

# 2009 CORNHUSKER FOOTBALL GAME DAY

## Welcome to Consecutive Sellout No. 300

I want to take a moment to welcome you to an important piece of history tonight at Memorial Stadium – our 300th consecutive sellout crowd, an ongoing NCAA record.

I also want to thank our fans across Nebraska, this country and around the world for being the greatest fans in college athletics. We appreciate your loyalty and decided to honor you in a unique way that ties directly with our history.

Tonight, for the first time, Nebraska will wear throwback jerseys, pants and helmets, which are replicas of the uniforms worn during the 1962 season – Bob Devaney's first year as our head coach.

Bob's arrival set a new direction for this program. He brought a talented and motivated coaching staff with him from Wyoming and took a team that had experienced disappointment in the prior 15 years to a 9-2 record and Nebraska's first bowl win ever in his first year as head coach.

It's no coincidence that our first sellout in this 300-game streak also came in Bob's first season. Seating capacity then was only 31,000, but it was full in the fifth home game of that season, and we've been sold out ever since.

Bob built this football program into one of the nation's very best, winning back-to-back national championships in 1970 and 1971. I was privileged and honored to succeed him as head coach in 1973 and will always be grateful for the opportunities he created.

Tonight, we honor the children of the late Bob and Phyllis Devaney – their daughter, Pat, and their son, Mike. This throwback day is in Bob's honor, his family's honor and in you, our fans' honor. It's also dedicated to all of the coaches, players and support personnel who took this program to new heights in that very first year they were here.

Forty-seven years later, we are all still the benefactors of the foundation they helped build.

Thank You and Best Wishes,

*Tom Osborne*



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## Cornhusker Marching Band

<b>Pregame:</b>	<b>Halftime:</b>
Percussion Solo	<u>Where Were You</u>
Nebraska Fanfares	<u>in '62?</u>
There Is No Place Like Nebraska	<u>I Can't Stop Loving You</u>
Visitor's Fight Song	<u>Let's Twist Again</u>
Star Spangled Banner	<u>Green Onions</u>
Mr. Touchdown USA/ Univ. of Nebraska March (medley)	<u>The Wanderer</u>
March Grandioso/ March of the Cornhusker (medley)	<u>I Can't Help Falling in Love With You</u>
Hail Varsity	<u>Hey! Baby!</u>

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