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## NINE FINALISTS NAMED FOR HILL TROPHY AS NCAA DIVISION II FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR

FLORENCE, Ala. – A field of 24 candidates has been trimmed to nine national finalists in regional voting for the Harlon Hill Trophy as the NCAA Division II College Football Player of the Year.

The finalists were selected by the NCAA Division II sports information directors in regional voting and will now be placed on the national ballot where all 148 of the division's SIDs will select the award's 25th winner. The top two players from each of Division II's Super Regionals advance to the national ballot, but three players advanced from Region 4 due to a tie in the voting.

The list of 2010 finalists is comprised of seven quarterbacks and two running backs.

Five of the finalists helped lead their teams into the NCAA Division II playoffs this season and one of this weekend's second round playoff matchups will have Hill finalists facing each other.

Advancing from Super Regional 1 are senior quarterback **Zach Amedro** of West Liberty (W.V.) University and freshman running back **Franklyn Quiteh** of Bloomsburg (Pa.) University.

Super Regional 2 is represented by sophomore quarterbacks **Bo Cordell** of the Tusculum (Tenn.) University and senior quarterback **Nick Hardesty** of Henderson State (Ark.) University.

The top vote getters in Super Regional 3 were Colorado School of Mines junior quarterback **Clay Garcia** and Michigan Technological University senior running back **Phil Milbrath**.

Advancing from Super Regional 4 are Northwest Missouri State senior quarterback **Blake Bolles**, University of Central Missouri senior quarterback **Eric Czerniewski** and Abilene Christian University sophomore quarterback **Mitchell Gale**. All three of these quarterback's teams are still alive in the playoffs and Czerniewski and Gale will face each other in the second round of the playoffs this Saturday.

Amedro is a finalist for the second straight year. He finished second in the 2009 voting behind Wayne State's Joiqie Bell.

Four of the nine finalists are underclassmen and include just the third freshman finalist in the award's 25-year history.

National voting will conclude on December 3 and the top three finishers will be invited to the Shoals for the presentation banquet.

The winner of the 2010 award, which is presented by the National Harlon Hill Award Committee, will be announced at the 25th annual Harlon Hill Trophy Presentation Banquet on Friday, December 17 at the Florence Conference Center at 6:30 p.m. This year's Hill Trophy Banquet will also include the 12th induction into the Divi-

sion II Football Hall of Fame, with Ken Sparks, Mel Tjeerdsma and Bobby Wallace becoming the first coaches to be inducted.

Tickets are \$50 each or \$400 for a table of eight and can be purchased by calling the Shoals Chamber of Commerce at (256) 764-4661.

The NCAA Division II Championship Game is scheduled for December 18 at Florence's Braly Municipal Stadium at 10 a.m.

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There were 31 candidates initially nominated by the sports information directors at their respective schools and those nominations were then reviewed by the Hill Regional Advisory Committees, which trimmed the list of candidates.

**Amedro**, a senior from Moundsville, W.V., was also a Hil finalist in 2009. He is now the leading passer in NCAA Division II history, setting career records with 14,733 passing yards, 1,079 pass completions , 334.8 passing yards per game, 30 300-yard passing games, 29 300-yard total offense games ; 13 consecutive 300-yard passing games and 13 consecutive 300-yard total offense games. This season he has averaged 3.8 touchdown passes per game this season, with 38 in 10 games. He completed 329-of-485 passes for 4,058 yards.

**Bolles**, a senior from Lincoln, Neb., ranks among the most efficient passers in Division II history. He is Northwest Missouri's all-time leader in passing yards (7,921) and passing touchdowns (72) and has quarterbacked the Bearcats to a 10-1 record and into the second round of the playoffs. He has helped lead Northwest to an MIAA-record 46 straight conference victories. He has almost 8,000 career passing yards and has thrown 72 TD passes.

**Cordell**, a sophomore from Cincinnati, Ohio, is the 2010 South Atlantic Conference Offensive Player of the Year and was a first-team All-South Atlantic Conference pick. He leads the NCAA Division II in passing, throwing for a school and SAC record 4,657 yards. That is the third highest total in NCAA Division II history. He threw for 38 touchdowns this season and his 394 completions rank second best in Division II history.

**Czerniewski**, a senior from Montgomery City, Mo., is the 2010 Mid-America Athletic Association Offensive Player of the Year and the first-team All-MIAA quarterback. He is the nation's fourth-ranked passer with 4,518 yards and 38 touchdown passes and has completed 68 percent of his passes. He has led Central Missouri to a 10-2 record and into the second round of the playoffs. This season, he has thrown for more than 300 yards 10 times, and more than 260 yards in every game. He is ranked first in MIAA history with 12,158 passing yards and became the league's total offense leader with 12,284 yards. He also has 99 career TD passes.

**Gale**, a sophomore from Alva, Okla, is third in the nation in passing efficiency (167.3) and 17th in total offense per game (300.6 yards per game). He also leads the nation in touchdown-to-interception ratio with 33 touchdown passes against just two interceptions. He led the Wildcats – ranked No. 2 in the country and No. 1 in Super Region Four – to the first 11-0 regular season in program history and the team's second Lone Star Conference championship in the last three seasons. He will also lead Abilene Christian into the second round of the playoffs this weekend.

**Garcia**, a junior from Alamosa, Colo., led Colorado School of Mines to a share of the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference Championship and was a first-team All-RMAC selection. He threw for 300-or-more yards in eight of his team's 12 games and had three 400+ yard passing games. He threw three or more TD passes in nine of 12 games and ranks third nationally in TD passes with 39. He led his team to the first round of the NCAA playoffs as well.

**Hardesty**, a senior from Salina, Kan., is the 2010 Gulf South Conference Offensive Player of the Year and set school records during the season. He threw for 4,007 yards for an average of 368.3 yards per game. He also had 30 TD passes. Hardesty had eight games with 300 or more yards passing.

**Milbrath**, a senior from Norway, Mich., is the 2010 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Offensive Back of the Year. He had eight 100-yard rushing games, including two 250-yard rushing games. He rushed for 293 yards and two touchdowns against then No. 1 ranked Grand Valley State in an upset win. He finished the regular season ranked second nationally in rushing at 141 yards per game, fifth nationally in all-purpose yards with 178.7 and eight in scoring at 9.6.

**Quiteh**, a freshman from Tobyhanna., leads Division II in rushing yards per game with 156.9 yards per game. His single season total of 1,883 yards, which is second most in all of college football this season, is third best in school history behind former Harlon Hill finalist Jamar Brittingham and former Harlon Hill winner Irv Sigler. He needs just 117 yards to become just the third freshman in D-II history to top 2,000 yard rushing in a season. He has scored 21 touchdowns on the season and has also rushed for more than 100 yards in 11 of 12 games. He also has three games with more than 200 yards. Quiteh was named the PSAC East Freshman of the Year and first team All-PSAC East.

The initial Harlon Hill Trophy was won by North Dakota State quarterback Jeff Bentrin in 1986, followed by Texas A&M-Kingsville running back Johnny Bailey - in 1987, 1988 and 1989.

Another North Dakota State quarterback, Chris Simdorn, claimed the 1990 award, followed by Pittsburg State receiver Ronnie West in 1991, Pittsburg State running back Ronald Moore in 1992, New Haven running back Roger Graham in 1993 and Valdosta State University quarterback Chris Hatcher in 1994. North Alabama linebacker Ronald McKinnon became the first defensive player to win the award when he claimed the Hill Trophy in 1995.

Truman State University running back Jarrett Anderson won the 1996 award and Bloomsburg University running back Irvin Sigler claimed the Hill Trophy in 1997 award. Running back Brian Shay of Emporia State won in 1998, followed by Northern Colorado quarterback Corte McGuffey in 1999 and Valdosta State quarterback Dusty Bonner in 2000 and 2001, and Grand Valley State quarterback Curt Anes in 2002. The 2003 trophy was awarded to North Alabama quarterback Will Hall, and Chad Frieauf of the Colorado School of Mines won the 2004 award. Terwilliger claimed the 2005 Hill Trophy as a junior.

Chadron State's Danny Woodhead won the Hill Trophy in 2006 and 2007, joining Bailey and Bonner as the only multiple winners of the award. Abilene Christian's Bernard Scott won the 23rd Hill Trophy and last year Wayne State's (Mich.) Joiqie Bell became the award's 24th winner.

## 2010 HARLON HILL TROPHY FINALISTS

	<b>Pos.</b>	<b>Ht</b>	<b>Wt</b>	<b>Cl</b>	<b>School</b>	<b>Hometown</b>
Zach Amedro	QB	6-0	200	SR	West Liberty	Moundsville, W.V.
Blake Bolles	QB	6-4	210	SR	NW Missouri State	Lincoln, Neb.
Bo Cordell	QB	6-1	195	SO	Tusculum	Cincinnati, Ohio
Eric Czerniewski	QB	6-0	190	SR	Central Missouri	Montgomery City, Mo.
Mitchell Gale	QB	6-2	220	SO	Abilene Christian	Alva, Okla.
Clay Garcia	QB	6-0	200	JR	Colorado-Mines	Alamosa, Colo.
Nick Hardesty	QB	6-0	210	SR	Henderson State	Salina, Kansas
Phil Milbrath	RB	5-9	200	SR	Michigan Tech	Norway, Mich.
Franklyn Quiteh	RB	5-10	197	FR	Bloomsburg	Tobyhanna, Pa.



**ZACH AMEDRO**  
**Quarterback**  
**West Liberty University**  
**6-0, 200, Senior**  
**Moundsville, West Virginia**

Became the leading passer in NCAA Division II history...Only the second NCAA Division II QB ever to average more than 400 passing yards a game for a season (405.8 ypg.)...Led the nation with 3.8 TD passes/game (38 in 10 games)...Driving force behind West Liberty attack which led the nation in total offense (543.8 ypg.) for the second straight season...2010 NCAA Division II season-high 44 completions vs. No. 18 Shepherd...2010 NCAA Division II season-high 8 TD passes at Seton Hill...4 of top 11 single-game passing performances in the nation this year...525 passing yards in an 82-36 win at Seton Hill ranked No. 3 nationally...528 yards of total offense (487 passing, 41 rushing) vs. No. 18 Shepherd...Nine 300-yard passing games (22 of last 23 in career) and six 400-yard passing games (11 in career)

Completed 329-of-485 passes for 4,058 yards with 38 TDs and just 8 INTs...4,058 passing yards (405.8/game) – No. 2 in nation...38 TD passes (3.8/game) – No. 1 in nation...4,096 yards total offense (409.6/game) – No. 2 in nation...Was 49-of-66 for 396 yards and 26 TDs with no INTs inside the opponent's 20-yard-line this season for a "Red Zone" quarterback rating of 254.64...Led 35 scoring drives (26 TDs, 9 FGs) in final two minutes of second quarter or fourth quarter in 44 career games

2009 Harlon Hill Award runner-up...14,733 passing yards – NCAA Division II career record...1,079 pass completions – NCAA Division II career record...334.8 passing yards per game – NCAA Division II career record...30 300-yard passing games – NCAA Division II career record...29 300-yard total offense games – NCAA Division II career record...13 consecutive 300-yard passing games – NCAA Division II career record...13 consecutive 300-yard total offense games – NCAA Division II career record...126 touchdown passes – No. 2 all-time...14,598 total offense yards – No. 2 all-time...331.8 total offense yards per game – No. 2 all-time...2009 1st-Team AP "Little All-America" ...2009 1st-Team All-America (Don Hansen's Football Gazette)...2009 2nd-Team All-America (Daktronics/CoSIDA; D2football.com)...2009 Hardman Award (W.Va. Amateur Athlete of the Year)...2009 National Football Foundation Pat White Award (Top W.Va. college football player)...2009 Atlantic Region Offensive Player of the Year (Daktronics/CoSIDA)...Two-time WVIAC Offensive Player of the Year...Winningest QB in West Liberty history (31-12 as a starter)

For the second straight year, West Liberty ranks No. 1 or 2 nationally in total offense and scoring...2010 Hilltopper offense also led the nation with an average of 28.9 first downs per game...2010 Hilltoppers broke their own WVIAC single-season records for total offense (543.8 ypg.) and passing offense (407.4 ypg.)

**BLAKE BOLLES**  
**Quarterback**  
**Northwest Missouri State University**  
**6-4, 210, Senior**  
**Lincoln, Nebraska**

• 11th-most efficient passer in the nation heading into Nov. 20 weekend • Northwest's all-time leader in passing yards (7,921) and passing touchdowns (72) • Quarterbacked the Bearcats to a 10-1 record (9-0 in MIAA play) • Helped lead Northwest to an MIAA-record 46 straight conference victories • Tied his career high with 421 yards passing at Nebraska-Omaha (9/18) – third-highest tally in program history. Didn't play the fourth quarter (large lead). • Threw two or more TDs in seven of nine conference games • Has five 300-yard passing games • 218-for-345 for 3,099 yards, 23 touchdowns, 8 interceptions • 87 rushes, 198 yards, 3 touchdowns • 9.34 yards per pass attempt (4th nationally heading into Nov. 20 weekend) • 160.65 quarterback rating (11th nationally heading into Nov. 20) • 285.70 passing yards per game (18th nationally heading into Nov. 20) • 2.2 touchdown passes per game • Eighth-most efficient passer in Division II history (164.8) • Quarterbacked Northwest to the 2009 national championship • (2009 awards) First-team All-MIAA; First-team All-American (D2Football.com) • Passed for an MIAA record 4,145 yards and 42 touchdowns in 2009 (8th and 11th most in DII history, respectively) • Despite two years as a starter, ranks sixth on the MIAA's all-time passing list (7,921 yards) • Has thrown a touchdown pass in all 26 collegiate starts (65 in 26 starts) • 24-2 record as a starter • 67.1 percent completion percentage is a program record • 69.5 percent completion percentage in 2009 is a program record • 7,921 career yards passing are a program record • 4,145 yards passing in 2009 is a program record • 72 career touchdown passes is a program record • 42 touchdown passes in 2009 is a program record • 37 completions vs. Washburn (10/24/09) is a program record • 8,627 yards of total offense is a program record • 4,258 yards of total offense in 2009 is a program record • Corporate recreation major with a minor in coaching

**BO CORDELL**  
**Quarterback**  
**Tusculum College**  
**6-1, 195, Sophomore**  
**Cincinnati, Ohio**

2010 South Atlantic Conference Offensive Player of the Year...All-South Atlantic Conference First Team...NCAA Division II's top-passer...Passed for a school and SAC record 4,657 yards, which is the third highest in NCAA II history...Passed for a school and league record seven touchdowns against Brevard (Named D2 Sports Insider National Player of the Week)...Passed for over 400 yards in nine consecutive games (Sep. 4 – Nov. 13 which is the longest in school, SAC and NCAA II history)...Streak ended when he threw for 399 yards vs. Carson-Newman...Four-time SAC Offensive Player of the Week...D2football.com National Offensive Player of the Week for his 410 yard, 5 TD effort (4 pass, 1 rush) in Tusculum 54-30 win over NCAA-FCS Western Carolina...Passed for four or more touchdowns in four straight games from Sept. 11-Oct. 9)...Passed for 511 yards and five TD at Mars Hill...Passed for 417 yards and five TD vs. Urbana...Accounted for six TD (4 pass, 2 rush) vs. Newberry...Tallied 5 TD (3 pass, 2 rush) vs. Carson-Newman...Posted 44 completions in back-to-back games against Mars Hill and Newberry...Tied SAC record with 70 pass attempts against Newberry...Becomes on the second player in league history to be named SAC Offensive Freshman of the Year and followed the next season with SAC Player of the Year accolades.

Currently leads the nation (all NCAA divisions) in passing yards per game (423.36 ypg), total offensive yards per game (425.45 ypg) and completions per game (35.82 cpg)...Leads NCAA II in points responsible for per game (26.00 ppg)...Threw for 38 TD, which is a new school and league single-season record and the 19th most in NCAA II history...Established new school and SAC records with 394 completions (2nd in NCAA II history), 605 pass attempts (2nd in NCAA II history) and 702 total offensive attempts (2nd in NCAA II history)...28th in the nation in passing efficiency (146.54)...394-605 (.651) for 4,657 yards, 38 TD and 12 INT; Rushed for 9 TD, accounting for 47 TD (2nd most in school and SAC history).

2009 South Atlantic Conference Offensive Freshman of the Year... In just 21 career games, he is already second in school history with 8,115 passing yards and 61 touchdowns (6th in league history for both)...His 386.4 career passing yards per game is on pace to be a new NCAA II record...Established a new NCAA II Freshman Record in 2009 with 3,458 passing yards...His 345.8 passing yards per game in 2009 was the 24th-best average in NCAA II history...Threw for a school record 524 yards against No. 15 Carson-Newman in 2009 (2nd most in SAC history...Career Stats: 671-for-1050 for 8,115 yards, 61 TD, 29 INT...10 TD rushes...Named South Atlantic Conference Offensive Player of the Week five times in his career...NCAA Team Ranks: 1st in passing offense (424.82 ypg); 6th in total offense (484.64 ypg); 6th in scoring offense (39.91 ppg); 27th in passing efficiency (146.24); 7th in first downs per game (24.56); 16th in 3rd down percentage (45.58%); 7th in red zone offense (90%)...Tusculum Athletic Director's Honor Roll.

**ERIC CZERNIEWSKI**  
**Quarterback**  
**University of Central Missouri**  
**6-0, 190, Senior**  
**Montgomery City, Missouri**

The MIAA Offensive Player of the Year and the first-team All-MIAA quarterback... He is the nation's fourth-ranked passer with 4,518 yards and 38 touchdown passes and completes an amazing 68 percent of his passes, playing for the No. 8 team in the nation with a 10-2 overall record... This season, he has thrown for more than 300 yards 10 times, and more than 260 yards in every game... He was named MIAA Offensive Player of the Week three times, more than any other in the league... He is also a two-time selection to the Academic All-District and Academic All-MIAA Teams, including both this season.

Career records - He is ranked first in MIAA history with 12,158 passing yards. He became No. 1 in total offense in MIAA history, getting to 12,284 yards. He is UCM's all-time leader in TD passes (99), completions (987), yards, total offense, attempts (1,583) and TD's responsible for (113). He also has 18 career 300-yard passing games to hold that mark. He is also moving up the NCAA-II all-time list, ranking fourth all time in passing yards, ninth in total offense, and 16th in TD passes (99).

Single season records - He holds the top two single season school totals for passing yards (4,518 in 2010) and total offense (4,509 in 2010), as well as touchdowns responsible for (40 in 2010). He also shattered the school record for consecutive 300-yard games vs. Washburn, with his fifth earlier this year. His 38 TD passes first at UCM in a season, and 391 completions is No. 1. It is the third consecutive season he has thrown for 2,800 yards or more.

Game records - He broke the UCM record for passing yards in a game, with an MIAA record tying 493 vs. Division I Illinois State. The MIAA mark is now shared with Matt Ticich of Truman, who broke it in 2007 vs. Upper Iowa. The 500 yards of offense he had in that game is also a school record. He also tied his own completion record of 39 against ISU, with 39 against Fort Hays State. The attempts in a game record is now 61 thanks to his ISU outing. He now holds the top eight single-game completion totals, and five of the six 400-yard passing games in UCM history.

Czerniewski is 323-of-477 (67.7%) for 3,772 yards and 33 TD's to only 11 INT's... He has also been sacked only 10 times in 10 games... He averages 377.2 yards passing per game.

A regional finalist for the Harlon Hill Trophy as a sophomore, he was also an All-MIAA pick as a sophomore and a junior... He is the MIAA's all-time leader in passing by more than 1,500 yards.

UCM is ranked No. 8 in the nation with a 10-2 overall record (only loss was to Division I Illinois State, 55-54, and No. 3 Northwest Missouri, 17-16). The Mules started 8-0 in the MIAA as well, which is the best conference start in school history. - UCM has already set the single season records for completions (395), attempts (583), yards passing (4,622), and first downs (304).

- As a team the Mules set school and MIAA records for passing yards (547) vs. ISU. The previous mark was Truman's 536 vs. Upper Iowa.

- Central Missouri set an unofficial record with 16 different players catching passes vs. SBU. The Mules had only 15 players catch a pass the entire 2009 season. - Central Missouri has not been shut out since Sept. 21, 1991 against MSSU. The 225-game streak is the third longest in the nation, and an MIAA record.

A three-time member of the MIAA Academic Honor Roll, he boasts a 3.49 GPA as a Business Management major.

**MITCHELL GALE**  
**Quarterback**  
**Abilene Christian University**  
**6-2, 220, Sophomore**  
**Alva, Oklahoma**

Mitchell Gale has put together one of the greatest seasons in ACU football history with his performance in 2010. ... He is third in the nation in passing efficiency (167.3) and 17th in total offense per game (300.6 yards per game). ... He also leads the nation in touchdown-to-interception ratio with 33 touchdown passes against just two interceptions. ... He led the Wildcats – ranked No. 2 in the country and No. 1 in Super Region Four – to the first 11-0 regular season in program history and the team's second Lone Star Conference championship in the last three seasons. ... Gale was voted first team all-LSC South Division and was also voted the division's Offensive Back of the Year. ... The Wildcats rank No. 9 in the nation in passing offense (313.8 yards per game), No. 3 in scoring offense (43.6 points per game), and No. 7 in total offense (476.6 yards per game). ... Gale's 3,237 passing yards through 11 games is the second-best single-season total in ACU history, as are his 249 completions. ... He needs just 16 completions to set the ACU single-season record. ... He 33 touchdown passes in 2010 are the third-best single-season total in program history (behind Billy Malone's 37 in 2007 and 36 in 2008). ... His 3,303 yards of total offense is the third-best single-season total in ACU history (behind Malone's total of 3,857 yards in 2007 and Clint Longley's 3,418 yards in 1973). ... Gale was at his best in four of the Wildcats' biggest games of the season as he led the Wildcats to four wins over top-25 opponents, including three on the road. ... In a season-opening win over then-No. 9 Washburn, Gale was 24 of 30 for 247 yards and three touchdowns in the Wildcats' 34-26 win. ... Gale was named the d2football.com National Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in ACU's win at Washburn. ... On Oct. 2, the Wildcats went to South Texas to take on then-No. 6 Texas A&M-Kingsville, which had the nation's top-ranked defense going into the game. ... Gale riddled the Javelinas for career highs in completions (34), attempts (51) and yards (417) while throwing three touchdowns in ACU's 31-24 victory. ... The 417-yard effort is the seventh-best single-game passing yardage total in ACU history. ... The next week against then-No. 8 Midwestern State, Gale was on his game again as he hit 27 of 39 passes for 263 yards and three touchdowns and led ACU from a fourth-quarter deficit to a 31-28 win. ... And in ACU's Nov. 6 road win over then-No. 14 West Texas A&M in Canyon, Gale completed 22 of 36 passes for 296 yards and one touchdown. ... Gale led the Wildcats to 28 fourth-quarter points as he directed the second fourth-quarter comeback win of his career. ... In those four games, Gale completed 107 of 156 passes (68.6 completion percentage) for 1,223 yards and 10 touchdowns against just one interception. ... In 11 games this season, Gale has thrown for at least 240 yards in a game nine times, has thrown for at least 300 yards five times, and has one 400-yard passing game. ... He has thrown five touchdown passes in a game three times, has thrown at least three touchdown passes four times, and has thrown at least three touchdown passes in a game seven times. ... He has thrown at least one touchdown pass in all 11 games this season. ... Gale became the Wildcats' starting quarterback in the sixth week of the 2009 season and has led the Wildcats to a 15-4 record and two straight playoff appearances to run ACU's playoff streak to five straight seasons. ... In just 19 starts, Gale has completed 400 of 624 passes for 4,946 yards and 43 touchdowns, while throwing just nine interceptions. ... He is already eighth on ACU's all-time yardage list, seventh on the completion list and ninth in attempts. ... His 43 touchdown passes are tied for sixth all-time. ... He has 4,974 yards of total offense in two seasons, which is eighth on ACU's all-time total offense list.

Team Accolades: ACU is 11-0 in the regular season for the first time in program history. ... The Wildcats finished 10-0 in the Lone Star Conference and 6-0 in the LSC South Division. ... The Wildcats won their second outright LSC championship in the last three seasons behind Gale. ... ACU is ranked No. 2 in the nation by both the AFCA and d2football.com, and is the top-ranked team in Super Region Four. ... ACU is one of just five programs in the country (Northwest Missouri State, Grand Valley State, North Alabama and Albany State are the others) that has made the playoffs in each of the past five seasons.

**CLAY GARCIA**  
**Quarterback**  
**Colorado School of Mines**  
**6-2, 200, Junior**  
**Alamosa, Colorado**

Mines earned a share of the 2010 RMAC Championship (8-1 in RMAC)...A First Team All-RMAC selection in 2010...Led Mines to the 2010 NCAA Division II football championships (lost to Grand Valley State in the first round)...A four-time RMAC Offensive Player of the Week selection...One-time NFFCC Player of the Week selection \* Threw for 300-or-more yards in eight of 12 games...Had three 400+ yard passing games...Threw three-or-more TD passes in nine of 12 games

Led the RMAC and ranked third nationally in TD passes (39)...Led the RMAC in passing yards (4,066)...Led the RMAC in passing yards per game (338.8)...Led the RMAC in total offense (337.7 ypg)...Second in the RMAC in passing efficiency (140.4)

Tied Mines' single-season program record for touchdown passes (39) in 2010

A unanimous First Team Academic All-RMAC selection (2010) Named RMAC Football Academic Player of the Year (2010)... Earned Dean's List recognition every semester of college career... Carries a 3.88 cumulative GPA (Mechanical Engineering) \* Named to Academic All-RMAC Honor Roll (2008 and 2009) \* A Boettcher Scholar since arriving at Mines in fall of 2007 \* Earned the Academic Achievement Award from Division II Athletic Director's Association (2008-09 school year)

**NICK HARDESTY**  
**Quarterback**  
**Henderson State University**  
**6-0, 210, Senior**  
**Salina, Kansas**

Gulf South Conference Offensive Player of the Year Honors.  
He set 17 school records during the course of the season.

A four-time GSC Offensive Player of the Week selection, Hardesty became only the sixth quarterback in GSC history to throw for more than 4000 yards in a season, totaling 4,007 yards for an average of 368.3 yards per game which ranks third best all-time in the GSC.

The senior from Salina, Kan. completed 320-of-507 passes for a completion percentage of .631 while having 30 touchdowns. Led the GSC in passing yards (364.3), total offense (380.4) as well as touchdowns (30). Hardesty had a record eight games with 300 or more yards passing and four games with 400 or more yards in leading the Reddies to a share of their first conference title in 25 years. Threw for 521 yards in a game against Arkansas Tech, the fifth highest total in GSC history. Also had 4 rushing touchdowns. Hardesty. Hardesty also was efficient as a quick-kick specialist. Of his 17 pooch-punts, 11 landed inside the 20, six inside the 10 and one touchback.

Off the field Hardesty has a 3.21 GPA in Business, and has assisted in the Community in several projects.

**PHIL MILBRATH**  
**Running Back**  
**Michigan Tech**  
**5-9, 200, Senior**  
**Norway, Michigan**

GLIAC Offensive Back of the Year ... Had eight 100-yard rushing games including two 250-yard games ... Was national offensive player of the week after a 293-yards, two-touchdown performance vs. No. 1-ranked Grand Valley State ... Had 250 yards rushing and five total touchdowns vs. Northwood ... Caught eight passes for 144 yards in one of the two games he did not rush for 100 yards ... Scored multiple touchdowns in five games ... Played in only the first half of each of the last two games of the season because of a knee injury. Had a combined 148 yards on 24 carries in those games.

Finished regular season ranked second nationally in rushing at 141 yards per game ... Was fifth in NCAA II in all-purpose yards (178.7) and eighth in scoring (9.6 points per game) ... Racked up 1,412 rushing yards, 375 receiving yards and 16 touchdowns on the season.

Ranks fourth all-time at Michigan Tech in rushing with 3,934 yards on 690 carries for a 5.7 yards per carry average ... Scored 51 career touchdowns—fourth most in school history ... Was All-GLIAC First Team in 2008 after rushing for 1,343 yards and scoring 128 points ... Battled injuries in 2009—rushed for 459 yards and four touchdowns in seven games ... Was Michigan Tech's male freshman student-athlete of the year (any sport) in 2007-08.

Tech finished 8-2 and in second place in the GLIAC ... Huskies ranked sixth in the final Super Region Three poll and No. 21 in the final AFCA poll of the regular season ... Tech compiled a 23-15 record over the last four years with Milbrath in the lineup including an 8-3 season in 2008 when he earned All-GLIAC First Team.

2010 CoSIDA ESPN Academic All-District Second Team ... Three-time GLI-AC All-Academic Team ... Owns a 3.33 GPA in exercise science.

**FRANKLYN QUTEH**  
**Running Back**  
**Bloomsburg University**  
**5-10, 197, Freshman**  
**Tobyhanna, Pennsylvania**

Quiteh is a red-shirt freshman came into the season third on the team's depth chart (fourth after the spring game) but due to injury and other circumstances took over the starting role a week before the start of the season. He leads all of Division II in rushing yards per game with 156.9 yards per game. His single total of 1,883 yards (second most in all of college football this season) is third best in school history behind former Harlon Hill finalist Jamar Brittingham and former Harlon Hill winner Irv Sigler. He needs just 117 yards to become just the third freshman in D-II history to top 2,000 yard rushing in a season. He has scored 21 touchdowns on the season. He has also rushed for more than 100 yards in 11 of 12 games this season and has three games with more than 200 yards.

Quiteh was named the PSAC East Freshman of the Year and first team All-PSAC East and was named PSAC East Offensive Player of the Week four times during the year.

He gained a career-high 246 yards against East Stroudsburg; picked up 223 against Millersville and 218 versus Clarion. In his collegiate debut he ran for 140 yards against Ashland University. In the game to decide the PSAC East championship against Super Region One top seed Kutztown, Quiteh carried the ball 22 times for 194 yards (8.8 yards per carry) and scored four TD's to lead Bloomsburg to a 61-35 win. In the Huskies NCAA D-II opening round playoff game against Cal, Quiteh rushed for 141 yards and scored two touchdowns in the Huskies 28-26 win.

Bloomsburg is 10-2 on the season and will face Mercyhurst in the Super One Regional semi-finals. The Huskies have won at least seven games in a season for the 12th straight year and had at least an eight-game winning streak for the third straight season and fifth time in the last six years.