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## Head Coach



**CHARLIE WEIS**  
*Head Coach*

Charlie Weis, a 1978 University of Notre Dame graduate and owner of three Super Bowl champion rings as products of a stellar 15-season career as a National Football League assistant, was named the 28th head football coach of the Fighting Irish on Dec. 12, 2004.

A widely-respected disciple of professional coaching standouts Bill Parcells and Bill Belichick, Weis comes to Notre Dame after a stint as the highly-regarded offensive coordinator of the New England Patriots (under Patriot head coach Belichick). He played an integral role in New England's victories in three of the last four Super Bowls.

Weis is the first Notre Dame graduate to hold the football head coaching position at his alma mater since Hugh Devore (a '34 graduate) served as interim coach in 1963 (the Irish finished 2-7 that year – Devore also coached the Irish to a 7-2-1 mark as interim coach in 1945). Weis is the first Notre Dame graduate to serve as the Irish football coach on a full-fledged basis since Joe Kuharich (a '38 Notre Dame graduate who coached at Notre Dame from 1959 through '62).

A veteran of 26 seasons in coaching, Weis served nine seasons with the Patriots including the last five as the team's offensive coordinator. In 15 NFL seasons, his coaching contributions have helped produce those four Super Bowl championships (New York Giants following 1990 season, Patriots following '01, '03 and '04 seasons), five conference titles and six division titles. Weis has been a winner everywhere he has coached – and he has received widespread notice as one of the most creative and innovative offensive coordinators in football.

All along the way, Weis has displayed the ability to develop successful offensive players. He helped advance the careers of New York Jets' running back Curtis Martin, Jets' wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson, Patriots' tight end Ben Coates and, most recently, Patriots' two-time Super Bowl MVP quarterback Tom Brady. Under Weis' tutelage, the former sixth-round draft choice has become one of the NFL's premier signalcallers in just three seasons as a starter. Including the playoffs, Brady has compiled a 57-13 record as a starting quarterback since stepping in early in 2001, when Weis also was serving as the New England quarterbacks coach.

In addition to his offensive coordinator responsibilities, Weis also mentored the quarterbacks in 2001 and 2002. In '01, Drew Bledsoe started the first two games

of the season before being sidelined with a serious chest injury. By the third week of the season, Weis was preparing Brady for his first NFL start and, over the course of the season, Brady blossomed into a Pro Bowl performer and earned the MVP award in Super Bowl XXXVI. Brady only continued to improve, leading the NFL with 28 touchdown passes in 2002, then turning in another Super Bowl MVP performance in '03.

In recent seasons, Weis' offense has permitted youthful Patriot offensive stars such as Brady, Deion Branch, Notre Dame graduate David Givens and Kevin Faulk to flourish. His offense also has allowed New England veterans such as Troy Brown, Christian Fauria and David Patten to enjoy resurgences in their careers. Brown established a New England record with 101 receptions in 2001, earning his initial Pro Bowl invitation in his ninth NFL season. Fauria led the Patriots with seven TDs in 2002 (his eighth pro campaign), while Patten's 61 catches in '02 were the most of his seven-year career.

Weis also made great use of contributions from a pair of 2002 draft picks to help the team to its second Super Bowl championship in 2003. Branch led the team with 57 receptions in his second pro season, while fellow second-year player Givens paced New England with six receiving TDs. In the postseason, Givens added a pair of scores, while Branch's 10 catches in Super Bowl XXXVIII tied for the third-most in Super Bowl history. Givens, who played for the Irish in 1998-2001, currently leads the '04 Patriots in receptions with 58 for 783 yards and 10 TDs.

The 2004 Patriots ended the season with a franchise-record string of 21 consecutive home field victories (regular-season and postseason combined) over three seasons, the longest current streak in the NFL. Meanwhile, Patriot running back Cory Dillon rushed for 1,635 yards and 12 TDs. New England enjoyed a 21-game unbeaten streak, including the final 15 games in 2003 (including three in the playoffs) and the first six in '04, ending the season having won 32 of its last 34 games overall.

Weis started his professional coaching career with the New York Giants in 1990. After assisting in the Giants pro personnel department while also coaching high school football in '89, Weis a year later was named defensive assistant and assistant special teams coach (under eighth-year Giants head coach Parcells). In his first season on the Giants coaching staff, the Giants claimed the Super Bowl title with a 16-3 overall record. In 1991, Ray Handley took over as coach of the Giants and named Weis his running backs coach. After two seasons on Handley's staff, Weis began a four-year stint in New England – all four of those seasons under Parcells.

In Weis' first tenure with the Patriots from 1993-96, he assisted in the development of some of New England's all-time best individual season performances from Coates, Martin and Terry Glenn, respectively. During his first four seasons in New England, he coached three different positions. In 1993 and '94, he served as the Patriots' tight ends coach and, in his second season at the position, Coates set an NFL record for

receptions by a tight end with 96 and earned his first trip to the Pro Bowl. In '95, Weis coached the Patriots' running backs and was credited with developing Martin, a third-round '95 draft pick, into one of the premier running backs in the NFL. That year, Martin won league rookie-of-the-year honors and set franchise rushing records with 1,487 yards and 14 TDs. In '96, Weis coached the New England receivers, with Glenn leading the team and setting a NFL rookie reception record with 90 catches for 1,132 yards and six TDs.

From 1997 to '99 (with Parcells as head coach and Belichick as assistant head coach), Weis called offensive plays for the New York Jets. In his first season, the Jets improved from 1-15 in 1996 to 9-7 in '97. The eight-game improvement ranked as the best in franchise history. In '98, Weis was named the offensive coordinator/wide receivers coach. By season's end, his offense ranked among the greatest in franchise history and led the Jets to their first division title. The team scored 416 points, second-highest total in franchise history (after 419 points in '68) and averaged 357.2 yards per game. It marked the second-best total-offense season average in Jets history (368.5 yards per game in '85). Both of Weis' starting receivers, Johnson (1,131) and Chrebet (1,083), eclipsed the 1,000-yard receiving plateau for the first time in their careers. It marked the first time since '86 that two Jets receivers reached that milestone in the same season.

In '99, Weis' offense produced the NFL's second-leading rusher and the AFC's fourth-ranked receiver. Martin rushed for 1,464 yards, falling only 90 yards shy of the rushing title (won by Indianapolis' Edgerrin James). Johnson led the Jets and established career highs with 89 receptions for 1,170 yards, earning his second consecutive Pro Bowl nod.

Weis has enjoyed tremendous coaching success at all levels, including high school, college and in the NFL. The Trenton, N.J., native began his coaching career in 1979 at Boonton High School in New Jersey, then spent the next five seasons at Morristown (N.J.) High School as a football assistant. In '85, he was hired by head coach Joe Morrison at the University of South Carolina, where he served four seasons on the Gamecock staff before returning to New Jersey as the head coach at Franklin Township High in '89. That year, he directed Franklin Township to the New Jersey state championship while also assisting in the Giants' pro personnel department. In '90, he launched his professional coaching career with the New York Giants and celebrated the first of his three Super Bowl championships.

Weis was born March 30, 1956, in Trenton, N.J. After graduation from Middlesex (N.J.) High School, he earned his bachelor's degree in speech and drama from Notre Dame in 1978. While coaching at South Carolina, he earned his master's degree in education in 1989.

In 2003, Weis and his wife Maura established the Hannah & Friends Foundation, dedicated to children affected by developmental disorders. In the spring of '04, the first annual Hannah & Friends Celebrity Golf Classic was held to benefit the foundation.



## Year by Year with Charlie Weis

Year	Team	Position
1979	Boonton (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1980	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1981	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1982	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1983	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1984	Morristown (N.J.) High School	Assistant Coach
1985	South Carolina	Graduate Assistant Coach/Defensive Backs
1986	South Carolina	Graduate Assistant Coach/Linebackers
1987	South Carolina (8-4, Gator Bowl)	Volunteer Coach/ Defensive Ends
1988	South Carolina (8-4, Liberty Bowl)	Assistant Recruiting Coordinator
1989	Franklin Township (N.J.) High School	Head Coach
1990	New York Giants (13-3, Super Bowl champion)	Def. Assistant, Asst.
<b>SPECIAL TEAMS</b>		
1991	New York Giants (8-8)	Running Backs
1992	New York Giants	Running Backs
1993	New England Patriots	Tight Ends
1994	New England Patriots (10-6, Wild Card loser)	Tight Ends
1995	New England Patriots	Running Backs
1996	New England Patriots (11-5, lost Super Bowl)	Wide Receivers
1997	New York Jets (9-7)	Wide Receivers
1998	New York Jets (12-4, lost AFC title game)	Offensive Coordinator/ Wide Receivers
1999	New York Jets (8-8)	Offensive Coordinator/ Wide Receivers
2000	New England Patriots	Offensive Coordinator/ Running Backs
2001	New England Patriots (11-5, Super Bowl champion)	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks/RBs
2002	New England Patriots (9-7)	Offensive Coordinator/ Quarterbacks
2003	New England Patriots (14-2, Super Bowl champion)	Offensive Coordinator
2004	New England Patriots (11-1)	Offensive Coordinator

Charlie and Maura have two children, Charles Joseph and Hannah Margaret.

Among the former Notre Dame football players who played on Weis-coached teams in the National Football League are tight ends Mark Bavaro (1990) and Derek Brown (1992), safety Dave Duerson (1990), offensive tackle Tom Rehder (1990-inactive) and defensive end Eric Dorsey (1991-92) with the New York Giants, running back Robert Farmer (1999) and quarterback Rick Mirer (1999) with the New York Jets, and tight end Jabari Holloway (2001-inactive), fullback Marc Edwards (2001-02), wide receiver David Givens (2002-present), defensive back Rod Smith (1993-94) and defensive back Brock Williams (2001-02) with the New England Patriots. Duerson, Bavaro, Edwards, Williams, Holloway and Givens are now owners of Super Bowl champion rings based on those experiences.

**Indianapolis Colts president Bill Polian on Charlie Weis:** "Charlie has proven to be one of the outstanding offensive minds in football. His teams are exceptional in their use of personnel, exceptional in the way they attack defenses, exceptional in the concepts they use. You've hired a guy who clearly is on the cutting edge of offensive football."

Looking for a list of first-time college head coaches who have been successful? Check out the current Associated Press poll – and you'll find names like Stoops, Tedford, Richt and Fulmer, among others. The move to Notre Dame marks the first collegiate head coaching job for Charlie Weis, but that's hardly unusual when you eyeball a list of the best teams in the country in 2004. A look at the final regular-season AP top 25 poll shows that 11 of the 25 coaches whose teams made the rankings are in their very first head coaching position at the college level, including some of the biggest names in the college game. The list includes:

#2 Oklahoma's Bob Stoops	12-0 in '04	67-11 overall (.859 win percentage)
#4 California's Jeff Tedford	10-1	25-12 (.676)
#7 Louisville's Bobby Petrino	10-1	19-5 (.792)
#8 Georgia's Mark Richt	9-2	49-11 (.817)
#13 Michigan's Lloyd Carr	9-2	95-28 (.772)
#14 Miami's Larry Coker	8-3	43-6 (.878)
#15 Tennessee's Phil Fulmer	8-3	121-30 (.801)
#16 Wisconsin's Barry Alvarez	9-2	108-69-4 (.608)
#20 Florida's Ron Zook (Ill.)	7-4	23-14 (.622)
#23 Texas Tech's Mike Leach	7-4	38-25 (.603)
#25 Boston College's Tom O'Brien	8-3	64-42 (.604)

Four others had been previous head coaches but not on the Division I level:

#1 USC's Pete Carroll	12-0	41-9 (.820)
#10 Boise State's Dan Hawkins	11-0	30-5 (.857)
#11 Iowa's Kirk Ferentz	9-2	41-31 (.569)
#24 Ohio State's Jim Tressel	7-4	39-11 (.780)

- Of these 15, seven made the jump from college offensive coordinator to Div. IA head coach (Tedford, Petrino, Richt, Coker, Fulmer, O'Brien, Leach).

- Four made the jump from college defensive coordinator to Div. IA head coach (Stoops, Carr, Alvarez, Zook).

- One (Carroll) made the jump from NFL head coach.

- Three (Hawkins, Ferentz, Tressel) were head coaches at non-Div. IA institutions.

**Former Notre Dame All-America tight end Mark Bavaro (he played under Charlie Weis with the New York Giants) on Weis:** "I don't think they could make a better decision. He's a very straightforward, no-nonsense type of guy. He's not in it for glory or self-promotion. He's in it to win. He's a student of both of those guys (Bill Parcells and Bill Belichick), from the same school, from the same

coaching tree as those guys. If you want know what kind of coach he'll be, look at Parcells and Belichick. He's definitely proven he can handle pressure. The Notre Dame job comes with its own type of pressure, but from what I've seen him go through in the past, I think he'll come through just fine."

When Charlie Weis takes the field with the Irish in 2005, it will have been 42 years since a Notre Dame graduate held the University's head coaching position. But there has been plenty of Notre Dame head football coaches with Notre Dame degrees:

Knute Rockne	1918-30	Class of '14
Hunk Anderson	1931-33	Class of '22
Elmer Layden	1934-40	Class of '24
Frank Leahy	1941-43, 1946-53	Class of '31
Hugh Devore	1945, 1963	Class of '34
Terry Brennan	1954-58	Class of '49
Joe Kuharich	1959-62	Class of '38
Charlie Weis	2005-	Class of '78

\*Ed McKeever (1944) attended Notre Dame but graduated from Texas Tech.

**Current New England Patriot wide receiver David Givens (he played for Notre Dame in 1998-2001) on Charlie Weis:** "He's been a teacher and coach of high school kids and he's got so much experience coaching NFL players like myself. There's no doubt in my mind he would be an outstanding recruiter because he relates so well to young people. I can say this because I've played for Charlie and I played at Notre Dame. I understand the pressures of playing and the pressures the coaches had coaching us at Notre Dame. They're all things Charlie would do very well with."

Charlie Weis served as a consultant for the video game NFL Quarterback Club '99 – providing game strategy for the Nintendo 64 product made by Acclaim and designed by Iguana.

**Former Notre Dame All-America quarterback and current ESPN analyst Joe Theismann on Charlie Weis:** "I think Charlie Weis in the right man for the right job at the University of Notre Dame. He understands throwing the football. That's what this era of college football is today – the ability to put it in the air. He's been a student at Notre Dame so he knows the culture of the University. He's worked on a big stage, having been part of World Championships two of the last three years with the Patriots. He's very inventive – his offenses have included defensive ends at fullback and linebackers at tight end. He's inventive as well as creative. He's a man who will bring a quiet discipline to the program. I think it's a great hire."



## Assistant Coaches



**DAVID CUTCLIFFE**  
Assistant Head Coach  
(Offense)/Quarterbacks

One of college football's most proven molders of quarterbacks, David Cutcliffe enters his first season at Notre Dame as assistant head coach (offense)/quarterbacks coach for the Irish in 2005. Cutcliffe joins the Irish following a highly successful stint as head coach at the University of Mississippi the last six seasons.

At Ole Miss, Cutcliffe produced a 44-29 ledger (.603) in his six seasons (1999-2004) as head coach. He's the only Rebels coach to win at least seven games in his first five seasons, and he joined Johnny Vaught as the only coaches to produce five straight seven-win campaigns during their tenures in Oxford.

The Rebels' appearance in the 2004 Cotton Bowl marked the Ole Miss's fourth bowl game in Cutcliffe's first five seasons. Following a 31-28 victory over Oklahoma State in that contest, Ole Miss ended the 2003 campaign with a 10-3 overall record and final national ranking of 13th. Cutcliffe earned Southeastern Conference coach-of-the-year honors from both Associated Press and the league coaches.

Considered one of the best offensive minds in college football, Cutcliffe less than a month after taking the Ole Miss job saw his Rebels stun favored Texas Tech 35-18 in the 1998 Independence Bowl. He led Mississippi to an 8-4 mark in his first full season in 1999 – capped by a 27-25 win over Oklahoma in the 1999 Independence Bowl. The Rebels finished 22nd in both final polls that season.

In 2000 Ole Miss finished 7-5 and met West Virginia in the Music City Bowl. The 2001 campaign saw the Rebels record their fifth straight seven-win season at 7-4.

Facing perhaps the strongest schedule in school history, the 2002 campaign saw Cutcliffe engineer Ole Miss to another bowl appearance as a 27-23 win over Nebraska in the Independence Bowl closed a 7-6 campaign.

He came to Ole Miss following 17 seasons on the University of Tennessee staff, the last six as offensive coordinator.

Cutcliffe has coached eight players who became first-round NFL draft picks, including Ole Miss quarterback Eli Manning (chosen first overall by San Diego in the 2004 draft, then traded to the New York Giants) and Ole Miss running back Deuce McAllister (he went to New Orleans with the 23rd overall pick in the 2001 draft). While at Tennessee, Cutcliffe developed Eli's

brother, Peyton Manning, into one of the most prolific signal-callers in SEC and NCAA history and the first overall selection in the 1998 NFL draft.

Peyton Manning -- under Cutcliffe's guidance -- set 42 records during his career and passed for 11,201 yards (first all-time in the SEC), as he became (at the time) only the fourth player in NCAA history to pass for more than 11,000 yards. Eli surpassed his brother by setting 47 Ole Miss records and became the fifth player in SEC history to pass for 10,000 yards with 10,119.

As Vols quarterback coach, Cutcliffe also supervised the development of future NFL signal-callers Heath Shuler and Tee Martin. With Cutcliffe serving as offensive coordinator, the Vols led the SEC in total offense three times, rushing offense three times, and scoring offense once. The 1997 team averaged 482.83 yards per game, and the 1993 squad averaged 42.8 points per game.

While serving as head coach at Ole Miss, Cutcliffe also maintained a hands-on role with the offense. In 1999, Ole Miss had one of the top rushing tandems in the country as running backs Joe Gunn and McAllister combined for 1,760 yards and 17 touchdowns. Ole Miss's 2003 offense was one of the most productive in school history – as the Rebels scored an Ole Miss record 442 points. Ole Miss also set a school record for total offense in 2003 with 5,631 yards. The Rebels' average of 433.2 yards of offense per game shattered the school record of 419.2 set in 1961.

At Ole Miss, Cutcliffe continued his success of helping develop successful quarterbacks, as he coached two of the most decorated signal-callers in school history in Romaro Miller and Eli Manning. Miller finished his career with several school records, including career passing yards and career touchdown passes.

During his senior season, Manning passed for 3,600 yards, including 29 touchdowns, and led the SEC in passing yards (276.9) and total offense yards (274.8) per game. Both Associated Press and SEC coaches named him the 2003 SEC Offensive Player of the Year. Manning also earned the Maxwell Award as the nation's top collegiate player, and the Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award, which goes to the country's top senior quarterback, while being one of four finalists for the Heisman Trophy (he finished third).

While serving on the Tennessee staff, Cutcliffe helped the Vols compile a 154-46-7 record while winning five SEC championships, and one national title. In his 17 years at Tennessee the Vols went to 16 bowl games, winning 11 times, rolling up five straight bowl victories during one stretch (1985-90 seasons) – and seven times finishing in the final AP top 25.

He received the Frank Broyles Award, given annually to the nation's top assistant coach, in 1998 (and also was a finalist in 1997).

Born Sept. 16, 1954, in Birmingham, Ala., David Nelson Cutcliffe attended the University of Alabama and received his Bachelor of Science degree in health, physical education and recreation in 1976. He returned to

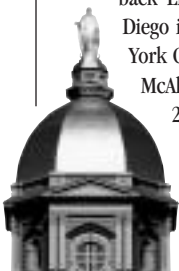
### The David Cutcliffe File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1976	Banks (Ala.) High School	Assistant Coach
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1979	Banks (Ala.) High School	Assistant Coach
1980	Banks (Ala.) High School (7-3-1)	Head Coach
1981	Banks (Ala.) High School (10-1)	Head Coach
1982	Tennessee (6-5-1, Peach Bowl)	Part-Time Assistant Coach
1983	Tennessee (9-3, Citrus Bowl champ)	Tight Ends
1984	Tennessee (7-4-1, Sun Bowl)	Tight Ends
1985	Tennessee (9-1-2, Sugar Bowl champ, #4)	Tight Ends
1986	Tennessee (7-5, Liberty Bowl champ)	Tight Ends
1987	Tennessee (10-2-1, Peach Bowl champ, #14)	Tight Ends
1988	Tennessee	Tight Ends
1989	Tennessee (11-1, Cotton Bowl champ, #5)	Running Backs
1990	Tennessee (9-2-2, Sugar Bowl champ, #8)	Quarterbacks
1991	Tennessee (9-3, Fiesta Bowl, #14)	QB's/Passing Game Coordinator
1992	Tennessee (9-3, Hall of Fame Bowl champ, #12)	QB's/Passing Game Coordinator
1993	Tennessee (10-2, Citrus Bowl, #12)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1994	Tennessee (8-4, Gator Bowl champ, #22)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1995	Tennessee (11-1, Citrus Bowl champ, #3)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1996	Tennessee (10-2, Citrus Bowl champ, #9)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1997	Tennessee (11-2, Orange Bowl, #7)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1998	Tennessee (13-0, #1)	Asst. Head Coach/ QB's/Off. Coord.
1998	Ole Miss (Independence Bowl champ)	Head Coach
1999	Ole Miss (8-4, Independence Bowl champ, #22)	Head Coach
2000	Ole Miss (7-5, Music City Bowl)	Head Coach
2001	Ole Miss (7-4)	Head Coach
2002	Ole Miss (7-6, Independence Bowl champ)	Head Coach
2003	Ole Miss (10-3, Cotton Bowl champ, #13)	Head Coach
2004	Ole Miss	Head Coach

(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)

his alma mater, Banks (Ala.) High School, as an assistant coach for four years – then was named head coach in 1980. His teams reached the Alabama state high school playoffs three times as an assistant and in both his seasons as a head coach.

Cutcliffe is married to the former Karen Oran of Harriman, Tenn., and they have three children -- Chris, Katie and Emily.





**BILL LEWIS**  
Assistant Head Coach  
(Defense)/Defensive  
Backs

A former college head coach who also brings an impressive wealth of experience from the college and NFL ranks, Bill Lewis is in his first season at Notre Dame serving as assistant head coach (defense) and defensive backs coach.

In 2004, Lewis finished his ninth season with the Miami Dolphins after being named defense nickel package coach in 1996. Lewis joined the NFL coaching ranks after 32 years (1963-94) of coaching at the collegiate level (including 13 bowl appearances). He coached his first four NFL seasons in Miami under head coach Jimmy Johnson, the last five under Dave Wannstedt (now head coach at the University of Pittsburgh).

Under Lewis, the Dolphins finished in the top eight in the NFL in pass defense six of the last seven seasons (second in 2004 at 162.0 yards per game), including a number-one ranking in 2001. He helped Miami qualify for the NFL playoffs in five of his first six seasons with the Dolphins, including Wild Card wins in three straight seasons from 1998 through 2000. Miami qualified as American Football Conference East Division champion in 2000.

Lewis spent 1995 as athletic director at The Marist School in Atlanta after three seasons as head coach at Georgia Tech from 1992-94. He also served in 1995 as a color analyst on college football games for ESPN and espn2.

In his first season at Georgia Tech in 1992, the Yellow Jackets produced their first back-to-back wins over top 25 teams (Clemson and North Carolina State) in 25 years. That Tech squad was led by two first-team All-Americans – defensive tackle Coleman Rudolph (later a 1993 second-round NFL draft pick by the New York Jets) and kicker Scott Sisson. That 1992 unit also set a Georgia Tech season record for passing yards (2,590) – a mark that was topped by his third Yellow Jackets team in 1994 (at 2,702). His 1993 squad averaged 399.8 total yards per game (second-best in Tech history at the time).

Prior to his stint at Georgia Tech, Lewis served as head coach at East Carolina for three seasons (1989-91). Taking over a program that hadn't had a winning season since 1983, in his first year he led the Pirates to an 11-1 record (their only loss came 38-31 to Illinois in the season opener), a victory in the Peach Bowl over North Carolina State following the 1991 season (their first bowl appearance in 13 years) and a final ranking of ninth in the AP poll.

Lewis received 1991 National Coach-of-the-Year honors from the American Football Coaches Association, United Press International and Scripps-Howard. That 1991 Pirates squad ranked fifth nationally in passing and 12th in scoring, behind quarterback Jeff Blake and All-America linebacker Robert Jones. Following that 1991 campaign, Lewis accepted the Georgia Tech head coaching job, replacing the NFL-bound Bobby Ross.

Lewis began his coaching career with three seasons at East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State in 1963 (he also coached the East Stroudsburg baseball team in 1965) and made stops as defensive backs coach at Pittsburgh (1966-68), Wake Forest (1969-70), Georgia Tech (1971-72), and Arkansas (1973-76).

During his initial stop at Georgia Tech in 1971-72 he coached three-time All-America defensive back Randy Rhino -- and was part of a staff that eventually produced eight head coaches (including Steve Sloan and Jerry Glanville). The Yellow Jackets qualified for bowl games in

both 1971 and 1972 (a Liberty Bowl victory).

Lewis became head coach at Wyoming in 1977 and spent three years at the helm of the Cowboys. He coached a pair of All-Americans there – linebacker Ken Fantetti and offensive tackle Dennis Baker – as well as 16 All-Western Athletic Conference picks.

He began a nine-year stint at Georgia in 1980 as defensive backs coach before occupying the job of defensive coordinator in each of his last eight seasons with the Bulldogs (his defense led the SEC in scoring defense and rushing defense in 1981 in his first season as coordinator). While in Athens, the Bulldogs won the 1980 national championship (capped by a Sugar Bowl win over Notre Dame) and during his nine years at the school, Georgia appeared in nine straight bowl games (four of them wins) and won three Southeastern Conference titles.

He coached 23 all-SEC honorees and seven All-Americans (including defensive backs Scott Woerner, Terry Hoage, John Little and Jeff Sanchez) at Georgia. Those nine seasons in Athens produced a combined 83-21-4 record, including a 43-4-1 record in his first four years at Georgia (the first three with Herschel Walker as tailback) in which the Bulldogs finished sixth or higher in the final polls all four times.

Lewis' years as a collegiate head coach saw his teams combine for respective three-year marks of 14-20-1 at Wyoming, 21-12-1 at East Carolina and 11-19 at Georgia Tech, for a combined nine-season record of 46-51-2.

Lewis was a four-year letterman and senior-season captain as a football quarterback at East Stroudsburg (Pa.) State from 1959-62 and earned Little All-America honors during his playing days. He also played four years of baseball at East Stroudsburg as a pitcher and infielder. He was a three-year letterman in both baseball and football at Delhass High School in Bristol, Pa., twice earning all-county honors in both sports. Lewis spent two years in the Detroit Tigers' minor-league system as a pitcher, reaching Class AA level and playing with many of the individuals who eventually helped the Tigers win the 1968 World Series.

He received a bachelor's degree in 1963 from East Stroudsburg in health and physical education and did work toward a master's degree in the same field. Born William J. Lewis on Aug. 5, 1941, in Philadelphia, Pa., he and his wife, the former Sandy Schmoeyer of Pennesburg, Pa., have two sons, Mark and Geoff.

### The Bill Lewis File

Year/School/Team	Assignment	Year/School/Team	Assignment
1963 East Stroudsburg State	QBs/Receivers/Secondary	1984 Georgia (7-4-1, Citrus Bowl)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs
1964 East Stroudsburg State	QBs/Receivers/Secondary	1985 Georgia (7-3-2, Sun Bowl)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs
1965 East Stroudsburg State	QBs/Receivers/Secondary	1986 Georgia (8-4, Hall of Fame Bowl)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs
1966 Pittsburgh	Defensive Backs	1987 Georgia (9-3, Liberty Bowl champ, #13)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs
1967 Pittsburgh Defensive Backs		1988 Georgia (9-3, Gator Bowl champ, #15)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs
1968 Pittsburgh	Defensive Backs	1989 East Carolina (5-5-1)	Head Coach
1969 Wake Forest	Defensive Backs	1990 East Carolina	Head Coach
1970 Wake Forest (6-5)	Defensive Backs	1991 East Carolina (11-1, Peach Bowl champ, #9)	Head Coach
1971 Georgia Tech (6-6, Peach Bowl)	Defensive Backs	1992 Georgia Tech	Head Coach
1972 Georgia Tech (7-4-1, Liberty Bowl champ, #20)	Defensive Backs	1993 Georgia Tech	Head Coach
1973 Arkansas (5-5-1)	Defensive Backs	1994 Georgia Tech	Head Coach
1974 Arkansas (6-4-1)	Defensive Backs	1995 The Marist School (Ga.)	Director of Athletics
1975 Arkansas (10-2, Cotton Bowl champ, #7)	Defensive Backs	1996 Miami Dolphins (8-8)	Defensive Nickel Package
1976 Arkansas (5-5-1)	Defensive Backs	1997 Miami Dolphins (9-7, NFL Wild Card qualifier)	Defensive Nickel Package
1977 Wyoming	Head Coach	1998 Miami Dolphins (10-6, NFL Divisional qualifier)	Defensive Nickel Package
1978 Wyoming	Head Coach	1999 Miami Dolphins (9-7, NFL Divisional qualifier)	Defensive Nickel Package
1979 Wyoming	Head Coach	2000 Miami Dolphins (11-5, NFL Divisional qualifier)	Defensive Nickel Package
1980 Georgia (12-0, Sugar Bowl champ, #1)	Defensive Backs	2001 Miami Dolphins (11-5, NFL Wild Card qualifier)	Defensive Nickel Package
1981 Georgia (10-2, Sugar Bowl, #6)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs	2002 Miami Dolphins (9-7)	Defensive Nickel Package
1982 Georgia (11-1, Sugar Bowl, #4)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs	2003 Miami Dolphins (10-6)	Defensive Nickel Package
1983 Georgia (10-1-1, Cotton Bowl champ, #4)	Defensive Coordinator/DBs	2004 Miami Dolphins	Defensive Nickel Package

(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)



## Assistant Coaches



**MIKE  
HAYWOOD**

*Offensive Coordinator/  
Running Backs*

Entering his first season as offensive coordinator and running backs coach at Notre Dame, Mike Haywood returns to familiar turf in South Bend on his latest stop in a successful career as one of college football's top assistant coaches.

A four-year football letterman at Notre Dame (1982, 1984-86), Haywood joined the Irish staff after serving two highly successful seasons at the University of Texas. A 17-year coaching veteran, he served as Texas' running backs coach and co-special teams coordinator the last two seasons – and was promoted to recruiting coordinator for 2004.

Haywood tutored All-American running back and 2004 Doak Walker Award winner Cedric Benson who finished the 2004 regular season ranked first in the Big 12 Conference and fourth nationally in rushing at 160.4 yards per game. Benson led the conference and finished fourth nationally in scoring with 20 touchdowns (19 on the ground) – and set an NCAA record by rushing for at least one score in 37 straight games. The Longhorns ranked second nationally in rushing in 2004 (302.4 yards per game), ninth in total offense (466.3) and 14th in scoring (35.0 points).

In his first season at Texas in 2003 the Longhorns ranked fifth nationally (and first in the Big 12) in rushing at 241.0 yards per game. Texas' 2,892 rushing yards were the most for the Longhorns since 1977 and Benson rushed for 1,277 yards (seventh on the Texas all-time single-season list) and 20 touchdowns (third on the Texas all-time single-season list) en route to all-Big 12 honors. Benson led the nation in scoring at 11.6 points per game.

Haywood previously served as LSU running backs coach from 1995-2002 and also was the Tigers' special teams coordinator in 1997-98 and 2001-02. During his time in Baton Rouge, Haywood helped produce some of the finest running backs in LSU history – and in those eight seasons the Tigers played in six bowl games and won five of them.

In 2001 and 2002, Haywood developed LaBrandon Toefield into one of the Southeastern Conference's top backs. Toefield tied an SEC record with 19 rushing touchdowns in 2001 and finished the year with 992 rushing yards on 230 carries en route to first-team all-SEC honors. The 2000 Freshman All-American ran for 475 yards in 2002 despite missing four games due to a broken forearm. Domanick Davis proved to be the perfect complement to Toefield as he rushed for a team-high 931 yards and seven scores in 2002. In 2001, Davis recorded 406 yards and five touchdowns during the regular season and added 122 yards and a Sugar Bowl-record four rushing scores in Toefield's absence. Toefield (Jacksonville Jaguars) and Davis (Houston Texans) were both selected in the fourth round of the 2003 NFL draft.

Haywood also was instrumental in developing Kevin Faulk and Rondell Mealey into two of the most productive running backs in school history. Faulk left LSU with virtually every rushing record, while Mealey capped his career ranked in the top 10 in both rushing yards and rushing scores. Both were selected in the NFL draft following their respective senior seasons. The New England Patriots chose Faulk in the second round, while Mealey was drafted by the Green Bay Packers (seventh round).

As special teams coordinator, Haywood had LSU among the best in the SEC in nearly every statistical category. In 2002, the Tigers led the SEC and ranked seventh nationally with a 24.1-yard kickoff return average and third in the league in punt returns (13.9-yard average). Led by punter Donnie Jones' 44.0-yard average (fifth NCAA, second SEC), they also stood 12th nationally in net punting on the year. In 2001, LSU ranked eighth in the NCAA in net punting (39.6 avg.) and the Tigers were tops in the league in kickoff coverage, allowing just 15.2 yards per return. Individually, Davis earned second-team all-SEC honors after leading the league in punt returns (13.8 avg.).

Prior to his stint at LSU, Haywood was the position coach for three all-Mid-American Conference players at Ball State from 1993-94 – while helping the Cardinals claim the 1993 MAC crown. Wide receiver Brian Oliver earned all-MAC honors and was tabbed the league's freshman of the year in 1993 and, one year later, running backs Tony Nibbs and Michael Blair earned all-conference honors. He also served as the Cardinals' co-special teams coordinator during his two seasons.

### The Mike Haywood File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1988	Minnesota	Graduate Assistant
1989	Army (6-5)	Defensive Backs/Special Teams
1990	Army (6-5)	Defensive Ends/Spec. Teams
Coord.		
1991	Ohio	Outside LBs/Special Teams Asst.
1992	Ohio	Outside LBs/Special Teams Asst.
1993	Ball State (8-3-1, Las Vegas Bowl)	Receivers/Co-Special Teams Coord.
1994	Ball State (5-5-1)	RBs/Co-Special Teams Coordinator
1995	LSU (7-4-1, Independence Bowl champ)	Running Backs
1996	LSU (10-2, Peach Bowl champ, #12)	Running Backs
1997	LSU (9-3, Independence Bowl champ, #13)	RBs/Special Teams Coordinator
1998	LSU	RBs/Special Teams Coordinator
1999	LSU	Running Backs
2000	LSU (8-4, Peach Bowl champ, #22)	Running Backs
2001	LSU (10-3, Sugar Bowl champ, #7)	RBs/Special Teams Coordinator
2002	LSU (8-5, Cotton Bowl)	RBs/Special Teams Coordinator
2003	Texas (10-3, Holiday Bowl, #12)	RBs/Co-Special Teams Coordinator
2004	Texas (11-1, Rose Bowl champ, #6)	Recruiting Coordinator/RBs/ Co-Special Teams Coordinator

(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)

Haywood started his coaching career at Minnesota as a graduate assistant in 1988, and then went to Army as an assistant coach from 1989-90. He coached the Cadets' defensive backs his first year before mentoring the defensive ends in 1990 and also working both years with special teams. Haywood then moved to Ohio University in 1991 where he tutored outside linebackers and assisted with special teams for two seasons.

Born Michael Anthony Haywood on Feb. 26, 1964 in Houston, Texas, he played flanker during his freshman season at Notre Dame (started five games and caught 13 passes for 128 yards in 1982), then moved to cornerback where he was a significant contributor and starter from 1984-86 (13 career starts, 78 tackles, five interceptions, two blocked kicks).



## Assistant Coaches



**RICK  
MINTER**

*Defensive Coordinator*

Rick Minter returns to Notre Dame as the Irish's defensive coordinator, a post he also held in 1992-93 under former head coach Lou Holtz. Regarded as one of the premier defensive coaches in the country, Minter brings with him 10 years of head coaching experience at the major-college level, plus 10 additional seasons as a defensive coordinator at Notre Dame, South Carolina and Ball State.

Minter produced major improvement in the South Carolina defense in 2004 under head coach Lou Holtz – as the Gamecocks ranked 20th nationally in total defense (315.18 yards per game) and 15th nationally in pass defense (177.27). Among his pupils was freshman free safety Ko Simpson, who earned second-team All-America honors and ranked third nationally in interceptions (with six).

During 10 seasons as head coach at Cincinnati (1994-2003) he led the Bearcats to four postseason bowl games and was the winningest coach in the program's history. Minter's 2002 team was co-champion of Conference USA. His 1997 team finished 8-4 after a Humanitarian Bowl victory over Utah State, marking the first bowl appearance for Cincinnati since 1951. Minter's Bearcats had three straight seven-win campaigns from 2000-2002 – and all three seasons resulted in postseason bowl invitations.

In Minter's second season at Cincinnati in 1995, the Bearcats' Robert Tate led the nation in kickoff returns with a 34.3-yard average. In 2000, kicker Jonathan Ruffin became the program's first consensus All-America selection, as Ruffin led the nation in field goals (made 26 of 29) and won the Lou Groza Award as the top kicker in the country. Minter's nine seasons in Conference USA produced 26 first-team all-league selections for the Bearcats, including 11 picks on defense.

It was during his two seasons with Holtz at Notre Dame (1992-93) that he earned a national reputation of being one of the top defensive minds in the country. The 1993 Irish defense held nine of its 12 opponents under 100 yards rushing en route to an 11-1 season and runner-up finish in the national championship race. Notre Dame finished that season with the nation's fourth-best rushing defense, with three of Minter's defenders earning first-team All-America honors, including free safety Jeff Burris, cornerback Bobby Taylor and tackle Bryant Young.

The 1992 Notre Dame defense allowed an average of 91 yards rushing and 277 total yards over the last nine games of the season, as the Irish posted a 10-1-1 mark, won the Cotton Bowl and was ranked fourth in the final national polls. That season also saw the Notre Dame defense finish ninth nationally in rushing defense (111.1), with cornerback Tom Carter earning All-America honors. During his two seasons at Notre Dame, Minter coached 21 defensive players who went on to play professionally in the NFL.

Prior to joining the Notre Dame staff, Minter served as assistant head coach and defensive coordinator at Ball State for seven seasons, annually developing units that were ranked among the national leaders. The 1991 Ball State squad was ranked ninth in the country in scoring defense, 11th in total defense and 16th in passing defense. A year earlier, in 1990, the Cardinals were second in the nation in total defense, third in pass and scoring defense and 10th in rush defense.

Ball State combined for a 28-15-2 mark his final four seasons in Muncie (1988-91), including a Mid-American Conference title and Raisin Bowl appearance in 1989 that marked the Cardinals' first bowl participation in 22 years. During Minter's seven seasons under head coach Paul Schudel, Ball State produced nine all-Mid-American Conference players on defense, including three-time MAC Defensive Player of the Year (1987-89) Gary Garnica.

Minter also has collegiate coaching experience at New Mexico State (linebackers in 1984), North Carolina State (outside linebackers in 1980-82 under head coach Monte Kiffin), Louisiana Tech (defensive ends in 1979) and Arkansas, where he was a graduate assistant under Holtz (helping the Razorbacks to nine wins, a No. 11 final ranking and a Fiesta Bowl appearance in 1978).

Born Richard Dale Minter on Oct. 4, 1954 in Nash, Texas, he was a graduate of Texas High School in Texarkana, Texas. He was a three-year starter at defensive end at Henderson State, where he earned both his bachelor's (1977) and master's degrees (1978) in education. Minter is the father of two sons, Josh and Jesse.

### The Rick Minter File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1977	Henderson State	Graduate
Assistant/Linebackers		
1978	Arkansas (9-2-1, Fiesta Bowl, #11)	Graduate Assistant/ Linebackers/DBs
1979	Louisiana Tech	Defensive Ends
1980	North Carolina State (6-5)	Outside Linebackers
1981	North Carolina State	Outside Linebackers
1982	North Carolina State (6-5)	Outside Linebackers
1984	New Mexico State	Linebackers
1985	Ball State	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1986	Ball State (6-5)	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1987	Ball State	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1988	Ball State (8-3)	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1989	Ball State (7-3-2, Raisin Bowl)	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1990	Ball State (7-4)	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1991	Ball State (6-5)	Asst. Head Coach/ Def. Coordinator
1992	Notre Dame (10-1-1, Cotton Bowl champ, #4)	Defensive Coordinator/ Inside LBs
1993	Notre Dame (11-1, Cotton Bowl champ, #2)	Defensive Coordinator/ Inside LBs
1994	Cincinnati	Head Coach
1995	Cincinnati (6-5)	Head Coach
1996	Cincinnati (6-5)	Head Coach
1997	Cincinnati (8-4, Humanitarian Bowl champ)	Head Coach
1998	Cincinnati	Head Coach
1999	Cincinnati	Head Coach
2000	Cincinnati (7-5, Motor City Bowl)	Head Coach
2001	Cincinnati (7-5, Motor City Bowl)	Head Coach
2002	Cincinnati (7-7, New Orleans Bowl)	Head Coach
2003	Cincinnati	Head Coach
2004	South Carolina (6-5)	Defensive Coordinator/ Linebackers

(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)



## Assistant Coaches



**ROB IANELLO**  
Tight Ends/  
Recruiting Coordinator

In his first season as wide receivers coach and recruiting coordinator at Notre Dame, Rob Ianello has earned a reputation as one of the most dynamic assistant coaches in college football.

Ianello came to Notre Dame following two seasons as tight ends coach at Wisconsin. He was named Wisconsin's tight ends coach prior to the 2003 season following nine years on the Arizona football staff – all nine seasons as recruiting coordinator (1994-2002) and the last six as wide receivers coach.

He helped the Badgers to postseason bowl contests each of the last two years – including a 7-6 record and Music City Bowl appearance following the 2003 campaign and a 9-3 mark and Outback Bowl slot in 2004. Wisconsin in 2004 won its first nine games (tying a Badger record for consecutive wins) and ranked fourth in both national polls at that point (its highest ranking since 2000).

Promoted to the position of Arizona's passing game coordinator just before coming to Wisconsin, Ianello coached 2002 Pacific-10 receiving leader Bobby Wade, who caught 93 passes for 1,389 yards and eight touchdowns. Wade teamed with Andrae Thurman for 154 catches in 2002, the most in Arizona history by a receiving duo.

The Wildcats' 1998 squad was 12-1, finished as the Pac-10 runner-up, ranked fourth nationally and defeated Nebraska in the Holiday Bowl. That team's offense was the first in Pac-10 history to register five straight games of 500 yards or more of total offense. Arizona's 1999 offense ranked first in the Pac-10 and third nationally (Dennis Northcutt caught 88 passes, then a school record) at 472.9 yards per game.

Ianello was the on-campus recruiting coordinator at Wisconsin from 1990-91 and the recruiting coordinator for the Badgers from 1992-93. It was during those years that Wisconsin built its 1994 Rose Bowl and Big Ten Conference co-champion squad (the Badgers finished fifth in the final 1993 CNN/USA Today poll).

Prior to joining Barry Alvarez's first staff at Wisconsin, Ianello was assistant recruiting coordinator with head coach Bill Curry at Alabama in 1988-89 (the Crimson Tide shared the 1989 Southeastern Conference title and earned a Sugar Bowl berth). That staff signed 17 of the eventual 22 starters on Alabama's 1992 national championship team. Ianello was a graduate assistant for the Crimson Tide in 1987 on an Alabama team that earned a Hall of Fame Bowl invitation.

In 1999 Ianello was named one of the top 10 recruiters in the nation by ESPN.com and one of the top six recruiters in the country by The Sporting News.

Ianello was elected to the board of trustees of the American Football Coaches Association in January of 2003 (the only assistant coach on the board). The board formulates policy and provides direction for the AFCA. Ianello also chairs the AFCA's assistant coaches committee and is the general chairman of the AFCA's all-division assistant coaches committee.

A native of Port Chester, N.Y., Robert S. Ianello is a 1987 graduate of The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., with a bachelor's degree in English. He and his wife, the former Denise Dove, have one son, Zachary.

### The Rob Ianello File

Year	School/Team	Assignment	Year	School/Team	Assignment
1987	Alabama (7-5, Hall of Fame Bowl)	Graduate Assistant	1997	Arizona (7-5, Insight.com Bowl champ)	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1988	Alabama (9-3, Sun Bowl champ, #17)	Assistant Recruiting Coordinator	1998	Arizona (12-1, Holiday Bowl champ, #4)	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1989	Alabama (10-2, Sugar Bowl, #9)	Assistant Recruiting Coordinator	1999	Arizona (6-6)	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1990	Wisconsin	On-Campus Recruiting Coordinator	2000	Arizona	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1991	Wisconsin	On-Campus Recruiting Coordinator	2001	Arizona Recruiting Coord.	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1992	Wisconsin	Recruiting Coordinator	2002	Arizona	Wide Receivers/ Recruiting Coord.
1993	Wisconsin (10-1-1, Rose Bowl champ, #6)	Recruiting Coordinator	2003	Wisconsin (7-6, Music City Bowl)	Tight Ends
1994	Arizona (8-4, Freedom Bowl, #20)	Recruiting Coordinator	2004	Wisconsin (9-3, Outback Bowl, #16)	Tight Ends
1995	Arizona (6-5)	Recruiting Coordinator	(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)		
1996	Arizona	Recruiting Coordinator			

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## Assistant Coaches



**JOHN  
LATINA**  
*Offensive Line*

Notre Dame offensive line coach John Latina brings a hard-nosed attitude and a strong depth of experience to the Irish staff. Now in his 24th season as an assistant coach, Latina spent the last six seasons on fellow Irish assistant David Cutcliffe's staff at University of Mississippi as offensive line coach and coordinated the Rebels' highly-successful offense his last five years there.

Latina directed the most prolific in Ole Miss history in 2003, as the Rebels set school records for points scored (442) and total offense (5,631) on the way to a final ranking of 13th in the Associated Press poll. Ole Miss led the Southeastern Conference that season in passing offense (286.0), scoring (34.0) and total offense (433.2). Quarterback Eli Manning was the SEC Offensive Player of the Year and was the number-one overall pick in the NFL draft.

In addition, receiver Chris Collins and offensive guard Doug Buckles earned first-team all-SEC honors (Buckles added second-team all-league honors in 2004 – and guard Marcus Johnson also was a 2004 second-team pick). Three other Ole Miss players from that squad signed NFL contracts. There were two seasons during Latina's stay at Ole Miss that the Rebel offensive line allowed the fewest quarterback sacks in the SEC.

Latina helped groom some of the best offensive linemen ever to play at Ole Miss. Center Ben Claxton was All-SEC and was a fifth-round draft pick by the Denver Broncos in 2003. He

also developed tackle Terrence Metcalf into an All-America selection chosen the SEC's Most Valuable Offensive Lineman in 2001 and picked in the third round of the 2002 NFL draft.

Latina's first season at Ole Miss in 1999 saw three Rebels make All-SEC, including All-America accolades for tackle Todd Wade and Metcalf, while Claxton was chosen Freshman All-America. The Rebels finished 22nd in the final AP poll that season. During his tenure at Ole Miss, Latina coached 10 offensive linemen who went on to sign NFL contracts.

Prior to joining the Ole Miss staff, Latina was an assistant coach at Clemson for five years (1994-98), working with the offensive line and helping teams to three bowl appearances. During his time with the Tigers, Latina coached six All-Atlantic Coast Conference offensive linemen and helped Clemson rank among the top two in the ACC in rushing from 1995-97.

A 1981 graduate of Virginia Tech (earning a bachelor of science degree in education, with a major in therapeutic recreation), Latina lettered four years as an offensive lineman for the Hokies. He joined the Virginia Tech coaching staff as a graduate assistant and helped lead the Hokies to the 1981 Peach Bowl. After spending one season (1982) as an assistant at Pittsburgh (the Panthers finished 10th nationally that season) under head coach Foge Fazio (later defensive coordinator at Notre Dame), Latina became the offensive line coach at Temple (1983-88) under head coach Bruce Arians. His offensive line blocked for first-team All-America tailback Paul Palmer, who led the nation in rushing in 1986. At Temple, Latina coached three players who were drafted by the NFL and four others who signed free-agent contracts.

Latina joined the Kansas State staff in 1989 as offensive line coach and running game coordinator. He spent five seasons with the Wildcats, where he coached two future NFL draft picks and five others who inked free-agent contracts. His '93 Kansas State team won the Copper Bowl and finished 9-2-1 and 20th in the final AP poll.

Born Sept. 18, 1957, John Joseph Latina is a native of New Castle, Pa. He is married to the former Michele Veltre (also of New Castle). They are parents of two sons, John and Michael.

### The John Latina File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1979	Virginia Tech	Undergraduate Assistant
1980	Virginia Tech (8-4, Peach Bowl)	Undergraduate Assistant
1981	Virginia Tech (7-4)	Graduate Assistant
1982	Pittsburgh (9-3, Cotton Bowl, #10)	Tight Ends
1983	Temple	Offensive Line
1984	Temple (6-5)	Offensive Line
1985	Temple	Offensive Line
1986	Temple	Offensive Line
1987	Temple	Offensive Line
1988	Temple	Offensive Line
1989	Kansas State	Off. Line/Running Game Coord.
1990	Kansas State	Off. Line/Running Game Coord.
1991	Kansas State (7-4)	Off. Line/Running Game Coord.
1992	Kansas State	Off. Line/Running Game Coord.
1993	Kansas State (9-2-1, Copper Bowl champ, #20)	Off. Line/Running Game Coord.
1994	Clemson	Offensive Line
1995	Clemson (8-4, Gator Bowl)	Offensive Line
1996	Clemson (7-5, Peach Bowl)	Offensive Line
1997	Clemson (7-5, Peach Bowl)	Offensive Line
1998	Clemson	Offensive Line
1999	Ole Miss (8-4, Independence Bowl champ, #22)	Offensive Line
2000	Ole Miss (7-5, Music City Bowl)	Offensive Coordinator/Off. Line
2001	Ole Miss (7-4)	Offensive Coordinator/Off. Line
2002	Ole Miss (7-6, Independence Bowl champ)	Offensive Coordinator/Off. Line
2003	Ole Miss (10-3, Cotton Bowl champ, #13)	Offensive Coordinator/Off. Line
2004	Ole Miss	Offensive Coordinator/Off. Line

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# Assistant Coaches



**JAPPY OLIVER**  
*Defensive Line*

In his 26th season as a college assistant coach, Jerome "Jappy" Oliver will coach the defensive line for Notre Dame in 2005, joining the Irish after two seasons at the University of South Carolina.

Oliver spent 2003 and 2004 as defensive line coach under former Irish head coach Lou Holtz at South Carolina. He combined with current Irish defensive coordinator Rick Minter to achieve a noteworthy turnaround on the defensive side in 2004 as the Gamecocks finished with a national ranking of 20th in total defense (315.18 yards per game).

Oliver previously served on the staff of Air Force's Fisher DeBerry for eight seasons from 1995 through 2002, helping the Falcons to five postseason bowl appearances including wins in the Oahu Bowl (1998) and the Silicon Valley Bowl (2000). During Oliver's eight years as defensive line coach at Air Force, the Falcons finished a combined 65-33 -- and ended up 25th in the final USA Today/ ESPN poll in 1997 after finishing 10-3, then 10th in USA Today/ESPN in '98 after finishing 12-1. Air Force in 1998 won the Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division title.

One of Oliver's prize pupils, Bryce Fisher, earned Western Athletic Conference Mountain Division Defensive Player of the Year honors in 1998. Fisher was also the team's most outstanding player in the 1997 Las Vegas Bowl, and was later drafted in the seventh round by the Buffalo Bills. Oliver also helped turn Shawn Thomas into one of the Academy's best defenders. Thomas finished his career ranked fourth in school history in tackles for loss and quarterback sacks. In 2000, one of his players, Zach Johnson, was named all-conference and played in the East-West Shrine All-Star game. In addition to his work with the defensive line, Oliver also worked with the Falcon kickoff team as well as the extra point and field goal blocking units.

From 1991-94 Oliver served on the staff at Vanderbilt, where he helped the Commodores defense set school records for quarterback sacks in consecutive seasons. Vandy also lowered its team rushing yards allowed figure each of Oliver's four seasons in Nashville under head coach Gerry DiNardo, a former Irish offensive lineman.

He began his coaching career in 1978 at Davison (Mich.) High School (near his hometown of Flint) where he coached the defensive backfield and wide receivers. He returned to his alma mater as a graduate assistant coach in 1979 and part-time coach in 1980 (working with the wide receivers, tight ends and offensive line) for head coach Jim Young -- and helped the Boilers to wins in the Bluebonnet (1979) and Liberty (1980) Bowls and consecutive 10-2 and 9-3 marks. He then coached at Eastern Michigan (offensive backfield and receivers) from 1981-82 under former Irish assistant Mike Stock and Northeastern (outside linebackers) in 1983 under head coach Paul Pawlak.

Oliver coached defensive linemen at the Naval Academy from 1984-86 under head coach Gary Tranquill. He also has coaching experience at Grand Valley State (defensive line in 1988) and Western Illinois (inside linebackers in 1989-90).

Born Jerome Wayne Oliver on July 17, 1955, in Flint, Mich., Oliver is a 1978 graduate of Purdue University (bachelor's degree in Physical Education and Health), where he lettered three years in football as a wide receiver (he caught 15 career passes) and also spent one season as a reserve on the Boilermakers' basketball squad.

Oliver was a standout athlete at Southwestern High School in Flint, Mich., earning All-City and All-District accolades in both football and basketball. He was the city's athlete of the year in 1973 and captained teams in football, basketball and baseball. He has one daughter, Candace, and a son, Justin.

### The Jappy Oliver File

Year	School/ Team	Assignment	Year	School/ Team	Assignment
1978	Davison (Mich.) High School	Defensive Backs/ Wide Receivers	1993	Vanderbilt	Defensive Line
1979	Purdue (10-2, Bluebonnet Bowl champ, #10)	Graduate Assistant/ Offensive Line	1994	Vanderbilt	Linebackers
1980	Purdue (9-3, Liberty Bowl champ, #17)	Part-Time Assistant (WRs, TEs)	1995	Air Force (8-5, Copper Bowl)	Defensive Line
1981	Eastern Michigan	Offensive Backfield	1996	Air Force (6-5)	Defensive Line
1982	Eastern Michigan	Offensive Backfield/ Receivers	1997	Air Force (10-3, Las Vegas Bowl)	Defensive Line
1983	Northeastern (6-4-1)	Outside Linebackers	1998	Air Force (12-1, Oahu Bowl champ, #13)	Defensive Line
1984	Navy	Defensive Line	1999	Air Force (6-5)	Defensive Line
1985	Navy	Defensive Line	2000	Air Force (9-3, Silicon Valley Bowl champ)	Defensive Line
1986	Navy	Defensive Line	2001	Air Force (6-6)	Defensive Line
1988	Grand Valley State (7-4)	Defensive Line	2002	Air Force (8-5, San Francisco Bowl)	Defensive Line
1989	Western Illinois	Inside Linebackers	2003	South Carolina	Defensive Line
1990	Western Illinois	Inside Linebackers	2004	South Carolina (6-5)	Defensive Line
1991	Vanderbilt	Defensive Line	(numbers in parentheses indicate final season ranking in Associated Press poll)		
1992	Vanderbilt	Defensive Line			

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## Assistant Coaches



**BERNIE  
PARMALEE**

*Tight Ends/Special  
Teams Assistant*

Former NFL running back Bernie Parmalee joins the Notre Dame coaching staff in 2005 as tight ends coach and special teams assistant after a three-year stint as an assistant with the Miami Dolphins.

Parmalee finished his third season as a member of the Dolphins' staff and his first as Miami tight end coach in 2004. He spent the 2003 season as an assistant special teams/offensive assistant with the Dolphins. He embarked on his NFL coaching career in 2002 as Miami's assistant special teams coach after a nine-year playing career, including the first seven (1992-98) with the Dolphins and the final two (1999-2000) with the New York Jets.

He played from 1992-95 under legendary Dolphins coach Don Shula, 1996-98 with Miami under Jimmy Johnson and 1999-2000 with the Jets under Bill Parcells and Al Groh, respectively (Irish head coach Charlie Weis was the Jets' offensive coordinator in 1999).

In 2002, Parmalee helped the Dolphins rank second in the American Football Conference in kickoff return average (23.5), while Miami's opponents finished with the fourth-lowest punt return average (7.0) in the AFC. Meanwhile, kicker Olindo Mare connected on 24 of 31 field goals. In 2003, Miami's punt-return defense again rated among the AFC leaders (tied for second at 6.4). Under Parmalee's tutelage in 2004,

third-year Dolphin Randy McMichael ranked among the league leaders in receptions by a tight end with 73 for 791 yards and four touchdowns.

A featured running back, starting fullback (four games in 1997), third-down back and special teams stalwart at different times during his professional career, Parmalee played in 134 NFL games, starting 26 of them (10 in 1994, 12 in 1995 and four in 1997, all for the Dolphins). He rushed for 2,179 career yards and 17 touchdowns on 567 carries, caught 168 career passes for 1,485 yards and three touchdowns and returned 16 career kickoffs for an 18.1-yard average.

Parmalee originally made Miami's roster as an undrafted rookie free agent in 1992 after sitting out of football in 1991. In his seven seasons with the club, he amassed 1,959 yards rushing and 15 touchdowns on 513 attempts, and totaled 144 receptions for 1,306 yards and three scores. His rushing figure currently is 12th on the Dolphins' all-time chart.

He led the team in rushing two straight years – with 868 yards (216 attempts, 6 touchdowns) in 1994 for a Dolphin team that finished 10-6, won the AFC Eastern Division title and won a wild-card playoff game against Kansas City, then with 878 yards (236 attempts, nine touchdowns) in 1995 on a Miami team that finished 9-7 and earned a wild-card playoff slot. He also caught a career-high 39 passes for 345 yards and a touchdown in 1995, after grabbing 34 for 249 yards and a score in '94. Parmalee ranked eighth in the AFC in rushing in '94.

His single-game high of 150 rushing yards came against the Los Angeles Raiders in 1994 (on a career-high 30 attempts) – and he added 123 yards a week later versus New England to set a Dolphin record for combined rushing yards in consecutive games. He notched three rushing touchdowns in a game against Detroit in 1994. Three of his 100-yard rushing efforts came in 1994, the other three in 1995. He ranked as the NFL's most improved running back in 1994, going from 14 rushing yards in 1993 to 868 in 1994.

In addition, Parmalee established himself as one of the league's premier special teams players during his tenure,

recording 122 tackles on coverage units, including 31 in 1997 and 30 in 1998. He served as Dolphins special teams captain in 1997 and 1998.

Parmalee was a four-year starter (1987-90) as a running back under coach Paul Schudel at Ball State where he remains the Cardinals' all-time leading rusher with 3,483 yards and 26 touchdowns. He also caught 96 career passes for 812 yards and three touchdowns. He earned second-team All-Mid-American Conference honors as a senior in 1990 when he rushed for 1,010 yards and caught 30 passes. The best of his 16 career 100-yard rushing days came as a senior when he gained 169 yards against Illinois State.

He became the Ball State career rushing leader as a junior when he carried for 662 yards and five touchdowns. Parmalee also rushed for 1,064 yards and 13 touchdowns as a freshman when he was named the MAC Freshman of the Year. He earned his degree in business administration from the Muncie, Ind., school in 1991.

A native of Jersey City, N.J., Bernard Parmalee lettered in football (once) and baseball (three times) at Lincoln (N.J.) High School. Born Sept. 16, 1967, he and his wife, Angela, are parents of a daughter, Nakia Marie, and two sons, Tre Bernard and Torian.

### The Bernie Parmalee File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
2002	Miami Dolphins (9-7)	Assistant Special Teams
2003	Miami Dolphins (10-6)	Asst. Special Teams Offensive Asst.
2004	Miami Dolphins	Tight Ends

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## Assistant Coaches



**BRIAN POLIAN**

*Special Teams Coordinator/Defensive Backs Assistant*

Brian Polian is in his first season on the Notre Dame coaching staff, serving as the Irish's special teams coordinator and defensive backs assistant.

Polian spent 2004 as running backs coach and recruiting coordinator at Central Florida under head coach George O'Leary. In 2004, he tutored senior running back Alex Haynes, who became the Golden Knights' all-time leading rusher—finishing with 742 attempts for 3,356 rushing yards and 27 touchdowns, to go with a record 16 career 100-yard games.

He previously served three years at the University of Buffalo as running backs coach and special teams coordinator. In 2002, his work with tailback Aaron Leeper earned Mid-American Conference Freshman of the Year honors for Leeper, the first major award won by a Buffalo player since the Bulls joined the MAC in 1999. In 2001, he saw placekicker Dallas Pelz set a school record by booting nine straight field goals while going 12 of 18 overall.

Polian returned for his second stint at Buffalo after spending the previous two seasons at Baylor where he coached strongside linebackers as a defensive graduate assistant and served as special teams assistant. Twice an All-Western New York player at St. Francis High School, Polian had previously coached at Buffalo during the 1998 season when he served as tight ends and assistant offensive line coach. Prior to joining the Buffalo staff, Polian served as offensive graduate assistant at Michigan State as the Spartans finished 24th in the nation and played in the Aloha Bowl.

A graduate of John Carroll University in Cleveland, Ohio, Polian earned a bachelor's degree in History in 1997. He earned a master's degree in Education in 2000 from Baylor. He lettered three years at linebacker at John Carroll and was named to the all-Ohio Athletic Conference team in 1996. Polian helped lead the 1994 and 1996 teams to top 10 finishes in the Division III rankings.

Born Brian Stewart Polian on Dec. 22, 1974, in the Bronx, N.Y., he's married to the former Laura Maggiotto. His father, Bill, is the current president of the NFL Indianapolis Colts.

### The Brian Polian File

Year	School/Team	Assignment
1997	Michigan State (7-5, Aloha Bowl)	Graduate Asst. (Offense)/TEs, OL
1998	Buffalo	Tight Ends/Assistant Offensive Line
1999	Baylor	Grad. Asst. (Def.)/Spec. Teams Asst.
2000	Baylor	Grad. Asst. (Def.)/Spec. Teams Asst.
2001	Buffalo	Running Backs/Spec. Teams Coord.
2002	Buffalo	Running Backs/Spec. Teams Coord.
2003	Buffalo	Running Backs/Spec. Teams Coord.
2004	Central Florida	Running Backs/Recruiting Coord.;

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## Support Staff



**CHAD KLUNDER**

*Director of Football Operations*

Chad Klunder, a graduate assistant football coach for the Irish the last two seasons, was named director of football operations at Notre Dame, new Irish head in March of 2005. In his new role, Klunder coordinates a variety of administrative and operational details for the Notre Dame football program including assisting with team travel, day-to-day scheduling for the squad, budgets and special events such as coaches clinics.

Klunder, who worked with the Irish offense the past two seasons, previously served as running backs coach and coordinator of football operations at Harvard from 1998 through 2002. During his tenure at Harvard, his running backs led the Ivy League in rushing on three occasions. He coached three all-Ivy League players, including Chris Menick, Harvard's all-time leading rusher. Harvard in 2001 finished 9-0 in the Ivy League and became the first Harvard team to go unbeaten or untied in conference play since 1913.

Klunder also served as a graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at Minnesota – and worked as a graduate assistant football coach at St. Cloud State. At St. Cloud, he coached Randy Martin, who was a finalist in 1995 and '96 for the Harlon Hill Trophy that goes to the NCAA Division II player of the year. The Waverly, Iowa, native played defensive back at Wartburg College in Waverly. He earned four letters, was a two-time unanimous all-league pick and gained honorable mention All-America recognition. He served as a Wartburg co-captain in 1994 when his team advanced to the NCAA Division III quarterfinals.

Born August 28, 1972, Klunder received a degree in Sports Management from Wartburg in 1995 and has done master's degree coursework at St. Cloud State, the University of Minnesota and at Notre Dame.



**RON POWLUS**

*Director of Personnel Development*

Ron Powlus, Notre Dame's career leader in football passing yardage, pass attempts, completions and touchdown passes was named Director of Personnel Development for the Notre Dame football program in March of 2005. Powlus' duties primarily involve administration of Irish recruiting efforts.

A four-year starter at quarterback for the Irish from 1994-97, he joined the Irish football staff after spending the last three years in the business world, working in the healthcare and home mortgage industries. Most recently, Powlus worked as a wholesale account executive for First Horizon Home Loans in Pittsburgh, Pa. He previously spent a year each as a loan consultant for Seattle-based Washington Mutual Home Loans/American Home Mortgage, and as a healthcare representative for Pfizer Inc.

A native of Berwick, Pa., Powlus was a two-time Irish captain who set 20 school records at Notre Dame. He started all 44 regular-season games (plus two bowl games) in which he played for the Irish and finished with 558 career completions on 969 attempts for 7,602 yards and 52 touchdowns. He set the Irish single-game mark for touchdown passes in a game with four (three times) and at one point completed 14 straight passes. He set single-season marks in 1997 as a senior with his 182 completions and 298 attempts. Powlus rebounded from a broken collarbone suffered in the pre-season of what would have been his freshman season in 1993 and then broke a bone in his upper left arm late in the 1995 season.

Powlus originally signed as a free agent in 1998 with the NFL Tennessee Oilers and then was on the Detroit Lions' preseason roster in '99 and the Philadelphia Eagles' roster in 2000. He played with the NFL Europe Amsterdam Admirals in the spring of 2000. He also spent two years from 1998-2000 as executive assistant to the Democratic Policy

Committee of the Pennsylvania State Senate. A high school standout at Berwick (Pa.) High School, Powlus was the Parade prep player of the year in '92 and the *USA Today* offensive prep player of the year.

Born July 16, 1974, Powlus received his Notre Dame degree from the College of Business Administration in 1997 with a major in Marketing. He also took graduate coursework during his final season with the Irish. Powlus and his wife, the former Sara Ivanina, are parents of a son, Ron. They were married prior to his final season at Notre Dame in 1997.



**DAVID PELOQUIN**

*Coordinator of Player Personnel Development*

The 2005 football season will be Dave Peloquin's second season with the Irish football program, his first as Coordinator of Player Personnel Development. In that role, Peloquin will assist Director of Personnel Development Ron Powlus in numerous administrative duties involved in the administration of recruiting efforts for the Irish football program.

Peloquin served the 2004 season in a similar role as a recruiting assistant, a role in which worked with the entire coaching staff assisting in all recruiting aspects. A 2003 Notre Dame graduate with a bachelor's degree in Business Marketing, Peloquin served as a student manager from 2000 to 2002 and was named Head Senior Manager for the 2002 season. Before rejoining the Irish, Peloquin worked as a sales representative for State Farm Insurance and Financial Services in the Chicago area. A native of Blue Island, Ill., Peloquin is single and resides in South Bend.



## Support Staff



**HENRY SCROOPE**

*Head Football Equipment Manager*

The 2005 football season will be Henry Scroope's seventh year with the equipment operation at Notre Dame and his sixth as head football equipment manager. In his position, Scroope assists in all facets of athletic equipment management for the Irish athletic department, working primarily with the football and men's lacrosse squads.

Scroope was a member of the 2004 McDavid Advisory Staff. In addition, he was part of the 2002 and 2003 Schutt Safety Council that discusses items such as helmet quality and safety, product design, and other issues important to equipment managers. He also is a member of the AEMA and a certified equipment manager. Additionally, Scroope served as a clubhouse assistant for the 2003 Major League Baseball All-Star Game at Comiskey Park in Chicago.

Scroope spent the 1998-99 academic year as the marketing and promotions coordinator for the athletic department at Wagner College in Staten Island, N.Y. At Wagner, he worked in all facets of athletic promotions and season ticket sales. From 1997-98, Scroope was an assistant manager for the American Golf Corporation on Staten Island, and was in charge of operations for Silver Lake Golf Course.

A native of Staten Island, N.Y., Scroope is a 1997 graduate of Notre Dame with a degree in government. During his undergraduate career, Scroope served in the Irish managerial program and was one of three senior managers for the football team in 1996. Married to the former Margaret Long in July of 2003, the couple resides in South Bend.



**JIM RUSS**

*Head Athletic Trainer/Physical Therapist*

The 2005 football season will mark Jim Russ's 20th year as Notre Dame's head athletic trainer and physical therapist. Since assuming that role in August of 1986, Russ has been responsible for the administration of the athletic training program for all Irish men's and women's athletic teams.

The LaPorte, Ind., native boasted seven years of experience on the collegiate level prior to his three-year stint in the USFL as head athletic trainer of the Tampa Bay Bandits of the United States Football League just prior to coming to Notre Dame. From 1977 through '82, Russ served as assistant athletic trainer and physical therapist at Purdue—then held the same position at Florida the following two seasons.

A graduate of Ball State with a major in Physical Education and minors in Health Science and Athletic Training, Russ earned his master's degree in Athletic Training and Sports Medicine from Arizona and added a bachelor's degree from Florida International in Physical Therapy.

Russ worked as head athletic trainer at Pueblo High School in Tucson while pursuing his master's degree. As an undergraduate at Ball State, he served as an athletic trainer and worked with the NFL's Detroit Lions. In June of 2000, the Notre Dame National Monogram Club awarded him an honorary monogram. Russ and his wife, the former Mary Pat Shea, of St. Petersburg, Fla., are parents of four children - Jeff (a 2001 Notre Dame graduate); Laura (a 2004 Notre Dame graduate); Lisa and Mark.



**RUBEN MENDOZA**

*Strength and Conditioning Coordinator*

Ruben Mendoza was named the University of Notre Dame's strength and conditioning coordinator in January of 2005. Mendoza joined the Irish staff after four years as coordinator of strength and conditioning at the University of Mississippi.

At Ole Miss, Mendoza spent four years overseeing a Rebel strength staff that featured four full-time assistants and three graduate assistants dealing with 500 student-athletes and 18 varsity sports. Ole Miss saw its original 10,000-square foot weight room supplemented in 2004 by a 10,000-square foot facility devoted to football. Those two areas combined with Mendoza and his staff to provide Ole Miss with one of the top programs of its kind in the country.

Mendoza had been assistant director of strength, speed and conditioning for four years at Clemson University before taking over at Ole Miss in January of 2001. His football responsibilities at Clemson included implementation of in-season strength and conditioning programs, assistant coordinator of winter conditioning as well as a speed development program, testing and monitoring all progress in strength, flexibility and cardiovascular fitness, and educating student-athletes on nutritional factors, including supplementation that affect health and performance.

General responsibilities at Clemson dealt with supervising the development of strength and aerobic fitness for 19 varsity sports through the use of sports-specific training programs. Mendoza managed the 14,000-square foot facility and day-to-day operations, worked closely with the Clemson head trainer in coordinating rehabilitation programs for injured athletes, and provided supervision and developed time schedules for varsity sports for use of athletic weight facilities.

Prior to joining the Clemson staff in June of 1997, Mendoza served as head strength and conditioning coordinator at the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga from January 1993 to April 1997. He was the defensive line coach/assis-



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tant strength and conditioning coach at Presbyterian College during the 1992 season and served as graduate assistant strength and conditioning coach at the University of South Carolina from June 1990 to February 1992.

A Kodak All-America offensive lineman in 1985 while playing at Wayne State (Neb.), Mendoza also earned NAIA All-America and CSIC all-conference first-team honors, and was a team captain. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from Wayne State in 1989 and took graduate-level coursework in education at South Carolina. He spent three seasons in the National Football League as an offensive guard, playing for the Green Bay Packers (1986), Miami Dolphins (1987) and Phoenix Cardinals (1988).

A native of Crystal City, Texas, Mendoza is married to the former Kristen Prososki of Omaha, Neb. They have four children – Nicholas, Emmanuel, Grace and Gabriel.



**TIM COLLINS**

*Video Systems Technology*

The 2005 football season will be Tim Collins' 15th year in charge of all video and filming needs for Notre Dame's athletic department as its video systems technician. In addition to traveling to shoot Irish football games, he works out of Notre Dame Stadium to put together all video packages utilized by Notre Dame's football coaches in their scouting and game preparation. Collins and his staff also tape men's and women's home basketball games as well as hockey.

A native of South Bend, Collins is a 1987 graduate of John Adams High School in South Bend and attended Indiana Vocational Technical College in South Bend. He also spent three years as a part-time news photographer at WNDU-TV, the NBC affiliate in South Bend. Collins was named the Independent Conference video coordinator of the year in 1997, 1998, 2003 and 2004 by the Collegiate Sports Video Association.

In 2001, Collins was elected an executive officer of the CSVA, serving as secretary, and in 2002 was named treasurer of the organization. He recently was re-elected to a second two-year term as treasurer.

In June 2004, the Notre Dame Monogram Club awarded Collins an honorary monogram in recognition of his years of service.

Collins, born December 10, 1968, and his wife, the former Michelle Williamson, married in July 1990, and have a son, Carson, born November 15, 2003.



**Karen Demeter**

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