

# BENEDICTINE FOOTBALL



# Village of Lisle-Benedictine University Sports Complex

The Village of Lisle-Benedictine University Sports Complex is a multi-million dollar facility completed in 2005 that serves as home to the Eagles' football, men's soccer, women's soccer, baseball, softball and track and field programs.

The 3,000-seat main stadium is one of the finest athletics facilities in the nation. The stadium features an artificial playing surface, state-of-the-art electronic scoreboard and message board, lights and a nine-lane competition track. Atop the seating area of the stadium are the main press box complete with coaching/broadcast booths, four luxury suites and viewing sundecks on both ends. The stadium hosted the 2006 NCAA Division II Women's Lacrosse Championship (the first time that the championship had been anywhere but at an East Coast site) and the 2006 NCAA Division III Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

The adjacent baseball diamond affords teams and fans a state-of-the-art facility that offers both comfort and functionality. The baseball stadium seats 1,100 overall. More than 800 of those seats are comfortable stadium-style chairs. Oversized dugouts allow for maximum player comfort. A large electronic scoreboard/message center helps entertain the crowd. The enclosed climate-controlled press box features permanent phone lines and data ports. There are also numerous ideal locations for both still and video cameras, and the public address system gives coverage to all areas of the field and concourse.

The softball field measures a symmetrical 225 feet to the outfield fence. The facility is lighted and features an electronic scoreboard and message center. Other amenities include bullpen areas down each line, dugouts that are covered and have protective fencing along the entire face, a tarp for inclement weather, and videotape and viewing options from the deck of the main stadium.

The wide-open concourse offers a spacious area for fans to enter and exit the facility after finding ample parking in lots directly adjacent to the south and east Sports Complex entrances. The comfortable facility offers fans a park-like concourse with umbrella-covered tables and two built-in concessions areas. Natural grass practice fields and throws venues are located directly adjacent to the main stadium.





# 2010 Benedictine University Football



## General Information

School .....Benedictine University  
 Location ..... Lisle, Ill.  
 Founded.....1887  
 Mascot ..... Eagles  
 Total Enrollment ..... 8,874  
 Colors ..... Red & White  
 Home Field ... Village of Lisle-Benedictine University Sports Complex  
 Affiliation ..... NCAA Division III  
 Conference ..... Northern Athletics (NAC)  
 President .....Dr. William J. Carroll, Ph.D.  
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## Coaching Staff

Head Coach .....Jon Cooper (North Park '72)  
 Record at BenU (Yrs.)..... 30-31 (6)  
 Career Record ..... Same  
 Offensive Coordinator ... Brian Baker-Watson (Benedictine '90)  
 Defensive Coordinator .....Jim Schroeder (Valparaiso '01)  
 Assistant Coach.....Mike Oleszek  
 Assistant Coach.....Karl Hoinkes  
 Assistant Coach..... Troy Van Zile  
 Assistant Coach.....John Karpowicz  
 Assistant Coach..... Gene Mitz  
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 Assistant Coach..... Ryan Schwartz  
 Assistant Coach.....Dave Klinger  
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Head Athletic Trainer.....Nicholas Grahovec, ATC  
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## Team Information

2009 Record ..... 6-4  
 2009 NAC Record/Finish ..... 5-2/T-2nd  
 2010 Record..... 8-3  
 2010 NAC Record/Finish..... 7-0/1st  
 Seniors..... 19  
 Juniors..... 14  
 Sophomores ..... 20  
 Freshmen..... 34

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# 2010 Preview



Since joining the Northern Athletics Conference (NAC) in 2006, head coach Jon Cooper and the Benedictine University football team have had much success, including a 2009 campaign that saw the Eagles finish with a 6-4 overall record and tie for second place in the NAC, their highest finish in conference play during Cooper's tenure as head coach.

"In the last five years we have made slow and steady progress towards our goal, which is to win a conference title," stated Cooper. "The last three years we have placed in the upper half of our conference and we expect this year to be no different."

The Eagles have graduated several of their key players from last year's team, including eight all-conference selections. Cooper and his staff are going to rely heavily on several returnees and freshmen to step up and take the places of the graduated seniors.

"We have graduated so many seniors," added Cooper. "It's going to be a tough challenge for us to continue to move forward but that is our expectation. We have great potential, but a lot will depend on how fast our younger kids will develop."

## THE OFFENSE

Even though the 2010 squad will be fairly young, they return a bulk of their offensive talent from last year's offensive line that finished second in the NAC in rushing with an average of 133.0 yards per game.



With several holes missing on offense from the departures of All-NAC selections Quandrus Taylor, Tyler Burke and Pete Thompson, the Eagles will look to seniors Pat Hanlon and Eric Ritter to fill the gaps.

Hanlon will return as the team's starting center while Ritter will start in the full back position again this year.

On the receiving end, the Eagles return Co-Freshman of the Year and Second

Team All-Conference selection, John Alessi. Alessi finished first on the team and second in conference in rushing. As a freshman, Alessi split time with Derek Hitt, who was injured throughout most of the 2009 season, but is back this season and will compete for a starting spot.

Cooper will also look to Mike Trombetta and Brandin Austin for a significant amount of the teams catches this year. Trombetta was a go-to receiver last year, finishing eighth in the NAC in receiving yards per game. Austin is back this season after suffering a season ending injury in 2009, but was a two-year starter for the Eagles from 2007-08 and earned All-Conference Honorable Mention as a freshman in 2007.

The Eagles are excited for the return of sophomore, John Borsellino, who played running back and wide receiver for BenU in 2008 and spent last season at Illinois State. His experience and knowledge of the game will help the young offense come together.

## THE DEFENSE

The Eagles graduated most of their front defensive line in the form of All-Conference players Steve Donovan and Eddie Hill. Cooper will highly rely on All-Conference selection and 2010 team captain, Dan Kleppin who "really developed as a quality player last year". Kleppin finished first on the team and second in the conference in sacks with seven solo and one assisted.



The traditionally deep linebacking unit will be compromised of all newcomers after graduating All-Conference players Alex Dewey and Devin Montgomery, but Cooper is going to be reliant on two of his seniors for leadership: Al Sarno and Trent Altieri. Sarno saw significant playing time his sophomore season but spent most of last year on the sidelines due to injury. Altieri played mostly as a back-up last season but is a projected starter for this year.

"We are going to be very young on the defensive line," stated Cooper. "We will be a little inexperienced which is a key area of development we are going to have to work on and will be a crucial part of our success as a team this year."

Also several other players will be looked upon for leadership and to make some plays including seniors Tim Shanahan and Mike Hatfield.

## QUARTERBACK

The quarterback position is up for grabs this year after the Eagles graduated Dave Klinger, who finished sixth in the conference in scoring.

In the running for the starting spot is Matt Brown who was injured for three games last year but saw some significant playing time, helping the Eagles defeat Wisconsin Lutheran in the final home game of the season, 16-14.

Preston Earl, who was at Illinois State prior to transferring to Benedictine, has a great chance to earn the starting position. He has a strong arm and great experience.

## SPECIAL TEAMS

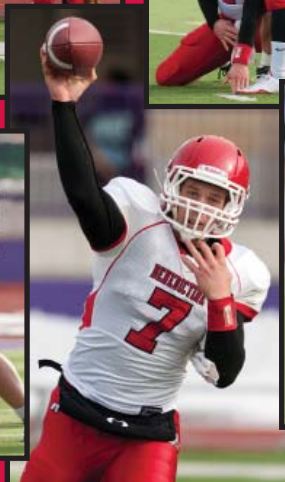
The place kicker and punter position is wide open after the Eagles graduated All-NAC performer, Neal Revane. Revane finished first in the conference in punting yards with 1,846. Several freshmen will be fighting for the starting position and Cooper feels that he has recruited some players who can definitely get the job done.



# 2010 Benedictine Football Roster



#	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/H.S.	#	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/H.S.
1	John Borsellino	SO	RB	5-8	180	Oak Brook, Ill./Montini Catholic	50	David Westerberg	JR	LB	5-11	190	New Lenox, Ill./Lincoln-Way Central
2	Mike Hatfield	SR	DB	6-3	170	Madison Hts. Mich./Bishop Foley	51	Al Sarno	SR	LB	5-9	195	Lombard, Ill./Montini Catholic
4	Mike Trombetta	SR	WR	5-11	180	Lombard, Ill./Montini Catholic	52	Brendan Crowley	SO	OL	6-1	255	Chicago, Ill./Bishop Noll
5	Andrew Taylor	JR	DB	6-0	180	Kalamazoo, Mich./Lansing Eastern	53	Trent Altieri	SO	LB	6-0	220	Highland, Ind./Highland
6	Kevin Jednachowski	SR	WR	6-4	195	Wheaton, Ill./Wheaton North	54	Dewey Henninger	SO	OL	5-10	265	Naperville, Ill./Naperville North
7	Preston Earl	SR	QB	6-3	220	Lincolnshire, Ill./Stevenson	56	Dan Kleppin	SR	DE	5-10	220	Morton Grove, Ill./Niles West
8	Bryan Bathauer	JR	RB	5-8	180	Elk Grove, Ill./Elk Grove	57	Rich Rategan	FR	LB	5-11	215	Chicago, Ill./St. Patrick
9	Nick Siuhengalu	JR	QB	5-11	220	West Valley, Utah/Granger	58	Jason Penrod	FR	DL	6-0	235	Oswego, Ill./Oswego
10	Mario Kutylowski	FR	WR	6-2	185	NorrIDGE, Ill./Ridgewood	59	Grant White	FR	LB	6-2	200	Bartlett, Ill./Driscoll Catholic
11	Brandin Austin	JR	WR	6-3	195	Cary, Ill./Cary-Grove	60	Joe Barger	SR	DL	6-2	260	Belleville, Ill./Belleville Althoff
12	Matt Brown	JR	QB	5-10	190	Tinley Park, Ill./Andrew	61	Pat Hanlon	SR	OL	6-0	200	Peoria, Ill./Peoria Notre Dame
13	James Moffitt	FR	DB	5-9	165	Clawson, Mich./Bishop Foley	63	Patrick Meadors	SR	OL	5-10	245	Rockford, Ill./Rockford Boylan
15	Derek Hitt	JR	RB	6-0	181	Griffith, Ind./Griffith	64	Michael DeCampa	FR	OL	6-0	220	Rockford, Ill./Rockford East
16	Alexander Felske	FR	P/K	5-8	145	Southgate, Mich./Gabriel Richard	65	Justin Brown	FR	OL	5-10	230	Alsip, Ill./Shepard
17	Billy Dixon	FR	P/K	6-3	185	Peoria, Ill./Peoria Notre Dame	66	Bill Brinser	FR	DL	6-2	260	Lindenhurst, Ill./Lakes
18	Jacob Simonovich	JR	QB	6-0	190	Rockford, Ill./Boylan Catholic	67	Chris Uebbing	FR	OL	6-0	290	Rochester, Mich./Bishop Foley
19	Lance Napier	FR	WR	6-1	165	Mowenqua, Ill./Central A&M	69	Matt Drummond	FR	OL	6-2	250	Holland, Mich./Grand Rapids
20	Mark Johnson	SR	WR	5-10	203	El Paso, Texas/O'Neill (N.Y.)	70	Brendan Cadman	FR	OL	6-4	280	Naperville, Ill./Joliet Catholic
21	Erik Rickert	SO	DB	5-11	170	Oak Lawn, Ill./St. Rita	71	Eddie Boncela	FR	OL	6-2	245	Griffith, Ind./Griffith
23	Gabe McMillan	SR	DB	5-10	180	Monroe, Mich./St. Mary	72	Zach Fraedrich	FR	OL	6-2	240	Sycamore, Ill./Sycamore
24	Matt McWilliams	JR	DB	5-11	165	Belleville, Mich./Divine Child	73	Tyler Monahan	FR	OL	6-4	240	Portage, Ind./Portage
25	Noel Duckworth	SO	RB	5-11	180	Chicago, Ill./Gordon Tech	74	Mike Parks	FR	OL	6-4	310	Portage, Ind./Portage
28	Michael Cottier	SO	DB	6-0	175	Coloma, Mich./Lake Michigan	75	Tyler Marcum	JR	OL	6-2	300	Joliet, Ill./Joliet West
29	Mike Oliver	SO	DB	5-7	170	Naperville, Ill./Nequa Valley	76	Kevin Novacich	SO	OL	6-2	300	Joliet, Ill./Joliet West
30	Tim Shanahan	SR	DB	5-8	165	New Lenox, Ill./Lincoln-Way Central	77	Patrick Sterk	SO	OL	6-5	275	Royal Oak, Mich./Shrine Catholic
31	Mike Theriault	SO	DB	5-9	180	New Lenox, Ill.	78	Steffan Segura	SO	OL	6-4	275	Moro, Ill./Alton Marquette
32	Ryan Johnston	FR	LB	5-11	200	St. John, Ind./Andrean	79	Jake Sakal	FR	DL	6-2	280	Oak Lawn, Ill./Richards
33	Drew Keil	FR	DB	5-10	165	Portage, Ind./Portage	80	Michael Segura	SR	WR	6-0	190	Belhalto, Ill./Civic Memorial
34	Adam Beans	FR	RB	5-8	170	Waterford, Mich./Woll	81	Cedric Rowland	SR	WR	5-9	175	Oak Park, Ill./River Forest
35	Kevin Knutson	FR	LB	5-9	190	Antioch, Ill./Antioch	83	Craig Hoffman	JR	TE	6-3	220	Park Ridge, Ill./Maine South
36	Justin Lanz-Harris	FR	RB	5-10	190	Montgomery, Ill./Oswego East	85	Tracy Ford	FR	WR	6-4	170	Oglesby, Ill./LaSalle-Peru
37	Anthony Cimaglio	FR	DB	5-11	176	Antioch, Ill./Antioch	86	Randy Heaton	JR	WR	6-3	200	San Diego, Calif./San Diego CC
38	LJ Stolarski	SO	K	5-9	180	Waterford, Mich./Our Lady of the Lakes	87	Bryan Wiesemann	JR	TE	6-0	210	Highland, Ind./Highland
40	Eric Ritter	SR	FB	5-10	213	Griffith, Ind./Griffith	88	David Rudolph	SR	TE	6-2	215	Metamora, Ill./Peoria Notre Dame
41	Steve Corey	FR	DB	5-8	160	Carol Stream, Ill./Glenbard North	89	Bryan Burke	SO	TE	6-2	220	Bradley, Ill./Bradley-Bourbonnais
42	John Alessi	SO	RB	5-10	182	Tinley Park, Ill./Andrew	90	Andy Smith	JR	DL	6-3	185	Royal Oak, Mich./Brother Rice
43	Edwin Davila	SO	LB	6-0	205	Chicago, Ill./Gordon Tech	92	Jacob Hupp	FR	DL	6-4	300	Springfield, Ill./Sacred Heart
44	Wil Peterson	FR	LB	5-10	180	Bangor, Mich./Lake Michigan Catholic	93	Ar'Jon Heard	FR	DL	6-1	240	Chicago, Ill./Chicago Academy
45	Tommy Velasquez	SO	LB	5-7	185	Aurora, Ill./Aurora Christian	95	DJ Mollet	FR	DL	6-0	243	Rochelle, Ill./Rochelle
46	Kevin Knorr	FR	DB	5-10	170	Chicago, Ill./Niles Notre Dame	96	Jeremy Brooks	JR	DE	6-0	212	Naperville, Ill./Waubonsie Valley
47	Donavan Grice	FR	DB	5-8	170	Dolton, Ill./Brooks Academy	98	KG Mitchum	SR	DT	6-0	315	Chicago, Ill./Luther South
48	JT Zimmerman	SR	LB	5-11	211	Forrest, Ill./Prairie Central	99	Zach Shuta	SO	DL	6-3	230	Lisle, Ill./Montini Catholic
49	Garrett Cook	JR	TE	5-11	178	Naperville, Ill./Benet Academy							





# Benedictine Football Coaches



**JON COOPER**  
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Jon Cooper took over the head coaching reins at Benedictine University in 2005 after serving for 19 seasons as an assistant head coach, defensive coordinator and line-backers coach on the collegiate level. Overall, Cooper has more than paid his dues with 33 total years of coaching experience before stepping into his role at the Eagles' helm.

Cooper immediately added an air of enthusiasm to the Eagles program, thanks to the breadth of his football experiences. He attacked his new challenge with an infectious zeal that has permeated the entire campus community. With a goal of rebuilding the Eagles' football program to a prominent level, Benedictine teams have shown improved won-lost records in each of his seasons. He inherited a team that was 1-9 the year before his arrival. In addition to improved success on the field, has also made an effort to increase the numbers of the Eagles' squad size, bringing in the largest team roster sizes in school history in recent years. Likewise, Cooper wants his Eagles' teams to represent the University with class, dignity and pride.

This season, Cooper improved on the Eagles record from last season, going a perfect 7-0 in Northern Athletics Conference action, winning the conference title for the first time since 1935. The conference title also qualified BenU for the NCAA Division III Playoffs for the first time in school history. Benedictine finished the year with an 8-3 overall record.

Cooper was also responsible for guiding the Benedictine team to its new league affiliation in the Northern Athletics Conference (NAC) in 2008. His relationships with the other league coaches – and his knowledge of NCAA Division III football – have made him a principle player in the NAC's launch of football as a conference sport. Prior to 2008, Benedictine was a member of the Illini-Badger Football Conference from 2000-07. With Cooper as a part of its coaching staff, Aurora University won four Illini-Badger Football Conference (IBFC) championships (winning 43 of 49 conference games), earned numerous all-conference awards

(especially on defense), and earned three NCAA Division III playoff berths. Cooper's trademark stellar defenses have achieved several national rankings in a number of categories over the years. His teams finished 10th nationally in total defense in 1991, 14th in total defense in 2007, fifth in scoring defense in 1992, eighth in pass efficiency defense in 1992, fourth in rushing defense in 1999 and fourth in pass efficiency defense in 2007.

While at Aurora, Cooper was also an associate professor in Health/ Physical Education. Before joining the Aurora football program in 1986, Cooper served as head coach at Dixon High School from 1980-85. He was also an assistant coach at Dixon (1975-79), Wheaton North (1973-74) and Proviso East (1972) high schools.

In his undergraduate days, Cooper played at North Park College (now University) where he earned a bachelor's degree in 1972. He earned his master's degree in education from Northern Illinois University in 1979.

Cooper and his wife Linda reside in Aurora, Illinois. They have three sons – Dave, Dan and Jim – and two grandsons (Jacob and Josh).





# Benedictine Football Coaches



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For more information on the Benedictine coaching staff, check out the Benedictine Athletics website:

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# Benedictine University History



## Benedictine Football Records by Season

Year	Record	Head Coach	Year	Record	Head Coach	Year	Record	Head Coach
1917	1-0	Unknown	1951	3-3-2	Milo Harshbarger	1981	6-4	Ralph Young
1918	1-0	Unknown	1952	5-1-1	Milo Harshbarger	1982	6-4	Ralph Young
1919	3-1	Unknown	1953	1-5	Milo Harshbarger	1983	0-10	Ralph Young
1920	3-0-1	Unknown	1954	1-4-1	Milo Harshbarger	1984	4-6	Bill Barz
1921	5-2	Fr. Leo Rahak	1955	1-4-1	Milo Harshbarger	1985	5-5	Bill Barz
1922	4-2	Fr. Leo Rahak	1956	0-5	Thomas Loehman	1986	9-1	Bill Barz
1923	2-1-1	Rev. Benedict Brauer	1957	2-4	Thomas Loehman	1987	7-3	Bill Barz
1924	7-1-1	Rev. Benedict Brauer	1958	0-7	James Rugheimer	1988	8-2	Bill Barz
1925	8-0	Rev. Benedict Brauer	1959	0-6-1	Henry Knight	1989	6-4	Bill Barz
1926	5-0-1	Rev. Benedict Brauer	1960	2-4-1	Henry Knight	1990	1-8	John Welty
1927	4-2	Fr. Robert Mastny	1961	2-4	Henry Knight	1991	2-8	John Welty
1928	2-3	Fr. Robert Mastny	1962	0-7	Henry Knight	1992	7-3	John Welty
1929	0-5-1	Aloysius Vanek	1963	4-4	Paul Amadio	1993	4-5-1	John Welty
1930	5-0-2	Fr. Robert Mastny	1964	1-5-1	Fred Churchill	1994	3-6	John Welty
1931	1-5	Bill Fuzak	1965	1-8	Chuck Kurt	1995	1-8	John Welty
1932	2-1-1	Jack Meluch	1966	3-4-1	Chuck Kurt	1996	0-9	John Welty
1933	1-3	Jack Meluch	1967	4-4	Chuck Kurt	1997	3-7	John Welty
1934	3-2	Fr. Robert Mastny	1968	2-6	Chuck Kurt	1998	4-6	Rob Boras
1935	3-2-1	Fr. Robert Mastny	1969	1-7	Chuck Kurt	1999	6-4	Jeff Hand
1936	1-4-1	Fr. Robert Mastny	1970	6-3	Tom Beck	2000	7-3, 6-1	Jeff Hand
1937	3-3	Julian Heim	1971	8-2	Tom Beck	2001	4-6, 4-3	Mike Murray
1938	0-6-1	Julian Heim	1972	9-2	Tom Beck	2002	4-6, 3-4	Mike Murray
1939	0-5	Julian Heim	1973	7-3	Tom Beck	2003	2-8, 2-5	Tom Mitchell
1940	3-2	Julian Heim	1974	7-2-1	Tom Beck	2004	1-9, 1-6	Tom Mitchell
1941	3-3	Julian Heim	1975	6-4	Marv Carlson	2005	3-7, 3-4	Jon Cooper
1942	1-5	Julian Heim	1976	7-3	Marv Carlson	2006	4-6, 3-4	Jon Cooper
1943-47		No Teams	1977	4-6	Marv Carlson	2007	5-5, 4-3	Jon Cooper
1948	0-4	Joseph Hrebic	1978	3-7	Marv Carlson	2008	4-6, 4-2	Jon Cooper
1949	0-5-1	Milo Harshbarger	1979	3-7	Ralph Young	2009	6-4, 5-2	Jon Cooper
1950	2-5	Milo Harshbarger	1980	3-7	Ralph Young	2010	8-2, 7-0	Jon Cooper

## Composite Coaching Records

Head Coach	Seasons	Record	Win%	Head Coach	Seasons	Record	Win%
Unknown	4	8-1-1	.850	Paul Amadio	1	4-4	.500
Fr. Leo Rehak	2	9-4-0	.692	Fred Churchill	1	1-5-1	.214
Rev. Benedict Bauer	4	22-2-3	.870	Chuck Kurt	5	11-29-1	.280
Fr. Robert Mastny	6	18-13-4	.543	Tom Beck	5	37-12-1	.750
Aloyius Vanak	1	0-5-1	.050	Marv Carlson	4	20-20	.500
Bill Fuzak	1	1-5	.166	Ralph Young	5	18-32	.360
Jack Meluch	2	3-4-1	.438	Bill Barz	6	39-21	.650
Julian Heim	6	10-24-2	.306	John Welty	8	21-54-1	.283
Joseph Hrebic	1	0-4	.000	Rob Boras	1	4-6	.400
Milo Harshbarger	7	13-27-6	.348	Jeff Hand	2	13-7	.650
Thomas Loehman	2	2-9	.181	Mike Murray	2	8-12	.400
James Rugheimer	1	0-7	.000	Tom Mitchell	2	3-17	.150
Henry J. Knight	4	4-21-2	.185	Jon Cooper	6	30-31	.491
<b>All-Time</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>302-384-24</b>	<b>.442</b>				





# Benedictine University Record Book



## OFFENSIVE RECORDS

GAME	Record	Player	No.	Year	Opponent
Touchdowns		Eric Green	5	1992	Carthage
		Eric Green	5	1992	Elmhurst
Points Scored		Eric Green	30	1992	Carthage
		Eric Green	30	1992	Elmhurst
Most Carries		Rich Zak	42	1967	Milton
Most Yards Rushing		Dennis Moran	259	1976	Concordia
Net Yards Passing		Mike Robinson	387	2002	North Central
Net Yards Receiving		Sebastian Singleton	262	2003	Lakeland
Pass Attempts		Joe Wilke	60	1979	Ill. Wesleyan
Pass Completions		Joe Wilke	33	1979	Ill. Wesleyan
Net Total Offense		Joe Wilke	405	1979	Ill. Wesleyan
Passes Caught		Sebastian Singleton	15	2003	Lakeland
Touchdown Passes		Ed Smith	5	1992	Trinity
		Ryan Keag	5	2003	Lakeland
Longest TD Pass		John Karpowicz	99 yds	1986	Loras
Longest TD Run		Dennis Moran	87 yds	1976	Concordia

### SEASON

Record	Player	No.	Year
Touchdowns	Prentis Wilson	21	1988
Points Scored	Prentis Wilson	123	1988
Most Carries	Wendall Walton	232	1993
Net Rushing Yards	Ken Carruthers	1,281	1973
Best Rushing Avg.	Ken Carruthers	7.1	1972
Net Passing Yards	Ed Smith	2,770	1992
Net Receiving Yards	Eric Green	1,189	1992
Pass Attempts	Ed Smith	345	1992
Pass Completions	Ed Smith	184	1992
Completion %	Preston Earl	65.5%	2010
Passes Caught	Pete Mastrandrea	77	1977 (led state)
Touchdown Passes	Preston Earl	25	2010
Best Running Avg.	Mike Manson	44.1	1976 (led state)

### CAREER

Record	Player	No.	Year
Points Scored	Prentis Wilson	300	1987-90
Touchdowns	Prentis Wilson	50	1987-90
Most Carries	Ken Carruthers	597	1972-75
Net Rushing Yards	Ken Carruthers	3,806	1972-75
Best Rushing Avg.	Ken Carruthers	6.36	1972-75
Pass Attempts	Ed Smith	862	1991-93
Pass Completions	Ed Smith	456	1991-93
Completion %	Tom McGuire	59%	1971-74
Net Passing Yards	Ed Smith	6,734	1991-93
Touchdowns	Ed Smith	47	1991-93
Net Receiving Yards	Eric Green	2,903	1989-93
Passes Caught	Eric Green	186	1989-93
TD Passes Caught	Eric Green	25	1989-93
Net Total Offense	Ed Smith	6,599	1991-93

### COACHING

Record	Coach	No.
Most Victories	Bill Barz	39
Most Seasons	John Welty	8
Best Percentage	Fr. Benedict Bauer	.811
(Modern Era)	Tom Beck	.740

### TEAM RECORDS SEASON

Record	No.	Year
Most Wins	9	1972 (9-2), 1986 (9-1)
Consecutive Wins	9	1972
Best Percentage	1,000	1925
Most Losses	10	1983
Consecutive losses	15	Sept. 1995-Nov. 1996

## DEFENSIVE RECORDS

GAME	Record	Player	No.	Year	Opponent
Solo Tackles		Jim Krejic	16	1970	Culver Stockton
		Julius Eversgerd	16	1971	Kalamazoo
		Chris Bohanek	16	1989	St. Norbert
Most Assists		Jim Deegan	34	1976	North Central
Total Tackles		Jim Deegan	44	1976	North Central
		Chris Bohanek	44	1989	St. Norbert
Tackles For Loss		Rob DeVita	10	1986	St. Norbert
Interceptions		Charles Verdone	4	1999	Elmhurst
Fumble Recoveries		Jan Contento	3	1976	North Central
		Brian Zentz	3	1975	Lakeland
Interception Return		Charles Verdone	90 yds.	1997	DePauw
Fumble Return		Keith Davis	68 yds.	1973	St. Joseph
Quarterback Sacks		Rob DeVita	5	1986	Aurora

### SEASON

Record	Player	No.	Year
Solo Tackles	Chris Bohanek	94	1989
Assists	Rich Sanders	133	1976
Total Tackles	Rich Sanders	171	1976
Tackles for Loss	Rob DeVita	23	1986
Interceptions	Steve Camburn	12	1983
Fumble Recoveries	Brian Zentz	6	1976
	Jan Contento	6	1975
Quarterback Sacks	Michael Gardiner	19	2000

### CAREER

Record	Player	No.	Year
Solo Tackles	Mike Rogowski	256	1970-73
Assists	Mike Rogowski	303	1970-73
Total Tackles	Mike Rogowski	59	1970-73
Tackles for Loss	Mike Rogowski	44	1970-73
Interceptions	Charles Verdone	21	1997-2000
Fumble Recoveries	Jim Deegan	16	1973-76
Quarterback Sacks	Michael Gardiner	38	1999-01

## SPECIAL TEAMS RECORDS

### GAME

Record	Player	No.	Year
Longest Field Goal	Mark Tassone	47 yds.	1982
Longest Punt	Mike Manson	85 yds.	1976
Pt. After TD	Sam Ionta	7	1992
Punt Return	Rich Zak	100 yds.	1968
Kick-off Return	Eric Green	100 yds.	1992
All-Purpose Yards	Eric Green	373 yds.	1993
Blocked Punts	Darryl Hobson	3	1988

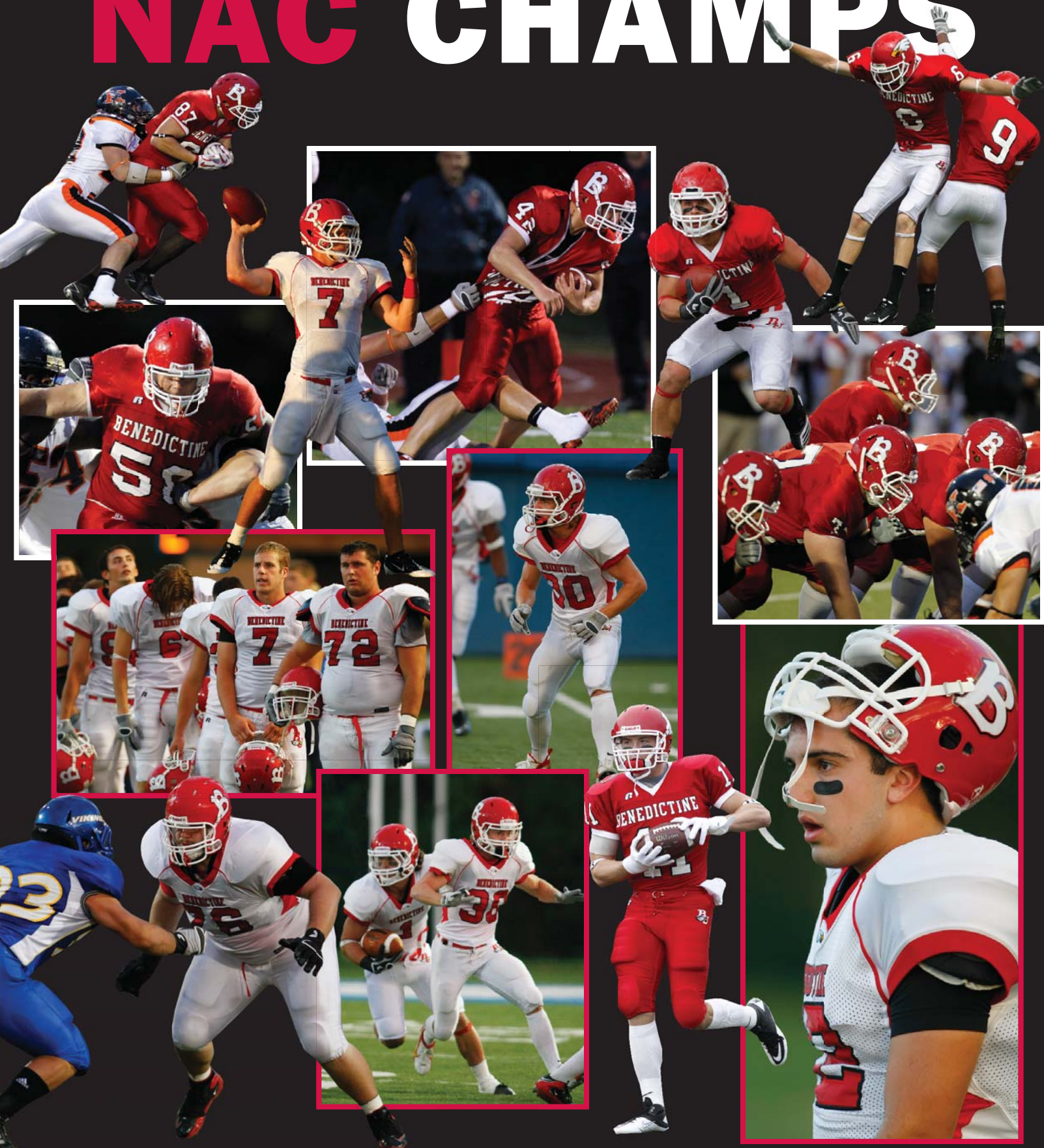
### SEASON

Record	Player	No.	Year
PAT Kicks	Tom Norton	33-37	1974
Punting Average	Mike Manson	44.1 yds.	1976 (led nation)
KO Return Avg.	Eric Green	33.1 yds.	1993 (led nation)
Punt Return Avg.	Eric Green	26.6 yds.	1993 (led nation)
All Purpose Yards	Eric Green	2,215 yds.	1992
Field Goals Made	Tom Norton	9	1976
Blocked Punts	Darryl Hobson	8	1988

### CAREER

Record	Player	No.	Year
Pt. after Touchdown	Tom Norton	84/91	1973-76
Field Goals	Tom Norton	19	1973-76
Kicking Points	Tom Norton	120	1973-76
All-Purpose Yards	Eric Green	7,050 yds.	1989-93
Kick-off Return Avg.	Eric Green	27.4	1989-93
Punt Return Avg.	Kevin Downs	18.5	1968-71
Punt Return for TD	Rich Zak	3	1968-71
	Eric Green	3	1989-83
Blocked Punts	Darryl Hobson	13	1987-90

# 2010 NAC CHAMPS



# The Road To The NCAA PLAYOFFS

Benedictine University enjoyed one of its best seasons in school history in 2010, going unbeaten in Northern Athletics Conference (NAC) play and winning a conference title for the first time since 1935. By winning the NAC championship, Benedictine automatically qualified for its first-ever trip to the NCAA Division III Football Championships.

The Eagles, 1-2 in non-conference play, opened their NAC campaign against preseason No. 1 Concordia University-Chicago. The game was tied with a minute-and-a-half left when Benedictine's Eric Ritter rambled 15 yards to get the Eagles in scoring position. Two plays later, Preston Earl scored the game-winner on an 11-yard run.

The win marked the beginning of what would become one of the greatest football seasons in school history.

The following week, Benedictine traveled to rival Aurora University where the Eagles defeated the Spartans in another close game, 28-21. The Eagles dominated the first half, but Aurora's offense came alive in the fourth quarter and scored with under two minutes remaining to pull within a touchdown. However, Matt McWilliams recovered the ensuing onside kick to secure Benedictine's first victory at Aurora in 22 years.

Benedictine faced Concordia University-Wisconsin the following week in a battle between NAC unbeaten, but it was no battle at all. Benedictine took an early 7-0 lead on a Mike Trombetta touchdown and never looked back, defeating the Falcons, 32-6.

After beating Maranatha Baptist Bible College, 49-14, the Eagles traveled to Sheboygan, Wis. to take on 2009 NAC champion Lakeland College. Lakeland scored first, but the Eagles tie the game at halftime. Benedictine dominated the second half on both sides of the line, holding the Muskies to a single touchdown while the offense exploded for 28 points to earn a 46-21 victory.

Senior Day followed and the seniors put on quite a show, shutting out Rockford College, 38-0. Benedictine limited Rockford to just 82 yards of total offense and five first downs. The victory allowed Benedictine to clinch a share of the NAC title, but the Eagles wanted more.

In the final game of the regular season, Benedictine won the NAC title outright with a 35-14 victory over Wisconsin Lutheran College. The Warriors kept the game close throughout the first half, but the Eagles pulled away with a pair of touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

The Coal Ben was packed on November 14 as the Eagles and their families, friends and fans gathered to watch the NCAA Division III selection show. When the news broke that Benedictine would be heading to Minnesota on November 20 to take on the University of St. Thomas, the crowd went wild.

The University sponsored a charter bus to take fans on the seven-hour drive to St. Paul to cheer on the Eagles. The evening before the game, Executive Vice President Charlie Gregory hosted a reception at Axels Bonfire in Woodbury for the many parents, family and alumni who made the trip to support the Eagles. Everyone had an exciting time and school spirit filled the room.

The next day, fans braved cold temperatures but were warmed as the Eagles took an early 3-0 lead over the Tommies. However, St. Thomas eventually prevailed, 57-10.

## **ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS**

Benedictine led the Northern Athletics Conference with 18 conference honors. Coach Jon Cooper was named Coach of the Year. Eight players were named First Team All-Conference, including offensive players Preston Earl, John Borsellino, Mike Trombetta, Bryan Wiesemann, Kevin Novacich and Pat Hanlon, and defensive players Dan Kleppin and Tim Shanahan. Eric Ritter, Brandin Austin, Dewey Henninger and Matt McWilliams were named Second Team All-Conference, while Jason Penrod, Andy Smith, Mike Hatfield and Andrew Taylor were Honorable Mention selections. Ritter was also named to the All-Sportsmanship team.

# BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY EAGLES

## 2011 Tentative Football Schedule

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>OPPONENT</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>9/3</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>EUREKA COLLEGE</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
<b>9/10</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>NORTH PARK UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>
9/24	Sat.	at Kalamazoo College	12:00 p.m.
10/1	Sat.	at Concordia University-Chicago*	1:00 p.m.
<b>10/8</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>AURORA UNIVERSITY*</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
10/15	Sat.	at Concordia University-Wisconsin*	1:00 p.m.
10/22	Sat.	at Maranatha Baptist Bible College*	1:00 p.m.
<b>10/29</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>LAKELAND COLLEGE*</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>
11/5	Sat.	at Rockford College*	12:00 p.m.
<b>11/12</b>	<b>Sat.</b>	<b>WISCONSIN LUTHERAN*</b>	<b>1:00 p.m.</b>

### HOME GAME

\* Northern Athletics Conference Game

All Games are Central Standard Time and are subject to change.

