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2012 Falls City Sacred Heart Irish football team, front row, from left to right: Wyatt Martin, Bailey Witt, Reggie Johansen, John Bauman, Cameron Jordan, Henry Arnold, Joshua Froeschl, Zavan Kirkendall; Second row (kneeling): Yianni Haralabidis, Austin Malone, Ben Mullins, Brandon Schawang, Sawyer Kean, Logan Scheitel, Sam Arnold, Dalton Witt, Asst. Coach Chris Sharp; Third Row: Asst. Coach Luke Santo, Jarod Fiegener, Chaz Dunn, Colin Niemeyer, Lane Barnhill, Brody Chandler, Eli Ramer, Asst. Coach Chris Darnell, Asst. Coach Ken Jones; Back row: Head Coach Doug Goltz, Clay Finck, Lane Scheitel, Derek Bippes, Brady Cromer, Daniel Keithley, Will Burenheide, Sean Strasheim.

Experience, swagger back at FC Sacred Heart

By Jim Langan

A season different than any since, say 1999, awaits Irish head coach Doug Goltz and company. That was the last time a Sacred Heart team entered the season with this big of a bullseye on their backs.

Sacred Heart enters the season ranked No. 1 for the first time in 13 years and the expectations make it feel like the glory days when that shamrock on the side of the helmets used to have opponents trembling and games ended at halftime. Most of the players on this year's team were still sucking their thumbs to Barney, and the idea of playing for a state championship at Memorial Stadium was, most certainly, the furthest thing from their minds.

Now, back to the future, or present, if you will.

This far-off idea is no longer a mindless thought, but a true, blue (or green) reality.

Goltz said the team had a great summer working out and that many of his guys are bigger and stronger than a year ago.

"We should be solid," said Goltz, who enters his 25th year (234-42, six state championships) at Sacred Heart. "We'll be deeper and more experienced than we have been in the past. We have many two-way starters returning and some players with two or three years of varsity experience."

For the 2012 Irish football team, restoring the order and ending the 18-year championship drought – the last came in 1994 – is right in front of them.

Seniors Brody Chandler and Brady Cromer and junior Jarod Fiegener will be the beef up front on offense and will make life pretty easy for

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HOME GAMES IN BOLD

Aug. 31	Pawnee City	7 PM
Sept. 7	St. Joe Christian	7 PM
Sept. 14	Axtell, KS	7 PM
Sept. 21	Diller-Odell	7 PM
Sept. 28	Meridian (Homecoming)	7 PM
Oct. 5	Sterling	7 PM
Oct. 12	Lewiston	7 PM
Oct. 18	Deshler	7 PM
Oct. 25	1st Round Playoffs	TBA
Oct. 31	2nd Round Playoffs	TBA
Nov. 6	State Quarterfinals	TBA
Nov. 12	State Semifinals	TBA
Nov. 19	State Finals	2:45

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2012 Humboldt-TR-S Titans volleyball team, front row, from left to right: Kasey Kappel, Carmen Alexander, Courtney Allen, Molee Sharpe; Second row: Jackalyn Fink, Ashton Nanninga, Claire Svoboda, Beke Schroder, Rhyllie Niedzielski, Whitney Ramsey; Back row: Head Coach Kara Engles, Maggie Tomek, Bailey Kuhlmann, Jena Fink, Asst. Coach Brittany Freeman.

New faces look to make their mark for Lady Titans

By Jim Langan

To fully know where you are going, you have to know where you've been, or so the old adage goes. For the Humboldt-TR-S volleyball team, the recent past is definitely something to be proud of, but for the younger players now moving into varsity roles, they will need to take what they have learned and execute what they have learned in practice and watching from the sidelines.

Head Coach Kara Engles enters her tenth year with the program and will need to replace one of, if not the best Lady Titan volleyball players to lace

them up in Hannah Volker. Volker, who will play volleyball at Midland University in Fremont the next four years, was a four-year starter for H-TR-S and helped lead them to the school's only state tournament appearance in 2010.

Engles will look for senior and third-year starter Josie Morehead, a 5-foot-7 middle hitter who averaged more than two kills a game last season, and three juniors – Carmen Alexander (5'5" libero), Courtney

Allen (5'6" outside hitter) and Mollie Sharpe (5'10" outside hitter) – to get them back to the successes they have grown accustomed to.

A lack of experience and size will be the two biggest hurdles, but Engles said they will look to counter with quickness and court smarts.

"We don't have a lot of size, so we will have to be smart and consistent hitters," Engles said.

"Defensively, again, we are not very big, so we will have to be extremely aggressive. We work really hard on passing and have a lot of players that focus mainly on defense

during practice." With so many key players to replace, inconsistency may play a big role, especially early in the season. But, Engles' teams have always improved as the season moves along and look for this bunch to be no different.

2012 H-TR-S LADY TITANS VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE
HOME GAMES IN BOLD

Aug. 30	JCC/Falls City	5 PM
Sept. 4	Auburn	5:30 PM
Sept. 6	NC Lourdes (Parent's Night)	4:30 PM
Sept. 8	H-TR-S Tournament	9 AM
Sept. 10-13	Mudecas	TBA
Sept. 18	College View	5 PM
Sept. 20	Lewiston	6 PM
Sept. 29	JCC Tournament	9 AM
Oct. 4	Diller-Odell Tri	5:30 PM
Oct. 9	FC Sacred Heart/J-B Tri	5:30 PM
Oct. 12	Palmyra	4:30
Oct. 15-16	Elmwood-Murdock Tournament	TBA
Oct. 22, 23, 26	Pioneer Conf. Tournament	TBA
Oct. 29-30	C2 Sub-districts	TBA
Nov. 1	C2 District Finals	TBA
Nov. 8-10	State Volleyball Tournament	TBA

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Coatney takes over reigns at H-TR-S

By Jim Langan

Quentin Coatney takes over the reigns from Lin Volker as the new H-TR-S head football coach this fall. It will also be Coatney's first year as a head coach at any level, but he is no stranger to the game.

Coatney graduated from Auburn High School in 2006, where helped the Bulldogs win a State Championship. Coatney then played

four years at Peru State College, where he received his bachelor's degree in physical education. He cut his teeth for one year at Falls City High as an assistant to Don Hogue in 2011, and then was hired by H-TR-S this past spring.

Despite his love and activeness in the game of football, Coatney didn't always want to coach. "I never wanted to be a coach when I was in high school," said Coatney. "But as I got older and became more interested, I knew

it was something I wanted to do." Why you might ask? What changed his mind?

"One of the best coaches that I have had in my football career was Chuck Mizerski," said Coatney. "He is the main reason I wanted to become a coach."

Mizerski, a 2010 inductee in the Nebraska High School Sports Hall of Fame, is a legend in this state and coached Coatney at Peru State. Mizerski established a dynasty in his 28-year career at Lincoln Southeast, winning 230 games, six state championships, was runner-up three times and sent six players to the NFL.

Without question, a great man to look up to for Coatney.

2012 H-TR-S TITANS FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

HOME GAMES IN BOLD

Aug. 24	Omaha Brownell Talbot	7 PM
Aug. 31	Yutan	7 PM
Sept. 7	Weeping Water	7 PM
Sept. 21	Tri-County	6:30 PM
Sept. 28	Southern (Homecoming)	7 PM
Oct. 5	Johnson County Central	7 PM
Oct. 12	Palmyra	7 PM
Oct. 18	Elmwood-Murdock (Parent's Night)	7 PM
Oct. 25	1st Round Playoffs	TBA
Oct. 31	2nd Round Playoffs	TBA
Nov. 5	State Quarterfinals	TBA
Nov. 12	State Semifinals	TBA
Nov. 19	State Finals	TBA

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Coatney will need to share quickly the knowledge he received from Mizerski. The 2012 Titans will be short on experience, but full of tough farm kids, who will no doubt hit their opponents in the mouth.

Yes, gone is nearly all of their offensive production from a year ago, as well as 90 percent of their defensive production. But, those are just stats and old stats to boot.

Coatney will look for new guys to make their impact on the H-TR-S stat book and is confident the learning curve will be small.

"Fall camp went well," Coatney said. "We have a lot of fresh faces in our starting lineup because we lost seven offensive starters, but I feel like they have adjusted well with the new system."

NEED TO KNOW

2011: 8 - 2

Head Coach:

Doug Goltz, 25th year (234-42).

Assistant Coaches: Luke Santo, Chris Sharp, Chris Darnell, Ken Jones.

Key Returnees: Lane Barnhill, Lane Scheitel, Jarod Fiegener, Brody Chandler, Brady Cromer, Chaz Dunn, Brandon Schawang, Clay Finck, Yianni Haralabidis and Colin Niemeyer.

Key Losses: Garrett Harring, David Bangert, Casey Martineau.

the backfield of seniors Lane Barnhill and Lane Scheitel and junior fullback Brandon Schawang.

Scheitel, the signal caller on offense, stepped up big last year after Barnhill went down, rushing for 731 yards and 16 touchdowns, as well as throwing for 15 through the air. Schawang will mostly be used as a blocker, but look for him to handle the pill in a few short yardage and goal line situations. When Scheitel throws the ball, look for him to look for the trusty Finck and junior Colin Niemeyer (not Martin, my bad) on the outside.

Barnhill, who went down in the third game last year, is chomping at the bit to pickup where he left in 2011 when he had 207 yards on the ground, caught six passes for another 71 yards and scored six touchdowns in two games. Barnhill rushed for 233 yards and scored seven times in a backup role in 2010.

On the other side of the pigskin, Chandler and Scheitel return at the linebacker positions. Chandler led the team in tackles a year ago and he and Scheitel don't let much get to the third level. In that third level will be Barnhill, Finck and junior Chaz Dunn, who replaced Barnhill at one of the corner positions

and performed admirably intercepting three passes and recording 83 tackles.

Junior Yianni Haralabidis again will handle the kicking duties, while Chandler will be called on to punt, which for this offense could be a rarity until the competition stiffens up in early November.

For all intents and purposes, this team, with its solid, focused group of seniors and a team deeper

and more experienced should cruise through the regular season. The upperclassmen hold the keys to the bus. Come November 19, that bus should be parking at One Memorial Stadium Drive in Lincoln for the Class D2 championship game.

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2012 Falls City Tiger football team, front row, from left to right: student manager Jayden Nolte, Brady Gerdes, Joe Koso, Cord Huettner, Wade Witt, Mitchell Campbell, Brandt Vice, Rasmus Nurminen, Dakota Pentecost, Dylan Ackerman, video tech Wade Noll, student manager Carson Bredemeier; Second row: Colton Strauch, Wade Maddox, David Frederick, Dakota Butrick, Jesse Butrick, Vincent Bennett, Josh Perman; Third row: Mitchell Harling, Cody Schawang, Tyler DiGiacomo, C.J. Arnold, Chris Coonce, Ryan Mount, Reese Hogue, Chase Thompson, Steven Bailey, Levi Hitchcock, Brenden Cooper, Cedric Fritz; Fourth row: Justin Ernst, Jeremy Zimmerman, Trayvin Bek, Derek McCann, Tucker Merz, Zach Jordening, Lane Lovenburg, Lucas Kirkendall, Weston Witt, Jordy Stoller, Jack Hartman, Lee Huettner, Brenden Heckenlively, Austin Ramer, Payton Adams; Fifth row: Josh Tackett, Morgen Valentine, Cody Frederick, Jeremy Robinson, C.J. Dawkins, Colton Riese, Trenton Pentecost, Brody Weinmann, video tech Preston Deckinger, video tech Luke Gifford; Back Row: Asst. Coach Ryan Nolte, Asst. Coach Randy Rech, Head Coach Darin Fritz, Asst. Coach Brooks Ivey, Asst. Coach Nick Craft, Asst. Coach Dan Jones. Not pictured: Asst. Coach Rich Witt and Montana Miralez.

New look Tigers to lean heavy on the run game

By Jim Langan

First-year Tiger head coach Darin Fritz is a bit of a throwback when it comes to his coaching philosophies. In a time when spread offenses are the new norm, Fritz prefers a single-wing attack that promotes ball control and creating advantages by having more of your guys than their guys at the point of attack.

Fritz takes over the Falls City High program from Don Hogue, who stepped down a year ago after spending 20 years with the football team, the final five years as head coach. Hogue also gave Fritz his first job in the football coaching ranks when he hired him as an assistant in 2007. Fritz then spent one season as the head coach at H-TR-S before being hired for the same position at Falls City High this past spring.

It will be tough going early as the players grasp a new offensive system, but the sooner the players get through the growing pains the better. Fritz is confident the learning curve will be short and likes where his team is after a full

fall camp of practices.

"We have had some good practices and expect to be a very competitive team this season," Fritz said. "We have thrown a lot of new things at the kids so far and they have done a good job adapting."

The Tigers, who will look to end a 10-game losing streak that dates back to a 30-6 win over Conestoga in October of 2010, have a good mix of upperclassmen and young talent. The senior class, led by three-year starter Cord Huettner, is solid and will provide the team with leadership and toughness. Wade Witt and Wade Maddox are two other seniors with plenty of game experience and the two will need to lead by example for this team to be successful. Codie Witt, Josh Perman and Brady Gerdes are three more names from the senior class who will factor in to the success of the Tigers.

After that, look for big numbers to come from the junior and sophomore ranks. Sophomore Jordy Stoller will look to make the biggest splash from a season ago, as

(See *Tigers FB* on Page 12)

NEED TO KNOW

2011: 0 - 8

Head Coach:

Darin Fritz, 1st year.

Assistant Coaches: Ryan Nolte, Randy Rech, Dan Jones, Brooks Ivey and Nick Craft.

Key Returnees: Cord Huettner, Wade Witt, Jordy Stoller, Mitchell Harling, Mitchell Campbell, Reese Hogue, Brady Gerdes, Wade Maddox, Codie Witt, Josh Perman, Chase Thompson.

Key Losses: Cole Ackerman, Josh Stoller, Logan Auffert, Matt McCann, Raven Weinman, Trevor Wisdom, Chris Yoesel, Kenny Frederick.

2012 TIGER FOOTBALL SCHEDULE		
HOME GAMES IN BOLD		
Aug. 31	Ashland-Greenwood	7 PM
Sept. 7	Raymond Central	7 PM
Sept. 14	Omaha Concordia	7 PM
Sept. 21	Lincoln Lutheran (Homecoming)	7 PM
Sept. 28	Syracuse	7 PM
Oct. 5	Fairbury	7 PM
Oct. 12	Auburn	7 PM
Oct. 19	Lincoln Christian	7 PM
Oct. 25	1st Round Playoffs	TBA
Oct. 31	2nd Round Playoffs	TBA
Nov. 6	State Quarterfinals	TBA
Nov. 13	State Semifinals	TBA
Nov. 20	State Finals	2:45 PM

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he is likely to get a plethora of carries. Other sophomores to look for are Jack Hartman, Zach Jordening, Payton Adams and Tucker Merz.

Chase Thompson, Reese Hogue, Ryan Mount, C.J. Arnold and Tyler DiGiacomo are all juniors and will help this team make a big step forward this fall.

Fritz knows that the lack of success the past couple of seasons is the huge elephant in the room, but understands that if he and his staff can instill the right elements into the players and they buy into it, whole-heartedly, the success will come.

"Desire and the will to play hard are something that everyone has the ability to regulate," Fritz said. "We have a nice mix of experience combined with some talented young players, so how fast we can come together as a team will be a huge factor in determining our success this season, especially early."

Being a year older will help this team improve and progress quickly. Look for the orange and black to flirt with a .500 record and a trip to the playoffs is not out of the question.



2012 Falls City High Cross Country team, from left to right: Derik Eickhoff, Cheyenne Dovel, Brandon Gibson, Anthony Baker, David von Behren, Lauren Bierman and Justin Doerr.

2012 FCHS Cross Country Capsule:

Head Coach: Cody Hawley, 13th year
Top Returnees: David von Behren.
Coach Hawley: "The Tiger runners will look to become stronger and compete at a higher level each week. I am excited to start a different training program and see the successes involved in it. The program is based on more quality first, and then builds with volume as the year progresses. The kids are on the clock more than ever and have to hold themselves to a higher level of accountability."

**2012 TIGER
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SCHEDULE**

HOME MEETS IN BOLD

Aug. 31	JCC Invitational	9:15 AM
Aug. 31	Parent's Night	TBA
Sept. 7	Fairbury Invitational	5 PM
Sept. 14	Hiawatha Invitational	4:30 PM
Sept. 21	Nebraska City Invitational	4:30 PM
Sept. 28	Rockport Invitational	5 PM
Oct. 5	Syracuse Invitational	3:45 PM
Oct. 12	Falls City Invitational	4:30 PM
Oct. 19	Class C District Meet	TBA
Oct. 25	State Meet	TBA

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Home Games Bold

Aug. 18	Freeman Invitational	10 a.m.
Aug. 23	Maryville, MO (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Aug. 24	Wymore Southern (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Aug. 27	Nebraska City (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Aug. 30	Auburn & Freeman (V)	4:30/6:00/7:30
Sept. 1	Auburn Tournament (V)	9 a.m.
Sept. 4	Conestoga (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Sept. 6	Fairbury & JCC Tri.	4:30/6:00/7:30
Sept. 8	Falls City Invitational @ Auburn	9 a.m.
Sept. 11	Cass County Central (JV, V)	5
Sept. 13	Plattsburgh & Auburn @ Auburn	4:30/6:00/7:30
Sept. 15	Plattsburgh Tournament (V)	9 a.m.
Sept. 17	St. Joe - Lafayette, MO (JV, V)	4:30/6
Sept. 20	Freeman (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Sept. 24	Savannah, MO (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Sept. 25	St. Joe Leblond, MO (JV, V)	4:30/6
Sept. 27	Syracuse (JV, V)	5:00/6:30
Oct. 4 - 5	Class C (1) Districts @ Syracuse	TBA
Oct. 10 - 12	State Tournament - Hastings	TBA



2012 Falls City High softball team, front row, from left to right: Claire Poppe, Jennifer Wendtlandt, Nicole Romine, Amie Wiltse, Tressa Chandler; Middle row: Haley Cochran, Brittany Ritter, Brooke Scheitel, Kirstyn Buchholz, Emily Weaver, Payshince Dawkins, Allyson Scholl; Back row: Marrissa Ogden, Jordan Phroper, Morgan Phroper, Desiree Dawkins, Shiloah Feighner, Sydney Armbruster, Avery Scott, Chessanie Blakely, Josie Lunsford and Danielle Kirkendall.

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2012 Falls City Sacred Heart Irish volleyball team, front row, from left to right: Janey Malcolm, Toni Kean, Rachel Aitken; Second row: Natalie Kreifels, Abby Nedenriep, Kelsi Fouraker, Abby Magdanz, Ashli Jordan, Emma Schock, Kathryn Bieker, Louise Hamilton; Back row: student manager Rachel Magdanz, Megan Strasheim, Nicole Fiegenger, Rachel Keithley, Emily Rohrer, Maggie Goltz, Rachel Parrish, Elizabeth Magdanz, student manager Randee Witt, student manager Ahren Ebel.

Lady Irish will rely on more balanced attack

By Jim Langan

Ok, let's all say it together, "Sara Landis." There, didn't that feel good? Now, lets move on.

Yes, she's gone. All 6-foot-3 of her. (There's a good chance you may be reading this again in the winter preview.)

For the Lady Irish volleyball to improve on a relatively disappointing season – relative only to their perennial success – consistency at the net will need to be more of a team effort. A challenge Irish head coach Susan Witt says her team is ready for.

"I think we will be more balanced with our hitting, where last year we relied on one hitter," said Witt, who enters her second season with Sacred Heart after spending more than a decade at Falls City High.

Senior Janey Malcolm, junior Rachel Parrish and sophomore Abby Magdanz will share the attack for the Lady Irish and Abby's twin sister, Elizabeth,

will be the one getting the ball to the trio. The libero position this year will again be Ashli Jordan, who will also be the defensive leader on the floor. Jordan recorded a team-high 294 digs a season ago and will most likely improve on that number.

Elizabeth will need to be the floor general and should adopt that role quickly for the trio at the net to be successful. With Molly Chapple gone, so are 316 assists and 42 assists from a year ago. Expect Elizabeth to do well. Her and her sister grew up quickly during the 2011-12 school year. If you watched them in basketball, you know what I mean.

As usual, the Lady Irish will play a tough schedule – Mudecas, Pioneer Conference Tournament – and the district should be solid again, but with a good start to the season, and some quick confidence gained, 18-20 wins isn't out of the question.

2012 IRISH VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

HOME GAMES IN BOLD		
Aug. 30	South Holt, MO	5:30 PM
Sept. 1	Weeping Water Tournament	TBA
Sept. 4	Diller-Odell	5:30 PM
Sept. 8	H-TR-S Tournament	9 AM
Sept. 10, 11, 13	Mudecas Tournament	TBA
Sept. 17	Mound City, MO	6 PM
Sept. 18	Nebraska City Lourdes	4:30 PM
Sept. 22	Axtell, KS Tournament	5:30 PM
Sept. 24	Savannah, MO	6 PM
Sept. 25	Lewiston	6 PM
Oct. 4	Southern	6 PM
Oct. 9	Johnson-Brock/H-TR-S Tri	5:30 PM
Oct. 11	Pawnee City	4:30 PM
Oct. 15	Rock Port, MO	5:30 PM
Oct. 18	Sterling/Lourdes Tri	5:30 PM
Oct. 22, 23, 26	Pioneer Conf. Tournament	TBA
Oct. 29-30	D2 Sub-districts	TBA
Nov. 1	D2 District final	TBA
Nov. 8-10	State Volleyball Tournament	TBA

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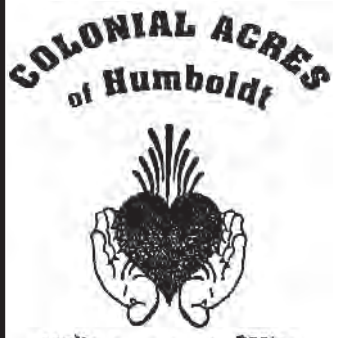
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2012 Falls City High volleyball team, front row, left to right: Miranda Zimmerman, Tabitha Nickell, Bethany Lampe, Madison Olberding; Second row: Jerrica Beckner, Maygan Ramsey, Jillian Lunsford, Krystal Samqua, Lindsey Duerfeldt, Chelsae Campbell, Taylor O'Brien, Baylee Vrtiska; Third row: Bailey Bindle, Carley Youde, Kellse Embretson, Hannah Weaver, Madison Buckminster, Sophie Keller, Candace Chandler, Libby Bauman; Back row: Anne Gifford, Haley Liberty, Head Coach KT Salberg, Asst. Coach Synneve Yoder, Asst. Coach Kris Simon, Jessa Beckner, Alexis Sutton.

By Jim Langan

A youth movement is in store for the 2012 Falls City Lady Tiger volleyball team, as 16 of the 20 players on the roster are sophomores or freshmen.

"I am excited to get the girls into the rhythm again," said KT Salberg, the Lady Tigers second year head coach. "We will be young this year, but I know the girls will step it up to get the job done."

Salberg lost her top three players at the net in Ashley Sickel, Jacy Lewis and Tressa Chandler (who elected to play softball this year), but one must see the silver lining in this scenario, that being junior hitter Madison Olberding and sophomores Maygan Ramsey (outside hitter) and Baylee Vrtiska (setter).

**2012 LADY TIGERS
VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE**
(Home games in bold)

Aug. 30	HTRS/Johnson County Tri	5 PM
Sept. 4	Elmwood - Murdock	5 PM
Sept. 6	Sterling/Pawnee City Tri	5 PM
Sept. 11	Savannah, MO	5 PM
Sept. 13	Auburn/Nebraska City	5 PM
Sept. 15	Fairbury Invitational	9 AM
Sept. 18	Plattsmouth	5 PM
Sept. 20	NE City Lourdes/Syracuse Tri	5 PM
Sept. 27	Hiawatha, KS/Horton, KS Tri	5 PM
Sept. 29	Johnson County Invitational	9 AM
Oct. 2	Conestoga	5 PM
Oct. 6	Falls City Invitational	9 AM
Oct. 9	St. Joe - Lafayette, MO	5 PM
Oct. 11	Auburn/Marysville, KS Tri	5 PM
Oct. 15	Johnson-Brock/Wymore Southern	5 PM
Oct. 23	Fairbury	4:30 PM
Oct. 29-30	C - 1 Sub Districts	TBA
Nov. 2	C - 1 District Finals	TBA
Nov. 8-10	State Tournament	TBA


Olberding and Ramsey recorded only 68 kills between the two of them a year ago, but their chances will increase immensely this season. Vrtiska played beyond her years ago passing for 307 assists, including a 66/66 performance against Hiawatha last September, as well as recording a team-high 179 digs.

"I am expecting big things from Madison, Maygan and Baylee," Salberg said.

Senior defensive specialist/libero Bethany Lampe will look to lead the young trio to more steady play now that they are in the second year of Salberg's system. Also, look for sophomore Jillian Lunsford to help on the defensive side.

Salberg said she is stressing a quicker pace to the offensive attack and is expecting to be a little faster and more athletic all around.

Look for a big improvement from the Lady Tigers from a year ago and anything but a double-digit win total would be a let down.



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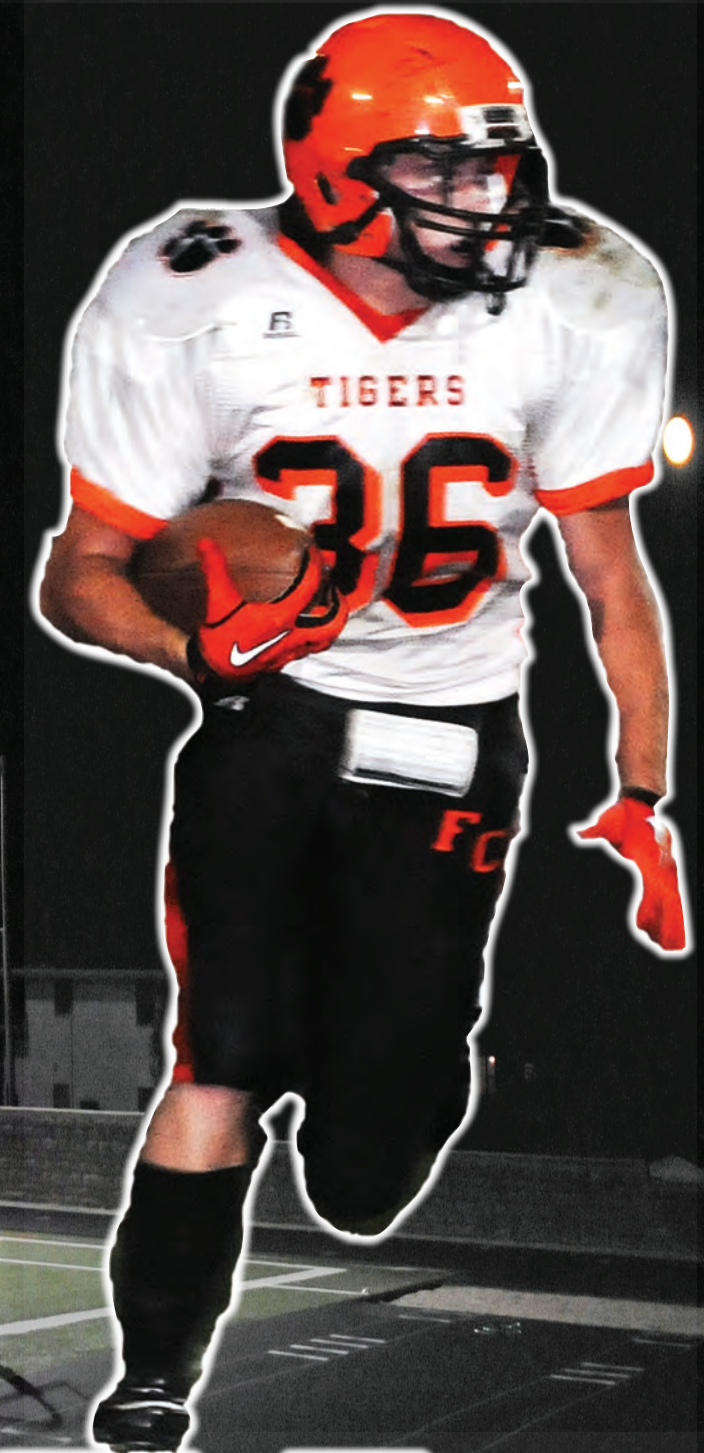
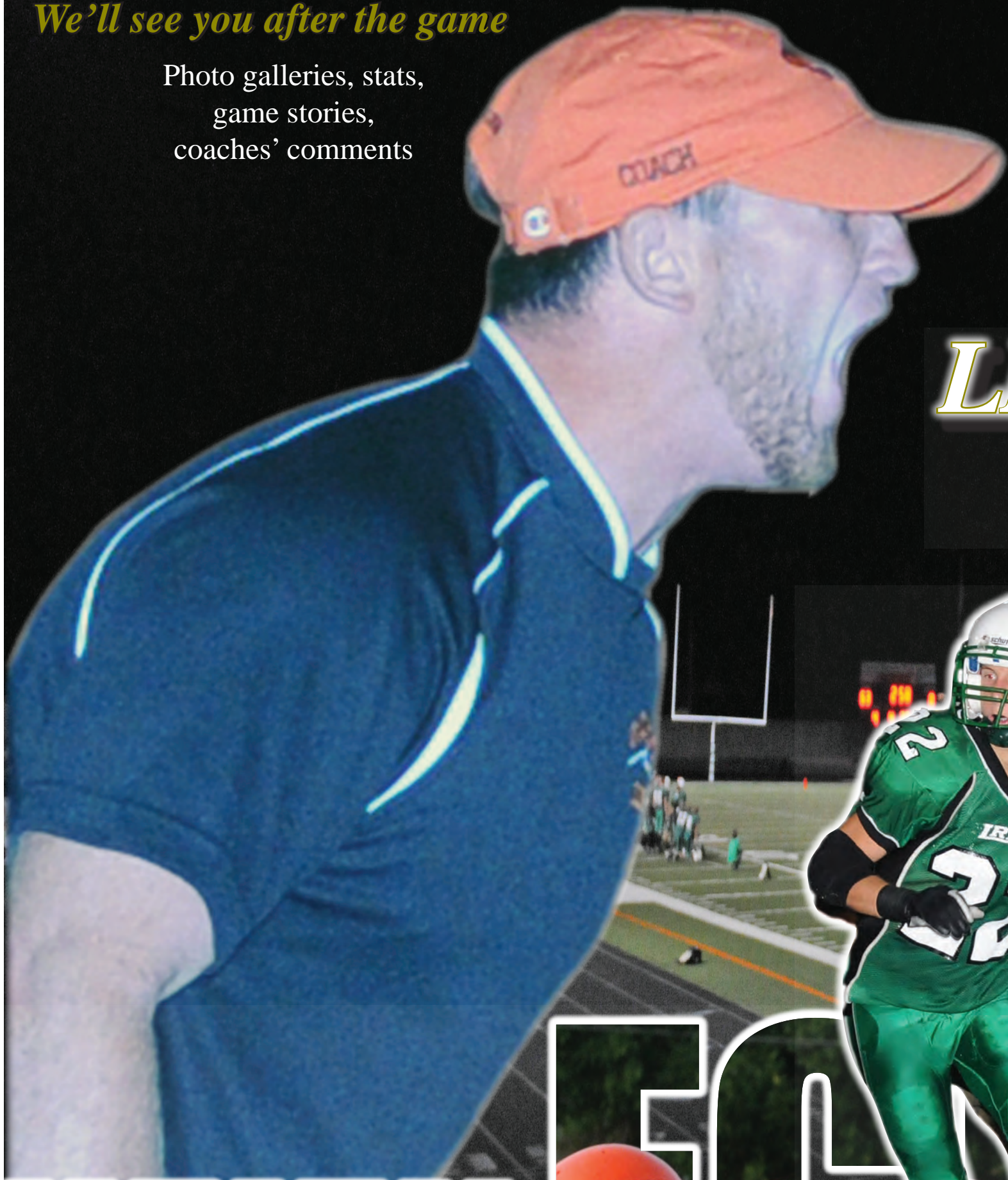
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