition to Nebraska, Spano visited Oklahoma State and received scholarship offers from TCU and Tulsa.

PERSONAL

Spano is the son of Kyle and Kim Spano, and was born on April 25, 1989. He has not declared a major.

Austin Stafford

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LINEBACKER | 6-2 | 205 | RFR.
HAYWARD, CALIF.

2008 OUTLOOK

Linebacker Austin Stafford is among a group of young players who will look to fill the void left by four graduated linebackers. The 6-2, 205-pound Stafford brings outstanding speed to the outside linebacking position and will enter the fall listed as a reserve at Will linebacker. After sitting out his first season in Lincoln as a redshirt, Stafford missed spring practice, but returned to the squad in time for summer conditioning.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Stafford sat out his first season as a redshirt and worked on the scout team.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (HAYWARD HS)

Stafford played defensive end for Coach Casey Moreno at Hayward High School. Stafford had a dominant senior season, helping Hayward to a 12-2 record

by recording 14 sacks and more than 80 tackles. He was a first-team all-league selection for his performance.

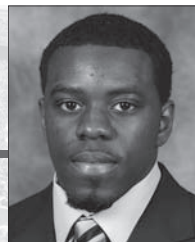
As a junior defensive end, Stafford posted impressive numbers, accounting for 83 tackles, 12 tackles for loss, 10 sacks and two fumble recoveries. He also earned first-team all-league honors as a junior. Rivals.com and Scout.com both ranked Stafford among the top 30 outside linebacker prospects in the country and among the top 50 players in the state of California. Stafford was also a starter on Hayward's basketball team. Stafford took his lone visit to Nebraska, but also received strong recruiting interest from Utah and San Diego State among others.

PERSONAL

Stafford is the son of Joyce Stafford and was born on Sept. 11, 1989. Austin is a business administration major and has volunteered his time at the F Street Recreation Center and on hospital visits.

Shawn Sullivan

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DEFENSIVE BACK | 5-10 | 190 | RFR.
BRENHAM, TEXAS

2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Shawn Sullivan will enter fall camp with the goal of earning playing time in a revamped Nebraska secondary. Sullivan worked at both corner and safety during spring practice, and will enter the fall listed as a reserve right cornerback. The 5-10, 190-pound Sullivan was among a group of talented defensive backs in the 2007 signing class, but Sullivan was slowed by a leg injury shortly after arriving on campus, and he redshirted last fall.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Sullivan redshirted in his first season in the Husker program.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (BRENHAM HS)

Sullivan committed to the Huskers in June of 2006, then went on to a standout senior season for Coach Glen West at Brenham High School. Sullivan helped the Cubs to the third round of the Class 4A state playoffs and a 12-2 record in 2006. Sullivan earned all-district honors for his defensive work, where he showed his versatility by often lining up at outside linebacker. He finished the year as one of the team's top tacklers, while registering five sacks and four interceptions.

On offense, Sullivan played wideout for most of the season and scored three touchdowns, but also served as a running back in Brenham's state playoff run. Sullivan was an all-district and all-conference selection as a junior, when he recorded 43 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four interceptions. Sullivan was listed among the Dallas Morning News' Texas Top 100, while Rivals.com listed him among the nation's top 50 cornerbacks. Sullivan also excelled in track and posted a personal best of 10.6 in the 100 meters as a senior. Sullivan only visited Nebraska, but also received offers from TCU, Wisconsin, Oklahoma State and Colorado among others.

PERSONAL

Sullivan is the son of John Sullivan and Wynn Adams, and was born on May 20, 1989. He has not declared a major. Sullivan has volunteered his time with NU's hospital visits and at the F Street Recreation Center. He will be joined at Nebraska this fall by high school teammate Lester Ward, a running back prospect in the 2008 NU class.