

The 1990 Salina Journal All-Area Football Team: Front row (left to right) — Keith Sides, Northern Valley; Shane Felzien, Atwood. Middle row (left to right) — Jeff Tauscher, Hays; Eric Hilt, Beloit; Chuck Fessenden, Coach of the Year, Northern Valley; Brad

Shalz, Colby. Back row (left to right) — Clint Bedore, Stockton; Dustin McEwen, Norton; Matt McEwen, Belleville; Mark Wahlmeier, Norton; Mark Allison, Minneapolis; Doug Kaser, Osborne.

Detmer captures Heisman

CU's Bieniemy places third in Trophy voting

By RICK WARNER
AP Football Writer

NEW YORK — Ty Detmer, the latest in a long line of great Brigham Young quarterbacks, outdid them all Saturday by winning the Heisman Trophy.



Detmer

Detmer, who has set or tied 25 NCAA passing and total offense records, became the first BYU player and third consecutive junior to win college football's most important award.

Raghib "Rocket" Ismail, Notre Dame's all-purpose star, finished second. Colorado running back Eric Bieniemy was third, followed by Virginia quarterback Shawn Moore and Houston quarterback David Klingler.

Ismail, Bieniemy and Moore attended the ceremony at the Downtown Athletic Club, which was televised live by CBS. Detmer got the news in Honolulu, where he was preparing for BYU's regular-season finale against Hawaii.

Wearing a lei around his neck and surrounded by his teammates, Detmer broke into a wide grin when the word came.

"We've had great quarterbacks in the past and none of them won it. It's about time we won one," he said via

Heisman Trophy

NEW YORK (AP) — Voting for the 1990 Heisman Trophy, with first, second, and third-place votes and total points (voting on 3-2-1 basis):

Player	1st	2nd	3rd	Total
Detmer, BYU	316	208	118	1482
Ismail, ND	237	174	118	1177
Bieniemy, Colo	114	153	150	798
Moore, Va	46	96	125	465
Klingler, Hou	7	27	50	125
HMoore, Va	6	14	22	68
GLewis, Wash	4	5	19	41
Erickson, Miami	0	6	19	31
DLewis, TexasA&M	0	9	13	31
Mayweather, Army	3	4	3	20

Backs dominate Journal's 1990 All-Area team

Minneapolis' Allison adds size to team

By TIM HOSTETTER
Sports Writer

The 1990 high school football season will go down as the year of the back in north-central and northwest Kansas.

And the Salina Journal's All-Area Top 11 Football Team reflects that: Nine offensive backs who rushed and passed for more than 10,000 yards this season.

Seven are running backs: Stockton's Clint Bedore, Atwood's Shane Felzien, Beloit's Eric Hilt, Osborne's Doug Kaser, Belleville's Matt McEwen, Colby's Brad Shalz and Northern Valley's Keith Sides.

There are two quarterbacks: Norton's Dustin McEwen and Hays High's Jeff Tauscher.

The other two players on the 15th annual Top 11 are Minneapolis lineman Mark Allison, the state's most highly-recruited player, and Norton tight end-linebacker Mark Wahlmeier.

Here's a look at each player:

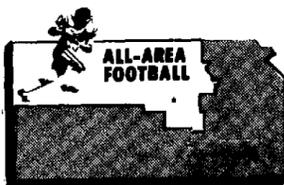
MARK ALLISON

Minneapolis coach Max Heinrichs has looked down through the junior high and grade school classes, hoping to find a future Mark Allison. He doesn't see one.

That's understandable. Football coaches rarely get a 260-pound lineman with 4.9 speed and the quickness of a running back as the 6-foot-5 Allison possesses. How many high school players that size play on the front of their basketball team's press? Allison does.

"Several college coaches have told me that they've never seen a defensive lineman close in on a running back or quarterback as Jeff does," Heinrichs said.

Allison, a preseason All-American, was slowed early in the season by an ankle injury, missing two games. He did come back strong, recording 80 tackles over the last six games to finish with a school-record 407 for his



CAREER

Career highlight: "When colleges started sending me letters."

College plans: Considering Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma and Colorado. Notre Dame has also earned interest.

CLINT BEDORE

Bedore was the heart of Stockton's offense and defense. As a running back, he picked up the tough yards and broke the long runs.

As a linebacker, he clogged the middle, averaging 15 tackles a game. "Clint's strength and speed are big assets," said Stockton coach Phil Wilson. "He was always a threat to break a long run, and on defense he covered a lot of ground."

Bedore was a two-way All-Mid-Continent League player this season. He averaged 15 tackles a game this season and 14 a game over the last two seasons.

Bedore, whose brother Brett made the 1987 Top 11, rushed for 1,022 yards on 176 carries this season and 1,815 yards for his career.

Career highlight: "Starting my first game as a sophomore and rushing for over 1,000 yards this season."

College plans: Considering Kansas and Kansas State. Will major in engineering.

SHANE FELZIEN

Felzien will have quite a story to tell his grandchildren some day: Boy transfers to rival league school for senior season and leads Atwood to a state championship.

After playing his first three years at St. Francis High School, Felzien moved with his father to Atwood and immediately took advantage of the big and talented offensive line in front of him.

Felzien rushed for a school-record 1,916 yards, averaged a school-

1990 All-Area Top 11

Player, School	Hgt.	Wgt.	Yr.	Position
Mark Allison, Minneapolis	6-5	265	Sr.	OT-DT
Clint Bedore, Stockton	6-0	190	Sr.	RB-LB
Shane Felzien, Atwood	5-9	175	Sr.	RB-DB
Eric Hilt, Beloit	6-1	197	Sr.	HB-DB
Doug Kaser, Osborne	6-0	205	Sr.	FB-LB
Dustin McEwen, Norton	6-2	195	Sr.	QB-DB
Matt McEwen, Belleville	6-3	195	Sr.	HB-LB
Brad Shalz, Colby	5-11	195	Sr.	RB-LB
Keith Sides, Northern Valley	5-10	145	Sr.	RB-DB
Jeff Tauscher, Hays	5-11	170	Sr.	QB-DB
Mark Wahlmeier, Norton	6-3	210	Sr.	TE-LB

record 10.5 yards a carry and scored 266 points. In Atwood's 66-34 win over Clifton-Clyde in the Class 2-1A state final, Felzien rushed for 255 yards.

"I knew Shane had the talent and speed to do well for us, but I didn't expect him to be the power runner he was," said Atwood coach Dan Lankas. "He really worked hard to make himself better."

Career highlight: "Rushing for 309 yards against Hoxie this season was a high, but making it to the (Class 2-1A) state championship game and winning were most exciting."

College plans: Considering Fort Hays State and Nebraska. Plans to play football and major in sciences.

ERIC HILT

Like Bedore, Hilt combines great speed, power and size — ingredients college coaches crave.

Hilt rushed for 1,422 yards this season, averaging 8.9 yards a carry, while leading Beloit to a 9-1 record. His 1,302 yards rushing were the second-highest ever in the 22-year history of the North Central Kansas League.

After four games this season, Beloit switched from the wishbone to the I-formation to center its ground game around Hilt and fullback Trent Harr.

For his career, Hilt rushed for 2,245 yards, averaging 8.4 yards a carry.

Career highlight: "Making the playoffs the last two years and being a part of this year's team that set a North Central Kansas League record for most yards rushing per game (327)."

College plans: Considering Big Eight, Big Ten and Ivy League schools as well as the military ac-

ademies. Plans to play football and major in engineering.

DOUG KASER

Many coaches in the Mid-Continent League thought Kaser was the league's top linebacker. That's quite a compliment considering Bedore and Norton's Mark Wahlmeier played in the league. All three players were all-stars.

Kaser led an Osborne defense that allowed just 10 points a game this season.

"Like any good linebacker, Doug always found the ball quickly," said Osborne coach David Johnson. "He called our defensive signals. I believe he was the best linebacker in our league."

Though he played fullback on offense, Kaser was a lineman at heart. He played on the line his first three years, earning all-league last season, but was moved to fullback this season because the Bulldogs needed one.

Kaser was used primarily as a blocking back, but when he did rush, he averaged 5.7 yards a carry, gaining 454 yards on 80 carries.

Career highlight: "Beating Smith Center (16-6) in this season's opener."

College plans: Considering Kansas State and Fort Hays State. Plans to play football and major in business or accounting.

DUSTIN MCEWEN

Norton has had many outstanding quarterbacks, but none threw for more yards and touchdowns than McEwen. He finished with 2,648 yards — most of which came over the

Fessenden keeps Northern Valley program rolling

By LARRY MORITZ
Sports Writer

Northern Valley coach Chuck Fessenden has uttered the words no Huskie football fan really wants to hear.

"It's got to end someday."

But Northern Valley fans can take heart, because "someday" is a rather vague term and "it" won't end for at least another year.

The Huskies captured their third state football championship last month while rolling to a 13-0 record, earning Fessenden his second Salina Journal Area Football Coach of the Year honor in just five years.

This year's Northern Valley team is an extension of a nine-year odyssey that has produced a 103-8 record, 47 straight regular season victories, the three state titles and an appearance in the state championship game five consecutive years.

Fessenden could author a coaching manual, title it "The Secret to My (Teams') Success," and make a million. Only he doesn't need an entire book, and he himself has some questions concerning the Huskies' success.

"I'm not quite sure why it's happening to us because we're no different than 100 other small schools," Fessenden said.

"I know a lot of times I get to talk at clinics and other coaches are interested in why we have so much success. I think we have great athletes, but I think we get the most out of the average kid. Most schools will have one or two great kids, but it's what you do with the others that makes the difference."

What Fessenden has done with his great and not-so-great athletes is mold them into a consistent winner, so consistent that winning at Northern Valley has become expected from fans, players and coaches alike.

"Here over the last five years people have just grown to expect us

satellite hook-up. "You try to picture yourself in this position, but you really can't imagine it."

Detmer carried all six regions of the country. His biggest margins were in the Southwest and Far West, while the closest voting was in the Northeast and Midwest.

Detmer, a 6-foot, 175-pound native of San Antonio, is the 10th underclassman to win the award. The recent streak of junior winners includes Barry Sanders of Oklahoma State in 1988 and Andre Ware of Houston in 1989.

Sanders and Ware skipped their senior seasons to join the NFL, but Detmer insists he will return to BYU next year.

"I'll be back next year," he said. "I committed when I took my scholarship. I haven't even explored the possibility of the NFL."

BYU's rich quarterback tradition began with Virgil Carter in the mid-1960s and continued with such stars as Gifford Nielsen, Marc Wilson, Jim McMahon, Steve Young and Robbie Bosco. But none of them won the Heisman. Young was runner-up to Nebraska's Mike Rozier in 1983, while Wilson, McMahon and Bosco each finished third.

Detmer, who has thrown for more than 300 yards in 23 consecutive games, reminds many people of a great quarterback who didn't play at BYU.

"He's like Joe Montana," BYU tight end Chris Smith says. "He's not the biggest, strongest guy in the world, but he gets the job done. No matter what the situation is, Ty will find a way to win."

Heading into the Hawaii game, Detmer needed 272 yards to top the single-season yardage record of 5,140 set by Klingler earlier in the day. Detmer is already second on the NCAA's career yardage list with 10,681 — 744 behind all-time leader Todd Santos of San Diego State — and needs only two touchdown passes to break McMahon's career mark of 84.

Although he touched the ball only 11 times per game, Ismail made the most of his opportunities. The junior averaged 157 all-purpose yards per game as a receiver, runner and kick returner, scored six touchdowns and gained an average of 14 yards every time he handled the ball.

Bieniemy, the nation's second-leading rusher, gained 148 yards per game, scored 17 touchdowns and became Colorado's all-time leading rusher and scorer.

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