

Signees

1969

HEAD COACH CHARLES MCCLENDON

POS. NAME, CITY, STATE

B Jim Benglis, Lake Charles, La.
 B Gary Black, Baton Rouge, La.
 L David Brabham, Kentwood, La.
 L Tommy Butaud, Crowley, La.
 B Lance Chaffee, Portville, N.Y.
 L Skippy Cormier, Opelousas, La.
 B Charles Dickinson, Hattiesburg, Miss.
 L Sam Digirolamo, Denham Springs, La.
 L Mike Doyle, Houston, Texas
 L Jimmy Elkins, Crowley, La.
 L Greg Fischer, New Orleans, La.
 L John Foret, Lake Charles, La.
 L Alton Frazier, Kentwood, La.
 L Frank French, III, New Iberia, La.
 L Mike Gray, Chatawa, Miss.
 L Russell Heald, Texas City, Texas
 L Mike Hunt, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Bert Jones, Ruston, La.
 B Jim Kadi, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Logan Killen, McDade, La.
 B Jimmy LeDoux, Sulphur, La.
 L John Marchand, Gonzales, La.
 B Frank Massengill, Brookhaven, Miss.
 L Bruce McGehee, Bogalusa, La.
 L Dan McNair, Monroe, La.
 B Dale Miller, Franklinton, La.
 B John Millet, Pasadena, Texas
 L George Miner, III, Houston, Texas
 L Paul Napoli, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Frank Racine, Shreveport, La.
 B Mike Riley, West Monroe, La.
 B John Robert, Raceland, La.
 B Mike Shoemaker, Rayville, La.
 B John Staggs, Texas City, Texas
 B Pierre Thibodeaux, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Chuck Williamson, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Joe Winkler, III, New Orleans, La.
 L John Wood, Lake Charles, La.

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B Ken Addy, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Barry Blackwell, Houma, La.
 B William Bozeman, New Orleans, La.
 L Richard Brooks, Crowley, La.
 B Billy Broussard, Jennings, La.
 B Dale Cangelosi, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Warren Capone, Baton Rouge, La.
 L John Carbo, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Gary Champagne, Nederland, Texas
 B Larry Cox, Tallulah, La.
 B Rand Dennis, Natchitoches, La.
 L David DiVincenti, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Joe Fakier, Thibodaux, La.
 L Eddie Floyd, Monroe, La.
 B Greg Foreman, Lake Charles, La.
 B Don Fulford, Ferriday, La.
 L Jim Gainey, Hammond, La.
 B Tom Gainey, Hammond, La.
 L Greg Garvin, Shreveport, La.
 L Tommy Hemphill, Olla, La.
 B Norman Hodgins, New Orleans, La.
 L Rusty Jackson, Chatom, Alabama
 L John King, Shreveport, La.
 B Gene Knecht, Natchitoches, La.
 L Tyler LaFauci, New Orleans, La.
 L Steve MacKenzie, Destrehan, La.
 L Tom McCall, Vero Beach, Fla.
 L Charles Miciotto, Lafayette, La.
 L Charles Miller, New Orleans, La.
 L Randy Nicar, Morgan City, La.
 B Jack Oliverio, Cincinnati, Ohio
 L Travis Russell, Tallulah, La.

B Randy Skelton, Lake Charles, La.
 B Don Soileau, Lake Charles, La.
 L Tom Strickland, Houston, Texas
 L Larry Wood, Bossier City, La.
 L Mark Yokubaites, Houston, Texas

1971

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B Mark Abraham, Lake Charles, La.
 L Mike Anderson, La Marque, Texas
 B Mike Barnett, Houston, Texas
 L Greg Bienvenu, Lafayette, La.
 L Doug Boutte, Sulphur, La.
 B Brad Bowman, Baker, La.
 L Brad Boyd, Jennings, La.
 L H.L. Brooks, Cypress, Texas
 L Buddy Buras, Covington, La.
 L John Burks, Metairie, La.
 B Jimmy Clayton, Shreveport, La.
 B Dave Cook, Rayne, La.
 L Larry Daily, Houston, Texas
 L Ron Daily, Bellaire, Texas
 B Brad Davis, Hammond, La.
 L Steve Ferrer, Metairie, La.
 L Kenneth Fusilier, Sherman, Texas
 B Fred Garner, Jackson, Miss.
 B Ray Guilberteau, Metairie, La.
 L Bo Harris, Shreveport, La.
 B Lora Hinton, Chesapeake, Va.
 L Mike Hornsby, Greensburg, La.
 B Scott Jones, Lake Charles, La.
 B Jimmy Knecht, Natchitoches, La.
 L Steve Lelekacs, Angleton, Texas
 B Larry Lohman, Huntington, N.Y.
 L Chuck Marmoudis, Chesapeake, Va.
 B Mike Miley, Metairie, La.
 L Phil Moses, Sulphur, La.
 L Jimmy Oustalet, Lake Arthur, La.
 L Richard Pace, Texas City, Texas
 L Marty Phillips, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Mike Pike, Metairie, La.
 B Allen Ray, Nashville, Ark.
 B Don Roger, Garland, Texas
 B Steve Rogers, Ruston, La.
 L Jeff Sandoz, Opelousas, La.
 B Rickie Simmons, Shreveport, La.
 B Steve Whitfill, Dallas, Texas
 L Joe Williams, Bossier City, La.

1972

HEAD COACH CHARLES MCCLENDON

TB Ronnie Barbar, Vivian, La.
 FB/LB Roger Boogaerts, Shreveport, La.
 TE/DE Kenny Bordelon, New Orleans, La.
 FB/LB Donnie Bruchhaus, Elton, La.
 LM Clay Cain, Sulphur, La.
 LM Steve Cassidy, Baton Rouge, La.
 TB Louis Chappuis, Crowley, La.
 LM Mike Chatelain, Gretna, La.
 DB Bobby Chenevert, Baton Rouge, La.
 TB Jack Clark, Baton Rouge, La.
 C Mike Clark, Baton Rouge, La.
 QB Rip Collins, Baton Rouge, La.
 LM Pat Donahue, Baton Rouge, La.
 WR Bo Dunphy, Houston, Texas
 TE/DE Mike Ferguson, New Orleans, La.
 LM Randy Fletcher, Baton Rouge, La.
 DB Dwayne Galjour, Cutoff, La.
 C John Gandy, Cockeysville, Md.
 WR Mark Gomez, Slidell, La.
 QB Don Griffen, Baton Rouge, La.
 C David Hamm, Shreveport, La.
 TB Terry Hill, Baton Rouge, La.
 TB Bill Hudson, Houston, Texas
 TE/DE Joe Jennings, Baker, La.
 QB Jim Landry, Scott, La.

LM Paul Lanoux, New Orleans, La.
 TE/DE David Lee, Bastrop, La.
 FB/LB Bruce Lejeune, Donaldsonville, La.
 TB Pat Mason, Shreveport, La.
 LM Ken Miller, Hattiesburg, Miss.
 WR Ja Newman, Houston, Texas
 LM Rock Raiford, Destrehan, La.
 DB Perry Rittiner, Gretna, La.
 DB Richard Romain, Gretna, La.
 QB Mac Rushing, Houston, Texas
 FB/LB Theilen Smith, Metairie, La.
 FB/LB Roy Stuart, Jackson, Miss.
 TE/DE Leon Thompson, Shreveport, La.
 DB Steve Wylie, Houston, La.
 FB/LB Brian Zeringue, Raceland, La.

1973

HEAD COACH CHARLES MCCLENDON

DE Dan Alexander, Houston, Texas
 DB Gary Blacketter, Lake Charles, La.
 DT Steve Bozeman, Baton Rouge, La.
 OE Ricky Britt, Houma, La.
 DT Darryl Brue, New Orleans, La.
 OE Pete Campbell, Hot Springs, Ark.
 DB Jackie Casanova, Crowley, La.
 OG Dave Crawford, Jena, La.
 QB Bill Desormeaux, New Iberia, La.
 TE Mitch Dinkle, Silsbee, Texas
 LB Rusty Domingue, Port Arthur, Texas
 OE Robert Dow, Jackson, Miss.
 DT A.J. Duhe, Reserve, La.
 LB Bill Edwards, Metairie, La.
 OG Mike Erwin, Shreveport, La.
 C Steve Estes, Port Arthur, Texas
 LB Dennis Gardner, Crowley, La.
 OE Bruce Hemphill, Sulphur, La.
 DB Leo Hodgins, Metairie, La.
 DB Steve Jackson, Chatom, Ala.
 DE Mike Jones, Shreveport, La.
 DT Bradley Kaiser, Metairie, La.
 QB John Karaphillis, Tarpon Springs, Fla.
 DE Butch Knight, Baton Rouge, La.
 QB Tommy Koonce, Hot Springs, Ark.
 LB Lee Lemoine, Baton Rouge, La.
 QB Mike Leonard, Shreveport, La.
 QB Pat Lyons, Midland, Texas
 C Andy Netterville, Denham Springs, La.
 OT Bart Newman, Hot Springs, Ark.
 RB Mike Normand, Baton Rouge, La.
 DE Greg Prickett, Houston, Texas
 LB Steve Ripple, New Orleans, La.
 QB Chris Rittiner, New Orleans, La.
 QB Terry Robiskie, Lucy, La.
 LB George Ross, Lake Charles, La.
 RB Kelly Simmons, Houston, Texas
 OE David Smith, Natchez, Miss.
 DT Jon Streete, Lake Charles, La.
 C Philip Triche, Metairie, La.
 RB Carl Trimble, Tallulah, La.
 DT Steve Viator, New Iberia, La.
 DE Brad Wimberly, Monroe, La.

1974

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B Steve Athas, New Orleans, La.
 B John Ayres, Lake Charles, La.
 L Kent Broha, New Orleans, La.
 L Glen Broussard, Pride, La.
 B Clinton Burrell, Franklin, La.
 L Don Caravella, Chalmette, La.
 B Bob Conn, Lake Charles, La.
 B George Cupit, Vidalia, La.
 L Lou deLaunay, Neosho, Mo.
 L Robert Dugas, Hahnville, La.
 L Craig Duhe, Lutchter, La.
 B Brent Elkins, Dallas, Texas

B Harrison Francis, Franklin, La.
 L Rocky Guillot, Shreveport, La.
 B Craig Hensley, Lake Charles, La.
 B Kenny Jackson, Haynesville, La.
 L Clif Lane, Monroe, La.
 B Dickie Matherne, Bridge City, La.
 L Jon May, Homer, La.
 B Bobby Moreau, Alexandria, La.
 L James Noonan, New Orleans, La.
 L Gary Radecker, Metairie, La.
 B Ronald Ramsey, Dallas, Texas
 L Chris Rich, San Antonio, Texas
 L Lew Sibley, Kilgore, Texas
 L Scott Sollay, Lake Charles, La.
 L Blake Whitlach, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Jay Whitley, Baton Rouge, La.

1975

HEAD COACH CHARLES MCCLENDON

B Charles Alexander, Galveston, Texas
 L Jay Blass, New Orleans, La.
 B Bud Cespiva, Pineville, La.
 K Mike Conway, Texarkana, Ark.
 L Wayne Frederickson, Chalmette, La.
 L Tommy Frizzell, Athens, Texas
 B Keith Gilchrist, Nederland, Texas
 B Rex Henderson, Lafayette, La.
 L William Johnson, Athens, Texas
 L Danny Key, Mitchell, Ind.
 B Dennis Kimble, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Wade Kirkpatrick, Birmingham, Ala.
 L Kevin Lair, New Orleans, La.
 B Jack Lawton, Sulphur, La.
 L Moe Lonergan, New Orleans, La.
 L Ralph McIngvale, Dallas, Texas
 B Thad Minaldi, Lake Charles, La.
 B Jerry Murphree, Birmingham, Ala.
 L Kent Nicar, Morgan City, La.
 L Robin Patten, Franklinton, La.
 L Ivan Phillips, New Orleans, La.
 B Mike Quintela, Port Arthur, Texas
 B John Reed, Pineville, La.
 L Spencer Smith, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Scott Sulik, Gretna, La.
 B Mike Taylor, San Antonio, Texas
 B Tommy Thomas, Texarkana, Ark.

1976

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L John Adams, DeRidder, La.
 B Paul Ameen, Midwest City, Ok.
 L John Ed Bradley, Opelousas, La.
 L Sterling Brazile, Reserve, La.
 B Rusty Brown, Houston, Texas
 B Carlos Carson, W. Palm Beach, Fla.
 B Jeff Corley, South Houston, Texas
 B Steve Ensminger, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Lou Ernst, New Orleans, La.
 B Norman Glindmeyer, New Orleans, La.
 L Willie Gunnels, Hahnville, La.
 L Jerry Hill, Midwest City, Ok.
 B Kenneth Hill, Oak Grove, La.
 B Leroid Jones, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Leroyal Jones, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Greg LaFleur, Ville Platte, La.
 L Pat Lonergan, New Orleans, La.
 L Sam McCage, Baytown, Texas
 L Charles McDuff, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Joey Peno, Vidor, Texas
 B Barry Rubin, Monroe, La.
 L Wilbur Stansberry, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Eddie Stanton, Friendswood, Texas
 L Craig Steuterman, Creve Coeur, Mo.
 B Willie Teal, Texarkana, Texas
 L Larry Willis, New Orleans, La.
 L Terry Willis, New Orleans, La.

B Bart Wood, Mandeville, La.
 B David Woodley, Shreveport, La.

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LM George Atiyeh, Allentown, Pa.
 B David Bode, Covington, La.
 LM Kyle Bruhl, Covington, La.
 B Robert DeLee, Clinton, La.
 LM Marty Dufrene, Larose, La.
 LM Bill Farrell, Pompano Beach, Fla.
 LM Jerome Francis, Sulphur, La.
 B Hokie Gajan, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Jude Hernandez, Baton Rouge, La.
 LM Trip Holloway, Covington, La.
 LM Jim Holsombake, Sunnyside, Fla.
 LM Mark Ippolito, New Orleans, La.
 B Bob Lane, Monroe, La.
 B Robbie Mahfouz, Lafayette, La.
 LM Rusty McClendon, Magnolia, Miss.
 B Tracy Porter, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Marcus Quinn, New Orleans, La.
 B Brett Smith, Edmond, Okla.
 B Danny Soileau, Elton, La.
 LM Benjy Thibodeaux, Rayne, La.
 LM Tom Tully, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Willie Turner, New Orleans, La.
 LM Miles Valentine, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.
 B Lionel Wallis, Houma, La.
 LM John Watson, Bossier City, La.
 LM Lyman White, Franklin, La.
 B Chris Williams, Tioga, La.
 LM Demetri Williams, Plaquemine, La.

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CB Vince Ahearn, Houston, Texas
 DE Jerry Blake, Gretna, La.
 L Gregory Bowser, Franklin, La.
 B Greg Brister, Baton Rouge, La.
 B James Britt, Minden, La.
 B Efreem Davis, Lake Charles, La.
 E Robert DeRutte, Port Neches, Texas
 L Bob Esmond, Transfer, Pa.
 B John Falgout, Lake Charles, La.
 L Chris Gautier, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Mark Gilbert, Plaquemine, La.
 L Mark Ippolito, New Orleans, La.
 L Mike Johnson, Franklin, La.
 B Frank Killeen, Gretna, La.
 L David Lapeyrouse, Jeanerette, La.
 B Orlando McDaniel, Lake Charles, La.
 B Mike Montz, Litcher, La.
 B Sean Moore, Poplar Bluff, Mo.
 L Greg Raymond, Metairie, La.
 L Leigh Shepard, Rockdale, Texas
 B Alvin Thomas, Donaldsonville, La.
 L Mike Turner, Shreveport, La.
 B Scott Watson, Pensacola, Fla.
 L Bob Weathersby, Athens, Ga.
 L Kerry West, Pineville, La.

1979

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B Dale Begue, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Tommy Boudreaux, Montegut, La.
 L Mike Brady, Thibodaux, La.
 L Mike Burks, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Alex Clark, Lake Charles, La.
 L John Conway, Highlands, Texas
 L Ramsey Dardar, Breaux Bridge, La.
 B Lester Dunn, Covington, La.
 L Norb Hector, Pensacola, Fla.
 B Chris Hutchinson, Monroe, La.
 B Mark Johnston, Rayville, La.

L Tim Joiner, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Dave Koch, Houston, Texas
 B Mike Mahtook, Lafayette, La.
 L Leonard Marshall, Franklin, La.
 B Mark Modicut, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Jesse Myles, Gray, La.
 L Edward Orgeron, Larose, La.
 L Albert Richardson, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Alan Risher, Slidell, La.
 L Chet Robichaux, Jennings, La.
 L Malcolm Scott, New Orleans, La.
 L Greg Stevens, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Donnie Vickers, Greenwell Springs, La.
 B Lawrence Williams, Lake Charles, La.

1980

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L Bobby Agnor, Shreveport, La.
 L Eric Bauer, Springfield, Ohio
 L Clint Berry, Opelousas, La.
 B Jimmy Bowman, Lake Charles, La.
 L Tommy Campbell, Winnfield, La.
 L Ricky Chatman, Winnfield, La.
 L Greg Clemens, Pascagoula, Miss.
 L Charlie Cryer, Shreveport, La.
 B Engene Daniel, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Junius Dural, Duson, La.
 B Eric Ellington, Cincinnati, Ohio
 B Jeff Fordham, Radnor, Pa.
 L John Fritchie, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Mike Gambrell, Slidell, La.
 L Billy Hendrix, Bunkie, La.
 B Liffort Hobley, Shreveport, La.
 B Gene Lang, Pass Christian, Miss.
 B Rydell Malancon, Vacherie, La.
 L Marcus Moore, Shreveport, La.
 L Kevin Poisso, Atlanta, Ga.
 L Terry Roussel, Litcher, La.
 L Bob Smith, Cleveland, Ohio
 L Jeff Waits, Hattiesburg, Miss.
 L James White, Rayville, La.

1981

HEAD COACH JERRY STOVALL

B Scott Ayres, Lake Charles, La.
 L Mark Bass, Bossier City, La.
 B Terry Baxter, Kannapolis, N.C.
 PK Juan Betanzos, Mexico City, Mexico
 R Clyde Bishop, Houston, Texas
 B Timmy Byrd, LaPlace, La.
 B Waldon Cager, New Orleans, La.
 B David Charles, Vacherie, La.
 L Earl Curtis, Lafayette, La.
 B Jeffery Dale, Winnfield, La.
 L Gregg Dubroc, New Orleans, La.
 L Steve Duhon, Opelousas, La.
 L Todd Durkee, Lafayette, La.
 L Randy Edwards, Lake Charles, La.
 L Jeff Evans, Jacksonville, Fla.
 B Gill Fenerty, New Orleans, La.
 B Herman Fontenot, Beaumont, Texas
 L John Harrell, Alexandria, La.
 L Eddie Jacobs, New Orleans, La.
 L Freddie Jones, Lake Charles, La.
 L Eric Kittok, River Ridge, La.
 L Kevin Langford, Florence, Miss.
 B Guy Mackey, Lake Charles, La.
 B Eric Martin, Van Vleck, Texas
 K Clay Parker, Grayson, La.
 B Donald Polk, New Orleans, La.
 L Ed Scott, Houston, Texas
 L Lance Smith, Kannapolis, N.C.

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1982

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L Mitch Andrews, Houma, La.
 L Scott Bailey, LaPlace, La.
 L Roland Barbay, Chalmette, La.
 B Karl Bernard, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Mike Breaux, Lafayette, La.
 L Jeff Brignac, Metairie, La.
 L Bryan Broaddus, Dallas, Texas
 L Ray Brock, Beaverton, Ore.
 L Shawn Burks, Baton Rouge, La.
 L Mike Cobb, New Orleans, La.
 B Chris Cruz, Pensacola, Fla.
 B Mike DeWitt, Laurel, Miss.
 L Curt Gore, Fairhope, Ala.
 B Dalton Hilliard, Patterson, La.
 B Garry James, Gretna, La.
 L Tony Nephew, Willis, Texas
 L Clarence Osborne, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Doug Powell, Houston, Texas
 B Craig Rathjen, Houston, Texas
 B Steve Rehage, Metairie, La.
 L Archie Sutton, New Orleans, La.
 B Jeff Wickersham, Merritt Island, Fla.
 L Karl Wilson, Baton Rouge, La.

1983

HEAD COACH JERRY STOVALL

L Scott Bromley, Pensacola, Fla.
 L Michael Brooks, Ruston, La.
 B Chris Carrier, Eunice, La.
 L Toby Caston, Monroe, La.
 L Tommy Clapp, Gretna, La.
 L Darryl Colona, Hammond, La.
 L Mike Cooley, Satsuma, Ala.
 B Garry Cunningham, Covington, La.
 B Rob Cutbirth, Kenner, La.
 B Kevin Guidry, Lake Charles, La.
 B Derik Hare, Milton, Fla.
 B Mickey Harris, Mandeville, La.
 L John Hazard, Metairie, La.
 L George Henriquez, New Orleans, La.
 L Tommy Howard, Columbus, Miss.
 B Stan Humphries, Shreveport, La.
 B Garland Jean Batiste, St. Martinville, La.
 B Norman Jefferson, Marrero, La.
 L Mike Johnson, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Oscar Joiner, Leesville, La.
 L Brian Kinchen, Baton Rouge, La.
 B Rogie Magee, Bogalusa, La.
 L Darren Malbrough, New Orleans, La.
 B Steve Nix, Baton Rouge, La.
 B James Pierson, New Orleans, La.
 B Mike Reed, Monroe, La.
 B Ray Tatum, Winnboro, La.
 L Henry Thomas, Houston, La.
 L Ronnie Yearby, Columbia, La.

1984

HEAD COACH BILL ARNSPARGER

C Nacho Albergamo, Marrero, La.
 DL Eric Andolsek, Thibodaux, La.
 DB Willie Bryant, Ft. Walton, Fla.
 OL Todd Coutee, Eunice, La.
 WR Wendell Davis, Shreveport, La.
 F Matt DeFrank, Ft. Walton, Fla.
 OL Gerry Edgens, Baker, La.
 OL Chris Feught, Lafayette, La.
 WR Danny Fletcher, Ferriday, La.
 OL Jimmy Goodrum, Central Lafourche, La.
 QB Mickey Guidry, Marrero, La.
 DL Mark Hall, Patterson, La.
 LB Nicky Hazard, New Orleans, La.
 LB Mike Hebert, New Orleans, La.
 WR Glenn Holt, Miami, Fla.

RB Robert Knight, Baton Rouge, La.
 RB Jamie Lawson, Central Lafourche, La.
 K Ronnie Lewis, New Orleans, La.
 DB Charles Mackey, Miami, Fla.
 RB Sam Martin, New Orleans, La.
 WR Mike Mayes, DeRidder, La.
 OL Ralph Norwood, New Orleans, La.
 LB Darrel Phillips, Franklin, La.
 LB Mike Smith, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
 C Chris Treat, Houston, Texas

1985

HEAD COACH BILL ARNSPARGER

OT Mike Babineaux, Aldine, Texas
 S Jamie Bice, Lake Charles, La.
 CB John Childers, Orlando, Fla.
 WR Craig Dartz, Cecilia, La.
 DE Kenny Davidson, Shreveport, La.
 TB Ricky Davidson, Bay City, Texas
 TE Karl Dunbar, Plaisance, La.
 CB Troy Filer, St. Martinville, La.
 OG Chris Frigo, New Orleans, La.
 LB Eric Hill, Galveston, Texas
 QB Tommy Hodson, Mathews, La.
 OT Jim Hubicz, Sharon, Pa.
 S Greg Jackson, Miami, Fla.
 DE Clint James, New Orleans, La.
 RB Victor Jones, Zachary, La.
 RB Randy Keiser, Miami, Fla.
 LB Oliver Lawrence, Monroe, La.
 TB Tony Moss, Bossier City, La.
 LB Mike Murla, New Orleans, La.
 QB/P Keith Murray, Theodore, Ala.
 WR Daryl Owens, Beaumont, Texas
 OT Robert Packnett, New Orleans, La.
 OT Chris Pettaway, Miami, Fla.
 OG Ruffin Rodrigue, Jr., Thibodaux, La.
 LB Nebojsa Somaz, Sharon, Pa.
 SS Scott Templet, Baton Rouge, La.

1986

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PK David Brown-dyke, Dallas, Texas
 DL/OL Frank Conley, Miami Springs, Fla.
 LB Brian Cusick, Jacksonville, Fla.
 LB Jason Delmore, Gonzales, La.
 TB Eddie Fuller, Leesville, La.
 QB Sol Graves, Monroe, La.
 TE Ronnie Haliburton, Port Arthur, Texas
 DL/OL Bien Harbin, Mobile, Ala.
 DB/WR Tony Houston, Ruston, La.
 DB/WR Malcolm Kraut, Beaumont, Texas
 TB Alvin Lee, Beaumont, Texas
 LB Jay Mayet, Galliano, La.
 OL Blake Miller, Alexandria, La.
 DB Rick Orebo, Orange, Texas
 OL Brian Puckett, Monroe, La.
 OL Steve Reading, Belle Chasse, La.
 RB/WR Derrick Saulsberry, Thibodaux, La.
 WR Leon "Tyke" Tolbert, Conroe, Texas
 QB Leonard Valentine, Marrero, La.
 RB Walker "Slip" Watkins, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
 RB Harvey Williams, Hempstead, Texas
 TE Willie Williams, Houston, Texas
 RB Calvin Windom, Orlando, Fla.

1987

HEAD COACH MIKE ARCHER

OG Jim Arnold, Corpus Christi, Texas
 DE Marc Boutte, Lake Charles, La.
 ILB Joe Brown, Houston, Texas
 DE Dal Chappell, Gretna, La.
 S Shannon Citizen, Lake Charles, La.
 OLB Marshall Frank, Ville Platt, La.
 CB Derrick Giron, Port Arthur, Texas
 ILB Rudy Harmon, Beaumont, Texas
 OT Roger Hutchinson, Gonzales, La.
 OT John Jerke, Lufkin, Texas
 TB Karl Jones, Zachary, Miss.
 WR Todd Kinchen, Baton Rouge, La.
 OT Andy Martin, DeRidder, La.
 S Pershing Mero, New Orleans, La.
 ILB Eric Middleton, Corsicana, Texas
 NG Mickey Miller, Kentwood, La.
 QB Chris Moock, Greenwell Springs, La.
 DE Craig Norris, Cicero, N.Y.
 RB Derek Pope, New Orleans, La.
 ILB Edrick Quave, Moss Point, Miss.
 CB/S Corey Raymond, New Iberia, La.
 NG Torun Robinson, McComb, Miss.
 NG Chris Truax, Richardson, Texas
 DE Brian Walls, Brookhaven, Miss.
 NG Scott Wharton, Baton Rouge, La.
 TB Darrell Williams, Hempstead, Texas
 CB Jimmy Young, San Antonio, Texas

1988

HEAD COACH MIKE ARCHER

DB Raefel Adams, Jasper, Texas
 DB Dominique Artis, Dallas, Texas
 DB/WR Carlton Buckels, Amite, La.
 LB Juan Cendoya, Miami, Fla.
 LB Shannon Cornelius, Minden, La.
 OL Mike Duplantis, Mathews, La.
 RB/DB Vincent Fuller, Leesville, La.
 RB Mike Garrett, The Woodlands, Texas
 C Frank Godfrey, Pascagoula, Miss.
 DB Robby Green, Gretna, La.
 OL Leonard Harris, Baton Rouge, La.
 DB Stephen Harris, Dallas, Texas
 TE Brian Jenkins, Palestine, Texas
 OL Darron Landry, Ponchatoula, La.
 DB Derriel McCorvey, Pensacola, Fla.
 LB Tyrone Malone, Houston, Texas
 OL John Morgan, Rayne, La.
 NG Clayton Mouton, Beaumont, Texas
 FB Fred Norfleet, Memphis, Tenn.
 RB/DB Torrin Polk, Houston, Texas
 RB Sammy Seamster, Minden, La.
 OL Raymond Smoot, Leesville, La.
 DB Mike Stepteau, San Antonio, Texas
 LB Nigel Ventress, Port Arthur, Texas
 LB David Walkup, The Woodlands, Texas
 LB Anthony Williams, Monroe, La.
 RB/DB Wayne Williams, Mansfield, La.
 DL Dave Womack, Gonzales, La.

1989

HEAD COACH MIKE ARCHER

RB Leo Abel, Baton Rouge, La.
 RB Odell Beckham, Marshall, Texas
 TE Harold Bishop, Tuscaloosa, Ala.
 OL Jeff Cancienne, River Ridge, La.
 WR Marcus Carter, Mansfield, La.
 QB Jesse Daigle, Baton Rouge, La.
 LB Mike Hewitt, Slidell, La.
 WR Wes Jacob, Crowley, La.
 OT Craig Johnston, Crosby, Texas
 WR Steve Logsdon, Conroe, Texas
 QB Chad Loup, Baton Rouge, La.
 DB Anthony Marshall, Mobile, Ala.

C Kevin Mawae, Leesville, La.
 DL Shannon Nevedomsky, Humble, Texas
 WR Scott Ray, Baton Rouge, La.
 OL Ross Setters, Memphis, Mo.
 DL Ronnie Simnicht, Ocean Springs, Miss.
 OL Sonny Smoak, Thibodaux, La.
 QB Brad Strohm, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
 PK Pedro Suarez, Hialeah, Fla.
 LB Roovelroe Swan, Shreveport, La.
 LB Corey White, Shreveport, La.

1990

HEAD COACH MIKE ARCHER

DB Jerry Brown, Camden, N.J. (Woodrow Wilson)
 OL Kevin Brown, Hialeah, Fla. (American)
 NG Bo Davis, Mendenhall, Miss. (Copiah-Lincoln)
 OL/P Jonny Fayard, Marrero, La. (Archbishop Shaw)
 RB/P Karl Hankton, New Orleans, La. (Valley Forge Acad.)
 DB Ivory Hilliard, Patterson, La. (Patterson)
 LB Brody Inzinna, Tickfaw, La. (Independence)
 RB James Jacquet, St. Martinville, La. (St. Martinville)
 TE Derek Johnson, Carrollton, Texas (Newman Smith)
 TE Shawn King, Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 DT/P Gary Kolasa, Mathews, La. (Central Lafourche)
 DL Nathan Miller, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Central East)
 WR Gary Pegues, Fort Walton, Fla. (Choctawhatchee)
 OT Marcus Price, Port Arthur, Texas (Lincoln)
 DB Harold Ragin, Miami Beach, Fla. (Miami Beach)
 OL Kurt Schroeder, Gonzales, Fla. (Tate)
 OL Phillip Simon, St. Martinville, La. (St. Martinville)
 QB Thomas Simon, Lake Charles, La. (Boston)
 LM Roman Starns, Center, Texas (Center)
 NG Stanley Thomas, Marshall, Texas (Marshall)
 DB Ricardo Washington, Bogalusa, La. (Bogalusa)
 RB Germaine Williams, Donaldsonville, La. (Ascension Catholic)

1991

HEAD COACH CURLEY HALLMAN

DB John Bell, LaPorte, Texas (LaPorte)
 DB Kimojha Brooks, DeRidder, La. (DeRidder)
 DB Todd Burks, Denham Springs, La. (Fork Union Acad.)
 DB Tony Cole, Shreveport, La. (Byrd)
 LB William Crowell, Meridian, Miss. (Meridian)
 LB Robert Deshotel, Lake Charles, La. (LaGrange)
 OL Jeff Dupre, Opelousas, La. (Opelousas Catholic)
 PK Matt Huerkamp, Shalimar, La. (Choctawhatchee)
 QB Ryan Huffman, Houston, Texas (Clear Lake)
 OL Mark King, Houma, La. (Terrebone)
 RB John McClain, Cartersville, Ga. (Cartersville)
 NG Brian Madden, Indianapolis, Ind. (Garden City CC)
 DL Craig Robinson, Jackson, Miss. (Lanier)
 LB Jason Smothers, Destrehan, La. (Destrehan)
 TE Brandon Stelly, Opelousas, La. (Opelousas Catholic)
 OL Jerome Sterling, River Ridge, La. (John Curtis)
 DE Robert Thibodeaux, River Ridge, La. (John Curtis)
 OL Tom Turner, Bastrop, La. (Bastrop)
 LB Eric Valentino, Houston, Texas (Clear Lake)
 OL Brian Ward, Linden, Ala. (Marengo Acad.)
 LB Bobby Williams, Ruston, La. (Ruston)
 DB Lee Williams, Monroe, La. (Valley Forge Acad.)
 DB Rodney Young, Grambling, La. (Ruston)

1992

HEAD COACH CURLEY HALLMAN

NG Doug Admire, Rockwall, Texas (Rockwall)
 OL Ben Bordelon, Mathews, La. (Central Lafourche)
 RB David Butler, Bourg, La. (South Terrebone)
 LB Mike Calais, Patterson, La. (Patterson)
 OL Marcus Carmouche, Lafayette, La. (Carencro)
 RB Robert Davis, Birmingham, Ala. (Homewood)
 LB James Gillyard, Shreveport, La. (Woodlawn)
 DB Robert Hawkins, Dallas, Texas (Carter)
 DB Al Head, Amite, La. (Amite)
 TE Chris Hill, Mansfield, La. (Mansfield)
 QB Jamie Howard, Lafayette, La. (St. Thomas More)
 DB Tory James, Marrero, La. (Archbishop Shaw)
 OL Jeff Jenkins, West Monroe, La. (Ouachita Christian)
 OL Kerry Jenkins, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Holt)
 RB Jay Johnson, Waco, Texas (Waco)
 WR Eddie Kennison, Lake Charles, La. (Wash.-Marion)
 TE David LaFleur, Westlake, La. (Westlake)
 WR Clarence Lenton, Memphis, Tenn. (Westwood)
 DL Robert Miller, Hattiesburg, Miss. (Hattiesburg)
 RB Artie Moore, Wiggins, Miss. (Stone County)
 LB Gabe Northern, Baton Rouge, La. (Glen Oaks)
 DL Ike Pullett, Baton Rouge, La. (Tara/Pearl River CC)
 RB Robert Toomer, Sylvester, Ga. (County)
 OL Sean Wells, Jenks, Okla. (Jenks)
 SS Reggie Wilson, New Orleans, La. (John Curtis)
 WR Sheddric Wilson, Thomasville, Ga. (Thomasville)
 DL Tori Workman, Winston-Salem, N.C. (Fork Union Academy)

1993

HEAD COACH CURLEY HALLMAN

RB Derrick Beavers, Carencro, La. (Carencro)
 TE Josh Bradley, Oak Grove, La. (Oak Grove)
 DB Hunter Bullard, Bossier City, La. (Airline)
 DL David Carmona, Richardson, Texas (Richardson)
 DB Talvi Crawford, Orlando, Fla. (Garden City CC)
 WR Chris Cummings, Dothan, Ala. (Dothan)
 RB Kevin Franklin, Baton Rouge, La. (Catholic)
 DB Tyrone Frazier, Shreveport, La. (Woodlawn)
 DB Chris Green, Hahnville, La. (Hahnville)
 LB Jeff Hampton, Clear Lake, Texas (Clear Lake)
 LB Furnell Hankton, New Orleans, La. (B.T. Wash.)
 OL Todd Holland, Orlando, Fla. (Boone)
 LB Tim Hutton, Slidell, La. (Slidell)
 WR Eddie Kennison, Lake Charles, La. (Wash.-Marion)
 P/PK Chad Kessler, Lake Mary, Fla. (Lake Mary)
 LB Brandon Michel, Litcher, La. (Litcher)
 LB Kenny Mixon, Pineville, La. (Pineville)
 DL Heath Panks, Slidell, La. (Salmen)
 OL Adam Perry, Covington, La. (Covington)
 LB Pat Rogers, Shreveport, La. (Fair Park)
 RB Jermaine Sharp, Monroe, La. (Ouachita Christian)
 WR Eric Smith, Vero Beach, Fla. (NW Miss. JC)
 LB Allen Stansberry, Baton Rouge, La. (Broadmoor)
 DL Jason Stein, Luling, La. (Hahnville)
 QB Casey Taber, Schulenburg, Texas (Schulenburg)
 RB/KR Jimmy Taylor, Shreveport, La. (Northwood)
 DB Denard Walker, Garland, Texas (South Garland)
 LB Chuck Wiley, Baker, La. (Southern Lab)

1994

HEAD COACH CURLEY HALLMAN

DB Aaron Adams, Metairie (East Jefferson)
 OL Rusty Barrilleaux, Amite (Amite)
 OL Jeremy Baye, Marrero (Shaw)
 WR Chris Beard, Shreveport (Byrd)
 LB Trupania Bonner, New Orleans (Jesuit)
 QB Josh Booty, Shreveport (Evangel)
 RB Kendall Cleveland, West Orange, Texas (Stark)
 WR Chris Cummings, Dothan, Ala. (Dothan)
 RB/SS Alja Delaney, Haughton (Haughton)
 TE/LB Chad Ducre, Mandeville (Mandeville)
 OL Alan Faneca, Rosenberg, TX (Lamar Consolidated)
 LB Benaderyl Franklin, Moss Point, Miss. (Moss Point)
 OL Eric Griffin, Galliano (South Lafourche)
 QB Melvin Hill, Mansfield (Mansfield)
 DB Raion Hill, New Orleans (Brother Martin)
 OL Brian Humke, Bossier City (Airline)
 DE Arnold Miller, New Orleans (Carver)
 LB Matt Newchurch, Thibodaux (E.D. White)
 PK Wade Richey, Carencro (Carencro)
 TE Edward Singleton, Cecilia (Cecilia)
 WR Eric Smith, Vero Beach, Fla. (NW Miss. JUCO)
 OL Lee Stromberg, Monroe (Ouachita)
 LB/DE Mike Sutton, New Orleans (Salmen)
 CB Troy Twillie, Slidell (Slidell)

1995

HEAD COACH GERRY DINARDO

RB Kevin Faulk, Carencro, La. (Carencro)
 WR Larry Foster, Harvey, La. (West Jefferson)
 LB Benaderyl Franklin, Moss Point, Miss. (Moss Point)
 LB Monte Gatlin, Magnolia, Miss. (South Pike)
 LM Ryan Hebert, Baton Rouge, La. (Catholic)
 B Greg Hill, Mansfield, La. (Logansport)
 DB Lloyd Jones, Hitchcock, Texas (Hitchcock)
 LB Roshawn Matthews, Baton Rouge, La. (Christian Life)
 C Todd McClure, Baton Rouge, La. (Central)
 DT Anthony McFarland, Winnsboro, La. (Winnsboro)
 RB Rondell Mealey, Destrehan, La. (Destrehan)
 OL Naeshall Menard, Marrero, La. (Archbishop Shaw)
 DE Arnold Miller, New Orleans, La. (Carver)
 TE Jamal Pack, Marrero, La. (Archbishop Shaw)
 QB Nicky Savoie, Cut Off, La. (So Lafourche/Gulf Coast CC)
 B Anthony Skinner, Patterson, La. (Patterson/Gulf Coast CC)
 LB Charles Smith, New Orleans, La. (Fortier)
 LB Markeith Spears, Zachary, La. (Northeast)
 QB Marcus Taylor, Clarksdale, Miss. (Clarksdale)
 OL Ryan Thomassie, Galliano, La. (South Lafourche)
 DT Damien Tullier, New Orleans, La. (Brother Martin)
 QB Herbert Tyler, New Orleans, La. (O.P. Walker)
 LB Joseph Wesley, Brookhaven, Miss. (Brookhaven)
 QB Clifton White, Hahnville, La. (Hahnville)
 P Jeremy Witten, Louisville, Ky. (Fern Creek)

Signees

1996

HEAD COACH GERRY DINARDO

- WR Yahmani Adams, Laurel, Miss. (Jones County JC)
 WR Nemesis Bates, New Orleans, La. (St. Augustine)
 PK Danny Boyd, Bradenton, Fla. (Southeast)
 B John Christ, Baton Rouge, La. (Catholic)
 B Cecil Collins, Leesville, La. (Leesville)
 B Brandon Dale, Slidell, La. (Salmen)
 B Cedric Donaldson, Jackson, Miss. (Hinds JC)
 B Nate Gates, Sarasota, Fla. (Riverview)
 LM Willie Harvey, Houston, Texas (B.T. Washington)
 LB Jamal Hill, Mercer Island, Wash. (Mercer Island)
 WR Rodney Hudson, Monroe, La. (Fort Scott JC)
 LM Al Jackson, Moss Point, Miss. (Moss Point)
 LM Trey Langley, Eunice, La. (Eunice)
 B Clarence LeBlanc, River Ridge, La. (John Curtis)
 LB Scott McMurray, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 LB Brandon Matthews, New Orleans, La. (Carver)
 LM Johnny Mitchell, Marrero, La. (John Ehret)
 LB Kareem Mitchell, Moss Point, Miss. (Moss Point)
 WR Dennis Nelson, Lake Charles, La. (Wash-Marion)
 LM Alvin Puckett, New Orleans, La. (McMain)
 B Mark Roman, New Iberia, La. (New Iberia)
 QB Bryan Sparacino, Denham Springs, La. (NW Miss. JC)
 LB Wardell Sykes, Harvey, La. (West Jefferson)
 B Robert Tyler, Cleveland, Miss. (Cleveland)
 LM David Watkins, New Orleans, La. (Karr)
 LM Theo Williams, Marrero, La. (John Ehret)
 TE Brandon Winey, Lake Charles, La. (Wash-Marion)
 B Damion Woods, Slidell, La. (Salmen)
 LM Derrion Yates, Houston, Texas (B.T. Washington)

1997

HEAD COACH GERRY DINARDO

- FB Tommy Banks, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 DL Muskingum Barnes, Moss Point, Miss. (Moss Point)
 DB Fred Booker, Hammond, La. (Hammond)
 WR Abram Booty, Shreveport, La. (Evangel)
 DB Ryan Clark, Marrero, La. (Shaw)
 WR Ed Dangerfield, Morgan City, La. (Morgan City)
 QB Rohan Davey, Hialeah, Fla. (Miami Lakes)
 WR Robert Davis, Shreveport, La. (Evangel)
 TE Joe Domingeaux, Crowley, La. (Crowley)
 LB Thomas Dunson, Spring, Texas (Klein Oak)
 DE Jarvis Green, Donaldsonville, La. (Donaldsonville)
 LB Jason Green, Donaldsonville, La. (Donaldsonville)
 WR Michael Hayes, Opelousas, La. (Opelousas)
 DB Prentis Jenkins, Vidalia, La. (Vidalia)
 RB LaVar Johnson, Galena Park, Texas (North Shore)
 DB Lloyd Jones, Hitchcock, Texas (Trinity Valley Col.)
 PK Kris Kessler, Longwood, Fla. (Lake Mary)
 TE Kyle Kipps, Lafayette, La. (Comeaux)
 LB Walter Moreham, Houston, Texas (Yates)
 QB Craig Nall, Alexandria, La. (Alexandria Senior)
 DB Terrence O'Bryant, New Waverly, Texas (New Waverly)
 LB Cisco Perkins, Shreveport, La. (Evangel)
 OT Dwayne Pierce, New Orleans, La. (Carver)
 DT Melvin Richey, Decatur, Ga. (Southwest DeKalb)
 TE Robert Royal, New Orleans, La. (Karr)
 OT Louis Williams, Ft. Walton Bch, Fla. (Choctawhatchee)

1998

HEAD COACH GERRY DINARDO

- DL Kenderick Allen, Bogalusa, La. (Bogalusa)
 TE Jason Baggett, Baytown, Texas (Lee)
 LB Chris Cooper, Harvey, La. (West Jefferson)
 DL Byron Dawson, Shreveport, La. (Evangel)
 OG Sam Forehand, Ocean Springs, Miss. (Vanceleave)
 DE Willie Gray, New Orleans, La. (St. Augustine)
 DL Howard Green, Donaldsonville, La. (Donaldsonville)
 OL Jesse Harmon, Crowley, La. (Fort Scott CC)
 DB Damien James, Carencro, La. (Carencro)
 DL Chad Lavalais, Marksville, La. (Marksville)
 LB Jeremy Lawrence, Ferriday, La. (Ferriday)
 F-B Solomon Lee, Bastrop, La. (Bastrop)
 LB Adam McConathy, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 TE Zack Pendarvis, Baton Rouge, La. (Catholic)
 RB Josh Reed, Rayne, La. (Rayne)
 DL Melvin Richey, Decatur, Ga. (SW DeKalb)
 WR Reginald Robinson, Shreveport, La. (Fair Park)
 OT Rob Sale, Monroe, La. (Neville)
 OG Brad Smalling, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 CB Michael Stamps, Houston, Texas (NE Oklahoma A&M)
 DB Lionel Thomas, Opelousas, La. (Opelousas)
 LB Broderick Williams, New Orleans, La. (Sarah Reed)
 DB Damion Woods, Slidell, La. (SW Miss. CC)
 DL Shaun Wynn, Tyler, Texas (John Tyler)
 OT Bob Wynne, New Orleans, La. (Jesuit)
 OG John Young, Ruston, La. (Ruston)

1999

HEAD COACH GERRY DINARDO

- OL Jonathan Autrey, Cecilia, La. (Cecilia)
 DL Paul Broussard, LaPorte, Texas LaPorte)
 PK John Corbello, Lafayette, La. (St. Thomas More)
 C Jason Cuevas, Purvis, Miss. (Purvis)
 OL Jason Daire, Eunice, La. (St. Edmund's)
 WR Chris Davis, Greensburg, La. (St. Helena Central)
 DB/RB Domanick Davis, Breaux Bridge, La. (Breaux Bridge)
 DE Ranny Davis, Houma, La. (H.L. Bourgeois)
 TE Eric Edwards, Monroe, La. (Ouachita Christian)
 LB Treverance Faulk, Lafayette, La. (Lafayette)
 WR Ahmad Harris, Baton Rouge, La. (University)
 DB Demetrius Hookfin, Kentwood, La. (Kentwood)
 LB Bradie James, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 LB Derace James, Patterson, La. (Patterson)
 DB Prentis Jenkins, Vidalia, La. (Vidalia HS/Holmes JC)
 P Donnie Jones, Baton Rouge, La. (Catholic)
 DE Chad Lavalais, Marksville, La. (Marksville)
 DB Norman LeJeune, Brusly, La. (Brusly)
 WR Jerel Myers, Houston, Texas (Madison)
 DB Deryell Patterson, Friendswood, Texas (Clear Brook HS)
 TE Terry Phillips, Houston, Texas (Forest Brook)
 OL Rodney Reed, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 DL Melvin Richey, Decatur, Ga. (SW DeKalb HS/Berkshire Prep)
 QB Antron Seiber, Independence, La. (Independence)
 RB LaBrandon Toefield, Independence, La. (Independence)
 ATH Bryce Wyatt, Lake Charles, La. (Barbe)
 DL Walter Young, Purvis, Miss. (Purvis)

2000

HEAD COACH NICK SABAN

- DB Eric Alexander, Port Arthur, Texas (Austin)
 DT Jarvin Armelin, Sulphur, La. (Sulphur)
 LB Dorsett Buckels, Amite, La. (Amite)
 OL Kade Comeaux, Crowley, La. (Notre Dame)
 WR Erin Diamond, Bogalusa, La. (Bogalusa)
 RB Randall Gay, Brusly, La. (Brusly)
 RB Devery Henderson, Opelousas, La. (Opelousas)
 DE Chris Henry, Houston, Texas (Jones)
 WR Drew Hixon, Kennesaw, Ga. (Harrison)
 WR Jack Hunt, Ruston, La. (Ruston)
 DB Rudy Johnson, Kentwood, La. (Kentwood)
 DT John Paul Jones, Carencro, La. (Carencro)
 LB Marvin Jones, Hammond, La. (Hammond)
 DE Chad Lavalais, Marksville, La. (Marksville)
 OL Daniel Leon, St. Martinville, La. (St. Martinville)
 OL Nate Livings, Lake Charles, La. (Wash.-Marion)
 WR Donriel Louis, Edgard, La. (West St. John)
 DB Adrian Mayes, Houston, Texas (Forest Brook)
 DB Travis Moses, Gonzales, La. (East Ascension)
 RB Derron Parquet, Metairie, La. (Rummel)
 TE Stephen Peterman, Waveland, Miss. (St. Stanislaus)
 QB Marcus Randall, Baton Rouge, La. (Glen Oaks)
 LB Jarvus Ryes, Loreauville, La. (Loreauville)
 LB Lionel Turner, Walker, La. (Walker)
 WR Corey Webster, Gramercy, La. (St. James)
 DT Brad West, Gurley, Ala. (Madison County)
 LB Marcus Yanez, Bastrop, La. (Bastrop)

2001

HEAD COACH NICK SABAN

- RB Joseph Addai, Houston, Texas (Sharpstown)
 OL Steve Arflin, Jacksonville, Fla. (Fletcher)
 OL Jonathan Banks, Baton Rouge, La. (McKinley)
 WR Bennie Brazell, Houston, Texas (Westbury)
 RB Shyrone Carey, New Orleans, La. (Shaw)
 QB Rick Clausen, Woodlawn Hills, Calif. (Taft)
 WR Michael Clayton, Baton Rouge, La. (Christian Life Academy)
 WR/DB Travis Daniels, Hollywood, Fla. (South Broward)
 RB Ryan Gilbert, Dallas, Texas (Hillcrest)
 LB Donovan Grayson, New Orleans, La. (Karr)
 TE Kory Hebert, Lafayette, La. (Teurlings Catholic)
 DE Marquise Hill, New Orleans, La. (De LaSalle)
 DT Brandon Hurley, Monroe, La. (Quachita Christian)
 TE David Jones, Silver Springs, Md. (Springbrook)
 OL Nate Livings, Lake Charles, (Washington-Marion)
 LB Phillip Maxell, Shreveport, La. (Evangel Christian)
 OL Rudy Niswanger, Monroe, La. (Quachita Christian)
 DE Melvin Oliver, Opelika, Ala. (Opelika)
 LB Dave Peterson, Bristol, Fla. (Coffeyville, Kan., College)
 LB Tim Pope, Panama City, Fla. (Rutherford)
 WR/DB Ronnie Prude, Shreveport, La. (Fair Park)
 TE Marcus Spears, Baton Rouge, La. (Southern Lab)
 DE Brandon Washington, Tuscaloosa, Ala. (Central)
 OL Andrew Whitworth, West Monroe, La. (West Monroe)
 OL Ben Wilkerson, Hemphill, Texas (Hemphill)
 DB Brandon Williams, Port Allen, La. (Port Allen)
 DT Torran Williams, Miami, Fla. (Dodge City, Kan., College)



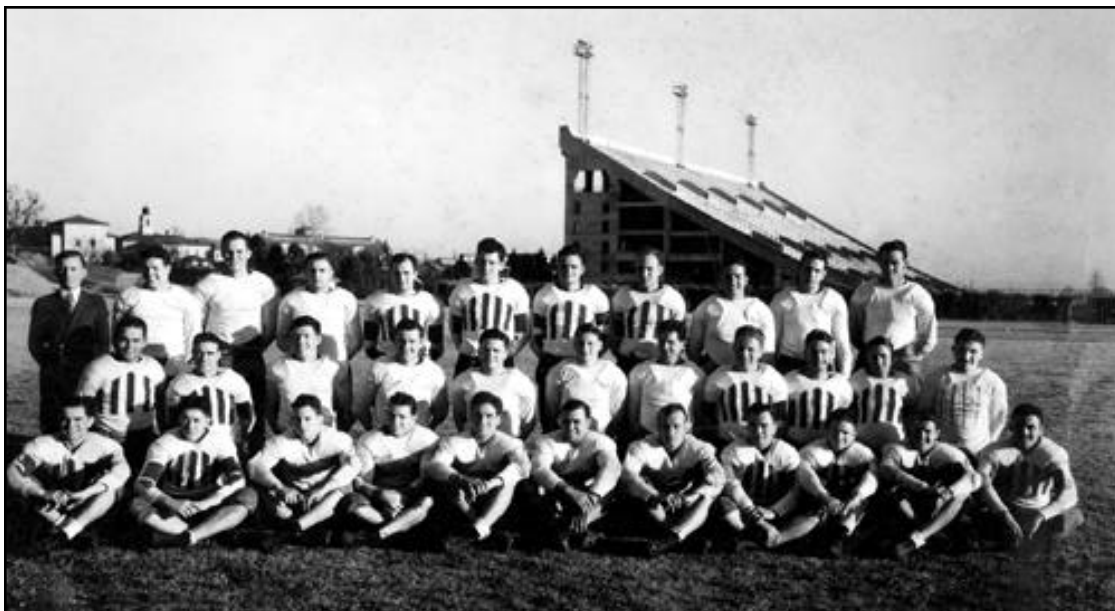
HISTORY



HISTORY

It is impossible to portray the rich history of LSU football in only a few pages. However, below are tidbits from Tiger football annals that have contributed to the story that is LSU Football. These items are presented as background material with the hope that it will encourage a better understanding of the many traditions that are associated with Tiger athletics.

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The 1931 Tigers

the history of LSU FOOTBALL

Cotton Bowl

One of the most notable games in LSU football history was the 1966 Cotton Bowl against powerful Arkansas. The Razorbacks went into the New Year's Day tilt ranked No. 2 in the country and riding a 22-game winning streak. LSU owned a meager 7-3 mark compared to the Hogs's perfect 10-0 record, but little Joe Labruzzo silenced many a disbeliever to spark the Bayou Bengals to their greatest bowl win. The Tigers left Dallas with a 14-7 win over the Southwest Conference host Razorbacks. The Tigers have appeared in two other Cotton Bowl classics, tying Arkansas 0-0 in the 1947 game and beating Texas 13-0 in 1963.

Cheerleaders

Cheerleaders have long been a part of college foot-

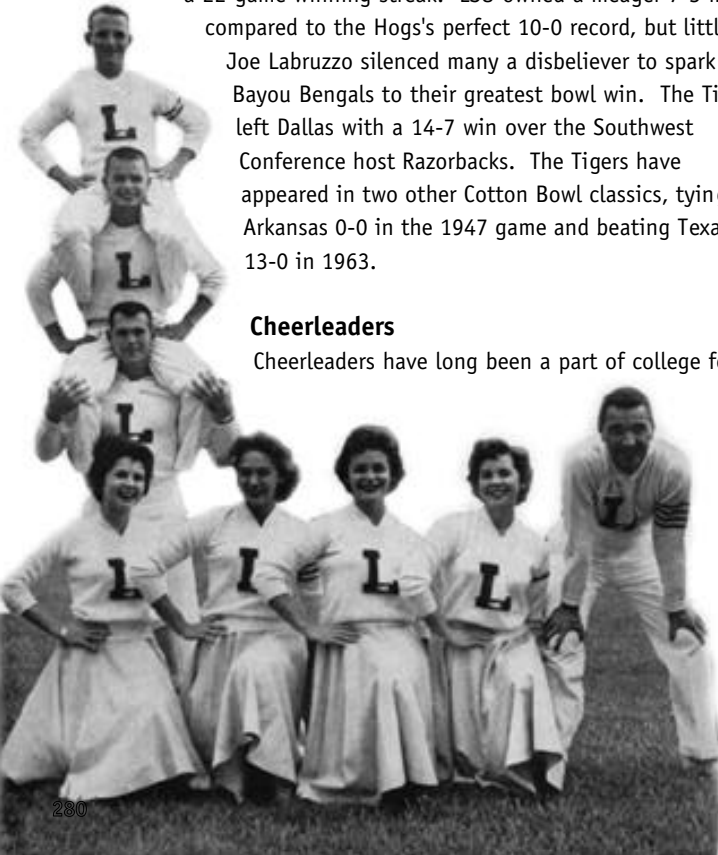
ball tradition, and the LSU Varsity Cheerleaders are no exception in their role in Tiger gridiron lore. Pregame ceremonies feature the LSU Cheerleaders atop Mike the Tiger's cage as it circles the field. The cheerleaders also traditionally lead the Tigers onto the field before and at the half of every game.



The Chinese Bandits

Chinese Bandits

The nickname of one of the three units utilized in Paul Dietzel's three-platoon system that vaulted the Tigers to the 1958 national championship. That year, the first team was named the White Team, an offensive unit was named the Go Team and a defensive unit was tabbed the Chinese Bandits. The White Team, naturally, wore white





jerseys and was so named. The Go Team wore gold jerseys as the word "gold" was eventually shortened to "go." The name "Chinese Bandits" actually originated when Dietzel recalled a line from the old "Terry and The Pirates" comic strip which referred to Chinese Bandits as the "most vicious people in the world." In their heyday, the Chinese Bandits were featured in chinese masks in *Life* magazine. In 1980 the LSU band revived the Bandit tune played when the LSU defense stalls any opponent's drive.

Crossbar

Unbeknownst to many a Tiger fan, the LSU football team still runs onto the field under the same crossbar that stood as part of the north end zone goalpost in Tiger Stadium as early as 1955. It had long been tradition that the LSU football team enter the field by running under the goalpost when the new "T-style" goalposts came



The Tigers still run under this crossbar that stood in Tiger Stadium from 1955-1984.

into vogue. By virtue of tradition, the old "H-style" posts stood on the field of Death Valley until it was finally removed in 1984. Part of the crossbar, however, was kept and mounted above the door of the Tiger Den through which the Tigers run onto the field each game. For many years, it was also tradition that the Tigers run under the goalpost at away games as well. That tradition was maintained, too, until Sept. 29, 1984, when the Tiger troops emerged from the lockerroom of the Los Angeles Coliseum, ran down the track on which the Summer Olympics had been run just months before, and sprinted to a 23-3 rout of the Southern Cal Trojans. In 1993, in celebration of the centennial of LSU football, the "H-style" goalpost was returned to the end zones of Tiger Stadium thanks to a donation from Shaw Industries of Baton Rouge.

Cuba

LSU was the first college team to play on foreign soil when, in 1907, coach Edgar R. Wingard took his Tigers to Havana for an international gridiron bout. The University of Havana team had dominated every American service team it had played, but had never encountered football collegiate style. The finesse of the Tigers took the big Cuban team by surprise on Christmas Day at Almendares Park and LSU walked away with a convincing 56-0 victory before 10,000 fans.

Dormitories

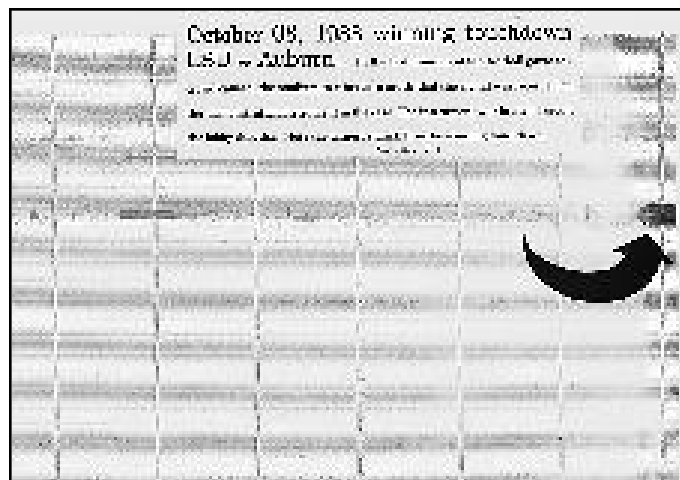
Tiger Stadium is unique in that it once housed some 1,500 dorm rooms, home to many an LSU student over the years. This concept was introduced in 1928 by T.P. "Skipper" Heard, who can also be credited for bringing night football to Tiger Stadium. Heard learned that LSU president James Smith proposed to use \$250,000 to build new dormitories on the LSU campus. Heard sold Smith on the idea of raising the stands on both the East and West sides of the stadium and extending them to the endzones, then constructing the dorms inside the stadium. Thus the University got its dorms and Tiger Stadium's capacity increased by 10,000 seats in 1931.



Stadium Dormitories

Earthquake

October 8, 1988, has come to be known as the "Night the Tigers Moved the Earth." LSU struggled throughout the night against the mighty Tigers of Auburn University in a battle of the SEC elite. The visitors from the Plains had held the hometown Tigers at bay, but LSU, too, had allowed Auburn just a pair of field goals. With but 1:41 to play in the game, on fourth down and nine from the Auburn 10, Tommy Hodson connected with Eddie Fuller in the back of the endzone for a tying touchdown that vaulted LSU to 7-6 win. The play caused such a thunderous explosion from the crowd of 79,341 that the tremor caused by the vibrations registered on a seismograph in LSU's Geology Department on campus. The seismograph of the week revealed a large block of ink that registered at 9:32 p.m., the exact moment of the winning score. In May of 1994, that memorable event was featured in a "Ripley's Believe It Or Not!" item distributed to newspapers all over the world.



The seismograph reading from the night the Tigers moved the earth. Hodson to Fuller...LSU 7, Auburn 6



THE HISTORY OF LSU FOOTBALL



89-Yards

There have been longer scoring plays in LSU football history, but Billy Cannon's 89-yard punt return against Ole Miss in 1959 is simply, and undeniably, the most famous play in Tiger grid-iron records. In fact, some consider it one of the most memorable in college football history. It was an eerie, misty and humid Halloween night, and the Rebels of Mississippi took a 3-0 lead into the final quarter, threatening to end an 18-game LSU win streak. On third and 17 from the Ole Miss 42, the Rebels' Jake Gibbs punted 47 yards to the Tiger 11 where Cannon hauled it in on the bounce. Cannon careened off seven tacklers down the east sideline and darted 89 yards to immortality. Some say it may have been that run that assured Cannon of the Heisman Trophy he received at season's end.

LSU vs. Tulane

LSU's rivalry with the Green Wave of Tulane was a natural from the game's infancy. The Greenies won LSU's first football game by a 34-0 count, but over the ensuing seasons, the Tigers have dominated the series and own a 64-22-7 margin over their neighbors from New Orleans. The proximity of the schools made for the development of the rivalry in its early years and, by 1913, fans began to travel the distance by automobile instead of by train. Today's Tiger fan can traverse the distance from Tiger Stadium to the Louisiana Superdome in less than 90 minutes, but in the early years, according to the Times Picayune of the day, "with a good car, it can be negotiated in perfect comfort in six hours."



The Golden Band From Tigerland

The grandest band in all the land, the Golden Band from Tigerland is as much a part of Saturday nights in Tiger Stadium as the team itself. Among the many favorites of LSU fans is the band's traditional pregame march down North Stadium Drive from the Band Hall to the tune of "Hold That Tiger." That tradition is a carry-over from the old pregame parades through downtown Baton Rouge. Castro Carazo was the man handpicked by Louisiana Governor Huey Long in 1935 to revamp the Tiger band. It was Carazo and Long who together wrote fan favorite "Touchdown for LSU," and two years later Carazo also penned the official LSU fight song, "Fight For LSU."

Halloween

Drama on Halloween is as traditional as pumpkins and goblins for LSU and Ole Miss. These schools have met seven times on October 31 with the series tied at 3-3-1. The most notable game on All

Hallow's Eve was the 1959 thriller that saw Billy Cannon return a punt 89 yards to spur a 7-3 Tiger victory. The Tigers and Rebels next met on Halloween in 1964. Ole Miss led 10-3 late in the fourth quarter in Death Valley when LSU scored a touchdown to make it 10-9. Quarterback Billy Ezell then threw to Doug Moreau in the front corner of the endzone on the two-point conversion, at nearly the exact point where Cannon had crossed the goalline five years earlier for an 11-10 win. There was a 17-year drought before the teams played on Oct. 31 again, this time at Jackson in 1981. A seesaw battle ended with a 46-yard field goal off the foot of LSU's David Johnston as time expired for a 27-27 tie. In the most recent meeting, the teams engaged in the first overtime game in LSU history at Oxford in 1998, but Ole Miss emerged with a 37-31 win. In other Halloween games, Ole Miss won 27-16 in 1953, LSU took a 42-13 win in 1987 and Ole Miss won 32-0 in 1992.



The Ice Bowl of 1947 — LSU 0, Arkansas 0

Ice Bowl

The Tigers of 1946, though not one of Bernie Moore's two SEC championship teams, was surely one of Moore's finest squads. Only a 26-7 loss

at the hands of SEC foe Georgia Tech spoiled the season and the Y.A. Tittle-led Bayou Bengals landed in the Cotton Bowl against Arkansas and star Razorback Smackover Scott. But ice, sleet and snow pelted Dallas on that Jan. 1 as LSU filled oil drums with charcoal and started fires for makeshift heaters on the field. Fans built



The Rag

The Rag was the traditional spoils of victory in the LSU-Tulane rivalry for many years. A flag decorated half in LSU's colors of purple and gold, and the other half adorned in the green and white of Tulane, it



was held for one year by the victorious school until the game the following season. The whereabouts of the flag are unknown.

62-0

Oddly enough, this is the most common score for an LSU victory in the 86-game LSU-Tulane series. Three times in this series, one of the oldest rivalries in the South, have the Tigers emerged with a 62-0 triumph. The first time the Bayou Bengals walked away with such a win was in their 1958 national championship season, and they duplicated that accomplishment in their next Southeastern Conference title season of 1961. Once again, four years later, in the midst of a 17-game LSU win streak over the rivals from New Orleans, the Tigers won 62-0 in 1965.



fires in the stands and watched the Tigers roll to 271-54 advantage in total yardage and a 15-1 lead in first downs. Those numbers, however, didn't equate on the scoreboard which showed 0-0 at game's end. The Tigers finished the season with a 9-1-1 record in Moore's penultimate season as head coach.

Indoor Facility

The spring of 1991 brought the opening of LSU's indoor football facility on the "Ponderosa," LSU's practice fields located on South Stadium Drive across from the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine. The need for the facility was never more evident than during the 1988 preseason when heavy rains forced the Tigers to look for higher grounds in preparation for the '88 season opener. The LSU squad practiced in no less than seven different locations, including the Parade Grounds in the middle of campus, the New Orleans Saints' practice facility in New Orleans and the LSU Field House. Nevertheless, that team went on to win the 1988 SEC Championship.

Kingfish

No single person can be credited for building LSU Football into the entity it is today, but one of the men who most influenced the popularity of Tiger football was neither a player nor a coach. The Kingfish, Louisiana Governor Huey P. Long, never shied from using his political influence to aid the cause of LSU football. Two examples: In 1934, athletic director T.P. Heard reported low advance sales for the LSU-SMU game because of



The Kingfish, Huey P. Long

a circus coming to town the night of the game. Long contacted the proper Barnum and Bailey representatives and informed them of a near-forgotten animal-dipping law. The show was canceled and LSU-SMU ticket sales took off. Later that same year, Long used his influence to "entice" passenger agents of the Illinois Central Railroad to lower fares for LSU students traveling to a road football game. When Long threatened to reassess the value of railroad bridges in the state from \$100,000 to \$4 million, the railroad generously agreed to give LSU students a \$6 roundtrip fare for the Vanderbilt game that season.

Night Games

The tradition of playing night games in Tiger Stadium began on Oct. 3, 1931, when LSU downed Spring Hill, 35-0, under the lights. The idea of night football was introduced by T.P. "Skipper" Heard, then graduate manager of athletics and later to be athletic director. Several reasons were cited for playing LSU games at night: (1) to avoid the heat and humidity of afternoon games, (2) to avoid scheduling conflicts with Tulane and Loyola, (3) to give some fans who were busy tending to plantations in the afternoon the opportunity to see the Tigers play. An immediate increase in attendance was noted, and Night Football soon became ingrained in LSU football lore. LSU has also traditionally played better at night than in the light of day. Since 1960, LSU is 173-56-4 (.751) under the lights of Tiger Stadium and only 12-19-3 (.397) during the day at home.



THE HISTORY OF LSU FOOTBALL



The only man who can wear No. 20: Billy Cannon returned to Tiger Stadium in 1988.

No. 20

Despite the number of colorful figures and outstanding athletes who have come down the pike in the history of LSU football, just one jersey number, No. 20, has been retired. The great Billy Cannon, two-time All-American and Heisman Trophy winner, played at LSU from 1957-59. He led the Tigers to the 1958 national championship and is best known for his 89-yard punt return to beat Ole Miss in 1959. In his career, Cannon rushed for 1,867 yards on 359 carries, an average of 5.2 yards per carry and scored 19 rushing touchdowns. He also scored two touchdowns by receiving and one each by punt return, kickoff return and interception return. LSU went

24-7 during Cannon's stay on the Baton Rouge campus, including 19 straight victories from the end of the 1957 season to the eighth game of the 1959 campaign. Following that 1959 season, Cannon's jersey was retired into the LSU Athletic Hall of Fame.



Numbering System

LSU, in 1952, introduced a unique--and short-lived--jersey numbering system. The idea of coach Gaynell "Gus" Tinsley and publicity director Jim Corbett, the system utilized an abbreviation of the player's position on his jersey. Thus, ends, guards and tackles wore the letters "E", "G" and "T" followed by a single-digit number. The right side of the line wore even numbers, the left side odd numbers. In similar fashion the centers, quarterbacks, left halfbacks, right halfbacks and fullbacks wore "C", "Q", "L", "R" and "F", respectively,

LSU's unique number system failed to "revolutionize" the world of football.

followed by single-digit numerals. The 1953 LSU yearbook, the *Gumbo*, boldly predicted that the new system "may revolutionize the football jersey manufacturing industry." It didn't.



Ole War Skule

LSU began in 1860 as the Louisiana State Seminary of Learning and Military Academy, shortly before the beginning of the Civil War. In fact, LSU's first superintendent was Civil War commander William Tecumseh Sherman. "Ole War Skule" was formerly a popular reference to LSU, as was the term "Old Lou."

Perfect Seasons

LSU has had six unblemished seasons in its history. The Tigers first went undefeated and untied in 1895 under head coach A. P. Simmons with a 3-0 record, but the first truly great LSU team is considered to be the 1908 squad led by one of the most legendary players to wear the Purple and Gold--Doc Fenton. That 1908 team, coached by Edgar R. Wingard, soared through a 10-game schedule without a loss or tie as Fenton scored an incredible 125 points on the year. It was 50 years before LSU would post another perfect season, winning the national championship in 1958 with an 11-0 mark.

South End Zone

Whether it be the 1959 goalline stand that sealed victory for the Tigers against Ole Miss on the "Billy Cannon Run" night or Bert Jones' pass to Brad Davis as time expired to beat the Rebels in 1972, the south end zone of Tiger Stadium has become somewhat of an enigma for the sometimes strange and often memorable plays in LSU football. In the last 15 years alone, the Tiger defenders have put together eight goalline stands at the south end zone, including the following games: 1985 Colorado State, 1985 Florida, 1986 North Carolina, 1986 Notre Dame, 1988 Texas A&M, 1991 Florida State, 1992 Miss. State and 1996 Vanderbilt. In 1988, the Tigers stymied



Billy Cannon and Warren Rabb make a stop at the South End Zone.

the Texas Aggies at the LSU 2-yard line despite the distraction of a bank of lights going dark midway through A&M's series of plays. For that series, LSU's defense was nicknamed the "Lights Out Defense." The first great goalline stand at that end of the field may have been in that 1959 game when Warren Rabb and Billy Cannon halted Ole Miss' Doug Elmore at the one-yard line for the 7-3 victory. Then, in 1971, the first and most memorable of LSU's three goalline stands against Notre Dame was at the one-yard line at the South end of the field as Louis Cascio and Ronnie Estay hit the Irish's Andy Huff at the goal en route to a 28-8 Tiger victory.

Tailgating

It has often been pondered whether the attraction of night football is because of the excitement of the atmosphere created by a game under the lights, the more pleasant weather of an evening after the sun has set, or because it allows more time for tailgating. If it is not football that people of South Louisiana crave, then it is food. Tiger fans arrive as early as Thursday evening for Saturday games, set up their mobile homes and kick back for a weekend of cooking and enjoyment for two days until kickoff. A stroll across the LSU campus and through the parking lots is a veritable connoisseur's treat. Common entrees include crawfish, boiled shrimp and jambalaya and, on occasion, one will run across a cochon-de-lait (pig roast).

Victory Hill

A pregame ritual for many Tiger fans is to line North Stadium Drive in the hours before kickoff to see the Tiger Marching Band in its walk from the band hall. The band pauses each game on the hill next to the Journalism School to play "Tiger Rag" to the

delight of the LSU throngs. Former head coach Curley Hallman began the tradition in the early 1990s of leading the team by foot down Victory Hill from Broussard Hall two hours before the game. That practice became so popular that Gerry DiNardo and Nick Saban continued the tradition, even though the team began to stay in a hotel the night before home games. The team buses drive from the hotel to Broussard Hall--not Tiger Stadium--in order for the players to make their traditional walk down Victory Hill.

Voice of the Tigers

For many years, John Ferguson was known as the "Voice of the Tigers" as his call of the action was broadcast nationwide. The most famous call of all plays, though, belongs to J.C. Politz who was the "Voice of the Tigers" in 1959 when Billy Cannon made his famous 89-yard run. By the time Cannon reached midfield on that play, a technician attempted to turn up the sound on Politz' mike to raise it above the crowd noise. In the excitement of the moment, though, he turned the knob the wrong way, lowering the volume and raising the crowd noise, and much of Politz' call of that play is lost forever. Ferguson later returned to the mike as "The Voice," then moved into television where he worked on TigerVision broadcasts beginning in 1984. At that time, Jim Hawthorne took over the radio duties and remains today the football, basketball and baseball "Voice of the Tigers." The legendary Ferguson is now director emeritus of LSU's Tiger Athletic Foundation.



John Ferguson was the "Voice of the Tigers".



Tiger fans greet the Tigers as they walk down Victory Hill.

Mike the Tiger

Mike V, the famed live Bengal Tiger, that serves as the graphic image of all LSU athletic teams, begins the 11th year of his reign on the LSU campus.

He proudly rules over a modern, refurbished domicile, just north of Tiger Stadium which is divided into two areas: a concrete space containing a pool and grassy expanse, equipped with a tiger-sized wooden scratching post and a climbing platform. In addition, there is an indoor home into which he can retreat to avoid inclement weather with a large window that allows his fans to view him while inside.

Mike's ride through Tiger Stadium before home games in a cage topped by the LSU cheerleaders is a school tradition. Before entering the stadium, his cage on wheels is parked next to the opponent's lockerroom in the southeast end of the stadium. Opposing players must make their way past Mike's cage to reach their locker room.

Tradition dictates that for every growl elicited by Mike before a football game, the Tigers will score a touchdown that night. For many years, Mike was prompted to roar by pounding on the cage. Objections of cruel punishment brought about the use of recorded growls to play to the crowd before the games. That practice was discontinued shortly afterward and, today, Mike participates in the pregame tradition without provocation.

The Tiger mascot stopped traveling with the LSU team in 1970 when his cage overturned on Airline Highway in an accident en route to a game. Mike IV traveled four times in recent years, though, as he appeared at a Mardi Gras parade in 1984, the 1985 Sugar Bowl and LSU's basketball games in the Superdome.

Mike V made his first road trip in December 1991 to the Louisiana Superdome to witness LSU and Shaquille O'Neal defeat Texas, 84-83.

In the mid-1980's,

The nickname "Tigers" was used for nearly half a century before a live Tiger was brought to the LSU campus as an official mascot. For more than a decade, a very realistic paper-mache Tiger was used as the prized mascot of the Ole War Skule. Then in 1935, the legacy of Mike the Tiger began.



Mike Chambers

pranksters cut the locks on Mike IV's cage and freed him in the early-morning hours just days before the annual LSU-Tulane clash. Mike roamed free, playfully knocking down several small pine trees in the area, before being trapped in the Bernie Moore Track Stadium where police used tranquilizer guns to capture and return the Bengal Tiger to his home.

The incident was reminiscent of a kidnapping of Mike I many years ago by Tulane students before a Tiger-Green Wave battle.



MIKE'S FAMILY TREE

MIKE I

The original Mike was purchased from the Little Rock Zoo for \$750, with money contributed by the student body. Originally known as "Sheik" at the time of his purchase, his name was changed to Mike for Mike Chambers who served as LSU's athletic trainer when the first mascot was purchased. Chambers had played football at Illinois where he blocked for the legendary Red Grange. The first Mike was housed in the Baton Rouge Zoo for one year before a permanent home was constructed near Tiger Stadium. Mike I reigned for 20 years before dying of pneumonia in the midst of a six-game LSU losing streak in 1957. Fearing the LSU faithful would give up hope upon the death of the mascot, Mike's death was not made public until the Tigers finally ended the losing streak.

MIKE II

Served a brief reign, lasting only the 1957 season, before dying of pneumonia in the spring of 1958. He was born at the Audubon Park Zoo near the Tulane campus in New Orleans.

MIKE III

Just in time for the 1958 national championship season, Mike III was purchased from the Seattle Zoo following a "national search" by then-athletic director Jim Corbett. The student body contributed \$1,500 for the purchase of the tiger. Mike III served as mascot for 18 seasons, dying after the only losing season of his reign as LSU posted a 5-6 record in 1975.

MIKE IV

Mike IV reigned over Tiger athletics for 14 years after being donated to the school by August A. Busch III from the Dark Continent Amusement Park in Tampa, Fla., on Aug. 29, 1976. Born on May 15, 1974, Mike's age and health were determining factors in his retirement to the Baton Rouge Zoo in 1990. The centerpiece of the Zoo's cat exhibit, Mike weighs in at 500 pounds. His only hiatus from the LSU campus before 1990 was the summer of 1981 which he spent at the Little Rock Zoo while his cage was being refurbished. Ironically, the Little Rock Zoo was the birthplace of the first Mike the Tiger. Mike IV died of old age in March of 1995 at the age of 21.

MIKE V

The newest tiger mascot was donated by Dr. Thomas and Caroline Atchison of the Animal House Zoological Park in Molten, Ala. Avid LSU supporter Charles Becker, a member of the LSU booster group the Tammany Tigers, put Dr. Sheldon Bivin of the LSU School of Veterinary Medicine in touch with the Atchisons. Bivin traveled to Alabama and brought the baby tiger back to Baton Rouge. Born Oct. 18, 1989, the new tiger was introduced to LSU fans at a basketball game against Alabama in February of 1990. He officially began his reign on April 30, 1990, when he was moved into the tiger cage across from Tiger Stadium.

LSU Fight Songs

Fight for LSU

(LSU fight song)

Like Knights of old, Let's fight to hold
The glory of the Purple Gold.

Let's carry through, Let's die or do
To win the game for dear old LSU.

Keep trying for that high score;
Come on and fight,
We want some more, some more.

Come on you Tigers, Fight! Fight! Fight!
for dear old L-S-U.

RAH!

Hey, Fightin' Tigers

(Adapted from the original composition "Hey, Look Me Over" from the Broadway production "Wildcat".)

Hey, Fightin' Tigers, fight all the way
Play Fightin' Tigers, win the game today.

You've got the know how,
you're doing fine,
Hang on to the ball as you hit the wall
And smash right through the line

You've got to go for a touchdown
Run up the score.
Make Mike the Tiger stand right up and roar.
ROAR!

Give it all of your might as you fight tonight
and keep the goal in view.
Victory for L-S-U!



The Tiger Marching Band's pregame "Salute" is one of the most anticipated moments of Saturday night in Tiger Stadium.

Tiger Rag

(Hold That Tiger)

Long ago, way down in the jungle
Someone got an inspiration for a tune,
And that jingle brought from the jungle
Became famous mighty soon.

Thrills and chills it sends thru you!
Hot! so hot, it burns you too!

Tho'it's just the growl of the tiger
It was written in a syncopated way,
More and more they howl for the "Tiger"
Ev'ry where you go today
They're shoutin'

Where's that Tiger! Where's that Tiger!
Where's that Tiger! Where's that Tiger!
Hold that Tiger! Hold that Tiger!
Hold that Tiger!

Touchdown for LSU!

Tigers! Tigers! They've come to town,
They fight! They fight! Call a first down,
Just look them over, and how they can go,
Smashing the line with runs and passes
high and low.

Touchdown! Touchdown! It's Tigers' score.
Give them hell and a little bit more.
Come on you Tigers, Fight them, you Tigers,
Touchdown for LSU.
Rah! U. Rah!

LSU Alma Mater

Where stately oaks and broad magnolias
shade inspiring halls,
There stands our dear Alma Mater
who to us recalls
Fond memories that waken in our hearts
a tender glow,
And make us happy for the love
that we have learned to know.

All hail to thee our Alma Mater,
molder of mankind,
May greater glory, love unending
be forever thine.
Our worth in life will be thy worth
we pray to keep it true,
And thy spirit dwell in us forever...L-S-U.

LSU HERITAGE



NICKNAME:

Fighting Tigers

Way back in the fall of 1896, coach A.W. Jeardeau's LSU football team posted a perfect 6-0-0 record, and it was in that pigskin campaign that LSU first adopted its nickname, Tigers.

"Tigers" seemed a logical choice since most collegiate teams in that year bore the names of ferocious animals, but the underlying reason why LSU chose "Tigers" dates back to the Civil War.

During the "War Between the States," a battalion of Confederate soldiers comprised of New Orleans Zouaves and Donaldsonville Cannoneers distinguished themselves at the Battle of Shenandoah.

These Louisiana rebels had been known by their contemporaries as the fighting band of Louisiana Tigers. Thus when LSU football teams entered the gridiron battlefields in their fourth year of intercollegiate competition, they tagged themselves as the "Tigers".

It was the 1955 LSU "fourth-quarter ball club" that helped the moniker "Tigers" grow into the nickname, "Fighting Tigers".

COLORS:

Purple and Gold

There is some discrepancy in the origin of Royal Purple and Old Gold as LSU's official colors.

It is believed that those colors were worn for the first time by an LSU team in the spring of 1893 when the LSU baseball squad beat Tulane in the first intercollegiate contest played in any sport by Louisiana State University. Team captain E.B. Young reportedly hand-picked those colors for the LSU squad.

Later that year, the first football game was played. On Nov. 25, 1893, football coach/chemistry professor Dr. Charles Coates and some of his players went into town to purchase ribbon to adorn their gray jerseys as they prepared to play the first LSU gridiron game.

Stores were stocking ribbons in the colors of Mardi Gras — purple, gold and green. — for the coming Carnival season. However, none of the green had yet arrived at Reymond's Store at the corner of Third and Main streets. Coates and quarterback Ruffin Pleasant bought up all of the purple and gold stock and made it into rosettes and badges.