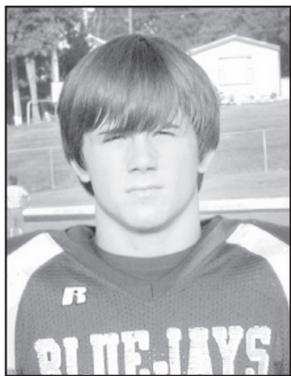




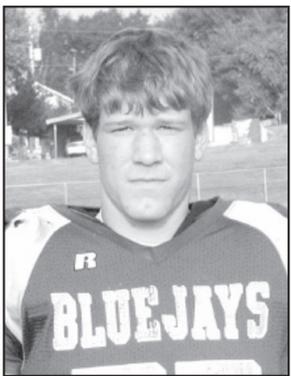
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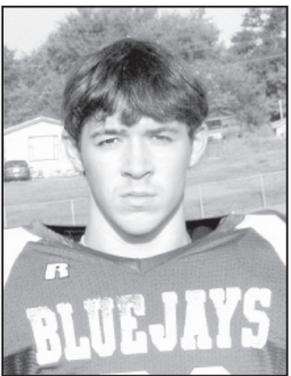
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# League coaches pick 11 Norton players

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Eleven members of second-year head coach Lucas Melvin's 2007 Norton Community High School football team have been honored as members of the Mid-Continent League All-League Team by vote of the league coaches.

The Blue Jays compiled an 8-3 record this season and lost only to ranked teams. They tied for second in the tough Mid-Continent League and won the District and Bi-District championships and placed runnerup in the Regional.

Five Norton players were first team selections. Zac Dreher, a 6-foot-2-inch, 185 pound junior, was the Blue Jays' leading tackler for the second year in a row from his linebacker position and was also a first team choice for the second straight season.

Zach Mannel, 5'10", 235 pound senior tackle, moved up from the second team defense last year to first team defense.

Senior defensive back Travis Ray was named first team defense. The 6'1", 180 pound Ray received honorable mention last season.

Todd Bolt, 5'9", 155 pound senior, was named first team defensive back after receiving honorable mention last season. Todd led Norton's defense with seven pass interceptions and was third high tackler.

Todd received a double first team honor since coaches also picked him on the first team as a punter. He punted 35 times for 1,146 yards and a 32.7 yard average.

Wes Georgeson, 6'4", 195 pound senior wide receiver, was chosen first team on offense after receiving honorable mention last season. Wes was Norton's leading pass receiver with 31 catches for 564 yards and an average of 18.2 yards per catch. He was third high on the team in all purpose yards.

Bolt also had a double honor on offense where he was chosen to the second team as both a running



Logan Kats

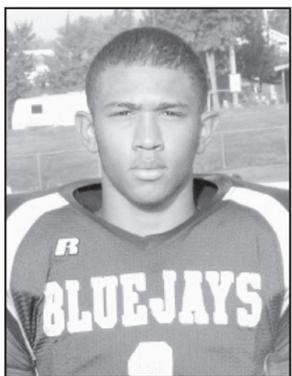
back and kick returner. He was the Blue Jay leader in all purpose yards. He gained 848 yards rushing on 136 attempts for 6.2 yards per carry and 16 touchdowns. He caught seven passes for 139 yards and one touchdown and averaged 12.6 yards per reception. He also returned 10 kickoffs for 190 yards and a 19 yard average and one touchdown and returned 10 punts for 219 yards and a 21.9 yard average and two touchdowns. His seven pass interceptions for 136 yards brought his total offense to 1,532 yards.

Preston Herman, a 6'3", 210 pound senior, was also honored twice. He was named to the second team as a center and second team as a defensive end. Preston was a second team selection on offense last year.

Seniortight end Jared Cox, who is 6'1", 175 pounds, also repeated as a second team choice from last season. Ray was also chosen to the second team offense as a wide receiver.

Brock Lauer, 5'11", 175 pound junior guard, was also selected on the second team offense and received honorable mention on defense as an end.

Logan Kats, 5'9", 160 pound senior, was named to the second team as a defensive back. He also received honorable mention for the second straight year on offense



Terrell Lane

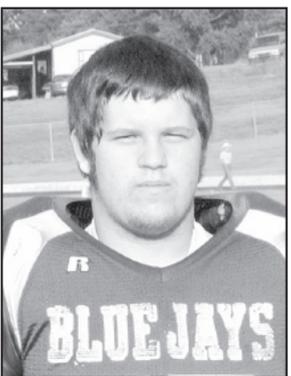
for his play as a quarterback. He completed 65 of 131 passing attempts for 1,103 yards and eight touchdowns. He averaged 17 yards per completion. Kats also rushed for 171 yards for a total of 1,274 yards passing and rushing.

Terrell Lane, a 5'11", 200 pound freshman, was named to the second team on defense from his linebacker spot and received a double honorable mention honor for his running back play as well as kick returner performance on offense.

Terrell was second leading tackler for the Blue Jays, intercepted three passes and was second in all purpose yards with a total of 1,139 yards. He rushed for 755 yards on 134 tries for an average of 5.6 yards per carry. He scored seven touchdowns. He caught four passes for 67 yards and a 16.8 yard average and returned 10 kickoffs for 276 yards and a 27.6 yard average and one touchdown.

Alex Thomas, a 6', 270 pound senior, won honorable mention for his play as a defensive tackle.

**Other team choices**  
Named to the first team offense with Georgeson were: Joe Windscheffel, senior quarterback, Smith Center; Justin Gnad, senior running back, Ellis; Brandon Wilson, senior running back, Smith Center; Taylor Dirks, senior running back, Trego; Matt Sea-



Zach Mannel

man, senior tackle, Smith Center; Justin Nixon, senior tackle, Smith Center; Grady Godsey, senior guard, Smith Center; Brayton Gillen, senior guard, Smith Center, unanimous selection; Kirk Palmer, senior center, Smith Center; Drew Joy, senior tight end, Smith Center; Daniel Gottschalk, senior wide receiver, Ellis; Daniel Gottschalk, senior kicker, Ellis; Andrew Conway, senior kick returner, Osborne; Jared Hayes, senior kick returner, Smith Center.

First team defensive selections with Mannel, Dreher, Ray and Bolt were: Grady Godsey, senior tackle, Smith Center, unanimous selection; Matt Seaman, senior tackle, Smith Center, unanimous selection; Drew Joy, senior end, Smith Center; Brandon Wilson, senior end, Smith Center; Kirk Palmer, senior linebacker, Smith Center, unanimous selection; Brayton Gillen, senior linebacker, Smith Center; Taylor Dirks, senior linebacker, Trego; Joe Windscheffel, senior defensive back, Smith Center, unanimous selection; Jared Hayes, senior defensive back, Smith Center; Daniel Gottschalk, senior defensive back, Smith Center; Ellis; Daniel Gottschalk, senior punter, Ellis.

Second team offensive choices with Bolt, Lauer, Herman, Cox and Ray were: Chase King, senior quarterback, Ellis; Andrew

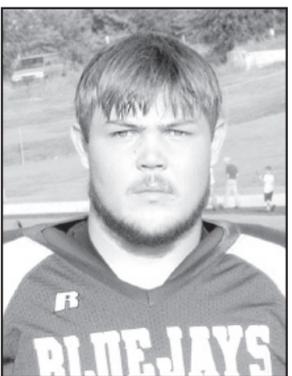


Zac Dreher

Conway, senior running back, Osborne; Kenny Slattery, senior running back, Hill City; Tate Arnold, senior running back, Smith Center; Keath Thomas, senior tackle, Phillipsburg; Joe Becker, senior tackle, Plainville; Nolan Smith, senior guard, Trego; Blake Born, senior wide receiver, Hill City; Zac Wood, junior kicker, Phillipsburg.

On the second team defense with Herman, Lane and Kats were: Zac Wood, junior tackle, Phillipsburg; Matt Erbert, sophomore tackle, Ellis; Eric Cunningham, junior tackle, Trego; Clay Barton, junior end, Ellis; Gabe Wickham, senior end, Phillipsburg; Justin Gnad, senior linebacker, Ellis; Keath Thomas, senior linebacker, Phillipsburg; Kris Lehman, junior linebacker, Smith Center; Kirby Rice, senior linebacker, Smith Center; Adam Bowman, senior defensive back, Phillipsburg; Andrew Conway, senior defensive back, Osborne; Chase King, senior defensive back, Ellis; Colt Rogers, sophomore defensive back, Smith Center; Aaron Becker, senior defensive back, Plainville; Tate Arnold, senior defensive back, Smith Center; Alex Van Loenen, junior punter, Hill City; Nate Palmer, senior punter, Stockton.

On the offensive honorable mention list with Kats and Lane were: Spencer Hemmert, junior



Alex Thomas

quarterback, Trego; Colt Rogers, sophomore running back, Smith Center; Kirby Rice, senior running back, Smith Center; Gideon Fuchs, sophomore running back, Ellis; Matt Erbert, sophomore tackle, Ellis; Clay Barton, junior tackle, Ellis; Andrew Niblock, junior tackle, Stockton; Eric Cunningham, junior tackle, Trego; Scott Voss, sophomore guard, Stockton; Brandon Malin, senior guard, Plainville; Zac Wood, junior guard, Phillipsburg; Casey Flax, junior center, Trego; Matt Dietz, junior tight end, Trego; Jared Mocaby, senior wide receiver, Smith Center; Cory Post, junior wide receiver, Stockton; Alex Van Loenen, junior kicker, Hill City; Spencer Hemmert, junior kick receiver, Trego.

Receiving honorable mention on defense, in addition to Thomas and Lauer, were: Andrew Niblock, junior tackle, Stockton; Jason Dinkel, senior end, Plainville; Kenny Slattery, senior linebacker, Hill City; Josh Darrell, junior linebacker, Plainville; Gideon Fuchs, sophomore linebacker, Ellis; Matt Dietz, junior linebacker, Trego; Nate Palmer, senior defensive back, Stockton; Spencer Hemmert, junior defensive back, Trego; David Gerstner, senior defensive back, Hill City; Jared Mocaby, senior punter, Smith Center.

## Seventh grade basketball boys are now 5-1

Here is at report on the Norton seventh grade boys' basketball games.

**Nov. 20 vs. Trego (home)**

Norton 44, Trego 26

Coach Myers' comments: "I thought our kids played a strong, tough, defensive game which led to some easy baskets."

"Trego had a major height advantage, so in the second and third quarters we pressured up the floor, trying to make it a full-court game. In the half-court game Trego was too tough."

The win moves the Norton boys to a 5-1 record.

Field goals attempted/made/percent

Jacob Brooks — 15, 8, 53; John Renner — 6, 2, 33; Dalton Miller — 11, 2, 18; Carson McKenna — 7, 3, 43; John Risewick — 6, 4, 67; Lane Archer — 1, 0; Ryan Bainter — 1, 0; Dylan Sprigg — 1, 1, 100.

Foul shots attempted/made/percent

Brooks — 2, 1, 50; Renner — 6, 2, 33; Lane Bigge — 1, 2, 50

Total points

Brooks 17; Renner 6; Miller 4; McKenna 6; Risewick 8; Sprigg 2; Bigge 1.

Rebounds

Offensive/defensive/total

Brooks 5-9-14; Renner 2-2-4; Miller 1-2-3; McKenna 1-1-2; Cassius Dole 1-0-1; Risewick 1-0-1; Sprigg 1-0-1; Bigge 1-0-1; Treven Rossi 1-0-1; Lucas Engel 1-0-1; Andrew Ellis 0-1-1.

Team — Norton 15 offensive, 15 defensive, total 30; Trego — 6 offensive, 13 defensive, total 19

Steals

Brooks 5; Renner 1; Miller 4; McKenna 3; Risewick 4

Team — Norton 17, Trego 13

Norton was 20 of 54 from the field for 37 percent vs. Trego's 12 of 41 for 29 percent.

Norton was 4 of 10 from the line for 40 percent vs. Trego 1 of 6 for 17 percent.

The jayvee seventh graders lost 16-15.

**Nov. 13 vs. Phillipsburg (home)**

Norton 42, Phillipsburg 34

Junior varsity also won 29-28

Coach Myers' comments: "This was a fun game to watch, as both teams really worked hard and gave a great effort. I was proud of my team and how they battled in both the varsity and the junior varsity games."

Brooks and McKenna both were in double figures, 19 and 11, respectively.

Statistically

Field goals attempted/made/percentage

Brooks — 19, 9, 47; Miller — 4, 3, 75; McKenna — 7, 5, 71; Risewick — 5, 0, 00

Team — Norton 40, 19, 48 percent; Phillipsburg — 28, 13, 46 percent

Foul shots attempted/made/percentage

Brooks — 2, 1, 50; Miller — 3, 2, 67

Team — Norton — 5, 3, 60 percent; Phillipsburg — 14, 8, 57 percent

Individual scoring

Brooks 19; Renner 4; Miller 8; McKenna 11

Rebounds

Offensive/defensive/total

Brooks — 3, 5, 8; Renner — 1, 3, 4; Miller — 1, 2, 3; McKenna — 3, 2, 5; Risewick — 1, 2, 3; Archer — 0, 1, 1

Team — Norton 9 offensive, 15 defensive, total 24; Phillipsburg 5 offensive, 12 defensive, total 17

Steals

Brooks 3; Renner 1; Miller 1; McKenna 3. Total 8. Phillipsburg 10

**Nov. 8 vs. Plainville (there)**

Norton 42, Plainville 18  
Coach Myers' comments: "I thought we played much better

on the defensive end in this game. The kids really played hard and gave a great effort. I am proud of them."

Statistically

Field goals attempted/made/percentage

Brooks — 14, 10, 71; Renner — 5, 0, 0; Miller — 6, 5, 83; McKenna — 5, 0, 0; Risewick — 5, 3, 60; Archer — 2, 0, 0; Bainter — 1, 0; Lane Bigge — 2, 1, 50; Ellis — 3, 0

Team, — Norton 45, 19, 42 percent; Plainville — 34, 9, 26 percent

Foul shots attempted/made/percentage

Brooks — 4, 1, 25; Renner, 2, 1, 50; Miller, 2, 0; McKenna, 2, 0

Norton — 10, 2, 20 percent; Plainville, 0

Individual scoring

Brooks 21; Renner 1; Miller 10; Dole 2; Risewick 6; Bigge 2

**Rebounds**

Offensive/defensive/total

Brooks — 2, 4, 6; Renner — 2, 2, 4; Miller — 2, 1, 3; McKenna — 0, 4, 4; Risewick — 0, 2, 2; Archer — 1, 0, 1; Bainter 0, 1, 1; Rossi — 0, 1, 1; Ellis — 0, 1, 1

Team — Norton 7 offensive, 16 defensive, total 23; Plainville 6 offensive, 7 defensive, total 13

Steals

Norton 19; Plainville 12.

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The Norton varsity wrestlers will open the new season in the annual Hoxie Invitational Tournament on Saturday in the Hoxie High School Gym. It begins at 9 a.m.

Other competing teams are from Holcomb, Lakin, Oakley, Oberlin, Plainville and Trego Community.

Norton wrestling coach Bill Johnson released the names of wrestlers who have won the ranking matches this week and will compete for the Blue Jays:

103 - Freshman Troy Bainter

112 - Freshman Billy Broeckelman

119 - Freshman Landon Keiswetter

125 - Sophomore Connor Pfannenstiel

130 - Sophomore Zane Perez

135 - Junior Zach Bainter

140 - Senior Todd Bolt

145 - Senior Aaron Husted

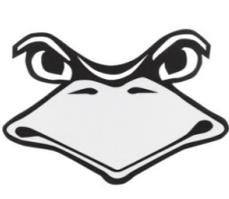
152 - Senior Jeff Soderlund

160 - Junior Matt Stanley 171 - Junior Jordan Bebb

189 - Sophomore Tyler Cook

215 - Sophomore Robert Derauf

285 - Senior Alex Thomas



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