



2007 TITAN FOOTBALL

Illinois Wesleyan vs. Elmhurst

THE GAME: Illinois Wesleyan (4-2, 3-0 College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin) is in its 116th football season...The Titans aim for their fourth consecutive win this year hosting Elmhurst (4-2, 1-2 CCIW) in a 1:30 p.m. game at Wilder Field, IWU Stadium...The last IWU four-game win streak was the start of the 2002 season when the Titans defeated Wis.-LaCrosse, Washington U. (in OT), Chicago and North Park.

HOMECOMING 2007: The Titans are 27-15 in their last 42 Homecoming games and have been 9-10 in the last 19 years, preceded by a six-game winning streak from 1982-87.

FOR THE RECORD: IWU is 75-43 in its last 118 games (.636) since 1995...The Titans are 68-28 (.708) at home and 54-43-1 on the road (.546) under Norm Eash...The 43 losses have come to Wheaton (8); Augustana (7); Millikin (6); Carthage and North Central (4); Elmhurst (3); Simpson, UW-Eau Claire, Mt. St. Joseph and Coe (2); and Mount Union, UW-LaCrosse, and Washington U. (1)...Not since 1941 (2-5-2), 1942 (4-5), 1943 (2-4-1) has IWU had three consecutive losing seasons...2004 and 2005 were the first back-to-back losing seasons at IWU since 1987 (4-5) and 1988 (4-5)...In 2004, IWU (3-7) had its first sub-.500 season since the 1993 team was 4-5. The Titans had been at .500 or better for 10 straight years.

OCTOBER: In October, IWU is 55-36 (.604) in the Norm Eash era, is 2-0 this year and was 2-2 last season in the month.

AT WILDER FIELD: Illinois Wesleyan is 58-21 (.734) at Wilder Field in the last 16 seasons (1991-2007)...The Titans are 4-0 in night games since lights were brought back to the field in 2001...The IWU football facility is the fifth oldest football stadium in the country (1893), behind Wesleyan [Conn.] (1881), Williams [Mass.] (1883), Sewanee [Tenn.] and Amherst [Mass.] (both 1891).

ON TO THE NEXT 500: IWU is 508-380-42 (.569) in 116 football seasons... The 500th win came in a 23-14 win over Wheaton on Oct. 22, 2005.

THE SERIES VS. THE BLUEJAYS: In a series that dates back to 1930, Illinois Wesleyan holds a 44-10-1 lead in games vs. Elmhurst. The Bluejays won at home in both 2006 (by a 25-13 margin) and in 2005 (20-15)...When Elmhurst beat IWU, 40-20, in 2003, it ended a 17-game winning streak against the Bluejays. The Titans have won 19 of the last 24 games between the two schools.

ON THE AIR: The IWU/Elmhurst game will be broadcast live on the Internet at www.wjbc2.com and at WESN-FM 88.1.

LAST WEEK: Illinois Wesleyan has won three games in a row for the first time since 2003 after a 24-7 CCIW win over Millikin, 24-7, on Oct. 13 in Bloomington. The Titans got on the board early with a blocked punt recovered for a touchdown by **Brett McWherter (River Grove, East Leyden HS)** and an interception return for a score by **Nick Nikolich (Libertyville HS)** within the first six minutes of the game. **Alex Holmberg (Oak Park,**

Fenwick HS) intercepted a pass, one of five picks for IWU on the afternoon, and returned it 25 yards before lateraling it to Nikolich who ran in 18 yards for his score. The lone IWU offensive score came in the fourth quarter on a 26 yard pass from **Kraig Ladd (Shelbyville HS)** to **Martin Ceisel (Deerfield HS)** with 4:27 to play. Earlier **Joe Duffy (Oak Lawn, Chicago Brother Rice)** booted a 36 yard field goal with 7:20 to play to put the Titans on top, 18-7. **Dan Souder (Elk Grove Village, Elk Grove HS)** had 11 tackles and two sacks and Nikolich also had 11 tackles while **Tim Wilkins (Evanston HS), Robert Beauchamp (Cerro Gordo HS)** and Holmberg also had sacks. On special teams **Dan Rogers (Palos Ridge, Maine South HS)** was all over the field with six tackles and a fumble recovery. The Titans amassed 276 yards to 256 for the Big Blue.

ROGERS EARNS CCIW HONOR: Freshman linebacker **Dan Rogers (Palos Ridge, Maine South HS)** was named CCIW "Special Teams Player of the Week" for his play in the 24-7 win over Millikin Oct. 13. He had six total tackles, including two solo, and recovered a fumble on a Millikin punt return with 4:54 to play in the game that gave the ball back to IWU, who scored a TD on a 26 yard pass three plays later.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK: Chosen by Titan coaches to honor top players in the week's game and practices. The "Titan Award" honors a player for work ethic, loyalty and spirit.

OFFENSE: Keely Flood, sophomore, guard, **Lombard (Montini Catholic HS)**

DEFENSE: Andrew Dulaney, senior, cornerback, **Eden Prairie, Minn. (HS)**; Dan Souder, junior, linebacker, **Elk Grove Village (Elk Grove HS)**

SPECIAL TEAMS: Dan Rogers, freshman, linebacker, **Palos Ridge (Maine South HS)**

SCOUT (Offense): James Reed, freshman, receiver, **Orland Park (Marist HS)**; Larry Pope, sophomore, tight end, **Carol Stream (West Chicago HS)**; Michael Handke, freshman, tight end, **Brookfield (Lyons Township HS)**

SCOUT (Defense): Mike Gainey, sophomore, linebacker, **Streamwood (Driscoll Catholic HS)**; Jerry Watkins, junior, back, **Chicago (Whitney Young HS)**

TITAN AWARD: Rob Hoyland, senior, defensive line, **Montgomery (Oswego HS)**

THE COACHES: **Norm Eash** (Illinois Wesleyan, 1975) is in his 21st season at IWU and has a career record of 123-72-1 (.630), making him second among IWU coaches in victories (Eash's college coach, Don Larson, had 168 wins from 1954-86). Prior to 2006, Eash ranked 50th among all-time Division III coaches in winning percentage and 67th in victories (24th among active coaches in wins). The "dean" of league coaches, Eash has been College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin "Coach of the Year" in 2001, 1996 and 1992. His career CCIW mark is 92-55-1 (.625), making him fourth all-time in victories in the league...**Tom Journell** (Wittenberg, 1987), who handles the

2007 ILLINOIS WESLEYAN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	OFFENSE	DEFENSE	SPECIAL TEAMS	SCOUT (Offense)	SCOUT (Defense)
Sept. 1	None	Rob Hoyland	R. Beauchamp	Gant, Messina	A. Bates, M. Smith
Sept. 8	Martin Ceisel	Dan Souder	R. Beauchamp	Rooney, Wells	Nachieri, Rogers
Sept. 15	Kraig Ladd	Welke, Holmberg	Sam Vizza	Moody, Balwierz	Jenkins, Chiodo
Sept. 29	Bo Lanter	Nick Nikolich	Josh Monk	Hall, O'Neill	Gainey, M. Smith
Oct. 6	Kraig Ladd	Andrew Dulaney	Donnie McGhee	Mosterd, Prancus	Jenkins, C. Cicinelli
Oct. 13	Keely Flood	Dulaney, Souder	Dan Rogers	J. Reed, L. Pope, M. Handke	Gainey, J. Watkins

offensive play calling for the Bluejays, has a 20-16 record in his fourth season at Elmhurst after spending 15 seasons as an assistant at Wisconsin-River Falls. The Bluejays have posted back-to-back 6-4 seasons. Prior to UW-River Falls, Journell was a graduate assistant at Miami (Ohio) where he assisted in coaching the defensive secondary and linebackers. At Wittenberg he was a four-year participant on the football and baseball teams.

TITANS IN THE LEAGUE: The Titans are second in the league in total defense (275.3), second in pass defense (152.3) and third in pass offense (229.7). They are also fourth in scoring (27.0), second in scoring defense (19.0) and sixth in total offense (312.7). Individuals in the top five in league-only statistics:

- Kraig Ladd - Passing Average (3rd, 225.3), Total Offense (3rd, 251.0), Pass Efficiency (4th, 131.1)
- Martin Ceisel - Receptions (2nd, 20), Receiving Yards (3rd, 76.7), Scoring TDs (3rd, 6.0 ppg)
- Nick Nikolich - Tackles (2nd, 37)
- Andrew Dulaney - Interceptions (1st, 2 total)
- Dan Souder - Fumble Recoveries (3rd, 0.33)
- Robert Beauchamp - Sacks (Tied 3rd, 1.0)
- Tim Wilkins - Tackles For Loss (4th, 2.0)
- Rob Hoyland - Fumble Recoveries (3rd, 0.33)
- Chad Olson - Fumble Recoveries (3rd, 0.33)

KRAIG LADD: The **Shelbyville High School** product was "Offensive Player of the Week" in the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin and one of 11 national Division III "Players of the Week" chosen by *Don Hansen's Football Gazette* after his record-book entry day in a 35-31 win at Carthage on Oct. 6. Ladd completed 27 of 37 passes for 404 yards and five touchdowns and had 52 rushing yards for a total offense day of 456 yards, second to the IWU mark of 458 set by **Brad Forsyth** against Carroll in 1989. Ladd's 404 passing yards is the third most in an IWU single game, behind only **John Rooney** (426, Elmhurst 1983) and **Chad Beaty** (409, North Central 1997) and the 27 completions is the fourth best single game total. Ladd's .730 completion total is third best in an IWU game, behind two efforts by **Lon Erickson** (.871, 27-31 vs. Millikin in 1996 and .750, 21-28 vs. North Park in 1995)...Ladd played baseball for the CCIW champion Titans last spring and was 6-for-24 with one HR and five RBI.

MARTIN CEISEL: With 116 career receptions, junior **Martin Ceisel (Deerfield HS)** is in 11th place all-time at IWU and he is No. 7 all-time with 1,812 receiving yards. He is No. 6 with 21 career TD catches.

MARCUS DUNLOP: With 2,206 career yards, senior running

back **Marcus Dunlop (Maywood, Proviso East HS)** is in sixth place all-time at IWU and needs 567 rushing yards (141.8 per game) to overtake **Kurt Swearingen's** career total (2,772 yards, 1975-78).

SCOUTING THE BLUEJAYS: The Bluejays opened with four straight wins (Benedictine, Chicago, Olivet, Carthage) and have lost two CCIW games in a row (Augustana 28-7 and North Central 41-24)...Against the Cardinals, Elmhurst got ahead 24-20 early in the fourth quarter, but the Bluejays turned the ball over on four straight possessions. Elmhurst finished with 373 yards but got only 31 of those rushing. **Chris Kudyba**, the younger brother of former IWU quarterback **Tom Kudyba**, was 31-of-44 for 341 yards and two TDs but was picked off five times in the second half (three times in the fourth quarter). **Blake Veldhuis** caught nine passes for 140 yards while **Matt D'Angelo** had six catches for 102 yards. Elmhurst's defense was led by **Danny Dichiara's** 12 tackles...After being ahead 10-0, the Bluejays allowed 17 straight points and trailed at the half 17-10...Kudyba is second in the league stats in both passing (254.7) and total offense (257.7)...**Kyle Maple** is the league leader with 40 total tackles (24 solo) in the three CCIW games.

THE RANKINGS: Three IWU foes have earned national rankings this week.

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Wheaton (6-0)59
North Central (4-2)4227
Mount St. Joseph (5-1)4434

LOOKING AHEAD: The Titans are play at North Park (Oct. 27) and at North Central (Nov. 3) before the last game of the season against Wheaton at home Nov. 10.



OTHER GAMES TODAY

- Augustana at Carthage, 6 p.m.
- Millikin at North Central, 1 p.m.
- North Park at Wheaton, 6 p.m.

NEXT WEEK (OCTOBER 27)

- North Central at Augustana, 1 p.m.
- Carthage at Millikin, 1 p.m.
- Illinois Wesleyan at North Park, 1 p.m.
- Wheaton at Elmhurst, 1 p.m.

TITAN HOMECOMING FOOTBALL RESULTS

In the last 42 years, Illinois Wesleyan football teams have won 27 Homecoming games at Illinois Wesleyan Stadium. This year's annual gathering for alumni will be Oct. 20 with the 1 p.m. game vs. Elmhurst.

1965	IWU 21, North Central 7	1974	IWU 23, Millikin 13	1993	Wheaton 13, IWU 9
1966	Carroll 27, IWU 13	1975	Carthage 7, IWU 6	1994	IWU 40, North Central 18
1967	IWU 20, Millikin 7	1976	IWU 21, Wheaton 7	1995	Wheaton 42, IWU 28
1968	IWU 34, North Park 7	1977	IWU 21, Carthage 16	1996	IWU 34, Millikin 6
1969	IWU 58, Carroll 28	1978	Wheaton 31, IWU 14	1997	Wheaton 39, IWU 29
1970	IWU 30, Augustana 0	1979	IWU 19, Carthage 3	1998	IWU 42, Augustana 6
1971	IWU 39, North Central 22	1980	IWU 6, North Park 0	1999	Wheaton 22, IWU 20
1972	Millikin 68, IWU 0	1981	Carroll 14, IWU 13	2000	IWU 23, Elmhurst 7
1973	IWU 21, North Central 20	1982	IWU 24, North Park 7	2001	Augustana 14, IWU 7
		1983	IWU 38, Elmhurst 28	2002	IWU 49, North Park 9
		1984	IWU 38, North Park 15	2003	Augustana 20, IWU 17
		1985	IWU 27, Carroll 0	2004	IWU 44, Elmhurst 26
		1986	IWU 27, North Park 7	2005	North Central 36, IWU 14
		1987	IWU 27, Elmhurst 24	2006	Carthage 31, IWU 28
		1988	Augustana 28, IWU 6		
		1989	IWU 34, Elmhurst 6		
		1990	Millikin 30, IWU 21		
		1991	IWU 44, North Central 9		
		1992	IWU 21, Augustana 0		

ELMHURST (44-10-1)

1947	IWU 17, Elmhurst 0	1973	IWU 9, Elmhurst 0	1992	IWU 42, @ Elmhurst 14
1948	IWU 26, Elmhurst 0	1974	IWU 23, @ Elmhurst 0	1993	IWU 58, Elmhurst 6
1949	IWU 39, Elmhurst 0	1975	IWU 39, Elmhurst 6	1994	IWU 49, @ Elmhurst 7
1951	IWU 14, Elmhurst 13	1976	IWU 47, @ Elmhurst 0	1995	IWU 41, Elmhurst 7
1953	(tie) IWU 13, EC 13	1977	IWU 7, Elmhurst 0	1996	IWU 49, @ Elmhurst 0
1954	IWU 25, Elmhurst 0	1978	@ Elmhurst 21, IWU 0	1997	IWU 7, Elmhurst 0
1955	IWU 52, Elmhurst 0	1979	IWU 14, Elmhurst 13	1998	IWU 37, @Elmhurst
1956	IWU 59, Elmhurst 7	1980	@ Elmhurst 45, IWU 7	1999	IWU 31, Elmhurst 26
1957	IWU 47, Elmhurst 20	1981	Elmhurst 37, IWU 0	2000	IWU 23, Elmhurst 7
1958	IWU 47, Elmhurst 20	1982	@ Elmhurst 30, IWU 14	2001	IWU 8, @ Elmhurst 3
1959	IWU 39, Elmhurst 0	1983	IWU 38, Elmhurst 28	2002	IWU 57, Elmhurst 29
1964	IWU 20, Elmhurst 12	1984	@ Elmhurst 28, IWU 19	2003	@ Elmhurst 40, IWU 20
1967	IWU 38, @ Elmhurst 7	1985	Elmhurst 23, IWU 20	2004	IWU 44, Elmhurst 26
1968	IWU 31, Elmhurst 0	1986	IWU 25, @ Elmhurst 23	2005	@ Elmhurst 20, IWU 15
1969	IWU 16, @ Elmhurst 6	1987	IWU 27, Elmhurst 24	2006	@ Elmhurst 25, IWU 13
1970	IWU 40, @ Elmhurst 20	1988	IWU 10, @ Elmhurst 8		
1971	IWU 32, Elmhurst 24	1989	IWU 34, Elmhurst 6		
1972	@ Elmhurst 22, IWU 2	1990	IWU 56, @ Elmhurst 27		
		1991	IWU 41, Elmhurst 12		

MONTHLY BREAKDOWN OF NORM EASH RECORD

YEAR	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL	CCIW	TOTAL
1987	1-2	3-2	0-1	0-0	3-1	1-4	0-0	4-4	4-5
1988	0-2	1-4	1-1	0-0	1-3	1-4	0-0	2-6	2-7
1989	2-1	2-2	1-1	0-0	4-1	1-3	0-0	4-4	5-4
1990	3-0	2-2	2-0	0-0	3-2	4-0	0-0	6-2	7-2
1991	2-0-1	3-1	2-0	0-0	4-0	3-1-1	0-0	6-1-1	7-1-1
1992	2-0	5-0	3-1	0-0	6-0	4-1	0-0	7-0 (1st)	10-1
1993	1-1	2-3	1-1	0-0	3-1	1-4	0-0	3-4	4-5
1994	2-0	4-1	2-0	0-0	4-1	4-0	0-0	6-1 (1st)	8-1
1995	1-2	3-1	2-0	0-0	2-2	4-1	0-0	6-1	6-3
1996	2-0	4-0	4-1	0-0	5-0	5-1	0-0	7-0 (1st)	10-1
1997	2-0	2-2	3-0	0-0	3-1	4-1	0-0	5-2	7-2
1998	2-0	4-1	1-1	0-0	4-1	3-1	0-0	5-2	7-2
1999	2-0	3-2	1-1	0-0	3-1	3-2	0-0	4-3	6-3
2000	4-0	3-1	2-0	0-0	5-0	4-1	0-0	6-1 (1st)	9-1
2001	2-1	3-1	2-0	0-0	3-1	4-1	0-0	6-1 (1st)	7-2
2002	3-0	2-2	1-2	0-0	4-1	2-3	0-0	3-4	6-4
2003	2-1	1-3	2-1	0-0	4-2	1-3	0-0	3-4	5-5
2004	1-2	2-3	0-2	0-0	2-3	1-4	0-0	2-5	3-7
2005	1-2	2-3	0-2	0-0	2-3	1-4	0-0	2-5	3-7
2006	1-3	2-2	0-2	0-0	2-3	1-4	0-0	2-5	3-7
2007	2-2	2-0	x	x	2-1	2-1	x	3-0	4-2
TOTALS	37-19-1	55-36	30-17	0-0	68-28	54-44-1	0-0	92-55-1	123-72-1