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Enrollment . . . . .	6,500
Founded . . . . .	1865
Nickname . . . . .	Ichabods
Colors . . . . .	Yale Blue and White
Stadium . . . . .	Yager Stadium at Moore Bowl
Surface . . . . .	Natural Grass
Capacity . . . . .	7,200
National Affiliation	NCAA Division II
Conference Affiliation .	Mid-America

Intercollegiate Athletics Association  
President . . . . . Dr. Jerry Farley  
Athletics Director . . . . . Loren Ferre  
Head Coach . . . . . Craig Schurig  
Alma Mater . . . . . Colorado School  
of Mines, 1987  
Record at WU . . . . . 3-8, 2nd season  
Overall Record . . . . . 3-8, 2nd season  
2002 Record / MIAA . . . . . 3-8 / 3-6  
Starters Returning . . . . . 16  
8 Offense / 8 Defense / 0 Specialty  
Lettermen Returning . . . . . 36  
20 Offense / 16 Defense / 0 Specialty

Lettermen Lost..... 6  
 3 Offense / 3 Defense / 0 Specialty  
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**Washburn University** is in Topeka, Kan., at the intersection of 21st Street and Washburn Avenue. Yager Stadium at Moore Bowl is located west of the Petro Allied Health Center in the center of campus. Media parking is located on the north and south sides of the bowl.

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**Media Services** include a game program and lineups, plus statistics and game notes for each team. Halftime stats are provided as well as individual and team stats and a play-by-play summary. Statistics are kept on the Automated Scorebook computer system by MRR Systems. Refreshments are available

before each game.

**Postgame Interviews with Coach Craig Schurig** are available to media personnel after his brief meeting with the team immediately following the game. Players will be brought, by request, to the press box or gathered on the field for interviews. Interviews during the week can be arranged by calling the Sports Information Office.



## ICHABODS' TRAVEL ITINERARY

### Sept. 6, 2003

#### Langston University

**Leave:** Sept. 6 at 10:30 a.m.

**Return:** Sept. 6 following game

### Sept. 20, 2003

#### Emporia State University

**Leave:** Sept. 20 at 10:30 a.m.

**Return:** Sept. 20 following game

### Oct. 4, 2003

#### Northwest Missouri State University

**Leave:** Oct. 4 at 10 a.m.

**Return:** Oct. 4 following game

### Oct. 18, 2003

#### Southwest Baptist University

**Leave:** Oct. 17 at 2 p.m.

**Lodging:** Clarion, 3333 South Glenstone, Springfield, Mo. 65804

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**Return:** Oct. 18 following game

### Nov. 8, 2003

#### Missouri Western State College

**Leave:** Nov. 8 at 8:30 a.m.

**Return:** Nov. 8 following game

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Washburn University was established in February 1865 as Lincoln College by a charter issued by the State of Kansas and the General Association of Congregational Ministers and Churches of Kansas. A two-story brick building on the northeast corner of 10th and Jackson Streets was soon erected and the first classes began in January 1866. In 1868, the school was renamed Washburn College, in recognition of a \$25,000 donation by Ichabod Washburn, a church deacon and resident of Worcester, Mass.

The university was granted a permanent location in 1865 when Topekan Col. John Ritchie donated a 160-acre site, which at the time was a considerable distance southwest of the city. Construction on the first building began in 1872, with occupancy taking place in 1874. For the next two decades, college President Peter McVicar conducted an aggressive development campaign. His efforts resulted in the establishment of numerous Victorian limestone structures which characterized the campus for the next 90 years.

Expansion of the school was constant. The School of Law was organized in 1903, as was a School of Fine Arts and a medical school, which educated physicians until 1913. During the next three decades structures such as the Mulvane Art Museum, Benton Hall and Whiting Field House were added to the campus. In June 1966, a tornado struck Topeka and several historic buildings on campus were demolished. The Washburn community rallied and financial support from friends and alumni made possible the rebuilding of many school facilities during the coming years. Today, university facilities offer more than one million square feet of modern academic and support space.

In 1941, the citizens of Topeka



endorsed Washburn by voting to establish a municipal university, supported in part by the city and governed by a local board of regents. In 1952, the Washburn Board of Regents officially changed the name of the school to Washburn University of Topeka. In 1999, the university's primary funding was moved from city property tax to county sales tax sources, with the school retaining status as a municipal subdivision of the state. In addition to local financial support, Washburn has received state funds since 1961, which have been coordinated by the Kansas Board of Regents since 1991. Washburn is governed by its own nine member Board of Regents.

Washburn provides broadly-based liberal arts and professional education through more than 190 certificate, associate, baccalaureate, master's and juris doctor programs through the College of Arts and Sciences and the Schools of Law, Business, Nursing and Applied Studies. Ninety-seven percent of the faculty hold a doctorate or the highest degree available in their discipline.



## Academic Majors

*Alphabetical List of Majors*

Accounting, BBA, MBA  
Addiction Counseling, C, AAS, BAS  
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Allied Health C, AS, BHS  
Anthropology, BA  
Art History, BA  
Art\*, BA, BFA  
Banking, AAS  
Biology\*, BA, BS  
Business Administration, MBA  
Business Education, B.Ed  
Cardiac Sonography, C  
Chemistry\*, BA, BS  
Clinical Psychology, MA  
Communication, BA  
Computer Information Science, BS  
Computer Information Systems, AA, BA, BS  
Correctional Administration, MCJ  
Criminal Justice, AA, BSCJ  
Criminal Justice, MCJ  
Curriculum and Instruction, M.Ed.  
Design Technology, AAS #  
Diagnostic Medical Sonography, C  
Early Childhood Education, AA, B.Ed  
Economics, BA  
Economics, BBA  
Education, M.Ed.  
Educational Administration, M.Ed  
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English\*, BA  
Finance, BBA  
Food Service, AA #  
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General Science, BS  
General Sonography, C  
German\*, BA  
Gerontology, AAS, BAS  
Health Information Technology, C, AS  
Health Services Administration, BHS  
History\*, BA  
Human Services, C, AAS, BAS  
Humanities and Creative and Performing Arts, AA  
Industrial Technology, AAS #  
Integrated Studies, BIS  
Interrelated Special Education, M.Ed.  
Law Enforcement, MCJ  
Law, JD  
Legal Studies, C, AA  
Liberal Studies, MLS  
Management, BBA  
Marketing, BBA  
Mass Media, BA  
Mathematics\*, BA, BS  
Medical Imaging, BHS  
Medical Technology, BS  
Mental Health and Disabilities, AAS, BAS  
Military and Strategic Studies, C  
Music Education, BM  
Music Performance, BM  
Music, BA  
Natural Science and Mathematics, AA  
Non-Profit Management, C, AAS, BAS (in association with Public Administration)  
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Physical Therapy Assistant, AS  
Physics\*, BA, BS  
Political Science, BA  
Pre-Dentistry  
Pre-Engineering  
Pre-Law  
Pre-Medicine  
Pre-Optometry  
Pre-Pharmacy  
Pre-Theology  
Pre-Veterinary Medicine  
Psychology\*, BA, MA  
Public Administration, C, BP  
Public Health Nursing, C  
Purchasing, C, AAS #  
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Radiologic Technology, AS  
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Religious Studies, BA  
Respiratory Therapy, AS  
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Social Work, BSW  
Social Work, MSW  
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Spanish\*, BA  
Studio Art, BA  
Technology Administration, BAS  
Theatre, BA  
Vascular Sonography, C  
Victim/Survivor Services, C, AAS, BAS  
Youth Services, AAS, BAS

\* Denotes fields in which Secondary Education teaching certificates are available.  
Degrees are listed after majors (C=Certificate of Completion)  
# Denotes joint programs with Kaw Area Technical School

## Dr. Jerry B. Farley

### University President



Jerry Farley became the 14th President of Washburn University in 1997 following an extensive career in finance and business affairs at several Oklahoma higher education institutions. Aside from a full schedule of Washburn responsibilities, Dr. Farley speaks and teaches around the United States on topics related to Higher Education Finance, Auditing, Management and Leadership. He is a C.P.A. and has been the president and chair of the board of several state and national professional organizations. He has authored or co-

authored numerous articles and books on finance and accounting.

Dr. Farley holds a degree in finance and accounting, an MBA, and a Ph.D. in Higher Education Administration - all from the University of Oklahoma.

Serving on local and state boards has always been a priority for Dr. Farley. He is past president of the Topeka Chamber of Commerce. He has served on the board of directors of Red Cross, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts, United Way and economic development corporations including Go Topeka.

He is the recipient of awards for outstanding contributions in public service, accounting, and higher education.





**Steve Anson**  
**Baseball**



**Bob Chipman**  
**Men's Hoops**

## 2002-03 Season Flashback

Team	Overall W-L	MIAA	MIAA Finish	Postseason
Baseball	21-27	13-18	7th	None
Basketball-M	25-5	15-3	1st	NCAA Rnd. 32
Basketball-W	27-3	15-3	1st	NCAA Elite Eight
Football	3-8	3-6	8th	None
Golf	112-37	34-2-2	1st	NCAA Nationals
Softball	34-14	13-5	2nd	None
Tennis-M	14-7	3-2	T3rd	NCAA Rnd. 32
Tennis-W	20-5	6-0	2nd	NCAA Rnd. 32
Volleyball	29-5	14-2	1st	NCAA Rnd. 32
<b>Totals</b>	<b>288-112</b>	<b>116-44-2</b>	<b>(.722)</b>	

**Overall athletic department  
winning percentage - .720**



**Chris Herron**  
**Volleyball**



**Ron McHenry**  
**Women's Hoops**



**Craig Schurig**  
**Football**



**Doug Hamilton**  
**Golf**



**Jennifer Hastert**  
**Men's / Women's  
Tennis**



**Tim Collins**  
**Women's Soccer**



**Lisa Carey**  
**Softball**

## Loren Ferre'

**Athletics Director**



Loren Ferre' became Washburn's director of athletics in February of 1996 after a six-year appointment at Black Hills State University in Spearfish, S.D. Ferre' is a dynamic leader who has implemented many internal changes within the athletic department since arriving on campus. He has put increasing scholarships and departmental fund-raising at the top of his list.

At Washburn, Ferre' has been instrumental in the establishment of a strong Ichabod Club support team and the raising of funds for athletic scholarships.

While at BHSU, Ferre' was also director of the Donald E. Young Sports Fitness Center, a 172,000 square foot, \$10.2 million facility. During his Black Hills tenure, the athletics department nearly tripled its outside revenue, including large increases in ticket sales and scholarship funding. All 10 varsity teams won a conference title in his final three years.

Before joining the staff at Black Hills State, Ferre' spent 17 years at the University of North Texas. He was the director of the Coliseum (1987-90) was the associate and assistant director since 1980. He held the post of event coordinator (1978-80).

Ferre' is a 1971 graduate of Texas Christian University, earning a bachelor of arts degree. He earned a master's in journalism from North Texas in 1982, and is currently finishing his doctorate at North Texas.

Ferre' is the NCAA Division II Men's Basketball South Central Regional Chairman serving his second year on the committee last season.

Ferre' and his wife Sarah, have two daughters, Caitlin and Hope, and reside in Topeka.

## THE ICHABOD CLUB

WASHBURN ATHLETICS

The Ichabod Club is a booster club that works to promote Washburn University Athletics and provides financial support to its athletic programs. Membership in the Ichabod Club has played a major role in supporting the annual scholarship drive and making a difference in the lives of Washburn student-athletes for the past 20 years.

Washburn Athletics depends upon the annual contributions to the Ichabod Club Scholarship Fund to continue offering scholarship aid to our student-athletes.

The mission of the Ichabod Club is simply to provide the scholarship assistance to young men and women student-athletes (tuition, fees, books, room and board) unless the contribution is restricted to a specific sport or some other specific purpose. All gifts to the Ichabod Club are tax deductible to the full extent allowable by law.

Opportunities for alumni, friends, parents and boosters to become involved with the Ichabod Club program are available through pregame parties, golf tournaments, the Ichabod Club newsletter, monthly luncheons, the kick-off party and other special events.

For more information, call the Washburn Athletic Department at 785.231.1135.

# Washburn teams excel on and off the courts and fields during the 2002-03 school year

## Football

### 3-8 / 3-6 MIAA (8th)

- MIAA First Team: Eric Roth
- MIAA Second Team: Tim Watts
- Honorable Mention: Dustin Hickel, Sam Sissom, DaWight Benning, Kevin Pierce, Grant Gould, Joe Corcoran
- MIAA Freshman of the Year: Sam Sissom
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Joe Allison, Matt Durler, Kyle Fowler, Dustin Hickel, Chris Huelsman, Jonathan Mayes, Blake Meyer, Nick Smith, Eric Taylor, Adam Toby, Tim Watts, Derek Young, Andre Zandevakili
- D2Football.com Freshman Offensive Wide Receiver: Sam Sissom
- D2Football.com Freshman Defense: Linebacker Grant Gould
- D2Football.com First Team: Eric Roth
- D2Football.com Honorable Mention All-America: Eric Roth
- Daktronics First Team All-Region Defense: Eric Roth
- Cactus Bowl Senior All-Star Game: Eric Roth
- Offensive Team MVP: Dustin Hickel
- Defensive Team MVP: Joe Corcoran

Team Cumulative GPA 2.79

## Volleyball

### 29-5 / 14-2 (1st)

- Won first MIAA Championship
- Made first NCAA National Tournament Appearance
- Coach of the Year: Chris Herron
- First Team: Dani McHenry
- Second Team: Alecia Barron, Lindsey Kersting, Anna Neufeld
- Honorable Mention: Susan Crooks, Mary Fisher
- American Volleyball Coaches Association First Team: Lindsey Kersting
- American Volleyball Coaches Association Second Team: Anna Neufeld
- Daktronics Division II First Team All-South Central Region: Dani McHenry
- Team MVP: Dani McHenry

Team Cumulative GPA 3.09

## Men's Basketball

### 25-5 / 15-3 MIAA (1st)

- Won 7th MIAA Championship
- All-MIAA First Team: Ryan Murphy
- All-MIAA Second Team: Manny Clifton
- All-South Central Region Second Team: Ryan Murphy
- MIAA Commissioners' Academic Honor Roll: Ryan Tomlins, J.P. Meitner, Matt Tinsley
- Head Coach Bob Chipman recorded 20th 20-win season
- Team MVP: Ryan Murphy

Team Cumulative GPA 2.66

## Women's Basketball

### 30-4 / 15-3 MIAA (1st)

- Won 2nd MIAA Championship
- Won 2nd MIAA Tournament Championship
- MIAA Most Valuable Player: Crystal Walker
- MIAA First Team: Crystal Walker
- MIAA Second Team: Carissa Goeglein
- MIAA Defensive Player of the Year: Crystal Walker
- All-South Central Region First Team: Crystal Walker
- WBCA Region 6 Coach of the Year: Ron McHenry
- WBCA All-Region 6 Team: Crystal Walker
- WBCA All-Star Game: Crystal Walker
- Daktronics/CoSIDA Third Team All-American: Crystal Walker

- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Bethany McGraw, Kristy Chapman, Maggie Diehl, Alison Garrett, Crystal Walker, Lora Westling
- Team MVP: Crystal Walker

Team Cumulative GPA 3.19

## Softball

### 34-14 / 13-5 MIAA (2nd)

- All-MIAA First Team: Dara Clouse, Katie Schmidt, Tiffany Whitt
- All-MIAA Second Team: Katie Gregg
- All-MIAA Honorable Mention: Ashley Perkins, Julie Blaufuss, Kala Huske, Jackie Sells
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Julie Blaufuss, Dara Clouse, Jackie Horn, Ashley Perkins, Katie Schmidt, Jackie Sells
- Team MVP: Julie Blaufuss

Team Cumulative GPA 3.05

## Baseball

### 21-27 / 13-18 (7th)

- All-MIAA First Team: Dylan Smith
- All-MIAA Second Team: Sam Sissom
- All-MIAA Honorable Mention: Jerad Head
- NBCA First Team All-Region: Dylan Smith
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Allan Cooper, Matt Deutsch, Brigham Joy, Ben Rutherford
- Team MVP: Dylan Smith

Team Cumulative GPA 2.96

## Women's Tennis

### 20-5 / 6-0 (2nd at MIAA Tournament)

- All-MIAA First Team: Caitlin Day (singles and doubles), Lindsey Sullivan (doubles), Holly Munro (singles)
- All-MIAA Second Team: Erin Underwood (doubles), Katie Schmidt (doubles), Kris Castillo (singles and doubles)
- Academic All-MIAA: Erin Underwood
- All-MIAA Honorable Mention: Erin Underwood (singles), Katie Schmidt (singles)
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Caitlin Day, Erin Underwood
- Team MVP: Caitlin Day

Team Cumulative GPA 2.98

## Men's Tennis

### 14-7 / 3-2 (T-3rd at MIAA Tournament)

- All-MIAA First Team: Nate Hurd (singles)
- All-MIAA Second Team: John Johnson (singles), Rafeal Valez (singles), Brett Coleman (singles), Blake Edwards (doubles), Tyler Kinder (doubles)
- All-MIAA Honorable Mention: Sydney Bwalya (singles and doubles), John Johnson (doubles), Rafeal Valdez (doubles), Brett Coleman (doubles)
- Academic All-MIAA: Tyler Kinder
- Team MVP: Nate Hurd

Team Cumulative GPA 2.89

## Golf

### 112-37 / 1st place MIAA

- Won first MIAA Championship
- First NCAA National Tournament Appearance
- All-MIAA: Garrett Donovan, Derek Dultmeier, Cam Hubbard
- MIAA Commissioner's Academic Honor Roll: Chris Alpers, Derek Dultmeier
- NCAA All-Central Region: Matt Warnock, Derek Dultmeier, Cam Hubbard, Garrett Donovan
- MIAA Coach of the Year: Doug Hamilton
- Team MVP: Derek Dultmeier

Team Cumulative GPA 3.18

## By the numbers

**Cumulative Athletic  
Department Grade Point  
Average as of Spring 2003**

# 2.98

**2002-03 MIAA  
Commissioner's Academic  
Honor Roll Members**

# 36

**Of 186  
Student-Athletes, number  
who had 3.0 GPA or higher**

# 99

**Of 186  
Student-Athletes, number  
who had 3.5 GPA or higher**

# 44

**Of 186  
Student-Athletes, number  
who had 4.0 GPA or higher**

# 14

**Number of  
Student-Athletes to receive  
all-MIAA Athletic Honors**

# 51

**Overall  
Won-loss record of  
Washburn Athletic Teams as  
of 5/21/03**

# 288-112 (.720)

## Janet Degginger

### Assistant Athletics Director



Janet Degginger is entering her 16th year as Washburn's assistant athletics director.

Degginger returned to her alma mater in 1987 as assistant director of athletics. In that capacity, she is responsible for managing and monitoring all of the business and financial affairs of the department. In addition, she supervises personnel in the administrative office, ticket office, training room, equipment room and Petro maintenance staff. During the 1995-96 academic year, Degginger served as the interim director of athletics during the national search for an athletic director. She also currently serves as the university's senior women's administrator.

Degginger has served on several university, conference and national committees. She is currently a member of the NCAA Professional Sports Liaison Committee and has served on a sub-committee of the NCAA Research Committee for developing a financial analysis report. She is a past secretary/treasurer of the MIAA and is currently a member of the budget committee. She is a member of Washburn's Faculty Athletics and Financial Aid committees.

Degginger is a 1967 graduate of Washburn and has done post-graduate work at Kansas. She has a son, Preston.

## Steve Ice

### Head Athletic Trainer



Steve Ice enters his 22nd year as the Head Athletic Trainer at Washburn University.

Ice took over the Ichabods and Lady Blues programs in the fall of 1982 after a two-year assignment as the Associate Athletic Trainer at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Penn.

During Ice's tenure at Washburn, the athletics training staff has seen the addition of the Petro Allied Health Center as a valuable resource for the prevention and rehabilitation of WU student-athletes.

Ice received his bachelor's degree from St. Mary of the Plains College in Dodge City, Kan., in 1977 and earned his master's from the University of Kansas in 1980. Ice also served as a graduate assistant athletic trainer for the Jayhawks from 1977 to 1979.

In addition to his duties at Washburn, Ice works in conjunction with the Orthopedic Clinic and Sports Medicine of Topeka. Steve and his wife Janis have four children; Brian, Patrick, Jenna and Alyssa.

## Karmen Byers

### Assistant Athletics Director



Karmen Byers is in her third year as the Assistant Athletic Director of External Relations.

At Washburn, Byers serves as ticket manager for all sports. She also focuses on marketing and public relations for increasing interest and attendance on Ichabod and Lady Blues game nights.

Prior to joining the athletic department, Byers worked at Atwood Publishing in Overland Park, Kan. where she was an advertising sales executive for four different publications.

Byers is a 1999 graduate of Kansas State University with a Bachelor's Degree in journalism and advertising.

She is married to former Washburn basketball player David Byers. The couple lives in Topeka.

## Ron Wessel

### Head Equipment Manager



Ron Wessel enters his 23rd year at Washburn University as the Head Equipment Manager for the athletics department.

Wessel, a native of Sierra Vista, Ariz., is in charge of maintaining all of the athletics department's equipment needs. He attended Baker University in Baldwin City and was the school's football manager from 1976-79. Wessel then accepted the equipment manager's position at Washburn in the spring of 1980.

He is a member of the American Equipment Managers Association and became certified in 1992. Wessel has served as a District Director of the AEMA since 1993.

In addition, he serves on the Continuing Education Committee of the AEMA.

Ron lives in Topeka and enjoys all kinds of sports, traveling, science fiction and physical fitness.



### Larry Blumberg

Faculty Athletics Representative



### Susan Foremsky

Administrative Assistant for Development



### Gill Herrera

Facilities Manager



### Sandy Foster

Athletics Secretary

## Washburn Sports Information Office



**Gene Cassell**  
Sports  
Information  
Director

Gene Cassell is entering his fifth full season as Washburn Sports Information Director after starting in December 1998. Cassell is a Marshall, Mo., native and a 1997 graduate from Northwest Missouri State University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in journalism accompanied with a minor in broadcasting. At Northwest, Cassell worked in the Sports Information Office and on three university media outlets while at Northwest.

Besides his overseeing the media relations of Washburn's nine athletic teams,

Cassell also runs game administration and is the webmaster of "The Blue Zone" - The Official Site of Washburn Athletics. Cassell is a member of CoSIDA and a member of the Publications Contest Committee.

Cassell has received 29 citations for excellence for office publications, including two best in the nation, ten second place finishes and six best covers in the nation. Cassell and his wife, Regina, live in Topeka with their son Jacob who was born on March 23, 2003. Regina is an instructor in the Washburn mass media department.



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Director of Athletics . . . . .	Loren Ferre' . . . . .	x1794
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Assistant Director of Athletics/SWA . . . . .	Janet Degginger . . . . .	x1790
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Administrative Assistant for Development . . . . .	Susan Foremsky . . . . .	x1466

## **Coaching Staff**

### **Football**

Head Coach . . . . .	Craig Schurig . . . . .	x1134
Offensive Coordinator . . . . .	Brian Miller . . . . .	x1705
Defensive Coordinator . . . . .	Chris Brown . . . . .	x1795
Defensive Line Coach/Strength and Conditioning . . . . .	David Trupp . . . . .	x1335
Linebackers . . . . .	Cooper Harris . . . . .	x1798
Wide Receivers . . . . .	Rob Robinson . . . . .	x1947

### **Volleyball**

Head Coach . . . . .	Chris Herron . . . . .	x1946
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### **Women's Soccer**

Head Coach . . . . .	Tim Collins . . . . .	x1756
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### **Baseball**

Head Coach . . . . .	Steve Anson . . . . .	x1793
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### **Softball**

Head Coach . . . . .	Lisa Carey . . . . .	x1797
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### **Men's Basketball**

Head Coach . . . . .	Bob Chipman . . . . .	x1355
Assistant Coach . . . . .	Kerry Dickerson . . . . .	x1333

### **Women's Basketball**

Head Coach . . . . .	Ron McHenry . . . . .	x1796
Assistant Coach . . . . .	Dustin Odum . . . . .	x1462

### **Golf**

Head Coach . . . . .	Doug Hamilton . . . . .	x1764
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### **Men's and Women's Tennis**

Head Coach . . . . .	Jennifer Hastert . . . . .	x1757
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# Opening 2003



For the first time since 1966 when a tornado devastated the Washburn campus destroying several buildings, including the Moore Bowl press box, a major renovation has taken place upgrading the Ichabod football facility.

The \$4.3 million construction project began following the 2002 football season. A new press box, president's level, hospitality lounge and booster area will reshape the scenery around the football field. Additional changes include new restroom facilities, concession stands and a viewing point at the north end of the field which will include an Ichabod statue, memorial walkway and donor's plaques.

The new name of Yager Stadium at Moore Bowl is in honor of former Ichabod runningback Gary Yager. An anonymous donor pledged \$1 million. The first lead gift to the stadium renovation was from former Ichabod defensive end Bernie Bianchino who donated \$500,000 for the Bianchino Pavilion which will house six suites, a president's suite, media facilities, new restroom and concession facilities and meeting rooms.

Moore Bowl has served as the home for Washburn football since its dedication on Sept. 28, 1928 - a 20-12 loss to William Jewel. Throughout its 73-year history, the bowl has been witness to hundreds of high school and college games,

long-standing conference rivalries and the tornado of 1966.

Construction of the original bowl was part of a \$215,000 athletic project, which also included the addition of Whiting Field House to the Washburn campus. The bowl was built in a natural depression south of Old Thomas Gymnasium and was designed to be similar to the facility at the University of Colorado. By taking advantage of the natural depression, the bowl was constructed in just seven months at a cost of approximately \$30,000. The construction work was under the direction of Cleveland S. Loper, head of the engineering department, with the contract for the excavation given to C.A. Ritchie of Topeka.

The original design for the horseshoe-shaped bowl (overall size of 400' by 650') called for 15,000 seats - 8,000 in the original construction with the remaining seats to be built along the north end of the horseshoe. Additional seating was not added and the bowl currently has a seating capacity of 7,200. A press box and concessions stands were added to the facility in 1963 but destroyed three years later in the '66 tornado.

The bowl was named in honor of George Godfrey Moore, a Topeka sports enthusiast who had developed a reputation throughout the Midwest as a keen sportsman and friend of Washburn.







**Feb. 6**



**Feb. 17**



**Feb. 21**



**March 3**



**April 1**



**April 23**



**April 31**



**May 9**



**May 21**



**June 3**



**June 10**



**June 17**



**June 23**



**June 26**



**Gary Yager**

Gary Yager, a native of Kansas City, Mo., and current vice chairman and director of Western National Bank and Unison Bancorp, Inc., was a member of the Ichabods from 1972-75 and rushed for 1,297 yards and 12 touchdowns in his career. Yager came to Washburn and to the Ichabod football program because of the athletic scholarship he received coming out of East High School.

His rushing total ranks 11th all-time in the Washburn career charts, leaving school as the fifth leading ground-gainer in Ichabod history. His most successful season came during his senior campaign when he rushed for 748 yards and eight touchdowns en route to First team All-Great Plains Athletic Conference honors. The eight touchdowns were the second most in school history in a single-season and that total still ranks in the top six all-time while the 748 yards is ninth on the all-time chart.

Upon his graduation from Washburn in 1976 with a bachelor of business, Yager remained in Topeka taking a position at the First National Bank of Topeka as the assistant vice president of correspondent banking - a position he held for 10 years before moving to Commerce Bank & Trust Company as the vice president of loans. While at Commerce Bank & Trust, he managed a \$34,000,000 loan portfolio.

Yager has remained close to Washburn and to the Ichabod football program. He served on the recent search committee for the Ichabod head coach and is currently a member of the Football Stadium Renovation Committee helping to fund-raise for the project working as an integral part of getting the Topeka corporate and banking communities involved. He is also past president and treasurer of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Alumni Chapter.

Other positions he has been elected to is the vice chairman of the Topeka Housing Authority.

Staying active and dedicated to the Topeka and Washburn communities are two of the reasons that compelled the donor to honor Yager with the stadium gift.

Yager is married to former Washburn student athlete Widge Swartz. At Washburn Widge participated in both volleyball and gymnastics. The Yagers have two sons, Tyson and Tab.



**Note: Final photo taken July 7 before printing deadline.**

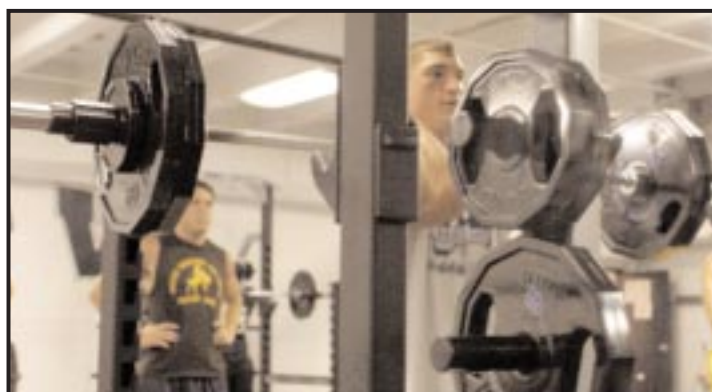
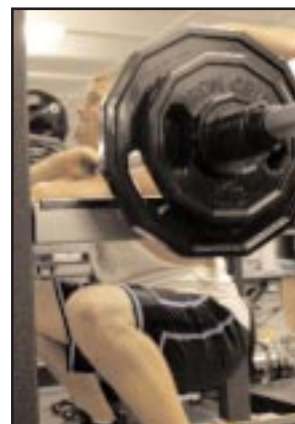


## WEIGHT ROOM

After more than \$150,000 in upgrades to the weight room, the Washburn athletic program now boasts one of the best facilities in the Midwest.

Ichabod Power is based on using free weights and the feet in contact with the floor, using triple extension of the ankle, knee and hip. This type of training is used to develop athletes stability in the joints and trunk, and power in the lower body when in contact with the playing surface. Each multi-rack and Olympic platform allows the Washburn athlete to perform Olympic Lifts on a solid oak surface.

The multi-racks are self-contained with all the weight on the rack. This allows the Washburn athlete to perform 90 to 95 percent of their work in one area. The racks and platforms have special features that allow the student-athlete to perform secondary exercises with special attachments. The installation of new equipment transformed Washburn's weight room into a top notch facility.



## TRAINING ROOM

The Washburn Athletic Training Center is one of the most advanced in the Midwest. The four-year old facility is nearly triple the size than the one it replaced.

Steve Ice, Washburn's Head Athletic Trainer, has been with the Ichabods and Lady Blues athletic programs for more than 24 years. He has a student staff of more than 20. Joining Ice's staff this season will be assistant John Burns, who will also teach in the Health and Physical Education Department.

Dr. Iris Gonzalez, the campus physician, is the team's resident doctor. Dr. Matthew Bohm of the Cotton O'Neil Clinic comes to campus every Wednesday to evaluate student-athletes and to educate athletic trainers. Orthopedic Clinic and Sports Medicine provides state-of-the-art orthopedic care. The clinic has a team of five surgeons, a physical assistant, registered nurses, a physical therapist and certified athletic trainers. Stormont-Vail's Gerald Applehans, Director of Physical Medicine, provides Michael Ramirez, ATC-R, for daily treatments, education and internship sites.

