Craig Schurig begins his first season at the helm of the lchabods

#### CRAIG SCHURIG



Craig Schurig Head Coach



- Pittsburg State Defensive Backs and Punt team coordinator (1996-2001)
- Pittsburg State Tight Ends (1993-95)
- Colorado School of Mines Running Backs (1992)
- **Playing Experience**
- Colorado School of Mines Defensive Back

A new era in Washburn football began as Craig Schurig was named head coach of the Ichabod football program on Dec. 28, 2001.

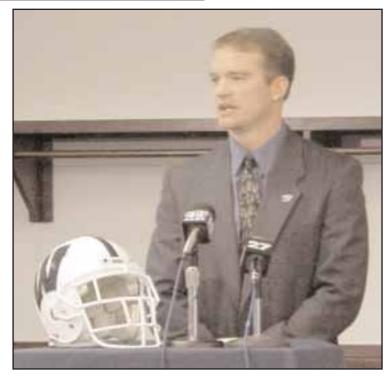
Coaching for nearly a decade in a winning program, Schurig has brought the knowledge of success, a winning attitude and a new intensity to the Ichabod football program.

Schurig spent nine seasons as a member of Pittsburg State's coaching staff. While at Pitt State, Schurig coached 10 All-MIAA players and four All-Americans.

His last duties on the Gorillas' coaching staff was directing the defensive backs for six seasons in Pittsburg. While coaching the defensive backs, Schurig also spent six seasons as the punt team coordinator.

Prior to working with the defensive backs, he worked three seasons with the Gorillas' tight ends.

While on the Gorillas coaching staff,



Schurig was a part of an NCAA national finalist squad in 1995, four MIAA Championship teams and eight NCAA Division II playoff teams. He helped guide one of the top defenses in Division II including the top-ranked defensive squad in 1999.

Before arriving at Pittsburg State, Schurig spent the 1992 season as a volunteer assis-

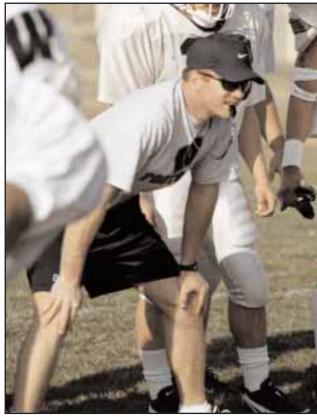
tant coach at his alma mater, Colorado School of Mines joining the Gorillas in 1993.

Schurig, a Willingboro, N.J., native, was a four-year letterman as a defensive back at Colorado Mines and was selected team captain as a senior. He earned second-team All-Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference honors as a senior. He graduated in 1987 with a bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering.

Schurig earned a master's degree in physical education at Pittsburg State in 1996. Craig and his wife, Louisa, have a daughter, Samantha, and two sons, Mitchell and Michael.



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# **CRAIG** SCHURIG



#### What others are saying about Craig Schurig

"Craig is a very bright young coach, and extremely hard worker. He played a key role in our success at Pitt State, and I know he'll continue to be successful in the coaching profession." Chuck Broyles Head Coach Pittsburg State University

"Having Coach Schurig as a coach for four years, the knowledge and encouragement I received as a player helped me and the rest of our team become the best year in and year out. I know that in time, he is going to make Washburn one <u>of the best as well.</u>" Brian Moorman Punter Buffalo Bills Pittsburg State (95-98)



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# ASSISTANT <mark>Coaches</mark>





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# **Brian Miller** Offensive Coordinator

Brian Miller begins his first season as the Ichabods' offensive coordinator.

Miller, a native of Golden, Colo., was the offensive coordinator at Minnesota-Crookston since 1996.

Miller spent five seasons as the offensive coordinator with the Golden Eagles.

Prior to coming to UMC, Miller coached for the Northern State Wolves, where he was special teams coordinator, and coached defensive line and running backs, each for a season.

Coach Miller graduated in 1989 with a BA from Hastings College in Nebraska, and a MS from St. Cloud State. He and his wife Michelle reside in

Topeka with their two sons: Matt and Alex, and daughter Bailey.





# **Bod Bits** Playing Experience

Pittsburg State
 Free Safety

#### Coaching Experience

 Liberal High School defensive coordinator (1998-2001)

# Chris Brown Defensive Coordinator

Chris Brown is in his first season as the Ichabods' defensive coordinator after spending the past four seasons at his high school alma mater, Liberal High School. His last season, he was the defensive coordinator and he spent the previous three as the linebackers' coach. While at LHS, the Redskins compiled a 37-5 record.

Brown, a native of Liberal, Kan., is a 1997 graduate of Pittsburg State University

where he recorded 470 tackles in 43 starts in his He at safety. career free is one of only three Gorillas to earn all-American honors three times. He was an unanimous first team all-American selection his senior season and was named the CNN Division II National Player of the Year in 1995. In the championship game as a freshman he recorded a record 21 tackles against Jacksonville State. He was also named to the NCAA Quarter Century Team from all players from 1975 to 1999 at free safety.

His senior season the Gorillas were second in the nation in scoring defense allowing 10.9 ppg, fifth in rushing defense 67.5 and sixth in total defense 239.6 per game. He also took part in the 1992 Kansas Shrine Bowl.

He and his wife, Daphne, live in Topeka with their children, Hunter and Hayden.



#### **ASSISTANT** COACHES



#### **Bod Bits** Playing Experience

William Jewell
 Fullback

**Coaching Experience** 

• Pittsburg State defensive back graduate assistant (2001) **Coordinator** Rob Robinson begins his first season on the Ichabod coaching staff. He will direct

Rob Robinson

Wide Receivers/

Recruiting

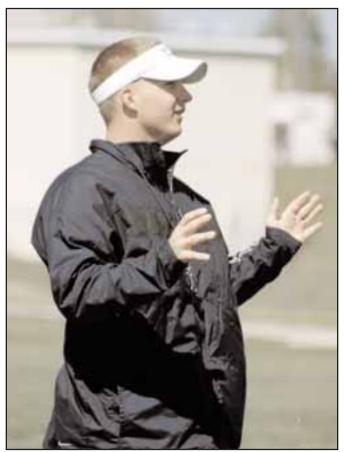
Washburn's wide receivers. Robinson spent one season at Pittsburg State as a graduate assistant coaching the defensive backs with Ichabod head coach Craig Schurig.

Robinson is a 2000 graduate from William Jewell College in Liberty, Mo. He was a four-year lettermen for

Cardinals at fullback, playing on special teams as well.

He was named the 1997 and 1998 Special Teams Player of the year and was an all-conference selection his junior season. As a senior he was named to the Player's Council and was a third team all-HAAC selection.

The Trenton, Mo., native and his wife Karen were married June 16, 2001.





#### **Bod Bits** Playing Experience

 Nebraska/Baker Linebacker

#### **Coaching Experience**

- Monett (Mo.) High School defensive coordinator (2001)
- Pittsburg State defensive line and offseason strength and conditioning coordinator (1996-1998)
- Washburn Rural, Topeka and Hayden High Schools

# **David Trupp** Defensive Line/ Strength and Conditioning

David Trupp, C.S.C.S. is beginning his first season as the Ichabods' defensive line coach and the strength and conditioning coordinator.

Trupp, spent the 2001 season as the defensive coordinator and offensive line coach at Monett (Mo.) High School.

From 1996 to December 1998, Trupp was the defensive line coach and off-season strength and conditioning supervisor while completing his Master's Degree at Pitt State.

Trupp received his teaching certificate in 1992 from Washburn after completing his Bachelor of Science degree from Baker University. He was

also a member of the Nebraska Cornhusker's football team from 1986 to 1987 before transferring to Baker.

He also coached at Washburn Rural High School, Topeka High School and Hayden High School. He played high school football at Washburn Rural High School.

Trupp and his wife Jean are expecting their first child in September.





#### ASSISTANT <mark>Coaches</mark>



#### **Bod Bits** Playing Experience

- Pittsburg State
  Linebacker
- Toronto/Hamilton Canadian Football League

#### Coaching Experience

- North Dakota Tight Ends graduate assistant (2001)
- William Aberhart High School, Calgary, Alberta Defensive Coordinator (2000)

## and Toronto (1996).

A native of Calgary, Alberta, Harris graduated from Pittsburg State in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in physical education and is working on his Master's in Kinesiology with an emphasis in sports psychology at North Dakota.

Harris played for the Gorillas from 1992-1994, earning second team all-conference honors in 1993 and first team all-conference honors in 1994.

As a senior, Harris was a team captain and most valuable defensive player at inside linebacker.

At Pitt State, Harris recorded 241 tackles in 31 games, which ranks eighth on the Gorillas' all-time tackles chart. He recorded 17 in the 1992 NCAA Championship game against Jacksonville State.

Before transferring to Pittsburg State, Harris was an honorable mention all-America and first team all-conference choice at Independence Community College. He was also the team captain and chosen as the team's Most Valuable Player.

Cooper's father Wayne is in the Canadian Football League's Hall of Fame.

# **Cooper Harris** Linebackers

Cooper Harris joins the Ichabods after one season as graduate assistant for 2001 NCAA Division II Champion North Dakota Fighting Sioux. He joined the Ichabod coaching staff on July 3, 2002. He will coach the

Ichabod linebacking corps.

In 2000, Harris served as defensive coordinator at William Aberhart High School in Calgary, Alberta. He helped coach the team to a city championship.

Harris played in the Canadian Football League from 1995-2000 for Toronto and Hamilton. He was a linebacker, special teams captain and special teams MVP in 1998 for Hamilton and was a member of Grey Cup champion teams in Hamilton (1999)

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Dennis Bean.	
Duke Benz	
Travis Boulware	
Chris Brown	-
Dennis Caryl	
Mark Clark.	
Bill Danenhauer	
Charlie Dieker	
Dave DiMaggio	
Mark Elliott	
Ray Glaze	
John Harting	
Ron Heck	
Keith Herlting	
Jake Hunter	
Glenn Jagodzinske	
Clay Johnson	
Bob Jones	
Jack Keelan	
B.D. Kennedy	
Gary Kershner	
Brian Kramer	
Keita Malloy	
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#### **GRADUATE ASSISTANT** COACHES

# **GRADUATE ASSISTANTS**



**Preston Taylor** 

Preston Taylor is starting his first season as a graduate assistant for the Ichabods working as a student assistant after a three-year playing career for the Ichabods. He graduated in December 2001 with his degree in physical education and is currently working on his master's degree in education adminis-

tration. Taylor will coach the tight ends.

In his playing career, Taylor was a versatile member of the Ichabods offense last season playing quarterback, running back and wide receiver. As a senior, Taylor passed for a touchdown and had a rushing touchdown. He finished the season with 59 yards passing completing 5 of 13 attempts and one touchdown. He rushed for 115 yeards on 22 carries averaging 5.2 per touch.

Taylor is from Medicine Lodge, Kan.

# **Travis Stepps**



Former Pittsburg State defensive back Travis Stepps starts his first season as a graduate assistant on the Ichabod coaching staff. He will work with the defensive backs for the Ichabods.

As a senior, he led the MIAA in passes defended with 15 pass break-ups

and three interceptions while recording 42 tackles en route to second team All-American pick for the second time in his career gaining first team All-MIAA honors.

He was also an All-American selection his junior season after recording 45 tackles and received MIAA Player of the Week honors twice. His sophomore and freshman campaigns, Stepps received honorable mention accolades.

Stepps, a Fort Scott, Kan., native, is a 1997 graduate of Fort Scott High where he earned first team Class 4A All-State honors for the state-champions and participated in the 1997 Kansas Shrine Bowl.

# **The Story Behind Mr. Ichabod**

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The name "Ichabod" was derived from the first name of Ichabod Washburn, an early benefactor of the university. Ichabod Washburn was born in Kingston, Mass., on Aug. 11, 1798.

In 1831, he began what was his life work - and the pride of Worchester, Mass., - when he essayed the drawing of wire. He was co-founder of Washburn and Moen Manufacturing (later American Steel and Wire).

His own lack of formal education made him acutely aware of its importance. When approached by the residents of Topeka to help save the ailing Lincoln College, Ichabod Washburn responded with a \$25,000 gift. In May, 1869, Lincoln College was renamed Washburn College in recognition of his outstanding contribution.

Until 1938, there was no graphic representation or any particular characteristics associated with the mascot. During the 1937-38 school year, the editors of the KAW yearbook decided that such items were important to the university and began to accept suggestions for a design of Mr. Ichabod. The adopted design was

> drawn by Bradbury Thompson (BA '34). The following explanatory material accompanied the first representation of an Ichabod in the KAW: "He has courage and enthusiasm as shown by his brisk walk. He is democratic and courteous, for he tips his hat as he passes. Sincere in his search for truth and knowledge, he studiously carries a book under his arm. His friendly smile makes you like him. He is neatly dressed and he fits well into his generation ... but adopts himself with equal ease to any change in life.



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