

Prequel for Columbus Grove Coaching and Team Records Series Records

1924 Team - First Team

1952 Team – Undefeated

2001 - State Semi-Finalist

2002 – State Semi-Finalist

2003 - State Champions

2014 – State Semi-Finalist

2020 – State Semi-Finalist

2022 – State Semi-Finalist

2023 - State Semi-Finalist

2024 – State Semi-Finalist

2025 – State Semi-Finalist

COLUMBUS GROVE'S COACHING RECORDS 1924 - 1974

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1924	William Turner	1 - 9 - 0			1 - 9 - 0
1925	Clifford Prebble	2 - 4 - 1			2 - 4 - 1
1926	W. E. Blake	8 - 1 - 1			
1927	W. E. Blake	1 - 4 - 0			9 - 5 - 1
1928	?	- -	Putnam County League 4 - 0 - 0 1st		
1929	Homer Barto	4 - 0 - 3			
1930	Homer Barto	2 - 3 - 1			6 - 3 - 4
1931	?	3 - 4 - 1			
1932	?	1 - 4 - 1			
1933	George J. Neimi	5 - 2 - 1			
1934	George J. Neimi	3 - 4 - 1			*8 - 6 - 2
1935	?	0 - 6 - 2	0 - 3 - 1		
1936	Willard Schaller	2 - 4 - 0			2 - 4 - 0
1938	Darrel Lowell	0 - 7 - 0			
		- -	Western Ohio League		
1939	Darrel Lowell	3 - 6 - 0	2 - 2 - 0		
1940	Darrel Lowell	3 - 5 - 0	1 - 2 - 0		
1941	Darrel Lowell	4 - 3 - 0			10 - 21 - 0
1942	Alger Chapoton	6 - 2 - 0			6 - 2 - 0
1943	Wade Shook	2 - 5 - 2			2 - 5 - 2
1944	?	0 - 7 - 1			
1945	Eugene Rayle	1 - 9 - 0			1 - 9 - 0
		- -	Little Seven		
1946	George Niemi	3 - 6 - 0	0 - 5 - 0		*8 - 11 - 2
1947	Collins Stackhouse	2 - 5 - 2	1 - 2 - 2		
		- -	Northwest Conference		
1948	Collins Stackhouse	5 - 4 - 0	4 - 3 - 0		
1949	Collins Stackhouse	6 - 3 - 0	5 - 2 - 0		
1950	Collins Stackhouse	8 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0		
1951	Collins Stackhouse	8 - 0 - 1	6 - 0 - 1 1st		
1952	Collins Stackhouse	9 - 0 - 0	7 - 0 - 0 1st		
1953	Collins Stackhouse	8 - 1 - 0	6 - 1 - 0		
1954	Collins Stackhouse	7 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0		53 - 17 - 3
1955	Mirl Rosendale	7 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0		7 - 2 - 0
1956	Al Carrino	5 - 4 - 0	4 - 3 - 0		
1957	Al Carrino	6 - 2 - 1	5 - 1 - 1		
1958	Al Carrino	7 - 2 - 0	5 - 2 - 0		
1959	Al Carrino	8 - 0 - 1	6 - 0 - 1 1st		
1960	Al Carrino	8 - 1 - 0	6 - 1 - 0		
1961	Al Carrino	5 - 5 - 0	3 - 4 - 0		39 - 14 - 2
1962	Milo Bastian	4 - 5 - 1	3 - 3 - 1		
1963	Milo Bastian	7 - 2 - 1	5 - 1 - 1		11 - 7 - 2
1964	Ron Wilt	3 - 5 - 1	3 - 5 - 1		
1965	Ron Wilt	1 - 8 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		4 - 13 - 1
1966	Robert Markwood	1 - 8 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1967	Robert Markwood	4 - 5 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
1968	Robert Markwood	7 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0 1st		
1969	Robert Markwood	4 - 4 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		
1970	Robert Markwood	5 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1971	Robert Markwood	1 - 8 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		22 - 31 - 0
1972	Mike McCarthy	2 - 6 - 1	2 - 5 - 1		
1973	Mike McCarthy	2 - 8 - 0	1 - 7 - 0		
1974	Mike McCarthy	8 - 2 - 0	6 - 2 - 0		12 - 16 - 1

COLUMBUS GROVE'S COACHING RECORDS 1975 - 2025

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1975	Ed Birnesser	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		
1976	Ed Birnesser	1 - 9 - 0	0 - 8 - 0		5 - 15 - 0
1977	Mike Richards	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1978	Mike Richards	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1979	Mike Richards	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		15 - 24 - 1
1980	Mike Richards	2 - 7 - 1	2 - 6 - 1		
1981	Dan Risser	5 - 4 - 1	5 - 3 - 1		
1982	Dan Risser	3 - 5 - 1	2 - 5 - 1		
1983	Dan Risser	6 - 4 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		14 - 13 - 2
1984	Denny Shaner	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		
1985	Denny Shaner	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		6 - 14 - 0
1986	Howard Foltz	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 7 - 0		
1987	Howard Foltz	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		
1988	Howard Foltz	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 5 - 0		
1989	Howard Foltz	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		10 - 30 - 0
1990	Mike Fell	4 - 6 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		
1991	Mike Fell	5 - 5 - 0	3 - 5 - 0		
1992	Mike Fell	9 - 2 - 0	7 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
1993	Mike Fell	9 - 1 - 0	7 - 1 - 0		
1994	Mike Fell	8 - 2 - 0	6 - 2 - 0		
1995	Mike Fell	8 - 3 - 0	6 - 2 - 0	X	
1996	Mike Fell	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 6 - 0		
1997	Mike Fell	10 - 1 - 0	8 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
1998	Mike Fell	9 - 1 - 0	7 - 1 - 0 1st		
1999	Mike Fell	10 - 2 - 0	7 - 1 - 0 1st	X	75 - 30 - 0
2000	Jerry Cooper	9 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2001	Jerry Cooper	11 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2002	Jerry Cooper	13 - 1 - 0	8 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2003	Jerry Cooper	15 - 0 - 0	8 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2004	Jerry Cooper	10 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0	X	58 - 9 - 0
2005	Scott Palte	8 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0 1st		
2006	Scott Palte	7 - 5 - 0	5 - 3 - 0	X	
2007	Scott Palte	6 - 4 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		
2008	Scott Palte	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		
2009	Scott Palte	7 - 4 - 0	6 - 2 - 0	X	
2010	Scott Palte	7 - 3 - 0	6 - 2 - 0		
2011	Scott Palte	7 - 3 - 0	5 - 3 - 0		46 - 27 - 0
2012	Andy Schafer	5 - 5 - 0	3 - 5 - 0		
2013	Andy Schafer	2 - 8 - 0	1 - 6 - 0		
2014	Andy Schafer	9 - 5 - 0	5 - 2 - 0	X	
2015	Andy Schafer	5 - 5 - 0	2 - 5 - 0		
2016	Andy Schafer	4 - 6 - 0	2 - 5 - 0		
2017	Andy Schafer	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 5 - 0		
2018	Andy Schafer	8 - 4 - 0	6 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
2019	Andy Schafer	7 - 3 - 0	6 - 1 - 0 1st		
2020	Andy Schafer	10 - 1 - 0	6 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2021	Andy Schafer	11 - 1 - 0	7 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2022	Andy Schafer	12 - 3 - 0	6 - 1 - 0	X	
2023	Andy Schafer	12 - 3 - 0	7 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2024	Andy Schafer	14 - 1 - 0	7 - 0 - 0 1st	X	101 - 53 - 0
2025	Andy Schafer	10 - 4 - 0	7 - 0 - 0 1st	X	111 - 57 - 0

COLUMBUS GROVE SERIES RECORDS 1924 - 2025

Ada	30	-	28	-	2	Liberty-Benton	2	-	2	-	0
Allen East	29	-	32	-	0	Lima Central C.	11	-	9	-	0
Antwerp	3	-	0	-	0	Lima Central JVs	7	-	4	-	0
Archbold	1	-	0	-	0	Lima South JVs	0	-	2	-	0
Arlington	1	-	0	-	0	Lima St. Rose	2	-	4	-	0
Ayersville	1	-	0	-	0	Marion Local	1	-	4	-	0
Bath	2	-	4	-	0	McComb	1	-	2	-	0
Bishop Hartley	1	-	1	-	0	Mohawk	1	-	0	-	0
Black River	2	-	0	-	0	Monroeville	2	-	0	-	0
Bluffton	42	-	51	-	2	Mt. Cory	1	-	1	-	1
Blume	2	-	2	-	0	North Baltimore	4	-	4	-	0
Bowling Green	0	-	1	-	0	Northwestern	1	-	0	-	0
Bryan	0	-	1	-	0	Northwood	1	-	0	-	0
Carey	3	-	3	-	0	Ottawa Hills	2	-	0	-	0
Celina	1	-	0	-	0	Ottawa Public	1	-	0	-	0
Centerburg	0	-	2	-	0	Ottawa SPPS	4	-	1	-	0
Coldwater	0	-	1	-	0	Ottawa-Glandorf	1	-	2	-	0
Colonel Crawford	1	-	0	-	0	Pandora	11	-	16	-	4
Columbia	1	-	0	-	0	Pandora-Gilboa	47	-	22	-	0
Continental	3	-	4	-	1	Parkway	0	-	1	-	0
Cory-Rawson	3	-	2	-	0	Patrick Henry	5	-	6	-	0
Crestview	30	-	7	-	1	Paulding	33	-	22	-	0
Delphos Jefferson	45	-	45	-	3	Peebles	1	-	0	-	0
Delphos St. Johns	3	-	1	-	0	Perry	25	-	12	-	1
Edgewood	1	-	0	-	0	Rawson	1	-	1	-	0
Elida	14	-	18	-	2	Seneca East	0	-	1	-	0
Evergreen	3	-	0	-	0	Shawnee	6	-	19	-	5
Fairview	1	-	0	-	0	Sidney Lehman	0	-	1	-	0
Forest	15	-	6	-	0	Spencerville	46	-	33	-	0
Fort Loramie	2	-	0	-	0	St. Henrys	0	-	2	-	0
Gibsonburg	1	-	0	-	0	St. Marys	0	-	2	-	0
Hardin Northern	2	-	1	-	0	Swanton	0	-	3	-	0
Hicksville	1	-	1	-	0	Sycamore	1	-	0	-	0
Hilltop	3	-	1	-	0	Tiffin Calvert	2	-	0	-	0
Holgate	0	-	1	-	0	Tinora	1	-	0	-	0
Hopewell-Loudon	1	-	1	-	0	Toledo Central C.	0	-	1	-	0
Indian Lake	1	-	0	-	0	Troy Christian	6	-	0	-	0
Kansas Lakota	1	-	0	-	0	Upper Scioto V.	20	-	4	-	0
Lafayette	13	-	3	-	3	Versailles	0	-	1	-	0
Leipsic	32	-	12	-	1	Wayne Trace	2	-	0	-	0
Liberty Center	0	-	3	-	0	Waynesfield	0	-	0	-	1
Liberty Twp.	2	-	3	-	1						

Totals 546 - 417 - 28

Columbus Grove's First Team

1924 1 - 9 - 0



Standing left to right - Coach William Turner, Nolan Heidlebaugh, William Core, Charles Killen, Emerson Seitz, Allan Luce, Loren Allen, Howard Kissell, Reese Turner, George Stoody, Earl F. Smith - Faculty Manager. Sitting - Marion Stoody, Guy Miller, Alfred Doty, Howard Humphreys, Plummer Teegardin, Edgar Begg, Paul Williams, Robert Gettman, Paul Stump, Paul Morris, Harmon Lentz and Carl Nichols.

Columbus Grove has added a new sport to its high school activities. Football, and for the first year, had a very successful season. Our boys gained their knowledge from Coach Bill Turner. He was very good and considering the green material he had to work on did extremely well. The boys were full of pep and willing to learn and this sort of combination is hard to keep down.

Our first high school football game was with the strong Pandora eleven. They had lost but one game last season so we did not expect to be able to do much. The Grove fought every minute against odds of inexperience. Luce's passing and punting was the feature of the game. Kissell and Teegardin gave promise of strong line men. We lost 50-0.

The team showed marked improvement when they met Continental on their field the following week. We lost 20-0. Core shone in this encounter. Kissell, Teegardin and Luce were outstanding combatants again.

The win over the Lima Central reserves presented our season's first win. The game was full of thrills. Turner made some good gains. Luce ran 65 yards for his team's first touchdown of the season after intercepting a pass. Lentz won the game when he kicked for the extra point. The game was ours 7-6.

At Leipsic we met one of the strongest football teams in the county. We surprised them and played them on even terms in the first half. The second half experience told and we could not meet them half way. The first half Luce kicked from the field for three points. Turner made a 50 yard run. Begg and Heidlebaugh showed form on the line. Williams and Gettman filled their positions manfully. Seitz also starred. The final score was 40-3.

Alfred Doty and Charles Killen appeared in the line up for the Rawson game. Killen scored on an eight yard plunge the first few minutes of play. Doty showed speed as an end. Stump, Humphreys and Stoody were also men of the hour in this fracas. Luce was out this game on account of injuries. We lost 6-13.

This game with Pandora was void of color as we lost 27-0. That was better than our previous defeat with them 50-0. Allen, Killen, Teegardin, Miller and Doty gave good accounts of themselves.

While we were unable to score, we held Continental to two touchdowns. Luce's punting was a feature of this contest. The entire eleven played heads up all the way through. Turner starred in the back field and Teegardin and Kissell on the line. The final score was 0-12.

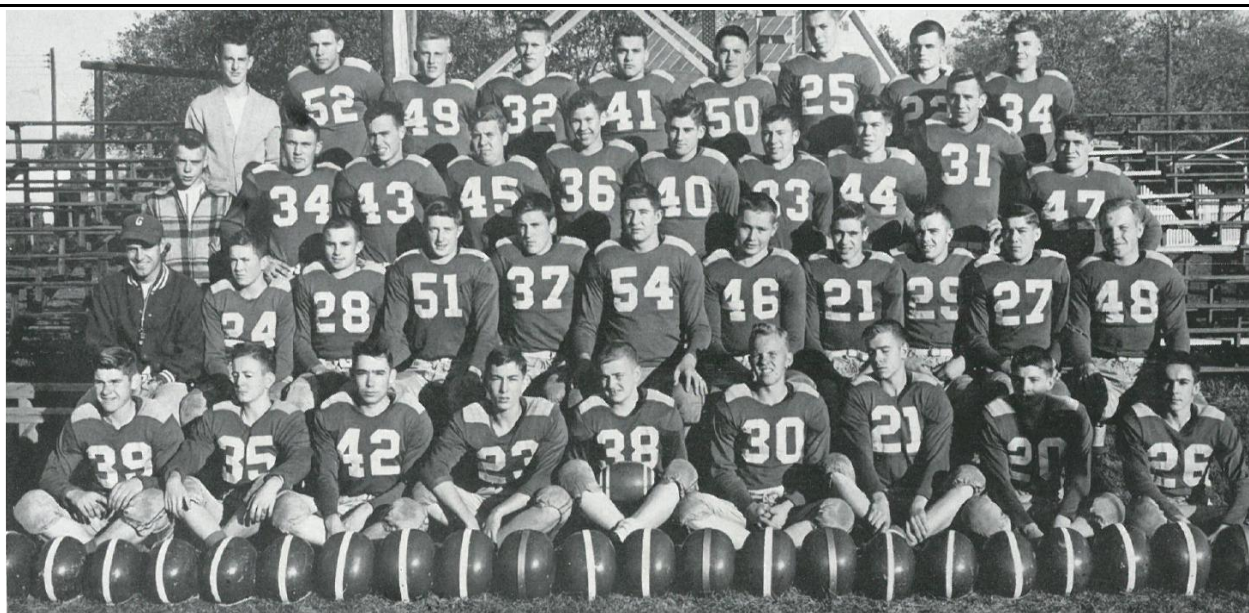
With a patched eleven we went to Hogate. Here Doty made a 45 run which netted his team a touchdown. Seitz passed to Doty when the latter sped to countable territory. We played hard but lost 57-0 to a greatly seasoned group of pig skin engineers.

It was no disgrace to lose to a team of this caliber. Odds were against the inexperienced 11. It was the first game of the season that was greeted by a rainy day. Mt. Cory won 57-0 but the game was later forfeited to us, 1-0.

The final game of the season came on Thanksgiving Day when our neighbor Pandora came here. Doty caught three passes from difficult angles. Allen played his best game of the season on this holiday. Williams was at his best and Seitz ran back punts for good gains. Though we got it where the turkey got the ax, it was only to a 24-0 fashion.

Columbus Grove 1 - 9 - 0					
Coach William Turner					
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents	
0	Pandora	62	0	Pandora	27
0	Continental	20	0	Continental	12
7	Lima Central JVs	6	0	Hogate	57
3	Leipsic	40	0	Mt. Cory	57
6	Rawson	13	0	Pandora	32

Columbus Grove 1952 9 - 0 - 0



1st row, left to right - Roger Ridinger, Bob Brubaker, John Schindler, Paul Tussing, Bud Emick, Maynard Bok, Dennis Siefker, Larry Edwards and Ronnie Schindler. 2nd row - Mr. Stackhouse, Bill Begg, John Kleman, Glen Kidd, Bill Radabaugh, Benny Baxter, Wilfred Fuerst, Jim Hayden, Ed Davis, Joe Blankemeyer and Bill Schumacher. 3rd row- Paul Stover, Kenny Altstaetter, Bill Donaldson, Jim Goedde, Herb Carpenter, Bill Bell, Gary Allen, Jim Blankemeyer, Bob Risser and Jim Begg. 4th row - Glen Martz, Jack Siefker, Sonny Halker, Dale Jenkins, James Baer, Jack Teegardin, Glen Williams Jack Reed and Barney Dotson.

Grove Ends First Perfect Season - Top Bluffton 33 - 7

Columbus Grove's Bulldogs ended their best season in history last Friday night with a 33-7 victory over Bluffton at Grove. The victory was the ninth straight for Grove and marked the end of the first unbeaten and untied season in Grove football history. Grove had gone unbeaten in two straight seasons, but a scoreless tie with Elida marred their record last year. In the last three seasons, Columbus Grove has now won 24 games while losing two and tying one. They have won the championship of the Northwest Conference for the last two years.

In 1950 the Grove outfit won seven while losing two. One of its defeats that year was at the hands of Bluffton in the season finale. That marked the 35th straight time that a Bluffton team beat Grove. The Bulldogs ended the Bluffton domination last year and last Friday's victory was the second straight on a long road towards a long-awaited revenge.

Believed to be one of the most powerful Class B elevens in Northwestern Ohio, Columbus Grove amassed a total of 234 points this season while holding opponents to a collective total of only 51. They completely dominated all opposition and were never in danger of losing a single game.

Columbus Grove 9 - 0 - 0					
Coach Collins Stackhouse					
NWC 7 - 0 - 0 1st					
CG	Opponents	CG	Opponents		
56	Leipsic	12	18	*Shawnee	0
36	*Delphos Jefferson	6	27	*Pandora-Gilboa	6
39	*Elida	12	33	*Bluffton	7
29	*Lafayette	0	13	*Forest	7
40	*Spencerville	0			

Marion Local Denies Bulldogs Comeback

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

Columbus Grove's two minute magic fell a little short the second time around. Having downed McComb a week earlier with a last minute scoring drive, the Bulldogs were facing a similar scenario Saturday night in the State Semi-Finals.

Marion Local denied the Bulldogs another late game score with an interception in the endzone, as the Flyers preserved a slim 13-7 win over Grove at Lima Stadium Saturday night.

The win put the Flyers, 13-1, back in the Division VI State Championship as they will face Mogadore this Saturday at 3:30 p.m. at Massillon's Paul Brown Tiger Stadium. This will be a rematch of the 2000 championship game which the Flyers won 54-0.

Columbus Grove saw an excellent season come to a close a 11-3. However, it was a season that almost saw the Bulldogs playing a 15th game.

One week after grinding out a win against McComb, the Bulldogs had another opportunity against the Flyers.

With 3:27 left and Grove on their own 16 yard line after a Marion Local punt, the Bulldogs put together a 12 play drive that took them to the Flyer 13 yard line.

The drive started as junior quarterback Tayt Mayberry picked up three yards on an option play. After nearly getting a pass intercepted, Mayberry ran a keeper over the left side for 12 yards and a first down.

The junior quarterback then hit Steve Palte for 24 yards to the Flyer 45 yard line. Palte picked up good yardage as he spun out of a tackle and found the sideline open.

A running play lost a yard before Mayberry went back to the air hitting Palte for four yards and Lance Heffner for nine yards and a first down. Heffner went high above a Marion Local

defender to catch the ball, then held on as he was being upended.

Columbus Grove stayed with the pass as Mayberry hit Adam Kaufman for 10 yards, then Palte hauled in two passes for 11 yards to the Marion Local 13 yard line.

After a trap play gained nothing, the Bulldogs used their final timeout to set up a throw in the endzone. Freshman Blaine Maag got behind his defender, but had the ball bounce off him where it was grabbed by the Flyers Brent Homan, sealing the Bulldogs fate.

"I saw him turn and knew they were going to toss it up for him," Homan said. "I just came down with it. I was worried. I knew it was going to come down to that. I just didn't know it was going to be me."

Marion Local coach Tim Goodwin also felt a sense of relief after the fourth quarter turnover. "They basically did what we had seen on tape all week," Goodwin said. "That quarterback just keeps making play after play. To me, it looked like that pass was right on the money. I don't know how he (Homan) caught it."

The interception added to the Bulldogs night of misfortunes in the red zone. Columbus Grove was inside the Marion Local 20 yard line four times, but only scored once losing the ball twice on fumbles and the interception.

"Our kids put out a great 48 minutes of effort," Grove coach Jerry Cooper said "Minus a couple of mistakes, we might have had a chance to beat them. We were an interception away from playing in the State Championship game. At that last timeout the kids felt we could throw the ball. We had been running the stop play against their zone very well. They were bringing the pressure up the middle, so we thought Blaine Maag would be able to run past him or go up over the top. Their kid made a great play. Our kids did a great

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job of keeping their poise and composure the last couple of minutes. They brought it a long way down the field. I give a lot of credit to both teams, that was a well-played football game.”

Despite the Bulldogs last minute attempt, the game was basically a defensive struggle. Both teams put together drives, but each time the respective defenses kept coming up with a play to halt the drive.

That was obvious in the third quarter as the Flyers came up with the only score of the second half. On their second possession of the quarter, the Flyers took over at the Grove 46 yard line, after a shot punt to Dane Jesko into the wind.

Marion Local then put together a seven play drive as senior fullback Ryan Fleck plowed into the endzone from a yard out with 3:06 left in the quarter.

Craig Wolters opened the drive by catching a 15 yard pass from Chad Otte, before Greg Schulte, (29 carries, 157 yards) busted off a 16 yard run. Schulte also had a 13 yard run setting up Fleck.

Columbus Grove came right back as they put together a 10 play, 55 yard drive to the Flyer 15 yard line. On a third down play, Palte appeared to have running room inside, but a Marion Local defender knocked the ball loose with Nathan Kuether falling on the pignskin.

Marion Local opened the game with a 14 play drive that resulted in no points. The Flyers apparently scored when Otte hit a receiver in the endzone with a score. However, the score was called back on a motion penalty.

The Bulldogs took over on their 22 yard line and went 78 yards in eight plays. Blake Maag scored on a four yard run over the left side of the line after younger brother, Blaine, took a pass 34 yards to the Flyer four yard line.

Marion Local came right back with a seven play drive that ended when the Bulldogs Kurt Theising intercepted a pass. Theising returned the pass 37 yards to the Flyer 49 yard line.

Columbus Grove took the ball inside the five yard line, but on a third down play fumbled when Mayberry had the ball slapped out of his hands on an option play.

“The fumble recovery obviously was big,” Goodwin said. “Even if they punch it in, I didn’t think we were out of the game. It sure made it a lot easier.”

Marion Local took advantage of the turnover as they went 95 yards in 13 plays.

Schulte had two big runs in the drive as he picked up 10 yards on the third play of the drive, then had a nine yard run on a fourth down play.

Nick Prenger came up with the big play of the drive as he hauled in a 34 yard pass from Otte to the five yard line. On a third and 13 play from the 37 yard line, the Bulldogs forced Otte out of the pocket and Prenger was left open when the defensive back came up to play a possible run.

“I was proud of our kids from the standpoint, they were blown out in the eighth week of the season, but have shown a lot of character, a lot of class and have worked really hard to come back from that,” Cooper said. “I was really proud of the effort and how much they have pulled together and how well they were playing at the end. Marion Local is an excellent football team and I thought they did some really nice things. Our kids had never experienced playing at this level before, but they gave a great effort for 48 minutes.”

Columbus Grove 2001 11 - 3

State Semi-Finalist



Row 1, left to right -Mgr. Jeht Risser, Kevin Klinker, Dane Jesko, Cory Raines, Lance Heff, Adam Stechschulte, Matt Stechschulte, Blake Maag, Adam Kaufman, Bill Reimund, Dusty Jones, Darren Siefker, Corey Crenshaw and Mgr. Heath Nickles. Row 2 - Travis Cartwright, Mark Garberson, Adam Lamb, Kurt Theising, Steve Palte, Tayt Mayberry, Andy Maag, Tony Utrup, Rocky Myers, Steve Green, Chad Bishop and Cory Maag. Row 3 - Blaine Maag, Scott Birkemeier, Dave Schroeder, Eric Altstaetter, Nate rieman, Brandon Baxter, Brandon Brubaker, Ryan Donaldson, Ben Stechschulte, Phil Sutter and Mike Young. Row 4 - Ross Litten, Josh Maag, Taylor Jesko, Danny Woods, Bobby Barraza, Mike Bowers, Tim Bergdall, Brady Maag, Curt Meuleman, James Halker, Thomas Stoddard and Andy Schroeder. Row 5 - Steve Cooper, Joe Hooker, Trainer Jody Benda, Asst. Coach Cory King, Asst. Coach Scott Palte, Head Coach Jerry Cooper, Asst. Coach Howard Foltz, Asst. Coach Dave Bzovi, Trainer Carrie Copeland, Eric Roof and Tyler Vorst.

Columbus Grove 11 - 3						CG		ML
Coach Jerry Cooper						16	First Downs	16
NWC 7 - 2						263	Total Yards	277
State Semi-Finalist						39	Rushing Atts.	40
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		140	Rushing Yards	158
17	Pandora-Gilboa	14	0	*Delphos Jefferson	38	121	Passing Yards	119
29	*Allen East	6	35	*Paulding	6	13-8	Pass Atts/Comp	16-8
27	*Ada	0	7	*Bluffton	12	1	Interceptions by	1
55	*Perry	6	29	#Antwerp	14	3 - 22.3	Punts - Ave.	2 - 34
41	*Spencerville	7	27	#Pandora-Gilboa	15	2 - 2	Fumbles Lost	2 - 1
48	Edgewood	3	21	#McComb	14	3 - 15	Penalties -Yards	1 - 5
28	*Crestview	20	7	#Marion Local	13	Score by Quarters		
						CG 7 0 0 0 - 7		
						ML 0 7 6 0 - 13		

Hardin Northern Denies Bulldogs in Semi-Finals

Polar Bears Earn First Trip to State

Putnam County Sentinel – Dar Nevergall, Sports Writer

Oh, so close again. For the second straight year, the Columbus Grove football team had positioned itself within reach of the Division VI State Championship game with only one obstacle standing in their way.

This time that obstacle took the form of the Hardin Northern Polar Bears and once again the Bulldogs quest came up short as the Blanchard Valley Conference champions broke away from a scoreless game at halftime to take a 20-0 win and end another outstanding season for the Bulldogs.

“Give a lot of credit to coach Pete Brunow,” said Columbus Grove coach Jerry Cooper. “He’s been in the State Semi-Final game three times, 1996, 1997 and 2002, and his program has had nine or ten playoff teams. Their kids played really well and Drew Snow ran real hard. That was a real good football team and they got a couple nice breaks in the game. We turned the ball over and gave them a short field and they got a score. The last two were kind of beside the point. The Columbus Grove coaching staff wants to wish them the best of luck in the State Championship game and they deserve to be there.”

This game featured similar offenses and defenses and many felt it would be a key turnover that would make the difference. That turnover came in the second half when the Polar Bears Kyle Doll intercepted a tipped Ben Stechschulte pass to set up the only score Hardin Northern would need.

Prior to that, both teams were able to make forward progress in the first half, but neither could finish on a messy, snow-covered Donnell Stadium field as Grove drove deep within Polar Bear country on their first possession only to come up dry on downs at the five yard line and the Polar Bears moved to the Grove 16 before the Bulldogs Kurt Theising picked off a Clay Brunow pass.

Long drives would limit the possessions for both teams in the first 24 minutes as Grove had the ball twice in the first half and Hardin Northern handled it three times. Snow was the force for the Polar Bears as the senior churned up 47 yards on 11 carries in the first two quarters and finished the day with 119 yards on 27 carries.

For Columbus Grove it was once again Blaine Mg who would to the bulk of the damage on the ground as the sophomore runner garnered 36 yards on nine attempts in the first half and 51 yards on 13 carries for the game. A big blow for Grove came on a Stechschulte carry in the first quarter when the junior quarterback sprinted around left end for 19 yards, but came up limping.

Said Cooper, “We practice a lot of option, boot and mis-direction stuff to get Ben outside and when he got hurt that really changed some of the play calling. We went to a little bit more straight passing and less play-action and boot passing.”

The second half continued where the first half left off with neither team giving up ground easily. Grove started the third quarter from their own 25 yard line and Stechschulte, despite the injured ankle, reeled off 20 yards on a keeper. Maag clipped off nine more, but two stops later the Bulldogs were forced to punt.

Hardin Northern then moved the ball steadily behind the running of Snow and the arm of Brunow to the Grove 48, but the Bulldogs came up big on a third-and-three and the Polar Bears had to kick it away.

Then came the play of the game for the Polar Bers as Stechschulte lofted a pass for Brandon Baxter that was tipped into the hands of Doll at the Bulldog 22 yard line.

Brunow went eight yards on a keeper and Snow nine more on a thrust through the right side to the

Hardin Northern Denies Bulldogs in Semi-Finals

Polar Bears Earn First Trip to State

Putnam County Sentinel – Dar Nevergall, Sports Writer

six yard line. Snow then took the handoff around right end and dove across the line to give the Polar Bears a six point advantage. Jason Weirauch came on to nail the extra point to make it 7-0 with 2:26 to play in the third.

Said Hardin Northern coach Pete Brunow, “The big thing about the touchdown was making the extra point because I was real concerned about it being 6-0 and playing in this stuff. When we got the extra point I was feeling a little bit better, but at the same time wasn’t sure seven points would hold up.

Hold up it did though as time and time again the Polar Bears came up with big defensive plays after the score to stop the Grove momentum.

When the Bulldogs moved into Hardin Northern territory with a 22 yard catch and run by Theising, the Bears shut the door with sacks by Weihrauch and Brett Thames. When Grove went to the air, the Bears’ Matt Price knocked away two big passes and Tim Fulks added two more sacks. Then on the Bulldogs final possession, Brunow came up big defensively with an interception to set up a nine yard Snow touchdown to seal the win with 2:12 remaining.

The final tally of the game came when Palte fielded the Hardin Northern kickoff and handed off to Maag on a reverse. Maag was belted by the Polar Bear defense and the ball popped into the air and into the hands of Weihrauch, the kicker, who went untouched into the end zone for a 12 yard score. Weihrauch then added the extra point to finish the scoring.

“This is huge,” summed up an exuberant Brunow. “This little team of ours has come a long way. There are not a whole lot of us, but the kids focused in on what we are doing. What a great effort by our football team. Columbus Grove obviously has a punishing ground game and it’s nice to be able to stop them and make them predictable (forcing them to pass). We still had to make some great plays and a couple of times we tipped the ball away when the receiver was behind us. Our punter, (Weihrauch) has been a big weapon for us all year too.” Weihrauch punted four times for a 32 yard average,

including a final punt of 34 yards under a heavy rush that pinned Grove back at their own 38 with three minutes to go.

The Polar Bears, 14-0, will now move to challenge Mogadore, 13-1 and a 28-21 winner over Newark Catholic in the Division VI State Championship game at Canton Fawcett Stadium on Friday at 3:30 p.m. Columbus Grove completes their season with a 13-1 record.

“We moved the ball real well in the first half and felt we could still move the football after the touchdown,” stated Cooper. “We got a couple of first downs, but we didn’t get it done consistently enough in the second half to deserve to go on to the next game.”

“Steve (Palte) has been a fast, athletic kid that we have used out off of the perimeter, but because of the field conditions today, he wasn’t able to get outside as much as we had hoped. I thought Blaine (Maag) ran real hard for us, but they made plays to get us stopped. Snow is a workhorse. We hit him a bunch of times and he bounced off stuff and made positive yards for them. We moved the ball really well the first time we had it, took it down to the 13 or 14 and didn’t score. That was a big stop for them and a momentum changer for us.”

Backing up Snow on the ground for Hardin Northern was Craig McMillen with 21 yards on five carries and Brunow with nine keepers for 40 yards. Brunow completed 2 of 8 passes for 20 yards with Damien Plaughter making both catches.

For Grove, Palte rushed eight times for 20 yards and Stechschulte carried 10 times for 60 yards. Stechschulte connected on 6 of 14 passes for 76 yards with Theising grabbing two passes for 35 yards, Palte three tosses for 26 yards and Baxter one pass for 15.

Said Cooper, “Our Columbus Grove people are great and they’ll follow our Bulldogs again next year. We’ve got lots of nice kids coming back and we’ll again be a good football team.

Indeed, they will and just think there are only eight months to go before opening kickoff.

Columbus Grove 2002 13 - 1

State Semi-Finalist



Row 1, left to right - Mark Garberson, Joe Litten, Cody King, Cory Maag, Andy Maag, Tayt Mayberry, Steve Palte, Kurt Theising, Adam Lamb, Tony Utrup, Trevor Miller and Rocky Myers. Row 2 - Eric Altstaetter, Scott Birkemeier, David Karhoff, Ryan Donadson, Brandon Baxter, Brandon Brubaker, Nate Rieman, Ben Stechschulte, Mike Young, Bobby Barraza and Danny Woods. Row 3 - Travis Hermon, Steve Cooper, Brady Maag, Taylor Jesco, Mike Bowers, Blaine Maag, Troy Hermon, Andy Schroeder, Tyler Vorst, David Miehl, Curt Meuleman and James Halker. Row 4 - Alex Hughes, Andrew Conkright, Derek Vance, Jacob Rigg, Matt Heffner, Ryan Keck, Evan Hooker, Jeremy Wyant, Levi Stechschulte, Nick Roeder, Mike Utrup, Mgr. Austin Luginbihl. Row 5 - Andy Stechschulte, Matt McAdams, Andy Kohls, Kyle Meyer, Chad Lindeman, Brent Schroeder, Aaron Koch, Todd Meyer, Jordan Darbyshire and Josh Tuttle. Row 6 - Asst. Coach Grothaus, Head Coach Cooper, Asst. Coaches King, Palte, Foltz and Wright.

Columbus Grove 13 - 1 Coach Jerry Cooper NWC 8 - 0 1st State Semi-Finalist						CG		HN	
						10	First Downs	12	
						209	Total Yards	202	
						32	Rushing Atts.	42	
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		133	Rushing Yards	182	
41	Pandora-Gilboa	6	57	*Delphos Jefferson	6	76	Passing Yards	20	
42	*Allen East	7	42	*Paulding	0	6-14	Pass Atts/Comp	2-8	
35	*Ada	0	21	*Bluffton	13	1	Interceptions by	2	
64	*Perry	0	19	#Hopewell-Loudon	0	5-30	Punts - Ave.	4-32	
37	*Spencerville	0	35	#Mohawk	23	2-1	Fumbles Lost	0-0	
37	Troy Christian	0	10	#Tiffin Calvert	6	3-20	Penalties -Yards	1-5	
19	*Crestview	13	0	#Hardin Northern	20		Score by Quarters		
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							HN 0 0 7 13 - 20		

Bulldogs Division VI State Champions

Fourth Quarter Drive Halts Marion Local Comeback

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

Marion Local finally seemed to have cracked Columbus Grove's offense in the second half of their Division VI State Championship game. However, with the Bulldogs needed a drive to eat time off the clock, they took it to the Flyer defense. And they took it to them in a big way.

Columbus Grove ran the final eight minutes and 13 seconds off the clock as they sealed their first State Championship in football with an exciting 28-26 win over Marion Local in the Division VI title game at Fawcett Stadium in Canton Saturday.

The win allowed the Bulldogs to finish the season with a 15-0 record, while Marion Local ended their season with an 11-4 record.

After scoring their last touchdown, the Bulldogs had the football for a total of eight plays that covered 28 yards. In running off the final eight minutes of the game, Grove ran 18 plays for 59 yards as they drove to the Flyer three yard line before taking a knee, three times, to run out the final seconds.

"I was concerned," Grove coach Jerry Cooper said as he sent his offense out for that final drive. "At the same time, I had a lot of confidence in the kids up front, in Blaine (Maag) carrying the ball and Ben (Stechschulte) executing from the quarterback spot. I told them let's go out and run our very best stuff at them. We didn't do anything out of character. We've been practicing this stuff since the very first day of two-a-days. And obviously that paid off. We executed well enough to take all the time off the clock and not let them get a shot at us."

During that final drive, the Bulldogs faced a pair of fourth down calls and both times executed plays to keep the drive going.

The first crucial play came with Grove facing fourth and three at the Marion Local 29. On fourth down, the flyers appeared to have Maag stopped short of the first down. However, he slipped away from the initial tackle and stretched out just enough for the first down. Later in the drive, Maag took a short pass from Stechschulte to pick up a first down at the Flyer 13.

"On the option, it was open, but the defender stuck with the wide receiver," Maag said. "I hit what I had to hit and thankfully I stayed up and got the first down."

"The pass play was supposed to be a three man route, but we kept one in for a little more protection, a little more time," Stechschulte said. "Blaine just popped out there and the linebacker wasn't watching him. I got it to him and he made a great catch."

"The offensive line knew we could keep the ball and just drive it and we could waste those eight minutes," senior lineman Mike Young said. "We got some big plays. Ben made a nice pass and Blaine made a nice catch for a first down. We just pounded on them. That's what we do."

Marion Local had put the pressure on the Bulldogs after scoring 19 third quarter points.

Columbus Grove led 21-7 after a pair of second quarter touchdowns and a defense that limited the Flyers to very little in the opening 24 minutes. But with halftime came adjustments and new life to the Flyer offense.

Marion Local scored on their first possession of the second half as Cory Luebke found Andy Schulze with a 15 yard scoring strike. The extra point was blocked by Brandon Baxter leaving the score at 21-13.

This drive was kept alive as the Bulldogs were called for roughing the passer after a third down pass fell incomplete.

Grove wasted little time in getting that score back as Maag ripped off a 56 yard scoring run. The drive lasted just two plays with Maag getting both for 70 yards.

For the game, Maag carried the ball 40 times for 287 yards and three scores. The junior's totals were just eight yards shy of the Division VI State Championship game record of 295 yards set by Delphos St. John's Chad Schulte in 1998.

"We just didn't have an answer for him," Marion Local coach Tim Goodwin said. "We couldn't stop him consistently. He carried the ball 40 times. We knew he would get his yardage. We talked all week about the big

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play and when he popped through the line we wanted to hold him to eight or ten yards and not 40 yards.”

Despite the quick score by the Bulldogs, the Flyers came right back with a score of their own.

Marion Local went 69 yards in seven plays as Schulze, (five receptions, 54 yards) caught his second touchdown pass of the game, a nine harder from Luebke. Right before the score, Brian Wellman (five catches, 95 yards) caught a 29 yard pass from Luebke to the nine yard line. The extra point attempt was no good.

The Flyer defense then stepped up as they held the Bulldogs to three plays and a punt. Wellman returned the punt to the Grove 46 with 3:31 left in the third quarter.

From there, the Flyers went 46 yards in eight plays as Scott Garman bulled over from a yard out. With the extra point, it was 28-26 with just over a quarter left to play.

“I’m proud of our kids,” Goodwin said. “There would have been a lot of teams that folded their tents in the third quarter. These kids didn’t quit, they are fighters. The game dictated that we throw the ball. We were behind and were not running the ball with success. Cory Luebke had a great third quarter. Some of those guys weren’t open by a whole lot and he drove it right in there.”

Luebke was 13 of 21 passing for the game for 188 yards and two scores. He hit five different receivers in the game.

After the Flyers came within two points, the teams traded possessions before the Bulldogs ran out the clock. “A lot of credit goes out to Marion Local and Columbus Grove,” Cooper said. “This was a great game. Both teams played with great emotion and great intensity. It ended up being a two point game and there’s a reason for that, because there were two real good football teams out there. As efficient as they were on offense, it was critical that when we had the ball, we took as much time off the clock and score as many points as we could.”

Despite the two point difference, it appeared early that Columbus Grove might own the Flyers on a windy and chilly morning at Fawcett Stadium.

Columbus Grove received the opening kick and went 80 yards in 11 plays to take a quick 7-0 lead. Maag scored the touchdown as he busted through the left side of the line for a 15 yard scoring run.

It stayed that way until early in the second quarter, when the Flyers changed the momentum. With Grove forced to punt from their own endzone, Garman came flying through the right side of the line, blocked the punt and recovered it in the endzone.

Columbus Grove came right back with drive of their own to retake the lead.

The Bulldogs went up 14-7 as Maag went 40 yards for a score with 3:30 left in the first half. The drive covered 71 yards in just 10 plays for the score. Maag carried the ball eight times on the drive.

Columbus Grove then created a break of their own as Baxter forced a fumble that Mike Bowers recovered at the Marion Local 26. From there, the Bulldogs need just one play as Stechschulte hit Taylor Jesko with a 26 yard scoring pass.

On the play, Stechschulte was forced from the pocket and hit Jesko on the run near the sideline. Jesko made the first defender miss, then cut back inside and went into the endzone untouched for a 21-7 lead.

“There was a couple minute stretch when we were up 7-0 and I felt like we were winning the line of scrimmage,” Cooper said. “They hadn’t mustered much offense, but then we gave them a score. Our kids were able to dig in and score twice in a row, once off a turnover and we had the momentum going into the half.”

And despite losing that momentum, the Bulldogs came up big when it counted the most on Saturday.

Columbus Grove 2003 15 - 0

State Champions of Ohio!



Front row, left to right - Eric Altstaetter, Phil Sautter, Nate Rieman, Brandon Brubaker, Brandon Baxter, Ben Stechschulte, Mike Young, David Karhoff, Ryan Donaldson and Scott Birkemeier. 2nd row - Curt Meuleman, Bobby Barraza, Mike Bowers, Taylor Jesko, Steve Cooper, Blaine Maag, Adam Garberson, Matt Heffner, Tyler Vorst and Brady Maag. 3rd row - Matt McAdams, Derak Vance, Josh Tuttle, Jacob Rigg, Jeremy Wyant, Nick Roeder, Ryan Keck, Jordan Darbyshire, Levi Stechschulte, Mike Utrup and Brent Schroeder. 4th row - Kyle Meyer, Todd Meyer, Aaron Koch, Andy Stechschulte, Andy Kohls, Alex Hughes, J. J. Harris, Chad Lindeman, Eric Maag, Cory Meuleman, Derek Neu and Aaron Lamb. 5th row - Tim Riemund, Mike Schroeder, Jeht Russer, Jeremy Harnishfeger, Logan Rieman, Nick McCluer, Zach Gerdeman, Bryce Luginbill, Tyler Kohls and Austin Luginbill. 6th row - Coach Foltz, Coach Grothaus, Trainer Jody Benda, Coach King, Coach Palte, Coach Wright, Coach Russer and Coach Cooper.

Columbus Grove 15 - 0						CG		ML	
Coach Jerry Cooper						19	First Downs	11	
NWC 8 - 0 1st						368	Total Yards	220	
State Champions						58	Rushing Atts.	21	
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		311	Rushing Yards	32	
44	Pandora-Gilboa	6	63	*Paulding	20	57	Passing Yards	188	
41	*Allen East	7	33	*Bluffton	14	7 - 4	Pass Atts/Comp	21 - 13	
32	*Ada	0	52	#Hicksville	6	0	Interceptions by	0	
62	*Perry	0	27	#Northwood	0	4 - 26.5	Punts - Ave.	4 - 36.5	
41	*Spencerville	0	21	#Cory-Rawson	6	0 - 0	Fumbles Lost	3 - 1	
42	Troy Christian	0	27	#Monroeville	24	7 - 49	Penalties -Yards	1 - 0	
13	*Crestview	0	28	#Marion Local	26		Score by Quarters		
19	*Delphos Jefferson	13					ML 0 7 19 0 - 26		
							CG 7 14 7 0 - 28		

Bulldogs Fall to Marion Local in Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

LIMA – Columbus Grove was looking too make a big defensive stop after scoring to grow some momentum they felt they were getting. Against Marion Local that is easier said than done.

The Flyers answered the Bulldog touchdown and continued to add to it as they pulled away from the Bulldogs for a 55-7 win in their Division VII State Semi-Final contest at Spartan Stadium Saturday night.

The win sends the Flyers, 14-0, back to the Division VII State Finals Saturday at 10 a.m. against Norwalk St. Paul, 13-1, at Ohio Stadium on The Ohio State University campus in Columbus. Marion Local will be looking for their fourth straight State Championship. The Bulldogs ended their season at 9-5.

Columbus Grove's defense forced the Flyers to punt after three plays on their first possession, but after a Bulldog punt, the Flyers put together an eight play drive that ended with wide receiver Hunter Wilker tossing a 12 yard touchdown pass to Kyle Homa with 6:20 left in the opening quarter. Wilker had come in motion across the field and took a pitch from quarterback Dustin Rethman as he continued across the field.

"That was a big play. We have been practicing that some throughout the year," Marion Local coach Tim Goodwin said. "Hunter is such a dangerous threat to run it, it worked really well. The old man (Flyer assistant coach Bill Goodwin) came up with it. I have to give him some credit. When he first came up with it, I thought he was crazy and I thought if it wasn't there, Hunter could get the first down. It was a good call."

Three plays later the Flyers were back in business after Wilker intercepted a Reid Stechschulte pass at the Bulldog 44. It took only one play for Marion Local to get back to the endzone as senior running back Jacy Goettemoeller found an opening around right end and basically was untouched on his scoring run. The extra point made it 14-0 with 5:12 left in the opening quarter.

Columbus Grove's offense produced their only scoring drive of the night on their next possession. It appeared the Bulldogs would have to punt after three running plays left them facing fourth and one. With Joey Wanecke in punt formation, he took the snap and ran around right end for six yards for a first down.

On the next play, Stechschulte dropped back and found receiver David Bogart behind the Flyer defense. Bogart caught the pass and went in to the endzone to complete a 64 yard touchdown play. With the extra point, it was 14-7 Flyers with 3:16 left in the first quarter.

With the Bulldogs looking for a stop to gain more momentum, they were unable to do it as the Flyers went 80 yards in nine plays, all running, before Goettemoeller capped the drive with an 18 yard touchdown run on fourth and two. It was one of several fourth downs the Flyers converted in the game.

"When we punted the first time, it wasn't very impressive," Goodwin said. "I didn't think we would gain much field position, with this wind, and I have a lot of confidence in our offense, Sometimes it works, sometimes it doesn't."

Marion Local punted one time in the game for 15 yards into a strong wind. Columbus

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Grove punted six times for an average of 28.2 yards a kick.

“There were a few times in the first half, where we had them in fourth down situations and they went for it and got it. That kind of killed us a little bit,” Grove coach Andy Schafer said. “When you get them in fourth down, you want them to punt or make a stop, but we couldn’t and they kind of hurt us the first half. Football is a game of momentum and when you’re playing the three time State Champs and you can’t swing the momentum, you are in trouble. We just couldn’t get the momentum swung our way.”

After the Bulldogs second punt of the half, the Flyers added to their lead as Goettemoeller scored on an eight yard run with 6:57 left in the half.

The Flyers stopped themselves on their next two possessions as they couldn’t convert on fourth down and they fumbled on their next drive with the Bulldogs recovering.

Columbus Grove was unable to take advantage of the turnover and after another punt, they had the ball at their own 45 and less than a minute left in the half. Despite two sacks of quarterback Dustin Rethman, and one timeout, the Flyers scored with time running out in the half.

After the Bulldogs second sack of Rethman by Brant Follas, Rethman dropped back and fired a pass towards the left corner of the endzone and Wilker. Bogart was back there for the Grove defense and appeared in a great position to intercept the ball. However, it

went through his hands and into the hands of Wilker for a touchdown with zeros on the scoreboard clock. With the extra point, it was 35-7 at the half.

The Flyers continued to pull away in the third quarter as Wilker scored on a 69 yard run to cap another one play drive by Marion Local and Homan had a four yard run as Marion Local started to rest its first team players. Backup running back Nate Moeller finished the scoring in the fourth quarter.

Goettemoeller led the Marion Local offense with 177 yards on 15 carries, all in the first half. Wilker had 69 yards on two carries and Aaron Nietfeld 63 yards on 11 carries. Rethman was 6 of 15 passing for 112 yards as Wilker caught four passes for 95 yards.

“When you’re looking at scouting before the game, you’re just trying to find their weaknesses,” Schafer said. “There just really aren’t a lot, which is why they are in week 15 the last few years. Hats off to them.”

Columbus Grove had just 173 yards of offense for the game as they were held to 49 yards rushing on 27 carries. Warnecke finished the night with just 29 yards rushing and Stechschulte was 3 of 12 passing with two interceptions.

“They were really doing a good job of being aggressive,” Schafer said. “They blitz on every single play. This is the first time all season where we saw a blitz. It was kind of a challenge for us. To be flat out honest, they are just good.”

Columbus Grove 2014 9 - 5

State Semi-Finalist



1st Row, left to right - Noah Kohls, Joey Warnecke, Christian Stechschulte, David Bogart, Tanner From, Elisha Jones and Andrew Burgei. 2nd row - Andrew Nichols, Eli Schroeder, Tyler Brooks, Aldan Fortman, Brandt Folas, Dylan Blankemeyer, Eli Wiswasser and Reid Stechschulte. 3rd row - T. J. Pardo, Logan Diller, Baily Clement, Justin Calvalege, Isaach Siefker, Jake Utendorf and Brandon Grigsby. 4th row - Andrew Wheeler, Emilio DeLaRosa, Logan Ridenour, Grant Cassidy, Eric Warnecke, Ethan Blankemeyer, Adam Birkemeier and Bryce Ricker. 5th row - Clark Sturgeon, Rece Roney, Lachlan Clymer, Grant Schroeder, Noah Drake, Dylan Fruchey and Ross Renner. Row 6 - Kyle Siefker, Owen Fuerst, Rayne Sharrits, Logan Malsam, Enoch Jones and Bayden Brubaker. 7th row - Head Coach Andy Schafer, Asst. Coaches Scott Snider, Eric Siefker, Ben Thiel, Tyler Allen, Jeremy Wyant and Kyle Johann.

Columbus Grove 9 - 5						CG		ML
Coach Andy Schafer								
NWC 5 - 2								
State Semi-Finalist								
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents				
30	Pandora-Gilboa	28	42	*Paulding	0	123	First Downs	
46	*Allen East	21	26	*Crestview	13	26	Total Yards	481
31	*Ada	17	21	*Bluffton	6	54	Rushing Atts.	38
17	Lima Central C.	38	21	#Pandora-Gilboa	6	69	Rushing Yards	369
32	*Spencerville	35	17	#Tiffin Calvert	7	3 - 12	Passing Yards	112
17	Swanton	30	19	#Arlington	7	0	Comp/Attempts	6 - 15
0	*Delphos Jefferson	36	7	#Marion Local	55	6 - 26.5	Interceptions by	2
							Punts - Ave.	1 - 15
							Fumbles Lost	1 - 1
							Penalties -Yards	
							Score by Quarters	
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						ML	14 21 14 6 - 55	

Coldwater's Big Plays Hamper Bulldogs in Division VI State Semi-Finals on Saturday

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

SIDNEY – Coldwater's goal on offense is to share the wealth between their running and passing games. It doesn't hurt to have a number of players that can break off a big play when they have the chance.

Coldwater used big plays running the football and in the passing game Saturday night to defeat Columbus Grove 41-27 in a Division VI State Semi-Final contest at Sidney's Memorial Stadium. With the win, the Cavaliers, 11-0, advance to the Division VI State Finals Sunday to face New Middletown Springfield at 5 p.m. The Bulldogs saw their season end at 10-1 as they were making their first State Semi-Final appearance since the 2014 season.

Coldwater finished with 470 yards of offense on a damp Saturday night in Sidney as they rushed for 313 yards and threw for another 157 yards. Of their six touchdowns in the game, five of them were more than 25 yards in length.

"All year we have called it spreading the wealth," Coldwater coach Chip Otten said "When you give all those guys opportunities it makes us hard to defend. When Kibby (RB Zack McKibben) gets going and you have two big, tall wideouts that can run and catch it, that's big. We have a lot of good skilled guys and you just can't focus on one guy. We have five, six, seven guys that we are not afraid to give the ball to."

Columbus Grove coach Andy Schafer admitted the big plays were a key in the setback. "Not only was it the big plays, but missed tackles," Schafer said. "That's the one that kind that hurts a little bit. A big play because of a blown coverage is one thing, but a big play because we didn't wrap up is

another. That hurts, I'll be honest. We thought we had that fixed earlier this season. We played Fairview really well and we played Archbold really well and those were two big play teams so I thought coming into this we got this. Their kids played really, really hard and they are a physical team."

Columbus Grove had the ball much of the opening quarter as they took their opening drive to the Coldwater 17 where the Cavalier defense stopped them on downs. After forcing a Cavalier punt, Columbus Grove was at the Coldwater 10 yards line before a holding penalty forced them into a third and long situation. When they were unable to recover from the penalty, Rece Verhoff stepped in and kicked a 30 yard field goal for a 3-0 Grove lead with 2:35 left in the opening quarter.

It didn't take Coldwater long to get their offense going to overcome the three point deficit. Behind a five play drive the Cavaliers took the lead as Myles Blasingame scored on a 26 yard run. Just before the score, McKibben had carried the ball for 15 yards to the Grove 36. A missed extra point made the score 6-3 with 1:04 left in the second quarter.

After a good first quarter by the Bulldog defense, the Cavalier offense got rolling in the second quarter as they scored three touchdowns.

Just over a minute into the second quarter, the Cavaliers took a 13-3 lead when McKibben kept battling by breaking three tackles on his way to a 7 scoring run. McKibben led the Cavalier rushing attack with 195 yards on 15 carries and two touchdowns in the game.

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It took only two plays for Columbus Grove to answer back as quarterback Blake Reynolds hit Gabe Clement in stride down field for a play that covered 68 yards for a touchdown. The Bulldogs were down 13-10 after Clement's touchdown, but also that would be the last offensive play Clement ran for Grove in the game as he injured a knee playing defense on the next series.

"That hurts," Schafer said. "We talked to our kids all season that we never knew if we going to lost someone, that it was next man up. I don't know if it really bothered our kids. I didn't see that in our players. But as a play called, my play sheet got cut in half as I had things we wanted to do with him. We actually put in a Wildcat offense this week and we just had one snap to him. Credit our kids, we moved the ball fairly well on offense.

After the Grove score, Coldwater kept the ball on the ground as they ran the ball six times before Blasingame found Tyler Schwieterman in the right corner of the endzone for a 33 yard scoring play to make it a 20-10 game.

Columbus Grove put together a drive mixing the run and pass before it stalled at the Coldwater 15. Verhoff kicked his second field goal of the night, time from 32 yards out with 1:15 left in the half. The Cavaliers quickly marched down field as Blasingame and Schwieterman hooked up on a 30 yard touchdown pass that made the score 27-13.

With just 22 seconds left in the half, the Bulldogs quickly moved into field goal position as passes to Jackson Schroeder and Jon Banal had the ball at the Cavalier 25 with two seconds left in the half. Verhoff attempted

a 42 yard field goal, that had plenty of distance, but hit off the left upright as time expired.

The Bulldogs defense came up with a stop on Coldwater's first possession of the third quarter, but they were unable to take advantage of it. Coldwater then went down and scored on a Blasingame two yard run that made the score 34-13 with 3:29 left in the quarter.

"Coming out of halftime, we told them how important it would be to get a stop," Schafer said. "We did. Coldwater is good football team and it's not like we lost to anyone not good."

Columbus Grove would reach the endzone two times in the remaining time as Reynolds scored on runs of seven and five yards in the fourth quarter. Coldwater added a 37 yard run by McKibben in between scores.

Reynolds threw for 263 yards in the game and rushed for 93 yards, while Colin Metzger rushed for 67 yards and caught three passes for 68 yards. Clement caught two passes for 78 yards and Schroeder had five catches for 54 yards.

"I have a sign in my classroom from when I was first hired that says, 'Faith, Family and Football,'" Schafer said. "These guys are not at that football level, but are my family, that second level. This was such a great team with a group of seniors I will never forget. They honestly changed the culture of the school, our community and everything. It really hurts losing this game, but I told them looking back, 'Remember the day we didn't even have a season, we will look back and say that was good football team.'"

Columbus Grove 2020 10 - 1

State Semi-Finalist



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Columbus Grove 10 - 1						CG		Coldwater
Coach Andy Schafer						20	First Downs	21
NWC 6 - 0 1st						422	Total Yards	474
State Semi-Finalist						27	Rushing Atts.	37
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		158	Rushing Yards	317
41	*Bluffton	7	59	#Ottawa Hills	0	264	Passing Yards	157
52	*Ada	18	41	#Tinora	35	17 - 23	Comp/Attempts	9 - 13
30	*Allen East	21	34	#Archbold	20	0	Interceptions by	0
45	*Delphos Jefferson	6	42	#Fairview	21	2 - 25	Punts - Ave.	2 - 51
38	*Crestview	31	27	#Coldwater	41	0 - 0	Fumbles Lost	0 - 0
27	**Allen East	24				8 - 65	Penalties -Yards	8 - 57
							Score by Quarters	
						C	6 21 7 7 - 41	
						CG	3 10 0 14 - 27	

Two Third Quarter Touchdowns Lead Marion Local Past Columbus Grove

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

LIMA – Columbus Grove went toe-to-toe with Marion Local Saturday evening. While the game was a defensive struggle most of the evening, the Flyers connected for two late third quarter touchdowns to defeat the Bulldogs 27-0 in a Division VI State Semi-Final contest at Spartan Stadium in Lima.

Marion Local, 15-0, advanced to the Division VI State Championship game Saturday at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton at 10:30 a.m. against Kirtland, 15-0. Columbus Grove saw its season end at 12-3.

“Coach Goodwin said, ‘You guys put up a heck of a fight’ and he’s right, we did.” Columbus Grove coach Andy Schafer said. “Our game plan was working. We called that gutsy call there at the start of the second half to go for it back in our territory on fourth and one. We got it and I thought that would spark us. They have a really good defense and we just couldn’t get any points on the board.”

“If we had scored on that drive, it could have been a different game. When we went down 13, we had to change our game plan a bit. We thought the way to beat these guys was to run right at them and be physical upfront. Our goal was to stick to our base and run right at them. We just couldn’t get it in the end zone. I was really proud of our defense, really proud of our seniors.”

For two and half quarters Saturday evening the two defenses dominated play as the Flyers had managed the only score in that time. Late in the third quarter, the Flyers saw two plays go for touchdowns as they were able to lengthen their lead and force the Bulldogs to stray away from their game plan in an effort to catch up.

Columbus Grove finished the night with 168 yards of offense, while the Flyers ended up with 314 yards of offense. This was the 11th shutout the Flyer defense has had this season.

“They (Grove) were just physical,” said Flyer coach Goodwin. “They were physical and they kept those safeties deep. When you put that combination together, it’s tough sledding until we could figure some stuff out. I think we wore them down some in the second half and when we got up two scores, they knew it was tough sledding against our defense. It wears on you mentally. Columbus Grove played hard the entire game. They have nothing to be ashamed about.”

After a scoreless first quarter in which the Bulldogs didn’t record a first down, they were moving the ball after the Flyers punted to start the second quarter. Showing the Flyers some different looks on offense that included running back Trenton Barraza taking direct snaps, Columbus Grove moved into Marion Local territory for the first time.

The drive eventually ended with the Bulldogs turning the ball over on downs. The Flyers took over at their own 36 and got the offense going behind a 23 yard run by Kyle Otto to the Grove 41.

After a 22 yard completion to Nathan Buschur moved the ball to the Bulldog 25, the Flyers eventually found the endzone when Tate Hess tossed a screen pass to Otto in the right flat and he took the ball into the endzone with 2:39 left in the half. With the extra point, Marion Local had a 7-0 lead.

“Obviously every score was important tonight,” Goodwin said. “Tate executed well on that drive and we needed it. He struggled the first quarter, but he played pretty well down the stretch.”

Columbus Grove had the ball to start the second half starting at their own five yard line. Three plays netted nine yards leading up to the Schafer ‘gutsy’ move going for it on fourth down. Barraza was able to follow his offensive line for that one yard giving the Bulldogs new life.

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“I told coach Kohls at halftime, I was going to have to go for it. I didn’t think it was going to be that early,” Schafer said. “I said some of these fourth downs, I’m just going to have to go for it. He said we were good. It would have been nice to get some points out of it when you take a gamble like that.”

After the fourth down conversion, Barraza went around the right side for a 46 yard gain. The drive stalled there as a fourth down pass was incomplete.

Like they did the first half, the Flyer offense responded by driving down and scoring with 4:01 left in the quarter. Once again, it was Otte that took a short pass in the flat and weaved his way through the Bulldog defense to make it a 13-0 game as the extra point try failed.

After the Bulldogs were forced to punt on their next possession, the Flyers took over at their own 26. Two plays garnered three yards before Hess hit Natan Buscher with a pass down the left sideline. Buscher was able to slip a tackle and take the ball 71 yards for a score with 53 seconds left in the quarter. With the extra point the Bulldogs were down 20-0.

“The first half our kids played them toe-to-toe. They didn’t go into the game scared of them,” Schafer said. “Unfortunately, this game got away from us in the second half.”

Marion Local finished the scoring on a three yard run by Drew Seitz in the fourth quarter with 5:44 left to play.

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Columbus Grove 12 - 3 Coach Andy Schafer NWC 6 - 1 State Semi-Finalist						CG			ML		
						8	First Downs		15		
						168	Total Yards		314		
						34	Rushing Atts.		41		
CG	Opponents			CG Opponents			128	Rushing Yards		200	
34	Pandora-Gilboa	23		55	*Spencerville	6	40	Passing Yards		114	
13	Liberty-Benton	24		42	*Bluffton	14	5 - 15	Comp/Attempts		6 - 10	
7	Patrick Henry	0		42	#Sullivan Black R.	17	0	Interceptions by		0	
38	*Delphos Jefferson	6		34	#Northwestern	22	6 - 27.2	Punts - Ave.		3 - 41.3	
0	*Allen East	7		14	#Colonel Crawford	7	2 - 0	Fumbles Lost		0 - 0	
23	*Leipsic	0		34	#Columbia	0	0 - 0	Penalties -Yards		4 - 24	
31	*Crestview	6		0	#Marion Local	27	Score by Quarters				
38	*Ada	12					CG	0	0	0	0 - 0
						ML	0	7	13	7 - 27	

Versailles Runs Past Bulldogs in Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

WAPAKONETA – Versailles defense did a good job of limiting what Columbus Grove did offensively. On the other side of the ball, the Tiger's offense played keep away from the Bulldogs.

Behind a versatile running attack, the Tigers used sustained drives to eat time off the clock with long drives. Versailles overall play led them to a 30-13 Division VI State Semi-Final win over the Bulldogs at Wapakoneta's Mercy Health Wapak Ford Field Friday night.

With the win, the Tigers, 13-2, advance to the Division VI State Championship game Friday morning against top ranked Kirtland, 14-0, at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton at 10:30 a.m. The Bulldogs saw another successful season end at 12-3 after advancing to the State Semi-Finals for a second straight season.

"I'm one of those that always thinks we have a chance until the clock ticks out," Columbus Grove head coach Andy Schafer said. "I thought we had a chance there in the second half. We just couldn't get the ball. Our defense couldn't get them to turn it over."

Versailles rushing attack ran for 279 yards Friday night to keep the ball away from the Bulldog offense that also led to them dominating the time of possession for the game. The Bulldogs had the ball just for six possessions Friday night as they ran 41 total plays. Three of the Bulldog's six possessions ended because of turnovers. Versailles never punted in the game.

Columbus Grove had a good start to the contest as on Versailles fourth play of the night, Zach Reynolds intercepted a Tiger pass returning it to the four yard line. Four plays later, Trenton Barraza took a direct snap and bulled his way into the endzone for a score.

Versailles came right back with a 15 play drive that saw them reach the Bulldog 10 yard line. On fourth

down, the Tiger's Joel Gehret kicked a 27 yard field goal.

Columbus Grove fumbled the ensuing kickoff with Sam DeLand falling on the loose ball at the Bulldog seven yard line. Two plays later, Micael Osborne bulled over from a yard out to give the Tigers a 10-7 lead with 11:11 left in the second quarter.

Columbus Grove picked up a first down on their next possession before the Versailles defense halted the drive. After a Grove punt traveled just seven yards, the Tigers took over at the Grove 46 needing seven plays to score as Gehret scored on a yard run to make it a 17-7 game.

The Bulldogs attempted to get back into the game as on their next possession, they went for a first down from their own 30. They were successful on that attempt, but a second try on fourth down ended with Landon Best throwing an interception.

Versailles took over at their own 29 and immediately were in business after a 15 yard run by Gehret. The drive ended seven plays later with Jace Watren catching a 23 yard touchdown pass with 13 seconds left in the half for a 23-7 lead. The extra point try was blocked by the Bulldogs.

Columbus Grove regrouped at halftime as they took the second half kickoff and drove down the field with Best scoring on a six yard run after taking nearly six minutes off the clock. The Bulldogs tried to make it a one score game only to see a pass fall incomplete.

"I talked about Bluffton having some grit in the second half and we needed to show the same grit," Schafer said. "We did. We had a great start to the first half obviously and a great start to the second half. Credit to them, they have an unbelievable offense. It's really hard to simulate in practice. I don't know what the time of possession was, but it was not very good for the Bulldogs. We took some shots that we probably shouldn't have taken offensively. It was hard to establish a rhythm."

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Honestly, it was not being on the field. It was a cold night and the offensive guys that aren't touching the field on defense, for them all of sudden for them to sit eight, nine minutes, then come in and try to have some push after they methodically went down the field, it's very, very difficult."

Versailles slowly answered back as they ate the remaining time off the third quarter clock before scoring a two yard run by Gehret five seconds into the final quarter for a 30-13 lead.

"It's huge," Schafer said of slowing the Tiger's rushing attack. "We talked about it all week that this would be a hard team to stop. They have the jet sweep going, the 'iso' and when you consider their quarterback as an extra runner, they almost have you outnumbered. He (Osborne) is the MAC Player of the Year and that's pretty impressive."

Columbus Grove drove to the Versailles 22 on their next possession before a holding call gave them first and 20. After an incomplete pass, the Tigers intercepted a Best pass. The Tigers ate another big chunk of time off the clock before the turning the ball over on downs. Six plays later the Bulldogs suffered their fourth turnover of the night and the Tigers were able to run out the clock.

Still coach Shafer was pleased with the Bulldogs overall season after overcoming a 1-2 start to win 11 straight games.

"This was a special group," Schafer said. I remember thinking at the beginning of they year if I had any leaders. I have a ton of them in that senior class, a very special class. The way that they were able to get our team to come together, they were all about the team, the whole team. It was awesome. We had lot of special underclassmen and sometimes that's hard on a senior class. They embraced it and made those underclassmen part of their own."

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Columbus Grove 12 - 3						CG			Versailles		
Coach Andy Schafer						12	First Downs		22		
NWC 7 - 0 1st						187	Total Yards		323		
State Semi-Finalist						28	Rushing Atts.		56		
CG	Opponents			CG		Opponents		99	Rushing Yards		284
22	Pandora-Gilboa	25		56	*Ada	6		88	Passing Yards		39
24	Liberty-Benton	14		14	*Bluffton	7	7 - 13	Comp/Attempts		2 - 5	
28	Patrick Henry	40		42	#Lakota	17	1	Interceptions by		3	
40	*Spencerville	0		34	#Black River	6	1 - 7	Punts - Ave.		0 - 0	
40	*Delphos Jefferson	0		37	#Carey	21	1 - 1	Fumbles Lost		0 - 0	
47	*Allen East	28		17	#Bluffton	10	3 - 12	Penalties -Yards		1 - 5	
28	*Leipsic	14		13	#Versailles	30		Score by Quarters			
38	*Crestview	0						Ver 0 23 0 7 - 30			
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Bulldogs Fall to Flyers in State Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

LIMA – Marion Local entered Friday night's Division VII State Semi-Final with Columbus Grove riding a 62 game winning streak.

Even with all their success, the Flyers take no team lightly. That showed Friday night as the Flyers stopped the Bulldogs first drive with an interception then came up with more first quarter turnovers that all turned into points for Marion Local.

With the early lead, Marion Local was able to do what they wanted in a 41-6 win over the Bulldogs on a cold and windy night at Lima Spartan Stadium.

“Literally, this is just one game at a time,” Marion Local head coach Tim Goodwin said. “We just have great kids, we push them hard and they respond. Every week is a new challenge and a new team, we just have fun with it.”

With the win, the top ranked Flyers, 15-0, return to the Division VII State Championship game this Friday at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton against Jeromesville-Hillsdale, 14-1, at 10:30 a.m. Columbus Grove, the second ranked team in Division VII, saw an excellent season end at 14-1.

“They are good,” Columbus Grove head coach Andy Schafer said. “We made some mistakes that are uncharacteristic of us, and may not have cost us the game, but swung the momentum. Momentum, obviously, is always a big part of football, but with a game of this magnitude when you lose the momentum it hurts. This is going to sting for a while.”

Columbus Grove received the opening kickoff and went driving before the Flyer defense had them facing a fourth down and two at the Marion Local 38. On fourth down, the Flyers were able to intercept a Kyle Hopkins pass.

Marion Local turned the turnover into six points as Victor Hoelscher caught a 17 yard touchdown pass

from Justin Knouff just six minutes into the game. With the extra point, the Flyers had a 7-0 lead.

On the ensuing kickoff, a Bulldog player was unable to handle a short kick that Marion Local recovered at the Grove 38. One play later, Parker Hess was in the endzone as he worked his way through the Grove defense for a 38 yard scoring run.

On the Bulldogs next possession, they drove to the Flyer 20 yard line before an interception ended the drive. Marion Local went on a nine play drive, recovering a fumble of their own, as Ethan Heitkamp scored on a three yard run two minutes into the second quarter for 20-0 led after a missed extra point.

“They caught all the breaks,” Schafer said. “Not all of them, but....I think our kids, for the most part, fought to the end and showed they are resilient kids and that’s certainly what I will talk to them about, but they are a good team.”

Goodwin felt his defenses early success was a key for his team as they didn’t let the Bulldogs regain any momentum after the Flyers took an early lead.

“We, obviously, got some big stops after they had some success,” Goodwin said. “We have done that against some good teams over the years so that wasn’t a huge surprise. We have a great senior class that has played a lot of snaps. They are not only talented, but they have the reps to react to the stimulus. We got some breaks in the kicking game under some tough conditions with the wind and cold.”

After having two drives stopped by turnovers, the Bulldogs finished a drive as Trenton Barraza scored on a five yard run with 3:44 left in the second quarter.

Marion Local quickly answered back after starting a drive at their own 44 after a personal foul penalty on the Bulldogs. The Flyers needed just four plays

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to score as Hess scored on a 30 yard run for a 27-6 lead.

After an exchange of turnovers, the Bulldogs were driving late in the first half before running out of time.

Marion Local added a score in each of the third and fourth quarters as Hess scored on a two yard run in the third quarter and a 47 yard run in the fourth quarter. Hess finished the game with 248 yards on 24 carries and the four touchdowns.

Trenton Barraza rushed for 114 for the Bulldogs on 31 carries with a score. Barraza finished his Bulldog career with a school record 6,360 yards on 844 carries and he scored 72 touchdowns.

Hopkins was 11 of 22 passing for 141 yards and Gavin Barraza caught two passes for 62 yards. Trenton Barraza had three catches for 15 yards in the game, while Brady Basinger had two catches for 22 yards and Trevon Baxter had two catches for 28 yards.

“This doesn’t take away from the season we had,” Schafer said. “We compared ourselves to the 2003 team and I was blown away by how close they are. We were really, really close, unfortunately, it didn’t go our way.”

Columbus Grove 2024 14 - 1

State Semi-Finalist



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Columbus Grove 14 - 1 Coach Andy Schafer NWC 7 - 0 1st State Semi-Finalist						CG		St. Henry
						13	First Downs	22
						253	Total Yards	426
						37	Rushing Atts.	37
CG Opponents			CG Opponents			112	Rushing Yards	305
35	Pandora-Gilboa	7	28	*Lima Central C.	20	141	Passing Yards	121
42	Liberty-Benton	14	42	*Bluffton	0	11 - 22	Comp/Attempts	7 - 9
27	Patrick Henry	13	42	#North Baltimore	8	1	Interceptions by	1
45	*Spencerville	7	38	#Lima Central C.	6	2 - 39.5	Punts - Ave.	0 - 0
65	*Delphos Jefferson	6	35	#Sycamore	13	2 - 2	Fumbles Lost	3 - 2
38	*Allen East	13	14	#Delphos St. Johns	0	3 - 30	Penalties -Yards	1 - 10
50	*Fort Loramie	30	6	#Marion Local	41		Score by Quarters	
49	*Crestview	7					CG 0 6 0 0 - 6	
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Bulldogs Come Up Short to Redskins in State Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

TROY – Columbus Grove and St. Henry staged a defensive battle during their Division VII football State Semi-Final contest. The difference in the contest were a pair of first quarter touchdown passes by the Redskins.

With the lead, the Redskin defense stood tall when the Bulldog offense was able to threaten to overcome their deficit on their way to a 13-10 win at Troy Memorial Stadium Friday evening.

With the win, St. Henry, 13-1, advances to the Division VII State Championship game, for the first time since 2006, Saturday against Hillsdale at 10:30 at Canton. Columbus Grove saw its season end at 10-4 as they were playing their fourth straight State-Semi Final.

“Give credit to Columbus Grove for a great game. I’m just so damn proud of my kids. Holy smokes, we are going back to State for the first time in 19 years,” St. Henry head coach Josh Werling said. “I could not be prouder of that group.”

“You see that (Werling said of the Redskin fans in attendance). They have been so great all fall. Our volleyball team had a great run going to play in the State tournament, they were there. This community is behind these guys 100% and I’m just a proud football coach.”

Defense ruled the night as the Redskins limited the Bulldogs to 191 yards of offense, while St. Henry rolled up 266 yards, 144 of it coming through the air.

“They are extremely athletic,” coach Werling said. “Coach Craig and the defensive staff had our guys ready to roll.”

The difference in the game were two long pass plays by St. Henry in the opening quarter, which accounted for all of their points.

After the Bulldogs punted on their first possession, the Redskins needed just three plays to take the lead as Landon Schwartz hauled in a long pass from quarterback Charlie Werling, then evaded two Grove defenders for a 6-0 lead with 8:40 left in the opening quarter. The extra point try was blocked by the Bulldogs.

Columbus Grove attempted to answer back as they put together an 11 play drive that had them at the Redskin 11 yard line. After two incomplete passes, Evan Verhoff came on to kick a 28 yard field goal for the Bulldogs to make it a 6-3 game with 4:16 left in the first quarter.

St. Henry answered right back as they went 66 yards in eight plays as Werling found Austin Zimmerman in the left corner of the endzone with a 29 yard touchdown pass. Zimmerman hauled in the pass despite the efforts of two Bulldog defenders trying to knock the ball away. With the extra point, the Redskins had a 13-3 lead with 33 seconds left in the first quarter.

“We knew we had to do something different against St. Henry, they are a different style offense than what we have really seen and we are traditional, a 4-3, cover 2,” Columbus Grove coach Andy Schafer said. “I’m pretty suborn on that. Against St. Henry we switched to a 5-2, played some cover 3. We did the best we could to prepare them for that, it’s just a little different.”

“We said that if we forced St. Henry to throw, we had a chance and that’s basically what we did. We forced them to throw early, they had those two big plays unfortunately and I wish we could have them back. Those certainly cost us a portion of the game. Hats off to our kids they really played with emotion, played with heart, with fire.”

After scoring on their first two possessions, the Redskin offense never saw the endzone again as the

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Bulldog defense gave up some yards, but held firm when they needed to.

In the second quarter, the Bulldogs had a chance to cut into the Redskin lead after recovering a fumble at the St. Henry 22. A pass and two runs left the Bulldogs facing fourth and one at the 13. On fourth down, the Redskin defense stuffed a run by Trevon Baxter to get the ball back at their own 13 yard line.

Columbus Grove's defense forced a quick three and out and a short punt by the Redskins. They had the ball at the St. Henry 40 yard line.

It took Grove only two plays to score as Trevon Baxter hauled in a Landon Best pass on the left sideline, then was able to keep his balance and run into the endzone for a 38 yard touchdown pass with a minute left in the first half. With the extra point, the score was 13-10 going into halftime.

The second half was a defensive display by both teams as there were no points scored. Both teams had opportunities to possibly add to their point total, but were unable to finish drives.

With the lead, the Redskins changed their offensive strategy at halftime preferring to run the ball using mainly quarterback Charlie Werling as their primary runner. Werling finished the game with 25 rushing attempts for 103 yards, with the majority (19) of those rushing attempts coming in the second half.

"That's been our identify all year, our Q run game," coach Werling said. "When it's that kind of time in the ball game, we lean on who we are and not reinvent ourselves and the kids responded. Our conversation at halftime was let's run the dang ball and if they don't score we win. It was that simple and our defense responded."

Columbus Grove had two drives into St Henry territory in the second half, but were unable to capitalize on either one.

"It's hard," Schafer said. "They are a big, physical team, they are primarily seniors. I was talking to their coach before the game and how many guys they have graduating. It's difficult, it's like hitting a stone wall. I thought our offensive coordinator did a good job trying to create mismatches and get our stuff going. We hang our hat on the jet sweep, that's no secret, but we did some inserting try to run between the tackles to keep them off guard and it helped a little bit."

The Bulldogs had one final chance as they turned the Redskins over on downs at their own 19 with 1:16 left. After a two yard run on first down, St. Henry's defense came through with a sack before two incomplete passes ended the possession for the Bulldogs.

"A lot of people counted us out," Schafer said. "I knew this team was special a long, long time ago. It took them a while but they certainly proved it."

Columbus Grove 2025 10 - 4

State Semi-Finalist



1st row, left to right - Landon Best, Gavin Barraza, Jakob Leininger, Trevon Baxter, Justin Norway, Graeen Maag, Evan Verhoff and Jarrod Holland. 2nd row - Ian Smith, Bryant Blue, Brody Wild, Zevyn Maag, Trenton Wynkoop, Brady Basinger, Maddox Lasley, Ayden Moore, Lucas Warmbrod and Carter Flores. 3rd row - Mason Whitfield, Jack Siefker, Preston Ellerbrock, Zaine Schroeder, Alex Meyer, Deacon Bryan, Brody McClure, Gavin Baxter and Landon Flores. 4th row - Jordan Mull, Ben Fuerst, Kolton Wainscott, Hagan Benroth, Baylee Maag, Kaden Blue, Nathan Fisher, Michael Thompson and Kaden Little. 5th row - Lane Hadsell, Tucker Wilson, Cameron Basinger, Anthony Medina, Eric Garza, Caleb Ricker, Levi Martz and Keaton Donaldson. Row 6 - Head Coach Andy Schafer, Asst. Coaches Scott Palte, Trent Teman, Derek Rieman, Trey Roney, Andy Kohls and Reid Stechschulte.

Columbus Grove 10 - 4						CG		St. Henry
Coach Andy Schafer						9	First Downs	13
NWC 7 - 0 1st						191	Total Yards	266
State Semi-Finalist						17	Rushing Atts.	33
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		53	Rushing Yards	122
21	Pandora-Gilboa	22	38	*Crestview	0	138	Passing Yards	144
3	Liberty-Benton	41	33	*Lima Central C.	25	20 - 33	Comp/Attempts	7 - 13
21	Patrick Henry	26	48	*Bluffton	38	1	Interceptions by	1
48	*Spencerville	0	28	#Gibsonburg	0	4 - 31.8	Punts - Ave.	3 - 31
49	*Delphos Jefferson	0	28	#Lima Central C.	6	0 - 0	Fumbles Lost	1 - 1
44	*Allen East	7	31	#Leipsic	6	6 - 52	Penalties -Yards	5 - 40
34	*Fort Loramie	0	10	#St. Henry	13	Score by Quarters		
						SH	13 0 0 0 - 13	
						CG	3 7 0 0 - 10	

Columbus Grove High School Football Field



Prequel for Leipsic

Coaching and Team Records
Series Record

1925 Team - 7-2-1 Record

1981 Team - Undefeated

2011 Team - 11-2 Record

LEIPSIC'S FOOTBALL HISTORY 1921 – 2025

Essay written by Joe Kirkendall

Leipsic football got its start in 1921 when the **LEIPSIC FOOTBALL CLUB** began to organize its first team. The Football Club, which was made up of Leipsic businessmen, would oversee and fund the first football team at Leipsic High School. It would host an end of the season banquet each December. This banquet was a big event as tickets would be sold. It included a meal and a guest speaker. This group prominently supported the football program through the 1920's and early 1930's.

The **FIRST SEASON** of Leipsic football would take place in the fall of 1921 under head coach R. A. Blauvelt. This was the very first football team in Putnam County. Leipsic would earn its first win on September 17, 1921, against the Deshler Pirates. This unfortunately was the only win of the 1921 season.

It wouldn't take long for the program to gain traction however, as the 1923 team would post a record of 10-1. It was not uncommon at this time that the football roster would get larger later in the fall. As the crops were harvested and the boys went back to school, many would join the football team. This caused the 1923 team some issues however, as it was determined that several of the boys were too old to play and Leipsic had to forfeit several games thus finishing 8-3.

During these first two decades Leipsic would play its home games at **TEMCO FIELD** which was located East of the Christman Brothers building on Sugar Street. The football team would jog to the field from the old high school, usually running down 8th Street to get there. Fans would park cars around the field since the bleachers were so small. Since there were no lights, the games were played in the afternoon.

During this time Leipsic would travel all over Northwest Ohio to find opponents. They would take on all comers, as they would play many larger schools, to augment the county teams that they played on an annual basis.

The most important figure during this time was **EARNEST E. (SHELLY) RADENBAUGH**. Coach Radenbaugh came to Leipsic in the early 1930's and would lead the football program until 1941. He also coached every sport at Leipsic during this time. Coach Radenbaugh also had the football team join a new league, the **WEST OHIO LEAGUE**, for football only. This was short-lived membership, lasting for only the 1938 and 1939 seasons.

When Leipsic football started, it created a unique **LEGACY OF TRADITIONS**. One of interest, is that throughout the 1920's and 1930's the Leipsic football team was never referred to as the Vikings by the local newspaper. There was a period in the 1930's when the paper called them the Phantoms or the Purple Phantoms. It was not until 1941 that the Vikings nickname would be adopted by Leipsic High School. The one constant during this time however was the use of purple and gold in their school colors. In fact, from the very beginning, varsity players would be awarded a gold letter L outlined in purple. This was made into a big deal with the awarding of letters at the end of the season's football banquet.

RIVALRIES at this time were made from proximity. The first game played against Pandora would take place in 1922 and the first game against Columbus Grove was in 1924, both Leipsic wins. Another huge rivalry, which lasted from 1922-1931, was against Continental. Two other local opponents, McComb and Van Buren, were on the schedule in 1921 and would be seen many times in the future. Following the attack on Pearl Harbor Leipsic would suspend its football program from 1942-1944, until the war ended.

In 1948, **COACH TIP HARTMAN** would arrive at Leipsic and take over the task of trying to revitalize the football program. For the 1949 season Leipsic would move to **MEMORIAL FIELD** located at what is now the St. Mary's softball diamond. Memorial Field also would have lights, to allow for night games to be played for the first time. Coach Hartman would get the program to turn the corner in 1951 with a 4-4 record. It was the following season, 1952, that would see one of the all-time great Leipsic teams which finished with a record of 8-1. The only loss that year would be to a dominant Columbus Grove Team.

It was typical for the home team at this time to provide the **GAME BALL**. As the story goes, Coach Hartman, to try and gain a psychological advantage, had the ball painted half purple and half gold. After Columbus Grove's coach protested, a new ball was used and unfortunately it didn't provide the advantage hoped for.

During the 1950's Leipsic would still travel all over and try to find several different league affiliations. Most conferences were county based, but since there were only a few teams in Putnam County, we had to look elsewhere.

In the late 1950's, they would join the **NORTHWEST BUCKEYE LEAGUE** with Payne, Hicksville, Edon and other schools to the Northwest.

Then in 1961 and 1962, we would play in the **NORTHWEST CONFERENCE**, unfortunately going 0-14.

It was in 1964 that we would join the eight small schools of Hancock County to form the **BLANCHARD VALLEY CONFERENCE** for football. A key figure in creating the BVC was Mr. Tip Hartman, now a member of the Leipsic Athletic Hall of Fame.

Leipsic moved to the **NORTHWEST CONFERENCE** again for a brief period, seasons 2021, 2022 and 2023, before moving back to the BVC.

During the 1960's, the football program saw a lot of coaching changes as there would be five different head coaches in this decade alone. Of those, three would only serve one season and Coach Jim Restle would be the longest tenured coach as he was here for five seasons. From 1960-1969, Leipsic would have its worse decade in program history as they only won 25 games in ten seasons. The best team of the decade would be in 1960 as they finished 6-2. It was during the 1962 season that the Viking would move to their present location, **JOHN EDWARDS FIELD**.

Leipsic would have great success from 1970-1981 with the hiring of **RICK REIDER**. During this period, Leipsic would produce two league titles and the only undefeated seasons in school history, 1975 and 1981. During this period the Vikings would win 72 games in 12 seasons. Coach Reider would finish with 84 wins in 15 seasons.

JOE KIRKENDALL first coached at Leipsic from 2008-2013. He then took off two seasons and came back in 2016. He currently has coached 16 seasons with a record of 131-51. During his tenure, Leipsic has won two BVC and four District Championships. The Vikings have qualified for 16 OHSAA tournaments

In 98 seasons, Leipsic had had 20 head coaches, although five would only serve for one season and four others were here for only two. Overall, Leipsic has five BVC titles, four Putnam County crowns and 16 OHSAA playoff trips which include four Regional Runner-Ups. The Vikings overall record is **461 – 473 – 28**.

LEIPSIC'S COACHING RECORDS 1921 - 1969

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1921	Ralph E. Blauvelt	1 - 4 - 0			
1922	Ray Prentiss	3 - 4 - 2			
1923	Ray Prentiss	8 - 3 - 0			11 - 7 - 2
1924	Harold L. Dowler	5 - 3 - 2			5 - 3 - 2
1925	Ralph E. Blauvelt	7 - 2 - 1	Putnam County League 1 - 3 - 0		
1926	Ralph E. Blauvelt	4 - 5 - 1			
1927	Ralph E. Blauvelt	7 - 1 - 2			
1928	Ralph E. Blauvelt	2 - 8 - 0			
1929	Ralph E. Blauvelt	0 - 4 - 1			21 - 24 - 5
1930	William Query	3 - 3 - 1			
1931	William Query	7 - 3 - 0			10 - 6 - 1
1932	Edgar Andrews	3 - 2 - 2			
1933	Edgar Andrews	3 - 6 - 0			6 - 8 - 2
1934	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	0 - 6 - 1	3 - 0 - 1 1st Western Ohio League 0 - 4 - 0 0 2 - 0		
1935	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	7 - 1 - 1			
1936	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	5 - 1 - 0			
1937	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	4 - 4 - 0			
1938	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	2 - 5 - 2			
1939	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	1 - 6 - 1	0 - 4 - 0 0 2 - 0		22 - 34 - 6
1940	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	0 - 7 - 1			
1941	Earnest D. Radenbaugh	3 - 4 - 0			
1945	Ken Bowersox	1 - 4 - 0			
1946	Ken Bowersox	0 - 8 - 0			
1947	Ken Bowersox	2 - 5 - 0			3 - 17 - 0
1948	Willis Hartman	2 - 6 - 0			
1949	Willis Hartman	1 - 6 - 1			
1950	Willis Hartman	3 - 5 - 0			
1951	Willis Hartman	4 - 4 - 0			
1952	Willis Hartman	8 - 1 - 0			
1953	Willis Hartman	5 - 4 - 0			
1954	Willis Hartman	3 - 5 - 0			
1955	Willis Hartman	2 - 5 - 1			
1956	Willis Hartman	2 - 5 - 1			30 - 41 - 3
1957	Elmo Sitz	0 - 7 - 0			0 - 7 - 0
1958	Jim Johnson	3 - 5 - 0	Northwest Ohio League 3 - 1 - 0 2 - 2 - 0		15 - 17 - 1
1959	Jim Johnson	4 - 3 - 1			
1960	Jim Johnson	6 - 2 - 0			
1961	Jim Johnson	2 - 7 - 0			
1962	Dave Dunkelberger	1 - 8 - 0	Northwest Conference 0 - 7 - 0		1 - 8 - 0
1963	Frank Osborne	0 - 9 - 0	0 - 7 - 0		0 - 9 - 0
1964	Jim Restle	4 - 5 - 0	Blanchard Valley Conference 5 - 4 - 0 4 - 3 - 1 1 - 8 - 0 1 - 8 - 0		15 - 28 - 1
1965	Jim Restle	5 - 4 - 0			
1966	Jim Restle	4 - 3 - 1			
1967	Jim Restle	1 - 8 - 0			
1968	Jim Restle	1 - 8 - 0			
1969	Dan Litzinger	1 - 7 - 1	1 - 7 - 1		1 - 7 - 1

LEIPSIC'S COACHING RECORDS 1970 - 2025

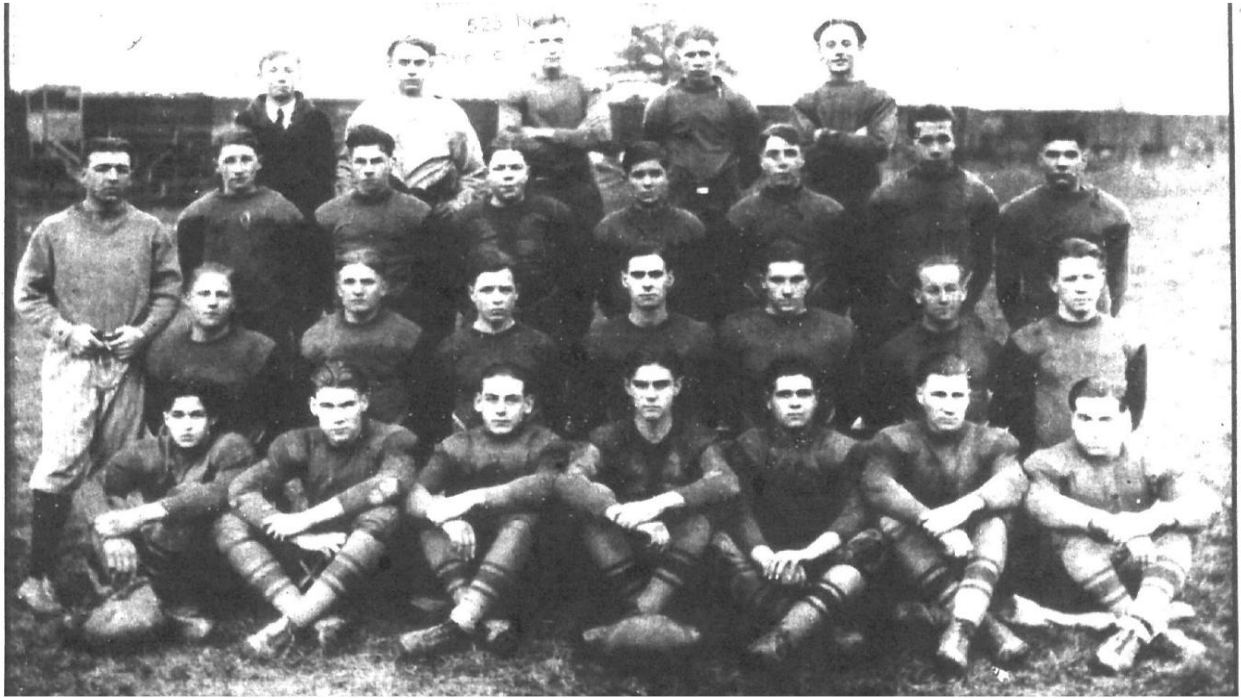
Year	Coaches	Season Record	Blanchard Valley Conference	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1970	Rick Reider	6 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1971	Rick Reider	5 - 3 - 1	5 - 3 - 1		
1972	Rick Reider	5 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1973	Rick Reider	6 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1974	Rick Reider	5 - 3 - 1	5 - 3 - 1		
1975	Rick Reider	9 - 0 - 1	8 - 0 - 1	1st	
1976	Rick Reider	7 - 2 - 1	7 - 2 - 0		
1977	Rick Reider	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1978	Rick Reider	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1979	Rick Reider	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
1980	Rick Reider	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1981	Rick Reider	10 - 0 - 0	9 - 0 - 0	1st	
1982	Rick Reider	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1983	Rick Reider	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
1984	Rick Reider	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		84 - 57 - 4
1985	Denny Phillips	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1986	Denny Phillips	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1987	Denny Phillips	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1988	Denny Phillips	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		9 - 31 - 0
1989	Jeff Mauk	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1990	Jeff Mauk	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1991	Jeff Mauk	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1992	Jeff Mauk	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1993	Jeff Mauk	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1994	Jeff Mauk	10 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0	1st	
1995	Jeff Mauk	7 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
1996	Jeff Mauk	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1997	Jeff Mauk	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1998	Jeff Mauk	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1999	Jeff Mauk	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2000	Jeff Mauk	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		58 - 64 - 0
2001	Tory Strock	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
2002	Tory Strock	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
2003	Tory Strock	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2004	Tory Strock	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
2005	Tory Strock	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2006	Tory Strock	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
2007	Tory Strock	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		28 - 42 - 0
2008	Joe Kirkendall	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
2009	Joe Kirkendall	10 - 2 - 0	9 - 0 - 0	1st	
2010	Joe Kirkendall	9 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0		
2011	Joe Kirkendall	11 - 2 - 0	9 - 0 - 0	1st	
2012	Joe Kirkendall	8 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
2013	Joe Kirkendall	8 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
2014	Andy Mangas	5 - 6 - 0	4 - 1 - 0	X	
2015	Andy Mangas	6 - 6 - 0	4 - 1 - 0	X	11 - 12 - 0
2016	Joe Kirkendall	7 - 4 - 0	6 - 2 - 0	X	
2017	Joe Kirkendall	7 - 4 - 0	5 - 3 - 0	X	
2018	Joe Kirkendall	10 - 2 - 0	7 - 1 - 0	X	
2019	Joe Kirkendall	11 - 2 - 0	6 - 1 - 0	X	
2020	Joe Kirkendall	5 - 3 - 0	3 - 2 - 0	X	
			Northwest Conference		
2021	Joe Kirkendall	8 - 4 - 0	6 - 1 - 0	X	
2022	Joe Kirkendall	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 4 - 0		
2023	Joe Kirkendall	8 - 3 - 0	5 - 2 - 0	X	
			Blanchard Valley Conference		
2024	Joe Kirkendall	8 - 5 - 0	5 - 3 - 0	X	
2025	Joe Kirkendall	11 - 2 - 0	7 - 1 - 0	X	131 - 51 - 0

LEIPSIC'S SERIES RECORDS 1921 - 2025

Ada	5	-	4	-	0	Lake	2	-	1	-	0
Allen East	2	-	1	-	0	Liberty Center	0	-	3	-	1
Antwerp	1	-	0	-	0	Liberty Twp.	4	-	0	-	0
Arcadia	41	-	14	-	0	Liberty-Benton	30	-	30	-	0
Arlington	20	-	38	-	2	Lima Central C.	0	-	1	-	0
Ayersville	1	-	0	-	0	Lima Central JVs	2	-	0	-	2
Bath	1	-	3	-	0	Lima South JVs	1	-	1	-	0
Bluffton	6	-	9	-	0	Lima St. Rose	1	-	1	-	0
Bradner	1	-	0	-	0	McComb	23	-	49	-	1
Bryan	1	-	1	-	0	Mohawk	3	-	0	-	0
Carey	1	-	7	-	0	Montpelier	0	-	2	-	0
Columbus Grove	12	-	32	-	1	Mt. Cory	1	-	6	-	2
Continental	7	-	1	-	1	Napoleon	0	-	2	-	2
Cory-Rawson	19	-	34	-	0	North Baltimore	13	-	19	-	3
Crestline	1	-	0	-	0	Oakwood	5	-	2	-	1
Crestview	3	-	0	-	0	Ottawa SPPS	2	-	2	-	0
Delphos Jefferson	4	-	10	-	0	Pandora	15	-	11	-	2
Delphos St. Johns	0	-	6	-	0	Pandora-Gilboa	40	-	32	-	1
Delta	1	-	3	-	0	Patrick Henry	10	-	26	-	1
Delta JVs	0	-	1	-	0	Paulding	6	-	10	-	1
Deshler	4	-	2	-	1	Payne	12	-	6	-	1
Edgerton	1	-	0	-	0	Rawson	0	-	3	-	0
Edinburg	1	-	0	-	0	Riverdale	3	-	0	-	0
Edon	2	-	0	-	0	Rockford	0	-	2	-	0
Elida	2	-	3	-	0	Shawnee	2	-	6	-	0
Elmwood	2	-	0	-	0	Spencerville	4	-	4	-	0
Fairview	2	-	0	-	0	Tiffin Calvert	0	-	1	-	0
Findlay JVs	0	-	2	-	0	Tinora	0	-	1	-	0
Forest	0	-	2	-	0	Toledo Libbey	0	-	2	-	0
Fostoria St. Wendel	0	-	0	-	1	Toledo Woodward	0	-	1	-	0
Fremont St. Joe	2	-	0	-	0	Toledon Central	0	-	1	-	0
Gibsonburg	1	-	0	-	0	Van Buren	37	-	23	-	2
Grand Rapids	1	-	0	-	0	Vanlue	49	-	7	-	0
Hardin Northern	24	-	26	-	1	Wapakoneta	1	-	1	-	0
Hicksville	11	-	10	-	0	Wauseon	1	-	2	-	0
Holgate	1	-	0	-	0	Waynesfield	5	-	1	-	1
Hopewell-Loudon	7	-	1	-	0	West Milton	1	-	0	-	0
Lafayette	0	-	3	-	0	Westwood	0	-	1	-	0

Totals 461 - 473 - 28

Leipsic 1925 7 - 2 - 1



Front row, left to right - Serge Payne, Don Kelley, Hollister Bright, Oscar Robinson, Bob Meyers, Marion Conn and Bob Hutton. 2nd row - Mark O'Donnel, Marcus Measelle, Clark Hummon, George Buttermore, Lamont Reynolds, Raymond Fike and Claude David. 3rd row - Coach Ralph Blauvelt, Salvin Judson, Alvin Weaver, Edgar Andrews, Joe Edwards, Donald Meyers, Ormon Hummon and Harvey Myers. 4th row - Mgr. Tom Judson, Delbert Pickens, Jim Draper, Rudy Randolph and Max Casey.

Leipsic Honors High Football Team

Walter Essman assistant coach at Ohio State University, who was to be the principal speaker at the fourth annual banquet honoring the local high school football team, was killed when his automobile was ditched near Upper Sandusky as he was speeding to keep the engagement. Local speakers were called on to round out the program in absense of Mr. Essman and they paid tribute to the team which has made such an enviable record.

The speakers were as follows: A. E. Shively, Superintendent of the school. Dr. W. D. Hickey. Reverend R. C. Moon. E. R. Rader. R. A. Prentiss. Ralph E. Blauvelt, Leipsic's coach. A. J. Sacksteder, former coach. Clifford Prebble, Columbus Grove's coach. C. J. Ericson was the toastmaster.

Music was furnished by the Leipsic orchestra and songs by the Ruff Necks, Helen Rower, Dorothy Rader, Maxine Starling, Betty Parsons, Elizabeth Blauvelt and Kathryn Deck.

George Buttermore is the retiring captain and Raymond Fike is the captain elect.

Leipsic 7 - 2 - 1					
Coach Ralph E. Blauvelt					
L	Opponents	L	Opponents		
W	Pandora	L	27	Columbus Grove	0
9	Wauseon	6	3	Bradner	0
13	Bryan	0	T	Napoleon	T
3	Bluffton	0	0	Toledo Libby	40
13	North Baltimore	6	6	Carey	10

Leipsic 1981 10 - 0 - 0



Sitting left to right - Alan Cupp, Dave Torres, Kirk Tooman, Greg Hardy, Dave Mangas, Todd Gibson, Keith Cupp, Dale Schey, Barry McCullough and John David. 2nd Row - Darren Henry, Jim Hazelton, Troy Rigel, Randy Selhorst, Dave Fackler, Brad Brooks, Brad Keeran, Greg McCallister, Tim Fackler and Eric Berger. 3rd Row - Steve Shaffer, Mgr., Noe Reyna, Jeff Moratt, Bruce Schroeder, Mike Bennett, Gary Meyers, Nick Vance, Mike Dillinger, Jim Critten, Todd Keeran and Scott Fenbert. Row 4 - Mr. Restle, Asst Coach, Dennis Niese, Pat Schroeder, Matt Logan, Jeff Vance, Ron Kinebriel, Rick Bennett, Richard Rickard, Jerry Sharrock, Robert Solis and Rick Reider, Head Coach. Row 5 - Ted Miller, Asst. Coach, Alan Magg, Jerry Hernandez, Roger Tooman, Scott Jones, David Maynard, Dean Critten, Louis Laubenthal, Rick Finkenbiner and Mr. Cain, Asst. Coach.

The 1981 edition of the Leipsic High School football team was expected to accomplish many things, but they accomplished two things: a BVC championship and a perfect 10-0 season

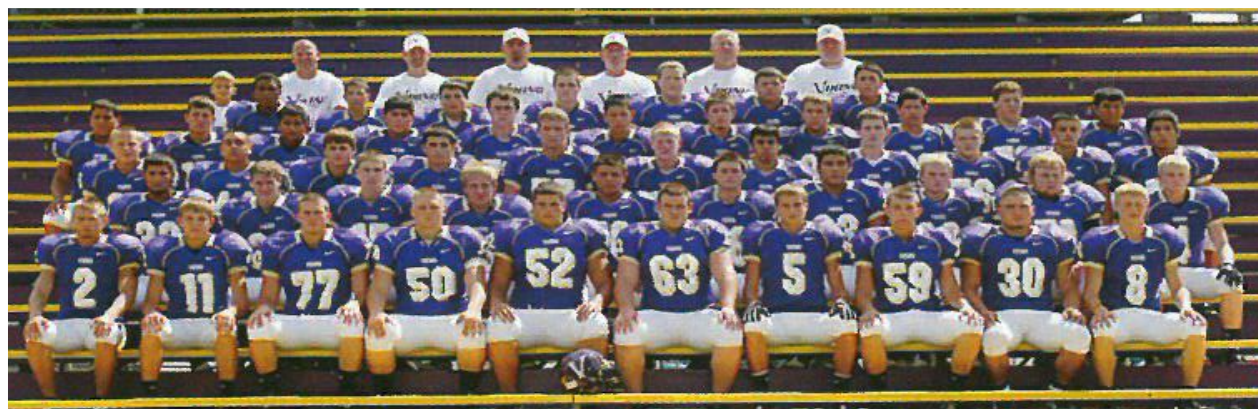
On September 4th, the varsity football season began with Patrick Henry. The Vikes won the non-league affair easily, 34-13. With Patrick Henry out of the way, the Vikes could now concentrate on the tough BVC schedule ahead of them.

The Vikes had very little trouble against their next two opponents as they defeated Liberty-Benton 28-0 and Hardin Northern 56-6. The Vikes then traveled to Arcadia hoping for another easy victory. After a deserved half-time scolding, the Vikes hit the field to walk away with a 17-7 victory. In perhaps the Vikings' best game of the year, LHS trounced Arlington capturing a 34-0 Homecoming victory. Dave Mangas wrote his name in the record book as he rushed for 272 yards. The unforgettable McComb game was next on the schedule. With the Vikes leading 22-14 with 1:28 left in the game, McComb shocked the entire stadium as they completed an 82 yard flea flicker pass to perfection. But Vikings rose to the occasion again as Randy Selhorst intercepted a two-point conversion pass, making the final score 22-20.

After the McComb game, the Vikes decided that they were tired of those close games so all they did was outscore their next four opponents 125-18. The season ended against arch-rival Cory-Rawson for the BVC crown. Dave Mangas stunned the Hornets as he returned a first quarter punt 78 yards for a touchdown. When the smoke cleared, the Vikes defeated Cory-Rawson 27-12 for the 1981 BVC crown.

Leipsic 10 - 0 - 0					
Coach Rick Reider					
BVC 9 - 0 - 0 1st					
L	Opponents		L	Opponents	
34	Patrick Henry	13	22	*McComb	20
28	*Liberty-Benton	0	34	*Van Buren	6
56	*Hardin Northern	0	20	*Pandora-Gilboa	0
17	*Arcadia	0	44	*Vanlue	0
34	*Arlington	0	27	*Cory-Rawson	12

Leipsic 2011 11 - 2



Row 1, left to right - Brady Schroeder, Nate Schey, Ryan Mangas, Joe Berger, Josh Turnwald, Ross Benton, Ty Maag, Nate Mangas, Greg Berger and Nate Nuveman. Row 2 - David Moore, Aric Schroeder, Derek Steffan, Colyn Niese, Cody Guerra, Devin Mangas, Brady Schnipke, Trevor Schroeder, Nick Settlemire and Travis Schroeder. Row 3 - Logan Haselman, Daniel DeLaRosa, Zach Kuhlman, Alfie Flores, Garet Bardall, Austin Brown, Andre Guajardo, Collin Schroeder, Caleb Klinebriel, Caleb Barrera and Edgar Ralda. Row 4 - Ryan Santana, Dylan Schey, Randy Avila, Aaron Navarro, Kyle Berger, Milo Lopez, Jordan Chamberlin, Cody Settlemire, Adonijah Flores, Paul Gerdeman, and Brandy Zuniga. Row 5 - Terrill Murriel, Terrence Dear, Sam Santana, Jordon Brown, Robert Haselman, Branden Wentworth and Jordan Nieto.

Leipsic's football team dominated the first half of their Division VI, Region 22 Regional Final game against Dlephos St. John's.

The Vikings had three trips into the red zone in the first half and had outgained the Blue Jays by nearly 100 yards on offense. However, Leipsic found themselves down by a point at halftime.

The missed opportunities would come back to haunt the Vikings in the second half as the Blue Jay offense hit on two big pass plays and the St. John's defense continued to make plays that allowed St. John's to pull away for a 28-20 at Findlay's Donnell Stadium.

The win advances the Blue Jays (10-3) to a Division VI State Semi-Final contest Saturday against Marion Local at Harmon Field in Wapakoneta. Leipsic saw its season end at 11-2

"I have to give our kids credit," Coach Kirkendall said. "We never buckled at all. We talked about having composure and toughness. We did the things we needed to do and we continued to battle and make plays, but unfortunately it was not enough."

Leipsic 11 - 2					
Coach Joe Kirkendall					
BVC 9 - 0 1st					
L	Opponents		L	Opponents	
13	Hopewell-Loudan	23	49	*Arcadia	13
35	*Pandora-Gilboa	0	37	*Cory-Rawson	0
42	*Vanlue	7	27	*Liberty-Benton	0
41	*Van Buren	7	48	*McComb	20
41	*Arlington	7	51	#Arcadia	0
40	*Hardin Northern	13	34	#McComb	28
			20	#Delphos St. Johns	28

Leipsic High School Football Field



Prequel for Ottawa-Glandorf Coaching and Team Records Series Record

1964 Team - First Team

2009 – State-Semi-Finalist

2012 – State Semi-Finalist

2016 Team – 11 - 2 Record

2021 – State-Semi-Finalist

OTTAWA-GLANDORF'S COACHING RECORDS 1964 - 2009

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1964	Bob Williams	4 - 5 - 0	Northwest Conference 4 - 5 - 0		
1965	Bob Williams	8 - 1 - 0	8 - 1 - 0		12 - 6 - 0
1966	Wayne Smith	7 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
1967	Wayne Smith	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 5 - 0		
1968	Wayne Smith	1 - 7 - 2	0 - 6 - 1		
		- -	Western Buckeye League		
1969	Wayne Smith	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 5 - 0		
1970	Wayne Smith	1 - 8 - 1	1 - 6 - 0		15 - 37 - 0
1971	Bill Bohren	3 - 5 - 1	3 - 3 - 1		
1972	Bill Bohren	6 - 3 - 1	6 - 2 - 1		
1973	Bill Bohren	8 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
1974	Bill Bohren	7 - 2 - 1	6 - 2 - 1		24 - 12 - 3
1975	John Terwilliger	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1976	John Terwilliger	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1977	John Terwilliger	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		15 - 15 - 0
1978	Al Hollenback	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		6 - 4 - 0
1979	Lou Stokes	8 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 1		
1980	Lou Stokes	8 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
1981	Lou Stokes	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1982	Lou Stokes	5 - 5 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
1983	Lou Stokes	8 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
1984	Lou Stokes	4 - 5 - 1	3 - 5 - 1		
1985	Lou Stokes	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1986	Lou Stokes	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1987	Lou Stokes	0 - 10 - 0	0 - 9 - 0		40 - 39 - 1
1988	Bill Baron	0 - 10 - 0	0 - 9 - 0		
1989	Bill Baron	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		3 - 17 - 0
1990	Al Laubenthal	2 - 8 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1991	Al Laubenthal	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1992	Al Laubenthal	1 - 9 - 0	0 - 9 - 0		
1993	Al Laubenthal	2 - 8 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1994	Al Laubenthal	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1995	Al Laubenthal	0 - 10 - 0	0 - 9 - 0		11 - 49 - 0
1996	Ken Schriner	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1997	Ken Schriner	9 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
1998	Ken Schriner	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1999	Ken Schriner	7 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
2000	Ken Schriner	8 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
2001	Ken Schriner	4 - 6 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
2002	Ken Schriner	9 - 2 - 0	8 - 0 - 1 1st	X	
2003	Ken Schriner	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
2004	Ken Schriner	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2005	Ken Schriner	10 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0 1sr	X	
2006	Ken Schriner	7 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
2007	Ken Schriner	9 - 3 - 0	8 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
2008	Ken Schriner	8 - 5 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
2009	Ken Schriner	11 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	

OTTAWA-GLANDORF'S COACHING RECORDS 2010 - 2025

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
2010	Ken Schriner	8 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2011	Ken Schriner	8 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2012	Ken Schriner	12 - 1 - 0	9 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2013	Ken Schriner	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2014	Ken Schriner	8 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		
2015	Ken Schriner	8 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
2016	Ken Schriner	11 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
2017	Ken Schriner	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
2018	Ken Schriner	5 - 5 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
2019	Ken Schriner	9 - 4 - 0	7 - 0 - 0	X	
2020	Ken Schriner	7 - 2 - 0	5 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
2021	Ken Schriner	11 - 4 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2022	Ken Schriner	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
2023	Ken Schriner	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
2024	Ken Schriner	6 - 6 - 0	5 - 4 - 0	X	
2025	Ken Schriner	0 - 10 - 0	0 - 9 - 0		204 - 132 - 0

OTTAWA-GLANDORF SERIES RECORD

1964 - 2025

Ada	3	-	0	-	0
Allen East	1	-	1	-	0
Archbold	0	-	1	-	0
Bath	31	-	30	-	0
Bellevue	1	-	0	-	0
Bishop Hartley	0	-	3	-	0
Bishop Watterson	0	-	1	-	0
Bluffton	1	-	2	-	0
Celina	26	-	31	-	1
Chagrin Falls	0	-	1	-	0
Chippewa	1	-	0	-	0
Cincinnati Wyoming	1	-	0	-	0
Clyde	0	-	3	-	0
Coldwater	5	-	1	-	0
Columbus Grove	2	-	1	-	0
Defiance	29	-	27	-	1
Delphos Jefferson	3	-	0	-	0
Delphos St. Johns	8	-	1	-	1
Delta	4	-	1	-	0
Eastwood	2	-	6	-	0
Elida	34	-	23	-	0
Elyria Catholic	1	-	0	-	0
Fostoria	15	-	10	-	1
Galion	2	-	0	-	0
Genoa	1	-	2	-	0
Germantown Valley	0	-	1	-	0
Huron	0	-	1	-	0
Indian Lake	4	-	0	-	0
Kenton	30	-	29	-	0
Kirtland	0	-	1	-	0
Lafayette	1	-	0	-	0
Liberty-Benton	0	-	2	-	0
Lima Central C.	0	-	4	-	0
Lorain Clearview	2	-	0	-	0
Marion Pleasant	1	-	1	-	0
Milton Union	0	-	1	-	0
North Clarkson	1	-	0	-	0
Northwestern	1	-	0	-	0
Oak Harbor	2	-	0	-	0
Orrville	2	-	0	-	0
Otsego	2	-	1	-	0
Pandora-Gilboa	1	-	1	-	0
Paulding	12	-	3	-	0
Perry	1	-	0	-	0
Shawnee	27	-	16	-	0
Shelby	0	-	1	-	0
Spencerville	3	-	0	-	0
St. Marys	18	-	40	-	1
Triway	1	-	0	-	0
Van Wert	32	-	27	-	0
Wapakoneta	16	-	40	-	2
Wauseon	1	-	1	-	0
Waynedale	1	-	0	-	0
Totals	327	-	315	-	7

Ottawa-Glandorf's First Team

1964 4 - 5 - 0



67 Expected at First Football Session

The 1964 squad will again be composed mostly of underclassmen. There are eight senior, 19 juniors, 24 sophomores and 16 freshman registered. The squad will be bolstered by about a dozen boys coming from Glandorf for their first year in the sport.

Williams said that he will attempt to fill Wells' shoes with Mike Marchione, a regular halfback last year, who will be tried out in the fullback spot. Junior Tom Schmenk, second string fullback last year and junior reserve Tom Otto will also be given a chance there.

Halfbacks will be fortified with junior letterman Bill Cutlip, John Deters, Terry Oliver and sophomore Jim VanHousen. Senior Ken Rosengaren, junior Gary Hohenbrink and sophomore Bill Croy will provide help at the halfback spots.

Bill Roeder, who showed a lot of promise last year as a freshman, will undoubtedly land the starting quarterback position, but Williams said that he is searching for reserve strength in that post.

Three lettermen are in line for ends. They are Tom Howell, a senior; Dennis Gerding a junior and Dave Ruhe, a sophomore. Bob Hauck will provide reserve strength.

Tackle positions will be in the hands of senior lettermen Jerry Studer and Ed Hovest. Newcomers Steve and Jerry Nienbert and sophomore Larry Rosenberger and Dave Meyer will be in reserve.

Williams will bolster the guard position by moving one of the regular tackles of 1963, senior Dave Felkey, to that position. He will be helped by junior letterman Dan Fortman and junior Dave Maidlow. Sophomore Sam Stowe will provide added strength.

Junior letterman Keith Mullet and Harold Slygh will handle the ball at center. Sophomore Mike Beam will also give a try there.

Titans Turn Delphos Mistakes into First Football Victory 22 - 14

The Ottawa-Glandorf Titans in football and their first year in the Northwest Conference, showed that Coach Bob Williams knew what he was talking about when he said they would make their peresence known in the league this year while starting their second year.

Definitely the underdog in the rugged conference, the Titans racked up the school's first football vicotory last Friday night with a 22-14 conquest of Delphos Jefferson.

Ottawa-Glandorf 4 - 5 - 0					
Coach Bob Williams					
NWC 4 - 5 - 0					
OG	Opponents		OG	Opponents	
22	*Delphos Jefferson	14	14	*Pandora-Gilboa	25
0	*Bath	26	14	*Elida	20
0	*Columbus Grove	28	43	*Spencerville	32
12	*Lafayette	8	12	*Ada	0
6	*Bluffton	19			

Titans Rally Comes Up Short

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

FREMONT – Thoughts of Ottawa-Glandorf's exciting Region Final win over Orrville popped up as the Titans were driving down the field and trailing 20-14 in the fourth quarter of the State Semi-Final game Saturday night with Chagrin Falls.

This time the Titans dreams died when a Tiger defender batted down a fourth down pass in the endzone giving Chagrin Falls a slim 20-14 win in a Division IV State Semi-Final at Don Paul Stadium in Fremont. The Tigers, 14-0, advance to the Division IV State Finals this Saturday against Kettering Alter, 14-0, while O-G saw its best season ever end at 11-3.

"It was a war. It was what we expected," O-G coach Ken Schriner said. "We were just a little bit short. Last week we had the opportunity and went down and scored. This week we didn't get it done. It was a great ball game. Credit them, it was an outstanding effort."

Chagrin Falls took the lead with 3:52 left when Bobby Winkeman scored on a one yard run. O-G's Brian Laubenthal came around the left side of the line and blocked the extra point leaving the Tigers with a six point lead.

Ottawa-Glandorf took over at their own 33 and methodically moved down field behind the running of Nathan Kahle and a fourth down pass play to Ryan Kuhlman for 21 yards to the Chagrin Falls 23 yard line.

On first down, the Titans attempted a double reverse only to see the Tiger defense drop Zach Buckland for a 10 yard loss. Kahle picked up nine yards on second down, then hit Ryan Kuhlman for six yards bringing up a fourth and five from the 19. On fourth down, Kahle lofted a pass towards Matt Peck in the endzone Chagrin Falls safety John Storaasli raced across the endzone and knocked down the pass just before it reached Peck.

"We had a couple of nice big plays to get down the field, we just ran out of downs," Schriner said. "We didn't panic. We made some things happen. Nathan did a great job getting us organized in our two minute offense. It took a fourth down play by their safety to save the game. They have fast, athletic kids and that was what won the game for them. A lot of people have said we ran out of time, we just ran out of down!"

"It was only fitting that a defensive play decided the outcome as both teams defenses came up with key plays all game long to deny the opposing offense. Both teams were able to move the ball, but had trouble finishing off drives due to fine defensive plays and mistakes that hampered each team throughout the contest."

"We moved the ball effectively," Schriner said. "You look at the mistakes we made and actually the plays Chagrin Falls made stopping us twice on fourth down situations in the scoring zone, that's tough to swallow. It wasn't as much as us not getting it done, but them making big plays. Their middle linebacker played an outstanding game and they did some things up front that confused our kids."

Early in the second quarter, the Titans appeared ready to tie the game, but on a fourth down play were stopped by the Tiger defense. Early in the fourth quarter, the Titans again were stopped at the Chagrin Falls 20 when Brandon Kuhlman was stuffed for no gain on fourth down.

"Give credit to our defense," Chagrin Falls coach Mark Iammarino said. "They made some great stops down there. It was scary looking at the score, 20-14, but I have to give credit to our team, they did what they had to when they need to."

For the most part, the Titan defense shut down a Tiger offense that had put up over 600 yards in their Regional Final win the week before. Against O-G, the Tigers were held to 308 yards, 244 of that on the ground. Jake Recker led a

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physical O-G defense with 11 tackles, two for losses, and Logan Kaufman finished with 11 tackles, one for a loss.

“Our defense has been our marquee all year,” Schriner said. “They were very physical tonight and that’s what we want to hang our hats on. The bottom line is that team has been putting up the points all year and we held them to 20 points.. Unfortunately, our offense wasn’t able to get the job done and that’s been our Achilles heel all year.”

The Titan defense tried to set the tone early as it appeared Laubenthal had come up with an interception to halt a Tiger drive. The play was nullified by a pass interference play and on the very next play Chris Gorman, 15 carries and 136 yards, went around the right side for a 25 yard scoring run.

O-G tied the contest with 4:32 left before the half when Brandon Kuhlman, 25 carries and 117 yards, scored on a three yard run. Ryan Kuhlman, five catches for 32 yards, caught two passes on the drive for 30 yards to help set up the score. That would be the halftime score.

The Titans came out of the locker room fired up and used a big play to start the second half when Ryan Kuhlman took the kickoff 71 yards to set up O-G at the Tiger 26. Kahle capped off an eight play drive when he spun into the endzone from two yards out.

Chagrin Falls came right back to score as they went 65 yards in six plays as quarterback Chris Trinetti hooked up with Pat Nadeau for a 31 yard scoring strike.

Kahle finished with 96 yards rushing on 15 carries and passed for another 107 yards as he was 7 of 15 passing. O-G had 325 yards for the game.

“I’m so proud of the way the kids played,” Schriner said. “One day they will look back on this and be proud of what they accomplished.”

“Jake Recker hung it out there. He was flying all around the field making plays. It’s tough to get a feel for their speed. We kind of came out and got a feel for them the first series, then got after it the second series. We played well throughout the night.”

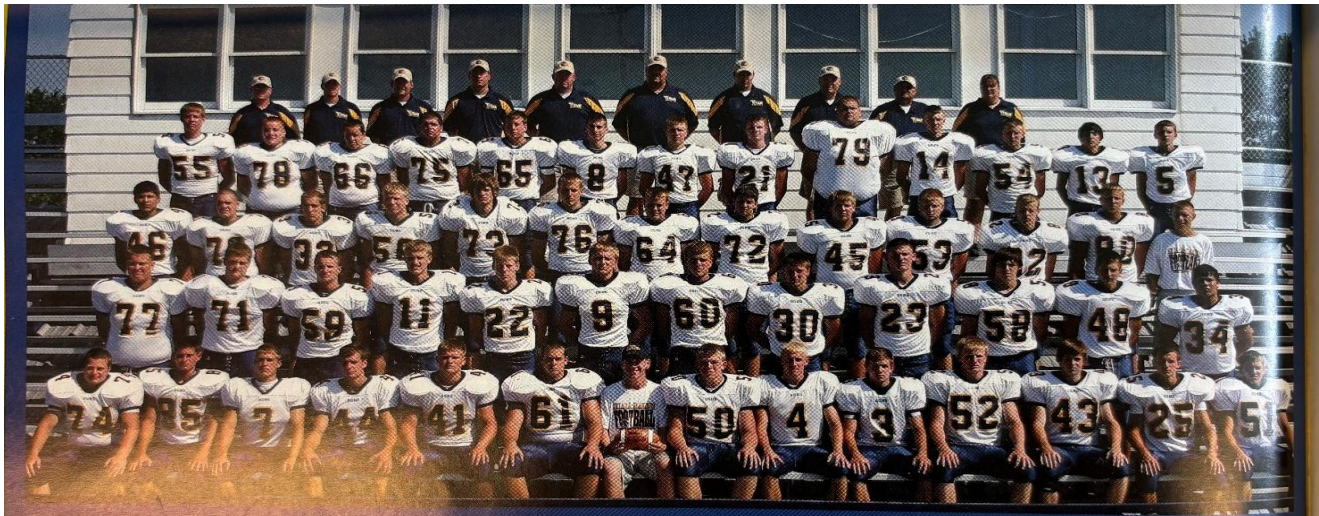
“Congratulations to O-G,” Iammarino said. “That’s a great team. They are so young, they are going to be scary next year. Their coach does a great job with them and they are so fundamentally strong with a solid quarterback.”

“I have to give our kids credit. We lost our composure a little bit, with some penalties, but we were able to rebound and come up with some big plays”

Trinetti had 65 yards rushing for the Tigers and was 4 of 7 passing for 65 yards. Nadeau caught three passes for 61 yards.

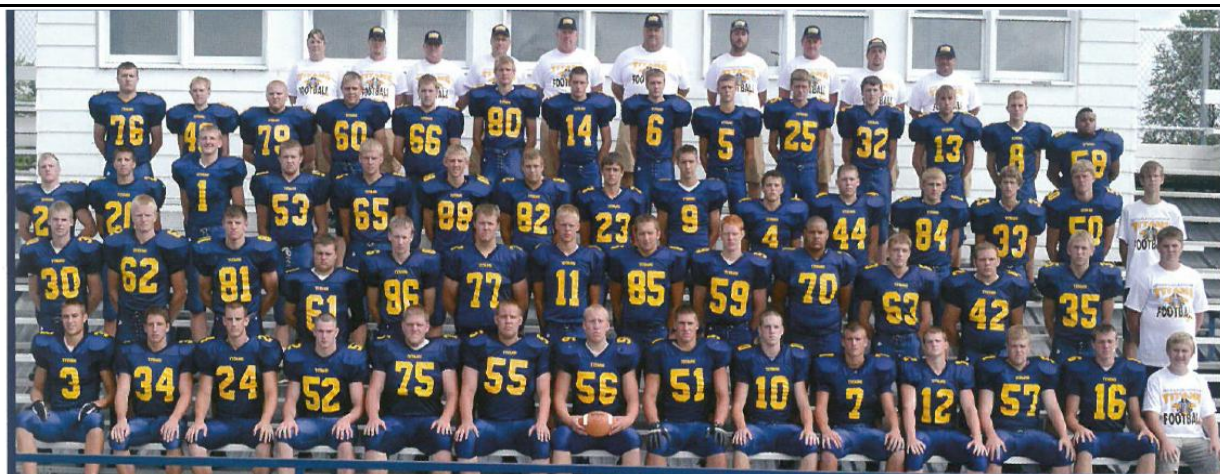
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State Semi-Finalist



1st row, left to right - Steven Tenwalde, Mike Bendele, Zach Buckland, Logan Pothast, Logan Kaufman, Brent Sager, Mike Ellerbrock, Mgr. Ryan Leopold, Brian Laubenthal, Ryan Kuhlman, Jacob Recker, Chris Yohe, Robbie Giesken and Austin Kahle 2nd row - Matt Wood, Josh Kari, Adam Recker, Adam Hersherberger, Cody Gerdeman, Nathan Kahle, Ross Ellerbrock, Jeff Siefker, Matt Peck, Tyler Powell, Dylan McFarland and Draven Delgado. 3rd row - Luis Hinojosa, Nolan Niese, Grant Recker, Dylan Ellebrock, Derek Alt, Nathan Kruse, Ben Durliat, Max Inniger, Craig Rieman, Clay Warnecke, Shawn Cease and Isaac Recker. 4th row - Derek Rieman, Zak Sullivan, Jared Scott, Justin Maag, Tyler Morman, Trey Parsons, Jeremy Patton, Brandon Kuhlman, Joe Potthoff, Dusty Verhoff, Cody Maag, Dallas Pitino and Matt Stechschulte. 5th row - Asst. Coaches Rick Hughes, Keith Fischer, Craig Brickner, Adam Miller, Brian Heebsh, Head Coach Ken Schriner, Asst. Coaches Jordan Conn, Duane Weaver, Don Williams and Trainer Amy Utendorf.

Ottawa-Glandorf 11 - 3						O-G		Chagrin F.
Coach Ken Schriner						15	First Downs	16
WBL 7 - 2						325	Total Yards	308
State Semi-Finalist						48	Rushing Atts.	36
O-G	Opponents		O-G	Opponents		218	Rushing Yards	244
22	Fostoria	0	43	*Bath	6	107	Passing Yards	64
10	*Shawnee	7	36	*Van Wert	14	15 - 7	Pass Atts/Comp	9 - 4
21	*Defiance	14	49	*Celina	12	0	Interceptions by	0
10	*Kenton	26	28	#Triway	14	4 - 36.8	Punts - Ave.	4 - 41
40	*Wapakoneta	15	48	#Eastwood	3	1 - 0	Fumbles Lost	1 - 0
35	*Elida	10	21	#Orrville	20	4 - 50	Penalties -Yards	6 - 30
13	*St. Marys	21	14	#Chagrin Falls	20	Score by Quarters		
						OG 0 7 7 0 - 14		
						CF 7 0 7 6 - 20		



Front row, left to right - Alex Westrick, Russell Ellerbrock, Tristan Parker, Jacob Wolke, Tanner Hohenbrink, Derek Rieman, Matt Samuelson. Wyatt Karhoff, Caleb Siefker, Josh Buckland, Logan Diemer, Ross Hashbarger, Jacob Leopold and Skylar Weber. 2nd row - Tyler Zender, Derek Ebbeskotte, Cody Alt, Mac Warnimont, Jesse Meyers, Jeremy Schnipke, Brendon Derup, Luke Recker, Kyle Kuhlman, Marquis West, Jake Schaub, Brad Racer, Shane Schroeder and Travis Lehman, Mgr. 3rd Row - Kyle Niese, Zach Kuhlman, Noah Bramlage, Ben Recker, Ben Deitering, Blake Blevins, Trevor Kuhlman, Logan Meyer, Logan Rieman, Bryant Diemer, Jacob Drerup, Chad Brickner, Tyler Espenchied, Jason Schnipke and Brenden Sutter, Mgr. 4th row - Page Thomas, Jeremy Kaufman, Adam Brinkman, Mike Sunderhaus, Brent Kahle, Sid Moening, Nathan Alt, Brad Recker, Cole Osting, Tyler Kihm, Grant Hershbrger, Jake Kahle, Colin Laubenthal and Jeff Brown. 5th row - Trainer Amy Utendorf, Assistant Coaches Keith Fischer, Rick Hughes, Duane Weaver, Brian Heebsh, Head Coach Ken Schriner, Assistant Coaches Matt Burwell, Jay Laubenthal, Tyler Closson and Don Williams.

Bishop Hartley Rallies to Defeat Ottawa-Glandorf

Friday night's regional final contest between second ranked Ottawa-Glandorf and top ranked Columbus Bishop Hartley was all it was billed to be.

As the two Division IV powerhouses traded scores Friday night at Piqua's Alexander Stadium, the Hawks scored three fourth quarter touchdowns to overcome a 10 point deficit on their way to a 41-31 win in the Region 14 Regional Finals.

The win sends Hartley (13-0) into the Division IV State Semi-Finals against Clinton-Massie (13-0). The Titans saw the programs best ever season end at 12-1.

Ottawa-Glandorf 2012 Team 12 - 1					
Coach Ken Schriner					
WBL 9 - 0 1st					
OG	Opponents	OG	Opponents		
62	Fostoria	7	*St. Marys		0
28	*Celina	26	*Bath		14
34	*Shawnee	13	*Van Wert		12
70	*Defiance	21	#Clearview		0
52	*Kenton	16	#Genoa		12
27	*Wapakoneta	7	#Bishop Hartley		41
14	*Elida	13			

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Front row left to right - Connor Niese, Trent Basinger, Brady Kuhlman, Alex Hoehn, Trevor Rieman, Cameron Remlinger, Jacob Schriner and Logan Balbaugh. 2nd row - Tony Carrillo, Nathan Rump, Eric Racer, Tyler Ebbeschotte, Tyler Kahle, Ben Wischmeyer, Joey Velasques and Evan Kaufman. 3rd row - Daniel Beemer, Chase Schrieber, Bret Llewellyn, Jay Kaufman, Jake Dible, Richie Knowlton, Chris Tippie, Grant Fuerst and Tristen Ball. 4th row - Lane Brooks, Riley Karhoff, Caleb Verhoff, Logan Hoffman, Logan Clark, Will Nichols, Danny Rosales and Dylan Tippe. 5th row - Jasper Scarberry, Nick Buckland, Dwayne Quinn, Ben Duling, Beau Fawcett, Ryan Heckman, Matt Schmursal, Aaron Rieman and Jarrod Beach. 6th row - Trey Nienberg, Jarrod Beach, Jordan Smith, Clayton Recker, Dereck Halker, Antonia Martin, Logan Miller and Shawn Beverly. 7th row - Logan Schmitz, Tyler Recker, Ben Johnson, Cody Meyer and Eric Heebsh. Back row - Head Coach, Ken Schriner and assistants Brian Heebsh, Darrin Fox, Don Williams, Keith Fischer, Matt Burwell, Rick Hughes, Mike Bogan, Tyler Closson and Jay Miller. Trainer is Jess Michel.

Titans Comeback Effort Falls Short Against Hawks in Regional Finals

Ottawa-Glandorf and Columbus Bishop Hartley, the defending Division IV state champions, went back and forth at each other for four quarters. However, the Titans bid to unseat the champions fell short as the Hawks were able to survive a gritty O-G bunch in pulling out a 38-35 win at Bellefontain's AcuSport Stadium on an unseasonably warm November evening.

The win sends the Hawks (11-2) to the Division IV state semi-finals next Friday against Kettering Archbishop Alter. The Titans saw a successful season end at 11-2.

Ottawa-Glandorf 11 - 2					
Coach Ken Schriener					
WBL 8 - 1 1st					
OG	Opponents		OG	Opponents	
38	North Clarkson	13	21	*Wapakoneta	31
24	*Bath	13	42	*Elida	35
42	*Van Wert	0	13	*St. Marys	7
21	*Celina	14	49	#Bellvue	34
42	*Shawnee	0	33	#Indian Lake	28
41	*Defiance	6	35	#Bishop Hartley	38
44	*Kenton	7			

Ottawa-Glandorf 11 - 4						K			Kirtland		
Coach Ken Schriner						10	First Downs	21			
WBL 7 - 2						224	Total Yards	375			
State Semi-Finalist						26	Rushing Atts.	54			
CG	Opponents		CG	Opponents		132	Rushing Yards	375			
19	Eastwood	41	34	*Defiance	0	92	Passing Yards	0			
13	*Wapakoneta	28	41	*Kenton	0	8 - 19	Comp/Pass Atts	0 - 1			
28	*Elida	7	41	#Chippewa	6	0	Interceptions by	0			
35	*St. Marys	16	53	#Waynesdale	0	3 - 39.7	Punts - Ave.	2 - 39			
35	*Bath	0	24	#Otsego	22	1 - 0	Fumbles Lost	3 - 2			
27	*Van Wert	32	31	#Elyria Catholic	6	2 - 25	Penalties -Yards	3 - 20			
42	*Celina	0	6	#Kirtland	28	Score by Quarters					
9	*Shawnee	7				K	14 7 7 0 - 28				
						OG	0 0 0 6 - 6				

Ottawa-Glandorf Falls to Kirtland in State Semi-Finals

Putnam County Sentinel – Charlie Warnimont, Sports Editor

CLYDE – Kirtland doesn't do anything fancy when they line up across from an opponent. What they do has worked very well for them in their last 55 football games.

The Hornets like to play smash mouth football as they move down the field behind a well-orchestrated rushing attack. Then on defense, they concentrate on taking away an opponent's strengths.

This formula was on full display Saturday night as the Hornets powered their way past Ottawa-Glandorf 28-6 in a Division V State Semi-Final on a snowy night at Clyde High School.

Kirtland, 14-0, advances to the Division V State Championship game this Saturday against Versailles, 14-1, at Tom Benson Hall of Fame Stadium in Canton. The Hornets will be looking for their fourth straight State Championship and add to their 55 game winning streak. Ottawa-Glandorf saw one of its best seasons ever in football end at 11-4.

"They are a team that is very well coaches and their kids have a great understanding of what they want to do," Ottawa-Glandorf coach Ken Schriner said. "You look at what they did in the game, they had so many adjustments for things we did, that were unexpected."

"Normally, when we make an adjustment, it takes a couple plays for the other team to adjust, but this was almost immediately. They were very well coached and did a lot of things to shut us down offensively and their offense was just a juggernaut. We weren't really able to catch up to them. I'm proud of the kids, they battled right to the end. I was proud of the effort they put forth throughout the evening."

Offensively, Kirtland's strength was their running game as 54 of the 55 plays they ran were

runs. The Hornets finished with 375 yards in the game as they use a lot of misdirection to get to the edge for large gains as they averaged 6.8 yards per carry.

"They got on the edge with their quickness and speed and we weren't able to catch up to them," Schriner said. "They had so many nice long drives and that's what we saw on the film. We knew we had to find a way to get them behind the chains to be successful and unfortunately we were never able to do that. Their third down conversion rate was good. They ran off five, six, seven yards plays and that's the mark of an excellent offense."

Gage Sullivan led the Hornet rushing attack with 172 yards on 14 carries with two touchdowns and Mason Rus had 158 yards on 29 carries with two scores. Quarterback Ramon Lescano added 40 yards rushing.

Kirtland's rushing attack was on display early as they took the opening kickoff and marched 73 yards in 10 plays as Rus scored on a three yard run with 8:12 left in the quarter.

After the Hornet defense held the Titan offense to three plays on their first possession, Kirtland was pinned at their own one yard line after a punt by Landen Jordan. That didn't faze them as the marched 99 yards on 11 plays to go up 14-0 on a Sullivan 12 yard run. Ten of the 11 plays were runs as Rus had runs of 14 and 21 yards during the drive.

While the Kirtland offense was giving their team the lead, their defense was busy protecting it.

Ottawa-Glandorf advanced through the playoffs behind a balanced offense. Saturday night Kirtland was able to limit the O-G attack as Jordan was only 8 of 19 passing for 92 yards. For the game, the Titans finished with 224 yards of

Ottawa-Glandorf Falls to Kirtland in State Semi-Finals

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offense as they rushed for 132 yards led by Ian Fenbert with 92 yards and the team's lone touchdown.

After the Hornets second score, O-G started at their own 39 and moved into Hornet territory when Jordan and Caleb Kuhlman hooked up on a 19 yard pass play. Two runs had the Titans facing third and two going into the second quarter. That's when the Hornet defense stepped up stopping the next two O-G runs to get the ball back on downs.

"Their defense shut us down," Schriner said. "Our passing game was off and that could be attributed to us being off the field, the field conditions (snow covered) or what ever it was. We didn't play our type of game and you can attribute that to their team as they did a great job of defending us. They were quick to the ball and defended us very well. We just weren't able to do what we normally do. For the most part, I give Kirtland credit, they are a very good program."

Two plays after the Hornets stopped O-G on fourth down, Sullivan found an opening over the right side for a 51 yard scoring run that made the score 21-0.

O-G answered back with an 11 play drive that saw them at the Hornet 21. Incomplete passes on third and fourth downs ended that drive.

Kirtland scored their final touchdown of the game with 2:03 left in the third quarter on a Rus one yard run.

The Titans answered back with their lone scoring drive as Fenbert scored on a 56 yard run with 11:25 left in the game. The extra point try failed leaving the score at 28-6.

Ottawa-Glandorf's defense forced a pair of Hornet fumbles that they recovered. Both times

they started on the Kirtland side of the field, but were unable to make Kirtland pay for their mistakes.

After the second fumble, the Titans had the ball at the Kirtland five, but saw a fourth down pass attempt fall incomplete.

"Our kids came out the second half with the mentality that we were not going to go away quietly," Schriner said. "We were going to battle as hard as we could right down to the end and we did."

Cael Hoehn led the Titan defense Saturday night with 10 tackles, while Cy Rump and Beau Nienberg both had 8.5 tackles. Nienberg had a pair of tackles for losses in the game.

Ottawa-Glandorf High School Football Field



Prequel for Pandora-Gilboa

Coaching and Team Records
Series Record

1951 Team - First Team

1961 Team - 8 - 0 - 1 Record

2018 Team - 11-1 Record

PANDORA-GILBOA'S COACHING RECORDS 1951 - 1990

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Northwest Conference	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1951	Sheldon Hall	3 - 6 - 0	1 - 6 - 0		3 - 6 - 0
1952	Jim Gratz	1 - 7 - 0	1 - 6 - 0		
1953	Jim Gratz	5 - 4 - 0	4 - 3 - 0		6 - 11 - 0
1954	Doran Snyder	0 - 8 - 0	0 - 7 - 0		
1955	Doran Snyder	3 - 4 - 1	2 - 4 - 1		
1956	Doran Snyder	3 - 5 - 1	2 - 5 - 0		6 - 17 - 2
1957	Emil Knorr	1 - 5 - 2	0 - 5 - 1		1 - 5 - 2
1958	Carl Oman	0 - 9 - 0	0 - 7 - 0		
1959	Carl Oman	2 - 7 - 0	1 - 6 - 0		
1960	Carl Oman	4 - 5 - 0	4 - 3 - 0		6 - 21 - 0
1961	Bill Shonk	8 - 0 - 1	6 - 0 - 1 1st		
1962	Bill Shonk	7 - 2 - 0	5 - 2 - 0		
1963	Bill Shonk	7 - 2 - 1	4 - 2 - 1		
1964	Bill Shonk	7 - 2 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		29 - 6 - 2
1965	Ron Reinking	2 - 7 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
			Blanchard Valley Conference		
1966	Ron Reinking	4 - 4 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		
1967	Ron Reinking	4 - 4 - 1	4 - 4 - 1		10 - 15 - 1
1968	Howard Warnecke	8 - 1 - 0	8 - 1 - 0		
1969	Howard Warnecke	5 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1970	Howard Warnecke	4 - 4 - 1	4 - 4 - 1		
1971	Howard Warnecke	6 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1972	Howard Warnecke	5 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1973	Howard Warnecke	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1974	Howard Warnecke	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1975	Howard Warnecke	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1976	Howard Warnecke	9 - 1 - 0	8 - 1 - 0		52 - 32 - 1
1977	Gene Lloyd	7 - 2 - 1	6 - 2 - 1		
1978	Gene Lloyd	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		13 - 6 - 1
1979	Jim Baxter	7 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0		7 - 3 - 0
1980	Doug Karst	9 - 1 - 0	8 - 1 - 0 1st		
1981	Doug Karst	7 - 3 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1982	Doug Karst	5 - 4 - 1	5 - 3 - 1		
1983	Doug Karst	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1984	Doug Karst	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		24 - 25 - 1
1985	Ray Graves	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		1 - 9 - 0
1986	Mark Stall	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1987	Mark Stall	3 - 7 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
1988	Mark Stall	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1989	Mark Stall	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1990	Mark Stall	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		21 - 29 - 0

PANDORA-GILBOA'S COACHING RECORDS 1991 - 2025

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Blanchard Valley Conference	Tournament Qualifiers	Coach's Wins
1991	Jim King	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		
1992	Jim King	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		
1993	Jim King	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1994	Jim King	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
1995	Jim King	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 3 - 0		
1996	Jim King	8 - 3 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
1997	Jim King	8 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0		
1998	Jim King	8 - 3 - 0	8 - 1 - 0 1st	X	
1999	Jim King	10 - 2 - 0	9 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2000	Jim King	8 - 3 - 0	8 - 1 - 0	X	
2001	Jim King	8 - 4 - 0	7 - 2 - 0	X	
2002	Jim King	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		73 - 54 - 0
2003	Carey Arthur	4 - 6 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
2004	Carey Arthur	6 - 5 - 0	6 - 3 - 0	X	
2005	Dave Bzovi	1 - 9 - 0	1 - 8 - 0		1 - 9 - 0
2006	B. J. Queen	5 - 5 - 0	4 - 5 - 0		
2007	B. J. Queen	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 6 - 0		8 - 12 - 0
2008	Carey Arthur	10 - 2 - 0	8 - 1 - 0	X	
2009	Carey Arthur	6 - 4 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2010	Carey Arthur	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2011	Carey Arthur	2 - 8 - 0	2 - 7 - 0		
2012	Carey Arthur	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 4 - 0		
2013	Carey Arthur	6 - 4 - 0	4 - 4 - 0		44 - 39 - 0
2014	Chris Myers	6 - 5 - 0	3 - 2 - 0		
2015	Chris Myers	5 - 5 - 0	5 - 3 - 0		
2016	Chris Myers	3 - 7 - 0	3 - 5 - 0		14 - 17 - 0
2017	Matt Hershey	10 - 3 - 0	6 - 2 - 0	X	
2018	Matt Hershey	11 - 1 - 0	8 - 0 - 0 1st	X	
2019	Matt Hershey	5 - 5 - 0	3 - 4 - 0		
2020	Matt Hershey	5 - 4 - 0	2 - 3 - 0		
2021	Matt Hershey	6 - 4 - 0	6 - 2 - 0		
2022	Matt Hershey	8 - 4 - 0	5 - 2 - 0	X	
2023	Matt Hershey	8 - 4 - 0	5 - 1 - 0	X	
2024	Matt Hershey	7 - 4 - 0	7 - 1 - 0	X	
2025	Matt Hershey	9 - 4 - 0	6 - 2 - 0	X	69 - 33 - 0

PANDORA-GILBOA'S SERIES RECORDS
1951 - 2025

Ada	3	-	2	-	0
Allen East	0	-	1	-	0
Arcadia	46	-	10	-	1
Arlington	19	-	36	-	0
Ayersville	2	-	0	-	0
Bath	0	-	2	-	0
Bluffton	8	-	10	-	1
Cardinal Stritch	1	-	0	-	0
Columbus Grove	22	-	47	-	0
Cory-Rawson	27	-	29	-	1
Crestline	1	-	0	-	0
Delphos Jefferson	7	-	7	-	0
Delphos St. Johns	1	-	0	-	0
Edgerton	0	-	1	-	0
Elida	1	-	11	-	3
Elmwood	3	-	0	-	0
Forest	4	-	7	-	0
Gibsonburg	0	-	1	-	0
Grand Rapids	2	-	1	-	0
Hardin Northern	27	-	21	-	0
Hicksville	0	-	1	-	0
Hopewell-Loudon	2	-	3	-	0
Lafayette	6	-	8	-	0
Leipsic	32	-	40	-	1
Liberty-Benton	24	-	35	-	1
Lima Central C.	0	-	1	-	0
Marion Local	0	-	1	-	0
Marion Pleasant	0	-	1	-	0
McComb	25	-	37	-	1
Minster	1	-	0	-	0
Mohawk	2	-	1	-	0
Monroeville	0	-	1	-	0
North Baltimore	7	-	0	-	0
Norwalk St. Paaul	0	-	1	-	0
Ottawa	1	-	0	-	0
Ottawa-Glandorf	1	-	1	-	0
Riverdale	9	-	0	-	0
Shawnee	0	-	2	-	0
Spencerville	7	-	8	-	0
Tiffin Calvert	2	-	0	-	0
Upper Scioto V.	1	-	0	-	0
Van Buren	41	-	16	-	1
Vanlue	50	-	6	-	0
Wapakoneta	1	-	0	-	0
Warren JFK	1	-	0	-	0
Worthington Christian	1	-	0	-	0
Totals	388	-	349	-	10

Pandora-Gilboa's First Team

1951 3 - 6 - 0



1st Row, left to right - Coach Sheldon Hall, Kenneth Beckman, Pat Wenger, Tom Reichenbach, Edwin Anderson, David Augsburg, Dale Lehman and Mr. Strahm. 2nd Row - Paul Lehman, Donald Steiner, Marlowe Wehrly, Donald Augsburg, Paul Gene Stall and Edward Baumgartner. 3rd Row - Alan Gratz, Dale Bridenbaugh, Stanley Newton, Edward Hamilton, Robert Radebaugh and Darrel Diller. 4th Row - Edward Peckinpugh, Donald Schneck, Kenneth Dukes, David Diller and Arthur Gratz.

Pandora-Gilboa Upsets Leipsic in Season Finale 12 - 0

Pandora-Gilboa's Rockets ended their football season in high style last Friday night by upsetting Leipsic 12-0. Playing at Pandora, the home club took advantage of its only two scoring opportunities and pushed across single touchdowns in the second and third quarters.

Tom Reichenbach scored the first TD after a 65-yard drive by plunging over from the two-yard line. A fumble prevented the conversion. The second P-G score came after the Rockets intercepted a pass deep in Leipsic territory. Darrell Diller sprinted around left end from the ten for the score. The conversion attempt was stopped by an offside penalty.

Pandora-Gilboa 3 - 6 - 0					
Coach Sheldon Hall					
NWC 1 - 6 - 0					
PG	Opponents		PG	Opponents	
0	*Spencerville	44	7	*Elida	26
0	*Forest	45	7	*Lafayette	26
2	Wapakoneta St. Joe	0	14	*Delphos Jefferson	0
0	*Shawnee	40	0	*Columbus Grove	39
			12	Leipsic	0

Pandora-Gilboa 1961 8 - 0 - 1



Row 1, Left to Right - Lennis Core, Larry Mankin, Baldemar Velasquez, Stanley Schneck, Jim Reichenbach, Dave Basinger, Ed Diller, Dick Geiger, Mark Stall, New Zuercher and Raymon Diller. 2nd Row - Coach Bill Shonk, Mgr. Bob Geiger, Junior Valasquez, Paul Etter, Dick Thornton, Gene Reichenbach, Dave Oren, Randy Reichenbach, Dwight Hector, Bill Stall, Brent Burkhart, Doug Hahn, Dane Martin, Rod McDaniel, Jon Reichenbach, Terry Martin, Larry Gratz, Ralph Phillips, Jim Hatfield and Asst. Coach Jim Knox.

We, the Mirror Staff of 1962, proudly dedicate this book to our head football coach, Mr. Bill Shonk and the 1961 Rocket's Football Team. Under the tremendous coaching efforts of Mr. Shonk the football team went undefeated and had their first share in the Northwest Conference Crown. We here at P-G are all proud to be a part of the great school spirit this team has brought us.

P-G Shares in First NWC Championship after 20 - 0 Victory over CG

Pandora- Gilboa's Rockets, sporting a very frustrating defense, wound up their first undefeated season in history last Friday night with a much sought after 20-0 victory over Columbus Grove and with it earned a share of the Northwest Conference Championship. It was the first time the Rockets had won any football lauerals in the NWC.

The victory earned on the Columbus Grove gridiron was their eighth against one tie for the season and the Bulldogs were the sixth team they held scoreless in nine starts. The Rockets had the best defensive mark in the league and the second best offense. They share the league title with Elida who palayed them to a scoreless tie on October 13.

Pandora-Gilboa 8 - 0 - 1					
Coach Bill Shonk					
NWC 6 - 0 - 1 1st					
PG	Opponents		PG	Opponents	
36	*Spencerville	0	42	*Lafayette	14
48	Grand Rapids	0	24	*Delphos Jefferson	6
50	Leipsic	0	22	*Forest	0
8	*Bluffton	6	20	*Columbus Grove	0
0	*Elida	0			

Pandora-Gilboa 2018 11 - 1



Front row, left to right - Brennen Morman, Travis Maag, Zebulon George, Jared Breece, Gage Hovest, Peyton Traxler, Riley Larcom and Austin Niese. 2nd row - Joe Burkhart, Mgr., Miguel Arrizola, Mgr., Bryce Basinger, Austin Miller, Silas Schmenk, Walker Macke, Isaac Stall, Dylan Bryan and Jim Burkhart, Mgr. 3rd row - Thomas Hovest, Chuck Ritchey, Trevor Gerten, Reid Liechty, Gavin Biery, Sam Burkholder, Bryan Pugh, Cole Wentz and Lane Schulte. 4th row - Mitchell Buess, Jacob Bowers, Breckin Grothouse, Carson Altman, Thomas Bauman, Joel Stall, Dillan Krohm, Ryan Johnson and Markis Higley. Top row - Head Coach, Matt Hershey, Asst Coaches - Vance Nofziger, Kevan Westenbarger, Nate Cates, Pat Thaman, Trainer, Doug Rosenbauer and Skylar Irons.

Edgerton came into Friday's Division VII Regional Semi-Final with Pandora-Gilboa having had all of its 11 games go to the mercy rule running clock in 2018. Make that 12.

The Bulldogs scored on their first five possessions of the game in opening a commanding 38-8 halftime lead and never looked back in cruising to a 52-8 win to advance to the Regional Championship game on Saturday.

Edgerton, which is now 12-0 on the season, will get its biggest test of the year on Saturday when they play McComb at Defiance High School. Pandora-Gilboa wrapped up an outstanding season, one that included a Blanchard Valley Conference league championship, with a record of 11-1.

Pandora-Gilboa 11 - 1					
Coach Matt Hershey					
BVC 8 - 0 1st					
PG	Opponents		PG	Opponents	
25	Columbus Grove	13	19	*McComb	14
41	Cardinal Stritch	6	41	*Cory-Rawson	3
41	*Vanlue	0	56	*North Baltimore	14
41	*Liberty-Benton	0	61	*Riverdale	13
42	*Van Buren	0	33	#Tiffin Calvert	7
61	*Arcadia	0	8	#Edgerton	52

Pandora-Gilboa High School Football Field



Prequel for Continental

Coaching and Team Records
Series Record

1925 Team 3 - 1 - 5 Record

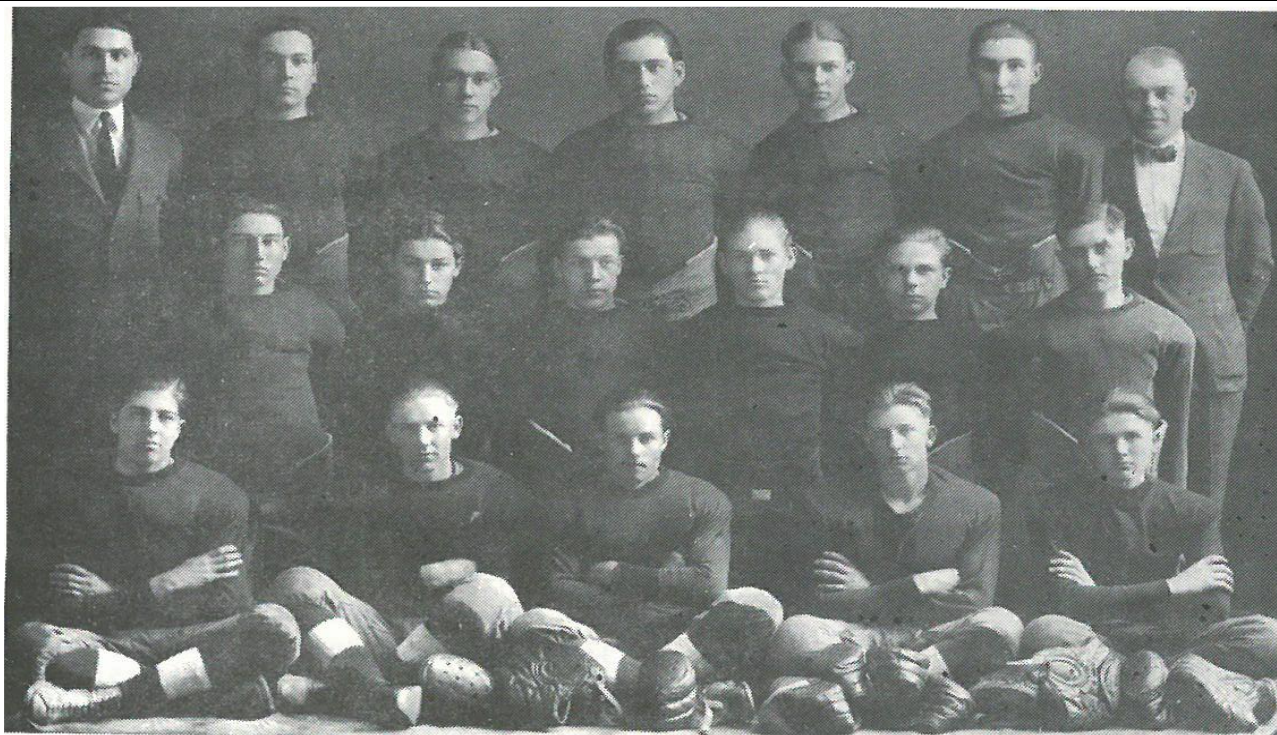
1930 Team 2 - 4 - 1 Record

CONTINENTAL'S COACHING RECORDS 1922 - 1931									
Years	Coaches	Record				Coach's Wins			
1922	C. C. Romaker	0	-	3	-	0	0	-	3
1923	T. R. Hersch	2	-	5	-	0	2	-	5
1924	Carl Vermilya	4	-	5	-	0	-	-	-
1925	Carl Vermilya	3	-	2	-	5	7	-	7
1926	Bodenbender	1	-	4	-	2	-	-	-
1927	Bodenbender	4	-	4	-	0	5	-	8
1928	Harold C. Wetherby	3	-	3	-	3	-	-	-
1929	Harold C. Wetherby	2	-	5	-	2	5	-	8
1930	Ralph McKibben	2	-	4	-	1	-	-	-
1931	Ralph McKibben	0	-	2	-	0	2	-	6

CONTINENTAL SERIES RECORD 1922 - 1931					
Alumni	0	-	0	-	2
Antwerp	4	-	0	-	1
Columbus Grove	4	-	3	-	1
Defiance	0	-	1	-	0
Delphos Jefferson	1	-	2	-	4
Delta	0	-	1	-	0
Deshler	1	-	0	-	0
Farmer	3	-	1	-	1
Haviland	0	-	1	-	0
Holgate	1	-	3	-	0
Leipsic	1	-	7	-	1
Lima Central JVs	0	-	2	-	0
Oakwood	3	-	2	-	2
Ottawa SPPS	1	-	3	-	1
Pandora	1	-	9	-	0
Paulding	0	-	1	-	0
Shawnee	0	-	1	-	0
Totals	20	-	37	-	13

Continental's First Team

1922 0 - 3 - 0



Sitting left to right - Charles Mootz, Ralph McKibben, Owen Lowe, Jeff McKibben and Ted Gossard. Kneeling - Moses Dickey, A. W. Wing, Ray Collar, Anthony King, Oscar Jacobs and Roger Hersh. Standing - Coach C. C. Romaker, Harold Wells, Truman Abbot, Deke Herman, Glen Mull, John Grimes and the Principal

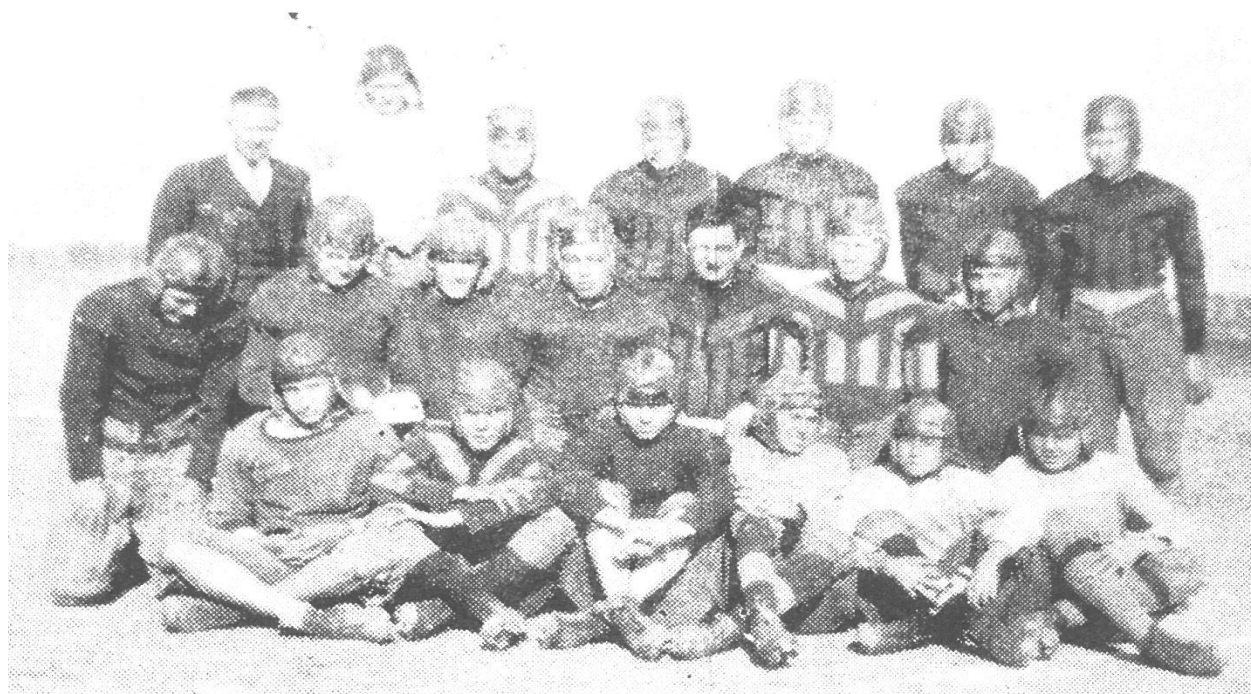
Continental High School's football history can be told in a short space. The first team suited up in 1922. We can assume that the team records burned with everything else in the school fire in February of 1929. Oscar Jacob's photo of that team shows a grim and determined bunch.

Bob Lucas recalled that football had not caught on at Continental the way it did at Ottawa, Columbus Grove, Leipsic and Pandora. The players were enthusiastic enough, but spectator response seemed to fall below expectation.

Dorothy Smith, when looking at the 1922 team photo, commented that the player she remembered best was Deke Herman. "Deke was only about an average player," she said. "But he was so big and mean-looking that he scared the other team even before the game started!"

Continental 0 - 3 - 0		
Coach C. C. Romaker		
Opponents		
0	Pandora	56
0	Pandora	37
0	Leipsic	39

Continental 1930 2 - 4 - 1



Sitting left to right - Loyal Rockhold, Bob Hastings, George Gordon, George Dickey Oscar Rayle and LaVoid Wagner. Kneeling - Cecil Kirkendall, Ed Fensler, Carl Reynolds, Clarence Friend, Van Riggs, Henry Wiemer and Harold Hammons. Standing - Coach Ralph McKibben Cloviece Winchester, Don A. Myers, Captain Gerald Bibler, Charles Bird, Ford Rhees and Bob Lucas.

According to Bob Lucas, a member of those last teams, there had been an unusual number of injuries during the 1930 and 1931 seasons - broken bones, dislocations, sprains, lacerations and contusions. It sounded as if they were getting their brains beat out. Parents and school staff prevailed upon the school board, after the 1931 season, to drop football.

We must remember that by modern standards, protective equipment was skimpy and the rules were more lax. Either or both of these factors could contribute to a high injury rate.

If you like sports trivia, try this one on some old Continental schoolmate - Who both played on the first C.H.S football team and coached the last one? - Ralph McKibben

Continental 2 - 4 - 1 Coach Ralph McKibben					
C	Opponents		C	Opponents	
6	Ottawa SPPS	18	0	Leipsic	9
0	Pandora	7	6	Oakwood	0
0	Shawnee	18	30	Columbus Grove	6
0	Alumni	0			

Prequel for Ottawa SPPS

Coaching and Team Records

Series Record

1926 Team - First Team

OTTAWA SPPS'S COACHING RECORDS 1926 - 1930									
Years	Coaches	Record				Coach's Wins			
1926	George Heckman	1	-	1	-	1			
1927	George Heckman	3	-	5	-	0	4	6	1
1928	Bill Wurm	4	-	4	-	1	4	-	4
1929	Bob Hutton	1	-	5	-	1	1	-	5
1930	Rev. J. V. Duenser	2	-	6	-	0	2	-	6

OTTAWA SPPS SERIES RECORD 1926 - 1930									
Ada		0	-	1	-	0			
Alumni		2	-	1	-	0			
Columbus Grove		1	-	4	-	0			
Continental		3	-	1	-	1			
Delphos Jefferson		0	-	2	-	0			
Fostoria St. Wendelin		0	-	1	-	0			
Leipsic JV's		1	-	1	-	1			
Leipsic		2	-	2	-	0			
Liberty Twp.		1	-	2	-	0			
Oakwood		1	-	2	-	0			
Pandora		0	-	4	-	1			
Totals		11		21	-	3			

Ottawa Sts. Peter and Paul's First Team

1926 1 - 1 - 1



First row, left to right - Ed Dunn, Dick Vogt, Gordon Drummer, Gib Morman, Paul Krugh, Paul Schomaeker and Lawrence Nierman. 2nd row - Lambert Westrick, Wilfred Schumacker, Tom McCrate and Ed Doecker. 3rd row - Father VonderHarr, Bob Heringhaus, Carl Lammers, Herman Falke and Coach George Heckman.

The Ottawa line-up was as follows: Gib Moman, center; Gib Lammers and Paul Krugh, guards; Paul Schomaeker and Herman Falke, tackles; Ed Dunn and Ed Doecker, ends; Wilfred Schumacher, quarterback; Lawrence Nierman and Lambert Westrick, halfbacks; Bob Herringhaus, full back; Dick Vogt, Gordon Dummer and Tom McCrate, substitutes.

Lose Game by One Point!

Sts. Peter and Paul High School football team lost its initial game at Beuler Field last Saturday against the Leipsic seconds by a single point, each team making one touchdown. The difference was due to the local boys failing to make its point after touchdown. The final score was 6 to 7 with the edge in favor of Leipsic. The Leipsic score came in the first quarter, while the Ottawa boys did not score until the third quarter.

Ottawa SPPS 1 - 1 - 1		
Coach George Heckman		
SPPS	Opponents	
6	Leipsic JV's	7
7	Leipsic JV's	6
0	Leipsic JV's	0

Prequel for
Ottawa Public
Coaching and Team Records
Series Record
1945 Team – First Team

OTTAWA PUBLIC COACHING RECORD 1945					
Coach	Record				
Sheldon Hall	0	-	6	-	0

OTTAWA PUBLIC SERIES RECORD 1945					
Columbus Grove	0	-	1	-	0
Lima Central JVs	0	-	2	-	0
Maria Stein	0	-	1	-	0
McComb	0	-	1	-	0
Pandora JVs	0	-	1	-	0
Totals	0		6	-	0

Ottawa Public's First Team

1945 0 - 6 - 0



Football Roster

Guy Corkwell	Left End		Donn Robenalt	Right Half Back
Edward Haughn	Left Tackle		Don Fisher	Full Back
Robert Thompson	Left Guard Guard		Dick Breese	End
Budd Hart	Center		Jack Oglesbee	Guard
Edward Kersh	Right Guard		Herbert Blossom	Half Back
Herbert Oglesbee	Right Tackle		Paul Wilkinson	Guard
James Anspach	Right End		Allan Gulker	Center
William Croy	Quarterback		Joe Lighthill	Half Back
Junior Felkey	Left Half Back		Gene Schimmoller	Tackle

A new sport in the Ottawa Public school this year was football. After opening the sport's program last fall with three games of baseball, interest was apparent in this fall past time. With the cooperation of Findlay College in permittting us to use their equipment, six games of football were played. Even though we did not succeed in winnng any games, the low scores indicate that much was leanerd in the short season we had.

Ottawa Public 0 - 6 - 0					
Coach Sheldon Hall					
OP	Opponents		OP	Opponents	
6	Lima Central JVs	27	0	McComb	25
0	Maria Stein	12	0	Lima Central JVs	18
0	Coulumbus Grove	19	0	Pandora JVs	26

Prequel for Ottawa

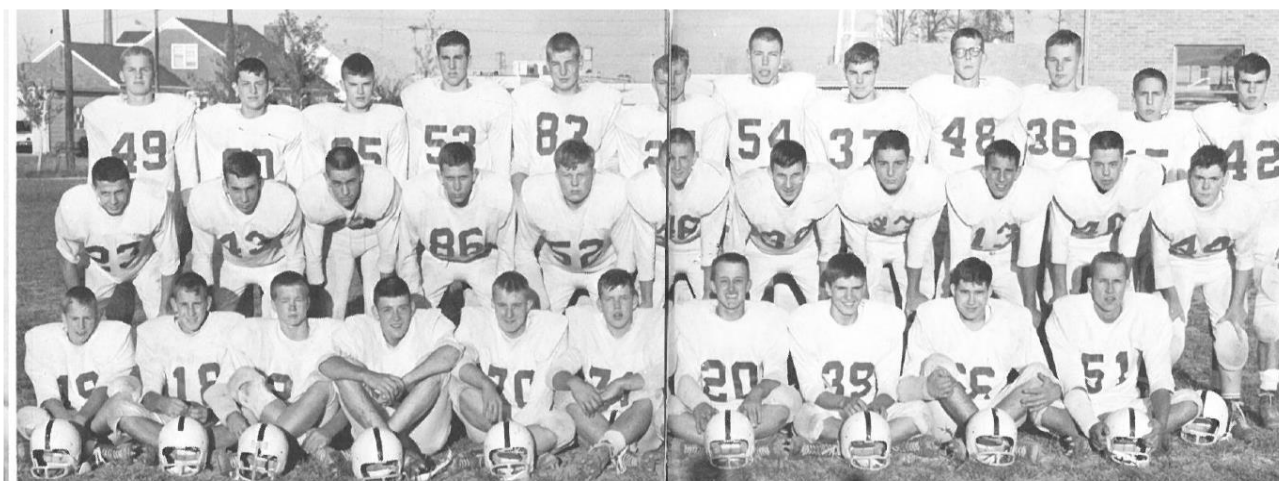
Coaching and Team Records
Series Record

1963 Team - 0 - 9 - 0 Record

OTTAWA COACHING RECORD 1963					
	Bob Williams	0	-	9	- 0

OTTAWA SERIES RECORD 1963					
	Pandora-Gilboa	0	-	1	- 0
	Liberty Center	0	-	1	- 0
	Cory-Rawson	0	-	1	- 0
	Otsego	0	-	1	- 0
	Bath	0	-	1	- 0
	Swanton	0	-	1	- 0
	Elmwood	0	-	1	- 0
	Hicksville	0	-	1	- 0
	Arcadia	0	-	1	- 0

Ottawa 1963 0 - 9 - 0



The Lancer's 1963 football campaign was Ottawa's first attempt on the gridiron. This team was the result of the consolidation of the schools of Ottawa Public and Ottawa SPPS. Even though the team's record was not impressive, the interest displayed by the players and fans was enthusiastic. Their sportsmanship and perseverance will play a major role in the development of future football campaigns. The large number of underclassmen on the squad and their experience will lead to more successful seasons.

The Lancer's starting offensive team will include four seniors, three juniors and four sophomores. Senior Craig Cornelius will be piloting the team at quarterback, and in the backfield with him will be three sophomores., Tom Schmenk at fullback, Bill Cutlip at left half and John Deters at right half.

On the line will be Dave Ruhe, a sophomore at left end; Jerry Studer, a junior, at left tackle; Bill Vollmer, a senior, at left guard; Phil Weis, a senior at center; Dan Diehl, senior at right guard; Dave Felkey, junior at right tackle and Tom Howell, junior at right end.

The defensive unit is not quite as definite yet, but probably will be even younger with at least one freshman in the lineup. That will be Bill Roeder at safety. Ends will be Weis and Dwain Schumaker, both seniors while Studer and Ed Hover, a junior, will be tackles; Dave Felkey or Keith Mullet, juniors, at middle guard; Diehl, Vollmer, Mullet or Mike Marchione, a sophomore, at the two line backer spots; Dennis Wells, a junior, at fullback and Deters and Cutlip at halfbacks.

Ottawa 0 - 9 - 0					
Coach Bob Williams					
O	Opponents	O	Opponents	O	Opponents
14	Pandora-Gilboa	33	14	Swanton	28
0	Liberty Center	30	8	Elmwood	12
0	Cory-Rawson	26	0	Hicksville	14
20	Otsego	42	0	Arcadia	32
0	Bath	38			

Prequel for Pandora

Coaching and Team Records
Series Record

1924 Team - 5 - 3 - 1 Record

1929 Team - 7 - 0 - 1 Record

1950 Team – Last Team

Pandora's Coaching Records 1922 - 1950

Year	Coaches	Season Record	Various Leagues	Coach's Wins
1922	C. D. LaRue	3 - 4 - 0		3 - 4 - 0
1923	Grover Davidson	7 - 1 - 0		
1924	Grover Davidson	5 - 3 - 1		
1925	Grover Davidson	2 - 3 - 0		14 - 7 - 1
1926	Pete Weebe	2 - 4 - 0		
1927	Pete Weebe	7 - 2 - 0		9 - 6 - 0
1928	Glen Hilty	2 - 5 - 3		
1929	Glen Hilty	7 - 0 - 1		
1930	Glen Hilty	4 - 1 - 0		
1931	Glen Hilty	0 - 5 - 1		
1932	Glen Hilty	0 - 3 - 1		
1933	Glen Hilty	1 - 5 - 2		14 - 19 - 8
1934	Dana Whitmer	5 - 4 - 1		5 - 4 - 1
1935	Clarence Sutter	3 - 3 - 2		3 - 3 - 2
1936	John Carrington	3 - 6 - 0		
1937	John Carrington	3 - 6 - 0		
1938	John Carrington	5 - 2 - 2		11 - 14 - 2
			Western Ohio League	
1939	Jim Miller	7 - 1 - 0	4 - 0 - 0	7 - 1 - 0
1940	Don Renninger	6 - 2 - 0	3 - 0 - 0	
1941	Don Renninger	0 - 5 - 2		6 - 7 - 2
1942	Garver Oxley	1 - 4 - 0		1 - 4 - 0
1943	Willard Schaller	7 - 1 - 0		7 - 1 - 0
1944	Marty Varner	7 - 1 - 0		7 - 1 - 0
1945	Allen Georgenson	5 - 3 - 1		5 - 3 - 1
			Little Seven	
1946	Frank Gordon	2 - 7 - 0	1 - 4 - 0	2 - 7 - 0
1947	John Fails	3 - 4 - 2	2 - 2 - 2	3 - 4 - 2
1948	Sheldon Hall	1 - 7 - 0	1 - 5 - 0	
1949	Sheldon Hall	1 - 8 - 0	0 - 7 - 0	
			Northwest Conference	
1950	Sheldon Hall	4 - 5 - 0	2 - 5 - 0	6 - 20 - 0

PANDORA SERIES RECORD 1922 - 1950					
Arlington	2	-	2	-	0
Bluffton	4	-	22	-	2
Carey	1	-	1	-	0
Columbus Grove	16	-	11	-	4
Continental	9	-	1	-	0
Delphos Jefferson	5	-	8	-	2
Deshler	1	-	1	-	0
Elida	8	-	3	-	3
Forest	4	-	6	-	0
Genoa	0	-	1	-	1
Gibsonburg	1	-	0	-	0
Lafayette	2	-	1	-	0
Leipsic	11	-	15	-	2
Liberty Center	3	-	3	-	0
Liberty Twp.	1	-	2	-	0
Lima Central JVs	3	-	0	-	0
Lima South JVs	2	-	2	-	1
Lima St. Rose	2	-	4	-	0
McComb	1	-	0	-	0
Mt. Blanchard	0	-	2	-	0
Mt. Cory	3	-	1	-	0
Napoleon	0	-	1	-	0
Oakwood	4	-	2	-	1
Ottawa SPPS	4	-	0	-	1
Paulding	0	-	1	-	0
Prarie Depot	1	-	0	-	0
Rawson	1	-	1	-	1
Rockford	2	-	0	-	0
Shawnee	10	-	10	-	1
Spencerville	0	-	4	-	0
Van Buren	1	-	0	-	0
Waynesfield	1	-	0	-	0
Totals	103	-	105	-	19

Pandora 1924 5 - 3 - 1



Standing left to right - Hilty, Steiner, Hosteller, Burkhart, DeVore, Augsburger, Sommer and Coach Grover Davidson. Kneeling - Hilty, M. Basinger, Gerber, Burry, Gratz, Krohn, Donaldson and Captain R. Sommer.

Three games were played with the Columbus Grove team this season. All games were real picnics for our boys because this was Columbus Grove's first year on the gridiron and naturally they were an inexperienced team. This however is not to their discredit because they always fought with might and main.

In the first game our team made a touchdown almost every time they came in possession of the ball and were never forced to punt because they failed to make their first down. The end runs netted our boys from 10-30 yards every time and resulted in about two-thirds of the touchdowns in the first two games. Ten touchdowns and two extra points were made in the first game for a score of 62-0, while in the second game five touchdowns and two extra points were scored making it a 32-0 score.

The third game was played on Thanksgiving Day. The game as a whole was not much different than the rest played with this team, with the exceptions that they were pretty confident that they could score by forward passing and that they would be able to stop the end runs, both being impossible. The game ended with four touchdowns, one safety and two extra points, to our favor, a total score of 28-0.

Pandora 5 - 3 - 1					
Coach Grover Davidson					
P	Opponents	P	Opponents		
7	Rawson	7	32	Columbus Grove	0
62	Columbus Grove	0	0	Leipsic	18
47	Lima Central JV's	0	6	Mt. Blanchard	7
6	Bluffton	16	27	Columbus Grove	0
1	Mt. Cory	0			

Pandora 1929 7 - 0 - 1



Sitting left to right - Vernon Gerber, Vilas Gerber, Earl Dean Steiner, James Sommer, Roland Burkhardt, Earl Schumacher and Milton Reichenbach. Standing - Francis Kempf, Mgr., Lawrence Hilty, Homer Baumgartner, Norbert Brinkman, Raymond Walters, Richard Steiner, Wayne Hilty, Myron Lehman and Glenn Hilty, Coach.

Pandora and Columbus Grove Play to a Scoreless TIE!

Schools TIE for the Putnam County League Titled with a 3 - 0 - 1 Record

Rain, mud and a cold wind were the conditions under which this game was played. "Oh! What a game" and "Gee! Did 'cha see that." were some of the remarks from the side lines as the two teams clashed in some mud puddles on the flooded field. These conditions affected both teams to such an extent that the game ended in a scoreless tie.

Pandora 7 - 0 - 1					
Coach Glenn Hilty					
PCL 3 - 0 - 1 1st					
P	Opponents		P	Opponents	
6	Liberty Center	0	0	*Columbus Grove	0
32	Waynesfield	0	31	*Ottawa SPPS	0
7	Bluffton	0	54	*Leipsic	0
13	Delphos Jefferson	0	24	*Continental	0

Pandora's Last Team

1950 4 - 5 - 0



1st row, left to right - Larry McCullough, Dwight Bixel, Peter Diller, Paul Hilty, Robert Radebaugh, Roger Basinger, Donal Augsburger, Darrel Diller and Lee Grismore. 2nd row - Coach Sheldon Hall, Dale Lehman, Edward Hamilton, Stanley Newton, Bill Basinger, Richard Rice, Dale Bridenbaugh, Tom Reichenbach and Mr. Strahm. 3rd row - Donald Schneck, Richard Reese, John Moser, David Diller and Arthur Gratz.

Fleetwings Take Grid Finale 32 - 0

Leipsic and Pandora ended their football seasons last Friday night at Leipsic with Pandora trouncing the home team 32 to 0. Pandora scored in every quarter as Dwight Bixel accounted for three TD's and Darrell Diller and Don Augsburger racked up one each.

All scores were made on short runs. Diller and Tom Reichenbach plunged for the two extra points. Pandora tallied their first touchdown in the first quarter and they added two more in the second for a 20 to 0 half-time lead.

Substitutes played a large portion of the second half as the Fleetwings crossed the Leipsic goal once in the third and once in the last quarter. Leipsic never penetrated beyond the Pandora 25 yard line.

Pandora 4 - 5 - 0					
Coach Sheldon Hall					
NWC 2 - 5 - 0					
P	Opponents		P	Opponents	
7	*Spencerville	13	6	*Delphos Jefferson	31
7	*Columbus Grove	38	7	*Forest	12
32	Leipsic	0	0	*Shawnee	33
18	*Elida	14	W	Liberty Twp.	L
2	*Lafayette	0			