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Iwanicki '82 Uses Support to Turn Lake Shore Into Perennial Power

Lake Shore football coach, **Tom Iwanicki '82**, has become a fan of musical theater.

Over the past few years, Iwanicki has seen "Beauty and the Beast" and was in the audience for "South Pacific" and "Grease."

In fact, whenever a Lake Shore football player performs in an extracurricular activity, Iwanicki or another coach likely will be there, whether it is a basketball game, a swimming meet or a school play.

"I try to go to everything," said Iwanicki, who is in his fifth season as the Shorians' head coach. "You always try to make an effort to go to at least one. You try to sit there and be there for them."

Iwanicki believes that the attention to players goes a long way toward building a successful program, just like getting the players to get committed to the weight room and an offseason workout regimen.

So far, the results are hard to argue.

After a 1-8 2005 campaign, his first season, Iwanicki has guided the Shorians to four straight winning campaigns. And with a 7-2 regular season record this fall, Lake Shore has earned a playoff berth for the third time in four years. Before Iwanicki's arrival, Lake Shore had never advanced to the postseason.



Tom Iwanicki '82

"Obviously, it starts and ends with the kids," Iwanicki said. "When you have great kids, that does wonders. It makes good coaches out of us all."

"The second thing is consistency with the staff," he said. "Most of us have been together for the last five years. It's been really nice that philosophically we're on the same page offensively and defensively."

Pat Dailey has served as the team's defensive coordinator, and Will Puzalowski has called the plays on offense during Iwanicki's tenure. They have turned Lake Shore from a program that had just five winning seasons from 1980 to 2005 into one with playoff aspirations each season.

This year, the coaching staff has clicked with an experienced squad headed by 17 seniors, including leading tackler Deontae Bridgeman and Danny Carroll.

"As a whole they've just been very diligent in how they prep for things," Iwanicki said. "They're very competitive."

Zach Siemel leads the team in rushing for a Lake Shore team averaging 32.8 points per game, and junior quarterback Ray Borkowski gives the Shorians' no-huddle offense an extra dimension.

"He has the ability to change plays at the line," said Iwanicki, who compared Borkowski to Peyton Manning because of "his gyrations" at the line of scrimmage. "He's almost given full autonomy. If he sees something, he can change it, as long as he can come back and justify it to us on the sideline."

The coaches have come to believe in Borkowski, just like he has come to believe in them.

That's why this winter, if Borkowski plays basketball or acts in a school play, Iwanicki likely will be there watching.

"I think it's just like having a security blanket," Iwanicki said. "If they know you're behind them, if they know you're going to support them through the good stuff and the bad stuff, I think that helps them relax and play. If they know you care... I truly believe the kids will do anything to repay the trust."

Source: *The Macomb Daily*

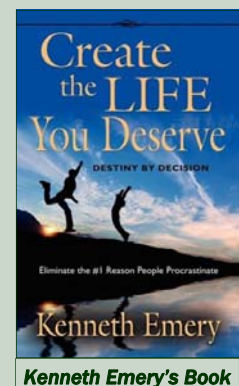
Tidbits

- ♣ The Muggs, **Tony DeNardo '90** and **Danny Methric '90**, have 2 songs appearing on the soundtrack for a new movie: *Stick It In Detroit - The Movie*. It features *If you Please* and *Should've Learned My Lesson* by The Muggs. Filmed in Detroit, the movie is a comedy starring cast members and writers from *30 Rock*, *Saturday Night Live*, and *Rescue Me*.



The Muggs

- ♣ **Kenneth Emery '88** has authored a book designed to help you eliminate procrastination, ignite decision, and create massive momentum in your life. The book provides the reader with an opportunity to discover why people do what they do and empowers the reader to do more than they ever thought was possible. Order Ken's book at amazon.com and discover what truly separates those who do from those who don't.



Kenneth Emery's Book

A Note From the V.P.

Please keep **Dave Curcuru, '69**, in your prayers. Dave was born with only one kidney which is now failing. He was forced to begin dialysis about a month ago. Dave was very active at Notre Dame. When his son, Mark, entered ND, Dave began working the Saturday morning Bingo with me. After the son's graduation, Dave continued to work until the Saturday Bingo ended. He then switched to working the Sunday evening Bingo until ND closed. You may have read in another publication that Doug Brown, class of '70, was able to get his letter sweater from the school. The sweater had been on display since Doug's graduation. Dave was responsible for delivering the sweater to Doug's mother when ND closed (not mentioned in that other article). Doug Brown's letter sweater was just one of hundreds of pieces of memorabilia that were being abandoned in the school, until the Friends of Notre Dame Alumni Association rescued them.

Jim Mandl '66
Vice President
Friends of Notre Dame



'97 Grad to Expand Family Business

Owners of a Polish market in Hamtramck are planning to build a new \$2.5-million complex in Sterling Heights. **Radoslaw (Rodney) Srodek** with '97 and family plan to open a market, restaurant, microbrewery and a food production and distribution business to supply restaurants and markets in Oakland and Macomb counties.

Srodek's Market plans to build on a nearly 2-acre vacant site on the west side of Mound, south of 18 Mile, as soon as final plans are approved. The Srodek family plans to continue to operate its original business, which started in 1981, on Jos. Campau in Hamtramck.

"We're making it easier and accessible for our clients and customers. We have a lot of them out this way," Srodek, who handles marketing management and sales, said of Detroit's northern suburbs.

The location is on a busy thoroughfare and is either in, or close to, communities where Poles migrated from Hamtramck. The area has other Polish markets, Polish churches and American-Polish clubs and centers.



Rodney Srodek '97

The proposed one-story complex would have more than 15,000 square feet and include up to three spaces for other businesses.

He said the restaurant would have an outdoor patio and that Srodek Deli and Bakery would move from Mound and Hall into the market, which would be called Srodek's. "It's going to be bigger and better," he said of the site that would sell authentic family recipes.

The site is expected to have 20 employees when it opens and possibly up to 50 in the future, City Planner Don Mende said. "It's a unique mixed-use type of development, kind of a little niche we haven't seen before," he said.

Srodek said the business has been planning to expand for 15 years and was looking for the ideal location. The complex is expected to take eight to 12 months to build. "It's going to be a destination point as well as a restaurant," he said, "an attraction with great food."

Source: The Detroit News



Srodek's Market in Hamtramck



Births

Preston Joseph Simmons
 Born October 16, 2009 To
 Jen and Tim Simmons '97



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Recent Alumni Passing

Alan Anuskiewicz - Class of 1969

Passed away on October 5, 2009 in Clearwater Beach, Florida. He was an entrepreneur with a strong spirit and love of life. He was a loving father and enjoyed spending time with family and friends. With perseverance in the face of any challenge, he was a remarkable inspiration to all who knew him. He will be missed. He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Christopher and Ginevra; mother, Dorothy; 1 sister and brother-in-law; 2 brothers; and three nephews.

Trophies

For the past four years, we have been storing over 160 of the school's trophies. We would like to put these trophies in the hands of the guys who earned them for Notre Dame. We have taken photos of all the trophies and uploaded them to the photo gallery on the website. Please browse through them. If you see any that you would like, please contact us, and we will make arrangements to get them to you. We will continue to store them indefinitely.



Looking for Talent!

The **3rd annual Detroit Comedy Festival** is looking for talent! If you are a standup comedian and want to be considered for inclusion in the 2010 Detroit Comedy Festival, please submit the following information and fee by January 15, 2010:

1. Demo: (5 minute minimum)
2. BIO
3. Head shot
4. \$25. fee made payable to Aspen Talent

Submission materials can be e-mailed to moroz@aspentalent.com or mailed to:

David Moroz
c/o Aspen Talent
11385 Shaffer Rd.
Davisburg, Michigan 48350

Dave Moroz is a 1976
Graduate of Notre Dame

March 21 - 27, 2010
Mark Ridley's Comedy Castle
Royal Oak, Michigan



Upcoming Events

Annual Alumni Hockey Games

December 26, 2009 At The Gross Pointe Community Ice Rink
Complete details TBD

Annual Alumni Basketball Tournament

March 5, 6, & 7, and March 13, & 14, 2010

Where: De La Salle High School, Warren, MI

Cost to play: \$30 per player

Format: Double Elimination

Winning team to face the winner of the DLS Alumni Tournament on Sunday March 14, 2010

Complete details in the coming weeks



The Muggs

See the Muggs Live!

(Tony DeNardo '90 and Danny Methric '90)

♣ Saturday, November 21, 2009

Small's 10th Anniversary Party



Wall of Fame

If you see your name listed below, we have your Wall of Fame plaque that hung on the wall behind the gym. We would like for you to have your plaque if you want it. Please email us at jmandl@friendsofnotredame.com, and we will make arrangements to get it to you!

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Mark Staples, Jr. '91
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Anthony Vitale '94
Preston Brandimore '95
Phil Ruggerio '95
Jason Selleke '96
Jason Stoicevich '97
James Fields '01
Adam Fujita '01

* Pictured on the same plaque - University of Michigan Hockey

We will gladly ship your plaque if you can cover the cost of shipping.
The cost to ship a plaque is \$8.00.

Upcoming Reunions

Reunions in 2010

The following classes are due to celebrate reunion years in 2010:



2005 - 5 Years
 2000 - 10 Years
 1995 - 15 Years
 1990 - 20 Years
 1985 - 25 Years



1980 - 30 Years
 1975 - 35 Years
 1970 - 40 Years
 1965 - 45 Years
 1960 - 50 Years



Interested in forming a reunion committee for your class?

E-mail Jim Mandl '90 at jmandl@friendsofnotredame.com.

We are your *only* source for the most up-to-date alumni contact information!

Celebrating 50 Years - Class of 1960

Members of the class of 1960 have organized a 50th reunion!

When: Saturday, September 25, 2010

Where: Best Western Sterling Inn

15 Mile Rd. and Van Dyke, Sterling Heights, MI

Reunion Committee:

Eddie Kay at ewk51110@comcast.net

Gary Wilson at gwdci2@aol.com

If interested in joining the reunion committee, please email Eddie or Gary

For complete reunion information, please visit the class of 1960 web site:

www.notredamehw1960.org

Celebrating 20 Years - Class of 1990

Members of the class of 1990 have started organizing a 20th reunion!

When: TBD

Where: TBD

Reunion Committee:

Jim Mandl at jmandl@friendsofnotredame.com

Matt Sokol at mattsokol@gmail.com

Mike Balow at MikeBalow@gmail.com

If interested in joining the reunion committee, please email Jim, Matt, or Mike

Celebrating 10 Years - Class of 2000

Members of the class of 2000 have started organizing a 10th reunion!

When: TBD

Where: TBD

Reunion Committee:

William Pokriefka at willbbad69@yahoo.com

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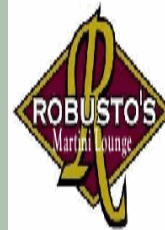
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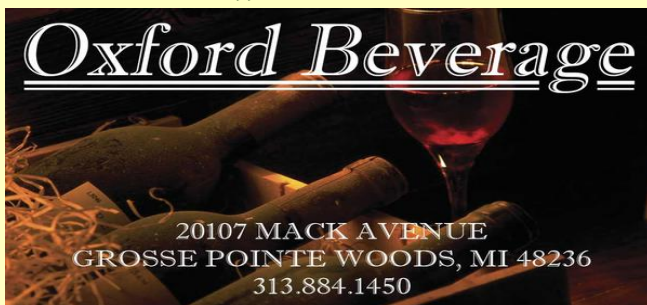
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