

Curenski Gilleylen

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WIDE RECEIVER | 6-0 | 210 | RFR.
LEANDER, TEXAS



» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Wide receiver Curenski Gilleylen (pronounced kur-en-ski gilley-yen) was one of the breakout performers during 2008 spring practice. A redshirt freshman, Gilleylen emerged as a potential difference-maker in the passing game for the Huskers. The 6-0, 210-pound Gilleylen has great speed and will enter fall camp listed behind senior Todd Peterson at the "Z" receiver spot. Gilleylen is part of a group of young receivers that will be asked to complement Peterson and fellow senior Nate Swift.

Gilleylen redshirted last fall and made an impact on the Husker scout team. This spring he performed well from start to finish, culminating with a 77-yard touchdown catch from Joe Ganz in the Red-White game.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Gilleylen sat out his first season in Lincoln as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (LEANDER HS)

Gilleylen was one of seven Texans in the 2007 class after a standout career at Leander High School. He earned honorable-mention Texas Class 5A all-state honors as a senior. He was a first-team All-Centex selection by the Austin American Statesman, a Hill Country News' Dazzling Dozen Team member, and was Leander's Outstanding Offensive Player. He helped Leander to a 12-3 record in 2006.

Playing for Coach Steve Gidden, Gilleylen had 30 catches for 915 yards and nine touchdowns. He also spent some time at running back and had 500 yards rushing with another four touchdowns. Gilleylen also posted impressive numbers as a junior, catching more than 40 passes for 850 yards and 12 touchdowns to earn all-district honors and second-team all-state accolades.

In addition to his impressive football credentials, Gilleylen was also a track standout, competing in the 100 meters and on his school's 4x100-meter relay team. Gilleylen broke a school record by running a 10.22 100-meter dash in 2007. He was also an honorable-mention academic all-state pick by the Texas High School Coaches Association. Gilleylen chose NU over Oklahoma State and Tennessee.

PERSONAL

The son of Stephanie Sullivan and Clarzell Gilleylen, Curenski was born on March 15, 1989. Curenski is majoring in civil engineering and carries a 3.282 grade-point average. He has volunteered his time at the F Street Recreation Center, the Legacy Retirement Center and on the Huskers' team hospital visits. He was named to the 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Honor Roll.

Cody Glenn

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LINEBACKER | 6-0 | 235 | SR.-3L
RUSK, TEXAS



» 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll
» 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll
» 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team

2008 OUTLOOK

Aside from the debut of head coach Bo Pelini, senior Cody Glenn supplied the biggest story of the Huskers' 2008 spring practice. Glenn returned to health after an injury-plagued 18 months, and switched from I-back to linebacker early in the spring. The 6-0, 235-pound Glenn was a quick study on defense and will enter fall camp listed as the Huskers' No. 1 WILL linebacker.

Glenn has great overall athletic ability and Nebraska's new defensive staff was impressed with his natural linebacker instincts. Despite being new to the defense, Glenn may also be looked to for leadership in a young Nebraska linebacking corps. Glenn has been a key contributor in the Husker offensive backfield throughout his career, but his play was limited last fall because of injury.

2007 (JUNIOR)

Glenn was bothered by leg and foot injuries last fall. He played in five games and finished with 27 carries for 78 yards. Glenn scored a pair of touchdowns against top-ranked USC, and also finished the year with six catches for 52 yards.

Glenn had eight carries each against Nevada, USC and Iowa State. He had 29 rushing yards against Nevada, 20 yards against USC and added 27 yards vs. the Cyclones. Glenn also caught four passes for 46 yards against USC. He carried twice at Missouri, then appeared in only one game the remainder of the year, carrying one time at Texas.

2006 (SOPHOMORE)

Glenn was hampered much of the season by injuries, including missing the final three games with a foot injury. He gained 370 yards and scored a team-high eight touchdowns. His production was a key part of an I-back group that totaled more than 2,400 yards and 26 touchdowns. Glenn scored two touchdowns on three occasions, and bulled his way for a career-high 148 yards on 19 carries at Iowa State, which was one of four games for Glenn with double-figure carries. Glenn made the most of his 71 attempts, averaging 5.2 yards per carry.

Glenn opened the year with 13 carries for 88 yards and a touchdown against Louisiana Tech, then added 47 yards and a pair of touchdowns against Nicholls State. He had seven carries for 33 yards and scored the game-winning touchdown in Nebraska's 39-32 overtime victory over Kansas. A week later Glenn posted his career night at Iowa State, including two touchdowns in the Huskers' 28-14 win. Glenn had 22 rushing yards at Kansas State, then carried six times for 25 yards and two touchdowns in a 28-27 victory at Texas A&M.

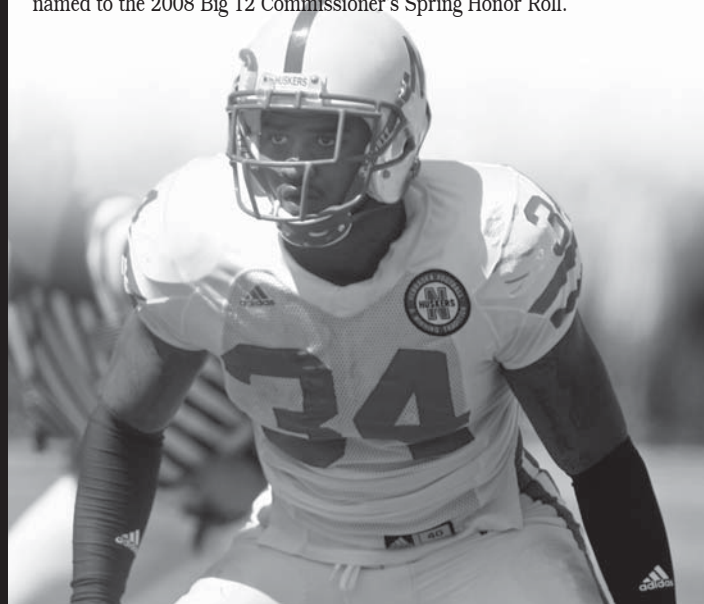
2005 (FRESHMAN)

Glenn emerged as a short-yardage back and finished with 131 yards and four touchdowns on 45 carries. He did not play in the first two games, but appeared in seven of the final 10 contests. Glenn lost yardage on just one of his 45 carries.

He ran for 20 yards on four carries in a 7-6 win over Pitt, then played a huge role in the Huskers' near-comeback against Texas Tech, with 12 carries for 39 yards, including second-quarter touchdowns of one and five yards. He had a season-high 41 yards in a 23-14 win at Baylor. He scored his third touchdown at Missouri, then finished the season with eight carries for 18 yards and a one-yard touchdown at Colorado. He missed the Alamo Bowl with an injury.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (RUSK HS)

Glenn was a star running back for Coach Wayne Mahaffey at Rusk High School for four seasons, rushing for 6,353 yards and 87 touchdowns (both school records) in his four-year career. Glenn's rushing total was the eighth-highest total in Texas Class 3A history and the 27th-most in state history, regardless of class. He capped his prep career by rushing for 1,828 yards on 238 carries and scoring 28 touchdowns as a senior. He also caught 10 passes for 159 yards and a touchdown out of the Rusk backfield and helped his team to a 7-3 record and a berth in the Class 3A playoffs.



Glenn's effort as a senior earned him second-team Class 3A all-state honors, and all-district honors for the fourth consecutive year. He topped the 2,000-yard barrier as a junior, rushing for 2,006 yards and 27 touchdowns on 278 carries. His performance earned him third-team all-state honors in his class. He was an honorable-mention all-state pick as a sophomore when he racked up 1,866 yards and 25 touchdowns. He committed to Nebraska after also visiting Kansas, and had offers from Texas A&M and Oklahoma State among others.

PERSONAL

Glenn is the son of Ricy Knowlton and Erma Hamilton, and was born on Oct. 6, 1986. He is a sociology major and is on track to graduate in May of 2009. Glenn has volunteered his time with Nebraska's hospital visitations, the Read to Succeed Book Drive and the Teammates program. He was named to the 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team for his outreach work. Glenn has also twice been named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll.

GLENN'S CAREER STATISTICS

Rushing

Year	G/S	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Y/A	Y/G	Long	TDs
2005	7/0	45	132	1	131	2.9	18.7	10 vs. Tx. Tech	4
2006	9/0	71	375	5	370	5.2	41.1	36 vs. Iowa St.	8
2007	5/0	27	87	9	78	2.9	15.6	20 vs. Nevada	2
Totals	21/0	143	594	15	579	4.0	27.6	36 vs. Iowa St.	14

SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Rushing Attempts—19 at Iowa State, 2006

Rushing Yards—148 at Iowa State, 2006

Long Rush—36, at Iowa State, 2006

Rushing Touchdowns—2, five times, most recently vs. USC, 2007

Thomas Grove

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LINEBACKER | 6-2 | 225 | SO.-1L
ARLINGTON, NEB.



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

2008 OUTLOOK

Thomas Grove quickly made his mark as a true freshman in the Nebraska program. The walk-on from Arlington reported in August as part of the 105-man roster and earned immediate playing time on Nebraska's special teams. The 6-2, 225-pound Grove spent the offseason adding about 15 pounds of muscle and he will look to contend for playing time at linebacker this fall. Grove enters fall camp listed as a reserve behind senior Cody Glenn at Will linebacker.

In addition to his early impact on the field, Grove has been a standout performer in the classroom since arriving in Lincoln. The Arlington, Neb., native carries a perfect 4.0 grade-point average in pre-medicine.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

Grove impressed Nebraska coaches during fall camp and was one of 11 true freshmen to see action in 2007. Grove appeared on kick coverage in games against Nevada, Wake Forest and Kansas State.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ARLINGTON HS)

Grove was a two-way standout for Coach Steven Gubbels at Arlington High School. Grove helped Arlington to an 8-2 record and a trip to the second round of the Class C-1 state playoffs in 2006. Grove rushed for 1,133 yards and 17 touchdowns for the Eagles as a running back. On defense, he recorded 29 tackles, two sacks and a pair of fumble recoveries from his linebacker spot. For his efforts, Grove was an honorable-mention Class C-1 all-state pick by the Omaha World-Herald.


PERSONAL

Thomas is the son of Paul and Karen Grove and was born on July 2, 1989. Grove has been named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll each of his first two semesters. Grove has been a volunteer on Nebraska's team hospital visits.

Eric Hagg

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CORNERBACK | 6-1 | 200 | SO.-1L
PEORIA, ARIZ. (IRONWOOD)



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2008 OUTLOOK

Eric Hagg is one of several talented young players in the Nebraska secondary who will look to help ease the loss of six veteran seniors from the 2007 squad. The 6-1, 200-pound Hagg is an outstanding athlete who has the versatility to play both cornerback and safety. Hagg spent the majority of his spring working at cornerback and will enter the fall listed behind senior Armando Murillo on the left side.

An Arizona native, Hagg was one of 11 true freshmen to see action for the Huskers last fall. The majority of Hagg's action came on special teams, but he did also see action in the secondary.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

Hagg did not see action in Nebraska's first four games, but ended any chance of a redshirt when he first saw action against Iowa State. Hagg went on to play in seven games, both on kick coverage and as a reserve in the secondary. He made a pair of assisted tackles in Nebraska's win over Kansas State.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (IRONWOOD HS)

One of five players in Nebraska's 2007 recruiting class from the state of Arizona, Hagg was a standout at Ironwood High School in Peoria, where he was a teammate of fellow Husker William Yancy. Hagg starred at receiver and defensive back for Coach Larry Allen catching 49 passes for 920 yards and nine touchdowns, while making 33 tackles and intercepting four passes on defense. His efforts as a senior earned him first-team Arizona 5A all-state honors from the Arizona Republic.

Hagg's impressive senior season came on the heels of a strong junior campaign, when he had 37 catches, including 12 touchdowns and made better than 40 tackles on defense. He also had seven interceptions and blocked a punt. Hagg was listed among the top 15 players in Arizona by both Rivals.com and Scout.com.

In addition to his outstanding accomplishments on the gridiron, Hagg was also a top basketball player, starting for Ironwood and averaging 10 points per game as a senior. Hagg only visited Nebraska, but had numerous other offers including Arizona, Arizona State, Oregon and Oregon State.


PERSONAL

Eric Jr. is the son of Eric Hagg Sr., and was born on Sept. 15, 1989. He is majoring in business administration and has volunteered his time on a visit to St. Elizabeth's Regional Medical Center and also at Eastmont Towers.

David Harvey

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DEFENSIVE END | 6-4 | 260 | JR.
LAPLATA, MD. (MCDONOUGH)



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

2008 OUTLOOK

Junior defensive end David Harvey will look to push for playing time on an experienced Husker defensive line this fall. The 6-4, 260-pound Harvey received significant action during spring ball and will enter fall camp listed as a reserve behind senior returning starter Zach Potter at base end.

Harvey played in one game last fall after switching to the defensive side of the ball during the 2006 season. The Maryland native began his Nebraska career as a tight end.

2007 (SOPHOMORE)

Harvey was a reserve defensive end and appeared in NU's win over Iowa State.

2006 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Harvey switched to defense in the fall and worked primarily on the scout team.

2005 (REDSHIRT)

Harvey redshirted during his first season at Nebraska.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (MCDONOUGH HS)

Harvey was the first Maryland prep player to sign with Nebraska since 1990 when Donta Jones and Duane Wiles came to Nebraska from the state. Jones also came to Nebraska from McDonough High School.

Harvey capped a strong prep career with an outstanding senior season in which he made 59 tackles, including six sacks from the defensive end spot, and caught 15 passes for 249 yards. Harvey played just one season for Coach Dave Bradshaw at McDonough, after moving from South Carolina. As a junior at Sumter (S.C.) High School, Harvey had three sacks and helped his team to a 13-1 record and a state runner-up finish. Harvey was also a standout on the basketball court, as he averaged 10 points and 13 rebounds at McDonough as a junior, after transferring to the school at mid-term. Harvey's efforts helped his squad to the state semifinals.

PERSONAL


Harvey is the son of Julia Moore and David Thomas, and was born on May 16, 1987. He is a sociology major. Harvey is active in the community, serving as a volunteer with the Lincoln Action Program and the People's City Mission. His efforts earned him a Nebraska 2006 HERO Leadership Award. He was named to the 2007 Fall Big 12 academic honor roll.

Roy Helu Jr.

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I-BACK | 6-0 | 215 | SO.-1L

DANVILLE, CALIF. (SAN RAMON VALLEY)



2008 OUTLOOK

Roy Helu Jr. (pronounced hel-ue) was one of two true freshmen who made large contributions at the I-back position in 2007. The California native emerged late in the season and teamed with fellow freshman Quentin Castille to provide the Huskers with excellent options behind starter Marlon Lucky. Helu took his game to another level during spring practice, earning rave reviews from both the Husker coaching staff and observers.

Helu will enter fall camp in position to push Lucky for the starting job, and all three I-backs are expected to see significant playing time. The 6-0, 215-pound Helu has shown the ability to be a complete back, capable of stretching defenses with his running ability and pass-catching skills out of the backfield.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

One of 11 true freshmen to see action, Helu played in just two of the first six games, but was a key performer in a five-game stretch in the second half of the year. He finished as Nebraska's third-leading rusher with 45 carries for 209 yards, an average of 4.6 yards per tote. Helu also showed the ability to catch the ball, snaring five passes for 40 yards.

Helu had six carries for 26 yards in the opener against Nevada, then had four carries for 13 yards and a reception against Ball State. He carried a season-high 14 times for 55 yards against Oklahoma State. Helu also caught a season-long 21-yard pass against the Cowboys.

Helu added 39 rushing yards against Texas A&M, 14 yards at Texas and had nine carries for a season-high 56 yards at Kansas. His performance against the Jayhawks included a season-long 24-yard run. Helu carried twice against Kansas State, but did not see action at Colorado in the season finale.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (SAN RAMON VALLEY HS)

Helu was one of four signees from California in the 2007 class and came to Lincoln after an impressive career at San Ramon Valley High School for Coach Dave Kravitz. Helu helped San Ramon Valley to a 10-2 record in 2006, earning first-team all-league honors at runningback. He finished his senior campaign with 1,085 yards rushing and 11 touchdowns and added another 300 yards and one more score on 20 receptions. He also had one interception as a free safety.

As a junior, Helu rushed for 1,526 yards and 19 scores on 186 carries during the 2005 season, good for an impressive 8.2 yards per carry. He added 30 receptions for 500 yards and four touchdowns to earn All-East Bay League honors. Helu was also a dangerous return man for San Ramon Valley throughout his high school career. Helu only visited Nebraska, but also received offers from numerous schools, including BYU, California and Oregon.

PERSONAL

Helu was born on Dec. 7, 1988 and is the son of Roy Helu Sr. and Kilstofa (Kristi) Helu. He has not declared a major and has volunteered his time at Eastmont Towers and as part of Nebraska's team hospital visits.

HELU'S CAREER STATISTICS

Rushing									
Year	G/S	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	Y/A	Y/G	Long	TDs
2007	7/0	45	212	3	209	4.6	29.9	24 at Kansas	0

Receiving: 5-40-0, long-21 vs. Oklahoma State

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Rushes—14 vs. Oklahoma State, 2007
Rushing Yards—56 at Kansas, 2007
Long Rush—24 at Kansas, 2007

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Mike Hays

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LINEBACKER | 6-1 | 230 | RFR.

PAPILLION, NEB. (PAPILLION-LAVISTA)



2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Mike Hays is among a group of young players who hope to make a push for playing time at linebacker this fall. Nebraska is looking for players to emerge at the position after the graduation of four veteran senior linebackers. The 6-1, 230-pound Hays had a strong spring camp and will enter the fall listed as a reserve behind Phillip Dillard at Mike linebacker. He also has the ability to play fullback where he started his Nebraska career.

Hays is a walk-on performer who joined the Husker program from Papillion-LaVista High School where he starred as a defensive end and wide receiver.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

A walk-on, Hays redshirted in his first season. He worked as both a linebacker and fullback on the scout team, before settling on defense before spring ball.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (PAPILLION-LAVISTA HS)

Hays only played organized football for two years at Class A Papillion-LaVista High School, but he quickly made an impact during his prep career. Hays played linebacker and wide receiver and earned honorable-mention all-state, first-team all-district and second-team all-metro honors as a senior.

Hays was a four-sport athlete for the Monarchs. As a forward for the basketball team he led the squad to the state playoffs, while helping the baseball team to the district championships as a centerfielder and pitcher. Hays also competed in the sprints for the track and field team.

Hays had scholarship offers to several Division II schools before choosing the Huskers.

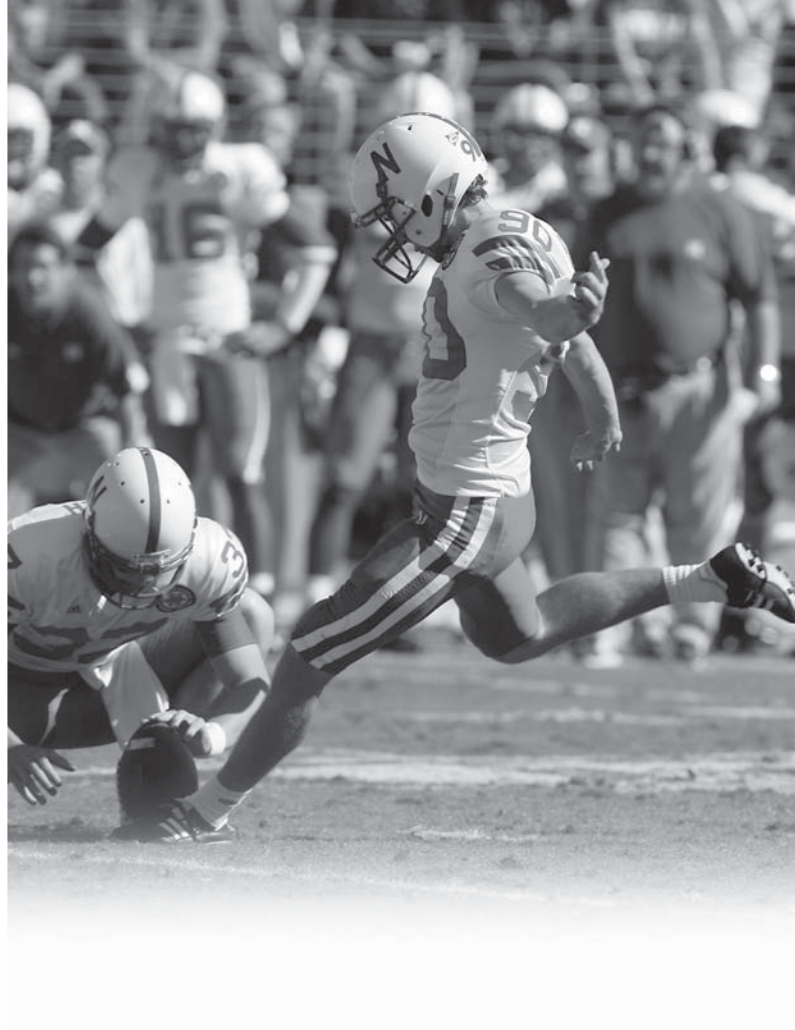
PERSONAL

Hays is the son of Bill and Anita Hays and was born on Aug. 22, 1989. He has not declared a major and has been a part of Nebraska's team hospital visits.

Alex Henery

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PLACE-KICKER | 6-2 | 175 | SO.-1L
OMAHA, NEB. (BURKE)



» 2007 First-Team Freshman All-Big 12 (Sporting News)

2008 OUTLOOK

Sophomore Alex Henery is a key part of a Nebraska special teams unit that figures to be among the Big 12's best in 2008. Henery owns a strong and accurate leg and had a standout 2007 campaign handling the majority of the Huskers' place-kicking duties. The Omaha native showed the poise of a veteran and finished with a perfect place-kicking season, and will head into fall camp as half of a talented kicking duo along with fellow sophomore Adi Kunalic. Henery also has the ability to serve as a punter if needed.

Henery connected on all eight of his field goal attempts and was perfect on 45 PAT tries as a redshirt freshman. Henery's effort was the ninth perfect PAT season in school history and he became the first player in school history with at least five field goal attempts in a season without a miss. His performance earned Henery first-team freshman All-Big 12 honors from The Sporting News.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Henery and Kunalic took an uncertain kicking situation entering the year and made it a strength. Henery handled the Huskers' extra-point duties and short and mid-range field goals while Kunalic kicked off and was slotted as the long-range field goal kicker.

Henery connected on a pair of first-half field goals in Nebraska's 20-17 win at Wake Forest. He added a 37-yarder against USC in the second quarter, then connected on two field goals, including a season-long 39-yarder at Missouri. He added single field goals against Texas, Kansas and Kansas State. Henery had a season-high 10 extra points against Kansas State, with six against Nevada and five in three other games. Henery's only punt was a 32-yarder against USC that was downed inside the Trojan 5-yard line.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Henery sat out the season as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (BURKE HS)

Henery was one of the top walk-ons in Nebraska's 2006 class. He earned Omaha World-Herald first-team All-Nebraska and first-team Lincoln Journal Star Super State honors as a punter. Henery averaged 41.4 yards per punt as a senior, and also connected on 6-of-10 field goals and 37-of-38 extra-point tries.

Henery helped Burke to a 7-5 finish and a trip to the state semifinals. He earned first-team all-state honors as a junior, averaging 41.7 yards per punt. He also played soccer for the Bulldogs, helping them to a 14-3 record and a state playoff appearance as a junior.

PERSONAL

Alex is the son of Guy and Mary Henery, and was born on Aug. 18, 1987. Henery is majoring in construction management and has participated in the Huskers' hospital visits.

HENERY'S CAREER STATISTICS

Scoring							Field Goal Range				
Year	G/S	PAT	FG	.Pct	TP	PPG	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+ Lg
2007	12/12	45-45	8-8	1.000	69	5.75	0-0	5-5	3-3	0-0	0-0 39

SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

Field Goals—2 vs. Wake Forest, Missouri, 2007
Long Field Goal—39 yards at Missouri, 2007
PAT Made—10 vs. Kansas State, 2007

Will Henry

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WIDE RECEIVER | 6-5 | 220 | SO.-1L
EL PASO, TEXAS (J.M. HANKS)



» 2007 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team
» 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Sophomore Will Henry is one of several young receivers who hope to help fill the void left by four graduated senior receivers. The 6-5, 220-pound Henry has the size to cause mismatches against opposing defenders. He had a solid spring camp and will enter the fall listed as a reserve behind senior Nate Swift at the "X" receiver spot.

Henry appeared in just two games last fall and did not have a catch. The El Paso, Texas, native developed a reputation as one of the hardest workers on the team during his redshirt season in 2006.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Henry appeared in games against Ball State and Iowa State. He did not have any receptions, but made valuable progress in practice throughout the season.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Henry sat out the season as a redshirt and added muscle to his 6-5 frame.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (J.M. HANKS HS)

Henry matched Wilson Thomas (1998) as the tallest receiver to sign with the Huskers since at least 1974. Henry played for Coach Ron Durks at J.M. Hanks High School in El Paso, Texas, and chose Nebraska after also receiving offers from Missouri, New Mexico State and UTEP.

As a junior, Henry caught 16 passes for 273 yards and three touchdowns. He enjoyed a breakout season as a senior, totaling 52 receptions for 917 yards and 12 touchdowns. His performance earned him Class 5A first-team all-state honors from TexasHSFootball.com and honorable-mention Class 5A All-State honors from the Associated Press. Playing defense as a junior, Henry recorded 35 total tackles and intercepted two passes. He was ranked among the SuperPrep Texas Top 102. Henry also ran track for Hanks.


PERSONAL

Will is the son of William and Vernetta Henry, and was born on Dec. 10, 1987. He is majoring in nutrition, exercise and health science and was named to the 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Honor Roll. He has also made an impact in the Lincoln community and was one of 10 Huskers named to the 2007 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team. Henry has volunteered during School is Cool Week, American Education Week and as part of NU's hospital visits. He was also a HERO Leadership Award recipient in the spring of 2007.

Tyson Hetzer

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TIGHT END | 6-6 | 250 | JR.
REDDING, CALIF. (ANDERSON/CITRUS COLLEGE)



2008 OUTLOOK

Tight end Tyson Hetzer is one of two members of the 2008 Nebraska recruiting class who joined the program in January, and took part in spring practice. Unfortunately, Hetzer's spring was cut short after he suffered a knee injury. The California native had subsequent surgery, but Husker coaches and medical staff are hopeful Hetzer will be ready for the start of the season.

Hetzer came to the Huskers after playing the 2007 season at Citrus College in Glendora, Calif., and has two seasons of eligibility with the Huskers. At 6-6 and 250 pounds, Hetzer will provide Nebraska with outstanding size at the tight end position, and if healthy he could be a contender for playing time this fall.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ANDERSON HS/CITRUS COLLEGE)

In 2007, Hetzer caught 13 passes for 152 yards and a touchdown for a 6-5 Citrus College team. Hetzer also played a key role as a blocker from his tight end spot, and was ranked among the top 100 junior-college prospects according to Rivals.com.

Hetzer began his college career at Shasta (Calif.) College in 2005-06, where he played on the basketball team and helped the squad to a 21-11 record. Following the season he transferred to Division II North Alabama, hoping to play football, but after one semester he transferred to Citrus College.

Hetzer had an outstanding two-sport high school career at Anderson High School. Tyson played two seasons of varsity football for the Cubs, lining up at wide receiver, tight end, defensive end and linebacker, while also handling punting duties. On the hardwood, Hetzer was twice named Anderson's Most Valuable Player. Hetzer committed to Nebraska in the summer of 2007, and also received offers from Louisville, Kansas State, Arizona State and Utah State.

PERSONAL

Tyson is the son of Leslie and Charlie Hetzer and was born on Oct. 4, 1986. He is majoring in sociology at Nebraska.

Jacob Hickman

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 290 | JR.-2L
BAKERSFIELD, CALIF. (CENTENNIAL)

» 2007 Honorable-Mention All-Big 12 (Coaches)

2008 OUTLOOK

Junior Jacob Hickman emerged as a reliable starter during the 2007 campaign, and this fall he will be asked to anchor the Husker offensive line. Hickman switched from guard to center before spring practice and emerged from spring ball as the leading candidate to replace two-year starter Brett Byford.

The 6-4, 290-pound Hickman is one of four returning offensive linemen who made at least six starts in 2007, making the group one of Nebraska's strengths entering the fall. Hickman has started 10 games over the past two seasons at guard, including nine contests last fall when Nebraska posted its best offensive totals in a decade. Hickman's steady play was recognized with his selection as an honorable-mention All-Big 12 performer by the league's coaches.

A native of Bakersfield, Calif., Hickman was originally in the 2005 recruiting class, but delayed his enrollment at Nebraska until January of 2006. He joined the Huskers for spring practice and saw action as a true freshman.

2007 (SOPHOMORE)

After missing spring ball because of a knee injury, Hickman played in all 12 games in 2007, including starts in the final nine games at left guard. He was a key cog in a line that helped Nebraska set single-game and season passing records, averaging better than 323 passing yards per game to finish seventh nationally. Despite throwing a school-record 481 passes, the line surrendered only 18 sacks.

The Huskers also finished ninth nationally in total offense by averaging 468.2 yards per game. The line paved the way for I-back Marlon Lucky to record a 1,000-yard rushing season, along with more than 1,700 all-purpose yards.

2006 (FRESHMAN)

Hickman played in five games, appearing in non-conference wins over Louisiana Tech, Nicholls State and Troy. He saw extensive action at Oklahoma State, helping Nebraska roll up 452 yards of offense. That performance earned Hickman the start against Missouri. Hickman also served on NU's PAT and field goal units. Hickman missed the Cotton Bowl after suffering a knee injury in December.

Against Missouri, Hickman became just the second true freshman offensive lineman to start a game for Nebraska since 1972, joining teammate Matt Slauson who started the final three games at offensive tackle as a true frosh in 2005. Hickman also became just the seventh Husker true freshman lineman to letter since 1972.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (CENTENNIAL HS)

Hickman was a two-way standout for Coach Brian Nixon at Centennial High School in Bakersfield, playing defensive tackle and offensive line. Hickman earned second-team CalHi Sports all-state honors as a senior in 2004, and was a first-team all-state underclassman selection as a junior, when he also earned all-area and all-league honors. Hickman had 56 tackles and 13 sacks as a junior in helping Centennial to a 10-3 record.

Hickman was ranked among the top 50 prospects in California by Rivals.com. He only visited Nebraska, but also received offers from Arizona, Arizona State, Colorado, Washington and UCLA.

PERSONAL

Hickman is the son of Bill Hickman and Nancy Smith, and was born on Aug. 14, 1986. He is a construction management major and has volunteered with Nebraska's regular hospital visits, as well as at Eastmont Towers.

Ryan Hill

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TIGHT END | 6-3 | 245 | RFR.
ARVADA, COLO. (WEST)

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

2008 OUTLOOK

Ryan Hill is one of several young tight ends who will enter fall camp with the opportunity to earn playing time at a position that lost three seniors to graduation. The 6-3, 245-pound Hill sat out his first season in Lincoln as a redshirt, but fared well during spring ball and will enter fall camp listed second behind projected starter Mike McNeill at the spot.

Hill added approximately 15 pounds of muscle during his redshirt season. He also excelled in the classroom, where he was twice named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll, including posting a perfect 4.0 during the fall semester.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Hill redshirted and worked on the scout team in his first season in Lincoln.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ARVADA WEST HS)

Hill was a versatile player for Coach Casey Coons at Arvada West High School. Hill produced big numbers from his tight end position in his final two seasons, while also serving as the team's punter. Hill was often split out wide as a senior and caught 42 passes for 924 yards with seven touchdown grabs. He posted similar numbers as a junior, hauling in 44 passes for nearly 900 yards and an impressive 15 touchdowns, helping his team to a 10-3 record and a state semifinal appearance.

Hill was honored for his efforts at tight end, as he was named all-conference both his junior and senior years and was an all-state pick as a senior. In addition to excelling at the tight end position, Hill averaged 42.8 yards per punt as a senior and was an All-Colorado selection as a punter.

Hill was ranked among the top 10 tight ends in the country by SuperPrep Magazine, and was named one of the 15 best prospects in Colorado by Rivals.com. His athletic accomplishments were not limited to the gridiron. He was a standout on the baseball team as a pitcher and third baseman. Hill was one of Nebraska's first commitments in the 2007 class, and did not take any additional visits.

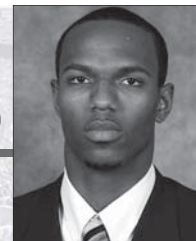
PERSONAL

Hill is the son of Doug and Tracey Remley, and was born on Jan. 29, 1989. He is majoring in business administration and carries a 3.60 grade-point average, while twice being named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll. He has volunteered his time with the Huskers' team hospital visits.



Menelik Holt

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WIDE RECEIVER | 6-4 | 220 | JR.-2L
SAN DIEGO, CALIF. (ST. AUGUSTINE)

2008 OUTLOOK

Wide receiver Menelik (pronounced men-uh-Leak) Holt hopes to emerge as a difference-maker in the Nebraska receiving corps this fall. The 6-4, 220-pound Holt has played a limited role each of the past two seasons, but with the graduation of four senior receivers he is hoping to move into a more prominent role this fall.

Holt has seen enough action in the past two seasons to show flashes of great potential. The San Diego native also performed well during spring practice and will enter fall camp listed second behind senior Nate Swift at the "X" receiver spot.

2007 (SOPHOMORE)

Holt saw action in all 12 games, both as a reserve at the "X" receiver spot and on special teams. He saw his playing time increase late in the season and made the most of his opportunity. Holt caught four passes for 97 yards in the season's final four games, the first catches of his career. He caught a 13-yard pass at Kansas, then followed with a career-long 35-yard catch against Kansas State. In the season finale at Colorado, Holt had two catches for 49 yards.

2006 (FRESHMAN)

Holt appeared in eight games, including duty on the punt block and kickoff coverage squads. He also saw reserve action at receiver, but did not have a catch. Holt played in three of Nebraska's first four games and saw action in five of the final six contests, including the Cotton Bowl against Auburn. Holt helped Nebraska rank among the national leaders in kickoff return defense.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ST. AUGUSTINE HS)

Holt was a standout performer at San Diego's St. Augustine High School, where he caught 62 passes for a league-leading 790 yards and 13 touchdowns as a senior. On defense, Holt recorded 17 tackles, including a league-leading 4.5 sacks, one forced fumble and one interception. He also played special teams, returning seven kickoffs for 127 yards. His performance earned Holt first-team Medium School all-state honors, as Coach Jerry Ralph's St. Augustine Saints won the CIF 2005 Division III title.

Holt earned first-team all-league honors as a junior, catching 42 passes for 726 yards and 12 touchdowns, while adding an interception return for a touchdown. Holt was ranked among the top 50 receivers in the country by Rivals.com and PrepStar and among the top 60 players in California.

Holt played center for the St. Augustine basketball team, and as a junior, he averaged 10 points and 16 rebounds a game, while setting the school record for rebounds in a playoff game with 22. He led St. Augustine to both San Diego Section and Southern California Regional Division III titles before losing in the state finals.

PERSONAL

Menelik is the son of the late Mary Holt and Alfred Jones, and was born on Aug. 19, 1988. His half-brother, Austin Jones, is a redshirt freshman I-back for the Huskers. Menelik is majoring in economics and was a volunteer on several of Nebraska's hospital visits.

HOLT'S CAREER STATISTICS

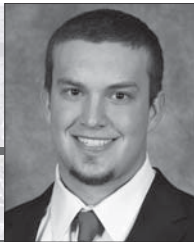
Receiving							
Year	G/S	No.	Yds.	Y/R	Y/G	Long	TDs
2006	8/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	-	0
2007	12/0	4	97	24.2	8.1	35 vs. Kansas State	0
Totals	20/0	4	97	24.2	4.9	35 vs. Kansas State	0

SINGLE-GAME BESTS

Receptions—2 at Colorado, 2007
Receiving Yards—49 at Colorado, 2007
Long Reception—35 yards vs. Kansas State, 2007

Cory Iske

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-4 | 285 | RFR.
OMAHA, NEB. (MILLARD WEST)

2008 OUTLOOK

Offensive lineman Cory Iske joined the Nebraska football program in January of 2008 and went through spring practice with the Huskers. The 6-4, 285-pound Iske is expected to provide depth on a talented and experienced offensive line this fall. Iske is penciled in as a reserve guard behind projected senior starters Mike Huff and Matt Slauson.

A product of Millard West High School, Iske originally planned to join the Huskers last fall, but delayed his enrollment until the second semester.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (MILLARD WEST HS)

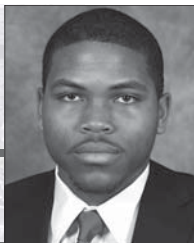
Iske was a key performer in the offensive and defensive lines at Millard West High School in both 2005 and 2006. His play helped the Wildcats and Coach Kirk Peterson to a state semifinal appearance during his junior season in 2005.

PERSONAL

Cory is the son of Beau and Patty Iske and was born on May 24, 1989. He is majoring in business administration.

Austin Jones

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I-BACK | 5-10 | 205 | RFR.
CENTENNIAL, COLO. (SMOKY HILL)

» 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Austin Jones joined the Nebraska program during the 2007 season after going through the Huskers' walk-on tryout. Jones worked at I-back and did an outstanding job on the scout team. The 5-10, 205-pound Jones continued to work in the backfield during spring practice and will head into the fall listed as a reserve behind senior Marlon Lucky and sophomores Quentin Castille and Roy Helu Jr.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

Jones joined the Huskers during the season and sat out as a redshirt.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (SMOKY HILL HS)

Jones was a standout performer for Coach John Thompson at Smoky Hill High School in Aurora, Colo. Jones averaged 5.9 yards per carry as a senior and was named his team's MVP, while also earning honorable-mention all-state honors.

Jones also lettered twice in wrestling and once in track and was presented with a Citizenship Award at Smoky Hill.

PERSONAL

Austin is the son of Alfred and Rita Jones and was born on Aug. 18, 1989. He is the half-brother of Husker junior receiver Menelik Holt. Jones is majoring in film studies and earned a spot on the Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll.

D.J. Jones

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-5 | 305 | SO.-1L
OMAHA, NEB. (CENTRAL)

2008 OUTLOOK

Omaha native D.J. Jones is part of an impressive group of returning offensive linemen for Nebraska. Jones saw extensive action as a redshirt freshman in 2007, and continued to make improvement during spring practice. He is in position for significant playing time on a line that figures to be the strength of the 2008 Huskers.

The 6-5, 305-pound Jones has the ability to play either guard or tackle, but focused the majority of his time at guard during spring ball. He will enter fall camp listed second behind senior starter Matt Slauson on the right side.

Jones had a star-studded prep career at Omaha Central, then sat out in his first season as a redshirt and was a standout on the scout team.

2007 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Jones played in nine games, including each of the final eight contests of the season. He served as a reserve guard behind Matt Slauson, Mike Huff and Jacob Hickman, while also seeing snaps at tackle. The offensive line helped Nebraska rank in the top 10 nationally in both passing offense and total offense.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Jones redshirted and helped form an impressive scout team offensive line.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (CENTRAL HS)

Jones was the first commitment of the 2006 NU class, pledging to NU in April of 2005. Jones earned first-team all-state honors as a senior playing for Coach Joe McMenamin at Omaha Central after earning honorable-mention honors as a junior. He was named to the 2005 Lincoln Journal Star Super State team and the Omaha World-Herald All-Nebraska team.

Jones was ranked as the top player in the state of Nebraska and among the top 20 offensive tackles in the country according to Rivals.com. Jones was also named a SuperPrep All-American and was among the top 10 players in the Midlands Region according to the publication. Jones chose Nebraska over Iowa State, Kansas and Houston.

PERSONAL

D.J., the son of Bridget Brown and David Jones Sr., and was born on May 8, 1988. He is a communication studies major, and has been a volunteer during Nebraska's hospital visits.

Marcel Jones

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OFFENSIVE LINE | 6-7 | 310 | RFR.
PHOENIX, ARIZ. (TREVOR BROWNE)

» 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Marcel Jones emerged during spring practice as a potential future standout on the Nebraska offensive line. Jones showed first-year offensive line coach Barney Cotton that he has the ability to be a solid player at offensive tackle. Jones will enter fall camp listed as the No. 2 right tackle behind projected starter Jaivorio Burkes.

Jones was one of five talented signees from Arizona in the Huskers' 2007 recruiting class. Jones spent his first year in Lincoln as a redshirt and added 15 pounds of muscle to his 6-7 frame.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

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

BEFORE NEBRASKA (TREVOR BROWNE HS)

Jones was part of an impressive group of prep standouts joining the Nebraska program from the state of Arizona. A raw talent, Jones had an outstanding senior year on the offensive line for Coach Randy Ricedorff at Trevor Browne High School. Jones missed his junior year because of injury, but earned honorable-mention Arizona 5A all-state honors as a senior. Jones was ranked among the top 15 prospects in Arizona by Rivals.com and Scout.com.

Jones was also a standout on the basketball court for Trevor Browne High School. He was the starting center for Browne, which went 27-3 and earned a top-five ranking in Class 5A. Jones averaged 11.6 points and nine rebounds per game as a senior. As a junior, he earned all-region honors for his performance on the hardwood. Jones was also a star in the classroom, ranking in the top 20 of his senior class of more than 500 students. Jones chose Nebraska over Arizona State.

PERSONAL

Marcel is the son of Ulysses and Tracy Torry and was born on Sept. 4, 1988. He has not yet declared a major, but had an outstanding first year on campus and carries a 3.568 cumulative grade-point average. He was named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll each of his first two semesters. Jones has volunteered his time at the F Street Recreation Center and the Legacy Retirement Center.



» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Defensive end Faron Klingelhoefler (pronounced fair-in KLING-ul-hoffer) joined the Nebraska program as a walk-on during winter conditioning. Klingelhoefler went through spring practice with the Huskers and will enter fall camp listed as a reserve defensive end behind senior projected starters Barry Turner and Zach Potter. The 6-2, 255-pound Klingelhoefler spent the fall semester at Nebraska-Kearney, but he did not play for the Lopers.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (AMHERST HS/NEBRASKA-KEARNEY)

Klingelhoefler was enrolled at Nebraska-Kearney during the fall semester and redshirted for the Lopers. He had a standout prep career for Class C Amherst High School, where he was a star on both sides of the ball at fullback and linebacker. Klingelhoefler was a two-time all-state selection as he helped the Broncos to two district championships. Klingelhoefler also earned all-state accolades from the Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha World-Herald during his junior and senior year.

A three-sport athlete, Klingelhoefler also competed in track and field and wrestling during his high school career. He was a two-time all-state honoree in wrestling, capturing third place twice at 215 pounds. He threw the shot and disc in track.

Klingelhoefler was a member of National Honor Society and was named to the academic all-state list twice for football.

PERSONAL

Faron is the son of Kevin and Julie Klingelhoefler and was born on Aug. 14, 1988. He has not declared a major, but owns a 3.494 cumulative grade-point average. He was named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll.

**Colton
Koehler****5 | 4**

LINEBACKER | 6-1 | 230 | JR.
HARVARD, NEB.



» 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll
» 2006 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Junior Colton Koehler is among a group of linebackers who will look to help fill the void left by the graduation of four veteran linebackers. Koehler has yet to see game action for the Huskers, but he received a heavy load of repetitions during spring practice, and could contend for playing time in 2008. Koehler will enter fall camp listed second behind Phillip Dillard at the middle linebacker spot.

Koehler began his college career at Nebraska Wesleyan, before transferring to the Husker program in January of 2006. He worked as a fullback in his first season, before switching to defense in the spring of 2007.

2007 (SOPHOMORE)

Koehler provided depth behind a veteran group of linebackers, but he did not see action in a game.

2006 (REDSHIRT)

Koehler participated in spring drills in 2006, then sat out as a transfer after spending his first semester of college at Nebraska Wesleyan.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (HARVARD HS/NEBRASKA WESLEYAN)

Koehler spent 2005 playing for Coach Brian Keller at Nebraska Wesleyan. Koehler played in eight games and finished with one reception and one tackle. Koehler was a multi-sport standout at Harvard High School, which played eight-man football. Koehler played quarterback for Harvard, and earned Class D-1 honorable-mention all-state honors. He also played in the Nebraska-Oklahoma eight-man All-Star game and the 28th annual Sertoma Eight-Man All-Star game. On the hardwood, Koehler was a Class D-1 first-team all-state selection and also earned all-league honors in the Twin Valley Conference. Koehler was also selected to the Lincoln Journal Star Academic All-State team.

PERSONAL

The son of Jerry and Karen Koehler, Colton was born on Feb. 25, 1987. He is majoring in business administration and has twice been named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll. Koehler was a part of Nebraska's regular hospital visits.



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

2008 OUTLOOK

Sophomore Adi Kunalic (pronounced ah-dee kun-ALEK) is part of an impressive group of returning specialists for Nebraska in 2008. Kunalic made an immediate impact for the Huskers as a true freshman, ranking among the nation's best kickoff specialists. He is expected to continue in that role this fall, while also battling fellow sophomore Alex Henery for place-kicking duties.

Kunalic essentially negated the effects of kickoffs moving back to the 30-yard line. The Texas native delivered 28 touchbacks in 66 attempts and his 42.4 percent touchback rate was the best of any kicker in the country.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

The strong-legged Kunalic quickly showed his ability with a season-high six touchbacks against Nevada in the opener. He also connected on a 46-yard field goal against the Wolf Pack in his only attempt of the year. Kunalic added four touchbacks each against Ball State, Iowa State and Kansas State and had at least one touchback in 10 of 12 games. The average length of his kickoffs was 65.7 yards, and Nebraska's 28 team touchbacks ranked third in the nation.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (NORTH CROWLEY HS)

Kunalic was part of an impressive group of seven 2007 Husker recruits from the state of Texas. Kunalic came to the Huskers after a standout prep career for Coach Mike Papas at North Crowley High School in Fort Worth. Kunalic attempted just six field goals as a senior for a 3-7 North Crowley team, and connected on four of those attempts. He also nailed 29-of-31 extra-point attempts. Kunalic's powerful leg allowed him to boot 22 kickoffs for touchbacks during his senior season. Kunalic also served as the team's punter and averaged nearly 40 yards on 46 punts with a season-long punt of 72 yards.

As a junior, Kunalic had more place-kicking opportunities for a 9-2 North Crowley squad. He connected on 7-of-9 field goal attempts, including a pair of field goals from better than 50 yards. Kunalic was ranked among the top 20 kickers in the country according to Rivals.com. Kunalic chose Nebraska after also taking a visit to Washington State. He also received offers from Miami, Kansas and Utah among others.

PERSONAL

Adi was born in Bosnia on June 1, 1989, and is the son of Meho and Ivana Kunalic. The Kunalic family moved to Germany in 1992 and then to the United States in 2000. Kunalic is majoring in business administration and carries a 3.761 grade-point average through two semesters. Kunalic was named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll in both of his first two semesters.

KUNALIC'S CAREER STATISTICS

Field Goals—1-1, 46-yarder vs. Nevada, 2007
PATs—1-1 vs. Nevada, 2007
Touchbacks—28 in 66 kickoffs in 2007
Single-Game Touchbacks—6 vs. Nevada, 2007

**Blake
Lawrence**

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LINEBACKER | 6-2 | 225 | SO.-1L
 SHAWNEE MISSION, KAN. (WEST)

- » 2007 Big 12 Commissioner's Fall Academic Honor Roll
- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll
- » 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team

2008 OUTLOOK

Blake Lawrence made an impact as a reserve linebacker during his true freshman season and this fall he will look to bid for much more significant playing time. The 6-2, 225-pound Lawrence is among a group of young linebackers who will look to fill the shoes of four graduated senior linebackers. Lawrence will enter fall camp listed as the No. 2 Buck linebacker behind senior Tyler Wortman.

Lawrence saw the majority of his action on special teams last fall, but also contributed at linebacker after injuries struck the Huskers late in the season. In addition to getting on the field as a true freshman, Lawrence is off to a strong start in the classroom, earning Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll accolades each of his first two semesters.

2007 (FRESHMAN)

Lawrence played in eight games during his first season, serving as a backup behind senior Bo Ruud at SAM linebacker. Lawrence also saw regular action on Nebraska's kickoff coverage unit. He saw his most extensive action of the season against Texas A&M when Ruud went out with a knee injury. Lawrence made his first career tackle against the Aggies and had his second tackle of the year against Kansas State.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (SHAWNEE MISSION WEST HS)

Lawrence came to Nebraska after an award-winning prep career at Shawnee Mission West High School. Lawrence was named the Gatorade Kansas High School Player of the Year after an impressive senior season for Coach Tim Callaghan. Lawrence was a dominant two-way player at Shawnee Mission West, starting at quarterback as a senior, while continuing as a defensive stalwart.

On defense, Lawrence played both safety and linebacker and had 60 tackles, a pair of sacks and three interceptions. On offense, Lawrence completed 68-of-131 passes for 1,329 yards and 15 touchdowns, while throwing just three interceptions. Lawrence was also a running threat, picking up 483 yards on 71 carries, while reaching the end zone 15 times on the ground. His performance led Shawnee Mission West to the state Class 6A title game. Lawrence earned all-state and All-Metro honors from the Kansas City Star, and was regarded as the top overall recruit in Kansas by Rivals.com.

As a junior, Lawrence served as the backup quarterback for his older brother, Tyler, and starred on defense. Blake tallied 90 tackles, including 13 tackles for loss, while recording four sacks and forcing four fumbles. For his efforts, Lawrence received all-conference, all-county, all-metro and all-state honors.

Lawrence was also one of the top scholars at his school, maintaining better than a 4.0 cumulative grade-point average. Lawrence received numerous scholarship offers and chose the Huskers after also visiting Kansas.

PERSONAL

Lawrence is the son of Lisa Heath and Mike Lawrence and was born on March 21, 1989. He is majoring in marketing and carries a 3.90 cumulative grade-point average. In December, Lawrence was honored as one of five 2007 high school scholar-athletes at the National Football Foundation/College Hall of Fame dinner in New York City. Lawrence was also named to the 2008 Brook Berringer Citizenship Team for his extensive community outreach work. Lawrence has assisted with School is Cool Week, and volunteered for local hospital visits.

**Thomas
Lawson**

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FULLBACK | 6-0 | 250 | SR.-2L
 PARKER, COLO. (PONDEROSA)

2008 OUTLOOK

Fullback Thomas Lawson became a key performer in the Nebraska offense in 2007, and he expects to play a bigger role as a senior. Lawson split time at fullback last year with senior Andy Sand, but will enter fall camp listed atop the depth chart. The 6-0, 250-pound Lawson has the size to be an outstanding blocking back, but has also shown the skills to be a threat as a runner or receiver.

Lawson saw limited action during his first two seasons at Nebraska, while splitting time between fullback and I-back.

2007 (JUNIOR)

Lawson played in 10 games, including starting assignments against Iowa State and Texas A&M. He made the most of three catches, reaching the end zone on all three grabs. He caught two passes for 10 yards, with touchdowns of six and four yards in a win over Iowa State, and had a one-yard TD catch against Oklahoma State.

Lawson helped protect Nebraska quarterbacks who guided Nebraska to a record-setting passing season. He also provided lead blocking for Marlon Lucky, who surpassed the 1,000-yard rushing mark.

2006 (SOPHOMORE)

Lawson played on kickoff coverage against Missouri and Auburn.

2005 (REDSHIRT FRESHMAN)

Lawson backed up both the I-back and fullback, and appeared in the first game of his career at Colorado.

2004 (REDSHIRT)

Lawson was a walk-on and redshirted in his first season with the Huskers.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (PONDEROSA HS)

As a running back at Ponderosa High School in Colorado, Lawson helped his team to a state title as a senior in 2003. Lawson rushed for 1,800 yards for Coach James Woodruff and was named the MVP of the state championship game. Along with earning three letters in football, Lawson claimed three letters on the track, and earned a spot on the principal's honor roll.

PERSONAL

The son of Thomas and Paulaina Lawson, Thomas was born on April 14, 1986, in Evanston, Wyo. He is majoring in communication studies, and is on track to earn his degree in May of 2009. Lawson has assisted with NU's community hospital visits.

LAWSON'S CAREER STATISTICS

Receiving—3-11-3 TD all in 2007

Touchdowns—6 yards vs. Iowa State, 4 yards vs. Iowa State, 1 yard vs. Oklahoma State

	Zac Lee	3
	QUARTERBACK 6-2 210 SO. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (SAN FRANCISCO CITY COLLEGE)	

- » 2007 Offensive Scout Team MVP
- » 2008 Big 12 Commissioner's Spring Academic Honor Roll

2008 OUTLOOK

Quarterback Zac Lee heads into fall camp locked in a tight battle for the No. 2 quarterback spot behind senior Joe Ganz. Lee had an impressive spring practice session and will continue to compete with Patrick Witt for the backup job. Lee possesses a strong arm and also has good mobility, which adds another dimension to the offensive attack.

The 6-2, 210-pound Lee arrived at Nebraska in January of 2007 from San Francisco City College, but was limited to light throwing because of a knee injury. Lee was back on the field during the fall, but sat out as a redshirt. He made an impact on the scout team and earned Offensive Scout Team MVP honors.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

Lee was one of six players in the 2007 class to join the team in January. He sat out his first season with the Huskers and earned Scout Team MVP honors for his work at quarterback.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (ST. IGNATIUS PREP/SAN FRANCISCO CITY COLLEGE)

Lee came to Nebraska following a highly successful 2006 season at San Francisco City College, the same school as former standout Husker receiver Maurice Purify. Lee had a standout campaign for Coach George Rush, with more than 3,400 passing yards and 35 touchdowns while completing 64 percent of his passes. His performance led San Francisco City College to a 10-2 record and an appearance in the California junior college title game. The San Francisco City College offense averaged nearly 40 points per game with Lee at the controls. Lee was ranked as the nation's top junior college quarterback by Rivals.com, Scout.com and SuperPrep Magazine.

Lee sat out the 2005 season before enrolling in junior college in January of 2006, giving him four years to use three seasons of eligibility at Nebraska.

Lee starred in both football and baseball at St. Ignatius College Prep in San Francisco. He was a three-year all-league quarterback in high school, but focused much of his time on baseball, limiting his Division I football scholarship offers out of high school. Lee chose Nebraska after also receiving strong recruiting interest from Oklahoma, Fresno State and Mississippi State among others.

PERSONAL

Lee was born April 26, 1987, and is the son of Bob and Janice Lee. His father played quarterback for 12 seasons in the NFL from 1969 to 1980, spending time with the Vikings, Falcons and Rams. The elder Lee had his best season in 1973 when he threw for more than 1,700 yards for the Falcons. Bob Lee also served

as the athletic director at University of the Pacific. Zac is majoring in business administration and was named to the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll for the spring semester.

	Tyler Legate	48
	FULLBACK 5-10 220 SO. NELIGH, NEB. (NELIGH-OAKDALE/SOUTH DAKOTA)	

2008 OUTLOOK

Tyler Legate joined the Nebraska program in January of 2008, after spending his freshman season at the University of South Dakota. A walk-on fullback, Legate went through spring practice, but must sit out the fall campaign per NCAA transfer rules. He will have three seasons of eligibility at Nebraska, beginning in 2009.

BEFORE NEBRASKA (NELIGH-OAKDALE HS/SOUTH DAKOTA)

Legate sat out the 2007 season as a redshirt at South Dakota. Legate earned four letters each in football, track and wrestling during a standout prep career at Neligh-Oakdale High School. He helped his team to an 8-3 record and state quarterfinal appearance in his senior season. Legate made 139 tackles on defense and led Class C-2 with 2,051 rushing yards and 29 touchdowns. He was the honorary captain of the Class C-2 all-state team by the Omaha World-Herald and was a three-time all-district pick.

Legate qualified for the state wrestling meet three times, capped by a state title at 189 pounds in his senior season. He also helped Neligh-Oakdale's 4x400 relay team to a seventh-place finish at state in his senior year.

PERSONAL

Tyler is the son of Roger and Rosemary Legate and was born on March 7, 1989. He is majoring in elementary education. Tyler's cousin, Billy, played fullback and was a special teams standout for Nebraska, lettering four seasons from 1995 to 1998.

	Ben Lester	9
	WIDE RECEIVER 5-10 170 RFR. TECUMSEH, NEB.	

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

2008 OUTLOOK

Redshirt freshman Ben Lester adds depth to a Husker receiver corps that will be looking for breakout performers this fall after the graduation of four seniors. The 5-10, 170-pound Lester redshirted in his first year in the program in 2007 and continued to make progress during spring ball. A walk-on performer, Lester is the grandson of former long-time Husker offensive line coach Milt Tenopir.

2007 (REDSHIRT)

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

BEFORE NEBRASKA (TECUMSEH HS)

Lester joined the Huskers following an outstanding senior season as a wideout and defensive back for Tecumseh High School. Lester was named to the Lincoln Journal Star's Class C2 all-state team as an athlete in 2006, while he garnered honorable-mention honors from the Omaha World-Herald.

PERSONAL

Lester is the son of Rick and Kim Lester and was born on Nov. 23, 1988. Lester is majoring in communication studies and has assisted with the Huskers' area hospital visits.