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In just four years, head coach Phil Jones has turned Shorter College football into an NAIA national power and a program guided by a Christian vision for consistent excellence both on and off the field.

Under Jones' leadership, the Hawks have posted three consecutive seasons of seven wins or more, had 42 All-Conference selections, 46 All-Academic honorees and three conference Players of the Year. In 2008, Jones led Shorter to its first-ever conference championship and berth in the NAIA Playoffs.

The Jones Ledger

**2008 Grant Teaff FCA
National Coach of the Year**

**2008 NAIA Region I
Coach of the Year**

**2008 Mid-South West Division
Coach of the Year**

26-18 Record at Shorter

#12 Final Ranking in 2008





Quick Facts / Media Information

Quick Facts

Location:	Rome, Ga.
Founded:	1873
Enrollment:	2,900
President:	Dr. Harold E. Newman
Athletic Director:	Bill Peterson
Nickname:	Hawks
Colors:	Royal Blue and White
Affiliation:	NAIA Division I
Conference:	Mid-South West
Home Field:	Barron Stadium
Athletic Dept. Phone:	(706) 233-7347

Coaching Staff

Head Coach:	Phil Jones
Alma Mater:	Mercer University, 1968
Career Record at Shorter:	26-18
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Assistant Head Coach:	Mike Bartik
Alma Mater:	Furman University, 1974
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Assistant Coaches:	Scott Byrd, Tab Gable, Tony Lundy, Tim Mathis, Ronnie Newberry, Bill Peterson, Paul Pitts, Jimmy Rosato, Shawn Turner

Team Information

2008 Record:	9-3
2008 MSC West Record:	4-1
2008 MSC West Finish:	T-1st
Base Offense:	Option
Base Defense:	3-4
Offensive Starters Returning/Lost:	4/7
Defensive Starters Returning/Lost:	4/7
Letterwinners Returning/Lost:	35/29

Football History

First Year of Football:	2005
All-Time Record:	26-18
Conference Championships:	1
Years in Post-Season Play:	1

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Message from the Director of Athletics



Dear Hawk Family:

It is my great pleasure to welcome in another exciting season of Shorter College football.

A year has passed since last season, and our Hawks and Lady Hawks athletic teams have completed what is arguably the best year in the history of Shorter College Athletics. As always, our goal is for Shorter to be recognized as an outstanding option for student-athletes who are looking for academic excellence, spiritual growth, and a challenging athletic experience. In conjunction with this goal, we have been blessed with the best in both student-athletes and coaches; whether in competition, in the classroom or in the community.

During the past year, thirteen of our teams finished the year in the NAIA Top-25 for their respective sport, and at the conclusion of the year, Shorter placed 33rd in the nation out of nearly 300 NAIA member schools in the NACDA Director's Cup. In addition, we graduated a record number of student-athletes and celebrated our first team national championship. Most importantly, we continued to see great growth among both our coaches and athletics in their Christian walk of faith.

In just its fourth year, our football program won its first-ever conference championship and earned its first berth into the NAIA National Playoffs. We also saw our highly respected head football coach, Phil Jones, receive the prestigious FCA National Coach of the Year Award.

Women's basketball player Whitney Tucker was named the national winner of the Emil S. Liston Award, an annual award presented by the NAIA and Daktronics recognizing a male and female junior basketball player based on scholarship, character and playing ability.

Softball standout Becca Thomas garnered the SSAC's most prestigious honor, the 2008-2009 SSAC Female Honor Student-Athlete of the Year. Along with men's soccer player Kyle Timberlake, Becca was also honored as one of Shorter's two Student-Athletes of the Year.

Justyna Mudy won our second individual national championship in the last two years and became the first Lady Hawk to ever win a national championship.

Our student-athletes and coaches continued to shine recording all-time highs in the following areas: 75 graduating seniors, 74 all-academic and all-conference selections, 16 NAIA Scholar-Athletes, six conference championships and one national championship and eight Coach of the Year selections. What a year!

While we are proud of what has accomplished in the 2008-2009 school year, both our coaches and student-athletes are even more excited about what the future may bring.

The growth and accomplishments of the past decade have put this program in position to move into the most successful era ever of Shorter Athletics. For that to happen, it will require a great effort on all of our parts as well as a tremendous amount of teamwork. It will also take great faith, unbelievable enthusiasm and a champion's perseverance. Nonetheless, I am confident it can be done.

We appreciate your continued support and we look forward to another exciting year in 2009-2010.

Go Hawks!

Bill Peterson

Shorter College Director of Athletics



2009 Shorter Football Schedule

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Time</i>
Aug. 29	at Lenoir-Rhyne University	Hickory, N.C.	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 12	LaGrange College	Barron Stadium	6:00 p.m.
Sept. 19	Pikeville College*	Barron Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 26	at Faulkner University#	Montgomery, Ala.	12:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Campbellsville University*	Barron Stadium	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 10	at Lambuth University#	Jackson, Tenn.	11:00 a.m.
Oct. 17	Kentucky Christian University*+	Barron Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 24	at Union College (Ky.)*	Barboursville, Ky.	1:30 p.m.
Oct. 31	Cumberland University (Tenn.)#	Barron Stadium	1:30 p.m.
Nov. 7	at Belhaven College#	Jackson, Miss.	12:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	Bethel College (Tenn.)#	Barron Stadium	7:00 p.m.

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* denotes Mid-South Conference Game

denotes Mid-South Western Division Game

+ Homecoming and Alumni Weekend

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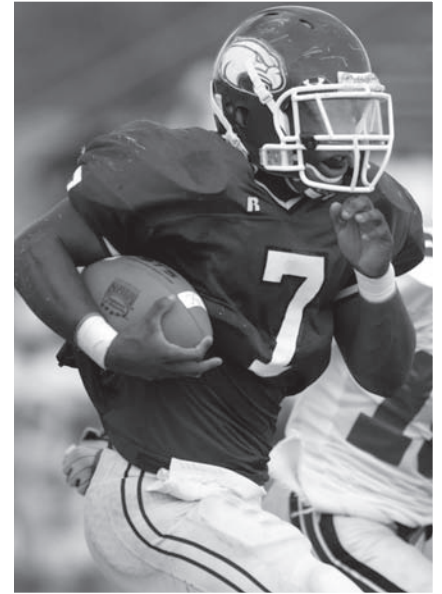
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THIS IS...





HAWK FOOTBALL





Hawks poised to build on championship foundation

Coach Phil Jones hopes returning standouts, talented newcomers can take Shorter to the next level

By Jim O'Hara

Five years ago, when Shorter College was preparing to make its first-ever venture into the world of NAIA football, one word summed up what head coach Phil Jones wanted the new Hawks program to achieve.

Winning, success, championship, respect – any one of those words could have been emphasized by those charged with starting a new program. Instead, those monikers were the end result of the word that has become the foundation for the Hawks: Relationship.

That word has made all the difference as the 2009 Shorter Hawks head into a new season, one that will see the continuation of a legacy left by 29 program pioneers who became the first graduating class after establishing a foundation that placed the program into national prominence.

“From the moment we started the program, everything has been built on a relationship with each other and with the Lord, and we go from there,” Jones said.

What the Hawks have achieved is something few college programs have done in the first four years of fielding a team – winning a conference championship, being nationally-ranked and acquiring numerous individual accolades.

All told, Shorter closed out the 2008 campaign capturing the Mid-South Conference West Division title, advancing to the NAIA Playoffs and finishing as the nation's 12th-ranked team with a 9-3 record.

Jones, running back A.J. Cooley and linebacker Logan Lollis were named the conference's top coach, offensive player and defensive player, respectively.

“There is no question that last year was very satisfying from the coaching perspective,” said Jones, who was also named the 2008 Fellowship of Christian Athletes National Coach of the Year, “You have to give credit to the way the kids played and to the manner in which they came together, especially the seniors. I'm thankful for them and what they have meant to the program, yet it's time to move on and continue to try and be the best we can.”

To do that, the Hawks will call upon a blend of proven standouts and the arrival of players ready to step into the huge footsteps left by the departure of 29 seniors.

Cooley and Lollis were certainly a huge part of the Hawks' fortunes last year and give the team a noticeable leader on each side of the ball.

The top returning rusher in the NAIA and the No. 2 scorer in the nation heading into the new season, Cooley re-wrote the Hawks' single-season rushing record books by gaining more than 1,500 yards and scoring 21 touchdowns.



BEN WILLIAMS

The Bowdon, Ga. native also etched his name for several single-game marks, including a 99-yard touchdown run.

Lollis, a native of Lyons, Ga., served as the anchor of a Shorter defense that was among the best in the Mid-South. He paced the Hawks with 49 unassisted tackles and 64 assists while also recording three interceptions and registering 7.0 sacks.

“They are both great leaders who don't say a lot,” Jones said. “They lead by doing. It's time for them to step up beyond just how they play and they won't have a problem with that.”

Jones is counting on the senior class to pick up the Shorter standard.

“One good thing about leadership is that it comes in different forms,” said Jones. “What we do have is a group of seniors who are vocal and a group who are quiet and all of them are very productive.”

Shorter opens the season on Aug. 29 with a road game at NCAA Division II foe Lenoir-Rhyne University facing some questions, the biggest of which focus on a revamped offensive line, where all five positions will be manned by new starters, and an inexperienced defense front, where last season's starters and back-ups have departed.



Along the offensive front, several new faces will line up to open the holes for Cooley and the Hawks' ground game, one that led the NAIA in rushing last year averaging 304.7 yards-per-game.

"The guys who are gone were an incredible group of men in terms of their passion and what they gave daily," said Jones. "The group coming back witnessed that and were part of that, and for the most part their ability level is as good if not better. They are just untested.

"We have a number of good players ready to step in and when you have two players who were the best in the conference as well, there is a lot of good in that."

OFFENSE

Boasting the best run game in the NAIA, the Hawks will remain well-grounded thanks to the return of Cooley.

Named an NAIA Preseason All-American by *Sporting News*, the 6-foot-2, 210-pounder spearheads Shorter's offensive attack. The Hawks' all-time leading rusher, Cooley enters his final season at Shorter after averaging 6.0 yards-per-carry and 129.8 yards-per-game last year on the way to rushing for 1,550 yards.

"The key for A.J. is staying healthy because he will take some shots," Jones said about Cooley, who carried 261 times and was the NAIA's fourth-best in all-purpose yards (157.4 ypg) last fall. "His mental approach is also important because there is always a tendency to get a mentality that 'I have arrived.' We are not too worried about that because A.J. is a team player and he is the type of person who is never satisfied."



T.C. JAY

Being counted on to give Cooley support at fullback are sophomores Dennis Stanley (Kennesaw) and Adrian Hargett (Valdosta), who combined for more than 200 rushing yards and two touchdowns last year, and fellow sophomore Blake Thomas (Dalton).

In addition to Cooley, the Hawks open the new season with their second-leading rusher from 2008, junior quarterback Ben Williams (Marietta), who rushed for 584 yards and five touchdowns. He also passed for 328 yards and a pair of touchdowns.

"[Ben] had a tremendous year for us," Jones said. "He's very intelligent and one of the hardest workers on the team. He's ready to go."

Sophomore David Byrd (Fayetteville) saw action last year and is ready to help the Hawks behind center, as is fifth-year senior Caleb Carmine, who also serves as Shorter's holder on placements.

One area of offensive production that received much attention during the off-season were the two slotback spots left vacant by the graduation of standouts Chris Chapman and Ramon Nesbitt, who teamed up to give Shorter more than 800 yards and eight touchdowns last year.

Several Hawks will try to fill the void, including junior Pierre Toran (Erie, Pa.), who has been moved over from fullback, and sophomore Antwon Appleton (Ft. Payne, Ala.), who saw action last fall.

Sophomore Kevin Hall (Henry County) returns to help out, while the Hawks hope two newcomers can produce – senior transfer Jordan Hazard (Marietta), the brother of Hawk Daniel Hazard, comes to Shorter from Tennessee-Chattanooga where he led Southern Conference in returns, and incoming freshman Branden Morton (Glynn Academy).

Although running the ball has become Shorter's trademark, the Hawks will look to add more balance to the offense through the air, and a long list of wide receivers are ready to answer the call.

Leading group of receivers is junior T.C. Jay (Rockmart), who last year hauled in a team-high six passes for 151 yards and one score.

Also among the veteran mix of receivers is junior Calvin Gibson (Stockbridge), sophomore Dustin Duckett (Albertville, Ala.), junior Bo Bearse (Dacula), and sophomore brothers Allen and Albert Huntley (Atlanta).

One key to the Hawks' offense this season is at center, where for the first time in Shorter's history, four-year starter and All-Conference honoree Zach Morrison will not be snapping the ball. Junior Ryan Willoughby (5-10, 260/Marietta) alternated as a starter at tackle last year but is being given a serious look at lining up over the ball.

To avoid moving Willoughby, the Hawks are also looking at fifth-year senior Miles Holcomb (6-3, 270/Crossville, Ala.) and sophomore John Fricks (6-4, 265/Fyffe, Ala.) to assume the snapping chores.

Depth is solid at guard, where four Hawks have a shot at the starting slots.

Sophomore Nick Newborn (6-0, 300/Cartersville) saw action last year, as did sophomore Sam Robinson (5-10, 255/Bremen). Also returning



A.J. BAKER

are junior Matt Broome (5-10, 275/Lindale), who is recovered from off-season ankle surgery, and senior Kavin Walker (6-0, 300/Thomaston).

If the situation at center is solved, Holcomb could find himself at guard as well, along with an option to use him at tackle with Willoughby.

Shorter's tackle options are plentiful with sophomore Andy Kellogg (6-2, 230/Buford), Spencer Bettis (6-4, 240/Cumming), sophomore Landon Littlejohn (6-3, 250/Lafayette) and junior Josh Dorminy (6-2, 250/Darien) all in the hunt. Several freshmen could see valuable playing time up front.

"We probably have the finest group of freshmen linemen coming in that we have ever had," said Jones, noting that newcomers Steven Powell (Thomas County Central), Alex Burress (Dalton High), Tyler Thomas (Etowah High) and Michael Ozment (Pepperell High) are among the contenders. "That adds to the depth we need."

At tight end, a position that requires strong blocking skills and good receiving hands, sophomore Collin Woody (6-1, 220/Fayetteville), who got some starts as a freshman, has the inside shot at getting the start. The Hawks will also give incoming freshman Kyle Davis (Armuchee) a look.

DEFENSE

With Lollis anchoring an experienced and potent corps of linebackers, the Hawks' success will hinge on players who battle in the trenches, and this year both starters and reserves will handle the tasks for the first time. "It is a high priority area for us," Shorter assistant head coach and de-

fensive coordinator Mike Bartik said. The Hawks must replace a total of seven graduated players who lined up within their 3-4 base defense.

"On defense, everything starts up front and it's definitely an area of concern for us," said Bartik. "We ask our defensive linemen to do a lot for us and consequently we play a lot of kids because they expend so much energy every play, much more than any other position."

Two juniors, Lonergon Honore (5-10, 290/New Orleans, La.) and Randy Reed (5-9, 250/Watkinsville) are eager to take their turns at nose guard. A pair of freshmen may be in the picture as well as Pepperell High product Matt Kelley (6-0, 260) and Gainesville High's Shammond Stringer (6-1, 265) bring solid prep credentials to Shorter.

Shorter will count on a number of new faces at defensive end. Two red-shirt sophomores, Justin Hooper (6-6, 250/Ranger) and Chris Legg (6-4, 250/Suwanee), lead a long list of candidates that includes sophomore David Hall (6-1, 240/Dalton) and red-shirt freshman Will Frasier (6-1, 240/Aragon).

Two juniors have moved from other positions to aid the cause – ex-offensive lineman Seth Lindsay (6-0, 240/Trion) and former linebacker Cameron Panther (6-3, 245/Morrow). Three true freshmen add even more depth in the arrival of Hoover (Ala.) High standout Scotty Long (6-2, 245), and former Fyffe (Ala.) High teammates Josh Clements (6-4, 240) and Kent Thrash (6-3, 220).

In place to support the development of a new line is what could be one of the best linebacking units in the conference. Included is arguably the top pair of middle linebackers in the Mid-South – Lollis and junior Garrett Hochstetler (Colbert).

Lollis has already proven his worth to the Hawks as their defensive leader, but Hochstetler can also deliver a knockout blow as he proved last season when he was second only to Lollis with 80 tackles.

The Hawks boast a slew of middle linebackers with juniors Junior Grant Meyers (Snellville) and Danny Bannach (Greenville, Tenn.) and sophomore Drew Putnam (Rome) at the ready. Junior transfer Josh Hines, a former Rome High standout who returns home after walking on at Mississippi State, adds even more ability.

"The depth [at middle linebacker] is better and more experienced than we have ever had," Bartik said.

Depth is equally prevalent at the two outside linebacker spots. At the weakside position is senior veteran Lasiah Hutchins (Rockmart) and sophomore Daniel Hazard (Marietta), who both saw action last year, and red-shirt freshman Zack Owens (Rome).

Experience also returns at the strongside linebacker position with seniors Sharrod Kimble (Powder Springs) and Blake Ducatel (Woodstock). Junior Jamey Rice (Colbert), sophomore Collyn Copeland (Rome) and freshman Zach Mann (Whitewater) may also challenge for playing time.

The perimeter will be in the reliable hands of fifth-year senior A.J. Baker (Calhoun) who will sure up right corner for the third-straight year. Last year, Baker ended the season as the Hawks' third-leading tackler (67),



had two interceptions and seven breakups, and led Shorter with two blocked kicks.

Behind Baker will be sophomore Tony Sidney (Forsyth) and red-shirt sophomore Demarko Huntley (Atlanta).

On the left side, five players will compete for the position, including senior O.J. Taylor (Toccoa), who sat out last season after starting in 2007. Joining Taylor in the mix is sophomore Tray Malone (Gainesville), red-shirt freshman Devion Hasilrig (Coosa), and two incoming freshmen in Denzel Nobles (Glynn Academy) and Will Wiggins (Armuchee).

Shorter will need to find replacements at the safety positions, which will be handled for the first time by players other than All-Conference standouts Bud Keith and Will Oliver, both four-year starters.

Making the transition easier is the relocation of another All-League selection, senior Drew Elrod (Adairsville), who moves to safety from quarterback where earned conference honors two years ago. Junior Jermaine Woodard (Rome) also moves into the secondary from outside linebacker, a position he played effectively at Rome High.

“Both are very athletic,” Bartik said. “They will provide more speed to the secondary, where we’ll be faster than we have been.”

Rounding out the safety candidates are sophomore Josh Gibson (Watkinsville), red-shirt freshmen Spencer Bragg (Dalton), Cody Boyd (Summerville) and Jonathan Ray (Winchester, Tenn.), and incoming freshmen Jake Thompson (Sand Rock (Ala.)) and Tyler Fuqua (Rockmart).

SPECIAL TEAMS

Punting and placekicking have been vital parts of the Hawks’ game plan for the past four years thanks to the All-MSC leg of Lukas Gonzales. However, Gonzales is gone, and that means the Hawks have to find someone to maintain the pace.

Jones expects several newcomers to compete. Transfer David Guilford, a former kicking standout at Rome High, and incoming freshman Dustin Mackey, a multi-sport standout at Sand Rock (Ala.) High who also played quarterback and punted, are leading candidates.

Former Rome High standout Corey Thacker, who transfers to Shorter after playing baseball for one year at Armstrong State, and walk-on Stephen McMillan (Tift Academy) can also be called on to punt.

Kick returning was one of the most silent weapons last year for the Hawks, who ranked second in the nation in punt returns (17.3 yards-per-return) and third in the country in kickoff returns (24.3). Jay led the Hawks in punt returns with a 10.9 average, while Cooley paced the team in kickoff returns. Duckett and Hazard are also threats.

SEASON OUTLOOK

Saying goodbye to so many men who put Shorter on the national football map was hard for Jones, but while he misses the relationships he developed, the coach is excited about what the new season holds.

“We don’t consider this to be a rebuilding year,” said Jones. “We talk about how we can get a conference championship and that’s what we want the players to believe.”

Jones notes that for the first time, Shorter enters 2009 as a team to beat.

“The establishment of our program is certainly more widespread in NAIA circles,” Jones said. “We won’t be able to sneak up on anyone any more and we don’t expect to do that.”

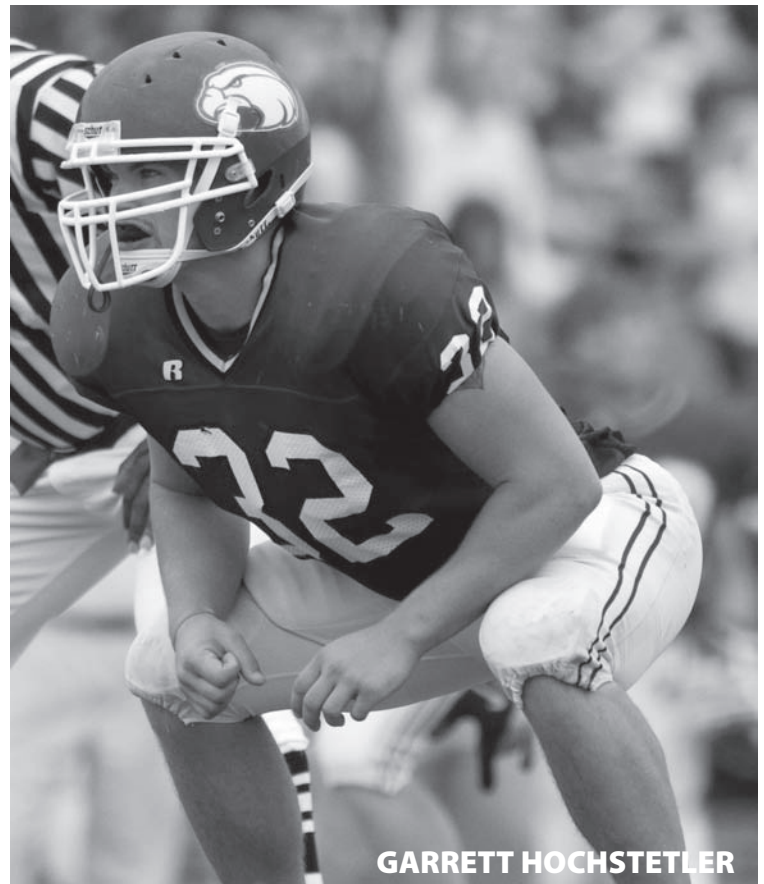
Judging from the No. 11 ranking the Hawks received in the NAIA 2009 spring poll, the team’s reputation is solidified. That means the Hawks can ill-afford to take any unknowns into a tough Mid-South Conference slate, which begins after the first two games of the season.

“The first game will be a big test for us,” Jones said about the season opener against Lenoir-Rhyne. “It’s a great measuring stick for us and that’s good as long as we keep a perspective on it. Last year we took what we did against Western Carolina and learned from it and we’ve got another chance to do it this year.”

The Hawks return for their first home game of the season on Sept. 12, facing in-state rival LaGrange for the coveted Governor’s Cup at Barron Stadium.

As has been the case in the last four years, relationships the Hawks have developed will continue to be the cornerstone of a well-founded program.

Said Jones: “We are family.”



GARRETT HOCHSTETLER



2009 Shorter Football Numerical Roster

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Pos.</i>	<i>Yr.</i>	<i>Ht.</i>	<i>Wt.</i>	<i>Hometown/High School</i>
1	Jordan Hazard	SLOT	SR	5-8	165	East Providence, R.I./Sprayberry
2	Calvin Gibson	WR	JR	5-8	170	Jacksonville, Fla./Dutchtown
3	Ben Williams	QB	JR	6-0	200	Marietta, Ga./Lassiter
4	Brandon Morten	SLOT	FR	5-6	145	Brunswick, Ga./Glynn Academy
4	Spencer Bragg	DB	FR	5-10	180	Dalton, Ga./Northwest Whitfield
5	Roderick Jones	SLOT	FR	5-11	180	Hinesville, Ga./Liberty County
5	Demarko Huntley	DB	SO	5-11	165	Atlanta, Ga./Frederick Douglass
6	Caleb Carmean	QB	SR	6-1	205	Kennesaw, Ga./Kennesaw Mountain
6	Fredarious Stowers	DB	FR	5-8	150	Hartwell, Ga./Hart County
7	A.J. Cooley	FB	SR	6-1	215	Bowdon, Ga./Bowdon
7	Zack Owens	OLB	SO	6-1	200	Rome, Ga./Coosa
8	A.J. Baker	DB	SR	5-8	160	Calhoun, Ga./Calhoun
9	Danny Bannach	ILB	JR	6-3	235	Greenville, Tenn./Greenville (Tenn.)
10	Drew Elrod	DB	SR	6-2	210	Rydal, Ga./Adairsville
10	Cory Thacker	QB	SO	6-0	170	Rome, Ga./Rome
11	Sharrod Kimble	OLB	SR	6-0	235	Powder Springs, Ga./McEachern
12	Harrison Scott	QB	FR	6-2	200	Dalton, Ga./Dalton
13	David Guliford	K	JR	5-11	195	Rome, Ga./Rome
13	Deveion Haselrig	CB	SO	5-10	170	Rome, Ga./Coosa
14	Allen Huntley	WR	SO	5-8	155	Atlanta, Ga./Frederick Douglass
15	Jermaine Woodard	DB	JR	6-1	190	Rome, Ga./Rome
15	Albert Huntley	WR	SO	5-8	165	Atlanta, Ga./Frederick Douglass
16	David Byrd	QB	SO	5-11	185	Fayetteville, Ga./Whitewater
17	Daniel Hazard	OLB	SO	6-0	180	East Providence, R.I./Sprayberry
17	Jared Williams	QB	SR	5-11	170	Gainesville, Ga./Johnson-Gainesville
18	Pierre Toran	FB	SR	5-10	210	Erie, Pa./Wheeler
18	Jonathan Ray	DB	SO	6-0	180	Winchester, Tenn./Huntland (Tenn.)
19	Lasiah Hutchins	LB	SR	6-0	220	Aragon, Ga./Rockmart
19	Dennis Toney	SLOT	SO	5-11	165	Atlanta, Ga./Apalachee
20	Jake Thompson	DB	FR	6-1	185	Leesburg, Ala./Sand Rock
21	Josh Gibson	DB	RS JR	5-10	195	Watkinsville, Ga./Oconee County
22	Collyn Copeland	OLB	SO	6-2	210	Rome, Ga./Rome
22	Octavius Edge	RB	SO	5-11	200	Atlanta, Ga./Love Joy
23	Dennis Stanley	FB	SR	5-10	220	Kennesaw, Ga./Kennesaw Mountain
23	Tray Malone	DB	SO	5-10	190	Gainesville, Ga./West Hall
24	Dion Giles	DB	SO	5-8	160	Athens, Ga./Clarke Central
24	Caleb Collins	SB	FR	5-5	155	Savannah, Ga./Benedictine Military



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25	Antwon Appleton	SLOT	SO	5-8	170	Fort Payne, Ala./Fort Payne
26	Tyler Fuqua	SLOT	FR	6-1	170	Rockmart, Ga./Rockmart
26	T.C. Jay	WR	JR	6-0	190	Rockmart, Ga./Rockmart
27	Desmond Clark	DB	FR	5-11	170	Rome, Ga./Rome
27	Terrell Penland	WR	FR	5-11	175	Gainesville, Ga./West Hall
28	Jean Makita	OLB	JR	6-1	205	Paris, France/Peachtree Ridge
28	Kareem Hawkins	WR	FR	6-2	170	Toano, Va./Dalton
29	Rodney Gibson	WR	FR	6-3	190	Gainesville, Ga./West Hall
29	Cody Boyd	DB	SO	6-1	195	Summerville, Ga./Chattooga
30	Seth Bohannon	LB	SO	6-0	180	Calhoun, Ga./Gordon Central
30	Kevin Hall	SLOT	JR	6-0	175	McDonough, Ga./Mt. Vernon Christian Academy
31	Eric Stallworth	WR	FR	6-1	205	Kennesaw, Ga./Harrison
31	Demison McKenzie	FB	FR	5-8	255	Montezuma, Ga./Macon County
32	Garrett Hochstetler	ILB	RS JR	6-1	225	Colbert, Ga./Madison County
32	David Mwamba	SLOT	JR	5-9	205	Lilburn, Ga./Brookwood
33	Will Wiggins	CB	FR	5-11	185	Rome, Ga./Armuchee
34	Vann Calhoun	OLB	FR	5-8	180	Rome, Ga./Rome
35	Jordan Sturdivant	WR	FR	6-0	175	Stockbridge, Ga./Stockbridge
35	Ines Kananda	LB	SO	5-9	195	Atlanta, Ga./Lakeside
36	Trent Payne	DB	FR	5-9	160	Sornoraville, Ga./Northwest Whitfield
36	P.J. Green	FB	FR	5-9	230	Rome, Ga./Rome
37	Emmanuel Grimes	WR	FR	5-10	165	McRae, Ga./Telfair County
37	Bruce DeFoor	DB	SO	6-1	185	Calhoun, Ga./Calhoun
38	Abdull Haynes	SB	JR	6-0	190	Villa Rica, Ga./Villa Rica
38	Justin Lindsey	LB	FR	5-8	185	Calhoun, Ga./Calhoun
39	Zach Mann	OLB	FR	5-11	190	Conyers, Ga./Whitewater
39	Rob Crowder	WR	SO	6-4	205	Chickamauga, Ga./Gordon Lee
40	Blake Thomas	FB	JR	5-7	180	Dalton, Ga./Southeast Whitfield
41	Logan Beer	WR	FR	6-0	175	Canton, Ga./Shiloh Hills Christian
41	Trae Clack	ILB	FR	5-10	215	Abbeville, Ga./Wilcox
42	Stephen Jackson	SLOT	FR	5-9	175	Columbus, Ga./Northside
42	Derik Cooper	DB	JR	5-9	175	Flintstone, Ga./Ridgeland
43	Jamey Rice	OLB	SO	5-11	220	Colbert, Ga./Madison County
44	Demetrius Washington	FB	FR	5-9	210	Hephzibah, Ga./Hephzibah
44	Grant Myers	ILB	JR	5-11	215	Snellville, Ga./Shiloh
45	Cameron Panther	ILB	JR	6-2	235	Morrow, Ga./Eagle's Landing Christian Academy
46	Quay Boddie	OLB	FR	5-11	225	LaGrange, Ga./Callaway



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46	Brent Veal	TE	FR	6-0	195	Newnan, Ga./Heritage
47	Josh Hines	ILB	JR	5-10	230	Rome, Ga./Rome
48	Blake Ducatel	LB	SR	6-3	225	Woodstock, Ga./Etowah
48	Kyle Davis	TE	FR	6-3	230	Rome, Ga./Armuchee
49	Logan Lollis	ILB	SR	6-3	235	Lyons, Ga./Toombs County
50	Andy Kellogg	OL	SO	6-2	220	Buford, Ga./Buford
51	Kyle Johnson	ILB	FR	6-1	250	Lyons, Ga./Toombs County
51	Tabias Walker	DL	FR	6-0	275	Tifton, Ga./Tifton
52	Justin White	ILB	FR	5-10	200	Dalton, Ga./Northwest Whitfield
52	Sam Robison	OL	SO	5-10	260	Bremen, Ga./Bremen
53	Jonathon Benton	OL	FR	5-10	230	Calhoun, Ga./Gordon Central
54	Justin Jarrett	ILB	FR	6-1	210	Blairsville, Ga./Union County
55	Issac Thomason	OL	FR	5-10	230	Dalton, Ga./Christian Heritage
55	Drew Putnam	ILB	SO	5-9	210	Rome, Ga./Coosa
56	Matt Broome	OL	JR	5-10	290	Lindale, Ga./Pepperell
56	Dylan Holtman	LB	FR	5-10	200	Adairsville, Ga./Adairsville
57	Scott Yates	LB	SO	5-10	215	Bowdon, Ga./Bowdon
57	Spenser Bettis	OL	JR	6-4	225	Cumming, Ga./Forsyth Central
58	Steven Powell	OL	FR	5-11	240	Thomasville, Ga./Thomas County
58	Brandan Atkinson	DL	FR	6-0	320	Doraville, Ga./Pickens
59	Chandler White	OL	FR	6-4	265	Jasper, Ga./Pickens County
59	Joe Colquitt	ILB	RS SO	5-9	200	Cedartown, Ga./Cedartown
60	Nick Newborn	OL	SO	6-0	305	Cartersville, Ga./Cartersville
61	Landon Littlejohn	OL	SO	6-3	250	LaFayette, Ga./LaFayette
62	Larry Weathers	DL	FR	6-0	290	Gadsden, Ala./Gadsden City
64	Kavin Walker	OL	SR	6-0	295	Thomaston, Ga./Upson Lee
65	Michael Ozment	OL	FR	5-11	250	Sliver Creek, Ga./Pepperell
66	Josh Dorminy	OL	JR	6-2	235	Darien, Ga./McIntosh County Academy
67	Cody Dobbs	OL	SO	6-1	365	Dalton, Ga./Southeast Whitfield
68	Tyler Thomas	OL	FR	6-2	260	Woodstock, Ga./Etowah
69	Ryan Willoughby	OL	JR	5-11	265	Marietta, Ga./Sprayberry
70	Alex Burse	OL	FR	6-1	285	Dalton, Ga./Dalton
70	Daniel Walker	DE	FR	6-4	215	Zebulon, Ga./Pike County
71	David Peranteau	DL	FR	5-11	230	Savannah, Tenn./Hardin County
72	Lonergon Honore	DL	SR	5-9	285	New Orleans, La./South Cobb
73	David Hall	DL	JR	6-1	250	Dalton, Ga./Dalton
73	Emmanuel Spragin	OL	SO	5-11	320	Atlanta, Ga./Henry W.



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74	Miles Holcomb	OL	SR	6-3	265	Crossville, Ala./Crossville (Ala.)
76	Nick Mitchell	OL	FR	6-1	260	Cave Springs, Ga./Coosa
76	Richard Hyde	DL	FR	6-4	210	Cartersville, Ga./Woodland
77	Chris Legg	DL	JR	6-5	245	Suwanee, Ga./South Forsyth
77	John Fricks	OL	SO	6-4	270	Fyffe, Ala./Fyffe
79	Trevor Gilbert	OL	FR	5-7	220	Columbus, Ga./Dutchtown
81	Dustin Duckett	WR	SO	5-10	180	Albertville, Ala./Albertville
82	D.J. Hughes	WR	SO	5-8	170	Hartwell, Ga./Hart County
83	Stephen McMillian	K	FR	5-10	230	Enigma, Ga./Tift Area Academy
83	Tyler Tillery	LB	FR	5-8	175	Douglasville, Ga./Alexander
84	Kent Thrash	DE	FR	6-2	215	Fyffe, Ala./Fyffe
85	Collin Woodydy	TE	SO	6-1	220	Fayetteville, Ga./Whitewater
86	Kyle Farmer	DL	FR	5-10	220	Chickamauga, Ga./Gordon Lee
86	Bo Bearse	WR	SO	6-0	160	Dacula, Ga./Mill Creek
87	Curtis Wyatt	WR	FR	6-0	180	Locust Grove, Ga./Ola
87	Ken Andrews	DL	FR	6-3	340	Bowdon, Ga./Bowdon
88	Gary Tiller	WR	FR	5-9	170	Sugar Hill, Ga./Collins Hill
88	Brock Pyle	DE	SR	5-11	230	Adairsville, Ga./Adairsville
89	Steven Kelley	WR	JR	5-10	175	Rome, Ga./Coosa
89	Seth Lindsay	DL	SR	6-0	215	Trion, Ga./Trion
90	Scotty Long	DL	FR	6-2	250	Hoover, Ala./Hoover
91	Jarrett Crockwell	OL	SR	6-1	260	College Park, Md./Banneker
92	Randy Reed	DL	SR	5-8	230	Watkinsville, Ga./Oconee County
93	Shammond Stringer	DL	FR	6-0	270	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville
94	Caleb Simmons	DL	FR	6-1	260	Southside, Ala./Southside
95	Justin Hooper	DE	JR	6-6	240	Ranger, Ga./Gordon Central
96	Hunter Simms	DL	SO	6-3	310	Lawrenceville, Ga./Brookwood
97	Josh Clements	DE	FR	6-3	235	Grove Oak, Ala./Fyffe
98	Jamal Denson	DL	FR	6-1	245	Tifton, Ga./Tift County
99	Matt Kelley	DL	FR	6-0	260	Rome, Ga./Pepperell



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Head Coach Phil Jones



The Jones File

Season: 5th

Alma Mater: Mercer University, 1968

Career Record @ Shorter: 26-18

2008 Record: 9-3 (4-1 MSC West)

2008 MSC Finish: T-1st

2008 MSC West Coach of the Year

2008 AFCA Region I Coach of the Year

2008 Grant Teaff FCA National Coach of the Year

Phil Jones enters his fifth season as head coach of the Shorter College football program. In 2008, Jones helped Shorter capture its first-ever Mid-South Conference Western Division crown, guiding the Hawks to a program-best nine wins, a berth in the NAIA National Playoffs and a No. 11 ranking in the final NAIA poll. For his work, Jones garnered a wealth of awards including Mid-South West Coach of the Year and AFCA Region I Coach of the Year.

Jones was also honored as the 2008 Fellowship of Christian Athletes National Coach of the Year, joining an elite class of honorees such as Tommy Tuberville, Tommy Bowden and Sylvester Croom.

In four seasons at the helm, Jones has transformed Shorter football into a national power while maintaining the program's vision for consistent excellence both on and off the field.



The impressive combination of academic and athletic success that defines Shorter football was epitomized in 2008; last season, Shorter boasted six NAIA All-American Scholar-Athletes in addition to the Mid-South Western Division Offensive and Defensive Players of the Year.

Under Jones' leadership, the Hawks have enjoyed three consecutive seasons of at least seven wins, placed 42 athletes on the Mid-South All-Conference teams, had 46 Academic All-Conference performers and produced three conference Players of the Year.

Jones came to Shorter in 2005 from NCAA Division I-AA (now FCS) Gardner-Webb University in Boiling Springs, N.C. He served as assistant head coach for the Bulldogs, who won back-to-back Big South Conference championships during his tenure.

Prior to Gardner-Webb, Jones served as an assistant coach at Southern Methodist University and coached under Jim Donnan at the University of Georgia from 1997-2001. Jones held several positions at UGA including defensive end coach, special teams coordinator and wide receivers coach. During Jones' stint in Athens, the Bulldogs rolled to four straight bowl victories and compiled a record of 35-13.

In addition to his collegiate coaching success, Jones coached Georgia high school football for 29 years beginning in 1968 at Northside High School in Warner Robbins.

Left: Jones pictured with wife, Janie



Jones earned his first head coaching position in 1973 at Jeff Davis High School in Hazelhurst, Ga. From 1975-1979, Jones served as head football coach and athletic director at Fitzgerald High School.

Jones moved on to Dooly County High School from 1980-1984 where he served as football coach and athletic director as well, leading the football team to 31-7 overall record. In 1983, Jones was named AA Coach of the Year and *Macon Telegraph* Middle Georgia Coach of the Year.

From 1984-1997, Jones served as head football coach at Winder-Barrow High School, leading his teams to the playoffs eight times and compiling an 81-58-2 record during his tenure. In 1993, Winder-Barrow advanced to the State AAA Semifinals, earning Jones the honor of 1993 AAA Coach of the Year. Jones, who served on the Georgia High School Association Executive Committee for three terms and as the organization's chairman from 1993-1995, was named AAA Athletic Director of the Year by the Georgia Athletic Directors Association in 1994.

A native of Thomaston, Ga., Jones graduated from Mercer University in 1968. He and his wife, Janie, have two children and five grandchildren.

“Phil Jones holds a great knowledge of Georgia and this region of the country and has a tremendous background with high school coaches in the state. Phil has a good feel for what is required to develop young men and is an outstanding coach.”

- Jim Donnan, former UGA head coach

“Being a successful coach all goes back to leadership, not necessarily from the standpoint of teaching technique or skill, but more in terms of good moral character. That’s the kind of leadership that defines people like Coach Jones. Integrity is the real cornerstone. Shorter has been a great place for Phil, and he’s been amazing for the community and for the lives he’s inevitably touched.”

- Vince Dooley, legendary UGA head coach and athletic director





Assistant Coaches



Mike Bartik

Assistant Head Coach / Secondary Coach and Defensive Coordinator

Mike Bartik will embark on his fifth season as Shorter assistant head coach and defensive coordinator. In 2008, Bartik led the Mid-South Conference's top defense, a unit that surrendered a league-low 328.8 yards and 19.5 points-per-game. The Hawks' defense was second-best in the MSC against the rush, third in sacks and fourth in pass defense efficiency.

Before joining the Hawks in 2005, Bartik was the secondary coach at Cumberland College in 2004. From 2000-2003, Bartik served as outside linebackers coach and defensive coordinator at Gardner-Webb University. During his tenure at GWU, the Bulldogs were known for their aggressive style of defense. Prior to Gardner-Webb, Bartik served as defensive coordinator at Rocky Mountain College in Billings, Montana from 1996-1999. Bartik helped establish Rocky Mountain College as a national football contender, producing playoff berths and Frontier Conference championships in 1998 and 1999.

Bartik began his coaching career at Evangel College in Springfield, Missouri where he was instrumental in developing its NAIA football program. Following his time at Evangel, Bartik coached prep football for 10 years, carrying a .732 winning percentage before returning to the collegiate level in 1990 to coach Marion Military Institute in Alabama.

Bartik was a two-sport standout at Furman University, earning All-South Carolina and Churchman's All-American honors in football in 1973 and lettering three years in baseball. Upon graduation, he spent two years in the World Football League playing for the Philadelphia Bells and the Birmingham Americans. A native of Atlanta and graduate of Lakeside High School, Bartik and his wife, Kimbi, have three children, Kelli, Bo and Kati.



Scott Byrd

Strength and Conditioning Coach

Scott Byrd enters his fifth year as a member of the football coaching staff and third season as head men's and women's track and field coach. Byrd oversees strength and conditioning for most of Shorter's 17 intercollegiate sports, including football, basketball and track. Byrd arrived at Shorter after a stint at Velocity Sports where he was an assistant head coach for Team Velocity.

In the spring of 2009, Byrd was named the Mid-South Conference Men's and Women's Outdoor Track Coach of the Year after guiding the Hawks and Lady Hawks to a sweep of the conference meet. The men placed fifth at the NAIA National Championships in St. Louis, Mo. while the women placed seventh.

Byrd is a USAW Club Coach and USAW Sports Performance certified. He coached OTC from 1994-1996, was an IDEA Certified Trainer from 1987-2000 and is currently a professional member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association.

Byrd coached 12 school-aged national champion athletes including three gold medalists, four silver medalists and one bronze medalist. He coached a three-member competition team that placed third nationally and also coached three junior national athletes, including one silver medalist.

Byrd graduated from Fayette County High School in 1979 after lettering all four years in varsity football and varsity track. In 1980, he was the national collegiate power lifting champion. Byrd graduated from Jacksonville State University in 1985.



Assistant Coaches



Tab Gable

Outside Linebackers Coach

Tab Gable returns for his third season as Shorter's outside linebacker coach. Before joining the Hawks' staff, Gable served as Athletic Director and assistant football coach at Gordon Central High School.

Gable's 22-year head coaching career spans three decades, during which his teams won region championships and reached the state playoffs. During his tenure, Gable was named Rome News-Tribune Coach of the Year, Chattanooga-Times Free Press Northwest Georgia Coach of the Year and GACA Coach of the Year.

Gable also coached in the Georgia High School North-South All-Star Game, a game which he had the privilege of participating in years earlier for Buchanan High School.

Gable played high school football under Coach Buddy Smith, his role model, and was selected to the all-state team. After receiving a football scholarship to Jacksonville State University in Alabama, Gable played defensive back and coached the position under Coach Charley Pell.

Gable and his wife, Sue, have three sons and daughters-in-law (Roone and Holli, John David and Andrea, and James and Mary Beth) and four grandchildren, Gracie, Mara, Collier and Ava.



Tony Lundy

Offensive Coordinator / Quarterbacks and Fullbacks Coach

Tony Lundy will once again team up with head coach Phil Jones in leading the Hawks' offensive attack. In 2008, Lundy's offense led the Mid-South Conference in rushing with 304.7 yards-per-game on the ground.

The Hawks were also one of the best in taking care of the football, ranking third in the conference in turnover margin at plus-eight.

Lundy, who also serves as the College's NAIA Compliance Officer, returned to Shorter after coaching at Cedartown High School. During his 15 years of gridiron coaching experience, Lundy has held the positions of offensive coordinator, passing game coordinator and receivers coach.

In all, Lundy's prep coaching career included six region championships, 11 state playoff berths, three state semifinal appearances and one state championship appearance. Lundy has also had the privilege of coaching six different receivers who have been named to the All-Rome Area Team.

Lundy graduated from Jacksonville State University with a Bachelor of Science degree and a Master of Business Administration. Missy, his wife of 20 years, is a 1988 graduate of Shorter College. They have one daughter, Anna (11).



Assistant Coaches



Tim Mathis

Offensive Line Coach / Recruiting Coordinator

Rome native Tim Mathis is in his fifth season as the Hawks' offensive line coach. Mathis also serves as the recruiting coordinator and oversees academic eligibility and football operations for Shorter.

From 1996-1997, the West Rome High School alumnus assisted with both football and soccer as a community coach at Rome High School.

From 1997-2000, he coached at Trion High School, working as offensive line coach, defensive back coach, linebackers coach and defensive coordinator. During his tenure with Trion, his teams reached the state playoffs each year and won the Region Championship in 1999, earning Mathis the honor of Regional Georgia Assistant Coach of the Year.

Mathis also led the Trion wrestling team from 1998-1999 when the squad was ranked No. 8 and No. 12 in the state, respectively. He was also Trion's head golf coach from 1999-2001.

After completion of his high school coaching career, Mathis worked in the private sector from 2002 until joining the Hawks' staff in 2005.

Mathis attended Shorter College from 1995-1996 and graduated from Georgia Southern University. Mathis and his wife, Mesha, have two children, Abby (10) and Hunter (8).



Ronnie Newberry

Inside Linebackers Coach / Team Chaplain

Ronnie Newberry returns to the Hawks' staff for a fourth season with his great passion for both coaching and Christian leadership.

Newberry has been involved in local area high school sports for 29 years, coaching football, track and wrestling with several region and state titles to his credit.

He spent four years as the defensive coordinator at Adairsville High School, leading the Tigers to the state playoffs in 2001 and 2002. Throughout his coaching career, Newberry has been a dedicated high school sponsor for Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Newberry and his wife, Diana, have been married for 28 years and have one daughter, Haley (27).



Assistant Coaches



Paul Pitts

Offensive Tackles and Tight Ends Coach

Paul Pitts enters his fifth season with the Hawks and will once again tackle tight end responsibilities after filling a variety of roles with the team since its inaugural campaign in 2005. He is also the head coach for Shorter's junior varsity football team in its inaugural season of existence.

Pitts was the Hawks' receivers coach in 2007 and tight ends coach in 2006 and as a graduate assistant in 2005.

During his tenure, Pitts has also served as equipment distribution coordinator, video coordinator and student assistant supervisor.

Pitts is a 2006 graduate of Shorter College with a degree in history and political science.



Jimmy Rosato

Defensive Line Coach

Jimmy Rosato rejoins the Hawks' staff for the 2009 season as defensive line coach. Rosato came to Shorter in 2008 after one year of retirement and brings thirty-two years of high school and college coaching experience to the Hawks' staff.

Rosato has coached at Newnan High School, Johnson of Gainesville, Trion High School, Armuchee High School and Gordon Central High School during his coaching career. Rosato also coached at the University of Southern Mississippi.

Rosato and his wife, Dolly, have one son, Brent.



Assistant Coaches



Shawn Turner

Wide Receivers Coach

Shawn Turner returns to the Shorter coaching staff in 2009 as wide receivers coach. Turner is currently working towards his Bachelor's degree in Education from Shorter.

Turner began his coaching career as offensive coordinator for Fort Payne Middle School's seventh-grade team from 1999-2001. From 2002-2005, Turner coached quarterbacks, wide receivers and defensive backs at Valleyhead High School in Trenton, Ga.

A 1991 graduate of Fort Payne High School, Turner began his college education at Northeast State College in Rainsville, Ala. where he was the recipient of a Nucor Scholarship and an academic scholarship.

Turner is married to the former Jerelyn Renee Horton and has four children, Sean (17), Darius (15), Arielle (13) and Desmon (11).

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David Bruce

Head Athletic Trainer

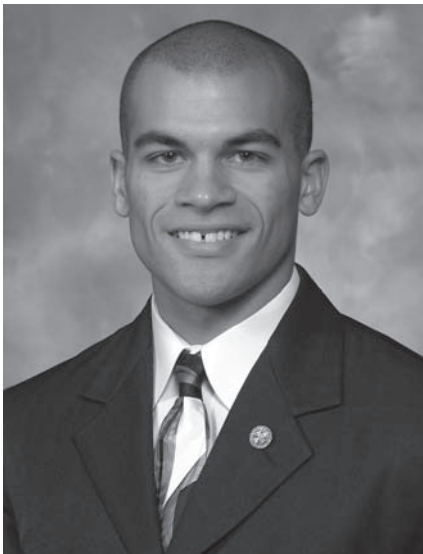
David Bruce returns as head athletic trainer for the Shorter College football program. Bruce came to Shorter College as head athletic trainer in the summer of 2008.

He previously served as graduate assistant at the University of Central Florida for the football and rowing programs from 2006-2008.

A native of Kingsland, Ga., Bruce received his degree in Sports Medicine and Athletic Training from Valdosta State University in May 2006 after completing a summer internship in 2005 with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the National Football League (NFL).

Bruce is certified by the National Association of Athletic Trainers (NATA) and is licensed by the state of Georgia.

Bruce resides in Rome, Ga., and is married to Kayla, a nurse at Floyd Medical Center.



Matt Green

Sports Information Director

Matt Green is in his first year as Shorter College Sports Information Director. Green comes to Shorter from Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia where he served as Sports Information Director during the 2008-2009 academic year.

As Hawks' Sports Information Director, Green serves as the primary media and marketing contact for all 18 NAIA sanctioned intercollegiate sports at Shorter. He writes, edits, and designs all media publications distributed through the Shorter Athletic Department and maintains the College's athletics website.

Green played one season of basketball at Dartmouth College in Hanover, N.H. before transferring to Hampden-Sydney in the fall of 2004. At Hampden-Sydney, Green was the point guard and two-year captain for the Tigers' basketball team.

In 2007, he helped guide the Tigers to the program's tenth conference championship and a berth in the NCAA Division III National Tournament. That year, Green was named the Old Dominion Athletic

Conference (ODAC) Men's Basketball Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

Green graduated from Hampden-Sydney in 2007 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mathematical Economics and is currently studying for his Master's degree in Sports Management from Virginia Commonwealth University. A native of Richmond, Va., Green currently resides in Rome.



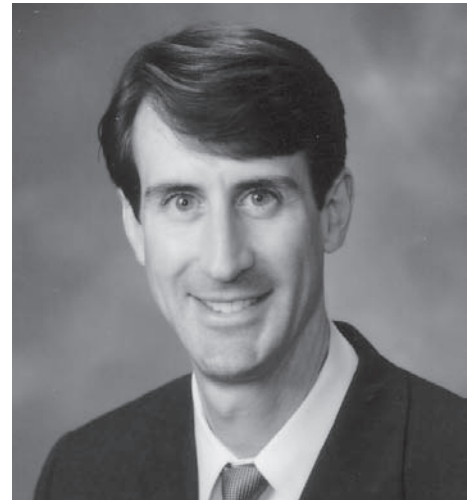
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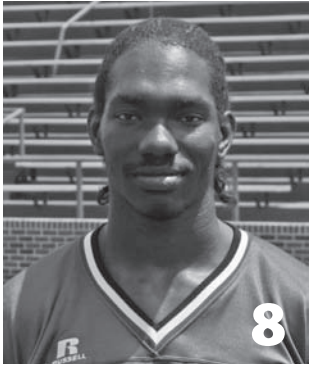
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Assistant Athletic Trainer



Team Managers (from left to right): Chelsea Cross, Emily Theus, Afton McLaughlin, Kelsey Buckles



Senior Profiles



#8 • A.J. Baker

SLOT • Sr. • 5-8 • 160

Calhoun, Ga.

Calhoun

Career: Baker has developed into one of the top defensive backs in the Mid-South Conference, and last year ranked third on the team with 67 tackles while picking off three passes.

Personal: Born February 19, 1987...Son of Lee Champion and Amie Baker...Has one sibling, Rakia (22)...Majoring in Education.

Favorite Movies: Transformers, Taken

Favorite Meal: Hamburger Helper

Favorite Book: *Uncommon* by Tony Dungy

Favorite Athletes: Ed Reed and Sean Taylor

Hero: Amie Baker

Would Most Like to Meet: Alex Rodriguez

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: X-Men

Place A.J. Would Most Like to Visit: Florida



#7 • A.J. Cooley

FB • Sr. • 6-1 • 215

Bowdon, Ga.

Bowdon

Career: Cooley already holds 11 program rushing records, including the marks for career rushing yards (2,682), career attempts (515) and career touchdowns (33)...Ranked second in the nation in rushing in 2008 on his way to being named the Mid-South Offensive Player of the Year.

Personal: Born July 29, 1988...Son of Anthony and Audrey Cooley...Has one sibling, Drayton (27)...Majoring in Accounting.

Favorite Movie: 300

Favorite Meal: Hot Wings

Favorite Book: *Bleachers*

Favorite Athlete: Adrian Peterson

Hero: Mother

Would Most Like to Meet: LaDarian Tomlinson

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Roadrunner

Mid-South Conference



#6 • Caleb Carmean

QB • Sr. • 6-1 • 205

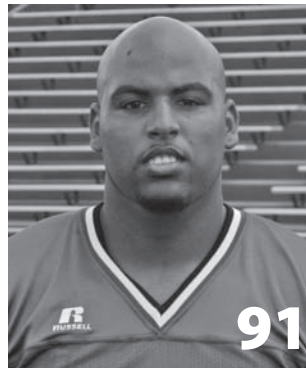
Kennesaw, Ga.

Kennesaw Mountain

Career: Carmean appeared in four games as a junior in 2008.

Personal: Born February 22, 1987...Son of Steve and Carla Carmean...Has two siblings, Jacob (19) and Lucas (13)...Majoring in Communication Leadership.

Favorite Meal: Anything my mom cooks



#91 • Jarrett Crockwell

DL • Sr. • 6-1 • 260

College Park, Md.

Banneker

Career: Crockwell moves over to the defensive side of the ball after serving on the offensive line in 2008.

Personal: Born July 8, 1987...Son of Wainscott and Joanne Minors...Has one sibling, Justin (18)...Majoring in Sports Management.

Favorite Movie: Remember the Titans

Favorite Meal: Macaroni and Cheese

Favorite Book: *Student Athlete: The Mind is a Muscle Too!*

Favorite Athlete: Justin Tuck

Hero: My Dad

Would Most Like to Meet: President Barack Obama

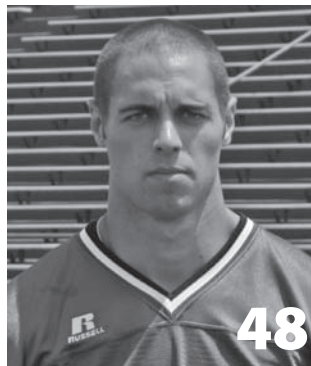
Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Scooby Doo

If Jarrett Could Have One Superpower: The ability to create money

Place Jarrett Would Most Like to Visit: Brazil



Senior Profiles



#48 • Blake Ducatel

LB • Sr. • 6-3 • 225

Woodstock, Ga.

Etowah

Career: Ducatel made three appearances in 2008, making six total stops from his linebacker position.

Personal: Born May 9, 1986...Son of Dan and Pam Ducatel...Has one sibling, Britney (24)...Majoring in History and Political Science.

Favorite Movie: The Dark Knight

Favorite Meal: Thai Food

Favorite Book: *Biography of Erwin Rommel*

Favorite Athlete: Matt Ryan

Hero: My Dad

Would Most Like to Meet: George S. Patton

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Star Wars

If Blake Could Have One Superpower: Supersonic Speed

Place Blake Would Most Like to Visit: France



#1 • Jordan Hazard

WR • Sr. • 5-8 • 165

East Providence, R.I.

Sprayberry

Career: Hazard is in his first year with the Hawks after transferring from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga...Younger brother, Daniel, also plays football for the Hawks as an outside linebacker.

Personal: Born July 8, 1987...Son of Philip and Julie Hazard...Has five siblings, P.J. (31), Leticia (30), Joel (28), Aaron (27) and Daniel (19)...Majoring in History.

Favorite Movie: Gospel of John

Favorite Meal: Chinese Food

Favorite Book: *The Bible*

Favorite Athlete: Barry Sanders

Heroes: The Prophets from The Bible

Would Most Like to Meet: Jesus Christ

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Talespin



#10 • Drew Elrod

DB • Sr. • 6-2 • 210

Rydal, Ga.

Adairsville

Career: Elrod moves to the defensive side of the ball after playing several seasons of quarterback...Made five appearances at quarterback in 2008, passing for 81 yards and rushing 21 times for 49 yards.

Personal: Born November 2, 1986...Son of Jody and Dawn Elrod...Has one sibling, Eric (17)...Majoring in History.

Favorite Movie: Tombstone

Favorite Meal: Steak

Favorite Book: *Lonesome Dove*

Favorite Athlete: Matt Ryan

If Drew Could Have One Superpower: X-ray Vision

Place Drew Would Most Like to Visit: Alaska

Hobbies: Hunting, Fishing, Cards



#74 • Miles Holcomb

OL • Sr. • 6-3 • 265

Crossville, Ala.

Crossville (Ala.)

Career: Holcomb will challenge for time on the Hawks' offensive line.

Personal: Born April 19, 1987...Son of Sam and Rhonda Holcomb...Has two siblings, Mason (13) and Morton (11)...Majoring in Mathematics Education.

Favorite Movie: We Were Soldiers

Favorite Meal: Lasagna

Favorite Book: *Sports Illustrated*

Favorite Athlete: Kobe Bryant

Hero: My Father

Would Most Like to Meet: Kobe Bryant

Place Miles Would Most Like to Visit: Los Angeles

Hobbies: Golf



Senior Profiles



#72 • Lonergon Honore

DL • Sr. • 5-9 • 285

New Orleans, La.

South Cobb

72

Career: Honore is slated to start at noseguard for the Hawks in 2009.

Personal: Born April 15, 1988...Son of Pamela Honore...Has one sister (14)...Majoring in Early Childhood Education.

Favorite Movie: Transformers II

Favorite Meal: Ribs

Favorite Book: *The Art of War*

Favorite Athlete: Drew Brees

Hero: My Mother

Would Most Like to Meet: Beyonce

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Thunder Cats

If Lonergon Could Have One Superpower: Superhuman Strength

Place Lonergon Would Most Like to Visit: Hawai'i

Hobbies: Sleep



#11 • Sharrod Kimble

LB • Sr. • 6-0 • 235

Powder Springs, Ga.

McEachern

11

Career: Kimble is a top candidate for a starting position at outside linebacker...Made 19 tackles in seven games in 2008.

Personal: Born September 9, 1986...Son of Peter and Bridgette Kimble...Has three siblings, Simone, Shayna and Misha...Majoring in Business Administration.

Favorite Movie: Life

Favorite Meal: Any Breakfast

Favorite Book: *The Bible*

Favorite Athlete: Shaquille O'Neal

Heroes: My Family

Would Most Like to Meet: Shaquille O'Neal

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Superman

Place Sharrod Would Most Like to Visit: Africa



#19 • Lasiah Hutchins

LB • Sr. • 6-0 • 220

Aragon, Ga.

Rockmart

19

Career: Hutchins is poised to start at outside linebacker for Coach Mike Bartik's defense...Played in eight games in 2008, recording 14 tackles and breaking up one pass.

Personal: Born September 6, 1987...Son of Joe Lee and Joe Ann Hutchins...Majoring in Business Administration.

Favorite Movie: Friday

Favorite Meal: Chicken Nuggets

Favorite Book: *Acorn People*

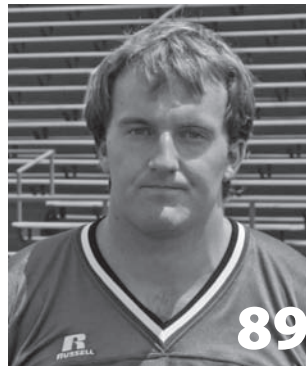
Favorite Athlete: Kobe Bryant

Heroes: My Parents

Would Most Like to Meet: Ciara

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Tom and Jerry

If Lasiah Could Have One Superpower: Invisibility



#89 • Seth Lindsay

DL • Sr. • 6-0 • 215

Trion, Ga.

Trion

89

Career: Lindsay could occupy one of the defensive end slots in 2009.

Personal: Born February 29, 1988...Has one sister, Leigh...Majoring in Business Administration with a minor in Spanish.

Favorite Movie: The Shawshank Redemption

Favorite Meal: Anything edible

Favorite Book: *The Odyssey*

Favorite Athlete: David Pollack

Heroes: My Parents

Would Most Like to Meet: General "Stonewall" Jackson

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Rocko's Modern Life

If Seth Could Have One Superpower: Ability to wish for more powers

Place Seth Would Most Like to Visit: Scotland

Hobbies: Mountain Biking, Kayaking, Rock Climbing, Hiking



Senior Profiles



#49 • Logan Lollis

LB • Sr. • 6-3 • 235

Lyons, Ga.

Toombs County

Career: Lollis, the Mid-South West Defensive Player of the Year in 2008, returns after leading the team with 113 tackles last season...Along with A.J. Cooley, Lollis is a Sporting News Preseason All-American.

Personal: Born May 7, 1988...Son of Brandon and Nadine Lollis...Has one sibling, Mandy (24)...Majoring in Biology.

Favorite Movies: Saving Private Ryan and The Waterboy

Favorite Meal: Steak and Shrimp

Favorite Book: *The Bible*

Favorite Athlete: Brian Urlacher

Hero: Jesus Christ

Would Most Like to Meet: Adam Sandler

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles

If Logan Could Have One Superpower: Flying



#92 • Randy Reed

DL • Sr. • 5-8 • 230

Watkinsville, Ga.

Oconee County

Career: Reed could challenge for playing time on the Hawks' defensive line.

Personal: Born April 6, 1985...Son of Joel and Angela Reed...Has one sibling, Adam (21)...Majoring in English Education.

Favorite Movies: Braveheart, Gladiator, Rudy, The Hangover

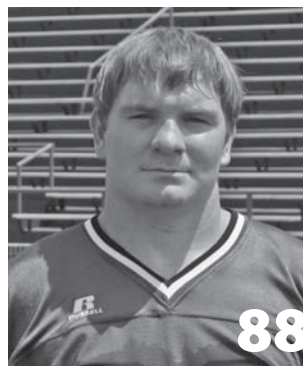
Favorite Meal: Ribs and Hot Wings

Favorite Book: *Night*

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Scooby Doo

Place Randy Would Most Like to Visit: Tahiti

Hobbies: Sports, Video Games, Reading, Watching Movies



#88 • Brock Pyle

DE • Sr. • 5-11 • 230

Adairsville, Ga.

Adairsville

Career: Pyle could see time at one of the defensive ends in 2009.

Personal: Born May 12, 1987...Son of Mick and Jean Pyle...Has two siblings, Mac (25) and Jay (24)...Majoring in Early Childhood Education.

Favorite Movie: Braveheart

Favorite Meal: Spaghetti

Favorite Book: *Where the Wild Things Are*

Favorite Athlete: Larry Bird

Hero: Wolverine

Would Most Like to Meet: Bobby Knight

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Scooby Doo

If Brock Could Have One Superpower: Invisibility

Place Brock Would Most Like to Visit: England



#23 • Dennis Stanley

FB • Sr. • 5-10 • 220

Kennesaw, Ga.

Kennesaw Mountain

Career: Stanley rushed for 116 yards and a touchdown in 10 appearances during the 2008 season and is the top candidate to back up A.J. Cooley at the fullback position.

Personal: Born August 3, 1987...Son of Gail Stanley...Has two siblings, Candace (20) and Sharnia (15)...Pursuing his Master's in Business Administration.

Favorite Movie: Scarface

Favorite Meal: Chicken and Macaroni and Cheese

Favorite Book: *The Bible*

Favorite Athlete: Lebron James



Senior Profiles



#18 • Pierre Toran

FB • Sr. • 5-10 • 210

Erie, Pa.

Wheeler

Career: Toran rushed for 83 yards and a touchdown in 2008, and figures to see time at fullback and slotback during his senior season.

Personal: Born July 21, 1985...Son of Pamela Carson...Has two siblings, Princeton Carson (18) and Paris Carson (16)...Majoring in History and Political Science.

Favorite Movie: Coming to America

Favorite Meals: Steak and Tacos

Favorite Book: *Rich Dad, Poor Dad*

Favorite Athlete: Shaquille O'Neal

Hero: My Mother

Would Most Like to Meet: President Barack Obama

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Ghostbusters

If Pierre Could Have One Superpower: Super Strength



#64 • Kavin Walker

OL • Sr. • 6-0 • 295

Thomaston, Ga.

Upson Lee

Career: Walker is one of few experienced players returning to the Hawks' offensive line and will help anchor the front from his left guard position.

Personal: Born September 9, 1984...Son of Timothy and Cora Walker...Has two siblings, Tammy (34) and Andre (32)...Majoring in Liberal Arts.

Favorite Movie: Remember the Titans

Favorite Meal: Steak

Favorite Athlete: Shaquille O'Neal

Hero: My Mom

Would Most Like to Meet: Hines Ward

Favorite Cartoon Growing Up: Ghostbusters

If Kavin Could Have One Superpower: Super Speed

Place Kavin Would Most Like to Visit: Africa



#17 • Jared Williams

QB • Sr. • 5-11 • 170

Gainesville, Ga.

Johnson-Gainesville

Career: Williams will serve in a reserve quarterback role in 2009 after making one appearance behind center in 2008 and rushing for 16 yards.

Personal: Born November 2, 1987...Son of Jerry and Judy Williams...Has two siblings, Leighanne Falyer (32) and Theron Williams (28)...Majoring in Accounting.

Favorite Meal: Country Cooking

Favorite Book: *The Bible*

Favorite Athlete: Peyton Manning

Hero: Jesus Christ

If Jared Could Have One Superpower: Super Speed

Place Jared Would Most Like to Visit: Australia



Player Profiles



#9 • Danny Bannach

LB • Jr. • 6-3 • 235
Greenville, Tenn.
Greenville



#57 • Spenser Bettis

OL • Jr. • 6-4 • 225
Cumming, Ga.
Forsyth Central



#56 • Matt Broome

OL • Jr. • 5-10 • 290
Lindale, Ga.
Pepperell



#42 • Derik Cooper

DB • Jr. • 5-9 • 175
Flintstone, Ga.
Ridgeland



#66 • Josh Dorminy

OL • Jr. • 6-2 • 235
Darien, Ga.
McIntosh County Academy



#2 • Calvin Gibson

WR • Jr. • 5-8 • 170
Jacksonville, Fla.
Dutchtown



#21 • Josh Gibson

DB • Jr. • 5-10 • 195
Watkinsville, Ga.
Oconee County



#13 • David Guilford

K • Jr. • 5-11 • 195
Rome, Ga.
Rome



#73 • David Hall

DL • Jr. • 6-1 • 250
Dalton, Ga.
Dalton



#30 • Kevin Hall

SLOT • Jr. • 6-0 • 175
McDonough, Ga.
Mt. Vernon Christian Academy



#38 • Abdull Haynes

SLOT • Jr. • 6-0 • 190
Villa Rica, Ga.
Villa Rica



#47 • Josh Hines

LB • Jr. • 5-10 • 230
Rome, Ga.
Rome



Player Profiles



#32 • Garrett Hochstetler

LB • Jr. • 6-1 • 225
Colbert, Ga.
Madison County



#32 • David Mwamba

SLOT • Jr. • 5-9 • 205
Lilburn, Ga.
Brookwood



#95 • Justin Hooper

DE • Jr. • 6-6 • 240
Ranger, Ga.
Gordon Central



#44 • Grant Myers

LB • Jr. • 5-11 • 215
Snellville, Ga.
Shiloh



#26 • T.C. Jay

WR • Jr. • 6-0 • 190
Rockmart, Ga.
Rockmart



#45 • Cameron Panther

LB • Jr. • 6-2 • 235
Morrow, Ga.
Eagle's Landing Christian Academy



#89 • Steven Kelley

WR • Jr. • 5-10 • 175
Rome, Ga.
Coosa



#40 • Blake Thomas

FB • Jr. • 5-7 • 180
Dalton, Ga.
Southeast Whitfield



#77 • Chris Legg

DL • Jr. • 6-5 • 245
Suwanee, Ga.
South Forsyth



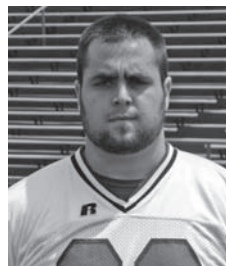
#3 • Ben Williams

QB • Jr. • 6-0 • 200
Marietta, Ga.
Lassiter



#28 • Jean Makita

LB • Jr. • 6-1 • 205
Paris, France
Peachtree Ridge



#69 • Ryan Willoughby

OL • Jr. • 5-11 • 265
Marietta, Ga.
Sprayberry



Player Profiles



#15 • Jermaine Woodard

DB • Jr. • 6-1 • 190

Rome, Ga.

Rome



#59 • Joe Colquitt

LB • So. • 5-9 • 200

Cedartown, Ga.

Cedartown



#25 • Antwon Appleton

SLOT • So. • 5-8 • 170

Fort Payne, Ala.

Fort Payne



#22 • Collyn Copeland

LB • So. • 6-2 • 210

Rome, Ga.

Rome



#86 • Bo Bearse

WR • So. • 6-0 • 160

Dacula, Ga.

Mill Creek



#39 • Rob Crowder

WR • So. • 6-4 • 205

Chickamauga, Ga.

Gordon Lee



#30 • Seth Bohannon

LB • So. • 6-0 • 180

Calhoun, Ga.

Gordon Central



#37 • Bruce DeFoor

DB • So. • 6-1 • 185

Calhoun, Ga.

Calhoun



#29 • Cody Boyd

DB • Jr. • 6-1 • 195

Summerville, Ga.

Chattooga



#67 • Cody Dobbs

OL • So. • 6-1 • 365

Dalton, Ga.

Southeast Whitfield



#16 • David Byrd

QB • So. • 5-11 • 185

Fayetteville, Ga.

Whitewater



#81 • Dustin Duckett

WR • So. • 5-10 • 180

Albertville, Ala.

Albertville



Player Profiles



#22 • Octavius Edge

RB • So. • 5-11 • 200

Atlanta, Ga.

Love Joy



#15 • Albert Huntley

WR • So. • 5-8 • 165

Atlanta, Ga.

Frederick Douglass



#77 • John Fricks

OL • So. • 6-4 • 270

Fyffe, Ala.

Fyffe



#14 • Allen Huntley

WR • So. • 5-8 • 155

Atlanta, Ga.

Frederick Douglass



#24 • Dion Giles

DB • So. • 5-8 • 160

Athens, Ga.

Clarke Central



#5 • Demarko Huntley

DB • So. • 5-11 • 165

Atlanta, Ga.

Frederick Douglass



#13 • DeVeiion Haselrig

DB • So. • 5-10 • 170

Rome, Ga.

Coosa



#35 • Ines Kananda

LB • So. • 5-9 • 195

Atlanta, Ga.

Lakeside



#17 • Daniel Hazard

LB • So. • 6-0 • 180

East Providence, R.I.

Sprayberry



#50 • Andy Kellogg

OL • So. • 6-2 • 220

Buford, Ga.

Buford



#82 • D.J. Hughes

WR • So. • 5-8 • 170

Hartwell, Ga.

Hart County



#61 • Landon Littlejohn

OL • So. • 6-3 • 250

LaFayette, Ga.

LaFayette



Player Profiles



#23 • Tray Malone

DB • So. • 5-10 • 190

Gainesville, Ga.

West Hall



#52 • Sam Robison

OL • So. • 5-10 • 260

Bremen, Ga.

Bremen



#60 • Nick Newborn

OL • So. • 6-0 • 305

Cartersville, Ga.

Cartersville



#96 • Hunter Simms

DL • So. • 6-3 • 310

Lawrenceville, Ga.

Brookwood



#7 • Zack Owens

LB • So. • 6-1 • 200

Rome, Ga.

Coosa



#73 • Emmanuel Spragin

OL • So. • 5-11 • 320

Atlanta, Ga.

Henry W.



#55 • Drew Putnam

LB • So. • 5-9 • 210

Rome, Ga.

Coosa



#10 • Cory Thacker

QB • So. • 6-0 • 170

Rome, Ga.

Rome



#18 • Jonathan Ray

DB • So. • 6-0 • 180

Winchester, Tenn.

Huntland (Tenn.)



#19 • Dennis Toney

SLOT • So. • 5-11 • 165

Atlanta, Ga.

Apalachee



#43 • Jamey Rice

LB • So. • 5-11 • 220

Colbert, Ga.

Madison County



#85 • Collin Woodydy

TE • So. • 6-1 • 220

Fayetteville, Ga.

Whitewater



Player Profiles



#57 • Scott Yates

LB • So. • 5-10 • 215

Bowdon, Ga.

Bowdon



#4 • Spencer Bragg

DB • Fr. • 5-10 • 180

Dalton, Ga.

Northwest Whitfield



#87 • Ken Andrews

DL • Fr. • 6-3 • 340

Bowdon, Ga.

Bowdon



#70 • Alex Burse

OL • Fr. • 6-1 • 285

Dalton, Ga.

Dalton



#58 • Brandon Atkinson

DL • Fr. • 6-0 • 320

Doraville, Ga.

Pickens



#34 • Vann Calhoun

LB • Fr. • 5-8 • 180

Rome, Ga.

Rome

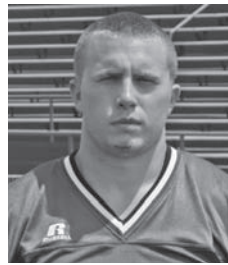


#41 • Logan Beer

WR • Fr. • 6-0 • 175

Canton, Ga.

Shiloh Hills Christian



#41 • Trae Clack

LB • Fr. • 5-10 • 215

Abbeville, Ga.

Wilcox



#53 • Jonathon Benton

OL • Fr. • 5-10 • 230

Calhoun, Ga.

Gordon Central



#27 • Desmond Clark

DB • Fr. • 5-11 • 170

Rome, Ga.

Rome



#46 • Quay Boddie

LB • Fr. • 5-11 • 225

LaGrange, Ga.

Callaway



#97 • Josh Clements

DE • Fr. • 6-3 • 235

Grove Oak, Ala.

Fyffe



Player Profiles



#24 • Caleb Collins

SLOT • Fr. • 5-5 • 155

Savannah, Ga.

Benedictine Military



#79 • Trevor Gilbert

OL • Fr. • 5-7 • 220

Columbus, Ga.

Dutchtown



#48 • Kyle Davis

TE • Fr. • 6-3 • 230

Rome, Ga.

Armuchee



#36 • P.J. Green

FB • Fr. • 5-9 • 230

Rome, Ga.

Rome



#98 • Jamal Denson

DL • Fr. • 6-1 • 245

Tifton, Ga.

Tift County



#37 • Emmanuel Grimes

WR • Fr. • 5-10 • 165

McRae, Ga.

Telfair County



#86 • Kyle Farmer

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Chickamauga, Ga.

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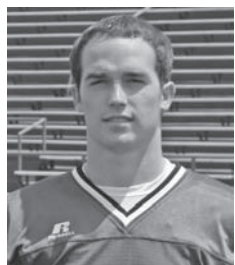


#28 • Kareem Hawkins

WR • Fr. • 6-2 • 170

Toano, Va.

Dalton



#26 • Tyler Fuqua

SLOT • Fr. • 6-1 • 170

Rockmart, Ga.

Rockmart



#56 • Dylan Holtman

LB • Fr. • 5-10 • 210

Adairsville, Ga.

Adairsville



#29 • Rodney Gibson

WR • Fr. • 6-3 • 190

Gainesville, Ga.

West Hall



#76 • Richard Hyde

DL • Fr. • 6-4 • 210

Cartersville, Ga.

Woodland



Player Profiles



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Columbus, Ga.

Northside

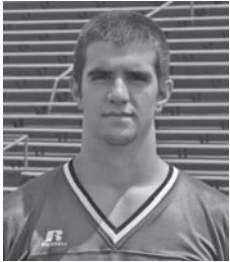


#51 • Kyle Johnson

LB • Fr. • 6-1 • 250

Lyons, Ga.

Toombs County



#54 • Justin Jarrett

LB • Fr. • 6-1 • 210

Blairsville, Ga.

Union County



#5 • Roderick Jones

SLOT • Fr. • 5-11 • 185

Hinesville, Ga.

Liberty County

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Player Profiles



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Pepperell



#38 • Justin Lindsey

LB • Fr. • 5-8 • 185

Calhoun, Ga.

Calhoun



#90 • Scotty Long

DL • Fr. • 6-2 • 250

Hoover, Ala.

Hoover



#39 • Zach Mann

LB • Fr. • 5-11 • 190

Conyers, Ga.

Whitewater



#31 • Demison McKenzie

FB • Fr. • 5-8 • 255

Montezuma, Ga.

Macon County



#83 • Stephen McMillan

K • Fr. • 5-10 • 230

Enigma, Ga.

Tift Area Academy



#76 • Nick Mitchell

OL • Fr. • 6-1 • 260

Cave Springs, Ga.

Coosa



#4 • Brandon Morten

SLOT • Fr. • 5-6 • 145

Brunswick, Ga.

Glynn Academy



#65 • Michael Ozment

OL • Fr. • 5-11 • 250

Silver Creek, Ga.

Pepperell



#36 • Trent Payne

DB • Fr. • 5-9 • 160

Sornoraville, Ga.

Northwest Whitfield



#27 • Terrell Penland

WR • Fr. • 5-11 • 175

Gainesville, Ga.

West Hall



#71 • David Peranteau

DL • Fr. • 5-11 • 230

Savannah, Tenn.

Hardin County



Player Profiles



#58 • Steven Powell

OL • Fr. • 5-11 • 240

Thomasville, Ga.

Thomas County



#35 • Jordan Sturdivant

WR • Fr. • 6-0 • 175

Stockbridge, Ga.

Stockbridge



#12 • Harrison Scott

QB • Fr. • 6-2 • 200

Dalton, Ga.

Dalton



#68 • Tyler Thomas

OL • Fr. • 6-2 • 260

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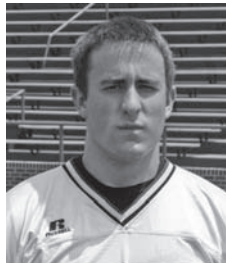


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Southside, Ala.

Southside



#55 • Isaac Thomason

OL • Fr. • 5-10 • 230

Dalton, Ga.

Christian Heritage



#31 • Eric Stallworth

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Kennesaw, Ga.

Harrison



#20 • Jake Thompson

DB • Fr. • 6-1 • 185

Leesburg, Ala.

Sand Rock

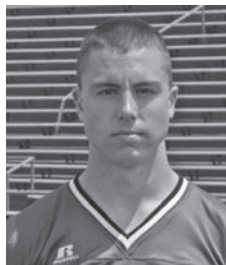


#6 • Fredarious Stowers

DB • Fr. • 5-8 • 150

Hartwell, Ga.

Hart County



#84 • Kent Thrash

DE • Fr. • 6-2 • 215

Fyffe, Ala.

Fyffe



#93 • Shammond Stringer

DL • Fr. • 6-0 • 270

Gainesville, Ga.

Gainesville



#88 • Gary Tiller

WR • Fr. • 5-9 • 170

Sugar Hill, Ga.

Collins Hill



Player Profiles



#83 • Tyler Tillery

LB • Fr. • 5-8 • 175

Douglasville, Ga.

Alexander



#59 • Chandler White

OL • Fr. • 6-4 • 265

Jasper, Ga.

Pickens County



#46 • Brent Veal

TE • Fr. • 6-0 • 195

Newnan, Ga.

Heritage



#52 • Justin White

LB • Fr. • 5-10 • 200

Dalton, Ga.

Northwest Whitfield



#70 • Daniel Walker

DE • Fr. • 6-4 • 215

Zebulon, Ga.

Pike County



#33 • Will Wiggins

DB • Fr. • 5-11 • 185

Rome, Ga.

Armuchee



#51 • Tabias Walker

DL • Fr. • 6-0 • 275

Tifton, Ga.

Tifton



#87 • Curtis Wyatt

WR • Fr. • 6-0 • 180

Locust Grove, Ga.

Ola



#44 • Demetrius Washington

FB • Fr. • 5-9 • 210

Hephzibah, Ga.

Hephzibah



#62 • Larry Weathers

DL • Fr. • 6-0 • 290

Gadsden, Ala.

Gadsden City



2009 Opponents



Lenoir-Rhyne University

at Hickory, N.C.

Aug. 29 • 7:00 p.m.

School Information

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Enrollment: 1,600
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Cardinal and Black
Affiliation: NCAA Div. II
President: Dr. Wayne Powell
AD: Neill McGeachy
Stadium: Moretz Stadium
Capacity: 8,500

Sports Information

Contact: John Karrs
E-mail: karrsjd@lr.edu
Office: (828) 328-7174
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Head Coach

Name: Fred Goldsmith
Alma Mater: University of Florida
Graduation Year: 1967
Record @ School: 5-17
Career Record: 47-94-1

Team Information

2008 Record: 3-8
Conference Record: 1-6
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: First Meeting
Last: N/A

Mid-South Conference



LaGrange College

Barron Stadium

Sept. 12 • 6:00 p.m.

School Information

Location: LaGrange, Ga.
Enrollment: 1,050
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Red and Black
Affiliation: NCAA Div. III
President: Dr. Dan McAlexander
AD: Phil Williamson
Stadium: Callaway Stadium
Capacity: 5,000

Sports Information

Contact: John Hughes
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Office: (706) 880-8318
Fax: (706) 880-8350

Head Coach

Name: Todd Mooney
Alma Mater: Ohio University
Graduation Year: 1988
Record @ School: 9-22
Career Record: 9-22

Team Information

2008 Record: 9-2
Conference Record: 7-0
2008 Postseason: First Round

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 3-0
Last: Shorter, 28-23 (9/13/08)



Pikeville College

Barron Stadium

Sept. 19 • 1:30 p.m.

School Information

Location: Pikeville, Ky.
Enrollment: 1,156
Nickname: Bears
Colors: Black and Orange
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Harold H. Smith
AD: Ron Damron
Stadium: Hambley Stadium
Capacity: 4,000

Sports Information

Contact: Rick Bentley
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Office: (606) 218-5350
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Head Coach

Name: Mac Bryan
Alma Mater: Appalachian State
Record @ School: 32-44
Career Record: 32-44

Team Information

2008 Record: 2-9
Conference Record: 1-5
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Pikeville leads, 2-1
Last: Shorter, 52-17 (9/20/08)



Faulkner University

at Montgomery, Ala.

Sept. 26 • 12:30 p.m.

School Information

Location: Montgomery, Ala.
Enrollment: 2,700
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Royal Blue, Gray, Black
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Billy D. Hilyer
AD: Brent Barker
Stadium: Cramton Bowl
Capacity: 24,500

Sports Information

Contact: Ryan Bartels
E-mail: rbartels@faulkner.edu
Office: (334) 386-7525
Fax: (334) 386-7277

Head Coach

Name: Jim Nichols
Alma Mater: Harding
Graduation Year: 1998
Record @ School: 2-18
Career Record: 2-18

Team Information

2008 Record: 2-9
Conference Record: 0-5
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 1-0
Last: Shorter, 42-0 (9/27/08)


Campbellsville University
Barron Stadium
Oct. 3 • 1:30 p.m.
School Information

Location: Campbellsville, Ky.
Enrollment: 2,181
Nickname: Tigers
Colors: Maroon and White
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Michael V. Carter
AD: Rusty Hollingsworth
Stadium: Finley Stadium
Capacity: 2,000

Sports Information

Contact: Bryan Blair
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Office: (270) 789-5276
Fax: (270) 789-5048

Head Coach

Name: Perry Thomas
Alma Mater: Campbellsville Univ.
Record @ School: 3-8
Career Record: 3-8

Team Information

2008 Record: 3-8
Conference Record: 2-4
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 3-0
Last: Shorter, 24-14 (10/4/08)


Lambuth University
at Jackson, Tenn.
Oct. 10 • 11:00 a.m.
School Information

Location: Jackson, Tenn.
Enrollment: 800
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Navy and White
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Dr. R. Fred Zuker
AD: Ken Brown
Stadium: L.L. Fonville Field
Capacity: 2,500

Sports Information

Contact: Dave McCulley
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Head Coach

Name: Hugh Freeze
Alma Mater: Southern Mississippi
Graduation Year: 1992
Record @ School: 8-4
Career Record: 8-4

Team Information

2008 Record: 8-4
Conference Record: 4-1
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 3-1
Last: Lambuth, 42-38 (10/11/08)


Kentucky Christian Univ.
Barron Stadium
Oct. 17 • 1:30 p.m.
School Information

Location: Grayson, Ky.
Enrollment: 600
Nickname: Knights
Colors: Red and Black
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Dr. Keith P. Keeran
AD: Bruce Dixon
Stadium: South Point High School
Capacity: N/A

Sports Information

Contact: Zack Moore
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Fax: (606) 474-3130

Head Coach

Name: Zack Moore
Record @ School: 1-9
Career Record: 1-9

Team Information

2008 Record: 1-9
Conference Record: N/A
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: First Meeting
Last: N/A


Union College (Ky.)
at Barboursville, Ky.
Oct. 24 • 1:30 p.m.
School Information

Location: Barboursville, Ky.
Enrollment: 1,350
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Orange and Black
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Edward D. de Rosset
AD: Darin S. Wilson
Stadium: Burch/Nau Field
Capacity: 2,500

Sports Information

Contact: Jay Stancil
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Office: (606) 546-1236
Fax: (404) 601-0909

Head Coach

Name: Tommy Reid
Alma Mater: Glenville State
Graduation Year: 1996
Record @ School: 31-50

Team Information

2008 Record: 9-3
Conference Record: 5-1
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 2-1
Last: Shorter, 33-27 (10/23/08)



2009 Opponents



Cumberland Univ. (Tenn.)

Barron Stadium

Oct. 31 • 1:30 p.m.

School Information

Location: Lebanon, Tenn.
Enrollment: 1,400
Nickname: Bulldogs
Colors: Red and Black
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Dr. Harvill C. Eaton
AD: Ron Pavan
Stadium: Lindsey Donnell
Capacity: 2,000

Sports Information

Contact: Jo Jo Freeman
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Office: (615) 547-1350
Fax: (615) 444-2569

Head Coach

Name: Dewayne Alexander
Alma Mater: Tennessee Tech
Graduation Year: 1987
Record @ School: 13-18
Career Record: 13-18

Team Information

2008 Record: 6-5
Conference Record: 2-2
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 4-0
Last: Shorter, 27-24 (11/1/08)

Mid-South Conference



Belhaven College

Jackson, Miss.

Nov. 7 • 12:30 p.m.

School Information

Location: Jackson, Miss.
Enrollment: 1,800
Nickname: Blazers
Colors: Forest Green, Vegas Gold
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Dr. Roger Parrott
AD: Scott Little
Stadium: H.T. Newell Field
Capacity: N/A

Sports Information

Contact: Joel Thornton
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Office: (601) 968-8765
Fax: (601) 965-7025

Head Coach

Name: Don Lee
Alma Mater: Olivet Nazarene
Graduation Year: 1995
Record @ School: 19-25
Career Record: 19-25

Team Information

2008 Record: 2-9
Conference Record: 1-4
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Belhaven leads, 3-1
Last: Shorter, 35-0 (11/8/08)



Bethel College (Tenn.)

Barron Stadium

Nov. 14 • 7:00 p.m.

School Information

Location: McKenzie, Tenn.
Enrollment: 1,800
Nickname: Wildcats
Colors: Purple and Vegas Gold
Affiliation: NAIA Mid-South
President: Dr. Robert Prosser
AD: Jeff Britt
Stadium: Armstrong Stadium
Capacity: N/A

Sports Information

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Head Coach

Name: Dino Kakkis
Alma Mater: Purdue University
Graduation Year: 1996
Record @ School: 42-34
Career Record: 42-34

Team Information

2008 Record: 4-6
Conference Record: 2-3
2008 Postseason: N/A

Series Information

Series: Shorter leads, 2-1
Last: Shorter, 7-0 (11/15/08)



Shorter College

2009 Home Schedule

Weekly Promotions

September 12, 2009

Battle for the Governor's Cup

vs. LaGrange
 6:00 p.m.

September 19, 2009

vs. Pikeville
 1:30 p.m.

October 3, 2009

Youth Football Day

Shorter 101
 vs. Campbellsville
 1:30 p.m.

October 17, 2009

**Homecoming
 Alumni Weekend**

vs. Kentucky Christian
 1:30 p.m.

October 31, 2009

Championship Saturday

vs. Cumberland (Tenn.)
 1:30 p.m.

November 14, 2009

Hall of Fame Weekend

Senior Day
 vs. Bethel (Tenn.)
 7:00 p.m.



2009 NAIA National Championship in Rome, Ga.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS



Barron Stadium in Rome, Ga. was selected as the host site for the 2008 and 2009 NAIA National Championship in January 2008.

The 2009 NAIA National Championship game will be held on December 19, 2009.

For more information or to purchase tickets, please visit the official NAIA National Championship site at:
www.naianationalchampionship.com

2009 NAIA Championship Series

First Round

November 21, 2009
(Sites to be determined)

Quarterfinals

November 28, 2009
(Sites to be determined)

Semifinals

December 5, 2009
(Sites to be determined)

National Championship

December 19, 2009
(Rome, Ga. - Barron Stadium)



The University of Sioux Falls celebrates their 2008 National Championship victory over Carroll on a rain-soaked field at Barron Stadium.



Shorter College Director of Athletics Bill Peterson (left) pictured with College President Dr. Harold E. Newman.



2008 Recap: Shorter turns in one historic season

The 2008 season will serve as a benchmark for the Shorter College football program in more ways than one.

“We were blessed all year,” said Jones, who was the recipient of the prestigious Fellowship of Christian Athletes’ National Coach of the Year award for 2008. “We are very thankful for what the team achieved. That’s what keeps you going.”

The following is a game-by-game recap of the historic and memorable 2008 season.



Aug. 28: Western Carolina 35, Shorter 0 (at Cullowhee, N.C.)

In Shorter’s first game of the season and first-ever against an NCAA Division I opponent, the Hawks fell to the Western Carolina Catamounts from the Southern Conference. A.J. Cooley led Shorter with 65 rushing yards and quarterback Drew Elrod was 4-for-6 with 27 yards before leaving with a toe injury.

Shorter’s longest play of the night came in the first half when Cooley raced 43-yards to the Western Carolina 26-yard line, but the Hawks’ lone scoring threat ended when Lukas Gonzalez’s field goal was blocked with 13:27 left in the second quarter.

Sept. 15: Shorter 28, LaGrange 23 (at LaGrange, Ga.)

In the latest edition of the Battle for the Governor’s Cup, Shorter fought off a late rally to top LaGrange for its first victory of 2008. A.J. Cooley led the Hawks’ ground attack, rushing for 138 yards in 14 carries.

Hawks’ linebacker Logan Lollis registered 11 total tackles and an interception. Safety Bud Keith had eight tackles and provided a game-saving interception in Shorter’s end zone to halt a late Panthers’ threat and seal the decision.

The two teams traded touchdowns and field goals to open the contest, but the Hawks took the lead for good when Lukas Gonzalez split the uprights from 22 yards out, giving Shorter a 13-10 halftime edge.

Shorter tacked on three unanswered scores to begin the second frame – a safety, a 25-yard touchdown run by Dustin Perry and a 72-yard scoring jaunt by Cooley – to extend its lead to 28-10, but LaGrange made a run over the final 15 minutes, pulling to within five before Keith’s pick in the final minute.

Sept. 20: Shorter 52, Pikeville 17 (at Pikeville, Ky.)

In its first Mid-South Conference test of 2008, Shorter exploded for 511 yards of total offense to pick up its first-ever victory over the Bears.

Chris Chapman spearheaded the Hawks’ rushing attack with 138 yards and

a touchdown on just seven carries, and also added an 86-yard kickoff return. Quarterback Ben Williams made the most of his first start, passing for 70 yards and one score, and carrying the ball 14 times for 108 yards and a touchdown. Raymone Nesbitt also recorded two touchdown runs while tallying 57 yards on five carries.

A.J. Cooley and Adrian Hargett ran for a touchdown each, and T.C. Jay was the recipient of Williams’ touchdown toss as Shorter blew the game open early with five unanswered scores. Josh Gibson led Shorter with 11 tackles.

Sept. 27: Shorter 42, Faulkner 0 (at Barron Stadium)

Playing in front of their home crowd for the first time, the Hawks improved to 3-1 with a shutout of league foe Faulkner University.

Shorter set team records for points in a single quarter and a half, rolling up 28 points in the third quarter and 35 points in the second frame. Shorter also set a team rushing mark with 421 ground yards, nearly half of which came from A.J. Cooley, who set the school record for most rushing yards in a single-game with 209 yards on 19 carries.

Quarterback Ben Williams added 105 passing yards as the Hawks racked up 526 yards in total offense. Cooley and Williams each scored two touchdowns, while Pierre Tolan and Dennis Stanley had one apiece.

Garrett Hochstetler paced Shorter with seven tackles as the Hawks registered their first shutout since 2006.

Oct. 4: Shorter 24, Campbellsville 14 (at Campbellsville, Ky.)

Host Campbellsville drew first blood, but another record-setting performance by running back A.J. Cooley helped Shorter secure its fourth straight win. The junior from Bowdon rushed for a team-record 219 yards and a pair of touchdowns – his second score covering a record 98 yards and sealing the Mid-South Conference victory for the Hawks.

After Campbellsville opened the game with a score, the Hawks responded with a pair of touchdowns, the first coming on a 12-yard run by sophomore quarterback Ben Williams and the go-ahead score provided via a one-yard plunge from Cooley with 4:44 left in the opening period.

Shorter managed to extend its lead to 17-7 at the break when senior kicker Lukas Gonzalez added a 21-yard field goal in the final minute of the first half.

Cooley added the Hawks’ insurance points with his long scoring scamper with 3:59 to go in the third quarter.

Shorter piled up 370 of its 429 total yards on the ground while the Hawks’ defense yielded less than 100 rushing yards for the third straight week.

Logan Lollis and A.J. Baker led Shorter’s defense with 10 tackles each, while the Hawks combined for four sacks with Curtis John, Matt Yarbrough, Andrew Schramper and Josh Pidgeon doing the damage.

Oct. 11: Lambuth 42, Shorter 38 (at Barron Stadium)

In one of the best Mid-South Conference games of 2008, Lambuth edged 20th-ranked Shorter College with a last-minute touchdown in a showdown of West Division powers.

Raymone Nesbitt led Shorter with 128 yards on the ground, followed by A.J. Cooley’s 44 rushing yards. Quarterback Josh Garza was the difference maker for Lambuth, going 20-for-29 for 195 yards through the air.

On defense, Logan Lollis had an exceptional day for the Hawks, with three sacks, nine solo tackles and three assists. The nine solo tackles tied a Shorter record held with three other players. Garrett Hochstetler added 11 tackles and A.J. Baker had nine.

Shorter took a 17-7 lead in the second quarter thanks to a 33-yard field goal by Lukas Gonzalez, but Lambuth responded with three straight touchdowns to assume a 28-17 advantage late in the third quarter.



The Hawks responded with a 16-yard touchdown run by Nesbitt and a blocked punt by Tony Sidney that was recovered in the end zone by Daniel Hazard to put Shorter back in front.

Nesbitt scored his third touchdown of the game midway through the final quarter to give the Hawks' their final lead at 38-35, but on the Eagles' final drive of the game, Adam Wiese hit Seth Day with a fourth down, game-winning touchdown pass with 39 seconds remaining.

Oct. 18: Shorter 37, North Greenville 21 (at Barron Stadium)

Powered by the running of A.J. Cooley, Shorter returned to the win column by rallying from a 14-3 deficit to down NCAA Division II North Greenville University in a non-conference game.

Cooley, who had already become Shorter's all-time leading rusher earlier in the season, continued to etch his name in the Hawks' record books with 249 yards on 27 carries against North Greenville, breaking his own single-game marks for yards and carries. Cooley scored four touchdowns to tie the record set by Fabian Daniel during Shorter's inaugural season in 2005.

Cooley also broke his own record for longest run when, after the Hawks' defense stopped the Crusaders inside the Shorter 1-yard line, Cooley broke loose for a 99-yard touchdown run that sealed the win late in the game.

In addition to the single-game records, Cooley set the mark for the most rushing yards in a season (982).

Shorter's special teams also contributed points when Jermaine Woodard blocked a punt and A.J. Baker returned the ball 27 yards for a second-quarter touchdown that gave Shorter the lead for good.

Oct. 23: Shorter 33, Union 27 (at Barron Stadium)

In a must-win showdown between two Mid-South Conference contenders, Shorter recorded its biggest win in the program's four-year history with an upset of No. 14 Union to remain in the hunt for postseason consideration.

Using their patented ground game, the NAIA's top rushing offense racked up a school-record 404 yards via the run with A.J. Cooley leading the way with 122 yards on a record 30 carries, three of those going for touchdowns. Quarterback Ben Williams added 103 yards on 21 totes and Raymone Nesbitt rushed for 62 yards and a score.

After Union broke out to a 7-0 lead, the Hawks reeled off four unanswered touchdowns with Cooley scoring twice from 10 yards out and again on a 1-yard run, and Nesbitt hitting paydirt from 14 yards out early in the third quarter to give the Hawks what seemed to be a commanding 28-7 lead.

The visiting Bulldogs slowly began to chip away at the margin. After Shorter placekicker Lukas Gonzalez hit a 30-yard field goal early in the fourth to give his team a 31-14 advantage, Union embarked a 10-play, 80-yard scoring drive, then used a blocked field goal attempt to set up another touchdown and pull within four with a little more than a minute to play.

Union got the ball back in the final seconds, but Shorter's defense stood its ground and recorded a safety on the final play of the game.

Nov. 1: Shorter 27, Cumberland 24 (at Lebanon, Tenn.)

Shorter kept its playoff hopes alive when senior placekicker Lukas Gonzalez nailed a 45-yard field goal with nine seconds to play to lift the Hawks to a crucial Mid-South Conference West Division win.

The Hawks held a 14-10 lead at half thanks to a pair of touchdown runs by junior running back A.J. Cooley, but Cumberland regained the lead at 17-14 when J.T. Majors broke free for a 58-yard scoring run.

After Gonzalez split the uprights with a 47-yard field goal to tie the game at 17 early in the fourth quarter, the Bulldogs' DaJuan Manning responded with a 97-yard touchdown return on the ensuing kickoff to put his team back on top.

Shorter's Chris Chapman nearly matched the effort on Cumberland's ensuing kickoff, taking the kick 75 yards to the Bulldogs' 6-yard line. One play later, Cooley reached paydirt to bring the Hawks even at 24-24.

Shorter started its game-winning drive on its own 35 and drove to the Cum-

berland 28-yard line where Gonzalez connected on the game-winner.

Cooley rushed for a team-high 115 yards on 26 carries as the Hawks finished the day with 272 rushing yards. Bud Keith and Daniel Hazard had an interception each for Shorter's defense, while Matt Yarbrough and Kenneth James each recorded a sack.

Nov. 8: Shorter 35, Belhaven 0 (at Barron Stadium)

The Hawks collected a school-record eighth win and remained in contention for a berth in the NAIA playoffs thanks to their ball-control offense and a defense that secured its second shutout of the season.

Shorter wasted little time taking control of the game, scoring on its first two possessions with A.J. Cooley, who finished the day rushing for 101 yards on 26 carries, scoring first on a 6-yard touchdown run and then from one yard out.

The Hawks added another touchdown late in the third quarter when Cooley scored his third touchdown of the afternoon on a 4-yard plunge, and sealed the win in the final 15 minutes of play when quarterback Ben Williams hit receiver T.C. Jay with a 38-yard touchdown pass. David Byrd added a 9-yard touchdown run to close the scoring.

Shorter's defense literally shut down Belhaven, smashing the school record for yards allowed on the ground – the Blazers finished with just 4 rushing yards – and yielding just 111 total yards.

The Hawks turned in a school record seven sacks. Logan Lollis had a team-high 11 tackles and an interception, while safety Bud Keith also picked off a pass, his fourth of the season.

Nov. 15: Shorter 7, Bethel 0 (at McKenzie, Tenn.)

Knowing that they needed a win to create a three-way tie for the top spot in the Mid-South Conference West Division and remain in the hunt for a postseason berth, the Hawks emerged victorious in their regular-season finale. The win was Shorter's fifth straight and came in the lowest scoring game in the school's history.

Shorter scored what proved to be the winning touchdown when A.J. Cooley broke into the end zone on a 2-yard plunge early in the second quarter to cap an 80-yard drive. The winning march was set up by Shorter's defense, as the Hawks turned Bethel away with a goal-line stand that ended when senior Curtis John intercepted a tipped pass in the end zone.

The Hawks rose to the occasion again in the fourth quarter, keeping Bethel off the board when A.J. Baker blocked a field-goal attempt.

All of Shorter's 313 total yards came via the run, as Cooley paced the squad with 175 yards on 37 carries. Shorter sealed the historic win in the final minutes by mounting a long drive that was kept alive by a 30-yard run from Raymone Nesbitt and ended on Bethel's 6-yard line as time expired.

Nov. 22: NAIA Championship Playoffs, First Round Univ. of the Cumberlands 31, Shorter 7 (at Williamsburg, Ky.)

Competing in its first-ever playoff game, Shorter was able to take a quick lead, but was unable to unleash its potent ground attack in what was a showdown between the Mid-South Conference division champions.

Cumberlands' Patriots held Shorter to just 141 total yards while pounding out 369 of their own in a match-up between the top-two rushing teams in the conference. The Patriots had nearly double the time of possession, with over 39 minutes of ball control compared to Shorter's 20.

A.J. Cooley, who entered the game averaging more than 130 rushing yards-per-game, was held to 62 yards on the ground. Defensively, Logan Lollis recorded a record 21 tackles, while Garrett Hochstetler added 10 stops.

Shorter's lone touchdown came in the first quarter after Kenneth James recovered a fumble to set up a 12-yard touchdown run by Ben Williams that gave the Hawks the lead.

Cumberlands responded with three touchdowns over the next two quarters to take control, and then closed the book on Shorter's season with another touchdown and a field goal in the final period.



2008 Results / Standings

<i>Date</i>	<i>Opponent</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Result</i>
Aug. 28	@ Western Carolina University	Cullowhee, N.C.	L, 35-0
Sept. 13	@ LaGrange College	LaGrange, Ga.	W, 28-23
Sept. 20	@ Pikeville College*	Pikeville, Ky.	W, 52-17
Sept. 27	Faulkner University*	Barron Stadium	W, 42-0
Oct. 4	@ Campbellsville University#	Campbellsville, Ky.	W, 24-14
Oct. 11	Lambuth University#	Barron Stadium	L, 42-38
Oct. 18	North Greenville University	Barron Stadium	W, 37-21
Oct. 23	Union College (Ky.)*	Barron Stadium	W, 33-27
Nov. 1	@ Cumberland University (Tenn.)#	Lebanon, Tenn.	W, 27-24
Nov. 8	Belhaven College #	Barron Stadium	W, 35-0
Nov. 15	@ Bethel College#	McKenzie, Tenn.	W, 7-0

2008 NAIA National Championship Playoffs

Nov. 22	@ Cumberland University (Ky.)	Williamsburg, Ky.	L, 31-7
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2008 Mid-South Conference Final Standings

East Division

<i>School</i>	<i>Division</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Streak</i>
xCumberlands (Ky.)	6-0	1.000	10-2	.833	Lost 1
Union	5-1	.833	9-3	.750	Lost 1
UVA-Wise	4-2	.667	8-3	.727	Won 1
Georgetown	3-3	.500	5-5	.500	Won 1
Campbellsville	2-4	.333	3-8	.273	Won 1
Pikeville	1-5	.167	2-9	.182	Lost 1
West Virginia Tech	0-6	.000	0-11	.000	Lost 11

West Division

<i>School</i>	<i>Division</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Overall</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Streak</i>
xShorter	4-1	.800	9-3	.750	Lost 1
Lambuth	4-1	.800	8-4	.667	Lost 2
Cumberland (Tenn.)	2-2	.500	6-5	.546	Won 2
Bethel	2-3	.400	4-6	.400	Lost 1
Belhaven	1-4	.200	2-9	.182	Lost 5
Faulkner	0-5	.000	2-9	.182	Lost 2

x - division winner



2008 Team Statistics

TEAM STATISTICS	SC	OPP
SCORING	330	234
--Points Per Game	27.5	19.5
FIRST DOWNS	213	232
--Rushing	178	89
--Passing	13	116
--Penalty	22	27
RUSHING YARDAGE	3656	1388
--Yards Gained Rushing	3853	1727
--Yards Lost Rushing	197	339
--Rushing Attempts	645	390
--Average Per Rush	5.7	3.6
--Average Per Game	304.7	115.7
--TDs Rushing	39	17
PASSING YARDAGE	409	2542
--Att/Comp/Int	83/26/3	391/238/14
--Average Per Pass	4.9	6.5
--Average Per Catch	15.7	10.7
--Average Per Game	34.1	211.8
--TDs Passing	2	14
TOTAL OFFENSE	4065	3930
--Total Plays	728	781
--Average Per Play	5.6	5.0
--Average Per Game	338.8	327.5
KICK RETURNS: NUMBER/YARDS	44/1069	47/1094
PUNTS RETURNS: NUMBER/YARDS	12/208	16/95
INTS RETURNS: NUMBER/YARDS	14/120	3/26
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	24.3	23.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	17.3	5.9
INT RETURN AVERAGE	8.6	8.7
FUMBLES/LOST	18/13	17/10
PUNTS/YARDS	54/2196	53/2116
--Average Per Punt	40.7	39.9
--Net Punt Average	38.9	36.0
PENALTIES/YARDS	78/592	68/680
--Average Per Game	49.3	56.7
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	32:16	27:43
3RD DOWN CONVERSIONS	67/158	59/154
--3rd Down Pct.	42.4%	38.3%
4RD DOWN CONVERSIONS	7/15	6/23
--4th Down Pct.	46.7%	26.1%
SACKS BY/YARDS	31/187	13/65
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	43	32
FIELD GOALS/ATTEMPTS	9/16	4/10
PAT/ATTEMPTS	37/37	30/31
ATTENDANCE	0	0

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
Shorter College	90	81	86	73	330
Opponents	80	48	42	64	234



2008 Individual Statistics

<i>Rushing</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>Att</i>	<i>Gain</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Net</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Avg/G</i>
Cooley, A.J.	12	261	1572	14	1558	6.0	21	99	129.8
Williams, Ben	11	135	670	86	584	4.3	5	30	53.1
Nesbitt, Raymone	12	75	495	27	468	6.2	7	32	39.0
Chapman, Chris	8	32	309	8	301	9.4	1	52	37.6
Hargett, Adrian	1	1	22	0	22	22.0	0	22	22.0
Perry, Dustin	6	5	112	0	112	22.4	1	40	18.7
Byrd, David	2	4	32	0	32	8.0	1	11	16.0
Williams, Jared	1	2	16	0	16	8.0	0	9	16.0
Appleton, Antwon	4	6	57	0	57	9.5	0	18	14.3
Hargett, Adrian	4	11	53	1	52	4.7	1	30	13.0
Sidney, Tony	3	5	37	0	37	7.4	0	16	12.3
Stanley, Dennis	10	28	118	2	116	4.1	1	16	11.6
Haynes, Abdull	8	15	88	3	85	5.7	0	17	10.6
Toran, Pierre	8	22	83	0	83	3.8	1	22	10.4
Gibson, Calvin	8	9	87	5	82	9.1	0	50	10.3
Elrod, Drew	5	21	69	20	49	2.3	0	30	9.8
Brown, Robert	1	1	6	0	6	6.0	0	6	6.0
Terrell, Blake	3	2	9	0	9	4.5	0	5	3.0
Gonzalez, Lukas	12	3	18	4	14	4.7	0	13	1.2
Boyd, Cody	1	1	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Jay, T.C.	10	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	0	-0.7
TEAM	12	4	0	9	-9	-2.3	0	0	-0.8
Carmean, Caleb	4	1	0	11	-11	-11.0	0	0	-2.8
Total	12	645	3853	197	3656	5.7	39	99	304.7

<i>Passing</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>Effic</i>	<i>Att</i>	<i>Cmp</i>	<i>Int</i>	<i>Pct</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Avg/G</i>
Williams, Ben	11	100	47	17	2	0.36	328	2	61	29.8
Elrod, Drew	5	61	26	9	0	0.35	81	0	19	16.2
Byrd, David	2	0	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.0
Gibson, Calvin	8	0	4	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.0
Cooley, A.J.	12	-200	1	0	1	0.00	0	0	0	0.0
Nesbitt, Raymone	12	0	1	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM	12	0	3	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.0
Total	12	73	83	26	3	0.3	409	2	61	34.1

<i>Receiving</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>Avg/G</i>
Jay, T.C.	10	6	151	25.2	2	61	15.1
Nesbitt, Raymone	12	6	64	10.7	0	26	5.3
Perry, Dustin	6	4	35	8.8	0	12	5.8
Hight, Chris	3	2	58	29.0	0	53	19.3
Gibson, Calvin	8	2	55	27.5	0	31	6.9
Chapman, Chris	8	2	21	10.5	0	19	2.6
Kelley, Jake	3	1	9	9.0	0	9	3.0
Haynes, Abdull	8	1	7	7.0	0	7	0.9
Cooley, A.J.	12	1	6	6.0	0	6	0.5
Unknown,	1	1	3	3.0	0	3	3.0
Total	12	26	409	15.7	2	61	34.1

<i>Punt Returns</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>
Jay, T.C.	8	87	10.9	0	38
Duckett, Dustin	1	48	48.0	0	48
Baker, A.J.	1	35	35.0	1	27
Woodard, Jermaine	1	20	20.0	0	20
Sidney, Tony	1	11	11.0	0	11
Hutchins, Lasiah	0	7	0.0	0	7
Hazard, Daniel	0	0	0.0	1	0
Total	12	208	17.3	2	48



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<i>Interceptions</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>
Keith, Bud	4	3	0.8	0	3
Lollis, Logan	3	43	14.3	0	23
Baker, A.J.	2	9	4.5	0	5
Maxwell, James	1	38	38.0	0	38
Ward, John	1	15	15.0	0	15
Hochstetler, Garrett	1	10	10.0	0	10
Hazard, Daniel	1	2	2.0	0	2
John, Curtis	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	14	120	8.6	0	38

<i>Kick Returns</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>
Chapman, Chris	16	486	30.4	0	86
Cooley, A.J.	12	325	27.1	0	64
Haynes, Abdull	6	161	26.8	0	40
Baker, A.J.	2	36	18.0	0	19
Sidney, Tony	2	20	10.0	0	19
Hargett, Adrian	1	21	21.0	0	21
Gibson, Calvin	1	9	9.0	0	9
Myers, Grant	1	7	7.0	0	7
Kelley, Jake	1	5	5.0	0	5
Peterson, Will	1	3	3.0	0	3
Kimbrough, C.J.	1	-4	-4.0	0	0
Total	44	1069	24.3	0	86

<i>Fumble Returns</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>Long</i>
Oliver, Will	1	11	11.0	0	11
Baker, A.J.	1	5	5.0	0	5
Total	2	16	8.0	0	11

<i>Total Offensive Yds</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>Plays</i>	<i>Rush</i>	<i>Pass</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Avg/G</i>
Cooley, A.J.	12	262	1558	0	1558	129.8
Williams, Ben	11	182	584	328	912	82.9
Nesbitt, Raymone	12	76	468	0	468	39.0
Chapman, Chris	8	32	301	0	301	37.6
Elrod, Drew	5	47	49	81	130	26.0
Stanley, Dennis	10	28	116	0	116	11.6
Perry, Dustin	6	5	112	0	112	18.7
Haynes, Abdull	8	15	85	0	85	10.6
Toran, Pierre	8	22	83	0	83	10.4
Gibson, Calvin	8	13	82	0	82	10.3
Appleton, Antwon	4	6	57	0	57	14.3
Hargett, Adrian	4	11	52	0	52	13.0
Sidney, Tony	3	5	37	0	37	12.3
Byrd, David	2	5	32	0	32	16.0
Hargett, Adrian	1	1	22	0	22	22.0
Williams, Jared	1	2	16	0	16	16.0
Gonzalez, Lukas	12	3	14	0	14	1.2
Terrell, Blake	3	2	9	0	9	3.0
Brown, Robert	1	1	6	0	6	6.0
Boyd, Cody	1	1	0	0	0	0.0
Jay, T.C.	10	1	-7	0	-7	-0.7
TEAM	12	7	-9	0	-9	-0.8
Carmean, Caleb	4	1	-11	0	-11	-2.8
Total	12	728	3656	409	4065	338.8



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<i>Scoring</i>	<i>TD</i>	<i>FGs</i>	<i>Kick</i>	<i>Rush</i>	<i>Rcv</i>	<i>Pass</i>	<i>DXP</i>	<i>Saf</i>	<i>Points</i>
Cooley, A.J.	21	0/0	0/0	1/1	0	0/0	0	0	128
Gonzalez, Lukas	0	9/16	37/37	1/1	0	0/0	0	0	66
Nesbitt, Raymone	7	0/0	0/0	0/1	0	0/0	0	0	42
Williams, Ben	5	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	30
Jay, T.C.	2	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	12
Byrd, David	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Hargett, Adrian	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Stanley, Dennis	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Toran, Pierre	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Hazard, Daniel	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Baker, A.J.	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Chapman, Chris	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
Perry, Dustin	1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	6
TEAM	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/0	0	2	4
Carmean, Caleb	0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0	0/3	0	0	0
Total	43	9/16	37/37	2/3	0	0/3	0	2	330

<i>Punting</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Yds</i>	<i>Avg</i>	<i>Long</i>	<i>TB</i>	<i>FC</i>	<i>I20</i>	<i>Blkd</i>
Gonzalez, Lukas	54	2196	40.7	61	7	6	15	1

<i>All Purpose Yds</i>	<i>G</i>	<i>Rush</i>	<i>Rec</i>	<i>PR</i>	<i>KOR</i>	<i>IR</i>	<i>MR</i>	<i>Tot</i>	<i>Avg/G</i>
Cooley, A.J.	12	1558	6	0	325	0	0	1889	157.4
Chapman, Chris	8	301	21	0	486	0	0	808	101.0
Williams, Ben	11	584	0	0	0	0	0	584	53.1
Nesbitt, Raymone	12	468	64	0	0	0	0	532	44.3
Haynes, Abdull	8	85	7	0	161	0	0	253	31.6
Jay, T.C.	10	-7	151	87	0	0	0	231	23.1
Perry, Dustin	6	112	35	0	0	0	0	147	24.5
Gibson, Calvin	8	82	55	0	9	0	0	146	18.3
Stanley, Dennis	10	116	0	0	0	0	0	116	11.6
Toran, Pierre	8	83	0	0	0	0	0	83	10.4
Baker, A.J.	11	0	0	35	36	9	0	80	7.3
Sidney, Tony	3	37	0	11	20	0	0	68	22.7
Hight, Chris	3	0	58	0	0	0	0	58	19.3
Appleton, Antwon	4	57	0	0	0	0	0	57	14.3
Hargett, Adrian	4	52	0	0	0	0	0	52	13.0
Elrod, Drew	5	49	0	0	0	0	0	49	9.8
Duckett, Dustin	2	0	0	48	0	0	0	48	24.0
Lollis, Logan	12	0	0	0	0	43	4	47	3.9
Hargett, Adrian	1	22	0	0	21	0	0	43	43.0
Maxwell, James	10	0	0	0	0	38	0	38	3.8
Byrd, David	2	32	0	0	0	0	0	32	16.0
Woodard, Jermaine	7	0	0	20	0	0	0	20	2.9
Williams, Jared	1	16	0	0	0	0	0	16	16.0
Ward, John	12	0	0	0	0	15	0	15	1.3
Gonzalez, Lukas	12	14	0	0	0	0	0	14	1.2
Kelley, Jake	3	0	9	0	5	0	0	14	4.7
Hochstetler, Garrett	12	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0.8
Terrell, Blake	3	9	0	0	0	0	0	9	3.0
Hutchins, Lasiah	8	0	0	7	0	0	0	7	0.9
Myers, Grant	10	0	0	0	7	0	0	7	0.7
Brown, Robert	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	6.0
Yarbrough, Matt	12	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	0.4
Keith, Bud	10	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0.3
Unknown,	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
Peterson, Will	1	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	3.0
Hazard, Daniel	10	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0.2
Total	12	3656	409	208	1069	120	9	5462	455.2



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No	Name	Tackles					Sacks No/Yards	Pass Def		BrUp	Rcv/Yds	Fum	Blkd	Saf
		GP	UT	AT	Tot	Loss		Int/Yds	FF			Kick		
49	Lollis, Logan	12	49	64	113	11.0/49.5	7.0/39.0	3/43	4	0/0	0	0	0	
32	Hochstetler, Garrett	12	23	57	80	3.5/4.3	0.0/0.0	1/10	0	1/0	0	0	0	
8	Baker, A.J.	11	40	27	67	3.5/6.5	0.0/0.0	2/9	7	1/5	0	2	0	
20	Oliver, Will	12	30	36	66	3.0/10.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	8	1/11	0	0	0	
12	Keith, Bud	10	33	25	58	2.0/11.3	0.0/0.0	4/3	5	0/0	0	0	0	
16	Ward, John	12	21	19	40	4.0/20.0	1.0/8.0	1/15	6	0/0	0	0	0	
17	Hazard, Daniel	10	15	21	36	4.5/12.5	1.0/4.0	1/2	2	0/0	0	0	0	
46	Yarbrough, Matt	12	12	24	36	4.5/23.5	3.0/19.0	0/0	1	0/0	1	1	0	
97	Schampfer, Andrew	12	17	18	35	7.5/49.8	7.0/49.5	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
14	Maxwell, James	10	19	9	28	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	1/38	1	0/0	0	0	0	
67	Alexander, Leslie	12	16	11	27	4.5/14.0	3.0/10.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
43	James, Kenneth	12	11	15	26	2.5/9.5	1.0/7.0	0/0	0	1/0	0	0	0	
51	Pidgeon, Joshua	10	14	9	23	9.0/23.0	3.5/9.5	0/0	1	2/0	0	0	0	
72	John, Curtis	10	6	17	23	2.0/10.5	1.5/9.0	1/0	2	1/0	0	0	0	
21	Gibson, Josh	5	11	8	19	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
11	Kimble, Sharrod	7	7	12	19	0.5/1.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	1	0/0	0	0	0	
44	Myers, Grant	10	6	9	15	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
50	Wiggins, Will	8	4	11	15	1.0/3.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
19	Hutchins, Lasiah	8	6	8	14	0.5/2.5	0.0/0.0	0/0	1	0/0	0	0	0	
33	Abdellatif, Muhammad	4	4	10	14	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	1	0	0	
36	Malone, Trey	8	7	6	13	1.5/14.5	1.0/13.0	0/0	1	0/0	0	0	0	
15	Woodard, Jermaine	7	9	3	12	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	1	0	
30	Eswine, Greg	7	6	5	11	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	1	1/0	0	0	0	
55	Putnam, Drew	5	3	7	10	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
90	Abercrombie, Jackson	5	3	6	9	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
9	Bannach, Danny	3	2	5	7	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	1	0/0	0	0	0	
48	Ducatel, Blake	3	3	3	6	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
11	Grimley, Jordan	3	1	5	6	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
45	Panther, Cameron	4	2	3	5	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
39	Cone, D.J.	2	2	2	4	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
28	Mendence, Donnie	3	2	2	4	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
99	Michel, Bernard	3	2	2	4	1.0/12.0	1.0/12.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
28	Norman, Jeremy	2	3	0	3	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
22	Copeland, Collyn	2	1	2	3	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
95	Hooper, Justin	3	1	2	3	0.5/3.5	0.5/3.5	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
19	Duckett, Dustin	2	0	3	3	0.5/0.5	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
15	Huntley, Albert	2	0	3	3	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
27	Gonzalez, Lukas	12	1	1	2	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
35	Sidney, Tony	2	1	1	2	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
37	Terrell, Blake	3	1	1	2	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
42	Cooper, Derik	2	0	2	2	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
6	Carmean, Caleb	4	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
38	Haynes, Abdull	8	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	2/0	0	0	0	
13	Hight, Chris	3	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
1	Kelley, Jake	3	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
31	Sidney, Tony	3	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	1	0	
23	Stanley, Dennis	10	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
3	Williams, Ben	11	1	0	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
67	Bettis, Spenser	1	0	1	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
77	Fricks, John	1	0	1	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
31	Hargett, Adrian	1	0	1	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
56	Kimbrough, C.J.	2	0	1	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
77	Legg, Chris	1	0	1	1	0.5/3.5	0.5/3.5	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
17	Williams, Jared	1	0	1	1	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	0	
TM	TEAM	12	0	0	0	0.0/0.0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0/0	0	0	2	
Total		12	401	480	881	67.5/285.0	31.0/187.0	14/120	42	10/16	2.0	5	2	



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The Shorter College Sports Information Office will provide rosters, media guides and updated statistics for all home contests. Up-to-date rosters can also be found at www.goshorterhawks.com, the official athletic website of Shorter College. Photographs are allowed at all home contests, but photographers must stay within specified areas. Photography at away events are at the discretion of the home institution.

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Shorter College Football Facilities



Barron Stadium - Home of the Hawks and the 2009 NAIA National Championship

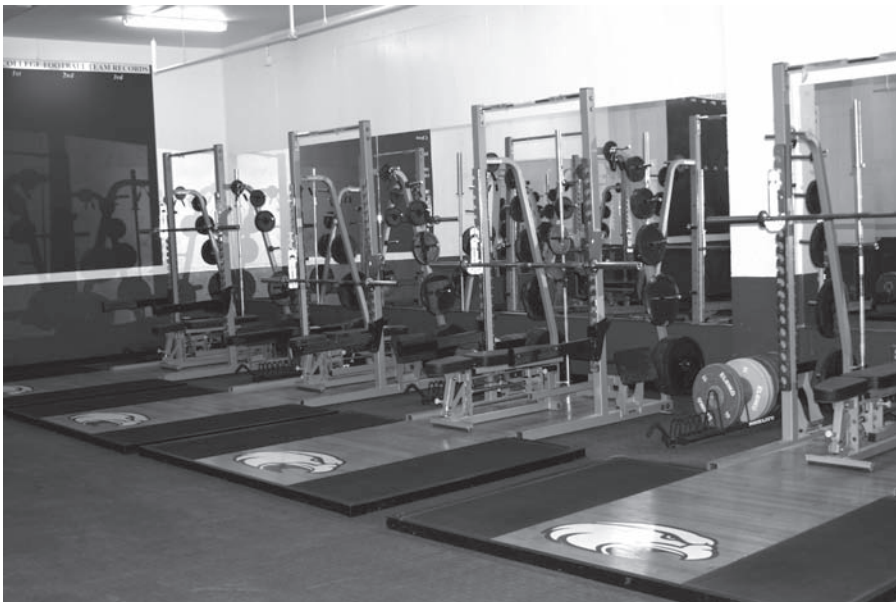
Barron Stadium has been home to competitive athletics for more than 100 years and over the past four seasons, the Hawks have called Barron Stadium home.

On September 21, 1925, the park was renamed from Hamilton Field to Barron Stadium. This was to honor William F. Barron for his generous contribution towards acquiring the property. William Barron, whose father, F.S. Barron, first bottled and distributed Coca-Cola in Rome in 1901, was dedicated completely to the progress of the region.

The current stadium was completed in 1967 with many upgrades coming over the following years. Barron Stadium was the first to receive a reslite surface, an all-weather rubber asphalt track surface and other sports areas.

On March 30, 2001, Lee Mowry Press Box was completed. Lee Mowry, a broadcaster who spent 40 years covering sports in Greater Rome, was a United States Marine who fought in Iwo Jima. Mowry began his long-running career in sports broadcasting in 1947 when he was asked to broadcast a Textile League baseball game in Shannon.

In 2008, Barron Stadium underwent several renovations in preparation for the NAIA National Championship game in December of that year. The entire facility was repainted, including the side stands, concessions and restroom areas. A brick wall was added to the edge of the track area. Finally, the press box was renovated to include increased media seating as well as expanded radio and television space.



Winthrop-King Centre Weight Room





Hawk Nation: A Championship Investment



Rachel Rogers '04
Director of Athletic Development

Dear Shorter Friend,

Incredible things are happening on the Hill, especially in the Athletic Department, as we continue to grow and bring championships home. I encourage you to “Catch the Spirit” and be a part of Shorter’s future.

First of all, thank you for your interest in Hawk Nation. This program is designed to help off-set athletic operating costs, assist in growth and development of our student athletes, and to promote school spirit both on and off the Hill.

Hawk Nation is destined for success, and I hope you will help jump start this wonderful new program by joining now!

Over the past few years, Shorter Athletics has reached new milestones, from winning conference and national championships to being nationally ranked within the NAIA. In addition to those achievements on the playing field, Shorter Athletics has established itself as a Christian athletic program.

Shorter coaches strive to put Christ first, emphasizing their role in helping develop Christian young men and women. While Hawks athletics is committed to excellence, its true purpose is to serve as a platform to share the gospel.

Your PRIDE and support of Shorter Athletics demonstrates to others what an outstanding institution we have. Your commitment to Hawk Nation makes an immediate impact on the lives of our student-athletes and the future success of Shorter Athletics!

I look forward to receiving your commitment and welcoming you into the Hawk Nation family.

Go Hawks!

Rachel Rogers





The Shorter Football Gridiron Club



Kickoff Circle \$50	Quarterback Circle \$100	12th Man Circle \$250	First Down Circle \$500	Touchdown Circle \$1,000	Super Hawk Circle \$2,500
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Dr. Harold E. Newman, President



Shorter College is proud to be “A Christian College Committed to Excellence in Education.” Through our traditional programs in Rome and our adult-degree classes in Atlanta and Rome, Shorter is a place where the mind and spirit intersect through intentional study and dialogue.

Recent years have brought growing recognition for our successes as an educational institution. In 2007, for the seventh consecutive year, U.S. News & World Report ranked Shorter among the South’s top baccalaureate colleges. We are also part of the Princeton Review’s lists as a “Best Southeastern College” and a “Best Value College.”

Our faculty, staff, administration, Board of Trustees, and Board of Visitors are working hard to ensure that the college’s brightest days are ahead. I encourage you to become involved in Shorter College’s exciting future.

Sincerely,

Dr. Harold E. Newman, President

Dr. Harold E. Newman became Shorter College’s 18th president on January 26, 2006. Dr. Newman brought extensive knowledge of and a deep love for Shorter College to his presidency.

He served the college as provost for 20 years under four presidents and had served as interim president since January 1, 2005.

A classically trained musician, Dr. Newman holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in music from Furman University, a Master of Church Music in piano performance from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and a Doctor of Education from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

There, he majored in curriculum and instruction with collaterals in higher education and educational administration and supervision.

Dr. Newman and his wife, Brenda, have two grown daughters: Cindy and Kathy.





Bill Peterson, Director of Athletics



Bill Peterson is in his third year as Director of Athletics for Shorter College, having set a clear course for making Shorter one of the top athletic programs in the country.

Since being named Director of Athletics on March 26, 2007, Peterson has made the desire for overall excellence the cornerstone of Hawks Athletics. His decisions and expertise have produced a wave of firsts in a number of programs, while also allowing Shorter College to achieve its highest National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) Directors' Cup finish (21st in 2007-2008) in the history of the school.

Numerous sports have reached never-before seen levels of success. Volleyball won the team's first-ever South States Athletic Conference (SSAC) title in 2007. Men's cross country captured back-to-back SSAC championships in 2007 and 2008 in just its second and third years of existence. Softball has enjoyed three consecutive conference championships and three straight trips to the NAIA National Tournament. Football captured its first-ever Mid-South Conference Western Division championship in just its fourth year as a program in 2008, consequently earning its first berth into the NAIA National Playoffs. Men's track and field won its second straight Mid-South Conference crown and a fifth-place finish at the 2009 NAIA Outdoor Nationals in St. Louis, while the women's track and field squad enjoyed its first league outdoor title and a seventh-place finish at nationals in 2009. Women's basketball has produced two straight 20-win campaigns while men's basketball has won 34 games in the last two seasons.

The Hawks have burst onto the national scene under Peterson, as cheerleading captured the school's first-ever team national championship in 2008-2009 and Justyna Mudy brought Shorter its first female individual national championship by winning the 3,000 meter steeplechase at the 2009 NAIA National Outdoor Track and Field Championships.

Peterson continues to push the Shorter athletic program to national prominence. In January 2008, the NAIA announced that Peterson, Shorter College and Rome-Floyd County, Ga. had successfully been awarded the bid for the 2008 and 2009 NAIA National Football Championship to be held at the Hawks' home facility, Barron Stadium. In 2009, the SSAC Men's Basketball Tournament was held at Shorter's Winthrop-King Centre, and the SSAC softball tournament was held for the second consecutive year at the Alto Park Softball Complex, home of the Lady Hawks.

Not only does Peterson expect excellence on the field and court, but he does so in the classroom as well. In 2008-2009, 16 student-athletes were named National Scholar-Athletes, and 74 were named to conference All-Academic teams. In 2007-2008, Shorter's men's soccer program boasted the highest team grade-point-average in the nation.

Prior to taking the helm of Hawks athletic program, Peterson served three years at his position of recruiting coordinator for the Shorter College football team.

He came to Shorter from Mount Paran Christian School in Kennesaw, Ga., where he served as head baseball coach. In 2005, he led Mount Paran to a school record 24 wins and a berth in the state finals while being named the *Atlanta-Journal Constitution's* Coach of the Year. Prior to coaching, Peterson was President and Co-Founder of Horizon Medical Products (HMP), a publicly traded corporation headquartered in Atlanta.

Peterson played collegiate football at Texas Lutheran College where he was a member of the 1974 NAIA national championship team, coached by the legendary Jim Wacker. He finished college at Florida State University in 1978 with a degree in Accounting.

His father, Bill Sr., is credited with bringing the professional passing game to college football. He coached at Florida State from 1960-1970, at Rice University in 1971 and the Houston Oilers of the National Football League (NFL) from 1972-1973.

Peterson and his wife, Joanna, have four children: Will, Molly, Ben and Sam. Will was a senior tight end for the 2008 Mid-South Conference champion Shorter football team.



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Shorter College Athletic Administration



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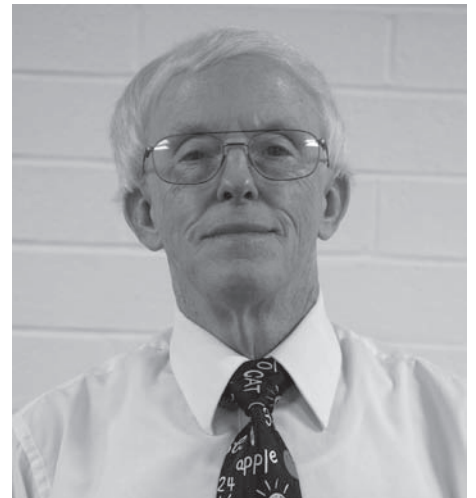
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Year-by-Year Results (26-18 overall, .591)

2005

Head Coach: Phil Jones

Record: 3-7

Sept. 10	Webber International	L, 16-9* (1-0)
Sept. 17	@ Allen	L, 24-20
Sept. 24	Lambuth	W, 52-20
Oct. 1	Cumberland (Tenn.)	W, 40-20
Oct. 8	@ Belhaven	L, 45-38 (OT)
Oct. 15	@ Cumberlands (Ky.)	L, 21-20
Oct. 20	UVA-Wise	L, 29-27
Oct. 29	@ Union (Ky.)	L, 25-16
Nov. 5	Georgetown	L, 79-6
Nov. 12	@ Pikeville	L, 30-13

* denotes win due to forfeit

2006

Head Coach: Phil Jones

Record: 7-4

Sept. 2	Brevard	W, 39-7
Sept. 9	@ Webber International	L, 13-6
Sept. 16	@ LaGrange	W, 54-0
Sept. 23	@ Cumberlands (Ky.)	W, 27-7
Sept. 30	@ Campbellsville	W, 38-14
Oct. 7	Pikeville	L, 27-24 (3 OT)
Oct. 14	UVA-Wise	L, 36-21
Oct. 21	@ Bethel (Tenn.)	L, 35-20* (1-0)
Oct. 26	Cumberland (Tenn.)	W, 30-10
Nov. 4	Belhaven	L, 40-35
Nov. 11	@ Lambuth	W, 13-6

* denotes win due to forfeit

2007

Head Coach: Phil Jones

Record: 7-4

Sept. 1	@ Brevard	W, 24-21
Sept. 8	@ Stillman	L, 27-24
Sept. 15	LaGrange	W, 38-12
Sept. 22	@ Campbellsville	W, 28-7
Sept. 29	Union	W, 41-17
Oct. 6	West Virginia Tech	W, 16-6
Oct. 13	@ Georgetown	L, 37-2
Oct. 20	@ Belhaven	L, 25-21
Oct. 25	Bethel (Tenn.)	L, 44-21
Nov. 3	@ Cumberland (Tenn.)	W, 34-7
Nov. 10	Lambuth	W, 42-18

2008

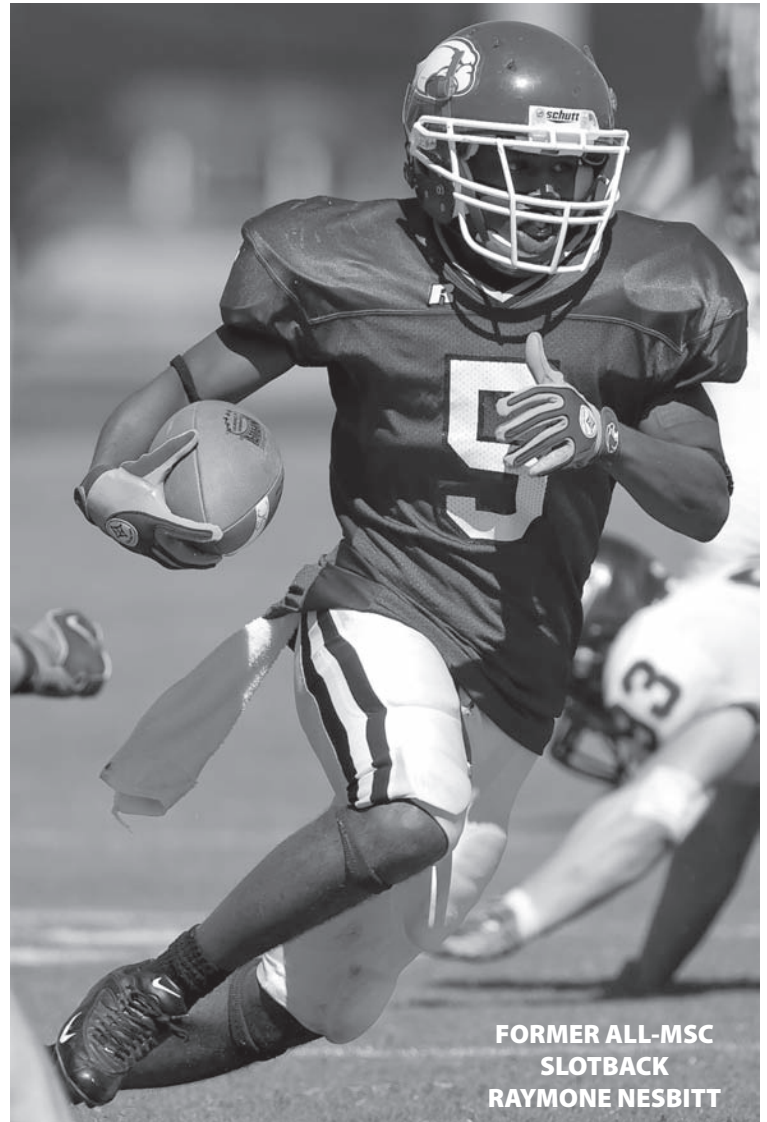
Head Coach: Phil Jones

Record: 9-3 (Mid-South Western Division Champions)

Aug. 28	@ Western Carolina	L, 35-0
Sept. 13	@ LaGrange	W, 28-23
Sept. 20	@ Pikeville	W, 52-17
Sept. 27	Faulkner	W, 42-0
Oct. 4	@ Campbellsville	W, 24-14
Oct. 11	Lambuth	L, 42-38
Oct. 18	North Greenville	W, 37-21
Oct. 23	Union (Ky.)	W, 33-27
Nov. 1	@ Cumberland (Tenn.)	W, 27-24
Nov. 8	Belhaven	W, 35-0
Nov. 15	@ Bethel	W, 7-0

NAIA National Championship Playoffs

Nov. 22	@ Cumberlands (Ky.)	L, 31-7
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All-Time Records Versus Opponents

<i>School</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>Last Meeting</i>	<i>Result</i>
Allen University	0-1	September 17, 2005	L 24-20
Belhaven College	1-3	November 8, 2008	W 35-0
Bethel College (Tenn.)	2-1	November 15, 2008	W 7-0
Brevard College	2-0	September 1, 2007	W 24-21
Campbellsville University	3-0	October 4, 2008	W 24-14
Cumberland University(Tenn.)	3-0	November 1, 2008	W 27-24
University of the Cumberlands (Ky.)	1-2	November 22, 2008	L 31-7
Faulkner University	1-0	September 27, 2008	W 42-0
Georgetown University	0-2	October 13, 2007	L 37-2
Kentucky Christian University	0-0	TBD	TBD
LaGrange College	3-0	September 13, 2008	W 28-23
Lambuth University	3-1	October 11, 2008	L 42-38
Lenoir-Rhyne University	0-0	TBD	TBD
North Greenville University	1-0	October 18, 2008	W 37-21
Pikeville College	1-2	September 20, 2008	W 52-17
Stillman College	0-1	September 8, 2007	L 27-24
Union University(Ky.)	2-1	October 23, 2008	W 33-27
University of Virginia-Wise	0-2	October 14, 2006	L 36-21
Webber International University	1-1	September 9, 2006	L 13-6
West Virginia Tech	1-0	October 6, 2007	W 16-6
Western Carolina University	0-1	August 28, 2008	L 35-0

Bold denotes 2009 opponent



Shorter Football Record Books

Individual Rushing Records

Most Yards (Game)

249 - A.J. Cooley vs. North Greenville (Oct. 18, 2008)

Most Yards (Season)

1,558 - A.J. Cooley (2008)

Most Yards (Career)

2,682 - A.J. Cooley (2006-present)

Most Carries (Game)

37 - A.J. Cooley vs. Bethel (Nov. 15, 2008)

Most Carries (Season)

261 - A.J. Cooley (2008)

Most Carries (Career)

515 - A.J. Cooley (2006-present)

Most Touchdowns (Game)

4 - A.J. Cooley vs. North Greenville (Oct. 18, 2008)
4 - Fabian Daniel vs. Cumberland (Tenn.) (Oct. 1, 2005)

Most Touchdowns (Season)

21 - A.J. Cooley (2008)

Most Touchdowns (Career)

33 - A.J. Cooley (2006-present)

Top-5 All-Time Single-Game Rushing Performances

1. A.J. Cooley vs. North Greenville (Oct. 18, 2008)
27 carries, 249 yards, 4 TD
2. A.J. Cooley vs. Campbellsville (Oct. 4, 2008)
25 carries, 219 yards, 2 TD
3. A.J. Cooley vs. Faulkner (Sept. 27, 2008)
19 carries, 209 yards, 2 TD
4. Fabian Daniel vs. Belhaven (Nov. 4, 2006)
10 carries, 189 yards, 3 TD
5. A.J. Cooley vs. Bethel (Nov. 15, 2008)
37 carries, 175 yards, TD



Career Rushing Leaders

1. A.J. Cooley - 2,682 yards (2006-present)
2. Fabian Daniel - 1,621 (2005-2007)
3. Raymone Nesbitt - 1,172 (2005-2008)
4. Chris Chapman - 854 (2005-2008)
5. Ben Williams - 670 (2007-present)

Longest Rush

99 - A.J. Cooley vs. North Greenville (Oct. 18, 2008)

Individual Passing Records

Most Yards (Game)

79 - Alex Jackson vs. Lambuth (Sept. 24, 2005)

Most Yards (Season)

786 - Alex Jackson (2005)

Most Yards (Career)

1,466 - Alex Jackson (2005-2006)

Most Completions (Game)

15 - Drew Elrod vs. Bethel (Oct. 25, 2007)
15 - Alex Jackson vs. Lambuth (Sept. 24, 2005)

Most Completions (Season)

66 - Drew Elrod (2007)

Most Completions (Career)

99 - Alex Jackson (2005-2006)

Most Attempts (Game)

23 - Drew Elrod vs. Bethel (Oct. 25, 2007)
23 - Alex Jackson vs. Lambuth (Sept. 24, 2005)

Most Attempts (Season)

122 - Alex Jackson (2005)

Most Attempts (Career)

211 - Alex Jackson (2005-2006)

Most Touchdowns (Game)

2 - Alex Jackson vs. Pikeville (Oct. 7, 2006)

Most Touchdowns (Season)

5 - Drew Elrod (2007)

Most Touchdowns (Career)

6 - Alex Jackson (2005-2006)

Individual Receiving Records

Most Yards (Game)

101 - Dustin Perry vs. Belhaven (Oct. 8, 2005)

Most Yards (Season)

544 - Dustin Perry (2005)

**Most Yards (Career)**

954 - Dustin Perry (2005-2006)

Most Receptions (Game)

7 - Dentre Mathis vs. UVA-Wise (Oct. 20, 2005)

Most Receptions (Season)

34 - Dustin Perry (2005)

Most Receptions (Career)

61 - Dustin Perry (2005-2006)

Most Touchdowns (Game)

2 - Jacob Kelly vs. Pikeville (Oct. 7, 2006)

Most Touchdowns (Season)

3 - Jacob Kelly (2006)

Most Touchdowns (Career)

3 - Chris Chapman (2005-2008)

3 - Jacob Kelly (2005-2006)

Longest Completion

75 - Josh Woodward to Justin Perry vs. Webber Intl. (Sept. 10, 2005)

Individual Defensive Records**Most Tackles (Game)**

21 - Logan Lollis vs. Cumberlands (Ky.) (Nov. 22, 2008)

Most Tackles (Season)

113 - Logan Lollis (2008)

Most Sacks (Game)

3.0 - Logan Lollis vs. Lambuth (Oct. 11, 2008)

Most Sacks (Season)

7.0 - Logan Lollis (2008)

7.0 - Andrew Schramper (2008)

Interceptions (Game)

2 - Will Oliver vs. Cumberland (Tenn.) (Oct. 26, 2006)

Interceptions (Season)

5 - A.J. Baker (2007)

Individual Special Teams Records**Field Goals Made (Game)**

3 - Lukas Gonzalez vs. Cumberland (Tenn.) (Oct. 26, 2006)

Field Goals Made (Season)

12 - Lukas Gonzalez (2006)

Longest Field Goal

52 - Lukas Gonzalez vs. Cumberlands (Ky.) (Sept. 23, 2006)



FABIAN DANIEL



LUKAS GONZALEZ

Longest Punt

68 - Lukas Gonzalez vs. Lambuth (Nov. 10, 2007)

Most PATs Made

7 - Lukas Gonzalez vs. Pikeville (Sept. 20, 2008)

Team Records

Most Points: 54, vs. LaGrange (Sept. 16, 2006)

Most Points in a Quarter: 28, vs. Faulkner (Sept. 27, 2008)

Most Points in a Half: 35, vs. Faulkner (Sept. 27, 2008)

Most Yards Total Offense: 526, vs. Faulkner (Sept. 27, 2008)

Most Rushing Yards: 421, vs. Faulkner (Sept. 27, 2008)

Most Passing Yards: 219, vs. Lambuth (Sept. 24, 2005)

Fewest Total Yards Allowed: 63, vs. Brevard (Sept. 2, 2006)

Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed: 4, vs. Belhaven (Nov. 8, 2008)

Fewest Passing Yds. Allowed: -1 vs. Cumberlands (Ky.) (Sept. 23, 2006)

Most Sacks: 7, vs. Belhaven (Nov. 8, 2008)

Most Shutouts (Season): 3 (2008)



All-Time Honors

Mid-South All-Conference

2005: Hunter Glenn, OL
Lukas Gonzalez, P
Dustin Perry, WR

2006: Fabian Daniel, SB/KRS
Lukas Gonzalez, PK
Budd Keith, DB
Logan Lollis, LB
Zach Morrison, OL
Will Oliver, DB
Josh Pidgeon, DL

2007: Matt Atchley, OL^
Drew Elrod, QB^
Ryan Gloer, LB
Lukas Gonzalez, P/PK
Budd Keith, DB
Zach Morrison, OL
Raymone Nesbitt, SB
Will Oliver, DB
Jamie Stewart, LB
Matt Yarbrough, DL

2008: Matt Atchley, OL^
A.J. Baker, DB^*
Nick Bearden, TE^
Chris Chapman, SB
A.J. Cooley, FB*
Lukas Gonzalez, PK
Garrett Hochstetler, LB^*
Curtis John, DL^
Budd Keith, DB
Logan Lollis, LB*
Zach Morrison, OL
Raymone Nesbitt, SB
Will Oliver, DB
Will Peterson, TE^
Andrew Schampfer, DL
Brad Smith, OL^

^ denotes honorable mention selection

* denotes current player

Mid-South Academic All-Conference

2006: Jackson Abercrombie
Bruce Ingram
Kenneth James
Budd Keith
Ronnie Kelly
Craig Lawson
Zach Morrison
Will Oliver
Tommy Oswald
Dustin Perry
Jeremy Ruark
Brad Smith

2007: Jackson Abercrombie
A.J. Bennett
Kevin Cone
Blake Ducatel
Ryan Gloer
Kenneth James
Curtis John
Budd Keith
Fisher Marietta
Zach Morrison
Will Oliver
Jeremy Ruark
Ben Williams

2008: Jackson Abercrombie
Bo Bearse
Spenser Bettis
Matt Broome
D.J. Cone
Derik Cooper
Josh Dorminy
Blake Ducatel
David Hall
Kenneth James
Curtis John
Budd Keith
Seth Lindsey
Zach Morrison
Will Oliver
Cameron Panther
Dustin Perry
Andrew Schampfer
Will Wiggins
Ben Williams
Jared Williams

Mid-South Conference Player of the Year

2007: Ryan Gloer, Defensive

2008: Logan Lollis, Defensive
A.J. Cooley, Offensive

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2006: Fabian Daniel, 2nd Team, RS

2007: Ryan Gloer, HM, LB
Zach Morrison, HM, OL
Matt Yarbrough, HM, DL

2008: A.J. Cooley, 2nd Team, FB
Logan Lollis, 2nd Team, LB
Zach Morrison, 2nd Team, OL
Andrew Schramper, HM, DL

Mid-South Conference Player of the Week

Oct. 1, 2005 Fabian Daniel, Offensive

Sept. 2, 2006 Lukas Gonzalez, Spec. Teams

Sept. 20, 2006 Budd Keith, Defensive

Oct. 28, 2006 Lukas Gonzalez, Spec. Teams

Nov. 4, 2006 Logan Lollis, Defensive

Sept. 1, 2007 Lukas Gonzalez, Spec. Teams

Oct. 6, 2007 Lukas Gonzalez, Spec. Teams

Nov. 10, 2007 Lukas Gonzalez, Spec. Teams

Oct. 20, 2008 A.J. Cooley, Offensive

Oct. 27, 2008 Logan Lollis, Defensive



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The NAIA supports gender equity. Gender equity is an atmosphere and reality where fair distribution of overall athletic opportunity and resources, proportionate to enrollment, are available to women and men, and where no student-athlete, coach or athletics administrator is discriminated against in any way in the athletics program. That is to say, an athletics program is gender-equitable when the men's sports program would be pleased to accept as its own the overall participation opportunities and resources currently allocated to the women's sports program and vice versa.

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NAIA at a glance

- Nearly 300 member colleges and universities
- 23 national championships
- 650,000 student-athletes over the years
- First to include black colleges and students in championships
- First to include women in national championships
- First to develop system-wide character initiative with substantive programming

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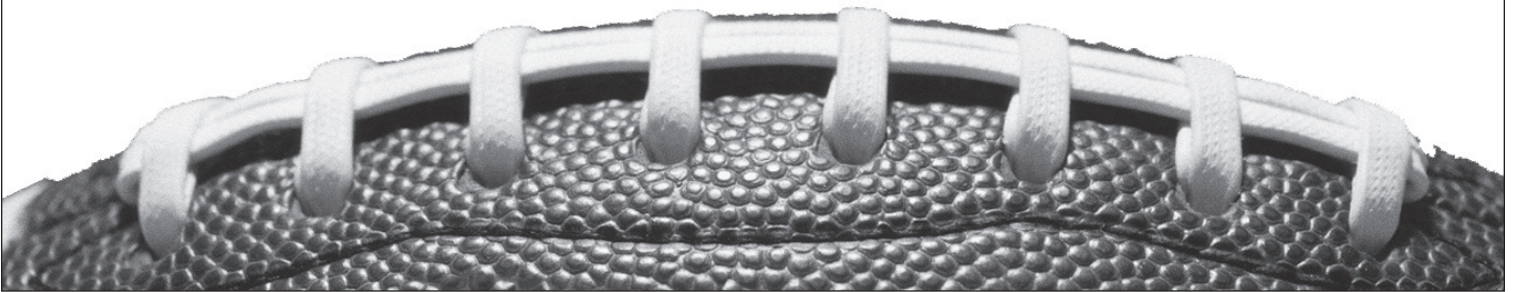
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Our Campus and Life at Shorter College

Conceived in the mind of educator Luther Rice Gwaltney, the Cherokee Baptist Female College opened for students in 1873. As pastor of Rome Baptist Church, now First Baptist, Gwaltney encouraged the active participation of church members in the establishment of a school for young ladies.

Because of the generous contributions of Alfred and Martha Shorter, in 1877 the college was renamed Shorter College. Originally, the college was housed in Victorian structures located on Shelton Hill, near Clock Tower Hill in downtown Rome.

By 1910 a new vision of a "Greater Shorter," and contributions from the J. L. Bass family and the J. P. Cooper family made the relocation of the school to its current site a reality.

A significant innovation in the history of the college came in the early 1950s when school administrators and trustees made the decision to recruit the first male students. The "Girl's Creed" had to be abandoned, a dormitory for men constructed, new sports teams created, fraternities initiated, and very different rules of conduct established.

Under the leadership of President Randall Minor, the Georgia Baptist Convention was given control over the election of trustees; new faculty were hired, many of whom are still familiar faces on campus; a new administration building and student center, a new library, and a fine arts building were constructed; and the first African-American student graduated from the college.

In the 1990s, Shorter continued to lead. International programs, the establishment of the School of Professional Programs in the Atlanta area, the creation of the Hugh Davis Center for Ministry Education and the offering of an MBA degree program in business represent only a few developments.

Under President Larry McSwain, Shorter celebrated its 125th anniversary, dedicated the Winthrop-King Centre; converted the old gymnasium into the Fitton Student Union; and constructed the Bass apartments,

the J. Robert Eubanks Welcome Center and the Robert H. Ledbetter baseball field.



In 2003, U.S. News and World Report named Shorter one of the Best 25 Southern Comprehensive Colleges and one of the Top 10 Best Buys among Southern Comprehensive Colleges.

Dr. Harold E. Newman was named Shorter's president in January 2006 after having served as provost for 20 years and as interim president for one year. Under his leadership, the college continues to receive significant recognition. During the 2006-2007 academic year, Shorter was ranked for the sixth consecutive year among the South's best comprehensive colleges focusing on bachelor's degrees.

Shorter also was ranked for the third consecutive year as a "Best Southeastern College" and a "Best Value College" by the Princeton Review; Shorter was one of 300 colleges nationwide selected for the Colleges of Distinction guidebook.



Also, in the fall of 2006, Dr. Carmen Acevedo Butcher, scholar in residence and a graduate of Shorter College, was named the 2006 Georgia Professor of the Year by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Campaigns for new facilities and programs are planned, which include a new library wing, science facility, and performing arts center.

Shorter continues to pursue its mission to inspire students to make commitments to lifelong learning, personal spiritual values, responsible citizenship, community and societal leadership and global awareness.

The Mission of Shorter College is to provide quality higher education, enabling and encouraging student commitment to active life-long learning, personal spiritual values, responsible citizenship, and community and societal leadership in a global context.



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