



2007 TITAN FOOTBALL

Illinois Wesleyan vs. North Park

THE GAME: Illinois Wesleyan (5-2, 4-0 College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin) is in its 116th football season...The Titans aim for their fifth consecutive win this year playing at North Park (1-6, 0-4 CCIW) in Chicago at 1 p.m...The last IWU five-game win streak was at the end of the 2001 season when IWU won its last five games. The streak continued to a nine-game skein with four straight wins at the start of the 2002 season.

ON THE AIR: The IWU/North Park game will be broadcast live on the Internet at www.wjbc2.com.

FOR THE RECORD: IWU is 76-43 in its last 119 games (.639) since 1995...The Titans are 69-28 (.711) 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)...IWU's last three consecutive losing seasons before 2004-2006 were 1941-1943...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 56-36 (.609) in the Norm Eash era, is 3-0 this year and was 2-2 last season in the month.

AT WILDER FIELD: Illinois Wesleyan is 59-21 (.738) 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 509-380-42 (.570) in 116 football seasons... The 500th win came in a 23-14 win over Wheaton on Oct. 22, 2005.

HOMECOMINGS: With the win over Elmhurst, the Titans are 28-15 in their last 43 Homecoming games and have been 10-10 in the last 20 years, preceded by a six-game winning streak from 1982-87.

THE SERIES VS. THE VIKINGS: Dating back to 1960, IWU leads the series vs. North Park, 44-3. The Titans have won 21 in a row and 26 of the last 27, including a 44-0 win in Bloomington on Oct. 28, 2006.

LOOKING AHEAD: The Titans are at North Central next Saturday (Nov. 3) at 2 p.m. before the last game of the regular season against Wheaton at home Nov. 10 at 1 p.m.

LAST WEEK: Illinois Wesleyan stayed undefeated in the CCIW with a 28-14 win over Elmhurst at IWU on Saturday, Oct. 20. The Titans got huge days from senior **Marcus Dunlop (Maywood, Proviso East HS)**, who rushed for 162 yards on 35 carries, and junior **Martin Ceisel (Deerfield HS)**, who caught 12 balls for 162 yards and two touchdowns and recovered a fumble for another TD. Sophomore fullback **John Meacham (Oak Park, Oak Park-River Forest HS)** scored the other IWU touchdown on a 10 yard run. Sophomore quarterback **Kraig Ladd (Shelbyville HS)** completed 20 of 30 passes for 224 yards and the two scores. Defensively **Rob Hoyland (Montgomery, Oswego HS)** had nine tackles to pace IWU while **Andrew Dulaney (Eden Prairie, Minn., HS)** and **Charlie Welke (New Lenox, Lincoln Way Central HS)** each had seven tackles and Welke had an interception. Sophomore defensive lineman **Mike Ammirati (Woodstock HS)** had a quarterback sack for -15.

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: Martin Ceisel, junior, wide receiver, **Deerfield (HS)**; Marcus Dunlop, senior, back, **Maywood (Proviso East HS)**

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

SPECIAL TEAMS: Robert Beauchamp, junior, defensive back, **Cerro Gordo (HS)**

SCOUT (Offense): Steven Esch, freshman, quarterback, **Bloomington (HS)**; Sean O'Connor, freshman, line, **Chicago (St. Francis DeSales HS)**

SCOUT (Defense): Mike Smith, sophomore, linebacker, **Chicago (Leo HS)**; Kindred Cook, junior, line, **Chicago (Whitney Young HS)**

TITAN AWARD: Brock Collins, senior, defensive line, **Mt. Prospect (Prospect HS)**



OTHER GAMES TODAY

Carthage at Millikin, 1 p.m.

Wheaton at Elmhurst, 1 p.m.

North Central at Augustana, 1 p.m.

NEXT WEEK (NOVEMBER 3)

Augustana at North Park, 1 p.m.

Carthage at Wheaton, 1 p.m.

Illinois Wesleyan at North Central, 2 p.m.

Elmhurst at Millikin, 1 p.m.

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
Oct. 20	M. Ceisel, M. Dunlop	Rob Hoyland	R. Beauchamp	Esch, O'Connor	M. Smith, K. Cook

THE COACHES: **Norm Eash** (Illinois Wesleyan, 1975) is in his 21st season at IWU and has a career record of 124-72-1 (.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 93-55-1 (.625), making him fourth all-time in victories in the league...**Scott Pethtel** is in his second season at North Park and has a career mark of 2-15 (0-11 CCIW). He came to North Park from Division I-A U. of Buffalo where he was the special teams coordinator and defensive assistant. Pethtel has also coached in various capacities at the University of Cincinnati, Ball State, and his alma mater, Adrian. At Adrian, Pethtel was captain of the football and wrestling teams and received numerous athletic accolades, including Outstanding Male Athlete of the Year (1975) and two inductions into the Athletic Hall of Fame (1985, 2004). Pethtel has a master's degree from Eastern Michigan.

MARTIN CEISEL: Junior **Martin Ceisel (Deerfield HS)** was chosen "Offensive Player of the Week" in the CCIW in the Oct. 20 win over Elmhurst. He made 12 catches for 162 yards, catching two TDs and rushing for a third. Ceisel got the Titans on the board with :10 left in the first half on a 13-yard pass from Kraig Ladd, then caught a 16-yard pass with 11:13 to play in the third quarter to help IWU to a 15-7 lead. With :29 left in the third, John Meacham ran 14 yards to the Bluejay 1-yard line when the ball popped out and into Ceisel's hands as he carried it into the end zone for his third TD...With 128 career receptions, **Ceisel** is in 10th place all-time at IWU and he is No. 5 all-time with 1,975 receiving yards and also No. 5 with 23 TD catches.

MARCUS DUNLOP: With 2,368 career yards, senior running back **Marcus Dunlop (Maywood, Proviso East HS)** is in fourth place all-time at IWU and needs 405 rushing yards (134.6 per game) to overtake **Kurt Swearingen's** career total (2,772 yards, 1975-78)...Dunlop needs three more carries to pass the school career record of 604 by **Britt Travis** (1977-80).

1. Kurt Swearingen (1975-78)2,772 (589 att.; 4.71/rush)
2. Maury Parker (1989-92)2,480 (478 att.; 5.19/rush)
3. Dick Raab (1961-64)2,475 (485 att.; 5.10/rush)
4. **MARCUS DUNLOP (2004-)** ...**2,368 (602 att.; 3.93/rush)**
5. Max Milinkovich (1997-2000)2,284 (543 att.; 4.21/rush)

TITANS IN THE LEAGUE: The Titans lead the league in total defense (270.0), pass defense (134.0) and are third in pass offense (228.7). They are also fourth in scoring (27.2), second in scoring

defense (17.8) and fourth in total offense (345.5). Individuals in the top five in league-only statistics:

- Kraig Ladd - Passing Average (2nd, 225.0), Total Offense (2nd, 247.0), Pass Efficiency (4th, 136.0)
- Martin Ceisel - Receptions (2nd, 32), Receiving Yards (2nd, 98.0), Scoring TDs (1st, 9.0 ppg)
- Marcus Dunlop - Rushing (5th, 59.8)
- Nick Nikolich - Tackles (3rd, 41)
- Andrew Dulaney - Interceptions (2nd, 2 total)
- Robert Beauchamp - Sacks (Tied 3rd, .75)

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

<u>.....D3football.com ..Football Gazette</u>	
Wheaton (6-0)	57
North Central (4-2)	3423
Mount St. Joseph (5-1)	x33

KRAIG LADD: The **Shelbyville High School** product was "Offensive Player of the Week" in the CCIW 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 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.

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.

SCOUTING THE VIKINGS: Last week North Park lost at Wheaton, 48-12. Jacob Mueller came up with a career day against the fifth-ranked Thunder by rushing for 99 yards with two touchdowns on 18 carries. His 99 yards is the most given up by Wheaton this season. His first TD came with 8:52 left in the second quarter on a 4-yard run, which ended an 8-play, 80-yard drive and his second came on another 4-yard run, ending a nine-play, 33-yard drive with 12:14 left in the fourth. Sophomore quarterback Shelby Wood, who leads the CCIW with 240.8 pass-

ing yards per game, was 19 of 36 passes for 164 yards. Alan Hall caught three passes for 45 yards. Wheaton garnered 476 yards of offense while North Park had 240.

NORTH PARK (44-3)		1978	IWU 14, North Park 0	1997	IWU 64, North Park 13
1960	IWU 22, North Park 13	1979	@ North Park 13, IWU 6	1998	IWU 41, @ North Park 8
1961	IWU 21, North Park 7	1980	IWU 6, North Park 0	1999	IWU 7, North Park 6
1962	IWU 30, North Park 0	1981	IWU 3, @ North Park 0	2000	IWU 36, North Park 12
1963	IWU 34, North Park 6	1982	IWU 24, North Park 7	2001	IWU 37, @ North Park 0
1964	IWU 25, North Park 14	1983	IWU 28, @ North Park 26	2002	IWU 49, North Park 9
1965	IWU 27, @ North Park 14	1984	IWU 38, North Park 15	2003	IWU 27, North Park 7
1966	IWU 20, North Park 0	1985	@ North Park 25, IWU 21	2004	IWU 35, North Park 23
1967	IWU 28, @ North Park 19	1986	IWU 27, North Park 7	2005	IWU 21, @North Park 7
1968	IWU 34, North Park 7	1987	IWU 33, @ North Park 21	2006	IWU 44, North Park 0
1969	@ North Park 18, IWU 7	1988	IWU 20, North Park 13		
1970	IWU 52, North Park 12	1989	IWU 47, @ North Park 14		
1971	IWU 13, @ North Park 7	1990	IWU 55, North Park 20		
1972	IWU 26, North Park 21	1991	IWU 47, @ North Park 14		
1973	IWU 33, @ North Park 29	1992	IWU 42, @ North Park 0		
1974	IWU 17, North Park 8	1993	IWU 41, North Park 28		
1975	IWU 31, @ North Park 8	1994	IWU 32, @ North Park 7		
1976	IWU 14, North Park 9	1995	IWU 61, North Park 10		
1977	IWU 30, @ North Park 0	1996	IWU 48, @ North Park 7		

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	3-0	x	x	3-1	2-1	x	4-0	5-2
TOTALS	37-19-1	56-36	30-17	0-0	69-28	54-44-1	0-0	93-55-1	124-72-1