

HISTORY



Tulsa has appeared in 19 Bowl games in school including in eight of the last 11 seasons, including a 31-17 victory over Iowa State in the 2012 AutoZone Liberty Bowl.

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1895: The Legacy Begins

The legacy of Tulsa football began when the Bacone School for Indians and Henry Kendall College, which later became The University of Tulsa, did battle in 1895. It was one of the first football games in the Indian Territory and the game caused a lot of excitement within the student bodies of each school as well as the citizens of the Territory.

People in the Oklahoma Territory were excited by the prospects of having football in the area, but no one really understood how the game was played. The Kendall team didn't even actually have a coach in that first season. A young transfer student from Springfield, Missouri, named Norman Leard stepped up to the task.

Although there was no score recorded, Kendall College won the only game the team played that year.

Football struggled to gain its prominence at the college. The college played only 19 games between 1900 and 1910. No teams were fielded in 1903, 1904, 1906, 1907 or 1911.

Kendall College's reappearance on the collegiate football scene in 1912 came at a time when the game itself was becoming modernized. New rules altered the game. Offenses were allowed four downs to make 10 yards. The length of the playing field was reduced from 110 to 100 yards, and most importantly, the 20-yard limit on forward passes was removed.

By 1914, the resurrection of Kendall College football was in full swing and two men helped spur that along. Sam McBirney, a Tulsa banker, and Francis Schmidt came on the scene. In 1914, McBirney led the team to a 7-2 record with five shutout victories, and followed that season with a 6-1-1 record in 1915.

It wasn't just McBirney who jump-started the football program. Ivan Grove, who was one player instrumental in building the the Kendall football program, was the key to undefeated seasons of 1916 and 1919. He quarterbacked the Presbyterians from 1914 through 1916, and again in 1919.

During the 1916 season, Grove and receivers Virgil Jones and Madison "Puny" Blevins developed the controversial "tower play". The play called for Jones and Blevins to sprint down field, Blevins would stop, lift Jones onto his shoulders, and Grove would toss the ball to Jones. At that time, there were

no rules against such a play But it only worked once for the Kendallites in a 117-0 thrashing of Missouri School of Mines.

That was the type of domination Kendall experienced in 1916. The season ended with Kendall producing an undefeated 10-0 record, and laying claim to the unofficial title of "state champions."

While the team turned in their uniforms that season, a few Tulsa businessmen wanted one more game for the Kendall team, against the fabulous Irish of Notre Dame. How close Kendall came to playing Notre Dame in the finale of the 1916 season probably will never be known, but a definite move was underway with some of the town's wealthiest oilmen reportedly backing the promotion.

Prior to the 1917 season, McBirney went back to his bank, and Schmidt, an assistant coach under McBirney, went to fight in World War I, as did a number of players. As a result, the 1917 season was a rough one for Kendall College.

Hal Medford took the coaching reins, but enrollment dropped drastically as did the male population. With only two varsity players available, Medford took the initiative to recruit players from Kendall Academy to fill the roster. The team had many weak areas and Medford had a hard time finding players to strengthen those areas. The team went without a win, thus it was called "the season that fell victim to the Kaiser's war."

By 1919, the Presbyterians were back in full force and primed for a comeback. Schmidt came back from the war ready to coach, and McBirney joined him as an assistant coach this time. All the players from previous years were back now, including Grove, and optimism was high.



Henry Kendall College 1916 Football Team



Tulsa versus Arkansas, 1920.

The team played nine games, but only three were seen as serious threats — Oklahoma, Oklahoma A&M and Arkansas. The powerful Kendall team with Grove, John Young, Benton Springer, Harry Miller and Vergil Jones back in 1919, pummeled its first opponent, Oklahoma Baptist. Kendall scored 22 touchdowns and 20 conversions to amass a 152-0 victory.

Tulsa went on to defeated two of its main rivals, including 27-0 against Oklahoma and a 63-7 victory over Arkansas. Tulsa and Oklahoma A&M tied 7-7.

By the turn of the century, Henry Kendall College was on the map as a team to reckon with on the field.

The Glorious Twenties

Schmidt took Henry Kendall College into the new decade with another undefeated season in 1920, the third such season in the brief history of the school. Kendall outscored its opponents in 1920, 621 to 21 points.

As the decade progressed, changes ranging from coaching to the name of the university itself altered the face of Kendall football.

The first thing to change was the actual name of the university. On February 8, 1921, The University of Tulsa was born. The administration of Kendall College believed that by taking on the name of the city, more support from its citizens would follow. This change was met with immediate increases in donations, thus proving its effectiveness.

Schmidt, who led the 1921 team to a 6-3 record, was preparing for the 1922 season when he was named the head coach at the University of Arkansas.

Enter the name Howard Acher. When he took over the position, Acher saw great potential in his team and wanted to publicize it by creating a new identity with a new nickname. Sports writers and others had called the school by any number of names from the Presbyterians to the Orange and Black, to the Kendallites.

After an opening day win against a strong Texas Christian University team in 1922, Acher put his mind to work. The press had claimed that the Kendall football team blew through its opponents like a tornado. So, it figured that Tornadoes, would be the nickname with "golden" added to identify the color of the uniforms. However, it was later found that Georgia Tech had claimed that name, so from tornado it was evolved meteorologically to a hurricane. Thus the squad voted, and the name "Golden Hurricane" became the new team moniker with the gold added because of the jersey color.

TU lived up to its nickname as the Golden Hurricane blew through the Texas A&M defense in the next game with pass after pass from quarterback Rex Thomas. TU won its first game as the Golden Hurricane by a score of 13-10.

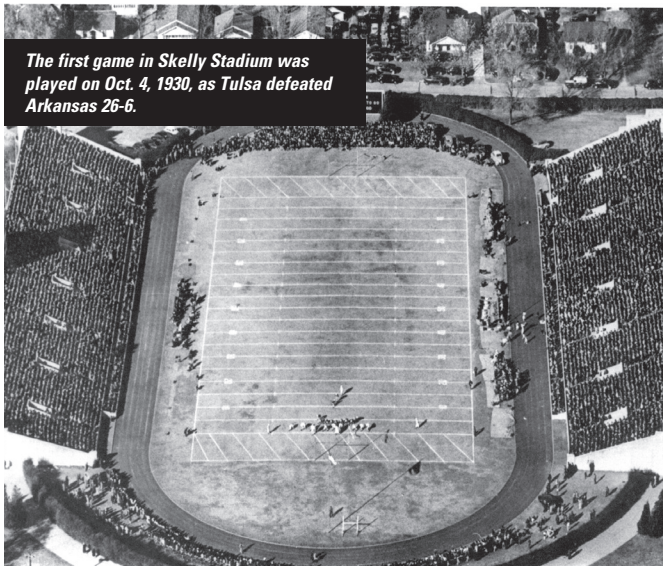
A perfect 9-0 record in was followed with two straight losing seasons, and after the 1924 season Acher resigned his position as head coach. His replacement was quite a shock to everyone as Elmer "Gloomy Gus" Henderson was chosen to take over the coaching reins. The selection of Henderson wasn't as much of a surprise as was his acceptance of the offer. He was coming from a program at the University of Southern California where, "one All American was in the game, and his substitute on the bench was an All American." No one could understand why he would leave such a program. But the reason was simple, his lucrative contract at Tulsa.

Known as "Gloomy Gus" because of his pessimism when speaking for publication, he found success easy at Tulsa. He taught his team five new formations, and put the team back on its feet after only three wins over the previous two seasons. His first few seasons resulted in 13 wins and four losses, and by 1927, Golden Hurricane football was well on its way to recovery.

In 1928, prosperity in America and the success of Tulsa football, inspired Henderson to dream of a new stadium. He took his dream to the rich oilmen of Tulsa, and they supported it. A short time later, Henderson saw his dream come true. The University of Tulsa football team had a new home to go along with the new philosophy and nickname.

It was Nov. 13, 1915 when Tulsa used the "tower play" against Missouri School of the Mines. The play calls for one player to jump on a teammates' shoulders to catch a pass. It worked in a 117-0 win. In 1916, the play was banned.





The first game in Skelly Stadium was played on Oct. 4, 1930, as Tulsa defeated Arkansas 26-6.

Only 12 football players made the trip to Stillwater on Oct. 22, 1927, and Tulsa came away victorious 28-26.

Tulsa Football Gets a New Home

The 1930 season saw Coach Henderson's dream of a new home for Tulsa football become a reality. Though the Depression had hit hard, the need for a new stadium was growing by the day.

McNulty Park, the original home of the Golden Hurricane, had become archaic by modern collegiate standards. In actuality, it was a baseball field that only measured 90 yards. This meant teams had to cross the goal line once, place the ball back on the 10 yard line, and cross the goal line again in order to score.

By 1930, the new stadium had been approved and funding for the \$300,000 project had been acquired, so there could be no stopping. The stadium was built to hold 15,000 spectators, and the north and south ends were left open for future growth. Capacity now stands at 40,235. The stadium was named after William G. Skelly, a local oilman, who donated \$125,000 to the project. The balance was raised by Tulsa businessmen by organizing the Stadium Corporation of Tulsa.



Coach Frnka pictured with Glenn Dobbs, 1941.

The stadium was dedicated at the 1930 season opener against Arkansas. The Golden Hurricane christened their new home with a 26-6 victory.

One of the mainstays for the Golden Hurricane during this transition was Chet Benefiel who played for TU from 1928 to 1931. The halfback's exploits on the football field was said to have spurred the support for TU football that resulted in the building of Skelly Field. Benefiel earned honorable mention All-America honors in 1930, and captained two teams. He was Oklahoma Back of the Year in 1929, and was selected to the All-Oklahoma team in 1929 and 1930.

As the Hurricane adapted to its new surroundings, the team's prosperity grew. Henderson's 1933 team was the highlight of the decade.

The Golden Hurricane played seven games that season, posting victories over rivals Oklahoma, Kansas and Arkansas. The Hurricane also soundly beat Oklahoma Central, Washburn and George Washington. The lone setback TU suffered was at the hands of Texas A&M. Wins over such strong competition caused the team of 1933 to be called one of the best in Tulsa football history.

When Henderson decided to leave his coaching post in 1935, TU went in search of a successor. What they found was yet another Rose Bowl champion coach from Southern Methodist University named Vic Hurt. At first, Hurt didn't accept the position, but with some persuasive recruiting talk and a visit to campus, he accepted.

Hurt's tenure lasted three seasons and after the 1938 season, he stepped down to take the head coaching post at Kansas.

Former TU player Chet Benefiel moved up from his freshman coaching position to be Hurt's successor. In 1940, Benefiel led the Hurricane to share the Missouri Valley Conference Championship in 1940. However, his contract was not renewed for the next season. As a result, Tulsa hired Henry Frnka who would lead the Hurricane through one of the most successful decades in Tulsa football history.

Tulsa Goes to Five Straight New Years Day Bowl Games — The First School to Accomplish that Feat

The 1940s saw great development in the strength and notoriety of the University of Tulsa Golden Hurricane. Players like Glenn Dobbs, Sax Judd, Bobby Jack Stuart and N.A. Keithley, combined with the coaching of Frnka meant five straight bowl berths. Tulsa became the first school to go to five straight New Years Day Bowl Games, starting with the Sun Bowl on January 1, 1942. Two Sugar Bowls, the Orange Bowl and Oil Bowl followed.

Frnka brought a fervent love of the game and a strong desire to learn as much as he could about the game to Tulsa. He built a national football powerhouse en route to a career record of 40-9-2 in his five years.

The bowl appearances began in 1941 as the Hurricane posted a 7-2 regular season record. By early December, there had been no talk of a bowl bid for the Hurricane. A 13-6 loss to Arkansas seemed to have dashed any bowl dreams the team may have had. However, on December 4, word came that TU had in fact been invited to the Sun Bowl to play Texas Tech in El Paso, Texas on January 1, 1942.

Tech was favored in the game, but that fact did not intimidate the Hurricane. As the waning minutes of the game approached and the game still scoreless, Dobbs connected with Judd who fell over the goal line for the games only points. Tulsa emerged victorious from its first bowl game.

Tulsa's bowl dynasty gained strength in 1942. At the end of the regular season, the Hurricane had the only perfect record in college football going at 10-0.

It had been rumored that the Hurricane was in line for the Rose Bowl, but when the invitation came, it was from New Orleans and the Sugar Bowl. Tulsa's opponent would be Tennessee.



1941 Tulsa Football Team, First Bowl Team

Tulsa struck first in that January 1, 1943 game. On TU's second possession, Dobbs went to work picking apart the Vols' defense to put the Hurricane on top 6-0. As the game went on, TU saw its lead dissipate. The Volunteers pulled to within one point just before halftime.

A safety and another Tennessee touchdown in the second half gave the Vols a 14-7 victory, and ending Tulsa's hope of going 11-0 on the season and being able to claim the nation's number one ranking. Tulsa ended the season 10-1 and ranked fourth in the nation.

The 1943 season saw Tulsa receive a second straight invitation to the Sugar Bowl. This time the opponent would be Georgia Tech.

After the Tulsa offense failed to gain a first down, Clyde LeForce faked a field goal and threw the ball to Ed Shedlosky for a 6-0 Tulsa lead on the first Hurricane possession. At the start of the second quarter, TU struck again on a Jimmy Ford 76-yard touchdown run putting TU in command 12-0. Then, the Yellow Jackets got on the scoreboard making it a 12-7 game. By halftime, the score stood at 18-7.

As the second half began, the Yellow Jackets began a comeback that broke the backs of the Hurricane. Tech quickly scored a touchdown to bring the score to 18-13. A 78-yard drive hammered the final nail in the Hurricane's coffin as the game ended in a 20-18 heartbreaking defeat.

As the next season took shape, TU was looking good for a fourth straight bowl game. Tulsa's wish came true when the Hurricane received word that they'd have a chance to avenge the previous year's bowl loss to Georgia Tech. This time Tulsa would face Tech in the Orange Bowl on January 1, 1945.

Tulsa scored two first quarter touchdowns and added a third TD in the third quarter before Tech was able to get on the scoreboard. Tech had a third period score and each team scored once more in the final quarter, as Tulsa held on for a 26-14 win.

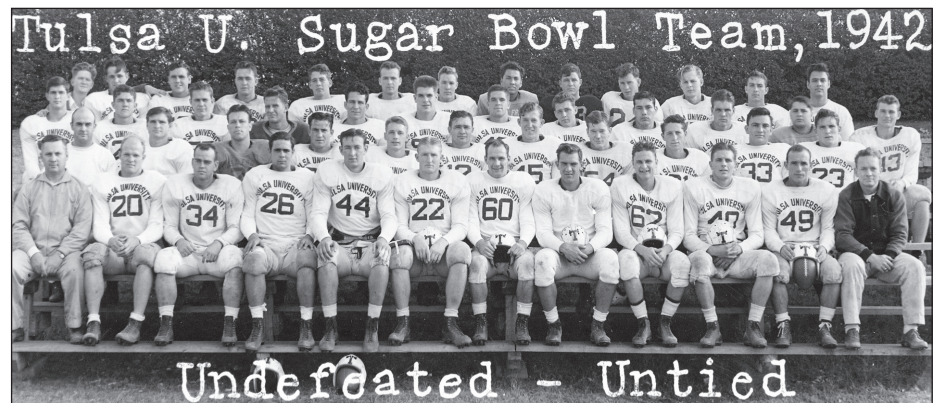
Coming off that bowl victory, TU was hungry for another, and that hunger grew as the 1945 season began. Hopes of another big bowl appearance were strong, but setbacks near the end of the season deflated those hopes somewhat. However, Tulsa impressed the Oil Bowl selection committee enough with a 20-18 win over Hondo Air Base in the regular season finale to earn a bowl bid. Thus, the Golden Hurricane found itself in its fifth straight bowl game playing Georgia.

The Oil Bowl game was close throughout, as each team capitalized on turnovers and the score stayed 7-6 until the fourth quarter, when the Bulldogs scored 13 of their 20

points in that quarter. Tulsa came out on the short end of a 20-6 battle.

Tulsa began the 1942 season with shutouts in its first six games, outscoring opponents 296-0.

Although that loss ended Tulsa's bowl appearances for a time, the accomplishment of having gone to five straight bowl games put The University of Tulsa on the college football map. The Frnka era also ended with the Oil Bowl game. But, his contributions to Tulsa kept alive a tradition of quality football that ranks with some of the best in the country that carried into the 1950s.



The Bowl Legacy Continues

J.O. "Buddy" Brothers moved into the head coaching position in 1946 and took the Hurricane program into the 1950s, but not before posting a 9-1 record in 1946. Tulsa hit a low point in 1948 with an 0-9-1 record, but two years later Tulsa bounced back with a 9-1-1 mark in 1950.

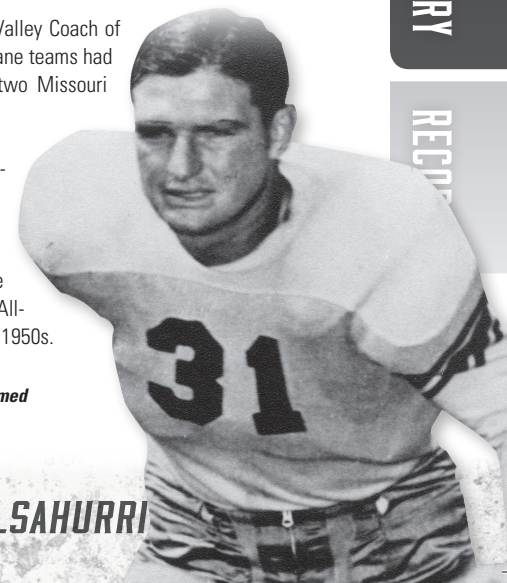
The highlight of the 1950s was Tulsa's visit to the Gator Bowl following the 1952 season where they met a strong Florida team. That season, the Hurricane posted an 8-2-1 record as TU renewed their bowl tradition.

Several players played key roles in the success of that 1952 team. Of course, it all started with inspiration from Coach Brothers, who was born with no left hand. He inspired his players with his courage and determination not to allow his handicap to get in the way. Tom Ham, a player for Brothers on that 1952 team, once said "coach Brothers showed his toughness every day at practice." His toughness spurred the Hurricane to success in 1952.

Coach Brothers was voted Missouri Valley Coach of the Year in 1949 and 1951. His Hurricane teams had a career record of 26-5-1, winning two Missouri Valley Conference championships.

Tulsa was also blessed with exceptional talent in 1952. Tommy Hudspeth, Marvin Matuszak and Howard Waugh were tri-captains. Hudspeth was a strong defensive back for the Hurricane and was selected to the All-Oklahoma decade football team of the 1950s.

Ellis Jones, a one armed guard, was named as a Football All-American in 1945.



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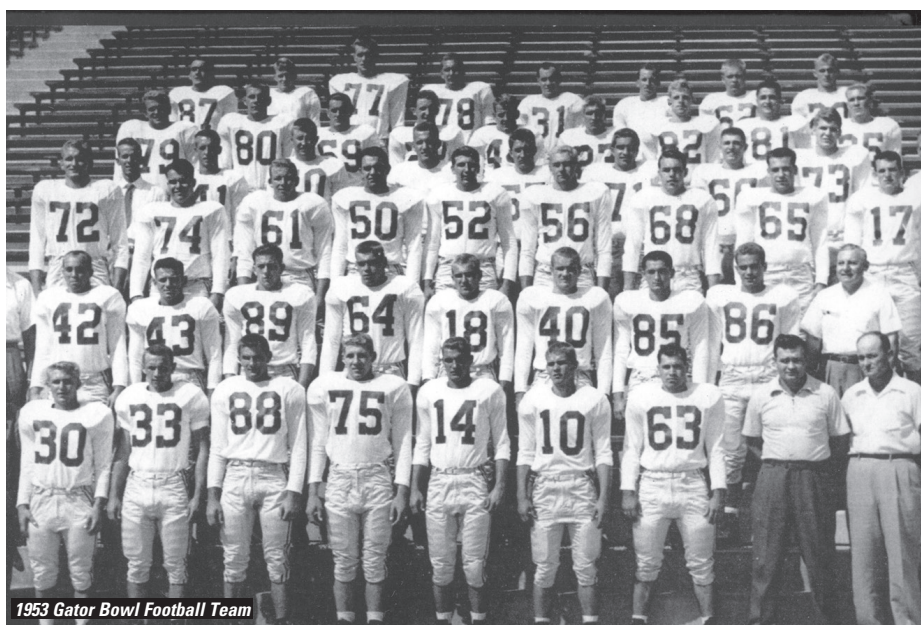
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Matuszak, hailed as one of the best linemen in Tulsa history, was the first Hurricane player to twice be named first team All-America. Waugh was a record-setting running back. He led the nation in rushing with 1,372 yards and averaging 6.8 yards per rush.

These three men led a strong Hurricane team into the Florida game. From the time the Hurricane took the field against Florida in the Gator Bowl, they knew they were in for a battle. Florida scored the first time they had the ball, and again on a 37-yard pass play in the second quarter.

When TU took the field for the second half, the Hurricane constructed a drive of 73 yards for their first score pulling the Hurricane within a touchdown at 14-7. Tulsa's second scoring drive covered 46 yards, capped by Waugh leaping into the end zone after the Hurricane recovered a fumble at the Gators' 46-yard line. However, Tom Miner's PAT went wide left leaving Florida with a one-point lead, 14-13.



TU had one final scoring opportunity after another Florida fumble with six minutes remaining in the game. The Hurricane traveled to the Gators' 4-yard line, but had to settle for a field goal attempt that missed, allowing Florida to hold on for a 14-13 victory. Although Tulsa lost that bowl game, the 1952 team and those previous to it had some of the best players in Tulsa history.

Passing was the Name of the Game in 1960's

As the 1960s took shape, Glenn Dobbs became the head football coach at his alma mater in 1961. Dobbs revitalized Tulsa's passing attack making the Hurricane offense a threat whenever it took the field. Tulsa led the nation in passing for five straight seasons — 1962, 1963, 1964, 1965 and 1966.

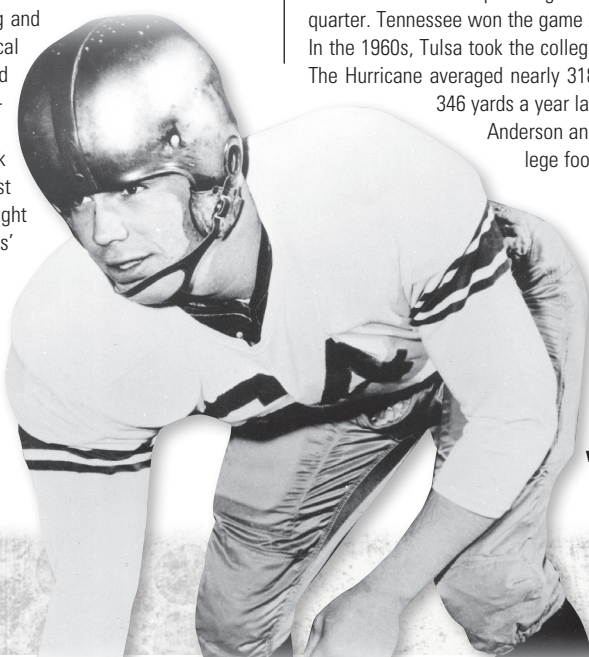
Although the 1963 season produced only a 5-5 record, Tulsa's offense, spearheaded by quarterback Jerry Rhome, averaged 199.3 yards passing per contest.

Until 1964, college football was dominated by running attacks. The nation saw Tulsa's vaunted offensive attack in 1964 as the best passing team the nation had ever seen.

For 30 years teams avoided passing the ball because they thought running the ball was a better way to play the game.

What took years for college football to develop, Rhome and company obliterated in two years. In 1964, the Rhome-Twilley connection broke 20 NCAA records for total offense, passing, receiving and scoring. The notoriety those impressive statistical numbers gave the two Hurricane standouts helped lead them to back-to-back Heisman Trophy runner-up finishes, Rhome in 1964 and Twilley in 1965. Dobbs obviously didn't believe in the ground attack philosophy. He was one of the Hurricane's most prolific passers himself, so it's no wonder he brought his aerial philosophy back to Tulsa. Under Dobbs' guidance, the Hurricane offense passed 52 percent of the time, well above the 29 percent Tulsa's opponents were averaging.

Lineman Marvin Matuszak (1951) was Tulsa's first two-time All-American.



Behind that strong offense, the 1964 team won all but two regular season games leaving the Hurricane with an 8-2 record and an invitation to the Bluebonnet Bowl in Houston, Texas to face Mississippi.

In that game, Tulsa dominated with its passing game as the Hurricane came from behind to re-establish themselves as a strong bowl team by winning 14-7, and finishing the season with a 9-2 mark.

The 1965 season saw a quarterback named Billy Guy Anderson rise up to lead the Hurricane. It wasn't long before Anderson started breaking the records Rhome had set the year before. Anderson was the nation's leading passer as he took Tulsa to yet another Bluebonnet Bowl.

Twilley was more of a threat than ever as he put his team and NCAA records of the previous year to shame. He caught 134 passes for 1,779 yards and 16 touchdowns in 1965, and came up just short in the Heisman Trophy balloting, as did Rhome the year before, finishing second to USC's Mike Garrett.

The Golden Hurricane went into the Bluebonnet Bowl against Tennessee with an 8-2 record hoping to repeat the success of its previous Bluebonnet Bowl appearance. However, things were rough for the Hurricane this time, as Tulsa could cross the Volunteers' 20-yard line only twice.

Tennessee jumped out to a 14-0 lead as they capitalized on two Tulsa fumbles. They also returned a punt for a third score, and turned an interception into their fourth score. The volunteers put the game out of reach on their last touchdown in the third quarter. Tennessee won the game 27-6.

In the 1960s, Tulsa took the collegiate passing game to a level never seen before. The Hurricane averaged nearly 318 yards in 1964, and increased that average to 346 yards a year later. Under the tutelage of Dobbs, it was Rhome, Anderson and Twilley who helped revolutionize the way college football was played.

NFL Talent Flourishes

The 1970s continued the wealth of talent going through the Hurricane program and entering the professional ranks. Some of the players Tulsa turned out that decade went into the NFL and became legends of the game. Names like Steve Largent and Drew Pearson went on to successful careers in the NFL.



When F.A. Dry took over as head coach at mid-season 1972, replacing Claude Gibson after six games, he was faced with the immediate challenge of creating an understanding of his philosophy. That philosophy. He believed that strong organization was key to a successful team.

From the moment Dry took the helm, things began to improve for the Hurricane. His first game came the night after he accepted the head coaching position. Before that game, TU had gone 1-5, but upset Louisville and won its final two games to post a 3-2 record under Dry, and 4-7 on the year. It would be the only year during Dry's four-and-a-half year tenure, that the Hurricane would suffer a losing season. A year later, Dry led Tulsa to a 6-5 record and first place in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The 1976 season was the highlight of the Dry Era as he coached the team to a 7-4 record, a Missouri Valley Conference championship, and a berth in the first Independence Bowl where the Hurricane faced McNeese State University.

Things looked promising for the Hurricane at first as they constructed a 65-yard drive capped by a Thomas Bailey one-yard jaunt into the end zone for the first TU score, but at halftime, Tulsa clung to a slight 7-6 lead.

As the second half started, McNeese State produced a 65-yard scoring drive of their own, topped with a two-point conversion giving them the lead 14-7. The Hurricane scored on a blocked field goal attempt, but the PAT was no good, so the Hurricane stayed a point shy of the lead at 14-13.

After Tulsa made a fourth quarter 38-yard field goal to go ahead 16-14, TU seemed to have the game in the palm of their hands, but McNeese State answered by putting together an 80-yard scoring drive during the final two minutes that put the Hurricane down to defeat 20-16.

Dry made great strides in revitalizing Hurricane football. During his tenure, he posted a 31-18-1 record, and coached many standout players. Twenty-seven of them went into the pro ranks most of which were drafted.

One player who wasn't drafted, turned out to be one of the best NFL receivers of all-time. Drew Pearson signed a free agent contract in 1972 with the Dallas Cowboys where he established himself as one of the best receivers in National Football League history.

After two years as Tulsa's quarterback, he went to the receiving end of the ball and led TU to the Missouri Valley Conference championship in 1971. As a receiver for the Hurricane, Pearson caught 55 passes for 1,119 yards placing him tenth in



Skelly Stadium was expanded to 40,235 seats in 1964.

receiving in TU history. His senior season, Pearson averaged 20.9 yards per catch scoring five touchdowns. Pearson was signed with the Dallas Cowboys as a free agent in 1972.

Steve Largent, who would become an NFL Hall of Fame inductee, was favorably compared to Howard Twilley while at Tulsa. In 1974 and again in 1975, Largent led the nation in touchdown receptions with 14 touchdowns each year. He was a two-time selection for the all-MVC team and was named to the Associated Press second team All-American squad in 1975. Largent averaged 17.5 yards per catch for his career, and caught 51 passes for 1,000 yards his senior season.

In 1977, offensive lineman Steve August was a first round draft selection of the Seattle Seahawks.

These players and others, along with the man who coached them made a mark on Tulsa football history. Some made a mark on the NFL as well. The teams of the 1970s helped Tulsa build a reputation for developing quality players who can make a difference on a team.

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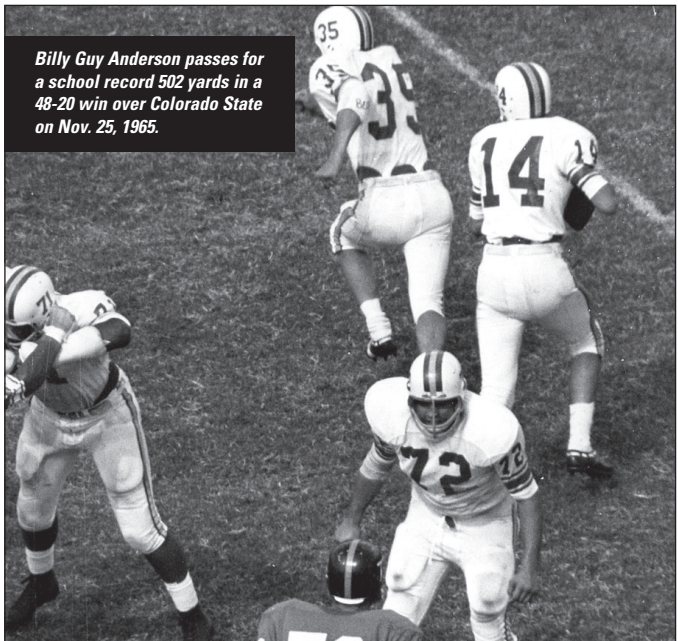
John Cooper took over the Tulsa football program in 1977, and suffered through a 3-8 campaign, but in 1978 he rebounded the troops for an impressive 9-2 record.

Perhaps one of the best football teams was assembled in 1982. The only blemish on the season was a loss to nationally-ranked Arkansas. However, Tulsa's 10-1 season and top-20 national ranking was not good enough to impress Bowl scouts.

In that same season, college football fans new about a tandem of running backs at SMU, nicknamed the Pony Express — Eric Dickerson and Craig James. But what college football fans may not have known was that Tulsa has the only other pair of running backs in the country to rush for over for over 1,000 yards each — Micheal Gunter and Ken Lacy. In a takeoff of the Pony Express, Tulsa's tandem was dubbed the "Palomino Express".

That season, Tulsa was not the only 10-1 team snubbed from the Bowl picture, as New Mexico was in the same situation as the Hurricane. Tulsa and New Mexico fans cried out for justice, and Justice is just what they received.

Tulsa and New Mexico would square off in the Justice Bowl on December 19, 1982. At 1:15 p.m. that afternoon, radio stations in the two cities carried the play-by-play of a fictitious matchup between the two schools. In Tulsa, the Hurricane would win the game, and in New Mexico the Lobos triumphed.



Billy Guy Anderson passes for a school record 502 yards in a 48-20 win over Colorado State on Nov. 25, 1965.

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Bowl Games Close out 1980s, Usher in the '90s

Coach Cooper enjoyed a successful tenure taking Tulsa football into the 1980s, while a former Tulsa quarterback would take Hurricane football out of the '80s and into the 1990s. When Dave Rader became head coach in 1988, he became an expansion of Tulsa football's past.

Between Cooper and Rader, Tulsa had two coaches for a total of three seasons. Don Morton was the head coach in 1985 and 1986, while George Henshaw coached the Hurricane for the 1987 season.

Under Rader, Tulsa football experienced a roller coaster ride. The highest points were two bowl games — 1989 Independence Bowl and 1991 Freedom Bowl.

In 1989, the Hurricane posted a 6-5 regular season mark, and represented the Independent Football Alliance at the Independence Bowl, where the Hurricane faced a strong Oregon team from the PAC-10. The Ducks had a second-place conference finish, and was a 16-point favorite, but TU obviously didn't gamble. TU gave the Ducks all the fight they could handle.

Tulsa struck first on a one-yard TD run from Brett Adams, but Oregon bounced back as they put together scoring drives of 54 and 79 yards of their own to take the lead 10-7. The Hurricane took a 17-10 lead into halftime on a field goal and a blocked punt return for a touchdown.

Tulsa scored once more in the third quarter to build their lead to 24-10, but Oregon came back scoring two quick touchdowns to knot the game at 24. As time wound down in the fourth period, the officials ruled against TU on a fumble recovery allowing the Ducks to continue a drive that ended with a final field goal and a victory. Though the Hurricane suffered a heartbreaking loss, that bowl game allowed TU to get back into the college football spotlight.

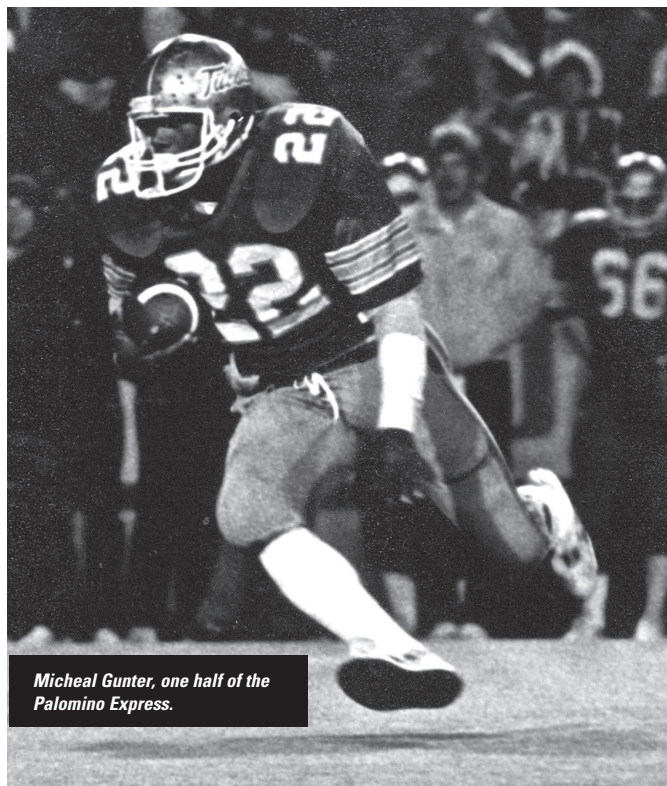
That spotlight continued to shine in the 1991 season as Tulsa produced a 10-2 season and a number 21 ranking in the final Associated Press football poll. A season that saw the Hurricane upset 15th-ranked Texas A&M 35-34 at Skelly Stadium, and post a come-from-behind 13-10 victory over Southern Mississippi in the "snow bowl" was capped by an invitation to the Freedom Bowl in Anaheim, California, where Tulsa met San Diego State and star running back Marshall Faulk.

At halftime, the two teams went into the locker room deadlocked at 10-10. In the second half, the Tulsa defense became a wall that the Aztecs offense couldn't penetrate, holding them to just 83 yards of total offense.

Late in the game with the Hurricane up by three points, San Diego State muffed a punt at their own eight-yard line resulting in a Tulsa recovery. Two plays later, the Hurricane scored to make the final score 28-17. That Hurricane team went down in Tulsa football history as one of only five teams to have a 10-win season.

Eight Tulsa players from that team went into the NFL, including the likes of quarterbacks T.J. Rubley and Gus Frerotte, lineman Jerry Ostroski, receiver Chris Penn, and defensive stalwarts Barry Minter and Tracy Scroggins.

In 1983, quarterback Steve Gage scored a touchdown on his first collegiate run from scrimmage, and threw a TD on his first pass, both coming in the season opener against San Diego State.



Micheal Gunter, one half of the Palomino Express.

Since 1991, Tulsa football has been in a transition period, moving from a football independent to the Western Athletic Conference. Tulsa became a member of the WAC in 1996, and had its best season of league play in 2001, winning four games.

Tulsa football did not enjoy much success in the 1990s but as history has proven, success was not far away.

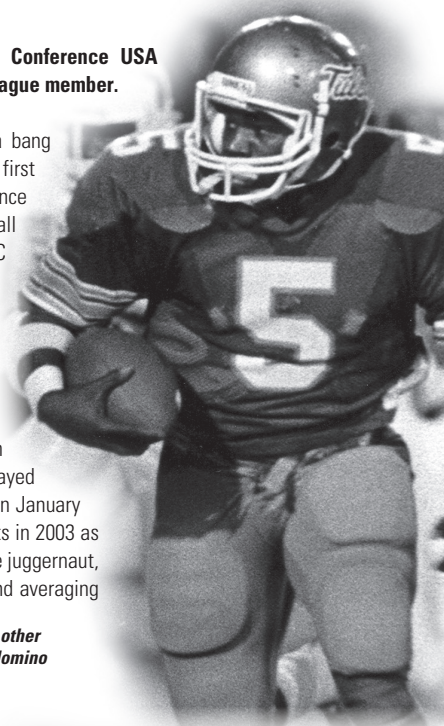
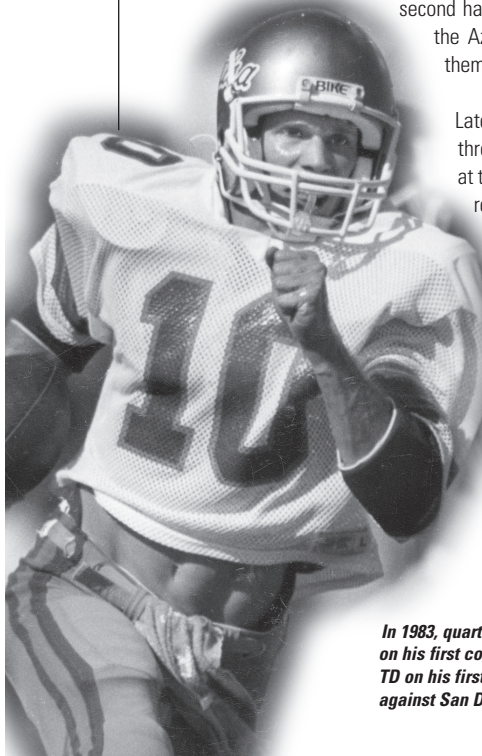
Tulsa Goes to Eight Bowl Games In Last 10 Years

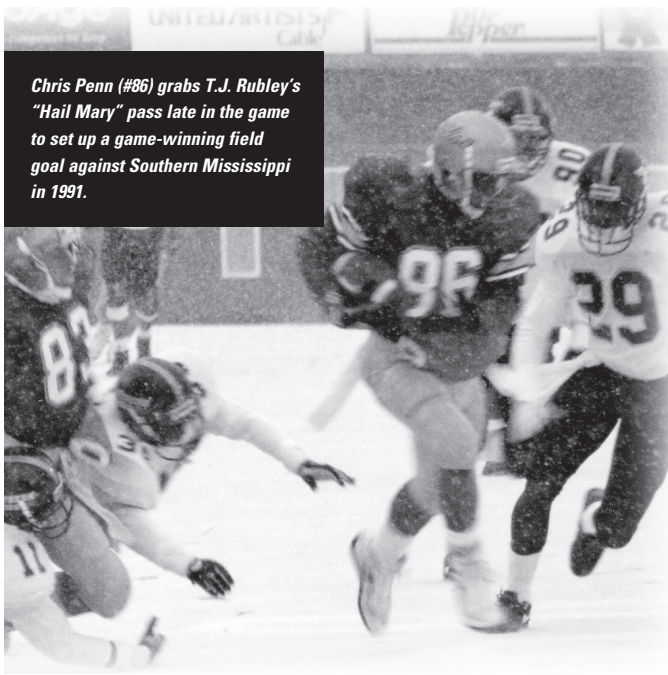
The Golden Hurricane won the 2005 Conference USA Championship in its first season as a league member.

The Steve Kragthorpe Era began with a bang in 2003, as the Golden Hurricane had its first winning season and first bowl appearance in 12 years. Tulsa posted an 8-5 overall record, and placed second in the WAC with a 6-2 mark.

In his first year as head coach, Kragthorpe led Tulsa to the biggest turn-around in college football with a seven-win improvement from the previous season. Tulsa made the school's 12th bowl appearance as the Hurricane played Georgia Tech in the Humanitarian Bowl on January 3, 2004. Tulsa football returned to its roots in 2003 as the Golden Hurricane became an offensive juggernaut, scoring over 30 points in seven games and averaging 30.8 points per game.

Ken Lacy, the other half of the Palomino Express





Chris Penn (#86) grabs T.J. Rubley's "Hail Mary" pass late in the game to set up a game-winning field goal against Southern Mississippi in 1991.

With an 8-5 record in 2003, Tulsa's seven-win improvement from the previous year was the biggest turn-around in college football for that season.

Although Tulsa only posted four wins in 2004, including two overtime losses, junior Ashlan Davis, a junior college transfer, made NCAA history becoming the first player to run-back five kickoff returns for touchdowns in a single season. He broke the previous NCAA mark of three.

The 2005 season began another new era for the Hurricane as Tulsa officially became a member of Conference USA on July 1, 2005. It would be a year to remember in the first as a C-USA member.

In conference action, Tulsa defeated the preseason favorite to win the C-USA East, Southern Miss, as well as the preseason #3 team in the East Division, Memphis, in the regular season en route to posting a 6-2 league record, winning the C-USA West Division title and playing in the inaugural Conference USA Football Championship Game presented by Xbox 360.

Tulsa captured a 44-27 win in the league championship game over UCF in Orlando, Florida, on Dec. 3, 2005, and received an invitation following the game to play in the AutoZone Liberty Bowl in Memphis, Tennessee.

Tulsa was matched up against former Western Athletic Conference rival Fresno State in the Liberty Bowl game. Tulsa amassed 430 yards in the game and scored 14 points in the final 10:35 of the game to capture a 31-24 victory over the Bulldogs in front of 54,894 fans.



2005 C-USA Champions



Tulsa won the back-to-back GMAC Bowl titles after the 2007 and 2008 seasons.

The Hurricane finished the season with an overall 9-4 record as senior All-American Garrett Mills became the single-season receiving leader in NCAA history for tight ends.

In 2006, Tulsa made its second straight bowl appearance, a feat not accomplished since back-to-back Bluebonnet Bowl appearances in 1964 and '65. The Hurricane played in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl and finished the season with an 8-5 record.

The 2007 campaign, the first for former Hurricane defensive coordinator Todd Graham as head coach, proved to be a record-setting season for the Golden Hurricane. Tulsa set 29 school records, 15 C-USA marks and four NCAA records, en route to leading the nation in total offense with 543.9 yards behind Wuerffel Trophy Award winner Paul Smith at quarterback. Tulsa met up with Bowling Green of the Mid-American Conference in the GMAC Bowl and came away with the largest margin of victory in NCAA Bowl history with a 63-7 win over the Falcons. With a 10-4 record, this Tulsa team became one of only six in school history to reach 10 wins.

A year later, the Hurricane won a school record 11 games by posting an 11-3 mark in 2008, established more school records, won the C-USA West Division title and made its' second straight appearance in the GMAC Bowl, defeating No. 22-ranked Ball State by a score of 45-13.

For the second consecutive season, Tulsa again led the nation in total offense with 569.9 yards per game. The Hurricane scored a school record 661 points, while finishing second nationally in scoring with a 47.2 average. Senior running back Tarrion Adams became the school's single-game, single-season and career record-holder for rushing, while senior placekicker Jarod Tracy set the all-time scoring record.

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Only 10 times in NCAA history has a school led the nation in total offense in back-to-back years. Tulsa has done it three of those 10 times (1951-52, 1964-65, and 2007-08).

Tulsa captured its third 10-win season in four years with a 10-3 record in 2010. The season was highlighted with one of the most prestigious wins in school history, a 28-27 road win over Notre Dame, as well as a 62-35 victory against 24th-ranked Hawaii in the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl.

Receiver and kick return specialist Damaris Johnson became the NCAA's all-time record-holder for career all-purpose yards (7,796) and kickoff return yards (3,417). He went on to earn second-team *Associated Press* All-America honors, while Tulsa finished the season ranked 24th in the final *AP* poll.

Blankenship Era Begins

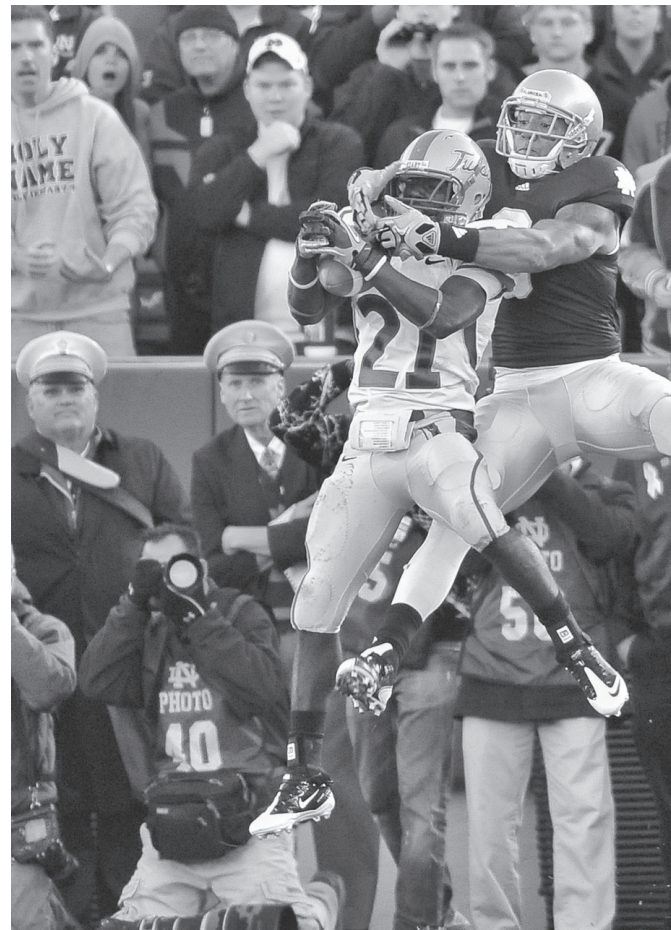
Bill Blankenship takes over at his alma mater.

Tulsa alumnus Bill Blankenship took over as head coach in January 2011 and encountered a schedule that featured three top-10 teams in the first four weeks of the season, including #1 Oklahoma, #7 Oklahoma State and #4 Boise State in three of the first four weeks. Tulsa faced its fourth top-10 opponent in the final regular season game of the year as No. 7 Houston handed the Hurricane a home loss.

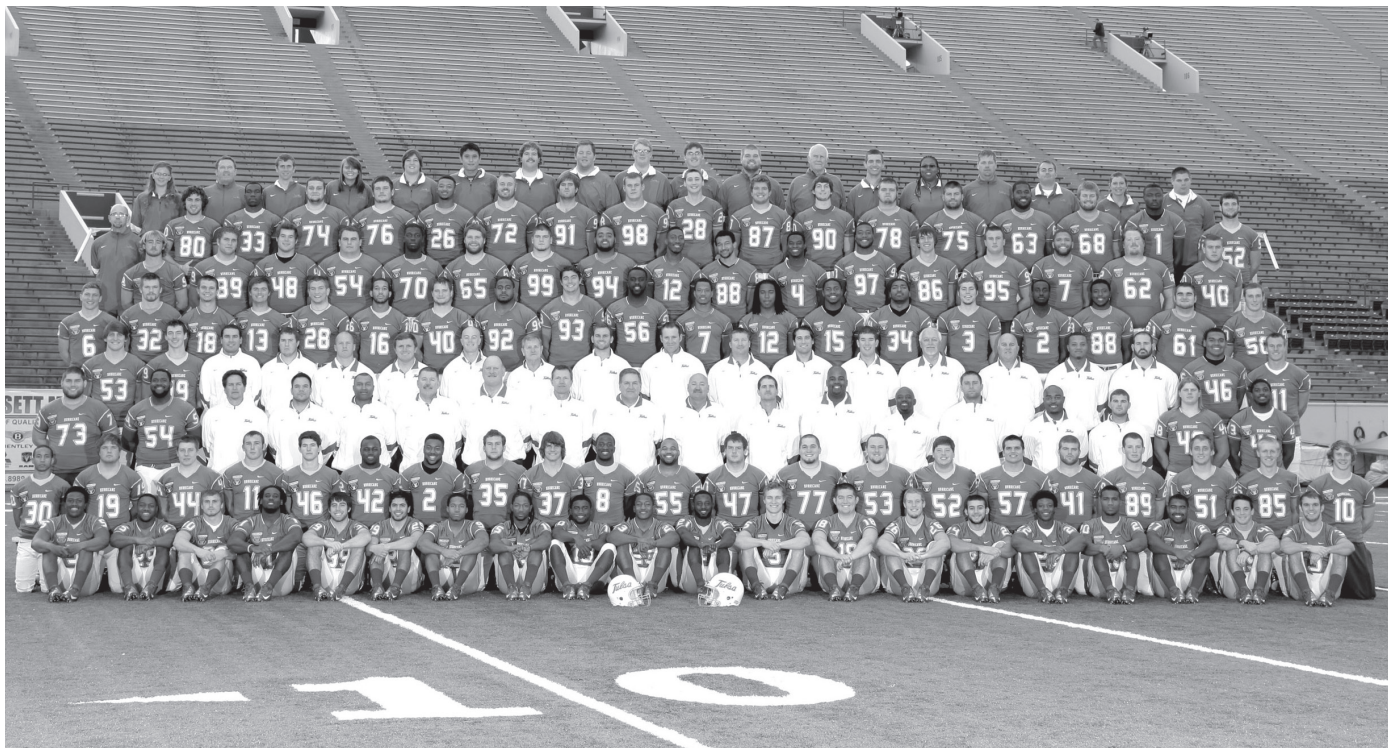
Blankenship led the Hurricane to an 8-5 overall record in year one, making the school's seventh bowl appearance in nine years. Tulsa faced BYU at the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl, falling in the last minute by a score of 24-21.

In 2012, Blankenship's group posted seven straight victories following an opening road loss at Iowa State. Tulsa won the Conference USA Championship with an overtime win over UCF in the title game, thus setting up a second match-up against Iowa State in the 2012 AutoZone Liberty Bowl.

This time, Tulsa got the best of the Cyclones with a 31-17 victory at Linberty Bowl Stadium in Memphis, Tenn. With the win, Tulsa finished the season with an 11-3 record, tying the school mark for most wins in a season.



The 2010 season was highlighted with one of the most prestigious wins in school history, a 28-27 road win over Notre Dame. Pictured Above: John Flanders intercepts the potential winning touchdown in the final moments to preserve the Tulsa victory.



2012 AutoZone Liberty Bowl Champions

Tulsa's Bowl Games

1942 SUN BOWL Tulsa 6, Texas Tech 0 El Paso, Texas

January 1, 1942 • Attendance: 12,000



Tulsa earned its first bowl bid with a 7-2 regular season record. Tulsa's only losses were against Texas Christian, 6-0, and Arkansas, 13-6, in Henry Frnka's first season as head coach.

The game with the Red Raiders, which was played before a partisan Texas crowd, proved to be a defensive struggle. Tulsa's defense held Tech to four first downs and 104 yards of total offense. In the first half, the Raiders pushed the ball to the Tulsa 15-yard line, but the Hurricane defense forced Tech to try a field goal, which missed and resulted in a scoreless first half.

After intermission, Tulsa's Glenn Dobbs punted the ball from the Hurricane 14-yard line out of Tech's end zone, giving Tulsa the momentum. Late in the game, Tulsa mounted a 71-yard touchdown drive behind the passing of Dobbs, who finished the day with 239 passing yards.

With only a few minutes remaining, Dobbs passed to Sax Judd for a 32-yard score, but Dobbs' PAT attempt was blocked. Tulsa intercepted a Tech pass to preserve the 6-0 victory.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Texas Tech	0	0	0	0	0
Tulsa	0	0	0	6	6

Team Statistics	Tech	Tulsa
First Downs	4	15
Rushing Yardage	62	96
Passing Yardage	42	239
Passes	2-10-1	24-39-2
Punts - Average	12-43.0	15-37.0
Fumbles - Lost	5-2	0-0
Penalties - Yards	8-90	6-60

Game Summary	
TU - Judd 32 pass from Dobbs (Dobbs kick-Blk)	6-0

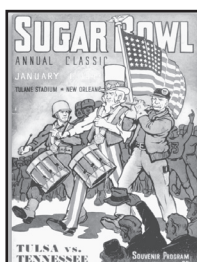
1943 SUGAR BOWL Tennessee 14, Tulsa 7 New Orleans, Louisiana

January 1, 1943 • Attendance: 70,000

Tennessee nosed out Tulsa, 14-7, in the ninth Sugar Bowl football game before 70,000 fans on a beautiful sunny afternoon.

Tulsa scored first on an aerial march of 60 yards headed by All-American Glenn Dobbs early in the second period. Dobbs threw to end Cal Purdin for the score, while Clyde LeForce kicked the extra point. Later in the same period Tennessee countered with six points of their own and at halftime Tulsa held a slim 7-6 advantage.

The Volunteer's power told the story in the second half, as Tennessee scored a safety by blocking one of Dobbs' punts to take the lead in the third period, 8-7. The Volunteers added another touchdown by its powerful running game in the fourth quarter.



With Tennessee leading 14-7 in the waning minutes of the game, the Hurricane drove to the UT 11-yard line and was within one play of a tie, before Tennessee's Bill Nowling intercepted an N.A. Keithley pass to end any hopes of a Tulsa victory.

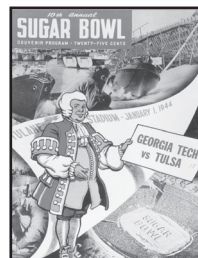
Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Tennessee	0	6	2	6	14
Tulsa	0	7	0	0	7

Team Statistics	UT	Tulsa
First Downs	14	10
Rushing Yardage	208	39
Passing Yardage	88	168
Passes	7-17-0	17-27-2
Punts - Average	10-41.0	14-43.0
Fumbles - Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties - Yards	9-100	5-44

Game Summary	
TU - Purdin 9 pass from Dobbs (LeForce kick)	7-0
UT - Gold 3 run (Mitchell kick-NG)	7-6
UT - Crawford blocked Dobbs punt for safety	7-8
UT - Fuson 3 run (Mitchell kick-NG)	7-14

1944 SUGAR BOWL Georgia Tech 20, Tulsa 18 New Orleans, Louisiana

January 1, 1944 • Attendance: 69,000



Tulsa made its second straight trip to the Sugar Bowl but failed in its bid for a victory over Georgia Tech in front of 69,000 fans.

For the first three periods and past the middle of the fourth, Tulsa clinged to the lead. But in the end, Tulsa could not withstand an offensive attack led by Tech All-American Eddie Prokop who led the 72-yard drive that gave the Yellow Jackets a 20-18 decision.

Tulsa stopped a Tech drive following the opening kickoff, and from their own 14-yard line marched 86 yards to score in the first five minutes. A fake field goal by Clyde LeForce ended up in a TD pass to Ed Shedlosky. TU tailback Jimmy Ford ran around left end for a 79-yard touchdown on the first play of the second quarter for a 12-0 Hurricane lead.

Prior to halftime, Tech scored on a 71-yard drive, followed by a six-yard TD run by TU's LeForce to give the Hurricane an 18-7 halftime lead. Tech made it 18-13 in the third period, and put together a 79-yard drive for a two-point lead in the final quarter. Tulsa could get only as close as the Tech 34-yard line before the final horn sounded.

Prokop gained 199 yards on 29 carries for Georgia Tech, while Tulsa's Ford had 119 yards on 14 carries.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Georgia Tech	0	7	6	7	20
Tulsa	6	12	0	0	18

Team Statistics	Tech	Tulsa
First Downs	25	8
Rushing Yardage	372	211
Passing Yardage	83	87
Passes	4-16-1	6-15-1
Punts - Average	6-38.0	7-34.0
Fumbles - Lost	3-3	1-1
Penalties - Yards	8-60	6-50

Game Summary	
TU - Shedlosky 13 pass from LeForce (LeForce kick-NG)	6-0
TU - Ford 79 run (LeForce kick-NG)	12-0
GT - Broyles 1 run (Prokop kick)	12-7
TU - LeForce 6 run (LeForce kick-NG)	18-7
GT - Tinsley 47 pass from Prokop (Prokop kick-NG)	18-13
GT - Scharfachwerfdt 1-yard run (Prokop kick)	18-20

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1945 ORANGE BOWL

Tulsa 26, Georgia Tech 12

Miami, Florida

January 1, 1945 • Attendance: 29,426



Tulsa sought revenge against the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets for the come-from-behind victory in the previous year's Sugar Bowl. This time Tulsa handed the Jackets a 26-12 loss in front of 29,426 fans at the Orange Bowl.

The Hurricane jumped out to a 14-0 first quarter lead and held that same advantage at halftime. On Tulsa's first play of the third quarter, the Hurricane used some razzle-dazzle as Perry Moss threw to Nip Goodnight at the 35-yard line, who then lateraled to Barney White, who sped straight down the north side line for six points, making the score 20-0.

Tech came back with six points of their own in the third period. Tulsa's Camp Wilson quickly quieted the crowd taking the Tech kickoff on the 10-yard line and racing 90 yards for a 26-6 Tulsa lead. Georgia Tech added six points in the final quarter to pull within 14 points of the victorious Hurricane.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Georgia Tech	0	0	6	6	12
Tulsa	14	0	12	0	26

Team Statistics	Tech	Tulsa
First Downs	16	14
Rushing Yardage	36	180
Passing Yardage	304	137
Passes	18-34-2	6-15-0
Punts - Average	4-35.0	5-34.0
Fumbles - Lost	7-3	2-1
Penalties	1-15	4-41

Game Summary

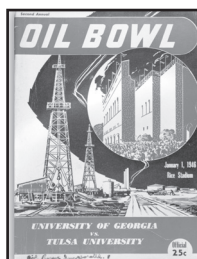
TU - Shedlosky 14 pass from Moss (Moss kick)	7-0
TU - Shedlosky 4 run (Moss kick)	14-0
TU - White 35 run (Moss PAT BIK)	20-0
GT - McIntosh 40 run (Bowen kick-NG)	20-6
TU - Wilson 90 KO return (Moss kick-NG)	26-6
GT - Taylor 3 run (Tinsley kick-NG)	26-12

1946 OIL BOWL

Georgia 20, Tulsa 6

Houston, Texas

January 1, 1946 • Attendance: 27,000



The game was closer than the score would indicate, as 13 of Georgia's points in its 20-6 victory came in the fourth quarter at the Oil Bowl in Houston, Texas. The Bulldogs scored on their second possession of the first quarter, driving 31 yards after a Tulsa punt traveled only 16 yards. Rabbit Smith scored from three yards out for the Bulldogs.

Just as Georgia had capitalized on a poor punt, Tulsa capitalized on a fumble that was recovered at the Georgia 13-yard line. Five plays later Camp Wilson went over for the touchdown from one yard out giving Tulsa what would be their only score of the game.

The score remained 7-6 through three quarters, but Georgia threw a 47-yard touchdown pass on its second fourth quarter possession, and added a 68-yard punt return for a touchdown by Charlie Trippi. Tulsa had two more opportunities to score but failed.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Georgia	7	0	0	13	20
Tulsa	0	6	0	0	6

Team Statistics	Georgia	Tulsa
First Downs	14	7
Rushing Yardage	178	69
Passing Yardage	110	79
Passes	5-15-1	6-21-0
Punts - Average	7-36.0	12-35.0
Fumbles - Lost	4-3	1-1
Penalties - Yards	4-29	4-40

Game Summary

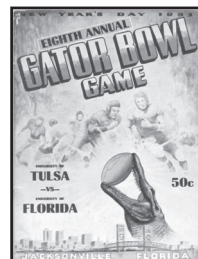
UGA - Smith 3 run (Jernigan kick)	0-7
TU - Wilson 1 run (Brown kick-NG)	6-7
UGA - Donaldson 8 run (Jernigan kick)	6-14
UGA - Trippi 68 punt return (Jernigan kick-NG)	6-20

1953 GATOR BOWL

Florida 14, Tulsa 13

Jacksonville, Florida

January 1, 1953 • Attendance: 30,015



Tulsa battled back from a 14-0 halftime deficit, but saw its brilliant rally fall one point shy as Florida escaped with a 14-13 victory in front of a Gator Bowl crowd of 30,015.

The Gators scored the first time they had the ball, driving 78 yards in 11 plays. Florida scored again in the second period on a 37-yard pass play, capping an 80-yard, 13-play drive. But in the second half, Tulsa's offense threw the Florida defense off balance with the running of Jake Roberts.

The Hurricane put together drives of 73 and 46 yards in the second half. Roberts ran for a three-yard touchdown in the third quarter, followed by a Tom Miner extra point. Tulsa's next touchdown drive began following a Florida fumble at their own 46-yard line. Howard Waugh went over from three yards out for the touchdown. Miner's extra point attempt went wide to the left.

With six minutes left to play, the Hurricane recovered another Florida fumble. Tulsa drove to the Gators' four-yard line, but had to settle for a field goal that again went wide left. Florida was left with just under three minutes to hold onto the ball and the victory.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Florida	7	7	0	0	14
Tulsa	0	0	7	6	13

Team Statistics	UF	Tulsa
First Downs	20	17
Rushing Yardage	233	182
Passing Yardage	101	132
Passes	7-11-1	10-16-1
Punts - Average	1-38	4-31
Fumbles - Lost	6-4	3-1
Penalties - Yards	5-34	9-84

Game Summary

UF - Casares 1 run (Casares kick)	0-7
UF - Hall 37 pass from Robinson (Casares kick)	0-14
TU - Roberts 3 run (Miner kick)	7-14
TU - Wash 3 run (Miner kick-NG)	13-14

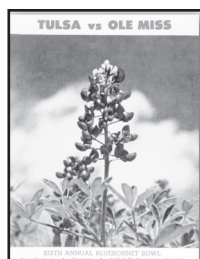
1964 BLUEBONNET BOWL

Tulsa 14, Mississippi 7
Houston, Texas

December 19, 1964 • Attendance: 50,000

Tulsa quarterback Jerry Rhome offset Mississippi's quick, blitzing defense with a mixture of running and passing as the Hurricane came from behind to upset the Rebels, 14-7, in the Bluebonnet Bowl.

Rhyme completed 22 of 36 passes for 252 yards and gained 29 yards on the ground. He was the unanimous selection for the most outstanding back. Tulsa defensive lineman Willie Townes, who harassed Rebel quarterback Jim Weatherley, was named the game's outstanding lineman.



Ole Miss opened the scoring with a one-yard Weatherley run in the second quarter. Rhome answered on a fourth down situation with a one-yard run of his own with 6:15 remaining in the first half. The Tulsa drive covered 72 yards.

In the third quarter, Rhome threw 35 yards to flanker Eddie Fletcher for the go-ahead touchdown that proved to be the game-winner.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
Mississippi	0	7	0	0	7
Tulsa	0	7	7	0	14

Team Statistics	Miss	Tulsa
First Downs	10	19
Rushing Yardage	104	71
Passing Yardage	113	252
Passes	16-24-2	22-36-1
Punts - Average	8-31	7-32
Fumbles - Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties - Yards	4-50	4-30

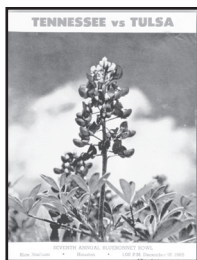
Game Summary

M - Weatherly 1-yard run (Irwin kick)	0-7
TU - Rhome 1-yard run (Twilley kick)	7-7
TU - Fletcher 35 pass from Rhome (Twilley kick)	14-7

1965 BLUEBONNET BOWL

Tennessee 27, Tulsa 6
Houston, Texas

December 18, 1965 • Attendance: 40,000



Tennessee combined its error-forcing defense, opportunistic offense, and superior kicking with the rain and mud to hand Tulsa a 27-6 loss in the Bluebonnet Bowl. The Volunteers set the tempo by recovering three fumbles and intercepting four passes to frustrate Tulsa's national passing champions.

Other than a 44-yard, 11-play touchdown drive in the closing minutes of the first quarter that saw Gary McDermott run in from one yard out, Tulsa did not cross the Tennessee 20-yard line until the last minute of the game.

Tennessee, who jumped out to a 6-0 lead, scored its first and second touchdowns on drives of 48 and 33 yards following Tulsa fumbles. Tennessee's third touchdown came on a seven-yard drive after a 45-yard punt return.

The Volunteers led 20-6 at halftime and put the game out of reach with their final touchdown early in the third quarter, coming after another Tulsa turnover. Statistically, Tulsa outgained the Volunteers by 105 yards, including a 250 to 37-yard advantage in the passing department.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
Tennessee	6	14	7	0	27
Tulsa	6	0	0	0	6

Team Statistics	UT	Tulsa
First Downs	11	16
Rushing Yardage	181	73
Passing Yardage	37	250
Passes	3-7-1	23-47-4
Punts - Average	6-43.0	5-35.0
Fumbles - Lost	4-2	3-3
Penalties - Yards	8-80	1-15

Game Summary

UT - Wantland 4 pass from Warren (Leake kick-NG)	0-6
TU - McDermott 1 run (Twilley kick-NG)	6-6
UT - Warren 1 run (Leake kick)	6-13
UT - Warren 1 run (Leake kick)	6-20
UT - Mitchell 11 run (Leake kick)	6-27

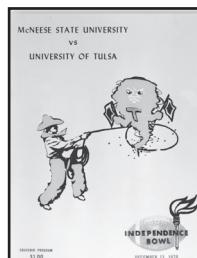
1976 INDEPENDENCE BOWL

McNeese St. 20, Tulsa 16
Shreveport, La.

December 13, 1976 • Attendance: 19,164

The inaugural Independence Bowl wasn't decided until McNeese State fullback Oliver Hadnot scored the winning touchdown with 37 seconds remaining on the game clock, giving McNeese a 20-16 win.

The excitement began almost immediately as Tulsa completed a 65-yard drive for an opening drive score. Fullback Thomas Bailey's one-yard run capped Tulsa's scoring drive.



At halftime, Tulsa held onto a 7-6 lead. However, in the third quarter the Cowboys took a 14-7 lead with a 63-yard drive and two-point conversion.

On their next possession, McNeese attempted a 51-yard field goal that was blocked, recovered and returned by Tulsa's Mel McGowen 65 yards for a score. The extra-point-attempt was blocked and the Southland Conference champions led 14-13 with 4:07 remaining in the third period.

With 4:22 remaining, Tulsa appeared to have won the game when Steve Cox kicked a three-pointer from 38 yards out to put his team ahead, 16-14. However, McNeese drove 80 yards from their own 20-yard line in the last two minutes and Hadnot raced the final 25 yards for the winning score.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
McNeese State	3	3	8	6	20
Tulsa	7	0	6	3	16

Team Statistics	State	Tulsa
First Downs	11	17
Rushing Yardage	46-152	45-108
Passing Yardage	57	172
Passes	5-18-1	13-30-1
Punts - Average	9-39.0	5-30.0
Fumbles - Lost	3-1	7-3
Penalties - Yards	11-105	16-100

Game Summary

TU - Bailey 1 run (Cox kick)	7-0
MSU - Peebles 42 FG	7-3
MSU - Peebles 34 FG	7-6
MSU - McArthur 1 run (McFarland run)	7-14
TU - McGowen 65 blocked FG return (Cox kick-Blk)	13-14
TU - Cox 39 field goal	16-14
MSU - Hadnot 25-yard run (pass-NG)	16-20

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1989 INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Oregon 27, Tulsa 24
Shreveport, La.

December 16, 1989 • Attendance: 44,621



The PAC-10 Conference's second-place team, the Oregon Ducks, entered the Independence Bowl against Tulsa as 16-point favorites, only to hang on for a controversial 27-24 win. The Hurricane went into the game without the services of All-America receiver Dan Bitson, who

suffered numerous injuries in an automobile accident two weeks earlier.

The Hurricane scored first on a Brett Adams one-yard run. Oregon put together drives of 54 and 79 yards to take a 10-7 lead, until a Tulsa field goal of 26 yards by David Fuess knotted the score at 10-10 with just over two minutes to play in the first half.

Tulsa took the halftime lead, 17-10, on a blocked punt by Herbert Harvey. Derrick Williams picked up the ball and raced 21 yards for the score with 22 seconds left on the first half clock.

Adams added another one-yard touchdown run in the third period as Tulsa took a 24-10 lead. However, Oregon scored two touchdowns in a six-minute span late in the third quarter and early in the fourth.

With just over three minutes to play, an apparent Tulsa recovery of an Oregon fumble was overruled by the officials. Thus, the Ducks converted on a 20-yard field goal to capture a 27-24 victory.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
Oregon	3	7	7	10	27
Tulsa	7	10	7	0	24

Team Statistics	UO	Tulsa
First Downs	16	14
Rushing Yardage	140	70
Passing Yardage	320	183
Passes	23-40-2	17-34-2
Punts - Average	3-23.5	5-34.8
Fumbles - Lost	2-1	3-1
Penalties - Yards	5-49	1-1

Game Summary	
TU - Adams 1 run (Fuess kick)	7-0
UO - McCallum 29 FG	7-3
UO - Hargain 20 pass from Musgrave (McCallum kick)	7-10
TU - Fuess 26 FG	10-10
TU - D. Williams 21 blocked punt return (Fuess kick)	17-10
TU - Adams 1 run (Fuess kick)	24-10
UO - Reitzug 9 pass from Musgrave (McCallum kick)	24-17
UO - Musgrave 1 run (McCallum kick)	24-24
UO - McCallum 20 FG	24-27

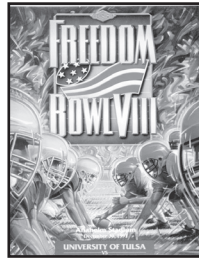
1991 FREEDOM BOWL

Tulsa 28, San Diego State 17
Anaheim, Calif.

December 30, 1991 • Attendance: 34,217

Tulsa, making its second bowl appearance in three years and its first at-large showing since 1976, notched its first bowl victory since 1964 with a 28-17 win over San Diego State in the eighth Freedom Bowl.

Tulsa's veteran offensive line opened huge holes for tailback Ron Jackson, who grabbed Most Valuable Player honors as he rushed by 211 yards and a Freedom Bowl record four touchdowns on 46 carries. The junior scored once in each of the four quarters, accounting for touchdown runs of 10, 6, 4 and 4 yards, respectively.



The teams were deadlocked at the end of the first and second quarters. Tulsa's defense came alive after intermission holding the potent Aztec offense to just three points and 83 total yards.

Tulsa led 21-17 late in the game when Gus Frerotte's booming 54-yard punt was mishandled by Aztec return specialist T.C. Wright at his own 8-yard line. Billy Cole recovered for Tulsa and the Hurricane scored two plays later to seal the win. The victory earned Tulsa a ranking of 21st in the final Associated Press and CNN/USA Today polls.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
San Diego State	7	7	0	3	17
Tulsa	7	7	7	7	28

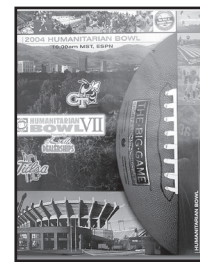
Team Statistics	Tulsa	SDSU
First Downs	23	21
Rushing Yardage	256	189
Passing Yardage	122	164
Passes	9-17-0	19-37-0
Punts - Average	5-34.4	5-35.2
Fumbles - Lost	4-1	3-2
Penalties - Yards	2-20	6-38

Game Summary	
SDSU - Faulk 2 run (Trakas kick)	0-7
TU - Jackson 10 run (Lange kick)	7-7
TU - Jackson 6 run (Lange kick)	14-7
SDSU - Lowery 4 run (Trakas kick)	14-14
TU - Jackson 3 run (Lange kick)	21-14
SDSU - Trakas 26 FG	21-17
TU - Jackson 4 run (Lange kick)	28-17

2003 HUMANITARIAN BOWL

Georgia Tech 52, Tulsa 10
Boise, Idaho

January 3, 2004 • Attendance: 23,118



Tulsa won five straight games to end the regular season and claimed second-place in the Western Athletic Conference. The prize was a trip to play Georgia Tech of the Atlantic Coast Conference in the Humanitarian Bowl. It would be the third meeting between the two school's, and all three times in bowl games.

The game marked Tulsa's first bowl appearance in 12 years and the eight wins was more than the previous three seasons put together. Although the Hurricane enjoyed its trip to Boise, Idaho, the game was another story. Despite trailing just 10-3 at halftime, Georgia Tech had controlled the first half out-gaining the Hurricane 129-20.

The second half was more of the P.J. Daniels show for Tech. The running back had 104 yards at halftime, and ended the game with 307 rushing yards and four touchdowns. While the Tulsa defense couldn't stop Daniels, the Hurricane offense was giving the Yellow Jackets a short field with six lost fumbles. Six of Tech's eight touchdown drives began inside the Tulsa 40-yard line, and four of those TDs coming after a Tulsa fumble.

Tech put up 42 second-half points and went on for a 52-10 victory, the most lopsided Bowl loss for the Hurricane in 12 postseason appearances.

Scoring by Quarter	1	2	3	4	Final
Georgia Tech	7	3	21	21	52
Tulsa	0	3	0	7	10

Team Statistics	Tech	Tulsa
First Downs	15	10
Rushing Yardage	371	-56
Passing Yardage	19	200
Passes	7-13-0	17-27-0
Punts-Average	5-42.8	7-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	7-6
Penalties-Yards	5-45	6-35

Game Summary	
GT - Daniel 9 run (Burnett kick)	0-7
TU - DeVault 22 FG	3-7
GT - Burnett 29 FG	3-10
GT - Daniels 1 run (Burnett kick)	3-17
GT - Woods 2 run (Burnett kick)	3-24
GT - Daniels 33 run (Burnett kick)	3-31
GT - Daniels 38 run (Schroeder kick)	3-38
GT - Hatch 1 run (Schroeder kick)	3-45
TU - Mills 13 pass from P. Smith (DeVault kick)	10-45
GT - Hatch 8 run (Schroeder kick)	10-52

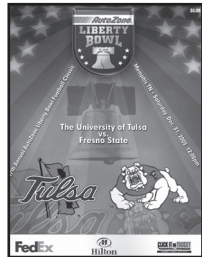
2005 LIBERTY BOWL

Tulsa 31, Fresno State 24

Memphis, Tennessee

December 31, 2005 • Attendance: 54,894

Tulsa amassed 430 yards for the game and scored 14 points in the final 10:35 of the game to capture a 31-24 victory over the Fresno State Bulldogs in the 47th Annual AutoZone Liberty Bowl in front of 54,894 fans at Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium.



The win for Tulsa was its' fifth bowl win in 13 games, and snapped Fresno State's bowl winning streak in consecutive years at three.

Hurricane sophomore Paul Smith, who completed 18-of-27 passes for 234 yards and one touchdown and scored the winning TD on a four-yard run, was named the Most Valuable Player. Senior Ashlan Davis had his first career 100+ receiving game with 128 yards on eight catches, while being named Tulsa's Offensive Player of the Game and sophomore defensive back Anthony Germany was selected as Tulsa's Defensive Player of the Game after intercepting one pass and breaking up two passes.

Trailing 24-17, the Hurricane early in the fourth quarter, Tulsa gained 162 yards while holding the Bulldogs to 77 yards in the final stanza. The Hurricane tied the score at 24 with 10:35 remaining and after Germany's interception Tulsa went ahead on Smith's TD run with 2:55 left. Fresno State's final drive to try to tie the game ended with a Nelson Coleman interception.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Fresno State	7	7	3	7	24
Tulsa	0	17	0	14	31

Team Statistics	FSU	Tulsa
First Downs	22	20
Rushing Yardage	208	196
Passing Yardage	213	234
Passes	19-30-2	18-27-0
Punts - Average	3-34.3	4-40.2
Fumbles - Lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties- Yards	5-35	2-10

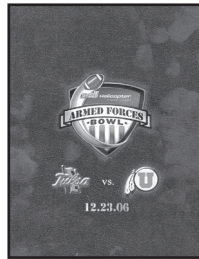
Game Summary	
FSU – Mathis 6 run (Zimmerman kick)	0-7
TU – Parrish 22 run (DeVault kick)	7-7
TU – Adams 63 run (DeVault kick)	14-7
FSU – Sumlin 24 run (Zimmerman kick)	14-14
TU – DeVault 41 FG	17-14
FSU – Zimmerman 27 FG	17-17
FSU – Fernandez 21 pass from Pinegar (Zimmerman kick)	17-24
TU – Davis 54 pass from Smith (DeVault kick)	24-24
TU – Smith 4 run (DeVault kick)	31-24

2006 ARMED FORCES BOWL

Utah 25, Tulsa 13

Fort Worth, Texas

December 23, 2006 • Attendance: 32,412



Utah scored the final six points of the first half and the first 10 points of the second half en route to a 25-13 victory in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl at Amon G. Carter Stadium on the TCU campus.

Utah scored 10 points in a 3:11 span including three points with 0:02 left in the first half, and seven points in the first 3:09 of the second half to take a 16-7 lead with 11:51 on the clock.

Bobby Blackshire's team-leading fourth interception of the year led to a 39-yard, eight-play scoring drive that saw Paul Smith score on his second one-yard TD run of the game at the 10:54 mark of the fourth quarter. The Tulsa score cut the Utah lead to six points, 19-13, as the point-after-attempt failed.

Utah put the game out of reach when Eric Weddle took the snap and ran four yards over the left side for the final score of the game with 1:05 left in the game.

Tulsa's first score came at the 13:01 mark of the second quarter as the Hurricane traveled 80 yards in 10 plays. Smith went over from one yard out for six points in the second quarter to take a 7-3 lead.

Smith finished the game 20-for-27 for 158 yards with one interception. Utah's Ratliff finished 23-for-34 for 240 yards, a touchdown and an interception

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Utah	3	6	10	6	25
Tulsa	0	7	0	6	13

Team Statistics	Tulsa	Utah
First Downs	13	22
Rushing Yardage	96	165
Passing Yardage	158	240
Passes	20-27-1	23-34-1
Punts – Average	7-42.6	3-47.3
Fumbles – Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties – Yards	4-36	6-41

Game Summary	
Utah – Sakoda 45 FG	0-3
TU – Smith 1 run (Tracy kick)	7-3
Utah – Sakoda 39 FG	7-6
Utah – Sakoda 41 FG	7-9
Utah – Castillo 10 run on flip from Hernandez, on pass Ratliff (Sakoda kick)	7-16
Utah – Sakoda 34 FG	7-19
TU – Smith 1 run, (Kick NG)	13-19
Utah – Weddle 4 run (Pass NG)	13-25

2008 GMAC BOWL

Tulsa 63, Bowling Green 7

Mobile, Alabama

January 6, 2008 • Attendance: 36,932

Tulsa won its second Bowl game in the last three years with a 63-7 victory over Bowling Green in the GMAC Bowl at Ladd-Peebles Stadium. Tulsa improved to 10-4 giving the Hurricane the school's sixth 10-win season in the 108-year history of football.

The 56-point victory was the largest in NCAA Bowl history.

Tulsa quarterback Paul Smith completed 27-of-45 passes for 312 yards and five touchdowns, while becoming only the seventh player in NCAA history to surpass 5,000 passing yards in a season.



Tulsa capitalized on three first quarter turnovers by Bowling Green and took a 21-0 lead at the end of one quarter. The Hurricane increased its lead to 35-0 at halftime, capitalizing on another Falcon turnover.

The Hurricane opened the second-half with an eight-play, 78-yard drive in just 2:11 that saw Smith throw the final 14 yards to Trae Johnson, to give the Hurricane a 42-0 lead at the 12:49 mark. BGSU scored its first points of the game on the subsequent kickoff with a 78-yard return.

Tulsa scored one more time in the third quarter on a Paul Smith two-yard run. While the senior threw fourth quarter TD passes of three yards to Charles Clay and six yards to A.J. Whitmore.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Bowling Green	0	0	7	0	7
Tulsa	21	14	14	14	63

Team Statistics	Tulsa	BG
First Downs	34	13
Rushing Yardage	238	46
Passing Yardage	324	125
Passes	29-47-0	20-27-0
Punts – Average	5-42.0	5-38.6
Fumbles – Lost	0-0	4-4
Penalties – Yards	3-25	4-37

Game Summary	
TU – Adams 1 run (Tracy kick)	7-0
TU – Smith 13 pass to T. Johnson (Tracy kick)	14-0
TU – Whitmore 19 run (Tracy kick)	21-0
TU – Adams 4 pass to Grooms (Tracy kick)	28-0
TU – Smith 19 pass to Adams (Tracy kick)	35-0
TU – Smith 14 pass to T. Johnson (Tracy kick)	42-0
BGSU – Williams 78 kickoff return (Vrvilo kick)	42-7
TU – Smith 2 run (Tracy kick)	49-7
TU – Smith 3 pass to Clay (Tracy kick)	56-7
TU – Smith 6 pass to Whitmore (Tracy kick)	63-7

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2009 GMAC BOWL

Tulsa 45, Ball State 13

Mobile, Alabama

January 6, 2009 • Attendance: 32,816

MVP Tarrion Adams set the school's career and single-season rushing records as he totaled 207 yards and three touchdowns in Tulsa's 45-13 victory over No. 22-ranked Ball State in the 10th Annual GMAC Bowl in front of 32,816 fans at Ladd-Peebles Stadium. The victory gave the Hurricane its first-ever 11-win season, while Ball State ended its' campaign at 12-2.



Tulsa scored the first seven points of the game and took a 24-13 lead at halftime. The Hurricane went on to score 21 unanswered points in a rain-soaked second half, while the Hurricane defense held the nation's 17th-ranked offense to just 17 second-half yards, and allowing zero first downs

and zero pass completions.

The Hurricane set school bowl records for total yards (632) and rushing yards (439). Tulsa improved its Bowl record to 7-9 overall, and have won three of its' last four Bowl games.

Adams was joined on the medal stand by Offensive MVP David Johnson, Defensive MVP Roy Roberts and Special Teams MVP Jarod Tracy. Adams was not the only Hurricane player to set a career record, as Tracy established the school's career scoring mark. Adams finished his career with 3,651 yards, while Tracy ended his career with 286 career points.

The victory was the second straight in the GMAC Bowl for the Hurricane. In the last two GMAC Bowls, Tulsa out-scored the two Mid-American Conference foes, Bowling Green and Ball State, by a combined 108-20 score.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Ball State	7	6	0	0	13
Tulsa	19	14	7	14	45

Team Statistics	Tulsa	BSU
First Downs	30	9
Rushing Yardage	439	78
Passing Yardage	193	145
Passes	15-26-0	9-29-1
Punts-Average	5-28.8	8-48.1
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	4-2
Penalties-Yards	0-0	3-25

Game Summary

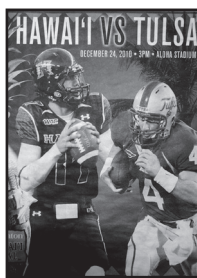
TU – Johnson 30 pass to Damaris Johnson (Tracy kick)	7-0
BSU – Davis 18 run (McGarvey kick)	7-7
TU – Tracy 31 FG	10-7
TU – Adams 1 run (Tracy kick)	17-7
BSU – McGarvey 40 FG	17-10
TU – Adams 57 run (Tracy kick)	24-10
BSU – McGarvey 22 FG	24-13
TU – Johnson 16 pass to Slick Shelley (Tracy kick)	31-13
TU – Adams 11 run (Tracy kick)	38-13
TU – Johnson 13 pass to Jacob Frank (Tracy kick)	45-13

2010 SHERATON HAWAII BOWL

Tulsa 62, Hawai'i 35

Honolulu, Hawaii

December 24, 2010 • Attendance: 43,673



Tulsa ended the season with a victory over the No. 24-ranked Hawai'i Warriors in the Sheraton Hawai'i Bowl in front of 43,673 fans on the island of Oahu.

The Golden Hurricane defense grounded the Nation's No. 1 passing offense for most of the night and kept Tulsa ahead in the first 30 minutes with five first-half interceptions. Tulsa's offense picked it up in the second half by scoring 35 points, including a 21-point third quarter. Among the five first-half pickoffs, two were returned for touchdowns as juniors John Flanders and Cornelius Arnick each recorded 54-yard interception returns in a span of five plays in the second quarter.

The Hurricane led at intermission 27-14, and out-scored the Warriors 35-21 in the second half. For the game, Tulsa's defense picked up six sacks as the Hurricane also won the turnover battle 7-1.

Junior Damaris Johnson set the NCAA career record for all-purpose yards in the contest as he compiled 326 yards, giving him an NCAA record 7,796 all-purpose yards for his illustrious three-year career. The game's MVP recorded 109 kick return yards, 101 receiving yards, 98 rushing yards and 18 punt return yards. Johnson also scored touchdowns on both a 67-yard rush and a nine-yard reception.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Tulsa	10	17	21	14	62
Hawaii	0	14	14	7	35

Team Statistics	Tulsa	Hawai'i
First Downs	18	28
Rushing Yardage	188	71
Passing Yardage	343	479
Passes	17-32-0	30-56-5
Punts-Average	6-44.2	6-42.2
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	4-45	6-42

Game Summary

TU – A. Singleton 3 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	7-0
TU – Fitzpatrick 42 FG	10-0
UH – Austin 1 run (Enos kick)	10-7
TU – Flanders 54 INT return (Fitzpatrick kick)	17-7
TU – Arnick 54 INT return (Fitzpatrick kick)	24-7
UH – Moniz 18 pass to Salas (Enos kick)	24-14
TU – Fitzpatrick 28 FG	27-14
UH – Moniz 5 pass to Salas (Enos kick)	27-21
TU – Kinne 15 pass to Owens (Fitzpatrick kick)	34-21
UH – Green 1 run (Enos kick)	34-28
TU – D. Johnson 67 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	41-28
TU – Kinne 47 pass to T. Roberson (Fitzpatrick kick)	48-28
UH – Moniz 33 pass to Pollard (Enos kick)	48-35
TU – A. Singleton 3 run (Fitzpatrick kick)	55-35
TU – Kinne 9 pass to D. Johnson (Fitzpatrick kick)	62-35

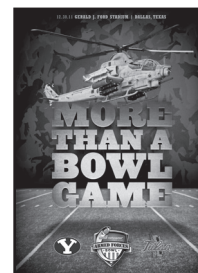
2011 BELL HELICOPTER ARMED FORCES BOWL

BYU 24, Tulsa 21

Dallas, Texas

December 30, 2011 • Attendance 30,258

Tulsa ended the 2011 campaign with a narrow 24-21 loss at the hands of the BYU Cougars in the Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl in front of 30,358 fans at SMU's Ford Stadium. The Golden Hurricane ended Head Coach Bill Blankenship's first season with an 8-5 record and a 7-1 mark in Conference USA action.



Tulsa was led by senior quarterback G.J. Kinne, who completed 17-of-31 passes for 214 yards and three touchdowns, while 113 of those yards and one touchdown went to junior wide receiver Bryan Burnham, who caught four passes in the contest. Senior tight end Clay Sears and junior receiver Ricky Johnson also scored for the Hurricane

Tulsa jumped on top 14-3, but after a fumbled punt with 0:25 remaining in the first half the Cougars scored on one play to cut the Hurricane lead to four points. Tulsa held a 14-10 lead at halftime. Following a third quarter strike for the Cougars, the Golden Hurricane took a 21-17 lead with 10:42 to play. On BYU's final possession, quarterback Riley Nelson connected with Cody Hoffman for the duo's third TD hook-up of the game to seal the victory with 11 seconds remaining on the clock.

Junior safety Dexter McCoil recorded two interceptions and tied the school record for career pick-offs with 13. He also had 10 tackles. Senior linebacker Cornelius Arnick tied the school's bowl record with 17 tackles, and he also picked up a sack and two tackles for loss in his final collegiate game.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
BYU	3	7	7	7	24
Tulsa	7	7	0	7	21

Team Statistics	Tulsa	BYU
First Downs	15	18
Rushing Yardage	37	94
Passing Yardage	235	250
Passes	18-32-0	17-40-2
Punts-Average	8-44.2	8-41.9
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	1-0
Penalties-Yards	1-5	5-60

Game Summary

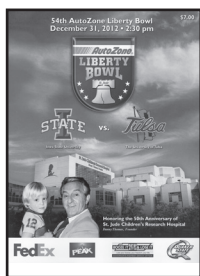
TU – Kinne 8 pass to R. Johnson (Fitzpatrick kick)	7-0
BYU – Sorensen 35 FG	7-3
TU – Kinne 14 pass to Sears (Fitzpatrick kick)	14-3
BYU – Nelson 17 pass to Hoffman (Sorensen kick)	14-10
BYU – Nelson 30 pass to Hoffman (Sorensen kick)	14-17
TU – Kinne 30 pass to Burnham (Fitzpatrick kick)	21-17
BYU – Nelson 2 pass to Hoffman (Sorensen kick)	21-24

AUTOZONE LIBERTY BOWL

Tulsa 31, Iowa State 17

Memphis, Tenn.

December 31, 2012 • Attendance 53,687



Tulsa scored 24 consecutive points and the Hurricane defense shut down Iowa State 31-17 to win the AutoZone Liberty Bowl in front of a crowd of 53,687 Monday at Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium.

Trailing 17-7 in the first quarter, Tulsa scored 24 points over the final three quarters giving the Hurricane its seventh comeback victory of the season. While the offense amassed 410 total yards, the Tulsa defense limited Iowa State to 268 yards, including just 64 yards on 20 plays in the second half. Tulsa totaled 208 second-half yards, while dominating the time of possession 21:44 to 8:16.

Trey Watts earned AutoZone Liberty Bowl Most Valuable Player and Offensive Player of the Game honors as the junior tallied 249 all-purpose yards. Watts, who was also named the Most Valuable Player of the Conference USA Championship Game, rushed 25 times for 149 yards, including a 48-yard scamper that set up Tulsa's fourth touchdown of the day. Alex Singleton with gained 35 yards and three touchdowns, while quarterback Cody Green also rushed 10 times for a season-high 58 yards, while completing 11-of-23 passes for 93 yards.

Linebacker Shawn Jackson was named the Defensive MVP, while tallying nine tackles and two sacks for -8 yards.

Scoring by Qtr.	1	2	3	4	Final
Tulsa	7	14	7	3	31
Iowa State	17	0	0	0	17

Team Statistics	Tulsa	ISU
First Downs	23	9
Rushing Yardage	317	98
Passing Yardage	93	170
Passes	11-23-1	14-28-2
Punts-Average	8-36.4	8-35.8
Fumbles-Lost	3-0	1-1
Penalties-Yards	9-73	9-84

Game Summary

ISU – Arceo 33 FG	0-3
ISU – Reeves 31-yard INT return (Arceo kick)	0-10
TU – A. Singleton 2 run (Schwarz kick)	7-10
ISU – S. Richardson 69 pass to E. Brun (Arceo kick)	7-17
TU – Green 8 run (Schwarz kick)	14-17
TU – A. Singleton 2 run (Schwarz kick)	21-17
TU – A. Singleton 1 run (Schwarz kick)	28-17
TU – Schwarz 40 FG	31-17



Pro Football Hall of Fame Inductees

BOB ST. CLAIR • 1990 Inductee

Bob St. Clair, who was a tackle for The University of Tulsa in 1952, was a 1990 inductee into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio. St. Clair played professional football for the San Francisco 49ers from 1953-63. In 11 seasons, he was a five-time starter in the Pro Bowl. He played both ways for the 49ers and also starred on the special teams. St. Clair is one of Tulsa's greatest defensive tackles. He came to Tulsa for the 1952 season after transferring from San Francisco. He played on Tulsa's 1952 Gator Bowl team.

JIM FINKS • 1995 Inductee

Jim Finks was an outstanding quarterback at The University of Tulsa from 1946-48. He played seven seasons for the Pittsburgh Steelers after being drafted in the 12th round. Following his playing career, he went on to an illustrious career as a team administrator, serving as chief executive officer with the Minnesota Vikings (1964-73), Chicago Bears (1974-82) and the New Orleans Saints (1986-93). At Tulsa, he threw for 2,796 yards and 18 touchdowns and was selected all-conference in 1947 and '48. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame posthumously in 1995.

STEVE LARGENT • 1995 Inductee

Steve Largent played at The University of Tulsa from 1972-75 and then went on to a 14-year career with the Seattle Seahawks. Largent ended his career in the NFL with league career records for receptions (819), yards (13,089), touchdowns (100), consecutive games with a reception (177), 50-catch seasons (10) and 1,000-yard seasons (8). He was selected to play in the AFC-NFC Pro Bowl game seven times. Largent was originally drafted on the fourth round in 1976 by the Houston Oilers, was waived by the Oilers, recalled, and traded to the Seahawks that same year. At Tulsa, Largent was a two-time first-team all-Missouri Valley Conference pick and was a second-team All-American in 1975. He caught 136 passes for 2,385 yards and 32 TDs at Tulsa. He was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1995.

Canadian Football League Hall of Fame Inductees

JERRY KEELING • 1989 CFL Inductee

Keeling played quarterback at The University of Tulsa and was an all-Missouri Valley Conference performer in 1959 and 1960. He starred for the Calgary Stampeders of the Canadian Football League as a defensive back, and was selected to the all-CFL team three times. Keeling played on two Grey Cup winning teams.

KAYE VAUGHAN • 1978 CFL Inductee

Vaughan was an outstanding tackle at The University of Tulsa from 1950-52 and in the Canadian Football League for 12 seasons. He was selected to the CFL's Eastern Conference all-star team 10 times while playing for the Ottawa Rough Riders.

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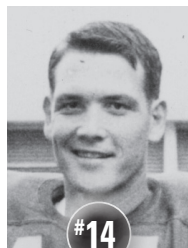
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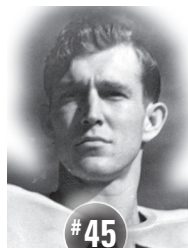
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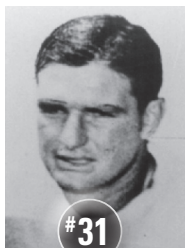
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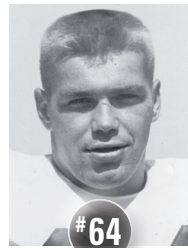
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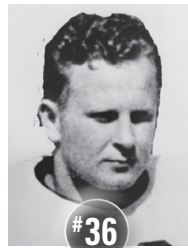
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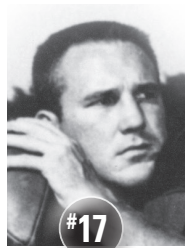
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Howard TWILLEY

#14 • BILLY GUY ANDERSON • He followed in the footsteps of an All-American, and he played only one year, but Billy Guy Anderson became Tulsa's most prolific passer. He established 10 school passing records. In his first game at quarterback for Tulsa, he completed 25 of 47 passes for two touchdowns and 230 yards. In his final collegiate regular season game, he threw successive scoring bombs of 60, 63 and 51 yards in the fourth quarter to defeat Colorado State. On that same day, he set an NCAA record as he passed for 502 yards. As a senior, he completed 58 percent of his passes for 3,464 yards and 30 touchdowns. His jersey was retired on September 23, 1995.

#45 • GLENN DOBBS • A star tailback for the Golden Hurricane teams of 1940, '41, and '42, Glenn Dobbs was an All-America selection in 1942. One of the best passers and punters in college history, Dobbs led Tulsa to a 25-6 record with two post-season bowl games in his three seasons. He returned to TU as athletics director in 1955 after playing professional football and in 1961 was named Tulsa's head football coach. He was elected to the College Football Hall of Fame in 1980 and to the TU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1982.

#31 • ELLIS JONES • A courageous performer, Ellis Jones was the one-armed player who helped lead the University to three bowl appearances in 1942, '43, '44. He was the defensive standout in the 1945 College All-Star game against the Chicago Bears, collecting three tackles behind the line of scrimmage in the same series. A 1983 inductee into the TU Athletic Hall of Fame.

#83 • STEVE LARGENT • An All-America receiver at Tulsa, Steve Largent went on to a Hall of Fame career with the Seattle Seahawks. He was a two-time all-Missouri Valley Conference selection. As a senior in 1975, Largent caught 51 passes for 1,000 yards, 19.5 yards per reception and 14 touchdowns. As a junior, Largent caught 52 passes for 884 yards and 14 TDs. He had career totals of 136 receptions for 2,385 yards and 32 touchdowns. His jersey was retired on October 26, 2008.

#64 • MARVIN MATUSZAK • Possibly the top lineman in The University of Tulsa's history, Marvin Matuszak was a two-time first-team All-America choice in 1951 and '52. He was an all-Missouri Valley Conference pick as well and led the Golden Hurricane into the 1953 Gator Bowl against Florida. Matuszak was a longtime standout in both the National and American Football Leagues. He was inducted into the TU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1983.

#36 • FELTO PREWITT • Considered to be one of the top centers in Golden Hurricane history, Felto Prewitt starred on the bowl teams of 1943, '44, and '45. He gained first team All-America honors in 1945 and went on to play with the Baltimore Colts of the National Football League.

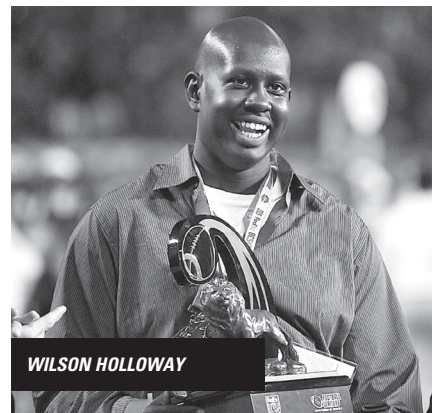
#17 • JERRY RHOME • Possibly the most polished passer in college football history, Jerry Rhome made a shambles of NCAA passing and total offense records in 1963 and 1964. He threw for a career 4,779 yards and 42 touchdowns. In 1964, when he passed for 2,870 yards and 32 TD's, Rhome was the runner-up to Notre Dame quarterback John Huarte in the Heisman Trophy voting. He was selected as the Collegiate Player-of-the-Year in several polls and made nearly every All-America team. Elected to the TU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1984. He was a College Football Hall of Fame inductee in 1998.

#81 • HOWARD TWILLEY • A consensus All-America choice in 1965, Howard Twilley set nearly every Golden Hurricane receiving record and set most national marks. He followed Jerry Rhome as the runner-up in the Heisman Trophy voting in 1965, placing second to Southern California halfback Mike Garrett. He caught a career 261 passes for 3,343 yards and 32 touchdowns. Twilley was the captain of the Academic All-American team in 1965. He went on to star for the Miami Dolphins of the NFL. He was selected to the TU Athletic Hall of Fame in 1984 and was a College Football Hall of Fame inductee in 1992.

Tulsa Players Get National Awards

Courage Award Goes to Tulsa's Wilson Holloway

The University of Tulsa's Wilson Holloway was the 2008 winner of the FedEx Orange Bowl-FWAA Courage Award. Holloway, a red-shirt freshman offensive lineman, battled cancer when a softball-sized mass was discovered in his chest in the spring of 2008. Holloway was presented with the award at the BCS Championship Game on January 8, 2009 in Miami, Florida. He was also honored that day at the Football Writers Association of America's (FWAA) annual awards breakfast. A select group of writers from the FWAA vote on the winner Courage Award winner each year. The requirements for nomination include displaying courage on or off the field, including overcoming an injury or physical handicap, preventing a disaster or living through hardship. (Note: Wilson Holloway passed away on February 16, 2011).



WILSON HOLLOWAY

Paul Smith Gets Wuerffel Trophy in 2007

In 2007, senior quarterback Paul Smith had a record-setting year, establishing himself as Tulsa's all-time passing leader.

He was also presented with the Third Annual Wuerffel Trophy. The prestigious Wuerffel Trophy, named after former University of Florida quarterback Danny Wuerffel, is given to the college football player who best combines exemplary community service with athletic and academic achievement.

PAUL SMITH



All-Americans

First Team All-America

- Glenn Dobbs**, Halfback
1942, Consensus
- Felto Prewitt**, Center
1944, Consensus
- Ellis Jones**, Guard
1945, Consensus
- Marvin Matuszak**, Tackle
1951 and '52, Associated Press
- Jerry Rhome**, Quarterback
1964, United Press International
1963, third-team Associated Press
- Howard Twilley**, Receiver
1965, Consensus
1964, second-team United Press International
- Drane Scrivener**, Safety
1972, National Enterprises Association
- Jerry Ostroski**, Offensive Guard
1991, Associated Press, U.S. Football Writers, The Sporting News; and, second-team by United Press International
- Ashlan Davis**, KO Returner
2004, Pro Football Weekly, SportsIllustrated.com, Rivals.com; and, second-team by The Sporting News, Walter Camp Foundation
- Garrett Mills**, Tight End
2005, CBSSportsLine.com, SportsIllustrated.com, ESPN.com; second- team by Walter Camp Foundation, NFLDraftscout.com; and, third-team by Associated Press

Second Team All-America

- John Simmons**, Receiver
1963, Associated Press
- Billy Guy Anderson**, Quarterback
1965, United Press International
- Ken Duncan**, Punter
1970, Sporting News
- Ralph McGill**, Defensive Back
1971, National Enterprises Association
- Steve Shores**, Tight End
1972, Detroit Sports Extra
- Steve Largent**, Receiver
1975, Associated Press
- Rick Engles**, Punter
1975, Sporting News
- Jimmie Stewart**, Defensive Back
1976, Associated Press
- Lovie Smith**, Defensive Back
1978, Associated Press
- Don Blackmon**, Defensive End
1978 and '80 Associated Press
- Dan Bitson**, Receiver
1988, Sporting News
1989, Associated Press
- Mark Govi**, Offensive Guard
1992, Sporting News
- Chris Penn**, Receiver
1993, Associated Press and third-team by Football News
- Damaris Johnson**, All-Purpose Player
2010, Associated Press and SI.com

Third Team All-America

- Ronnie Morris**, Halfback
1957, Sport Magazine
- Al Humphrey**, Linebacker
1975, Associated Press
- Steve August**, Offensive Tackle
1976, Associated Press
- Doug Panfil**, Offensive Tackle
1978, Associated Press
- Reno Hutchins**, Defensive Back
1981, Associated Press
- Sid Abramowitz**, Offensive Tackle
1982, Associated Press
- Nate Harris**, Defensive Back
1984, Associated Press

Freshman All-America Team

- Nick Bunting**, Linebacker, 2003
Scripps/FWAA (First Team); CollegeFootballNews.com (Second Team); CollegeSportsReport.com (True Freshman Team)
- Charles Clay**, Fullback, 2007
Rivals.com (Second Team)
- Trae Johnson**, Receiver, 2007
CollegeFootballReport.com (True Freshman Team); CollegeFootballNews.com (Second Team)
- Tyler Holmes**, Offensive Tackle, 2008
CollegeFootballNews.com (Second Team)
- Damaris Johnson**, KOR/Receiver, 2008
FWAA, The Sporting News, Rivals.com (First Team); Phil Steele's (Second Team)
- Marco Nelson**, DB, 2010
FWAA (First Team), Phil Steele's (Third Team)
- Shawn Jackson**, LB, 2010
Phil Steele's (Second Team)

Senior All-America Team

- David Fuess**, Placekicker, 1989
Independent Insurance Agents of America

Academic All-America

- Howard Twilley**, Receiver, 1964, '65
- Mack Lancaster**, Defensive Tackle, 1974
- David Millwee**, Center, 1995; First-team GTE/CoSIDA
- Levi Gillen**, Safety, 1996 and 1997;
First-team GTE/CoSIDA
- Drew McLaughlin**, Defensive End, 2001; First-team Verizon/CoSIDA
- Michael Dulaney**, Linebacker, 2002; Second-team Verizon/CoSIDA
- Garrett Mills**, Tight End, 2005; First-team ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA
- Paul Smith**, Quarterback, 2006; Second-team ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA; 2007 First-team ESPN The Magazine/CoSIDA

Strength & Conditioning All-America

- Steve Nicholson**, Center (1979)
- Stan Fields**, Center (1985)
- Jerry Ostroski**, Offensive Guard (1991)
- Barry Minter**, Linebacker (1992)
- Sedric Clark**, Defensive End (1995)
- Muadianvita Kazadi**, Linebacker (1996)
- Corey Brown**, Receiver (2000)
- Kevin Shaffer**, Offensive Tackle (2001)
- Sam Rayburn**, Defensive Tackle (2002)
- Austin Chadwick**, Offensive Tackle (2003)

Wuerffel Trophy Award Winner

- Paul Smith**, Quarterback, 2007

Heisman Trophy Voting

- Glenn Dobbs**, Halfback
1942, 9th place (*Winner - Frank Sinkwich, Halfback, Georgia*)
- Jerry Rhome**, Quarterback
1964, Runner-up (*Winner - John Huarte, Quarterback, Notre Dame*)
- Howard Twilley**, Receiver
1965, Runner-up (*Winner - Mike Garrett, Halfback, Southern Cal*)

National Collegiate Player of the Year Awards

- Jerry Rhome**, Quarterback
1964 Back of the Year (*Knute Rockne Club Academy of Sports, Washington Touchdown Club and Associated Press*)
- Howard Twilley**, Receiver
1965 Lineman of the Year (*United Press International*)

FedEx Orange Bowl/FWAA Courage Award Winner

- Wilson Holloway**, Offensive Tackle, 2008

National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete Award Winners and Draddy Trophy Finalists

- Garrett Mills**, Tight End, 2005
- Paul Smith**, Quarterback, 2007

Brandon Burlsworth Trophy Top-3 Finalists (Nation's top player who started career as a walk-on)

- Trey Watts**, Running Back, 2013

College Football Hall of Fame Inductees

- Francis Schmidt**, Coach (1919-21)
inducted in 1971
- Glenn Dobbs**, Halfback (1940-42)
inducted in 1980
- Howard Twilley**, Receiver (1963-65)
inducted in 1992
- Jerry Rhome**, Quarterback (1963-64)
inducted in 1998
- John Cooper**, Head Coach (1977-84)
inducted in 2009

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Pro Draftees

The initial draft was held February 8, 1936. Below are Tulsa's draftees since the first draft. Free agents are also included.

2014

Stetson Burnett (Kansas City Chiefs, FA)
Shawn Jackson (New Orleans Saints, FA)
Trey Watts (St. Louis Rams, FA)

2013

Willie Carter (Jacksonville Jaguars, FA)
Dexter McCoil (Oakland Raiders, FA)
Lowell Rose (San Francisco 49ers, FA)
Alex Singleton (Oakland Raiders, FA)

2012

Tyler Holmes (Minnesota Vikings, FA)
Damaris Johnson (Philadelphia Eagles, FA)
G.J. Kinne (New York Jets, FA)
Tyrunn Walker (New Orleans Saints, FA)

2011

Charles Clay (Miami Dolphins, 6th round)

2010

John Destin (Buffalo Bills, FA)

2009

Brennan Marion (Miami Dolphins, FA)

2008

Chris Chamberlain (St. Louis Rams, 7th round)
Alain Karatepeyan (Dallas Cowboys, FA)
Paul Smith (Jacksonville Jaguars, FA)

2007

Bobby Blackshire (Baltimore Ravens, FA)
Nick Graham (Philadelphia Eagles, FA)
Jon Hameister-Ries (Arizona Cardinals, FA)

2006

Garrett Mills (New England Patriots, 4th round)
Ashlan Davis (Indianapolis Colts, FA)

2005

Montiese Culton (Indianapolis Colts, FA)

2004

James Kilian (Kansas City Chiefs, 7th round)
Romby Bryant (Atlanta Falcons, FA)

2003

Sam Rayburn (Philadelphia Eagles, FA)

2002

Kevin Shaffer (Atlanta Falcons, 7th round)
Donald Shoals (Indianapolis Colts, FA)

2001

Corey Brown (Atlanta Falcons, FA)
Pete Muther (Kansas City Chiefs, FA)

2000

Todd Franz (Detroit Lions, 5th round)
Damon Savage (Miami Dolphins, FA)

1999

Wes Caswell (Indianapolis Colts, FA)
Tim Martin (New England Patriots, FA)
Jason Mills (New York Jets, FA)

1998

Terrance Joseph (San Diego Chargers, FA)
Michael Ruhl (Tampa Bay Buccaneers, FA)

1997

Muadianvita Kazadi (St. Louis Rams, 6th round)
Dunstan Anderson, Miami Dolphins, FA)
Brian Newnam (Tampa Bay Bucs, FA)

1996

Sedric Clark (Oakland Raiders, 7th round)

1994

Chris Penn (KC Chiefs, 3rd round)
Gus Frerotte (Wash. Redskins, 7th round)

1993

Barry Minter (Dallas Cowboys, 6th round)

1992

Tracy Scroggins (Detroit Lions, 2nd round)
Fallon Wacasey (Dallas Cowboys, 6th Rd)
T.J. Rubley (Los Angeles Rams, 9th round)
Jerry Ostroski (Kansas City Chiefs, 10th Rd)

1989

Dennis Byrd (New York Jets, 2nd round)
Richard Stephens (Cincy Bengals, 9th round)
Steve Hegdale (Tampa Bay Bucs, FA)

1988

Donnie Dee (Indianapolis Colts, 11th round)
Kevin Lilly (San Francisco 49ers, FA)

1987

David Alexander (Phila. Eagles, 5th Round)
Steve Gage (Washington Redskins, 6th round)
Chris Pike (Philadelphia Eagles, 6th round)
Charles Wright (St. Louis Cardinals, 10th Rd)
Tim Gordon (Atlanta Falcons, FA)
Jason Starovsky (New England Patriots, FA)

1986

Mike Williams (Pittsburgh Steelers, 12th Rd)
Gordon Brown (Pittsburgh Steelers, FA)

1985

Albert Myres (Los Angeles Raiders, 10th Rd)
Dean Hamel (Washington Redskins, 12th Rd)
Byron Jones (Minnesota Vikings, 12th round)
Nate Harris (Denver Gold, USFL)

1984

Michael Gunter (Tampa Bay Bucs, 4th round)
Tom Baldwin (New York Jets, 9th round)

1983

Sid Abramowitz (Baltimore Colts, 5th round)
Stu Crum (New York Jets, 12th round)
Kirk Phillips (Dallas Cowboys, FA)
Ken Lacy (Michigan Panthers, USFL)

1982

Bill Purifoy (Dallas Cowboys, 7th round)
Eugene Williams (Seattle Seahawks, 7th round)

1981

Don Blackmon (NE Patriots, 4th round)
Denver Johnson (Tampa Bay Bucs, 8th round)
Paul Johns (Seattle Seahawks, FA)

1980

Quinn Jones (Atlanta Falcons, 12th round)

1979

Rickey Watts (Chicago Bears, 2nd round)
Eddie Hare (Boston Patriots, 4th round)
Doug Panfil (New Orleans Saints, 8th round)
Dave Rader (San Diego Chargers, 11th round)
Charles Washington (Kansas City Chiefs, FA)

1977

Steve August (Seattle Seahawks, 1st round)
Jim Stewart (New Orleans Saints, 8th round)
Giles Alexander (Boston Patriots, 10th round)
I.V. Wilson (Seattle Seahawks, 12th round)
Thomas Bailey (Dallas Cowboys, FA)
Wade Bosarge (Miami Dolphins, FA)
Cornell Webster (Seattle Seahawks, FA)

1976

Jeb Blount (Oakland Raiders, 2nd round)
Wes Hamilton (Minnesota Vikings, 3rd Rd)
Rick Engles (Seattle Seahawks, 3rd round)
Greg Fairchild, (Cincinnati Bengals, 4th Rd)
Steve Largent (Houston Oilers, 4th round)
Jessie Green (Green Bay Packers, 10th round)
Bernie Head (Miami Dolphins, 13th round)
Buddy Tate (Oakland Raiders, 17th round)

1975

Al Humphrey (Pittsburgh Steelers, 8th round)
Leonard Isabell (Miami Dolphins, 13th round)
Mark Lancaster (Detroit Lions, 17th round)
Ricky Childers (Kansas City Chiefs, FA)

1974

Danny Colbert (San Diego Chargers, 9th Rd)
Ray Rhodes (New York Giants, 10th round)
T.C. Blair (Detroit Lions, 11th round)

1973

Drane Scrivener (Dallas Cowboys, 4th round)
Arthur Moore (San Francisco 49ers, 6th Rd)
Ed White (Denver Broncos, 13th round)
Drew Pearson (Dallas Cowboys, FA)
George Haynes, Pittsburgh Steelers, FA)
Steve King (Boston Patriots, FA)
Steve Shores (Pittsburgh Steelers, FA)

1972

Ralph McGill (San Francisco 49ers, 2nd Rd)
Jean Barrett (San Francisco 49ers, 2nd Rd)
Jim Butler (Houston Oilers, 10th round)
James Shaw (San Diego Chargers, 16th Rd)
Dick Blanchard (Boston Patriots, FA)

1971

Josh Ashton (Boston Patriots, 9th round)
Ken Duncan (Minnesota Vikings, 17th round)

1970

Doug Wyatt (New Orleans Saints, 17th Rd)
Rick Arrington (Philadelphia Eagles, FA)

1969

Al Jenkins (Cleveland, 3rd round)
 Chuck Reynolds (Cleveland, 8th round)
 Mike Stripling (Cincinnati, 9th round)
 Brant Conley (Boston, 15th round)

1968

Willie Crittendon (New Orleans, 4th round)
 Rick Eber (Atlanta, 6th round)
 Karl Henke (New York Jets, 8th round)
 Joe Blake (New Orleans, 9th round)
 Gary McDermott (Buffalo, 9th round)
 Greg Barton (Detroit, 9th round)
 Bob Joswick (Miami, 13th round)

1967

Don Bandy (Washington, 6th round)
 Neal Sweeney (Denver, 6th round)
 Milt Jackson (San Francisco, 7th round)
 Charlie Hardt (Minnesota, 13th round)

1966**NFL**

Willie Townes (Dallas, 2nd round)
 Richard Tyson (Los Angeles Rams, 3rd Rd)
 John Osmond (Philadelphia, 10th round)
 Howard Twilley (Minnesota, 14th round)
 Bud Harrington (Los Angeles Rams, 20th Rd)

AFL

Willie Townes (Boston, 1st round)
 Richard Tyson (Oakland, 4th round)
 John Osmond Kansas City, 6th round)
 Bud Harrington (Denver, 9th round)
 Howard Twilley (Miami, 12th round)

1965**NFL**

Bob Breitenstein (Washington, 2nd round)
 Jeff Jordan (Minnesota, 8th round)
 Gary Porterfield (Dallas, 14th round)
 Charlie Brown (Los Angeles Rams, 16th Rd)
 Billy Guy Anderson (L.A. Rams, 19th round)

AFL

Bob Breitenstein (Denver, 5th round)
 Charlie Brown (Boston, 9th round)
 Billy Guy Anderson (Houston 11th round)
 Jeff Jordan (Denver, 15th round)
 Gary Porterfield (Oakland, 17th round)

1964**NFL**

Bob Daugherty (San Francisco 49ers, 8th Rd)
 Jerry Rhome (Dallas, 13th round)
 Van Burkleo (Dallas, 15th round)
 Edwin Dukes (Washington, FA)

AFL

Bob Daugherty (San Diego, 16th round)
 Van Burkleo (San Diego, 24th round)
 Jerry Rhome (New York Jets, 25th round)

1963**NFL**

Tony Liscio (Green Bay, 3rd round)
 John Simmons (Green Bay 6th round)
 Ken Reed (San Francisco, 17th round)

AFL

John Simmons (Buffalo, 14th round)
 Tony Liscio (New York Titans, 10th round)

1962**AFL**

Joe Wayne Brooks (Denver, FA)

1961**NFL**

Joe Novsek (Baltimore, 19th round)

AFL

Joe Novsek (Oakland, 17th round)
 Jack Kreider (Houston, 25th round)

1960**AFL**

Chuck Janssen (Los Angeles Chargers)

1959

Opie Bandy (Baltimore, 18th round)

1957

Dick Hughes (Pittsburg, 11th round)
 Ronnie Morris (New York Giants, 19th round)

1954

Tom Miner (Pittsburgh, 3rd round)
 Dick Kercher (Detroit, 6th round)
 Ted Connolly (San Francisco, 9th round)
 Ed Hughes (Los Angeles Rams, 10th round)

1953

Marvin Matuszak (Pittsburgh, 3rd round)
 Bob St. Clair (San Francisco, 3rd round)
 Willie Roberts (Los Angeles Rams, 4th round)
 Howard Waugh (Los Angeles Rams, 6th Rd)
 Jim Prewett (Baltimore, 8th round)
 Floyd Harrawood (Green Bay, 9th round)
 Kaye Vaughan (Baltimore, 12th round)
 Ronnie Morris (Chicago Cardinals, 13th Rd)
 Gene Helwig (Green Bay, 15th round)

1952

Jim Beasley (San Francisco, 6th round)
 Jake Roberts (Los Angeles Rams, 12th round)
 Bob Stringer (Philadelphia, 14th round)

1951

Jack Crocher (Cleveland, 20th round)
 Hardy Brown (San Francisco, 21st round)
 S.J. Whitman (Chicago Cardinals, 22nd Rd)
 Fred Smith (Pittsburgh, 29th round)

1950

Russ Frizzell (Cleveland, 8th round)

1949**NFL**

Jim Finks (Pittsburgh, 12th round)
 Paul Barry (Los Angeles Rams, 13th round)
 Jimmy Ford (Green Bay, 24th round)

AAFC

Jim Finks (Chicago Hornets, 4th Rd)

1948**NFL**

J.R. Boone (Chicago Bears, 22nd round)
 Don Sharp (Green Bay, 28th round)
 Bobby Jack Stuart (Los Angeles Rams, 27th Rd)
 A.B. Kitchens (Philadelphia, 28th round)

1947**NFL**

Nelson Greene (New York Giants, 5rd round)
 Jerry D'Arcy (Philadelphia, 12th round)
 Hardy Brown (New York Giants, 12th round)
 Hardin Cooper (Chicago Cardinals, 13th Rd)
 Joe Haynes (Philadelphia, 23rd round)

AAFC

Cal Richardson (Buffalo, special selection)
 Clyde LeForce (San Francisco, 1st round)

1946

Felto Prewitt (Philadelphia, 6th round)
 Homer Paine (Philadelphia, 14th round)
 Allen Smith (Philadelphia, 17th round)
 Tom Worthington (Chicago Cardinals, 25th Rd)
 Bob Verkins (Pittsburgh, 25th round)
 Barney White (New York Giants, 26th round)

1945

Clyde Goodnight (Green Bay, 3rd round)
 Al Kowalski (Los Angeles, 5th round)
 Glen Burgeis (Chicago Bears, 7th round)
 Ellis Jones (Boston, 8th round)
 Toby Collins (Green Bay, 8th round)
 Clyde LeForce (Detroit, 19th round)
 Nolan Luhn (Green Bay, 25th round)
 Dell Taylor (Detroit, 27th round)

1944

Sax Judd (Chicago Cardinals, 3rd round)
 C.B. Stanley (Chicago Bears, 6th round)
 Carl Buda (Pittsburgh, 11th round)
 Sam Gray (Pittsburgh, 12th round)
 Bobby Dobbs (Chicago Cardinals, 13th round)
 Johnny Green (Philadelphia, 16th round)
 Charley Mitchell (Chicago Bears, 28th round)

1943

Glenn Dobbs (Chicago Cardinals, 1st round)
 N.A. Keithley (New York Giants, 16th round)
 Cal Purdin (Chicago Cardinals, 25th round)
 Maurice Hail (New York Giants, 26th round)

1942

Charley Greene (Pittsburgh, 6th round)
 Wayne Holt (Pittsburgh, 13th round)
 Glenn Henicle (Cleveland, 16th round)

1941

Bill Grimmatt (Washington, 9th round)
 Lee Gentry (Washington, 22nd round)

1940

John McKibben (New York Giants, 11th round)
 Othel Turner (New York Giants, 15th round)

1939

Morris White (Philadelphia, 19th round)

1937

Ham Harmon (Chicago Cardinals, 5th round)
 Les Chapman (Green Bay, 8th round)

1936

Tack Dennis (Chicago Cardinals, 7th round)



Hurricane in All-Star Games

Blue-Gray Game

Montgomery, AL

(played in December)

1941	Charles H. Green, T
1942	Glenn Dobbs, HB
1944	Perry Moss, B
1967	Gary McDermott, TB Carl Martin, OT Rick Eber, E
1968	Chuck Reynolds, C
1971	Jean Barrett, OT
1972	Drane Scrivener, DB
1980	Charles Caufield, DB Don Blackmon, DE
1981	Bill Purifoy, DL
1982	Sid Abramowitz, OL Ken Lacy, RB
1983	Micheal Gunter, RB
1985	Joe Dixon, DT
1987	Donnie Dee, DE/TE
1988	Dennis Byrd, DT
1989	David Fuess, K
1992	Ron Jackson, RB
1993	Gus Frerotte, QB Chris Penn, WR
1995	Sedric Clark, DE David Millwee, C
1996	Brian Newnam, OG
1999	Todd Franz, DB

Raycom Bowl Game

Montgomery, AL

(played in January)

2012	Trent Dupy, C
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East-West Shrine Game

San Francisco, CA

(played in January)

1931	Ishmael Pilkington, B
1934	Roy Berry, HB
1940	Elmer Gentry, QB
1946	Clyde LeForce, B
1947	Nelson Greene, T
1948	Jim Finks, B
1970	Ralph McGill, DB
1972	Danny Colbert, DB
1975	Wes Hamilton, OG
1976	Steve August, OL Wade Bosarge, DB
1982	Sid Abramowitz, OL
1985	Gordon Brown, RB
1986	David Alexander, OL
1988	Dennis Byrd, DT
1991	Tracy Scroggins, OLB
1993	Chris Penn, WR
1997	Michael Ruhl, OT
2007	Paul Smith, QB (played in Houston)

Gridiron Classic

Orlando, FL

(played in January)

2003	Romby Bryant, WR
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North-South All-Star Classic

Houston, Texas

(played in January)

2006	Nick Graham, DB
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Senior Bowl

Mobile, AL

(played in January)

1958	Opie Bandy, E
1964	Bob Breitenstein, G Gary Porterfield, E
1965	Billy Anderson, QB Bob Daugherty, B John Osmond, C Howard Twilley, E (MVP) Richard Tyson, T
1967	Rick Eber, E
1973	Ralph McGill, DB
1975	Steve Largent, WR
1976	Steve August, OL Ronnie Hickerson, QB
1981	Bill Purifoy, DL
1982	Sid Abramowitz, OL Stu Crum, K
1983	Micheal Gunter, RB
1986	David Alexander, OL Steve Gage, QB/DB
1991	Todd McGuire, C Jerry Ostroski, OL
1992	Barry Minter, LB
1995	Sedric Clark, DE David Millwee, C
2005	Garrett Mills, TE
2010	Charles Clay, H-B/FB

Hula Bowl

Honolulu, HI

(played in January)


1964	Jerry Rhome, QB Jeff Jordan, E (MVP)
1969	Doug Wyatt, K
1991	Tracy Scroggins, OLB
1995	Mark DeLozier, P
1997	Michael Ruhl, OT
1999	Todd Franz, DB
2000	Corey Brown, WR
2007	Paul Smith, QB

Texas vs. The Nation All-Star Challenge

Houston, Texas

(played in January)

2008	Tarrion Adams, RB Moton Hopkins, DE David Johnson, QB
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CHARLES CLAY

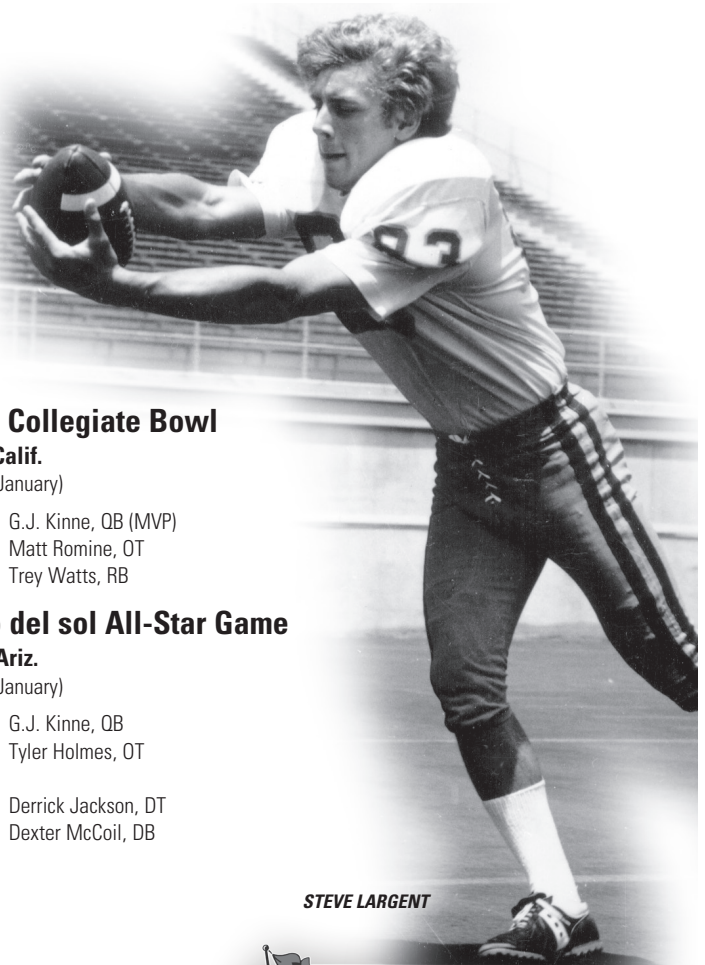
Current Tulsa Players in the NFL

CHARLES CLAY (H-B/FB) • Miami Dolphins
Drafted in the sixth round by the Miami Dolphins in 2011.

DAMARIS JOHNSON (WR) • Philadelphia Eagles
Was a free agent signee in 2012.

G.J. KINNE (QB) • Philadelphia Eagles
Signed for 2013 season, after starting out with New York Jets in 2012.

TYRUNN WALKER (DE) • New Orleans Saints
Was a free agent signee in 2012.



NFLPA Collegiate Bowl

Carson, Calif.

(played in January)

2011	G.J. Kinne, QB (MVP) Matt Romine, OT
2013	Trey Watts, RB

Casino del sol All-Star Game

Tucson, Ariz.

(played in January)

2011	G.J. Kinne, QB Tyler Holmes, OT
2012	Derrick Jackson, DT Dexter McCoil, DB



Conference History

In the early years, Tulsa competed in the Oklahoma Collegiate Conference for 11 seasons. Tulsa posted a 46-7-4 record and won five league titles. The Hurricane spent four seasons as members of the Big Four Conference, winning three conference championships while registering a 12-1-1 mark.

From 1935 to 1985, The University of Tulsa competed for the Missouri Valley Conference football championship. After becoming a member of the conference in 1934, Tulsa proceeded to win the league championship its first four years and eight of its first nine years in the conference.

In 50 years of competition in the Missouri Valley Conference, Tulsa won more conference championships than any other team in the history of the league. TU has to its credit 25 Missouri Valley Conference titles, including 19 outright titles and six co-championships.

Following the 1985 season, Tulsa withdrew its football membership from the Missouri Valley Conference. The league then closed down its operation of football as a conference sport. Before leaving the MVC, Tulsa won the final six league championships (1980-1985).

Tulsa played as an independent for 10 seasons before becoming a member of the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) beginning with the 1996 season, while the 2004 campaign was the last in the WAC for the Hurricane. Tulsa's best finish in nine years in the WAC was second place with a 6-2 league record in 2003.

The 2005 season was the first for Tulsa in Conference USA, and the Golden Hurricane responded that season by winning the school's first conference title since 1985. Tulsa's affiliation with C-USA ended after the 2013 season, and in nine years, Tulsa posted an overall 49-23-1 mark, four West Division titles and two C-USA Championships.

Oklahoma Collegiate Conference (1914-28)

Year	W	L	T	Place
1914	3	2	0	3rd
1915	4	1	1	2nd
1916	4	0	0	1st
1917	did not compete			
1918	did not compete			
1919	5	0	1	1st
1920	6	0	1	1st
1921	5	1	0	2nd
1922	4	0	0	1st
1923	did not compete			
1924	did not compete			
1925	4	0	0	1st
1926	5	1	0	2nd
1927	3	1	1	2nd
1928	3	1	1	2nd
Total	46	7	4	5 titles (.842)

Big Four Conference (1929-32)

Year	W	L	T	Place
1929	4	0	1	1st
1930	3	0	0	1st
1931	2	1	0	2nd
1932	3	0	0	1st
Total	12	1	1	3 titles (.893)

Missouri Valley Conference (1935-85)

Year	W	L	T	Place	Champion
1935	3	0	0	1st (tie)	Tulsa, Washington
1936	3	0	0	1st (tie)	Tulsa, Creighton
1937	3	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1938	3	1	0	1st	Tulsa
1939	2	1	1	3rd	Washington
1940	4	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1941	4	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1942	5	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1943	1	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1944	0	1	0	2nd	Oklahoma A&M
1945	2	1	0	2nd	Oklahoma A&M

1946	3	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1947	3	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1948	0	1	1	4th	Oklahoma A&M
1949	1	2	1	5th	Detroit
1950	3	0	1	1st	Tulsa
1951	4	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1952	3	1	0	2nd	Houston
1953	1	3	0	4th	Detroit, Oklahoma A&M
1954	0	4	0	4th	Wichita State
1955	1	3	0	4th (tie)	Detroit, Wichita State
1956	2	1	1	2nd (tie)	Houston
1957	2	3	0	3rd	Houston
1958	2	2	0	3rd (tie)	North Texas
1959	2	2	0	3rd	Houston, North Texas
1960	2	1	0	2nd	Wichita State
1961	1	2	0	2nd (tie)	Wichita State
1962	3	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1963	2	2	0	3rd (tie)	Cincinnati, Wichita State
1964	3	1	0	2nd	Cincinnati
1965	4	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1966	3	1	0	1st (tie)	Tulsa, North Texas
1967	3	1	0	2nd	North Texas
1968	2	3	0	3rd	Memphis State
1969	1	4	0	6th	Memphis State
1970	3	1	0	2nd	Louisville
1971	3	2	0	2nd (tie)	Memphis State
1972	3	2	0	3rd (tie)	Drake, Louisville, W. Texas
1973	5	1	0	1st (tie)	Tulsa, North Texas
1974	6	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1975	4	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1976	2	1	1	1st (tie)	Tulsa, New Mexico State
1977	2	3	0	4th (tie)	West Texas State
1978	4	1	0	2nd	New Mexico State
1979	did not compete for the league title				
1980	4	1	0	1st	Tulsa
1981	5	1	0	1st (tie)	Tulsa, Drake
1982	6	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1983	5	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1984	5	0	0	1st	Tulsa
1985	5	0	0	1st	Tulsa
Total	143	54	6	25 titles (.719)	

Western Athletic Conference (1996-04)

Year	W	L	T	Place	Champion
1996	2	6	0	7th (Mountain)	Brigham Young*
1997	2	6	0	7th (Mountain)	Colorado State*
1998	2	6	0	7th (Mountain)	Air Force*
1999	1	6	0	8th	Hawaii, TCU
2000	4	4	0	5th	TCU, UTEP
2001	0	8	0	10th	Louisiana Tech
2002	1	7	0	Tie-9th	Boise State
2003	6	2	0	2nd	Boise State
2004	3	5	0	6th	Boise State
Total	21	50	0	0 titles (.296)	

*Won WAC Championship Game

Conference USA (2005-13)

Year	W	L	T	Place	Overall Champion	West Div.
2005	6	2	0	1st (West)	Tulsa	Tulsa
2006	5	3	0	3rd (West)	Houston	Houston
2007	6	2	0	1st (West)	UCF	Tulsa
2008	7	1	0	1st (West)	East Carolina	Tulsa
2009	3	5	0	T3rd (West)	East Carolina	Houston
2010	6	2	0	T1st (West)	UCF	SMU
2011	7	1	0	2nd (West)	Southern Miss	Houston
2012	7	1	0	1st (West)	Tulsa	Tulsa
2013	2	6	0	6th (West)	Rice	Rice
Totals	49	23	0	2 Overall Championships, 4 West Division Titles, 1 Shared West Division Title		

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1935

Ham Harmon, C
Red Chapman, T
Harold Wickersham, HB
Tack Dennis, FB

1936

Red Chapman, T
Ham Harmon, C
Tudor Jones, QB
Morris White, HB

1937

Buster Baze, E
George Adams, C
Lester Graham, G
Curly Hayes, E
Morris White, QB

1938

Calvin Thomas, T
Forrest Gregory, G
John McKibben, E
Tommy Thompson, QB

1939

Leo Sas, G

1940

Charles Greene, T
Rich Morgan, C
Bill Grimmett, E
Glenn Dobbs, QB
Lester Moore, FB

1941

Elston Campbell, E
Rich Morgan, C
Charles Greene, T
Sax Judd, E
Glenn Dobbs, B
N. A. Keithly, B

1942

Sax Judd, E
Homer Paine, T
Maurice Hail, G
Charles Spilman, C
Glenn Dobbs, B
Calvin Purdin, WB

1945

Dick Moseley, E
Forrest Griggs, T
Bob Hellinghausen, C
C. B. Stanley, T
Hardy Brown, B
Camp Wilson, B

1946

Nelson Greene, T
Bob Hellinghausen, C
Vic Jordan, G
Harden Cooper, T
Bill Kemplin, E

Clyde LeForce, B
Hardy Brown, B

1947

Nelson Greene, T
Ralph Detwiller, G
Bill Cagle, C
Arnold Burrough, G
Jimmy Finks, B
J. R. Boone, B

1948

Jimmy Finks, B

1950

Dave Rakestraw, T
Jim Beasley, C
Fred Smith, E
Ronnie Morris, B
J. C. Roberts, B

1951

Tom Miner, E
Jim Prewitt, T
Jim Beasley, C
Marvin Matuszak, G
Ronnie Morris, B
Howard Waugh, B

1952

Willie Roberts, E
Marvin Matuszak, G
Ronnie Morris, B
Dick Kercher, B
Howard Waugh, B

1953

Tom Miner, E

1955

Chuck Yonker, T

1956

Max Black, C
Dean Slayton, T
Dick Hughes, B

1957

Dick Brown, E
Opie Bandy, T
Ronnie Morris, B

1958

Dick Brown, E
Opie Bandy, T
Ronnie Morris, B
Bob Brumble, B

1959

Joe Novsek, T
Chuck Jansen, G
Jerry Keeling, QB
Bob Brumble, FB

1960

Buddy Kelly, E
Jack Murphy, T
Mack Reeves, G
Jerry Keeling, QB

1961

Joe Novsek, T
Kenny Reed, G
Bo Bolinger, FB

1962

John Simmons, E
Tony Liscio, T
Kenny Reed, G
Dan Howard, C
Stuart McBirnie, FB

1963

John Simmons, E
Stu Stewart, G
Jeff Jordan, WB
Jerry Rhome, QB

1964

Howard Twilley, E
Jerry Rhome, QB
John Osmond, C
Mark Maddox, E
Bob Daugherty, HB
Willie Townes, DT
Dwight Claxton, LB
Jeff Jordan, HB
Eddie Dukes, MG
Gary Porterfield, DE
Ernie Riera, OG
Bob Breitenstein, OT

1965

Howard Twilley, E
Richard Tyson, OG
John Osmond, C
Joe Brooks, OT
Bill Anderson, QB
Neal Sweeney, FL
Willie Townes, DT
Tom McGuire, DT
Sheldon Moomaw, DG
Dwight Claxton, LB
Darrell Wolff, LB
Charles Hardt, DB

1966

Dan Bandy, OT
Gene Lakusiak, FB
Bob Junko, LB
Milt Jackson, DB

1967

Willie Crittendon, DT
Rick Eber, B
Bob Junko, LB
Carl Martin, T
Doug Wyatt, DB

1968

Luke Blair, LB
Doug Wyatt, DB

1969

Luke Blair, LB
Doug Wyatt, DB

1970

Josh Ashton, HB
Chuck Cummins, DT

1971

Gary Christensen, OT
Jean Barrett, OT
Jim Butler, TE
Sam Henry, K
Dick Blanchard, LB
Ralph McGill, DB

1972

Drane Scrivener, DB
Arthur Moore, DT

1973

Danny Colbert, DB
Al Humphrey, LB
Ken Thomas, DG
T.C. Blair, TE
Scott Marquis, OT
Freddie Carolina, HB
Arthur Bennett, K

1974

Arthur Bennett, K
Jeb Blount, QB
Steve Largent, OE
Wes Hamilton, OG
Greg Fairchild, OT
Al Humphrey, LB
Byron Franklin, LB
Ken Thomas, DG
Mack Lancaster, DT
Buddy Tate, DB

1975

Ken Steinke, TE
Steve Largent, WR
Wes Hamilton, OG
Bernie Head, C
Jeb Blount, QB
Carlisle Cantrell, RB
Jim Kasper, DT
Greg Fairchild, DT
Byron Franklin, LB
Kevin Black, DB
Buddy Tate, DB
Rick Engles, P

1976

Ron Henderson, QB
Steve August, OT
Cornell Webster, WR
Marcus Hatley, TE
Mel McGowen, DE

Bob Mogelnicki, C
I.V. Wilson, DT
Giles Alexander, DT
Jim Stewart, DB
Steve Cox, K

1977

Marcus Hatley, TE
Eddie Hare, P
Lovie Smith, DB
Harold Hamilton, OT

1978

Rickey Watts, WR
Doug Panfil, OT
Steve Nicholson, C
Don Blackmon, DE
Lovie Smith, DB
Eddie Hare, P

1979

Don Blackmon, DE
Lovie Smith, DB
Stu Crum, PK
Steve Nicholson, C
Robert Tennon, LB

1980

Denver Johnson, OT
Chris Kelly, OG
Don Blackmon, DE
Robert Tennon, LB
Charles Caufield, DB
Reggie Epps, LB
Kenneth Lacy, RB

1981

Sid Abramowitz, OT
Kurt Nichols, C
Willis Carolina, NG
George Gilbert, OT
Reno Hutchins, DB

1982

Sid Abramowitz, OT
Steve Cox, OG
David Imes, C
Kirk Phillips, SE
Micheal Gunter, RB
Ken Lacy, FB
Stu Crum, PK
Kevin Lilly, DT
Cliff Abbott, LB
Brent Dennis, DB
Steve Cook, P

1983

Cliff Abbott, LB
Tom Baldwin, DT
Brent Dennis, DB
Micheal Gunter, RB
Byron Jones, DE
John Kasperski, OG
Rod Patten, OT
David Pearson, C

1984

David Alexander, OT
Gordon Brown, RB
Joe Dixon, DT
Nate Harris, DB

Byron Jones, DE
John Kasperski, OG
Ronnie Kelley, FL
Kevin Lilly, DE
Albert Myres, DB
Xavier Warren, LB

1985

David Alexander, OG
Gordon Brown, RB
Joe Dixon, DT
Doug Desherow, DB

Steve Gage, QB
Kevin Lilly, DE
Mike Williams, OLB

All-Western Athletic Conference Selections

1996**First Team**

Salifu Abdulai, DE
James Anderson, PK
Brian Newnam, OG

Second Team

Jeremy Bunch, S
Wes Caswell, WR
Muadianvita Kazadi, LB

Honorable Mention

Terrance Joseph, CB
Reggie Williams, RB

Academic

Wade Clark, Jr., DB
Levi Gillen, Jr., DB
Asher Ladner, So., DB
Pete Muther, Fr-RS, TE
Anthony Ratica, Fr-RS., OL

1997**First Team**

Charlie Higgins, RB
Michael Ruhl, OT
Damon Savage, WR

Second Team

Levin Gillen, DB

Honorable Mention

Jason Jacoby, KOR
Rich Young, LB

Academic

Wade Clark, Sr., DB
Zac Craig, Fr-RS, DL
Levi Gillen, Sr., DB
Asher Ladner, Jr., DB
Pete Muther, So., TE
Anthony Ratica, So., OL
Steve Schiller, Fr-RS, OL

1998**First Team**

Jason Mills, OT

Second Team

Wes Caswell, WR
Todd Franz, CB

Honorable Mention

Ryan Farley, DT
John Mosley, KOR
Neil Whitworth, DE

Academic

Philip Abode, So., LB
Keith Carey, So., DL
Ryan Cook, Fr-RS, LB
Asher Ladner, Sr., DB
Andrew LeCrone, Jr., WR
Drew McLaughlin, Fr-RS, TE
Pete Muther, Jr., TE
Anthony Ratica, Jr., OL
Steve Schiller, So., OL

1999**First Team**

Todd Franz, CB

Second Team

Damon Savage, WR
John Mosley, RB
Ashon Farley, LB

Honorable Mention

Pete Muther, TE
Steve Schiller, C
Steve Wiedower, OG

Academic

Philip Abode, Jr., LB
Keith Carey, Jr., DL
Ryan Cook, So., LB
Zac Craig, Jr., DL
Don Douglass, Sr., OL
Sam Duregger, So., WR
Chris Earnest, So., PK
Gavin Engle, Jr., DB
Andrew LeCrone, Sr., WR
Drew McLaughlin, So., DL
Dani Mouri, Jr., LB
Pete Muther, Sr., TE
Anthony Ratica, Sr., OL
Steve Schiller, Jr., OL
Ricky Tallant, Fr-RS, PK
Andy Taylor, Sr., DL
Kirk Walters, So., QB

2000**First Team**

Donald Shoals, WR/PR

Honorable Mention

Chris Earnest, PK
Ashon Farley, LB
CJ Scott, CB
Steve Wiedower, OG

Academic

Josh Blankenship, So., QB
Ryan Cook, Jr., LB
Chris Earnest, Jr., PK
Gavin Engle, Sr., DB
Andrew LeCrone, Sr., WR
Drew McLaughlin, Jr., DE
Dani Mouri, Sr., LB
Steve Schiller, Sr., OL

2001**Second Team**

Drew McLaughlin, DE

Honorable Mention

Michael Dulaney, LB
Sam Rayburn, DT
Jarrod Roach, TE
Eric Richardson, RB
Kevin Shaffer, OT
Donald Shoals, WR

Academic

Philip Abode, Sr., LB
Matt Black, So., OL
Michael Dulaney, Jr., LB
Chris Earnest, Sr., PK
James Kilian, Fr-RS, QB
Max Kraus, So., DB
Drew McLaughlin, Sr., DL
Zach Newby, Fr-RS, OL

2002**First Team**

Sam Rayburn, DT

Honorable Mention

Michael Dulaney, LB
Jermaine Landrum, PR
Eric Richardson, RB
Anthony Taylor, C
Jeff Thibodeaux, FS

Academic

Matt Black, Jr., OG
Caleb Blankenship, So., TE
Michael Dulaney, Sr., LB
Cory Hathaway, So., DL
James Kilian, So., QB
Max Kraus, Jr., DB
Terrell Siegfried, Sr., DB
Brendon Swisher, So., LB

2003**First Team**

Nick Bunting, LB
Austin Chadwick, OT
Garrett Mills, TE

Second Team

Kedrick Alexander, DB
Romby Bryant, WR
Jermaine Hope, DB
James Kilian, QB
Michael LeDet, LB

Honorable Mention

Jorma Bailey, LB
Caleb Blankenship, TE
Jeremy Davis, DE
Eric Richardson, RB

Freshman of the Year

Nick Bunting, LB

Coach of the Year

Steve Kragthorpe

Academic

Caleb Blankenship, Jr., TE
Brad DeVault, So., PK
Cory Hathaway, Jr., TE
James Kilian, Jr., QB
Max Kraus, Sr., DB
Drew Lagow, So., DL
Garrett Mills, So., TE
Brendon Swisher, Jr., LB

2004**First Team**

Ashlan Davis, KOR
Garrett Mills, TE
Derek Warehime, C

Second Team

Nick Bunting, LB
Jermaine Hope, DB
Michael LeDet, LB
Josh Walker, DL

Honorable Mention

Caleb Blankenship, TE
James Kilian, QB
Brandon Lohr, DL
Urill Parrish, RB

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All-Conference USA Selections

2005

First Team

Bobby Blackshire, DB
Ashlan Davis, KOR
Garrett Mills, TE
Jesse Stoneham, OG

Second Team

Nelson Coleman, LB
Nick Graham, DB

Third Team

Nick Bunting, LB
Brandon Lohr, DE
Uril Parrish, RB
Jeff Perrett, OT

All-Freshman Team

Moton Hopkins, DE
Roy Roberts, DB

2006

First Team (by Coaches)

Bobby Blackshire, Sr., DB
Nick Bunting, Sr., LB
Robert Latu, Sr., DE
Jeff Perrett, Sr., OT

(by Media)

Nelson Coleman, Jr., LB
Jeff Perrett, Sr., OT

Second Team (by Coaches)

Aaron Danenhauer, Sr., C
Nelson Coleman, Jr., LB
Nick Graham, Sr., DB
Jon Hameister-Ries, Sr., OG
Idris Moss, Sr., WR
Paul Smith, Jr., QB

(by Media)

Bobby Blackshire, Sr., DB
Nick Bunting, Sr., LB
Aaron Danenhauer, Sr., C
Idris Moss, Sr., WR

Third Team (by Coaches)

Chris Chamberlain, Jr., LB
(by Media)
Robert Latu, Sr., DE
Paul Smith, Jr., QB

All-Freshman Team (by Coaches)

Anthony Egbuniwe, Fr., DE

All-Academic Team (11-member team)

Mike Mengers, Sr., OT
(3.74/Mechanical Engineering)
Paul Smith, Jr., QB
(3.80/Communication)

2007

First Team (Coach/Media)

Paul Smith, Sr., QB
Chris Chamberlain, Sr., LB
Nelson Coleman, Sr., LB

Second Team (by Coaches)

Moton Hopkins, Jr., DE
Trae Johnson, Fr., WR
Brennan Marion, Jr., WR
John Warren, Jr., DS
(by Media)
Moton Hopkins, Jr., DE
Trae Johnson, Fr., WR
Brennan Marion, Jr., WR

All-Freshman Team (by Coaches and Media)

Charles Clay, Fr., FB
Trae Johnson, Fr., WR

All-Academic Team (11-member team)

Nelson Coleman, Sr., LB
(3.34/Business)
Paul Smith, Sr., QB
(3.84/Communication)

2008

(selected by Coaches) First Team

Tarrion Adams, Sr., RB
Brennan Marion, Sr., WR
Justin Morse, Sr., OG

Second Team

Moton Hopkins, Sr., DE
Damaris Johnson, Fr., KOR
James Lockett, Jr., DB

All-Freshman Team

DeAndre Brown, Fr., DB
Tyler Holmes, Fr-RS, OT
Damaris Johnson, Fr., WR

All-Academic Team

Moton Hopkins, Sr., DE
(3.37/Communication)
David Johnson, Sr., QB
(3.92/Exercise & Sports Science)

2009

(selected by Coaches) Second Team

Damaris Johnson, So., KOR/WR
James Lockett, Sr., DB

All-Freshman Team

Trent Dupy, Fr., C
Cory Dorris, Fr-RS, DE
Ricky Johnson, Fr., WR
Dexter McCoil, Fr., DB

All-Academic Team (11-member team)

G.J. Kinne, So., QB
(3.33/Exercise & Sports Science)

2010

(selected by Coaches) First Team

Damaris Johnson, Jr., PR
G.J. Kinne, Jr., QB
Marco Nelson, Fr., DB

Second Team

Clint Anderson, Jr., OG
Damaris Johnson, Jr., WR/KR
Michael Such, Sr., P

All-Freshman Team

Stetson Burnett, Fr-GS, OG
Shawn Jackson, Fr-GS, LB
Marco Nelson, Fr., DB
Thomas Roberson, Fr., WR
Cody Wilson, Fr-RS, LB

All-Academic Team

G.J. Kinne, Jr., QB
(3.32/Exercise & Sports Science)

2011

(selected by Coaches) First Team

Clint Anderson, Sr., OG
Curnelius Arnick, Sr., LB
Kevin Fitzpatrick, Sr., PK
Tyrunn Walker, Sr., DE

Second Team

Willie Carter, Jr., H-Back
Ja'Terian Douglas, Jr., RB
G.J. Kinne, Sr., QB
Dexter McCoil, Jr., DB
Clay Sears, Sr., TE

All-Freshman Team

Brentom Todd, Fr., DE
Kwame Sexton, Fr., DB
Cole Way, Fr., P

All-Academic Team

Alan Dock, Sr., LB
(3.69/Accounting)

G.J. Kinne, Sr., QB
(3.27/Exercise & Sports Science)

2012

(selected by Coaches) First Team

DeAndre Brown, Sr., LB
Brian DeShane, Sr., OT
Cory Dorris, Sr., DE
Jared Grigg, Sr., OT
Dexter McCoil, Sr., DB

Second Team

Trent Dupy, Sr., C
Keyarris Garrett, So., WR
Jared St. John, Sr., DE
Demarco Nelson, Jr., DB
Trey Watts, Jr., SR

All-Freshman Team

Derrick Alexander, Fr., DE
Rey Higuera, Fr., DS
Trent Martin, Fr., LB
Daniel Schwarz, Fr., PK

All-Academic Team

Jared St. John, Sr., DE
(3.34/History/Education)

2013

(selected by Coaches) First Team

Stetson Burnett, Sr., OT
Shawn Jackson, Sr., LB
Trey Watts, Sr., RB

Second Team

Michael Mudoh, So., DB

All-Freshman Team

Dylan Foxworth, Fr., C
Darnell Walker, Fr., DB

Tulsa's Conference Honors

Offensive Players of the Year

Missouri Valley Conference

(awards began in 1971)

1974 Jeb Blount, QB
1975 Steve Largent, WR
1976 Ron Hickerson, QB
1983 Michael Gunter, RB
1985 Steve Gage, QB (UPI)

Conference USA

2007 Paul Smith, QB
2010 G.J. Kinne, QB

Defensive Players of the Year

Missouri Valley Conference

(awards began in 1971)

1971 Ralph McGill, DB
1974 Al Humphrey, LB
1975 Byron Franklin, LB
1976 Jimmy Stewart, DB
1980 Don Blackmon, DE

Conference USA

2006 Nick Bunting, LB
2013 Shawn Jackson, LB

Special Teams Players of the Year

Conference USA

2010 Damaris Johnson, KR/PR

Newcomers of the Year

Missouri Valley Conference

(awards began in 1971)

1976 Lovie Smith, LB
1983 Steve Gage, QB

Western Athletic Conference

2003 Nick Bunting, LB

Conference USA

2007 Brennan Marion, WR

Coach of the Year

Missouri Valley Conference

1951 Buddy Brothers
1959 Bobby Dobbs
1962 Glenn Dobbs
1974 F.A. Dry
1975 F.A. Dry
1976 F.A. Dry
1982 John Cooper

Western Athletic Conference

2003 Steve Kragthorpe

Conference USA

2012 Bill Blankenship