

# ASSISTANT COACHES

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## WARREN BELIN

### Linebackers; Recruiting Coordinator

Warren Belin enters his eighth season coaching linebackers at Vanderbilt. The 19-year veteran also is in his second year as recruiting coordinator after having worked as special teams coordinator in 2006-07.

In each of Belin's years at Vanderbilt, he has worked with stellar linebackers. In 2008, junior Patrick Benoist earned second team All-SEC honors while Chris Marve became an All-SEC freshman pick selection. Both were among the SEC's top tacklers.

In 2006-07, Belin worked with All-SEC pick Jonathan Goff and versatile Marcus Buggs. Both are now in their second year in the NFL: Goff with the New York Giants and Buggs with the Buffalo Bills.

In 2004-05, Moses Osemwegie was a first team All-SEC player. In 2002, Hunter Hillenmeyer earned the National Student Athlete Award after leading the league in tackles and garnering All-SEC honors.

Belin served in a similar role at Southern Methodist before coming to Vanderbilt. In five years at SMU, at least one of Belin's linebackers were named All-Western Athletic Conference each year of his service. Vic Vilorio was named first team All-WAC as a junior. Another SMU pupil, Jason Simonton, was a two-time All-WAC selection. A third player, Chris Bordano, was WAC Western Division Defensive Player of the Year in 1997.

Prior to joining the SMU staff, Belin worked as an assistant coach at William & Mary, Cornell and East Tennessee State.

A native of Marshville, N.C., Belin was a three-year starter and four-year letterman at Wake Forest from 1987-90. He earned a B.S. in Health and Sports Science from Wake Forest, graduating cum laude. He was named to the ACC All-Academic Team in 1990, and was a two-time ACC Academic Honor Roll recipient.

Belin is married to the former Yolanda Taylor. They are the parents of three daughters: Camryn, 7; and 4-year-old twins Morgan and Mackenzi.



*The Belin family:  
Warren,  
Yolanda and  
daughters  
Camryn,  
Morgan and  
Mackenzi.*

## THE BELIN FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Marshville, North Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Health & Sports Science, Wake Forest, 1990

**PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Linebackers at SMU, 1997-2001

Linebackers at William & Mary, 1996

Defensive Line at William & Mary, 1995

Linebackers at Cornell, 1991, 1993-94

Linebackers at East Tennessee State, 1992

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 2    **CONFERENCE TITLES:** 1

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 3

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 1

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## JAMIE BRYANT

### Defensive Coordinator; Secondary

Jamie Bryant was promoted to defensive coordinator after the Commodores' Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl victory. In his eighth year with the team, Bryant mentors the secondary. He has also served as special teams coordinator.

Bryant's 2008 unit, anchored by All-America D.J. Moore at cornerback and co-captain Reshard Langford at safety, ranked among the SEC and NCAA leaders in pass defense and interceptions.

Moore, who contributed six interceptions, was named first team All-America by Rivals.com, the first Commodore defensive back so honored in 24 years. Moore was later drafted in the fourth round by Chicago.

Remarkably, four different players in the secondary – Moore, Langford, cornerback Myron Lewis and safety Ryan Hamilton – posted four interceptions or more. It marks the first time in modern team history to accomplish the feat.

Both Moore and Hamilton earned National Defensive Player of the Week honors during the season.

Bryant, 39, assisted at North Carolina alongside current Vanderbilt associate head coach Robbie Caldwell in 2001 before joining the Commodore staff. The Tar Heels finished that year strong, using an aggressive defense to win seven of their final nine regular season games, including impressive routs of ACC foes Florida State and Clemson, then shut down Auburn in the Peach Bowl.

Prior to joining UNC, Bryant's efforts as defensive coordinator and secondary coach improved a struggling defense at I-AA St. Francis (Pa.) University in 2000.

Bryant entered the collegiate coaching ranks in 1997 as outside linebackers coach at Clarion. His duties at Clarion evolved to secondary coach and special teams coordinator for his final two seasons.

A native of Fredericktown, Ohio, Bryant was a three-year letterwinner at Ohio Wesleyan. He earned a B.S. in Economics Management.

Bryant and his wife, Elisa, are the parents of two young sons, Luke and Jake.



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### THE BRYANT FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Fredericktown, Ohio

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Economics Management, Ohio Wesleyan, 1993

**PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Graduate Assistant (Defense) at North Carolina, 2001

Defensive Coordinator at St. Francis, 2000

Secondary/Special Teams at Clarion, 1998-99

Linebackers at Clarion, 1997

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 2

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 3

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 2



*The Bryant family: Jamie, Elisa and young sons, Luke and Jake.*





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## TED CAIN

### Offensive Coordinator; Tight Ends

Ted Cain has more than three decades of collegiate coaching experience, and served a two-year stint as the head coach at Virginia Military Institute. He became Bobby Johnson's first assistant at Vanderbilt in December 2001.

Cain has served as offensive coordinator through his Vanderbilt tenure. He also works with tight ends.

Brandon Barden and Austin Monahan provide Cain a solid nucleus at tight end for the next three years. After replacing an injured Monahan in the fourth game last year, Barden went on to catch 28 passes, tops among all freshmen tight ends in the nation.

Cain's tenure at Vanderbilt has produced some of the most potent offenses in Commodore history. The 2005 offense, directed by SEC Offensive Player of the Year Jay Cutler, produced more points and first downs than any Commodore offense in the last three decades.

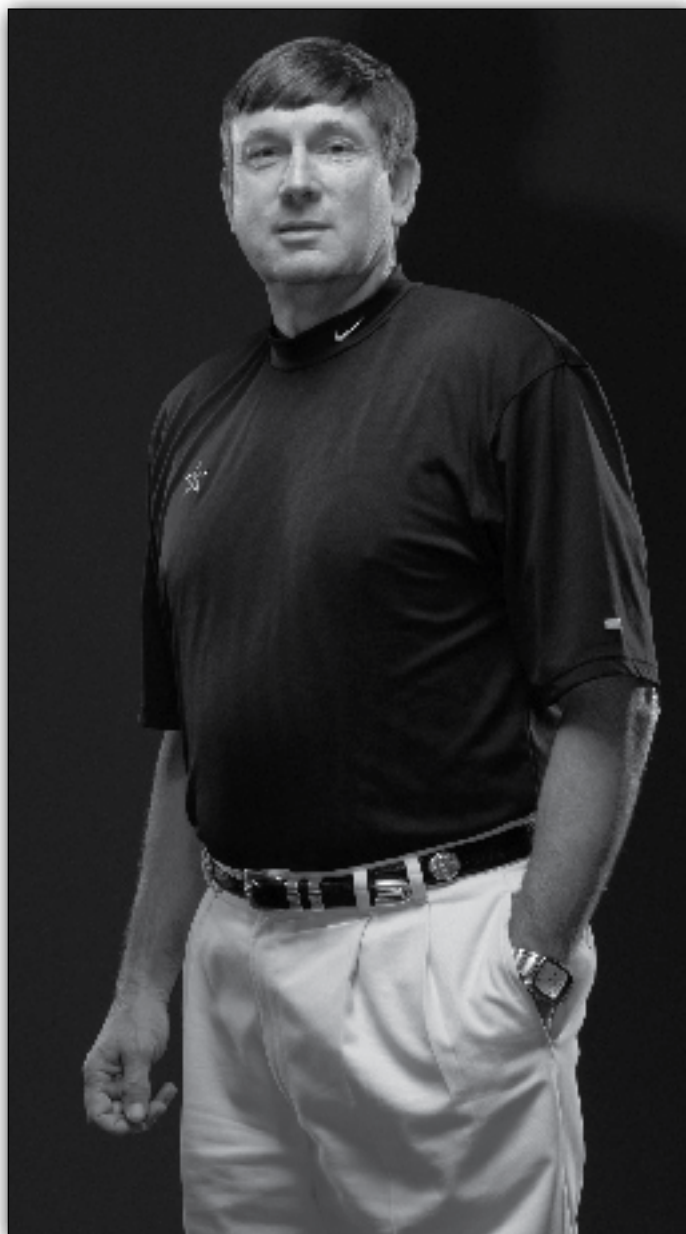
Cain's coaching resume includes a two-year stint as head coach at Virginia Military Institute, a successful tenure as offensive coordinator at North Carolina State and many years of coaching service at Furman.

Cain, 57, was a three-year tight end for Furman. After serving a two-year term as a U.S. Army second lieutenant, Cain began his coaching career as Furman's outside linebackers coach in 1977. He later became the Furman passing game coordinator/receivers coach, helping the squad to a 69-23-2 record during an eight-year span.

That success led to Cain's move to North Carolina State in 1986. As offensive coordinator and tight ends coach, Cain directed seven of N.C. State's top 10 passing seasons.

Cain rejoined Johnson's staff at Furman in 1999, helping the Paladins to a pair of Southern Conference titles.

Cain earned a B.S. degree in geology and a M.A. in education from Furman. Cain and his wife, Susan, are the parents of two children: Matt, an assistant coach with Presbyterian (S.C.) College; and Erin, 23.



*The Cain family: Ted, Susan, and son Matt, and daughter Erin.*

## THE CAIN FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Aiken, South Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Geology, Furman, 1974  
M.A., Education, Furman, 1981

**PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- Receivers at Furman, 1999-2001
- Head Coach at Virginia Military Institute, 1997-1998
- Offensive Coordinator at N.C. State, 1986-96
- Passing Coordinator/Receivers at Furman, 1978-85
- Linebackers at Furman, 1977

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 9    **CONFERENCE TITLES:** 8

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 1

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 5



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## ROBBIE CALDWELL

**Assistant Head Coach;  
Offensive Line**

Robbie Caldwell is in his eighth year as assistant head coach and offensive line coach with the Commodores. He is another veteran coach, having served more than three decades in the collegiate ranks.

After graduating five starters two year ago, including first-round draft pick and All-SEC performer Chris Williams, Caldwell reassembled the 2008 unit around captain Bradley Vierling at center and Thomas Welch at tackle. With little experience, Caldwell mentored the group to a strong showing into the midseason. Then, as injuries became more prevalent, Caldwell continued to transform new, untested prospects into contributors. Of the eight Commodores who earned starts along the offensive front, seven were first-time starters.

Caldwell has coached some of the top linemen in Vanderbilt history. Williams, became the highest offensive lineman ever taken from Vanderbilt in the NFL Draft when Chicago made him the No. 14 overall pick. Another other Vanderbilt pupil, 2004 graduate Justin Geisinger, is on the Carolina Panthers active roster.

Before joining Vanderbilt, Caldwell coached the North Carolina line for two years after lengthy stays at North Carolina State and Furman.

At N.C. State, Caldwell tutored the line for 11 years, then added the responsibility of assistant head coach from 1997-99. Caldwell coached 14 All-ACC Wolfpack linemen. Prior to joining N.C. State, Caldwell coached the front line at Furman from 1978-85, and served there as a grad assistant in 1976. He coached prep football and baseball at Hanahan, S.C. in 1977.

Caldwell coached six Southern Conference championship teams at Furman, including the national runnerup in 1985. Eight of his pupils were first-team all-league, with five earning the conference's Jacobs Award.

Caldwell was a three-year letterman at center for Furman and earned the team's MVP award in 1975. He graduated with a B.S. degree in Health and Physical Education from Furman in 1976.

Caldwell and his wife, Nora Lynn, are the parents of a daughter, Emsley, 14.

### THE CALDWELL FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Pageland, South Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Health & Physical Education, Furman, 1976

**OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE:** (positions since 1978)

Offensive Line at North Carolina, 2000-01

Assistant Head Coach at North Carolina State, 1996-98

Offensive Line at North Carolina State, 1986-99

Offensive Line at Furman, 1978-85

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 11    **CONFERENCE TITLES:** 6

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 6

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 5



*The Caldwell family: Robbie, Nora Lynn and daughter Emsley.*





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## CHARLIE FISHER

### Wide Receivers; Passing Game Co-Coordinator

In his eighth season at Vanderbilt, Charlie Fisher works with Commodore wide receivers while serving as co-coordinator of the passing game with quarterbacks coach Jimmy Kiser.

Fisher also mentored the team's running backs in 2002-03.

In 2008, Fisher was forced to develop receiving depth from a corps of inexperienced players following a rash of injuries and the departure of three-time All-SEC receiver Earl Bennett to the NFL.

Senior Sean Walker produced his finest year in 2008, topping the Commodores with a career high 37 receptions. After the season, Walker was signed to a free agent deal with the St. Louis Rams.

From 2005-07, Fisher mentored Bennett, one of the finest offensive players in Vanderbilt history. In three year, Bennett became the SEC's all-time leading receiver, finishing with 236 receptions. After the season, Bennett was selected by Chicago in the third round.

As the Vanderbilt running backs coach in 2002, he mentored Kwane Doster to SEC Freshman of the Year honors.

Before joining Vanderbilt, he served two years as offensive coordinator/quarterback coach at Temple. Prior to the Temple move, Fisher was successful during a two-year stint tutoring North Carolina State receivers, including future NFL Hall of Famer Torry Holt. The Wolfpack passing attack led the ACC and helped spur the team's drive to a bowl berth.

Fisher's background includes a successful tenure as head coach at West Georgia prior to moving to North Carolina State. From 1993-97, Fisher guided the Braves to a 36-17 overall record. He also served as an offensive coach at Lenior-Rhyne (N.C.) College from 1985-1990.

Fisher played quarterback and wide receiver from 1977-80 at Springfield (Mass.) College. He also lettered as a shortstop in baseball. He earned his B.S. in physical education. Fisher earned a M.A. in sports management from Eastern Kentucky in 1984. He has served as a graduate assistant at both EKU and Ole Miss.

Fisher and his wife, Julie, are the parents of two sons: Brian, 20; and Brett, 14.

## THE FISHER FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Allenwood, Pennsylvania

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Physical Education, Springfield (Mass.), 1981  
M.A., Sports Management, Eastern Kentucky, 1984

**OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE:** (positions since 1991)  
Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks, Temple, 2000-01  
Receivers at North Carolina State, 1998-99  
Head Coach at West Georgia, 1993-97  
Offensive Coordinator at West Georgia, 1991-92

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 3

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 4

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 10



*The Fisher family: Charlie, Julie, Brian and Brett.*

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## BRUCE FOWLER

### Asst. Head Coach/Defense

Bruce Fowler, a long-time assistant under Bobby Johnson, was promoted to Assistant Head Coach in charge of defense after the 2008 season. Previously, he served seven years as defensive coordinator.

The 2008 defense was one of the best in recent team history, playing a key factor behind Vanderbilt's 7-6 season and Music City Bowl win.

The unit ranked in the NCAA Top 30 in many categories, including scoring defense, total defense and pass defense. The Commodores allowed opponents just 19.6 points a game, the fewest by a Vanderbilt defense in the last decade.

The unit also was opportunistic, producing 20 interceptions and 10 fumble recoveries. The defense also produced 30 quarterback sacks.

Four former defenders under Fowler – D.J. Moore, Jonathan Goff, Jovan Haye and Hunter Hillenmeyer – have been selected in the NFL Draft. Moore and Hillenmeyer are with Chicago; Goff plays for the New York Giants after Haye signed a 2009 free agent deal with Tennessee. Three others, Marcus Buggs, Curtis Gatewood and Reshard Langford, are with NFL teams.

Fowler, 50, served as Johnson's defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Furman. Their relationship on the field dates to the 1970s when Johnson was Fowler's position coach at Furman.

Fowler served 16 seasons on the Furman staff. After beginning as a graduate assistant in 1984, Fowler's responsibilities at Furman progressed throughout his tenure. The defense was critical to Furman's 30-9 success from 1999-2001, two conference titles, three I-AA playoff berths and a 2001 national runnerup finish.

Fowler worked with the Furman secondary for six years prior to coaching Paladin linebackers. He mentored six all-conference performers, including All-Americans, Will Bouton and John Keith. He also served several years as an offensive assistant before moving to the defensive staff.

Fowler earned two letters at Furman. He was a member of the Paladins' first conference championship in 1978, started in the secondary in 1979, and played on Furman's 1980 league champion team. He earned a B.S. and M.A. degree in physical education from the university.

Fowler is married to the former Lindy Gilman. They are the parents of a son, Jake, 14, and daughter, Madison, 12.



*The Fowler family: Bruce, Lindy, Jake and Madison.*

## THE FOWLER FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Cincinnati, Ohio

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Physical Education, Furman, 1981  
M.A., Physical Education, Furman, 1989

**PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Def. Coordinator & Linebackers at Furman, 1999-2001

Secondary at Furman, 1993-98

Receivers at Furman, 1986-92

Graduate Assistant at Furman, 1984-85

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 8 **CONFERENCE TITLES:** 8

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 6

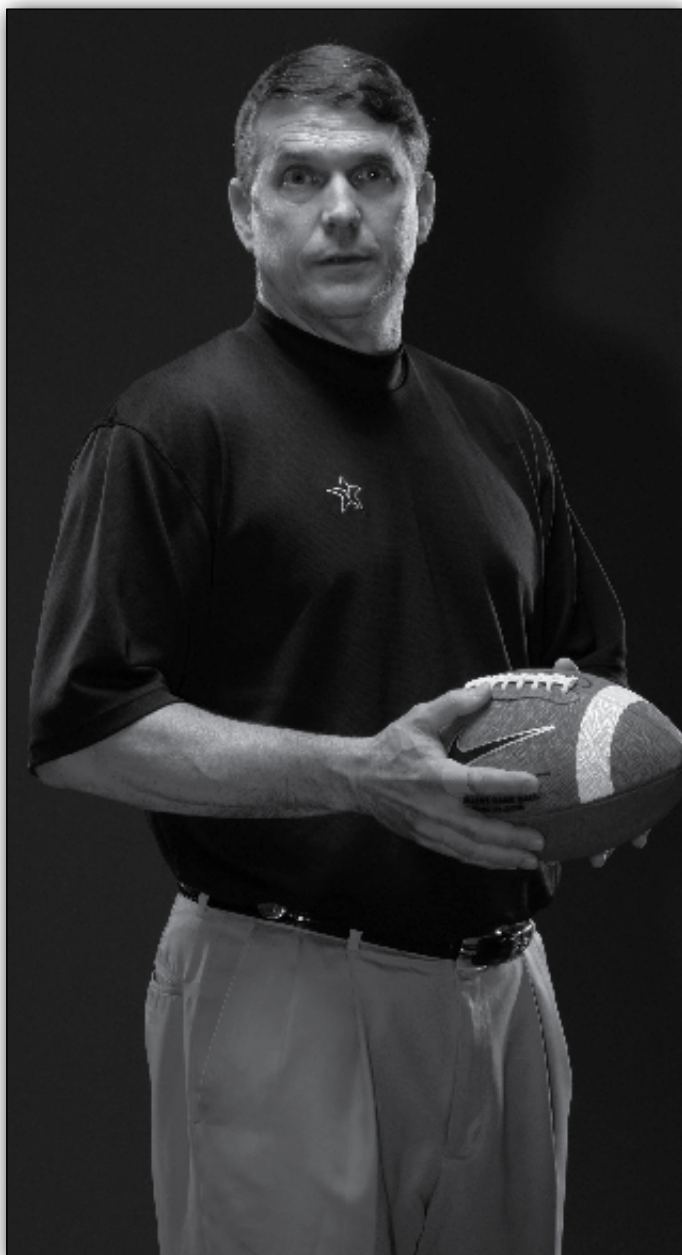
**ALL-AMERICANS:** 3





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## JIMMY KISER

### Quarterbacks; Passing Game Co-Coordinator

Jimmy Kiser enters his eighth regular season on the Commodore staff. He brings more than a quarter century of collegiate coaching experience to his role as mentor of Vanderbilt quarterbacks. Kiser and Charlie Fisher also serve as co-coordinators of the passing game.

Kiser, 52, has earned acclaim as the mentor of Vanderbilt quarterback Jay Cutler, the 2005 SEC Offensive Player of the Year who rewrote the Commodore career passing and total offense records.

In 2008, Kiser mentored a trio of starters: senior Chris Nickson, junior Mackenzi Adams and redshirt freshman Larry Smith. Nickson and Adams enjoyed ups and downs: both guided the Commodores to huge wins and struggled at times with inconsistency or injury. Playing late in the season, Smith also showed plenty of promise and helped the Commodores earn a victory in the Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl in his first career start.

Kiser mentored Cutler for four consecutive seasons. By the time he graduated, Cutler ranked among the top quarterbacks in SEC history and owned the majority of Vanderbilt's all-time passing marks.

Kiser, 52, started his coaching career as a grad assistant at Furman. After coaching three years at Dunwoody (Ga.) H.S., Kiser worked two years at Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.) College, serving as offensive coordinator.

In 1986, Kiser joined the North Carolina State staff. He served the Wolfpack as receivers coach (1986-95), quarterbacks/receivers coach (1996) and offensive coordinator (1997-99). Under Kiser in 1997, the Wolfpack led the ACC in rushing offense and finished second in total offense, then topped the league in total offense the following year.

In 2000, Kiser moved to Memphis where he coached quarterbacks. In 2001, he served as offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Richmond.

Kiser won four letters as a receiver at Furman, graduating in 1979. He was named honorable mention all-conference as a senior. He earned a B.A. in Economics and Business Administration, graduating cum laude. In 1982, Kiser earned a M.B.A. from the Clemson/Furman joint MBA program.

Kiser and his wife, LeAnn, are the parents of four children: recently married Anna Baugher, 22, Jodi, 20, Jamie, 18, and Kelly, 8.

## THE KISER FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Rock Hill, South Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.A., Economics & Business Management, Furman, 1979  
M.B.A., Clemson/Furman Program, 1982

**OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

- Offensive Coordinator at Richmond, 2001
- Quarterbacks at Memphis, 2000
- Offensive Coordinator at North Carolina State, 1997-99
- Quarterbacks & Receivers at North Carolina State, 1996
- Receivers at North Carolina State, 1986-95

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 10

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 9

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 2



*The Kiser family: Jimmy, LeAnn, Anna, Jodi, Jamie and Kelly.*



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## DES KITCHINGS

### Running Backs; Special Teams Co-Coordinator

Des Kitchings, a former All-America and All-Southern Conference performer at Furman, enters his second year as the Commodores' running back coach. He also added duties as special teams' co-coordinator after the successful 2008 campaign.

Kitchings came to Vanderbilt after serving as an offensive assistant at Furman from 2004-07. He briefly accepted a position at Western Michigan prior to taking the Vanderbilt role.

In 2008, Kitchings mentored junior tailback Jared Hawkins and several other running back prospects. Hawkins rushed for a team-high 543 yards before missing the regular season finale. Senior Jeff Jennings, sophomores Gaston Miller and Kennard Reeves, and newcomer Jamie Graham also contributed at the position.

At Furman, Kitchings served as tight ends coach and special teams coordinator. He helped mentor three Paladins to All-Southern Conference recognition: Larry Hedden, Willis Sudderth and John Rust.

During his tenure at Furman, the Paladins went 10-3 and captured a conference title in 2004, and advanced to the NCAA I-AA national semifinals in 2005.

Kitchings was a standout receiver/return specialist at Furman. As a senior in 1999, Kitchings helped Furman win the first of three conference championships under Johnson. He ranks among the school's all-time leaders in receptions and returns. As a specialist, he averaged a SoCon record 29.3 yards on 33 kickoff returns, four of which went for touchdowns – also a school record.

A consensus all-Southern Conference selection as both a receiver and returner, Kitchings earned All-America honors as a return specialist in 1999 after leading the NCAA I-AA division in return average.

Kitchings was selected by Kansas City in the 2000 NFL Draft, and spent four years on practice squads and rosters of NFL squads.

Kitchings completed an undergraduate degree at Furman in Health and Exercise Science in 2000.

Kitchings and his wife, Heather, are the parents of son, Aiden Jacob, 3; and daughter, Ava Marie, 1.



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*The Kitchings family: Des, Heather, Aiden and Ava.*

## THE KITCHINGS FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Wagener, South Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.S., Health & Exercise Science, Furman, 2000

**OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Special Teams Coordinator/Tight Ends at Furman, 2006-07

Tight Ends at Furman, 2004-05

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 4

**CONFERENCE TITLES:** 1

**ALL-CONFERENCE PLAYERS:** 4





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## RICK LOGO

### Defensive Line; Special Teams Co-Coordinator

Rick Logo is entering his fourth year as the Commodores' defensive line coach. He added duties as special teams' co-coordinator after the 2008 season.

In 2008, Logo mentored tackle Greg Billinger to his finest year in a Vanderbilt uniform. Billinger established single-season bests in virtually every statistical category. Two other tackles, Adam Smotherman and All-SEC freshman T.J. Greenstone, also filled in admirably.

Both starting ends, Broderick Stewart and Steven Stone, shared the team lead with five quarterbacks sacks and were extreme productive.

Two of Logo's pupils from the 2007 season, Curtis Gatewood and Theo Horrocks, signed NFL free agent deals. Gatewood is currently with the Detroit Lions.

Logo came to Vanderbilt from Troy University where he served as co-defensive coordinator. Logo also coached Troy's defensive line from 2002-2004, and mentored two current standouts in the NFL, Osi Umenyiora of the New York Giants and Demarcus Ware of Dallas.

He joined Troy after one year at Western Carolina where he served as assistant head coach and line coach. Before that, he worked as a defensive assistant at Chattanooga.

A native of Santa Ana, Calif., Logo played four seasons as a defensive tackle at North Carolina State from 1989-92. That Wolfpack staff guided by Dick Sheridan included current Vanderbilt coaches Robbie Caldwell, Ted Cain and Jimmy Kiser.

During Logo's four seasons at N.C. State, the Wolfpack had a combined record of 32-16-1, playing in four consecutive bowls. He was a team captain during his senior season and earned All-ACC honors in 1992. That same season, he was named third-team All-America, and played in the postseason Japan and Hula bowls.

After graduating in 1992 with a B.A. in sociology, Logo signed a contract with Detroit, but suffered a career-ending injury as a rookie.

Logo is a graduate of Spencer (Ga.) H.S., where he was a standout in football, wrestling and track and field.

Logo is married to the former Folole Falefia. They are the parents of a 2-year-old son, Eliah.

## THE LOGO FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Santa Ana, California

**EDUCATION:** B.A., Sociology, North Carolina State, 1992

**OTHER COACHING EXPERIENCE:** (positions since 1999)

Co-Defensive Coordinator at Troy, 2005

Defensive Line at Troy, 2003-04

Asst. Head Coach/Def. Line at Western Carolina, 2001-02

Defensive Line at Chattanooga, 2001-02

Def. Coordinator/Def. Line at Chattanooga, 1999-2000

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 2

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 4

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 1



*The Logo family: Rick, Folole and 2-year-old son Eliah.*

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## JOHN SISK

### Speed, Strength and Conditioning Director

A 17-year coaching veteran, John Sisk enters his eighth year as Vanderbilt's Director of Speed, Strength and Conditioning.

Sisk's stamp on the rebirth of Commodore football continues to be apparent. In 2008, the start of what became Vanderbilt's first winning season in 26 years began with months of offseason conditioning guided by Sisk and assistants Curtis Turner and Gabe Teeple.

During the Sisk tenure, due in large part to their fitness level, Bobby Johnson's Commodores have been a strong second half squad. In 2008, they outscored 13 opponents 127-81 after intermission.

Johnson appreciates what he sees from Sisk's contribution. "I like everything about John's program. He makes guys better football players, and he works well with each student-athlete on a personal and physical level."

Since 2002, 12 former Commodores that came through Sisk's program remain in the National Football League. Five former standouts have been taken in the NFL Draft since 2006, including first-rounders Cutler and Williams, who went from an undersized 245-pound prospect on his arrival at Vanderbilt to the No. 14 pick overall in the 2008 draft.

Sisk also has mentored four strength and conditioning All-Americans at Vanderbilt: Justin Geisinger, Jay Cutler, Gabe Hall and Chris Williams.

The relationship between Sisk and Johnson dates to 1994, when Sisk was a Furman strength assistant in Johnson's first year as coach.

Sisk has also worked with four recent first-round Major League Baseball picks from Vanderbilt: 2007 No. 1 pick David Price, 2008 No. 2 selection Pedro Alvarez, pitcher Casey Weathers and pitcher Mike Minor.

Sisk joined Vanderbilt after working at Clemson where he was responsible for the conditioning of skilled-position athletes.

Sisk played football at Western Carolina. After spending three years as a football/strength coach at Tuscola H.S., he joined Furman in 1993. He was named to guide the Western Carolina conditioning program in 1995. He joined Clemson in 1997.



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## THE SISK FILE

**HOMETOWN:** Waynesville, North Carolina

**EDUCATION:** B.A., Sports Administration, Western Carolina, 1993

**PREVIOUS COACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Assistant Strength Director at Clemson, 2001

Assistant Strength Coach at Clemson, 1997-2000

Head Strength Coach at Western Carolina, 1995-96

Assistant Strength Coach at Furman, 1993-94

**POSTSEASON APPEARANCES:** 5

**NFL DRAFTEES:** 18

**ALL-AMERICANS:** 7

**STRENGTH & CONDITIONING ALL-AMERICANS:** 6





# SUPPORT STAFF

FOOTBALL STAFF

## BRIAN REESE – ASSOC. DIR. OF STUDENT ATHLETICS



Brian Reese, who enters his sixth season overseeing the Vanderbilt football operation, serves as Associate Director of Student Athletics. He holds one of four such administrative positions with Vanderbilt Athletics, with the football, women's lacrosse and bowling programs under his direction.

Among Reese's football oversight responsibilities are day-to-day operation, team travel, budget control, department staffing and alumni relations. He also serves as a campuswide liaison for Coach Johnson's program.

Previously, Reese served seven years as head athletic trainer at Furman.

Reese, a native of Brook Park, Ohio, earned a B.S. in physical education at Grand Valley (Mich.) State College and a Master's in athletic administration at Tulsa. He joined The Citadel training staff in 1989, working there until he was named to the Furman position in 1995. Earlier, Reese spent two summers with the Detroit Lions and assisted the Tulsa staff during graduate studies.

Reese and his wife, Tricia, are the parents of three children; daughters Maureen, 15, and Brynn, 9; and a son, Patrick, 5.

## MICHAEL HAZEL – ASST. DIR., FOOTBALL OPERATIONS



Michael Hazel enters his fifth year as Assistant Director of Football Operations. Previously, Hazel served one year as a graduate assistant coach, working with the Commodore defense.

Hazel was a four-year letterwinner as a linebacker and special teams player for Elon (N.C.) University. During his collegiate playing days, Hazel helped Elon to a 28-16 record as the program transitioned to the I-AA level.

A native of Easley, S.C., Hazel was an eight-time member of the Elon Athletic Director's Honor Roll and a President's list recipient on three occasions.

In 2001, he earned a B.A. in corporate communications from Elon. In 2004, he earned a M.B.A. from Elon. Hazel completed a Master's in education from Vanderbilt's Peabody College in 2007.

## TOM BOSSUNG – HEAD ATHLETIC TRAINER



Tom Bossung enters his 11th year as head athletic trainer for the Vanderbilt football team. He also manages the Vanderbilt athletic training office.

He first came to Vanderbilt as a graduate assistant in 1990 and earned a master's degree in health promotion and exercise science in 1992.

Bossung is in his 13th year with the Vanderbilt staff, having worked with the men's basketball and women's tennis teams from 1995-1999. Previously, he worked a year at the Lipscomb Sports Therapy Center and served two years as the head athletic trainer at Tennessee State.

Bossung, who received his Bachelor's degree from Indiana State, is certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association, and licensed by the Tennessee Board of Medical Examiners. He has served as a test site administrator and host for NATA certification exams. Bossung also volunteers his time to youth soccer leagues in the Nashville area.

Tom and his wife, Dee Dee, have two children: Ryan, 16; and Sarah, 12.

## LUKE WYATT – EQUIPMENT MANAGER



Luke Wyatt enters his 27th year at Vanderbilt, having served as the head equipment manager since 1990. He handles the purchase and care of football equipment and consults with coaches of all Vanderbilt sports.

Wyatt supervises three assistants and a staff of student workers. Together, the staff works long hours to ensure the football team is well-prepared for games and practices. They also transport team equipment to road games.

Wyatt was recognized as the National Football Federation outstanding equipment manager in 2004. He is a member of several equipment boards, including Schutt gear.

## ASSISTANT STRENGTH COACHES

### CURTIS TURNER

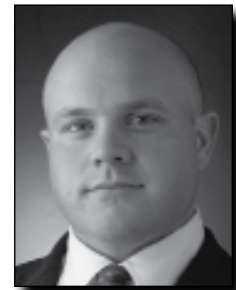
Curtis Turner enters his seventh season as a Commodore strength assistant.

Turner, a native of Blairsville, Ga., serves as a strength assistant to football staff and coordinates

workouts for several other Vanderbilt varsity teams, including golf and tennis.

Turner, 29, joined Vanderbilt after working three years with the Clemson athletic strength staff. After starting at Clemson as an undergraduate, Turner moved into a full-time role at Vanderbilt after earning a bachelor's degree in secondary education.

While he assisted with the Clemson football team, Turner also guided the training programs for other Tiger sports, including golf and rowing.



### GABE TEEPLE

Gabe Teeple enters his fourth season with the Vanderbilt football program, serving as an assistant to Speed, Strength and Conditioning Director John Sisk.

Teeple, 33, previously served two years as an assistant strength coach at the University of Wyoming.

Before joining Wyoming, Teeple spent two years assisting the Virginia Tech conditioning staff while working toward a postgraduate degree. At Virginia Tech, Teeple contributed to the conditioning programs in football, men's basketball and baseball among other varsity sports. He earned a Master's in Health Promotion from Virginia Tech in 2004.

A native of Sparta, Tenn., Teeple graduated from Tennessee Tech in 1999, where he was a starting center and three-year letterwinner. Upon graduation, he served three years as an assistant football coach at Gatlinburg-Pittman High School in east Tennessee.

Teeple is married to the former Donna Ford.



# SUPPORT STAFF



## GRADUATE ASSISTANT COACHES

### NORVAL MCKENZIE – OFFENSE



Norval McKenzie enters his second year as an offensive graduate assistant coach. Prior to becoming a grad assistant, McKenzie taught and coached two years at Hiram (Ga.) High School. McKenzie, of Powder Springs, Ga., earned four varsity letters for the Commodores from 2001-04. Despite suffering a serious leg injury as a sophomore, he was the team's rushing leader as a junior and senior, finishing with 1,441 career rushing yards. McKenzie, 27, was a prep standout and three-year starter at McEachern High School in north Georgia. In 2005, McKenzie earned degrees from Vanderbilt in secondary education, political science and American history. He is pursuing a postgraduate degree in education from the Peabody College.

### MARK MOEHRING – DEFENSE



Mark Moehring returns for his second year as a graduate assistant coach, working with the Vanderbilt defense. Moehring, 24, has been associated with the football program since the 2004 season. As an undergraduate, Moehring worked as an equipment manager for the squad, and volunteered in the Vanderbilt Athletics video department. Moehring is a native of Minnetonka, Minn. He lettered in football, wrestling and track at Minnetonka High School. Moehring earned a degree in engineering science and economics from Vanderbilt in 2007. He is pursuing a postgraduate degree in education from the Peabody College.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT



**BEVERLY BROTHERS**  
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ACADEMIC  
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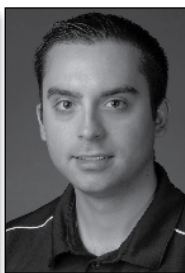
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