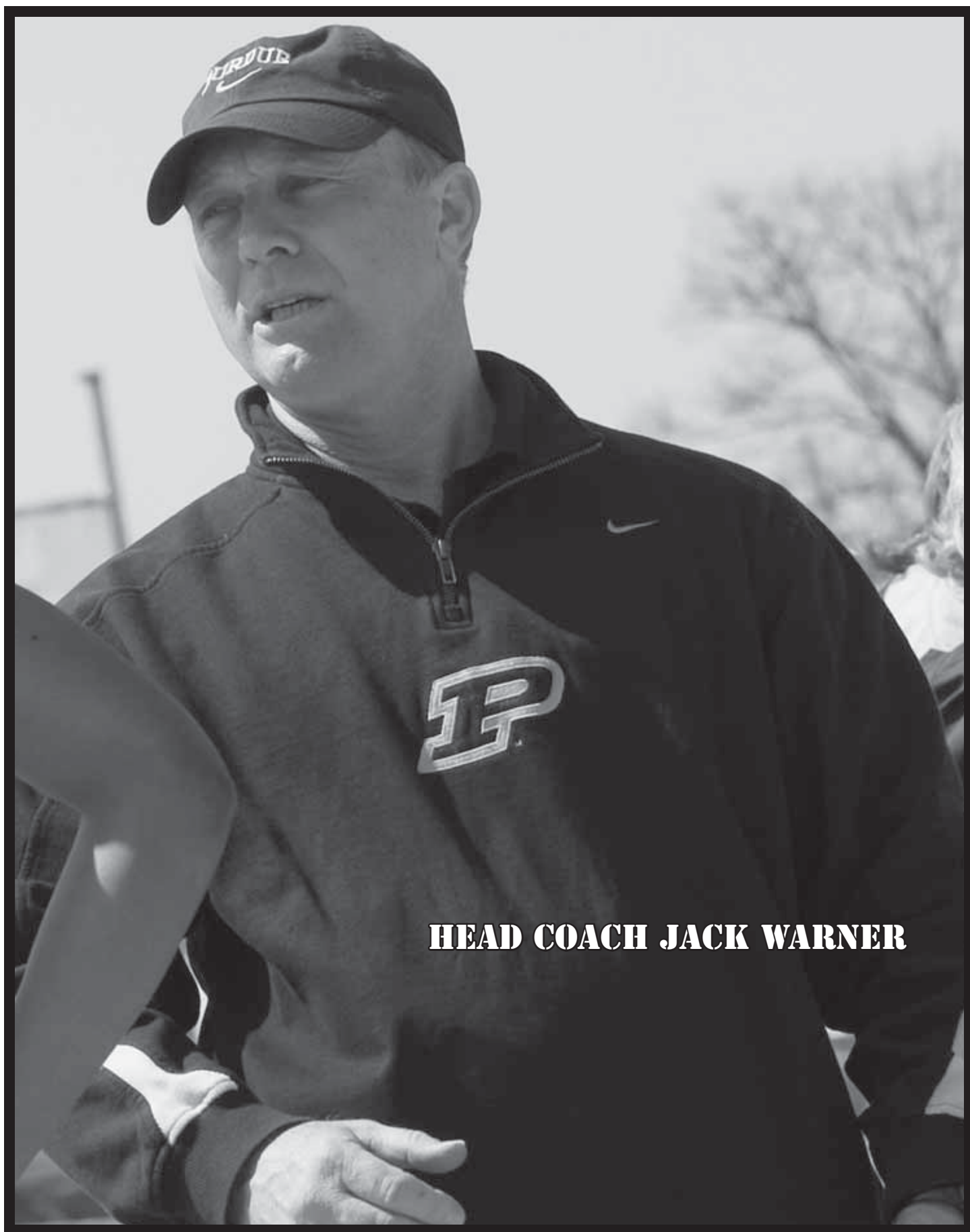


PURDUE COACHES & STAFF



HEAD COACH JACK WARNER

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Jack Warner is in his fifth year at the helm of the Purdue University Track & Field and Cross Country programs, beginning his tenure with the Boilermakers in 2004, after serving as an assistant at Big Ten rival Ohio State University for 12 years.

"From his experience being a key member of the Ohio State coaching staff, Jack possesses the level of expertise that will serve Purdue well for years to come," said senior associate athletics director Roger Blalock.

"Jack Warner has had the ideal on-the-job training to be the Purdue head coach, almost since he was a youngster," added Purdue Athletics Director Morgan Burke, alluding to Warner's days as a boy, when his father was the Cornell track and field coach.

In his short time at Purdue, Warner has already proved them correct, overseeing the program's first-ever women's Olympic qualifier, an NCAA Champion, 11 NCAA All-Americans, 42 NCAA Championship qualifiers and 23 Big Ten Champions. His athletes have also made their marks in the Purdue record books, tying or breaking 17 school records.

Since his arrival in West Lafayette in 2004, the Old Gold and Black have seen a number of successes. The men's team has made its way into

the upper echelon of the conference standings, including a tight fifth-place finish (just 1.5 points out of third and eight points shy of second) at the 2007 Big Ten Outdoor Championships, while the women boasted their first NCAA Champion since 2002, flaunted four NCAA All-Americans and a trio of Big Ten individual champions in 2007.

"I came to Purdue because I saw a great opportunity to be a part of an athletics program that showed excellence not only on the athletic fields, but in the classroom as well," said Warner. "The improvements we've made over the past few years have been exciting, but hopefully not nearly as exciting as the accomplishments that lie ahead."

Warner's involvement in the sport began as a boy, following his father among the Cornell track and field ranks. "Thanks to my dad, I learned how to work a stopwatch at the age of five," he said. "I've been around track and field for my entire life; it's in my blood."

WARNER'S SUCCESS STORIES

NCAA CHAMPIONS

Lindsey Blaine Javelin (Outdoors 2007)

NCAA ALL-AMERICANS

Lindsey Blaine Javelin (Outdoors 2007)
Leah Kincaid Long Jump (Outdoors 2007)
Nedzad Mulabegovic Shot Put (Indoors 2005)
Kara Patterson Javelin (Outdoors 2008)
Mallory Peck Pole Vault (Indoors 2007)
Pole Vault (Indoors 2008)
Rickey Pinkney 60-Meter Hurdles (Indoors 2006)
Jon Pullum Weight Throw (Indoors 2008)
J.P. Smolenski Hammer Throw (Outdoors 2005)
Astin Steward Discus (Outdoors 2007)
Weight Throw (Indoors 2008)

NCAA QUALIFIERS

Adetayo Adesanya (Outdoors 2008)
Kenneth Baxter (Outdoors 2005)
Lindsey Blaine (Outdoors 2005-07)
Billy Harcastle (Outdoors 2008)
Ben Harpenau (Outdoors 2008)
Josh Hembrough (Indoors 2008, Outdoors 2008)
Keith Hopkins (Indoors '07, Outdoors 2006-07)
Leah Kincaid (Indoors 2008, Outdoors 2006-08)
Tyler Miller (Outdoors 2008)
Courtney Magnuson (Outdoors 2005)
Nedzad Meulabegovic (Indoors 2005)
Brianna Neumann (Outdoors 2008)
Kara Patterson (Outdoors 2005-06, 2008)
Mallory Peck (Indoors 2007-08, Outdoors 2006, 2008)
Rickey Pinkney (Indoors 2006-07, Outdoors 2005 & 2007)
David Rae (Outdoors 2006)
J.P. Smolenski (Outdoors 2005)
Eric Sparks (Outdoors 2007-08)
Astin Steward (Indoors 2008, Outdoors 2007-08)
Stacey Wannemacher (Outdoors 2007-08)
Derek Watkins (Outdoors 2005)
Corrie Whisner (Indoors 2007)

BIG TEN CHAMPIONS

Adetayo Adesanya High Jump (Indoors 2008)
Kenneth Baxter 200-Meter Dash (Outdoors 2005)
Lindsey Blaine Javelin (Outdoors 2007)
Billy Harcastle Shot Put (Outdoors 2008)
Discus (Outdoors 2008)
Josh Hembrough 60-Meter Hurdles (Indoors 2008)
110-Meter Hurdles (Outdoors 2008)
Leah Kincaid Long Jump (Outdoors 2008)
Nedzad Mulabegovic Shot Put (Indoors & Outdoors 2005)
Kara Patterson Javelin (Outdoors 2005, 2008)
Mallory Peck Pole Vault (Indoors '07, Outdoors '08)
Rickey Pinkney 60-Meter Hurdles (Indoors 2005-07)
Jon Pullum Discus (Outdoors 2007)
Weight Throw (Indoors 2008)
J.P. Smolenski Hammer Throw (Outdoors 2005)
Eric Sparks Pole Vault (Outdoors 2008)
Astin Steward Discus (Outdoors 2007)
Jh'Rome Tuggle 200-Meter Dash (Indoors 2008)

PURDUE RECORD BREAKERS

MEN

Kenneth Baxter 100-Meter Dash (10.30)
tied with Alvin McNair
Shane Crawford 60-Meter Dash (6.70)
tied with Kenneth Baxter
Nedzad Mulabegovic Indoor Shot Put (65-05)
David Rae 3,000-Meter Steeplechase (8:45.69)

WOMEN

Leah Kincaid 60-Meter Hurdles (8.25)
100-Meter Hurdles (13.27)
Indoor Long Jump (20-05.25)
Outdoor Long Jump (21-02.00)
Brianna Neumann Outdoor Pole Vault (13-09.75)
Astin Steward Weight Throw (70-11-25)
Discus (176-10)
Hammer Throw (202-09)
Stacey Wannemacher Indoor Shot Put (51-10.50)
Outdoor Shot Put (53-02.75)

RELAYS

Hopkins, Woods Men's Shuttle Hurdles
Kaluf, Pinkney (57.65)
Whisner, Farley Women's 4x1,500-Meters
Woodruff, Cappel (18:23.02)
Farley, Scott Women's Indoor DMR
Phillips, Whisner (11:17.96)
Farley, Stalzer Women's Outdoor DMR
Phillips, Whisner (11:26.60)
Singleton, Harvey Women's Shuttle Hurdles
Madison, Kincaid (56.50)

HEAD COACH JACK WARNER



Warner's father, Jack Warner Sr., coached the Big Red from 1967 to 1990, and was inducted into the Cornell Athletic Hall of Fame in 1994.

Warner attended college at Middle Tennessee State University, where he competed for the Blue Raiders in the pole vault from 1975 to 1977, and captured the Ohio Valley Conference Championship in 1976. After graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in business in 1977, Warner returned to Cornell, where he served as an assistant track and field coach from 1978 to 1981.

From there Warner coached at the United States Military Academy at West Point for eight years before moving on to Ohio State. While with the Cadets, Warner tutored 21 All-Americans, including Diana Wills-Orange, the second-highest-ranked triple jumper in the U.S. in 1989, and a 1996 Olympic Team participant. Focusing on the jumps area, his athletes established

numerous academy records in the high, long and triple jumps, not to mention six Patriot League titles, including dominating performances in his final two seasons with the team. In his final year with the Cadets, they were honored with the Patriot League Coaching Staff of the Year award.

He moved to the Ohio State coaching ranks in 1993, and would serve the Buckeyes in a number of ways for the next 12 years. Warner was heavily involved with all aspects of the program in Columbus, coaching every event, directing track meets and camps, working with the alumni and organizing recruiting efforts. He also addressed a need for improved academics, developing an academic assistance program to help student-athletes that were struggling in the classroom.

In almost every year at Ohio State, Warner produced at least one NCAA All-American. The

Buckeyes took home national recognition in the long jump, triple jump, high jump and the 3,000-, 5,000- and 10,000-meter runs in his tenure, along with several Big Ten Championships in those areas as well. In 2003-04, his last year in Columbus, he mentored seven athletes to All-American status at the national championships, and guided the men's team to a fourth-place showing, their highest since 1993.

During his time at Ohio State he also was a member of the executive board for the "Majority of One" program, which assists minority student-athletes in Columbus.

Warner and his wife, Carol, have been married for 30 years and have three children: John (24), Joe (22) and Kelly (20). John serves as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy, while Joe is in his final year at Purdue and Kelly is a junior at Indiana State University.

ASSISTANT COACH MONICA GARY

SPRINTS, WOMEN'S HURDLES



Monica Gary enters her 10th season at Purdue with an impressive array of credentials and accomplishments. Gary continued to guide Boilermakers to success in 2008 as her athletes broke one school record, matched another and clocked one of the top-five times in school history in seven events. Leah Kincaid qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships in the women's 60-meter hurdles, breaking her own Purdue record with a time of 8.25, and advanced to the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships in the 100-meter hurdles. She also notched the second-fastest 100-meter dash and fifth-fastest 60-meter dash in school history. Shane Crawford matched the fastest men's 60-meter dash time in school history and provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships, while Ranay Harvey climbed into Purdue's all-time top-five in both the women's 60- and 100-meter hurdles, qualifying for the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships in the 100-hurdles.

Gary also has seen the Boilermakers' school mark in the women's shuttle hurdle relay fall a number of times, most recently by Kincaid, Harvey, Lindsey Singleton and Christina Madison at the 2007 Penn Relays with a time of 56.50. In 2006, Kincaid smashed the 16-year old 100-meter hurdle record (13.27), previously held by former All-American Jamie McNear, and qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

One of Gary's first success stories was Krissy Liphardt, who won the Big Ten championship in the 400 with a time of 54.89. Liphardt also ran school-record times in the 60 hurdles and 200 dash under then-second-year Purdue coach. Gary also mentored Angela Craft to heptathlon and pentathlon championships at the indoor and outdoor conference meets. Both Craft and Liphardt were NCAA qualifiers in the 400 hurdles, with Craft earning All-America honors. Gary also brought the tradition of winning back to the relay teams. Both the 4x100 and the

4x400 teams found themselves in high scoring positions in 2001. In addition, Gary coached Kim Jordan to runner-up status at the Big Ten Outdoor Championships with a time of 2:08.84 in the 800.

During her second full season as an assistant coach in 2001, Gary helped lead the Boilermaker women to their first-ever Big Ten indoor championship. In 2001-02, she coached Kim Jordan in the 800-meter run. Jordan captured the indoor championship, set a school record in the event and was a provisional NCAA qualifier.

In summer 2007, Gary was an assistant coach with the United States team at the Pan American Games in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, mainly responsible for sprinters and hurdlers. She has also served as the head women's coach of the 2002 U.S. World Junior Championship team in Kingston, Jamaica, and the 2003 head women's coach for the U.S. Pan-American Games in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

As a high school coach in Cleveland, Ohio, Gary guided teams to eight state championships. Gary came to Purdue from Beaumont School for Girls, where she had been the co-head track and field and assistant cross country coach since 1995. She also taught health and physical education in the Cleveland public schools.

Before coaching at Beaumont, Gary was a teacher and head track coach from 1970 to 1995 at John Adams High School in Cleveland.

Gary's coaching experience includes participating as a staff member on three

international U.S. Junior teams. In 1995, she accompanied the Women's Junior National Team to Chile and was on the coaching staff for the North Olympic Festival Team at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colo., while in 1998 she was an assistant manager for the World Junior Championships in Annecy, France.

The Cleveland, Ohio, native has coached a number of athletes to successful collegiate careers, including Carmen Banks and Candace Nicholson. Under Gary's guidance, Banks was the top-ranked junior runner in the nation in the 300m low hurdles and second in the 100m hurdles in 1994. Banks went on to run for the 1994 U.S. Junior National Team and perennial national power Texas. Nicholson, who finished fourth in the 800m at the 1999 Big Ten Indoor Championships and sixth at the outdoor championships for Illinois, excelled under Gary. Nicholson was the third-ranked junior half-miler in 1996 with a time of 2:07.14, and was a member of the U.S. Junior Pan American Team that went to Cuba in 1996.

Gary earned a B.A. from Bowling Green State University and received a master's in motor behavior from Kent State. She is a certified USATF Level I and II instructor and has conducted coaching clinics in the sprints and hurdles all over the country.

She is currently a member of the executive committee on women's development for USA Track and Field, serving as the coordinator for the women's long jump.



ASSISTANT COACH RODNEY ZUYDERWYK

POLE VAULT, JAVELIN, MEN'S HURDLES, MULTI-EVENTS

Rodney Zuyderwyk is in his eighth season as assistant track and field coach at Purdue. Originally from Australia, Zuyderwyk was named 2008 USTFCCA Great Lakes Region Assistant coach of the year and oversees the pole vault, men's hurdles and javelin. During the past seven years at Purdue, Zuyderwyk's athletes have broken 17 school records, nine Big Ten records, three American Collegiate records and two USA open National records. Additionally, they have won 45 Big Ten medals, including 16 Big Ten Championships. They have also won five NCAA Midwest Regional Championships, two NCAA Championships and two USA open National Championships.

During his time at Purdue, Zuyderwyk has established one of the finest javelin programs in the country. Purdue is the only University to boast three women throwers over the 180-foot barrier with the new rules javelin and the only 2 American collegiate throwers to ever break the 60-meter barrier. His athletes have won two NCAA titles, four NCAA Midwest Regional titles, and this last year Kara Patterson became Purdue's first female track and field Olympian, winning the U.S. Olympic Trials and breaking the Olympic trials record.

Patterson eclipsed the "A" standard for the 2008 Beijing Olympics and set an American Collegiate record with her throw of 61.56 meters (202-00) at the 2008 conference meet. She's just the second American woman to eclipse the 200-foot barrier. Patterson has won a pair of conference championships, three NCAA Midwest Regional titles and a silver medal at the 2005 Pan American Junior Championships.

In 2002, Zuyderwyk coached Serene Ross to her first Big Ten Championship. She quickly improved to win the NCAA Championship and break the American record. Two weeks later, Ross improved her American record to 197-00 and became the USA open National Champion, gaining selection to the U.S. team and becoming the first woman to throw over 60 meters in the U.S. She competed at the World Cup of Track and Field, finishing fifth.

In 2007, Zuyderwyk guided Lindsey Blaine to the Big Ten Championship, a NCAA Midwest Regional Championship and a win at the NCAA Championship. Blaine ended her season with a

personal best of 182-09 during her first place finish at the NCAA Championships. Blaine was also a finalist at the 2008 Olympic Trials.

The pole vault program has been very successful under Zuyderwyk. In the past seven years, the Boilermaker vaulters have earned 19 Big Ten medals, including seven conference championships. Rising senior Mallory Peck has a series of outstanding performances under his tutelage, winning a pair of NCAA All-America awards, qualifying for four national championship meets, winning a pair of Big Ten Championships, and setting two conference meet records. Her national honors came at the 2006 and 2007 NCAA Indoor Championships, while she's advanced to the national outdoor meet twice, qualifying for the finals in 2008. Her top indoor mark of 4.20 meters (13-09.25) is second all-time at Purdue, while her best outdoor clearance of 4.15 meters (13-07.25) set the Big Ten Outdoor Championship record, won the 2008 Big Ten Championship and is tied for second in the Boilermakers' outdoor history.

Current Boilermakers Brianna Neumann, Eric Sparks, Tara Turnbull and Ben Pax have been exceptional as well, leading a group of seven NCAA Midwest Regional qualifiers in 2008. Neumann and Sparks both joined Peck at the NCAA Outdoor Championships with respective women's and men's runner-up finishes at the regional championships. Neumann set the Boilermakers' women's outdoor record with a clearance of 4.16 meters (13-07.75), while Sparks won the 2008 Big Ten Outdoor crown and grabbed second-place honors at the 2008 indoor conference meet and Midwest Regional Championships, posting a top mark of 5.41 meters (17-09.00). Turnbull matched the fourth-highest mark in Purdue's women's outdoor history, clearing a career-best of 4.00 meters (13-01.50) in her rookie season, while Pax tied for fifth at the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships with a career-best height of 5.21 meters (17-01.00).

The Purdue men's hurdles program has also enjoyed much success in recent years. Freshman Josh Hembrough starred under Zuyderwyk in 2008, qualifying for both the indoor and outdoor national championships and winning a pair of Big Ten titles. Hembrough equaled the



third-fastest time in Purdue's history in the 60-meter hurdles, marking 7.79, and is just shy of the Boilermakers' 110-meter hurdle record with a career-best time of 13.58. Hembrough was named the Big Ten Indoor Freshman of the year.

Zuyderwyk coached All-American Rickey Pinkney to three consecutive Indoor Big Ten Championships. In 2006, Pinkney placed seventh at the NCAA Indoor Championships, garnering All-America honors. Pinkney was a four-time NCAA qualifier and a USA Championship qualifier in 2006 with a best of 13.78 in the 110-meter hurdles.

Purdue saw outstanding accomplishments from Keith Hopkins and Brian Kaluf over the past few years. Hopkins posted a career-best time of 7.79, and went on to win the bronze medal at the Outdoor Big Ten Championships and run a career-best time and Rankin Track Record of 13.59 in the 110-meter hurdles. Kaluf completed a solid four-year career in 2008, clocking career-best times of 7.94 in the 60-meter hurdles, 13.98 in the 110-meter hurdles and 52.09 in the 400-meter hurdles. He took home the bronze medal at both the 2007 and 2008 Big Ten Indoor Championships in the 60-meter hurdles.

Zuyderwyk has built a successful career in both coaching and competing. Before coming to Purdue, Zuyderwyk represented Australia in the 110-meter hurdles and 4x100-meter relay at the 1998 Commonwealth Games, where his team claimed the bronze medal. He finished sixth at the World Cup in the 110-meter hurdles and sixth at the World Student Games in decathlon.

In college, Zuyderwyk competed for Washington State University, helping the Cougars to a Pac-10 Championship, two National Dual Meet Championships and a runner-up finish at the NCAA Outdoor Championships.

Zuyderwyk earned a bachelor's degree in psychology and sports administration from Washington State in 1993. He received a postgraduate diploma in sports psychology from the University of Queensland in 1995, and earned an MBA from the University of Southern Queensland in 2000.

Zuyderwyk lives in Lafayette with wife, Jill, and their two sons, Brock and Tristan.



ASSISTANT COACH KELLY PHILLIPS

WOMEN'S DISTANCE



Former Auburn All-American and Conference USA Coach of the Year, Kelly Phillips enters her fourth year on the Boilermaker track and field coaching staff. Her coaching responsibilities are with the women's cross country and distance squads.

Phillips saw a great deal of improvement from her initial recruiting class with the Boilermakers last season, guiding all of them to career-best times and solid contribution across the board. Standout examples were Katie Morrical and Ashlee Lengacher. Morrical saw a great improvement on the cross country course in 2007, posting the Boilermakers' top 5K time on the Purdue Varsity Cross Country Course at 17:39.20. Morrical set the mark at the Indiana Intercollegiate Championships, leading the squad to win the event for the first time in Phillips's tenure, totaling 49 points and finishing 25 points ahead of the second-place team. Lengacher provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships in the 800-meter run with a career-best time of 2:08.75, and advanced to the NCAA Mideast Regionals in the outdoor season, with a top time of 2:09.77.

Phillips's squad was solid in 2007, sending a pair of runners to NCAA Regional qualification and grabbing places at the indoor and outdoor Big Ten Championships. Corrie Whisner took home the bronze in the indoor 3,000-meter run and eighth place in the outdoor 1,500-meter run, while Laura Farley finished sixth in the indoor 800-meter run and qualified for the finals in the outdoor 1,500. The pair both advanced to the regional championships in the outdoor 1,500, where they both qualified for the finals and placed seventh and 10th, respectively. Whisner also made it to the NCAA Indoor Championships in the one-mile run, narrowly missing the finals and placing 12th in the country. The two standouts also led the Boilermakers to school records in the indoor and outdoor distance medley relays

(DMR). They clocked a time of 11:17.96 at the Notre Dame Alex Wilson Invitational and set the indoor mark, and posted a mark of 11:26.60 to finish fourth in the Championship of America heat at the prestigious Penn Relays, smashing the outdoor record.

In her first season with the Boilermakers, Phillips found most of her success in the Purdue 3,000-meter steeplechase record holder Amber Ferner. Ferner scored at both the Big Ten and NCAA Regional Championships, taking seventh in the conference and eighth in the region. She also placed at the Penn Relays, taking seventh with a season-best time. Farley and Whisner also entered the scoring column for the Boilermakers for the first time in their careers, placing in the 800-meter and one-mile runs, respectively, at the Big Ten Indoor Championships.

Prior to coming to West Lafayette, Phillips spent five years (1997-2001) at the University of South Florida, where she guided 33 track and cross country student-athletes to NCAA appearances as both associate and head coach.

During her stay in Tampa, Phillips earned Conference USA cross country women's Coach of the Year citations in 1998 and 1999, plus the cross country men's Coach of the Year Award in

2000. In 2001, Phillips was named Conference USA track and field women's Coach of the Year.

Phillips also was recognized on the national level, receiving three-straight NCAA Cross Country South Region Coach of the Year titles from 1998 to 2000. She also stressed the importance of academics as four of her cross country teams received Academic All-American recognition. She's continued this tradition at Purdue, earning USTFCCA Academic All-America honors in each of the past three years, and taking home the Boilermakers' President's Cup in the last two, awarded annually to the team on campus with the top grade point average.

Phillips is one of the most decorated distance runners in Auburn history, having held 14 different school records. In addition to winning All-America certificates in the 1,500 and 3,000-meter runs, Phillips also qualified for the 1992 and 1996 Olympic Trials (1,500). In 1995, Phillips won the 1,500 title at the Olympic Festival and was fifth at the Pan-American Games.

A 1991 Auburn graduate, Phillips earned a bachelor's degree in marketing. She and her husband, Mike, have two sons, Michael and Connor.



ASSISTANT COACH ROSS RICHARDSON **THROWS**

Ross Richardson heads into his fourth season overseeing the Boilmakers' throws events, and has taken the program to new heights in his short tenure. The 2007 NCAA Mideast Region women's throws coach of the year, Richardson's athletes have set five school records and posted 14 new marks on Purdue's top-five all-time lists, 10 of which came in 2008. They've won six Big Ten Championships, an NCAA Mideast Regional Championship and a trio of All-America awards.

Astin Steward and rising junior Stacey Wannemacher led the women's indoor efforts last season, setting the Boilmakers' weight throw and shot put records, respectively. Steward grabbed the NCAA bronze medal and All-America honors at the indoor national championships, breaking National Champion Toyinda Smith's nine year old indoor school record in the process. Wannemacher provisionally qualified for the NCAA Indoor Championships, finishing with the nation's 25th-best mark.

The 2007 Big Ten Outdoor Freshman of the Year, Jon Pullum nearly fractured the men's weight throw record, earning fourth place and NCAA All-America honors at the national championships. He was also named the NCAA Great Lakes Region Field Athlete of the Year, the Big Ten Indoor Field Athlete of the Year and Big Ten Field Athlete of the Championship after winning the conference weight throw championship and taking home a trio of Big Ten Field Athlete of the Week honors throughout the season.

Wannemacher continued her attack on the record book in the outdoor season, taking down her second shot put record and notching the fifth-best discus throw in school history. Her Purdue-best

mark in the shot put secured her second-straight trip to the NCAA Outdoor Championships, while her toss in the discus was good for NCAA Regional qualification. Steward, who owns the Boilmakers' records in the discus and hammer throw, also scored her second-consecutive trip to the national meet, finishing second at the NCAA Mideast Regionals in the discus.

On the men's side, freshman Billy Hardcastle stormed on to the scene, while Tyler Miller gave a stellar effort in his final season at Purdue. Hardcastle won both the shot put and discus at the Outdoor Big Ten Championships, posting the third-best mark in school history in both events. He qualified for regionals in the shot put and discus, moving on to the NCAA Championships in the shot put. His efforts secured him Big Ten Outdoor Field Athlete of the Year and Athlete of the Championships, along with Big Ten Outdoor Freshman of the Year honors. Miller with the fourth best throw in school history was the runner-up in the shot put at the conference meet, and qualified for his first career NCAA Outdoor Championships, where he tied for 14th overall, missing the finals by just six centimeters.

Ben Harpenau joined Hardcastle and Miller at the national championships on the strength of the fourth-longest hammer throw in school history. He took second at the Big Ten Championships in the event, medaling for the second straight season.

Richardson returned to the Midwest after spending one year as an assistant coach at Sacramento State University. Prior to his season with the Hornets, Richardson coached at Western Illinois from 2000 to 2004 and at Garden City (Kan.) Community College from 1997 to 2000.



Richardson's lone year in Sacramento was a successful one, as he guided David Nichols to an All-America title in the shot put and Geoff Fong to an 11th-place NCAA showing in the hammer. His throwers also broke seven school records, with six qualifying for the regional championships.

Richardson's tenure at Western Illinois was equally successful, where he coached Olympic Trials finalist Aubrey Martin, two All-Americans, three individual NCAA qualifiers and 12 regional qualifiers during his five seasons in Macomb. Richardson's throwers, who broke nine school records and five conference records, helped the school earn a pair of Mid-Continent Conference Championships and two runner-up showings.

WIU's conference titles were won under Richardson's direction as men's recruiting coordinator, and were the first in school history since the Fighting Leathernecks moved to Division I in the early 1980's.

At Garden City, Richardson coached throws as well as cross country and distance running. During three seasons, his athletes captured six junior college national championships and several All-America honors.

Richardson is a certified USATF Level II coach in the throws and jumps, as well as being a certified strength and conditioning specialist by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

A native of Mount Carroll, Ill., Richardson graduated from Monmouth College in 1989 with a bachelor's degree in sociology. He earned All-America honors in track and field and football while competing for the Fighting Scots. In 1992, he completed his teaching certification at Western Illinois and began teaching and coaching in Avon, Ill. During the fall of 2003, Richardson was inducted into the Monmouth College Athletic Hall of Fame.



ASSISTANT COACH CONOR HOLT

MEN'S DISTANCE



Conor Holt enters his second season at Purdue and serves as the men's cross country and middle/long distance coach. Holt came to Purdue from Oregon State University, where he was an assistant coach/recruiting coordinator for the women's distance program from 2005-to-2007.

In Holt's first season, a young Boilermaker cross country squad was led by Matt DeSilva who posted the fastest 8k by a Boilermaker in more than five years. The team finished third at the Indiana Intercollegiate Championships, 10th at the Big Ten cross country championships and

19th at the NCAA regional's. De Silva was the Boilermakers' top finisher in each race taking fourth at the Indiana Intercollegiates, 27th at Big Ten's and 44th at the regional meet.

The Boilermakers saw a series of successes indoors, including De Silva, Stephen Bach, Reese Byerrum and Alex Folk. De Silva, Byerrum Folk and Andy Dunn combined for a bronze medal showing in the distance medley relay at the Big Ten Championships, while serious improvements on their own career bests. De Silva marked the 14th-fastest 5,000-meter run time in the conference. Both Bach and Byerrum got under the 1:53.00-mark in the 800, while Bach took home fourth in the 600-meter run at the conference championships and clocked the fourth-fastest 600-time in Purdue's history in the prelims.

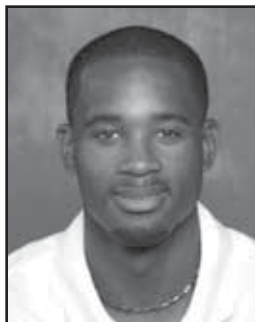
The outdoor campaign brought on more success as Bach and De Silva added several more impressive performances. Bach ran a season-best time of 1:52.27, while De Silva posted solid outings in the 1,500-meter run, 3,000-meter steeplechase and 5,000-meter run. De Silva made the finals at the Big Ten Championships in the 1,500 and 5,000, and clocked a season-best time of 3:50.36 in the 1,500. He also notched a career-best mark of 9:18.72 in the 3,000-meter

steeplechase, in just his second collegiate attempt in the event.

Originally from Ireland, Holt was a 3,000-meter junior national champion and a two-time 5,000-meter junior national champ. A member of the Junior World Cross Country Team (1989-91), he participated at the Junior World Track and Field Championships in 1990 and represented his native country at the World University Games in 1993.

A six-time All-American at the University of Oklahoma, Holt holds the school records in the indoor 5,000-meter run and the outdoor 10,000-meter run. He garnered a trio of cross country All-American awards, placing sixth, seventh and 14th at the NCAA Championships. He earned three more national honors in track and field (indoor 5K and outdoor 10K) and took home the Big 8 Championship in the 10K in 1996. He earned his bachelor's degree in music education in 1996.

Holt became a United States citizen in 2002 and followed earning 2003 Oklahoma Runner of the Year accolades and went on to become a 2004 Olympic Marathon Trials Qualifier. Holt lives in Lafayette with his wife, Camille, who is an accomplished runner and 2008 Olympic Trials marathon qualifier.



VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT MYRON MCCLURE

JUMPS

Myron McClure is in his fourth season as a volunteer assistant coach at Purdue, and works primarily with the long and triple jumpers. A four-year varsity letterwinner with the Boilermakers (1995-98), McClure was a 1998 All-American in the indoor triple jump.

At the 1998 Big Ten Indoor Championships, held in Purdue's Lambert Fieldhouse, McClure and teammates Michael Turner and Ike Olekaibe swept the top three places in the triple jump, with Turner placing first, McClure second and Olekaibe third. The trio repeated the sweep at the 1998 Outdoor Big Ten Championships, leading the Boilermakers to a fifth-place team showing.

McClure is currently pursuing his doctorate in agriculture health and safety from Purdue after earning a master's degree in agriculture extension education from Penn State University in 2003 and his bachelor's degree in agricultural and biological engineering from Purdue in 1998.

ATHLETICS DIRECTOR MORGAN BURKE



Now in his 16th year as director of intercollegiate athletics, Morgan Burke embodies the Boilermaker spirit that drew him back to his alma mater.

During his tenure, the women's basketball team captured the national championship, the football team embarked on a run of 10 bowl games in 11 years and the men's basketball team achieved an unprecedented string of back-to-back-to-back Big Ten Conference championships.

Burke has been called the athletics director who came down from the grandstands because he was an avid fan and member of the John Purdue Club long before he was appointed to lead Intercollegiate Athletics in 1992. No one wants to see the Boilermakers prevail in competition more than Burke, and few expend more energy in cheering them on to victory. But Burke views the academic accomplishments and athletic exploits as far greater than the sum of their parts.

"We strive to make the student-athlete experience as enriching and meaningful as possible," says Burke, who was captain of the Boilermaker swim team his senior year. "These young men and women come to us with great abilities and potential, and we do all we can as coaches and administrators to help them develop fully as leaders and citizens who will make the world a better place than they found it."

In Burke's time at the helm of Purdue Intercollegiate Athletics, performances on and off the field reflect the high expectations that heralded his hiring.

In 1992, the Purdue Board of Trustees voted unanimously to declare the intention to establish "a nationally prominent athletic organization that is excellent in all respects." That meant making up ground on the other schools in the Big Ten and achieving in the classroom at the level of the general student body. It meant winning and playing by the rules. It meant getting to more bowl games in football, more NCAA Tournament basketball games and other postseason contests, and it meant building new facilities and improving the others to attract the top coaching and student-athlete talent to West Lafayette.

A 1973 industrial management graduate, Burke was a member of Phi Beta Kappa scholastic honorary. After graduation, he continued at Purdue and earned a master's degree in industrial relations in 1975. In 1980, he graduated with a law degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

He pursued a successful career with Inland Steel Co. after law school, moving through 13 positions in an 18-year span. He was vice president when he departed to become athletics director.

When Burke succeeded George King as AD on Jan. 1, 1993, Purdue had a solid reputation for playing hard and playing by the rules. Burke pledged to build on the

foundation already in place. Working with coaches and staff, aggressive goals were set.

On the athletics side, Burke's expectation was to improve the position of Purdue teams in the Big Ten and nationally. During his tenure, squads have made significant strides by both measures. In 2007-08, 14 teams earned the opportunity to play in postseason play, equaling the high-water mark in Burke's time at Purdue. On the national scene, the Boilermakers have gone from 81st in 1994-95 to 35th in 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 among 300 NCAA Division I programs.

Similar excellence was expected in the classroom – to match or surpass the overall grade-point average of the general student body. That goal has been achieved each of the last 22 semesters. Following the 2008 spring semester, the cumulative GPA for all current Purdue student-athletes was a record 2.98.

More specifically, Burke articulated an expectation for all areas of Intercollegiate Athletics to make measurable improvement.

Because Intercollegiate Athletics writes a check to the University for scholarships, financial resources had to be expanded greatly to support all sports. Burke challenged Purdue alumni and fans to get on board to propel Boilermaker athletics to greatness. He set a goal of doubling the size of the 4,350-member John Purdue Club as well as doubling the \$2.5 million raised annually to support student-athletes. Both goals have been achieved, with JPC memberships now closing in on 9,000 and annual dollars raised to support scholarships and academic support services in excess of \$7 million. The goal is to raise memberships to 12,000 by 2013.

Burke and his staff have set a high standard for the future. As a rallying point on the road to preeminence, administrators coined the term "25/75 Club" to articulate a vision of an intercollegiate athletics organization that achieves an average finish in the top 25 across all sports and graduates 75 percent of student-athletes. Precious few institutions achieve this lofty status. They are Duke, North Carolina, Notre Dame, Penn State and Stanford.

To better reflect graduation success, the "25/75" will be altered to "25/85" and use as its metric the Graduation Success Rate (which better accounts for transfer activity) when the athletics department updated strategic plan is submitted to University president France A. Córdova in December of 2008. The Graduation Success Rate presently stands at 79 percent.

Regular upgrades of competition and practice venues are vital in attracting and retaining top-student athlete and coaching talent, and that's why Burke and his staff have identified and addressed a number of facility priorities since the start of the new millennium.

"We truly are making progress in a way that will better the experience of our student-athletes and the recruitment process by giving them an athletic campus suitable to the preeminence of Purdue University," Burke said.

In spring 2001, work started on the \$70 million dollar renovation of Ross-Ade Stadium. The remade Ross-Ade boasts vastly expanded concessions and restrooms along a wider concourse, new concrete throughout, wider aisles and individual seats, and increased seating for fans in wheelchairs. The crown of this project is the Ross-Ade Pavilion, which houses suites, indoor and outdoor club seats, the Buchanan and Shively stadium clubs, facilities for the working press and game-day staff, and offices for the John Purdue Club.

The Boilermaker Aquatic Center – featuring the Doris Z. Holloway Pool – opened its doors to the delight of swimmers and divers in the fall of 2001 and since then has played host to multiple championship events, including the 2005 NCAA Women's Championships

and 2006 U.S. Open, plus two Big Ten Championships and two NCAA Diving Zones. It will be the home for the 2009 Big Ten Men's Championships and the 2010 Big Ten Women's Championships, Region C Diving Zones and NCAA Women's Championships.

Purdue's golf complex has undergone several facelifts over the past decade. Pete Dye's redesign of the "north course" – now known as the Kampen Course – instantly placed Purdue's golf facilities on the national map, as the Birk Boilermaker Golf Complex was the site of the 2003 NCAA Women's Championships and the 2008 NCAA Men's Championships. The newest addition is the Tom Spurgeon indoor training center, which was dedicated in 2005.

Purdue's volleyball program, which advanced to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament in 2005 and 2006, received several major upgrades to its court within the Intercollegiate Athletic Facility (now Holloway Gymnasium). The volleyball court was revamped over the summer of 2006 and named after Boilermaker supporters Ron and Kay Belin.

The Dennis J. and Mary Lou Schwartz Tennis Center opened its doors in December of 2006, in time to play host to the 2007 Big Ten Men's Championships and subsequently the 2008 Big Ten Women's Championships.

Most recently, the Mollenkopf Athletic Center got a makeover during the spring and summer of 2006. The 16-year-old AstroTurf was replaced with state-of-the-art FieldTurf, while the walls of the indoor practice facility were repainted and adorned with banners that pay tribute to Purdue's rich football heritage. The field was named after Richard, Alice and Kimra Schleicher.

Major work will continue into the next decade. In May of 2007, the Board of Trustees awarded a contract to HNTB Architecture of Kansas City, Mo., for a complete makeover of Mackey Arena, the venerable home of Boilermaker basketball for the last 40-plus years. In addition to revitalizing the campus landmark as a basketball arena, the \$99.5 million Mackey Complex project will benefit all student-athletes with the addition of new sports medicine and strength and weight training facilities. The Drew and Brittany Brees Student-Athlete Academic Center – on the second floor of Holloway Gymnasium – will increase the space for academic support services from 6,500 to 11,000 square feet. All told, 70 percent of the nearly 280,000 square feet of new or renovated space in the Mackey project will affect and benefit all student-athletes.

HNTB also was retained to plan the development of a master plan for the "Northwest Site" – where soccer and tennis currently reside – to include new stadiums for baseball, softball and track and field. With this plan as a foundation, Cooke Douglas, Farr and Lemons was hired to prepare the detailed plans to upgrade the Varsity Soccer Complex and to build a new baseball facility.

Another goal of Burke's was to involve former student-athletes in the life of the department, to counsel and question, and provide ideas to keep the organization sharp. In 1993, he established an advisory council made up of 24 student-athlete alumni. The group meets annually to hear reports and make suggestions to Burke and senior administrators.

In 2003, former student-athletes found a new home in Intercollegiate Athletics with the founding of the Varsity P Club. A subset of the John Purdue Club, the Varsity P Club welcomes back Boilermaker athletes each fall for golf, good times and the Ross-Ade Stadium roar.

Burke, 56, is married to the former Catherine J. (Kate) Mullane, a Purdue alumna and pharmacist. They have three children: Joyce, Morgan Jr. and Patrick. Joyce is a Purdue alumna working as a materials engineer; she and her husband, Ryan, reside in Austin, Texas. Morgan Jr., a Purdue graduate, is a landscape architect and works with a firm in San Francisco, where he lives with his wife Molly. Patrick is a senior at Purdue in the College of Engineering.

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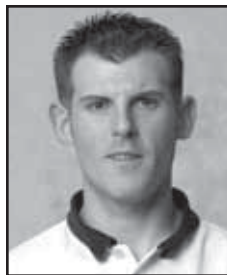
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