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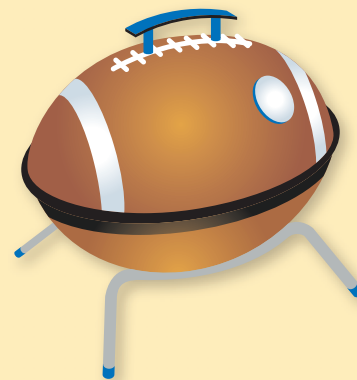


LATE-SEASON KICK

Tide ventures to once-mighty Sooners, wants to continue momentum

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TAILGATE of the week RECIPE



Brownies

INGREDIENTS

1/4 cup water
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1 egg

1 box dark chocolate
Ghirardelli brownie mix



DIRECTIONS:

A 100 per cent aluminum baking pan and a mixing bowl are required. Then just follow the instructions on the box. In the mixing bowl add 1/4 cup of water, 1/2 cup of vegetable oil, 1 egg and stir real good. After this add your Dark Chocolate mix and stir real good. To keep the baking pan from sticking add a little vegetable oil. Place the contents in the mixing bowl into the baking pan, heat the oven or toaster oven to 325 degrees. After 30 minutes, box calls for 40 minutes, insert a butter knife into the mix, remove and if nothing is on knife then your brownies are ready. Let cool, cut to individual sizes and the Brownies are ready to go Tailgating!
One last thing is after all this eating some dental floss must be provided. The floss may be purchased at Wal-Mart for 98 cents!

**This week's recipe submitted
by Bill Smoak,
Florence, AL**

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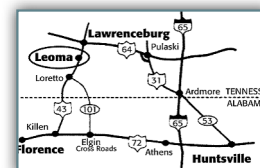
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Herbie Husker's team is a slight favorite against Wisconsin on Saturday. [REBECCA S. GRATZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

THE LINE

(as of Tuesday)			
Thursday FAVORITE	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at GEORGIA TECH	8½	51½	NC State
Friday			
at UTSA	16½	55½	Temple
at MICHIGAN STATE	13½	47½	Purdue
UNLV	7½	62½	at SAN JOSE STATE
Saturday			
at JAX STATE	6½	55½	Sam Houston
Ole Miss	10½	55½	at FLORIDA
at MIAMI (Fla.)	24½	64½	Wake Forest
North Carolina	2½	56½	at BOSTON COLLEGE
Iowa	6½	45½	at MARYLAND
at RUTGERS	1½	48½	Illinois
at OHIO STATE	12½	52½	Indiana
SMU	9½	58½	at VIRGINIA
at GEORGIA	42½	55½	UMass
at TENNESSEE	41½	53½	UTEP
at FLORIDA STATE	33½	44½	Charleston Southern
Rice	6½	51½	at UAB
at MIDDLE TENNESSEE	3½	51½	New Mexico State
South Alabama	22½	54½	at SOUTHERN MISS
at TCU	12½	59½	Arizona
Penn State	11½	45½	at MINNESOTA
at SOUTH FLORIDA	16½	60½	Tulsa
at COASTAL CAROLINA	2½	56½	Georgia Southern
at NORTH TEXAS	2½	73½	East Carolina
at MICHIGAN	10½	37½	Northwestern
at TEXAS	20½	46½	Kentucky
at ARIZONA STATE	3½	48½	BYU
Colorado	2½	59½	at KANSAS
UCF	2½	63½	at WEST VIRGINIA
at CLEMSON	49½	58½	Citadel
Texas Tech	3½	67½	at OKLAHOMA ST.
at NEBRASKA	2½	42½	Wisconsin
at CAL	13½	54½	Stanford
at UTAH STATE	4½	61½	San Diego State
at ARKANSAS	21½	50½	Louisiana Tech
at SOUTH CAROLINA	42½	49½	Wofford
at LOUISVILLE	7½	56½	Pittsburgh
Missouri	7½	57½	at MISSISSIPPI ST.
at LA-LAFAYETTE	11½	53½	Troy
at TEXAS STATE	20½	57½	Georgia State
Washington State	13½	56½	at OREGON STATE
Baylor	7½	50½	at HOUSTON
at NOTRE DAME	14½	44½	Army
Alabama	13½	46½	at OKLAHOMA
Iowa State	7½	42½	at UTAH
Texas A&M	2½	46½	at AUBURN
at LSU	7½	54½	Vanderbilt
at KANSAS STATE	8½	52½	Cincinnati
Virginia Tech	3½	47½	at DUKE
USC	4½	51½	at UCLA
at NEVADA	3½	44½	Air Force
at FRESNO STATE	2½	46½	Colorado State

GAMES ON TV

Thursday

N.C. State at Georgia Tech, 6:30 p.m., ESPN

Friday

Temple at UTSA, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Purdue at Michigan State, 7 p.m., FOX
UNLV at San Jose State, 9 p.m., FS1

Saturday

Indiana at Ohio State, 11 a.m., FOX
Iowa at Maryland, 11 a.m., BTN
North Carolina at Boston College, 11 a.m., CWT
Ole Miss at Florida, 11 a.m., ABC
Sam Houston at Jacksonville State, 11 a.m., CBSSN
SMU at Virginia, 11 a.m., ESPN2
UConn at Syracuse, 11 a.m., ACC Network
Wake Forest at Miami, 11 a.m., ESPN
Yale at Harvard, 11 a.m., ESPN
UMass at Georgia, 11:45 a.m., SEC Network
Alabama A&M at MVSU, 12 p.m., GriotTV
BYU at Arizona State, 2:30 p.m., ESPN
Colorado at Kansas, 2:30 p.m., FOX
Kentucky at Texas, 2:30 p.m., ABC
Northwestern at Michigan, 2:30 p.m., FS1
Penn State at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m., CBS
San Diego State at Utah State, 2:30 p.m., CBSSN
Stanford at California, 2:30 p.m., ACC Network
The Citadel at Clemson, 2:30 p.m., CWT
UCF at West Virginia, 2:30 p.m., ESPN
Wisconsin at Nebraska, 2:30 p.m., BTN
Pitt at Louisville, 3 p.m., ESPN2
Missouri at Mississippi State, 3:15 p.m., SEC Network
Army vs. Notre Dame, 6 p.m., NBC
Baylor at Houston, 6 p.m., FS1
Boise State at Wyoming, 6 p.m., CBSSN
Washington State at Oregon State, 6 p.m., CWT
Alabama at Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m., ABC

TOP 25 SCHEDULE

Friday

No. 23 UNLV (8-2) at San Jose St. (6-4), 9 p.m.

Saturday

No. 2 Ohio St. (9-1) vs. No. 5 Indiana (10-0), 11 a.m.
No. 3 Texas (9-1) vs. Kentucky (4-6), 2:30 p.m.
No. 4 Penn St. (9-1) at Minnesota (6-4), 2:30 p.m.
No. 6 Notre Dame (9-1) vs. No. 18 Army (9-0) at Bronx, N.Y., 6 p.m.



Yale has celebrated winning The Game at Harvard's expense in five of the last seven meetings, which included winning a share of last year's Ivy League title. [YALE ATHLETICS]

Iowa State at Utah, 6:30 p.m., FOX
Marshall at Old Dominion, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
Texas A&M at Auburn, 6:30 p.m., ESPN
Vanderbilt at LSU, 6:45 p.m., SEC Network
Cincinnati at Kansas State, 7 p.m., ESPN2
Virginia Tech at Duke, 7 p.m., ACC

Network
USC at UCLA, 9:15 p.m., NBC
Air Force at Nevada, 9:30 p.m., FS1
Colorado State at Fresno State, 9:30 p.m., CBSSN

Tuesday

Kent State at Buffalo OR Toledo at Akron, 6 p.m., ESPN2

No. 7 Alabama (8-2) at Oklahoma (5-5), 6:30 p.m.
No. 8 Georgia (8-2) vs. UMass (2-8), 11:45 a.m.
No. 9 Ole Miss (8-2) at Florida (5-5), 11 a.m.
No. 10 Tennessee (8-2) vs. UTEP (2-8), noon
No. 11 Miami (9-1) vs. Wake Forest (4-6), 11 a.m.
No. 12 Boise St. (9-1) at Wyoming (2-8), 6 p.m.
No. 13 SMU (9-1) at Virginia (5-5), 11 a.m.
No. 14 BYU (9-1) at No. 21 Arizona St. (8-2), 2:30 p.m.

No. 15 Texas A&M (8-2) at Auburn (4-6), 6:30 p.m.
No. 16 Colorado (8-2) at Kansas (4-6), 2:30 p.m.
No. 17 Clemson (8-2) vs. The Citadel (5-6), 2:30 p.m.
No. 19 S. Carolina (7-3) vs. Wofford (5-6), 3 p.m.
No. 22 Iowa St. (8-2) at Utah (4-6), 6:30 p.m.
No. 24 Illinois (7-3) at Rutgers (6-4), 11 a.m.
No. 25 Washington St. (8-2) at Oregon St. (4-6), 6 p.m.

Texas A&M at Auburn

When: 6:30 p.m. Saturday

TV/radio: ESPN/FM-94.9

Records: No. 15 Texas A&M (8-2, 5-1 SEC), Auburn (4-6, 1-5)

The series: Texas A&M leads 8-6.

Four-down territory

1. Another one: A mobile quarterback will again line up against the Auburn defense. The Tigers don't have a good track record against dual-threat QBs this season (Oklahoma's Jackson Arnold, Arkansas' Taylen Green), but did limit Vanderbilt's Diego Pavia. Marcel Reed is next. The freshman took over as A&M's starter midway through the season and has 375 rushing yards with six touchdowns and 1,129 pass yards with nine TDs. "That's something we were pretty awful at in the beginning of the year," Auburn coach Hugh Freeze said of stopping mobile QBs. "I think we've gotten better at containing those dynamic guys."

2. Under pressure: Auburn is fighting for bowl eligibility and that's a little bit of pressure to handle. But the Aggies are feeling the pinch, too. After dropping a game to South Carolina, the Aggies are on the verge of missing out on the SEC title game and a shot at the playoffs. Auburn could play spoiler to their postseason hopes, and they're coming off a big win. "The kids are fighting and we've made some changes that I think are giving them more confidence," Freeze said.

3. Seeing stars: There are several reasons Texas A&M has won eight games, but chief among them is its defense. Freeze knows it, too. "Texas A&M is loaded with NFL talent," he said. "Defensively, they are a problem unless you have the mobility to escape them. They are constantly putting you under pressure." The pressure comes from the defensive line in Nic Scourton (five sacks, 14 tackles for loss), Shemar Stewart (two sacks, five tackles for loss and eight QB hurries) and Shemar Turner (two sacks, six tackles for loss).

4. A leg up: Ian Vachon took over Auburn's kicking duties last week, making two field goals against Louisiana-Monroe. He will start against Texas A&M. He replaces Towns McGough, who is 5-of-12 on field goals. "We're not going to take the ball out of his hands right now," Freeze said. "He came through when he got his number called



Auburn's chances Saturday may hinge on keeping Texas A&M quarterback Marcel Reed contained. [SAM CRAFT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Saturday, so he'll get another chance." Vachon walked on at Auburn and was previously at Birmingham-Southern.

Player of game

Payton Thorne, QB

After a confidence-building win last week, Thorne should be up to the task of taking down the Aggies at home. Texas A&M allows 220 passing yards per game, and Thorne has some weapons to utilize at receiver.

Key matchup

Auburn RB Jarquez Hunter vs. Texas A&M RB Le'Veon Moss

The run game will determine the

outcome. Auburn has the better weapon in Jarquez Hunter (1,015 yards, five TDs) but the Aggies are tough up front on defense. Texas A&M counters with Le'Veon Moss (765, 10), who can break loose at any time.

By the numbers

0: Auburn is 0-10 in the Hugh Freeze era when allowing 20-plus points. Texas A&M averages 31 per game.

1: The Tigers lead the SEC in fewest penalties per game (5.40).

2: Auburn needs two wins to be bowl eligible. The Tigers last missed a bowl game in 2022.

87: Auburn is 87-31-6 all-time in home finales.

Prediction

Texas A&M 28, Auburn 13

Auburn has tried a combination of things to try and fix its issues. Freeze has simplified things offensively and defensively, and it seemed to help last week. But that was against ULM. Texas A&M is a different animal. If you are trying something new with two weeks left in the regular season, you've got big issues. It's going to be another disappointing loss as the Tigers limp into the Iron Bowl.

— Edwin Stanton

To Miami assistant, coaching is teaching

By Tim Reynolds
The Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — The way Miami offensive line coach Alex Mirabal sees things, coaching the players tasked with protecting Heisman Trophy-contending quarterback Cam Ward is like teaching math or history.

Either way, it aligns perfectly with his background.

Mirabal — maybe the closest friend and confidant of Miami coach Mario Cristobal, someone he's known for 40 years — learned the nuances of offensive line play from a pair of coaches who happened to be math teachers at Miami's Christopher Columbus High School. And in the first chapter of his professional life, Mirabal spent 16 years teaching American history and government.

Now he teaches blocking and schemes. His students are clearly listening.

"At the end of the day, I'm a teacher," Mirabal said. "And I think a lot of times people lose sight of that, that a coach is a teacher. But I am, and my subject matter now happens to be offensive line play."

The 11th-ranked Hurricanes (9-1, 5-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) lead the nation in points per game, yards per game and yards per play, with Ward rewriting the Miami record book.

"He coaches every player the same way," Ward said. "Whether you're a starting O-lineman, all the way to a walk-on, he coaches all those guys the same way. He emphasizes the little things to myself — getting in and out of the huddle with urgency, having great breaks in the huddle. I think what Coach Mirabal doesn't get enough credit for is the motivation he has for our O-line, the love he has for them. That's the reason we're doing so well on offense, those guys."

The average Miami starting offensive lineman is 6-foot-5, 314 pounds. They simply tower over Mirabal, who stands about a foot shorter and seems



Miami offensive line coach Alex Mirabal is "the best human being I know and the best teacher I know," head coach Mario Cristobal says. [JASON ALLEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

to be about half the size of the players he's coaching.

Mirabal actually was an offensive lineman in high school; that's how he and Cristobal — a star offensive lineman at Miami in his playing days — met. Dennis Lavelle was the head coach of those Columbus teams, Fred Foyo was the offensive line coach. Both were math teachers. Mirabal still speaks of their influence and how they approached the field the same way they did the classroom. That's why Mirabal still calls his daily practice plan a lesson plan, just like a teacher would.

"From a professional standpoint, he's the best human being I know and the best teacher I know," Cristobal said. "And I think if you ask our players, they'll tell you the same thing. His presence, his knowledge, his humility, his ability to change people's lives in a positive way and impact others is just different. There's no ego involved. Headstrong, like an offensive line coach should be. And it's a battle to try to beat him to the office. He's different. One of a kind."

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Alabama at Oklahoma

When: 6:30 p.m. Saturday

TV/radio: ABC/FM-93.9, AM-920

Records: No. 7 Alabama (8-2, 4-2 SEC), Oklahoma (5-5, 1-5)

The series: Oklahoma leads 3-2-1.

Four-down territory

1. Elite club: Quarterback Jalen Milroe has rushed for a Tide-leading 17 touchdowns and has passed for 15 TDs. According to rivals.com, Milroe could be just the fourth SEC quarterback to throw for 20 TDs and rush for 20 in a season. He'd be in pretty good company. Cam Newton, Johnny Manziel and Tim Tebow all won the Heisman Trophy. "He's had production in both areas, and the more you do well, both as a unit and as a player, the harder you are to defend," Alabama offensive coordinator Nick Sheridan said.

2. Turnover machine: The Crimson Tide defense has forced 24 turnovers this season, including three last week, one of which was the unit's first non-offensive touchdown. The 24 turnovers (14 interceptions, 10 fumble recoveries) are one behind the FBS lead (James Madison). "My dad taught me this years ago," Alabama defensive coordinator Kane Wommack said. "Takeaways, it's almost like muscle memory. You have to continue to preach it. You have to continue to drill it. Those are the things that are exciting, and it's becoming the identity of who we are as a team. That has to continue moving forward."

3. Even keel: When Alabama was sitting at 5-2, playing in the SEC title game didn't seem like a realistic goal. A spot in the playoffs even appeared to be slipping away. Fast forward to today and the Crimson Tide has a good chance to be in Atlanta and a playoff spot is there for the taking. However, Alabama coach Kalen DeBoer has Oklahoma on his mind. "Each and every game takes on its own life," he said. "For us, all we're focused on is the next play and for us the next game and everything that goes into being our best. And that's what the recipe for success has been here over the last month."

4. No score zone: Alabama has allowed just two touchdowns in the last three games. The one against LSU came in the final minute of the game and was meaningless. The other was also insignificant in the rout of Mercer. The Crimson Tide is No. 10 in the nation in scoring defense.



Qua Russaw, though Alabama has allowed just two touchdowns in its last three games, says the Crimson Tide yearns "to dominate." [VASHA HUNT/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

"Everybody is doing their job," linebacker Qua Russaw said. "We still have a lot of mistakes we have to clean up, but we want to dominate. We want to be like the old Bama."

Key matchup

Alabama QB Jalen Milroe vs. Oklahoma QB Jackson Arnold

Get ready to see both QBs making big plays. Since the Tennessee loss, Milroe has played solid, accounting for 410 passing yards with two TDs and 278 rushing yards with six TDs. Like Milroe, Arnold is a dual-threat player who can quickly change the game. He has 1,243 passing yards with 12 TDs and 238 rushing yards with three TDs.

Player of the game

James Burnip, P

Punters don't usually end up as your game's most valuable player, but Burnip deserves some love. He's a Ray Guy semifinalist and has down an outstanding job of flipping the field with 16 punts of over 50 yards. He's 13th in the nation in punting (45.32 average).

By the numbers

.71: Alabama leads the nation in punt return defense, allowing just 0.71 yards per return.

1: Alabama is making its second trip to Norman to play the Sooners. It lost the one game played there.

1: Jalen Milroe ranks No. 1 in the SEC in

total touchdowns (32) and is third in FBS.

13: Alabama leads the SEC with a plus-13 turnover margin, which is fourth-best in the FBS.

Prediction

Alabama 34, Oklahoma 13

This matchup sounded like primetime, must-see TV in the preseason. Now it sounds like a dud. That doesn't mean Oklahoma won't challenge Alabama. The Crimson Tide's road performances are mixed. Maybe the whipping Alabama put on LSU in Baton Rouge helped solve its road issues. With the way the defense is playing, expect a dominant Tide win.

— Edwin Stanton

UTEP at Tennessee

When: Noon Saturday

TV/radio: SEC+, ESPN+/FM-93.9, AM-920

Records: No. 6 Tennessee (8-2), UTEP (2-8)

The series: Tennessee leads 3-0.

Four-down territory

1. Where they stand: Tennessee is in a must-win situation for the next two weeks in order to make the playoffs. According to ESPN, the Vols have a 76% chance to make the 12-team field if they win out. A matchup with UTEP isn't worrisome. It's the game at Vanderbilt next week that could cause trouble. Tennessee needs Florida to take down Ole Miss, and a Georgia Tech win over Georgia would be huge. Alabama falling to Auburn or Army pulling the upset on Notre Dame would also help the Vols.

2. Turn the page: It's not easy to put a loss in the rear-view mirror and push forward. The Vols don't have a choice, though. With playoff implications in the air, Tennessee has to handle its business this week and stay focused against a dangerous Vandy team the following week. Head coach Josh Heupel thinks that can happen. "This is the next step for us," he said. "We have to go make it happen and continue to grow. They recognize the opportunity we have."

3. Last one: The seniors play their final game at Neyland Stadium and it's a special moment for receiver Bru McCoy. "It hasn't hit me yet," he said. "Maybe it will at practice and I'll be like, 'I don't know how many more of these I'm going to get.' These last few years have been instrumental in my development as a young man with my maturity. I found a home here and made some great relationships. I'm a kid from southern California, and when people ask me when I'm going home, I can tell them my home is in Knoxville."

4. Big Momma's house: For senior defensive lineman Omari Thomas, Tennessee has been a special place. One thing he will never forget about his experience is practice. "We have this sled we call 'Big Momma.' (Defensive line coach Rodney Carter) will tell us in practice, 'Oh, we're going to Big Momma's house today.' He makes you go 10 or 12 times until he's tired. That's a memory for sure."



Tennessee running back Dylan Sampson could have several opportunities to work on his touchdown dance when the Vols meet UTEP. [GEORGE WALKER IV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Key matchup

Tennessee WR Deont'e Thornton vs. UTEP WR Kenny Odom

Both players are the most consistent receivers for their teams. Thornton has excelled for the Vols with 505 receiving yards and four touchdowns. Odom is the star player for the Miners with 640 receiving yards and seven touchdowns.

Player of the game

Dylan Sampson, RB

The Vols' top running back should have no issues getting 100-plus yards,

and he probably will make an early exit, depending on the score. It will be interesting to see how many touchdowns he will score. He's seven off the SEC single-season mark of 28.

By the numbers

3: Dylan Sampson needs three rushing touchdowns to tie the UT career mark of 34.

13: Tennessee has 13 straight nonconference wins. The last loss was to Purdue in 2021.

12: UTEP ranks 100th or worse in the FBS 12 categories.

1,478: Total miles that separate the UTEP and Tennessee campuses.

Prediction

Tennessee 63, UTEP 6

The Vols will finish the season with a perfect home record, but the loss last week to Georgia will still sting. A playoff berth is still there for the taking, but a top-5 ranking would have been nice for Tennessee to look forward to. The Vols will take out their frustration on UTEP. This one will get ugly.

— Edwin Stanton

UNA at Eastern Kentucky

When: 1 p.m. Saturday

TV/radio: ESPN+/FM-98.3, FM-103.5

Records: UNA (3-8, 3-4 UAC), Eastern Kentucky (7-4, 5-2)

The series: Eastern Kentucky leads 2-0.

Four-down territory

1. Better end than start? North Alabama began the season with a five-game losing streak. The Lions could finish their season on a four-game skid if they lose to Eastern Kentucky, which comes on the heels of dropping their last three games in 2023. UNA has had a mixed bag when it comes to regular-season finales since leaving Division II. The Lions are 3-3 in such games, including losing their finales in each of the past two seasons. Of course, those were also money games against FBS teams.

2. Arriving on time: Showing up has apparently been an issue of late for UNA. Perhaps it's been the earlier start times? Against Austin Peay, the Lions trailed 24-3 at halftime and made it a one-score game by the end of third quarter before the Governors scored some insurance points in the fourth. A week later, UNA trailed 21-7 at Southern Utah and again made it a one-score game by the end of the third before TJ Smith threw a pick-6. Both games, naturally, ended in losses. Let's see if the Lions can break that trend this week.

3. Trying to mix things up: Shortly after UNA's 38-26 loss at Southern Utah, head coach Brent Dearmon decided to fire offensive line coach Richard Hutchings and defensive line coach Thomas Johnston. The Lions were off last week. Chances are offensive analyst Bret Peterson and defensive analyst Kyle Persons will lead the offensive and defensive lines, respectively.

4. Dethroned: This is good news for UNA. The Lions no longer lead — or share the lead — for the most turnovers lost in the FCS. Instead, the top spot is held by Stetson with 26. UNA is tied for second with East Tennessee and Mississippi Valley State 24. Among Division I teams, the Lions are tied for fourth with the other two and San Jose State. Southern Miss also has 26 turnovers, while East Carolina has 25. Eastern Kentucky, meanwhile, has



TJ Smith threw for a career-best 452 yards against Southern Utah, but he also tossed a pair of costly interceptions. [DREW BARTON/NORTH ALABAMA ATHLETICS]

forced 14 turnovers — eight interceptions and six fumbles.

Key matchup

EKU RB Joshua Carter vs. UNA DL

Carter leads the Colonels with 1,028 rushing yards (good for fourth in the UAC) and 13 touchdowns (tied for third). The Lions have had some trouble against the league's top tailbacks. Tarleton State's Kayvon Britten ran for 273 yards and four scores. Southern Utah's Targhee Lambson ran for 166 yards and three touchdowns. UNA was able to limit Central Arkansas' ShunDerrick Powell to just 70 yards.

Player of the week

TJ Smith, QB

Smith threw for a career-high 452 yards and three touchdowns against Southern Utah, but he hampered his outing with a pair of interceptions, including the pick-6. Smith has thrown six interceptions this season. All six have come over the last four games with two featuring multiple picks.

By the numbers

4: The number of consecutive games Eastern Kentucky has won.

1-5: UNA's record away from the cozy

confines of Braly Stadium. The win was at West Georgia, which happens to be 4-7.

45: The number of games Takairree Kenebrew has played in during his seven-year UNA career. Saturday will mark 46.

21-48: UNA's record as a Division I program entering the season finale.

Prediction

Eastern Kentucky 31, UNA 24

The Lions can officially start prepping for next season after this game.

— David Glovach

This week's SEC, state games

No. 9 Ole Miss at Florida

When: 11 a.m. Saturday

TV: ABC

Records: Ole Miss (8-2, 4-2 SEC), Florida (5-5, 3-4)

The series: Tied 12-12-1.

The lowdown: Both are coming off wins against ranked opponents. Ole Miss beat then-No. 2 Georgia 28-10 on Nov. 9 before its bye week. It was the Rebels' first top-five win since 2015 and just the 15th in school history. ... Florida topped then-No. 21 LSU 27-16 last week. ... The Gators have won 17 of their last 23 in the Swamp. ... The Rebels are 6-4-1 all-time in the Swamp. ... Florida has had the upper hand in the series since 1959. The Gators were 1-7-1 prior and are 11-5 after. Their first win was in 1945. The score was 26-13. ... Ole Miss QB Jaxon Dart is 372 passing yards shy of Eli Manning's school career record of 10,119.

Sam Houston State at Jacksonville State

When: 11 a.m. Saturday

TV: CBSSN

Records: Sam Houston State (8-2, 5-1 Conference USA), Jacksonville State (7-3, 6-0)

The series: Tied 6-6.

The lowdown: Jacksonville State moved to the top of the CUSA standings with last week's 34-31 home win over Florida International. ... Sam Houston State, with a win Saturday, will join the Gamecocks atop the league. ... JSU has won seven straight, its longest winning streak since 2017. ... Last week, the Gamecocks used two fourth-quarter 56-yard touchdowns to win. The first was a pass from Tyler Huff to Sean Brown. The second, a Tre Stewart run. Both in a 2 ½-minute span. ... "As we say, Jax State football, are you not entertained?" coach Rich Rodriguez said. "This isn't too good for my heart or my family's hearts." ... Stewart's 136 yards on 22 attempts marked his sixth straight 100-yard game. ... The Bearcats marked their first overtime win on the road since 2011 with last week's 23-17 victory at Kennesaw State. ... Hunter Watson ran for a 10-yard walkoff touchdown.

UMass at No. 8 Georgia

When: 11:45 a.m. Saturday

TV: SEC Network

Records: UMass (2-8), Georgia (8-2)



Eli Manning is in danger of losing his spot as Ole Miss' all-time leading passer. [DONNA MCWILLIAM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

The series: Georgia leads 1-0.

The lowdown: UMass fired coach Don Brown on Monday. The school called it "a leadership change." The Minutemen went 6-28 in two-plus seasons of Brown's third stint at the school. He was the defensive coordinator from 1998-99 and the head coach from 2004-08. ... UMass lost 35-34 in overtime against Liberty after leading 20-7 at halftime. The Minutemen missed a 43-yard field goal at the end of regulation, but scored the first touchdown in overtime only to miss the PAT. Liberty did not. ... Georgia responded from its first non-Alabama loss since 2020 with a 31-17 win over then-No. 7 Tennessee. ... The Bulldogs have won 29 consecutive home games. ...



Tyler Huff and Jacksonville State seem keen on giving coach Rich Rodriguez some heart trouble. [JACKSONVILLE STATE ATHLETICS]



Alabama A&M's preparation this week will likely lead the players and coaches noticing they're facing perhaps the worst Division I team in college football. [ALABAMA A&M ATHLETICS]

SEC

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Georgia is 36-2 in nonconference games under coach Kirby Smart.

Alabama A&M at Mississippi Valley State

When: noon Saturday
TV: The Grio
Records: Alabama A&M (5-5, 3-4 SWAC), Mississippi Valley State (1-10, 1-6)

The series: Alabama A&M leads 22-3.
The lowdown: A&M, with a win, will clinch its first non-losing season since 2021, and the Bulldogs are facing one of the most-wretched programs in the land. ... The Delta Devils are finishing their 18th consecutive losing season. Their 6-5 record in 2006 is but a fleeting memory, one of just two winning years this century. ... Alas, MVSU took a winless season off the table with last week's surprising 24-21 victory at Florida A&M. ... It ended a 15-game losing streak. ... Still, the Delta Devils are staring at their first 11-loss season since a winless 2001. ... Alabama A&M beat Grambling State 22-17 last week with Victor Barbosa kicking four field goals.

Rice at UAB

When: 1 p.m. Saturday
TV: ESPN+
Records: Rice (3-7, 2-4 American), UAB (2-8, 1-5)
The series: UAB leads 6-5.



Gio Lopez and South Alabama could become bowl eligible against a reeling Southern Miss program. [SOUTH ALABAMA ATHLETICS]

The lowdown: The Blazers continued marking time until the end of the season with last week's 53-18 loss at Memphis. ... Rice is doing the same having lost 27-20 at Memphis in its last game two weeks ago. ... This game has the potent combination of the nation's No. 111 ranked offense (Rice) against the No. 100 defense (UAB). ... The Owls are easing toward their 10th straight losing season. ... UAB's Amare Thomas has 56 catches this year to rank sixth on the school's all-time list. With two more, he'll be tied for fourth. ... Thomas' 109 career receptions is eighth on the school's list. With eight more, he'll be fifth. Thomas is a sophomore. ... Rice has won two straight



UAB's defense hasn't had much success stopping anyone this season. [UAB ATHLETICS]



Former UMass coach Don Brown won't have to worry about watching how Georgia disbands the Minutemen this weekend. [BUTCH DILL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

against the Blazers by a combined 10 points. ... Of the 11 previous games in the series, six have been decided by six points or less.

South Alabama at Southern Miss

When: 2 p.m. Saturday
TV: ESPN+
Records: South Alabama (5-5, 4-2 Sun Belt), Southern Miss (1-9, 0-6)
The series: South Alabama leads 4-0.
The lowdown: Southern Miss has not responded well to having its head coach fired. Will Hall, once a North Alabama star quarterback, walked the plank after the Golden Eagles started 1-6. ... USM, in three games since, has been outscored

127-21, including last weekend's 58-3 humiliation at Texas State. ... Might South Alabama give 58-3 a run? The Jags bludgeoned the Eagles 55-3 last year. ... Last week's 55-point woodshedding was USM's worst loss in a measly 56 years. San Diego State laid a 68-7 beatdown of the Eagles in 1968. Those were the days. ... South Alabama can become bowl eligible for a third straight season. ... The Jaguars nixed Louisiana-Lafayette's playoff hopes last week, winning 24-22 by stopping a two-point conversion with 1:16 remaining. ... South led 24-3 in the first half and 24-6 entering the fourth quarter.



The last time Texas and Kentucky played each other, some coach named Paul “Bear” Bryant was leading the Wildcats. [THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]



Will Shane Beamer and South Carolina be as excited after playing FCS Wofford? [ARTIE WALKER JR./THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

SEC

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Kentucky at No. 3 Texas

When: 2:30 p.m. Saturday

TV: ABC

Records: Kentucky (4-6, 1-6 SEC), Texas (9-1, 5-1)

The series: Texas leads 1-0.

The lowdown: The last time Kentucky and Texas played was 1951. The No. 11 Longhorns came away with a barn-burning 7-6 victory in the season opener in Austin. Texas forced six turnovers against Paul “Bear” Bryant’s Wildcats. There were 4,700 fans in attendance. ... It appears that Bryant recovered from the loss. ... This is Kentucky’s fourth game against a top-10 team. The Wildcats beat Ole Miss, but lost to Georgia and Tennessee. ... Texas is the only team in the country with eight wins over FBS opponents that are .500 or better. The Longhorns will not get a ninth this week. ... A win would give Texas consecutive 10-win seasons for the first time since 2008-09. The Longhorns had 10-plus wins every year from 2001-09.

Wofford at No. 19 South Carolina

When: 3 p.m. Saturday

TV: SEC+

Records: South Carolina (7-3), Wofford



Arkansas’ Andrew Armstrong has been among the SEC’s most impactful receivers over the nine games he has played. [MICHAEL WOODS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

(5-6)

The series: South Carolina leads 20-4.

The lowdown: South Carolina gets a breather after four straight wins, including three against ranked opponents. The Gamecocks beat then-No. 10 Texas A&M, followed that with a victory over No. 24 Vanderbilt before winning against

No. 24 Missouri. ... This is Wofford’s season finale. ... The Terriers’ last win over South Carolina was in 1917. Wofford won 20-0 in Spartanburg. The Terriers’ last win in Columbia was 1869. The score was 6-4. ... Wofford is 1-25 against FBS schools with the win coming against Louisiana-Monroe in 2000. ... South

Carolina is 13-1 against in-state FCS foes since 2006. The loss was to The Citadel in 2015.

Louisiana Tech at Arkansas

When: 3 p.m. Saturday

TV: SEC+

Records: Louisiana Tech (4-6), Arkansas (5-5)

The series: Arkansas leads 4-0.

The lowdown: Both teams need to win to keep their bowl dreams alive. Arkansas will do so if it comes out ahead Saturday. Louisiana Tech will have to win its final two games to be bowl eligible. ... This is the programs’ first meeting since 2016. The Razorbacks won 21-20. Austin Allen tossed a 4-yard touchdown to Jeremy Sprinkle with 6:37 left in the fourth quarter. ... Through his nine games played, after missing the season opener, Arkansas receiver Andrew Armstrong leads the SEC in both receiving yards per game (103.4) and receptions per game (6.8). ... Louisiana Tech has scored just 26 offensive touchdowns this season.

Missouri at Mississippi State

When: 3:15 p.m. Saturday

TV: SEC Network

Records: Missouri (7-3, 3-3 SEC), Mississippi State (2-8, 0-6)



Mississippi State is creeping towards 2002 territory when Jackie Sherrill was the coach. That would be a winless mark in SEC play. [JIM LYTLE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

SEC

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The series: Tied 2-2.
The lowdown: Mississippi State is coming off a bye week. Missouri lost 34-30 at South Carolina last week. ... This is the second straight time the Bulldogs have hosted the Tigers on senior day. The other time was 2020. Mississippi State won 51-32. ... All three of Missouri's losses have been on the road. The Tigers lost at Texas A&M, Alabama and South Carolina. ... The Bulldogs' wins were against an FCS school and a Group of Five opponent that just fired its coach. ... The last time Mississippi State went winless in the SEC was in 2002 when Jackie Sherrill was the coach. It's one of 10 such seasons for the Bulldogs. Mississippi State has two games to make it 11. The Bulldogs play at Ole Miss next week.

Troy at Louisiana-Lafayette

When: 4 p.m. Saturday
TV: ESPN+
Records: Troy (3-7, 2-4 Sun Belt), Louisiana-Lafayette (8-2, 5-1)
The series: ULL leads 13-11.
The lowdown: The Ragin' Cajuns tossed their College Football Playoff hopes into a bowl of Louisiana gumbo last week with a 24-22 home loss to South Alabama. Hot sauce, anyone? ... ULL still has a clear path to a berth in the Sun



Like the LSU fan base, Brian Kelly has to be quite bummed about the Tigers' recent stretch. [JOHN RAOUX/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Belt championship game by winning its last two games. ... Speaking of surprises, Troy took out Sun Belt East-leading Georgia Southern 28-20 last week. At Georgia Southern, no less. ... The Trojans own two straight wins over the Cajuns

by a combined 13 points. ... Troy had 441 yards offense last week, its third straight game with at least that many. ... Matthew Caldwell, in three games since starting QB Goose Crowder retired from football, has completed 70% of his passes for 761



Troy wouldn't mind showing off a few more dance moves after its game against Louisiana-Lafayette. [TROY ATHLETICS]

yards and six touchdowns against three interceptions.

Vanderbilt at LSU

When: 6:45 p.m. Saturday
TV: SEC Network
Records: Vanderbilt (6-4, 3-3 SEC), LSU (6-4, 3-3)
The series: LSU leads 24-7-1.
The lowdown: Maybe call it the Omar Curse? LSU has lost two straight since Louisiana Gov. Jeff Landry played "rent that tiger" and brought in Omar from Florida to appear at LSU's last home game. ... The Tigers took a 42-13 mule-kicking from Alabama that night and fell 27-16 at Florida last week. ... But LSU did start losing before that, stumbling at Texas A&M, and currently has a three-game skid that has left an irreparable mark on any playoff dreams. ... Vandy, already bowl eligible, surrendered 214 yards rushing in last week's 28-7 home loss to South Carolina. ... LSU is trying to avoid its first four-game losing streak since an eight-gamer in 1999 that ended Gerry DiNardo's coaching tenure. The Tigers had Nick Saban prowling the sideline a year later. ... LSU owns nine straight wins over Vandy, which last beat the Tigers in 1990, the final chapter of Mike Archer's time at LSU. The Commodores haven't won in Baton Rouge since 1951. Before that? 1902.

— A. Stacy Long and David Glovach

Retzlaff doesn't fit BYU's normal mold

By Hannah Schoenbaum
The Associated Press

PROVO, Utah — Shortly after sunset on Saturday, Rabbi Chaim Zippel clasped an overflowing cup of wine and a tin of smelling spices as he marked the end of the Sabbath with a small Jewish congregation at his home near Provo, which doubles as the county's only synagogue.

The conclusion of the ceremony known as Havdalah set off a mad dash to change into blue and white fan gear and drive to the football stadium at nearby Brigham Young University, the Utah private school run by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Zippel never expected to become a BYU fan, or even a football follower, but that changed when the school where 98.5% of students belong to the faith known widely as the Mormon church added its first Jewish quarterback to the roster.

With Jake Retzlaff at the helm, the Cougars won nine straight games in what was shaping up to be a storied season before last weekend's loss to the Kansas Jayhawks ended their undefeated run. Even so, BYU — ranked No. 14 in the AP Top 25 — could end the season at the top of the Big 12 Conference with a chance to make the College Football Playoff.

Retzlaff has earned a hero's embrace by rabbis and others in Provo's tiny but tight-knit Jewish community while also becoming a favorite of the broader BYU fan base that lovingly calls him the "BYJew."

One of just three Jewish students in a student body of 35,000, the quarterback and team co-captain who worked his way into the starting lineup has used his newfound stardom to teach others about his own faith while taking steps to learn more about Judaism for himself.

"I came here thinking I might not fit in with the culture, so this will be a place where I can just focus on school and football," Retzlaff said. "But I found that, in a way, I do fit. People are curious. And when everybody around you is so faith-oriented, it makes you want to explore your faith more."

The junior college transfer from Corona, California, formed a fast friendship with the Utah rabbi when he came to BYU in 2023. The two began studying Judaism fundamentals each week in the campus library, which would help Retzlaff speak confidently about his faith in



BYU quarterback Jake Retzlaff, one of three Jewish students in a student body of 35,000, has become a notable standout for the Cougars in more ways than one. [RICHARD W. RODRIGUEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

public and in his many required religion classes.

BYU undergraduates must take classes about the Book of Mormon, the gospel of Jesus Christ and the faith's core belief that families can be together forever if marriages are performed in temples. Retzlaff said he was surprised to find many references to the Jewish people in the Book of Mormon. Some classmates and fans have even called him "the chosen one," referring to both his success on the field and a Latter-day Saint belief that members of the Jewish faith are God's chosen people.

"It's a lot of respect, honestly. They're

putting me on a mantel sometimes, and I'm like, 'Whoa guys, I don't know about that,'" he said with a laugh.

Retzlaff, 21, has embraced becoming an ambassador for his faith in college football and in a state where only 0.2% of residents are Jewish. The redshirt junior wears a silver Star of David necklace on campus and attends dinners on Shabbat, the Jewish day of rest, at the rabbi's house during the offseason.

When Retzlaff led Provo's first public Hanukkah menorah lighting last December, Zippel said he was touched to hear the quarterback speak about the importance of his visibility at a time when some

Jewish students didn't feel safe expressing their religious identity on their own campuses amid heightened antisemitism in the United States.

His presence has been especially impactful for BYU alumna Malka Moya, 30, who had struggled to navigate her intersecting identities on the campus as someone who is both Jewish and a Latter-day Saint.

"Jake feels very comfortable wearing his Star of David all the time," said Moya, who lives near Provo. "I haven't always been very comfortable with expressing my Jewish identity. But, more recently, I feel like if he can do it, I can do it."

COLLEGE STANDINGS

(Through Nov. 16 games)

American Athletic Conference								
	Conference			All Games				
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA		
Army	7	0	255	83	9	0	317	93
Tulane	7	0	306	86	9	2	445	187
Memphis	5	2	266	213	9	2	388	249
Navy	5	2	224	156	7	3	321	235
East Carolina	4	2	225	199	6	4	330	272
South Florida	3	3	158	164	5	5	286	283
UTSA	3	3	222	192	5	5	312	320
North Texas	2	4	204	216	5	5	356	357
Charlotte	2	4	148	221	3	7	216	367
Rice	2	4	117	146	3	7	217	237
Temple	2	4	103	213	3	7	191	350
Tulsa	1	5	135	263	3	7	254	384
UAB	1	5	150	265	2	8	247	368
FAU	0	6	118	214	2	8	221	308

Atlantic Coast Conference								
	Conference			All Games				
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA		
SMU	6	0	230	133	9	1	399	224
Clemson	7	1	294	174	8	2	363	228
Miami	5	1	241	190	9	1	450	231
Syracuse	4	3	194	205	7	3	318	282
Georgia Tech	4	3	170	175	6	4	277	225
Louisville	4	3	226	211	6	4	361	256
Duke	3	3	145	160	7	3	268	221
Pittsburgh	3	3	156	148	7	3	350	250
North Carolina	3	3	185	145	6	4	337	262
Virginia	3	3	144	176	5	5	248	275
Virginia Tech	3	3	173	134	5	5	291	225
Boston College	2	4	155	179	5	5	276	245
NC State	2	4	184	197	5	5	286	306
Wake Forest	2	4	165	211	4	6	277	325
Stanford	2	5	147	256	3	7	222	346
California	1	5	156	163	5	5	283	207
Florida St.	1	7	118	226	1	9	133	298

Big 12 Conference						
	Conference			All Games		
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA
BYU	6	1	223 153	9	1	316 195
Colorado	6	1	272 164	8	2	341 227
Arizona St.	5	2	199 170	8	2	308 228
Iowa St.	5	2	221 157	8	2	314 186
Kansas St.	4	3	189 179	7	3	295 219
Baylor	4	3	263 247	6	4	351 276
TCU	4	3	211 183	6	4	332 276
Texas Tech	4	3	221 242	6	4	355 351
West Virginia	4	3	201 214	5	5	296 300
Cincinnati	3	4	182 170	5	5	274 234
Houston	3	4	88 175	4	6	140 225
Kansas	3	4	217 197	4	6	302 246
Arizona	2	5	136 203	4	6	226 283
UCF	2	5	215 223	4	6	330 264
Utah	1	6	217 170	4	6	227 203
Oklahoma St.	0	7	150 258	3	7	278 319

Big Sky Conference								
	Conference			All Games				
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA		
Montana St.	7	0	295	118	11	0	454	193
UC Davis	6	1	276	151	9	2	381	239
Idaho	5	2	198	194	8	3	297	268
Montana	5	2	239	178	8	3	397	266
N. Arizona	5	2	203	119	7	4	338	202
Idaho St.	3	4	237	286	5	6	368	414
E. Washington	3	4	298	265	4	7	412	404
Cal Poly	2	5	152	234	3	7	211	316
Weber St.	2	5	228	237	3	8	312	317
Portland St.	2	5	203	257	2	8	277	428
Sacramento St.	1	6	190	280	3	8	312	375
N. Colorado	1	6	70	270	1	10	123	408

Big South-OVC Association								
	Conference			All Games				
	W	L	P	W	L	P		
SE Missouri	6	1	239	178	9	2	349	237
Tennessee St.	5	2	181	138	8	3	293	253
UT Martin	5	2	251	141	7	4	348	254
Tennessee Tech	5	2	190	148	6	5	265	257
L'wood (Mo.)	4	3	195	207	5	6	289	317
Gardner-Webb	3	4	172	217	4	7	266	299
E. Illinois	2	5	175	241	3	8	216	368
W. Illinois	2	5	226	279	3	8	327	493
Chas. Southern	0	8	120	200	1	10	165	280

Big Ten Conference								
	Conference			All Games				
	W	L	P	W	L	P		
Indiana	7	0	279	114	10	0	439	138
Oregon	8	0	263	111	11	0	373	173
Ohio St.	6	1	221	83	9	1	378	103
Penn St.	6	1	206	97	9	1	330	136
Illinois	4	3	173	180	7	3	271	206
Iowa	4	3	197	141	6	4	294	182
Minnesota	4	3	175	158	6	4	267	177



SMU fans can raise a toast to the only remaining team unbeaten in ACC play. [MICHAEL AINSWORTH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

Washington	4	4	165	189	6	5	249	225
Rutgers	3	4	144	187	6	4	263	234
Michigan	3	4	134	171	5	5	204	230
Wisconsin	3	4	174	140	5	5	239	209
Southern Cal	3	5	228	200	5	5	303	220
UCLA	3	5	155	224	4	6	188	271
Nebraska	2	5	130	180	5	5	232	200
Michigan St.	2	5	119	222	4	6	194	255
Northwestern	2	5	116	189	4	6	180	228
Maryland	1	6	149	252	4	6	264	292
Purdue	0	7	95	285	1	9	172	389

Coastal Athletic Association						
	Conference			All Games		
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA
Richmond	7	0	202 126	9	2	310 210
Delaware	6	1	230 154	9	1	356 193
Rhode Island	6	1	195 145	9	2	274 252
Stony Brook	5	2	220 163	8	3	309 242
Villanova	5	2	161 135	8	3	257 203
New Hampshire	5	2	165 131	7	4	257 242
William & Mary	4	3	227 163	7	4	351 255
Towson	4	3	179 165	5	6	265 276
Elon	4	3	199 187	5	6	274 290
Maine	3	4	189 203	5	6	270 332
Monmouth (NJ)	3	4	243 210	5	6	413 355
Hampton	2	5	196 204	5	6	321 282
Albany (NY)	1	6	109 184	3	8	194 305
Campbell	1	6	148 205	3	8	254 348
Bryant	0	7	133 249	2	9	235 392
NC A&T	0	7	77 249	1	10	166 425

Conference USA								
	Conference				All Games			
Jacksonville St.	6	0	268	146	7	3	387	294
Sam Houston St.	5	1	128	90	8	2	247	201
W. Kentucky	5	1	203	106	7	3	280	211

Liberty	4	2	171	133	7	2	282	215
Louisiana Tech	3	4	154	141	4	6	219	211
FIU	2	4	134	128	3	7	255	258
Middle Tenn.	2	4	113	194	3	7	172	340
UTEP	2	5	144	203	2	8	192	297
New Mexico St.	1	5	122	220	2	8	188	372
Kennesaw St.	1	5	122	198	1	9	171	315

Ivy League

	Conference			All Games				
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA		
Harvard	5	1	199	125	8	1	297	182
Dartmouth	4	2	163	168	7	2	244	211
Columbia	4	2	118	106	6	3	190	152
Yale	3	3	205	176	6	3	304	252
Cornell	3	3	225	208	4	5	293	301
Penn	2	4	177	182	4	5	257	249
Brown	2	4	145	193	3	6	227	280
Princeton	1	5	139	213	2	7	196	295

Mid-American Conference								
East	Conference			All Games				
	W	L	Pts	W	L	Pts		
Ohio	5	1	200	91	7	3	276	196
Bowling Green	5	1	156	95	6	4	271	202
Miami (Ohio)	5	1	195	99	6	4	243	187
Toledo	4	2	150	135	7	3	299	211
Buffalo	4	2	202	208	6	4	269	309
W. Michigan	4	2	220	201	5	5	313	343
N. Illinois	3	3	137	112	6	4	258	185
E. Michigan	2	4	163	194	5	5	273	272
Ball St.	2	4	207	218	3	7	270	401
Cent. Michigan	1	5	126	205	3	7	239	318
Akron	1	5	125	182	2	8	186	353
Kent St.	0	6	102	243	0	10	143	448

Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference								
	Conference			All Games				
	WL	PF	PA	WL	PF	PA		
SC State	4	0	185	77	8	2	337	209
NC Central	3	1	100	44	7	3	339	192
Morgan St.	2	2	88	135	5	6	257	259
Norfolk St.	2	2	106	114	4	7	225	288
Howard	1	3	75	85	4	7	217	279
Delaware St.	0	4	82	181	1	10	202	394

PICKS
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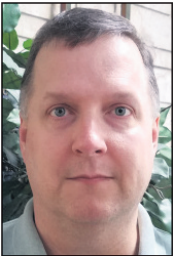
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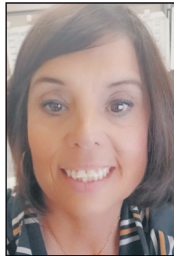
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Notre Dame
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FBS LEADERS

RUSHING YARDS

	No.	Yards	Tds	YPC
Ashton Jeanty, Boise St.	256	1,893	26	7.4
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina	248	1,422	14	5.7
RJ Harvey, UCF	196	1,328	19	6.8
Kaleb Johnson, Iowa	188	1,328	20	7.1
Makhi Hughes, Tulane	234	1,291	15	5.5
Dylan Sampson, Tennessee	220	1,230	21	5.6
Tre Stewart, Jacksonville St.	190	1,219	19	6.4
Tahj Brooks, Texas Tech	235	1,184	11	5.0
DJ Giddens, Kansas St.	176	1,128	5	6.4
Mario Anderson Jr., Memphis	195	1,115	16	5.7
Cam Skattebo, Arizona St.	198	1,074	11	5.4
Jordan James, Oregon	191	1,067	11	5.6
Devon Dampier, New Mexico	138	1,065	16	7.7
Marquez Cooper, San Diego St.	246	1,062	9	4.3
Bryson Daily, Army	174	1,062	21	6.1
Kyle Monangai, Rutgers	197	1,028	12	5.2
Brashard Smith, SMU	158	1,026	12	6.5
Woody Marks, Southern California	174	1,024	9	5.9
Jarquez Hunter, Auburn	146	1,015	5	7.0
Jonah Coleman, Washington	173	1,008	9	5.8
Quinton Cooley, Liberty	162	998	11	6.2
Phil Mahaf, Clemson	178	998	8	5.6
Rahsul Faison, Utah St.	177	991	8	5.6
Ahmad Hardy, La.-Monroe	179	975	10	5.4
Bhayshul Tuten, Virginia Tech	146	951	12	6.5
Eli Sanders, New Mexico	130	942	9	7.2
Devin Neal, Kansas	162	926	12	5.7
Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest	189	919	11	4.9
Corey Kiner, Cincinnati	166	903	3	5.42

PASSING EFFICIENCY

	C	A	I	Yds.	Tds	Effic.
Jaxson Dart, Ole Miss	211	298	4	3,409	22	188.6
Kurtis Rourke, Indiana	171	238	4	2,410	21	182.7
Will Howard, Ohio St.	186	255	5	2,484	24	181.9
Cameron Ward, Miami (Fla.)	241	361	6	3,494	32	174.0
Drew Allar, Penn St.	166	231	5	2,253	16	172.3
Darian Mensah, Tulane	151	229	4	2,197	18	169.0
Dillon Gabriel, Oregon	259	351	6	3,066	22	164.4
Caden Veltkamp, Western Ky.	167	239	7	2,102	19	164.1
Jordan McCloud, Texas St.	198	283	8	2,370	25	163.8
Thomas Castellanos, Boston Col.	99	161	5	1,366	18	163.4
John Mateer, Washington St.	191	302	6	2,707	26	163.0
Shedeer Sanders, Colorado	280	384	7	3,222	27	163.0
Jalen Milroe, Alabama	160	237	6	2,232	15	162.4
Haji-Malik Williams, UNLV	107	165	3	1,436	14	162.3
Kevin Jennings, SMU	151	231	6	2,198	15	161.5
Braylon Braxton, Marshall	80	132	2	1,101	13	160.1
Ben Wooldridge, Louisiana	185	271	5	2,392	17	159.4
Quinn Ewers, Texas	169	247	6	1,898	21	156.2
Payton Thorne, Auburn	156	245	7	2,111	18	154.6
Josh Hoover, TCU	256	378	8	3,233	22	154.5



Boise State's Ashton Jeanty [GODOFREDO A. VASQUEZ/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

RECEIVING YARDS

	Rec.	Yards	Tds	YPC
Nick Nash, San Jose St.	95	1,282	14	13.5
Harold Fannin Jr., Bowling Green	83	1,170	8	14.1
Tetairoa McMillan, Arizona	69	1,136	7	16.5
Tai Felton, Maryland	86	1,040	7	12.1
Tre Harris, Ole Miss	59	987	6	16.7
Jack Bech, TCU	56	982	9	17.5
Ja'Corey Brooks, Louisville	57	945	8	16.6
Jamaal Pritchett, South Alabama	73	940	7	12.9
Jaylin Noel, Iowa St.	56	935	5	16.7
Xavier Restrepo, Miami (Fla.)	55	934	10	17.0
Andrew Armstrong, Arkansas	61	931	1	15.3
Eric Rivers, FIU	48	930	9	19.4
Justin Lockhart, San Jose St.	48	925	4	19.3
Travis Hunter, Colorado	74	911	9	12.3
Coleman Owen, Ohio	56	882	5	15.8
Devonte Ross, Troy	63	878	10	13.9
Kyle Williams, Washington St.	51	872	11	17.1
Ricky White III, UNLV	63	867	10	13.8
Jeremiah Smith, Ohio St.	49	865	9	17.7
Jayden Higgins, Iowa St.	68	860	7	12.6
Josh Kelly, Texas Tech	76	842	5	11.1
Kaedrin Robinson, App State	53	840	2	15.6
Jalen Royals, Utah St.	55	834	6	15.2



Memphis' Mario Anderson [JOHN AMIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS]

SCORING

	Tds	XP	2-pt.	FG	Def.	Pts.
Ashton Jeanty, Boise St.	27	0	0	0	0	162
RJ Harvey, UCF	21	0	1	0	0	128
Bryson Daily, Army	21	0	0	0	0	126
Kaleb Johnson, Iowa	21	0	0	0	0	126
Dylan Sampson, Tennessee	21	0	0	0	0	126
Tre Stewart, Jacksonville St.	20	0	0	0	0	120
Caden Chittenden, UNLV	0	43	0	22	0	109
Mario Anderson Jr., Memphis	18	0	0	0	0	108
Caden Davis, Ole Miss	0	47	0	20	0	107
Kenneth Almondare, Louisiana	0	36	0	22	0	102
Jalen Milroe, Alabama	17	0	0	0	0	102
Makhi Hughes, Tulane	17	0	0	0	0	102
Collin Rogers, SMU	0	40	0	19	0	97
Devon Dampier, New Mexico	16	0	0	0	0	96
Will Ferrin, BYU	0	35	0	19	0	92
Max Gilbert, Tennessee	0	40	0	17	0	91
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina	15	0	0	0	0	90
Ben Sauls, Pittsburgh	0	38	0	17	0	89
Brashard Smith, SMU	14	0	2	0	0	88
Randy Bond, Texas A&M	0	36	0	17	0	87
Andres Borregales, Miami (Fla.)	0	48	0	13	0	87
Nolan Hauser, Clemson	0	45	0	14	0	87

(A receiver scores on a touchdown pass, not the passer.)

ALL-PURPOSE YARDS

	Rush	Rec	Punt	KO INT	Misc.	Total
Ashton Jeanty, Boise St.	1,893	98	0	0	0	1,991
Omarion Hampton, North Carolina	1,422	281	0	0	0	1,703
RJ Harvey, UCF	1,328	229	0	37	0	1,594
Cam Skattebo, Arizona St.	1,074	448	0	0	0	1,522
Brashard Smith, SMU	1,026	203	-2	243	0	1,470
Kaleb Johnson, Iowa	1,328	109	0	0	0	1,437
Mario Anderson Jr., Memphis	1,115	294	0	14	0	1,423
Desmond Reid, Pittsburgh	738	536	145	0	0	1,419
Makhi Hughes, Tulane	1,291	128	0	0	0	1,419
Jaden Nixon, Western Mich.	869	71	0	452	0	1,392
DJ Giddens, Kansas St.	1,128	219	0	0	0	1,347
Dylan Sampson, Tennessee	1,230	110	0	0	0	1,340
Tre Stewart, Jacksonville St.	1,219	109	0	0	0	1,328
Woody Marks, Southern Cal	1,024	296	0	0	0	1,320
Tahj Brooks, Texas Tech	1,184	99	0	0	0	1,283
Nick Nash, San Jose St.	-9	1,282	0	0	0	1,273
Demond Claiborne, Wake Forest	919	236	0	117	0	1,272
Devonte Ross, Troy	19	878	151	192	0	1,240
Harold Fannin Jr., Bowling Green	49	1,170	0	0	0	1,219
Jordan James, Oregon	1,067	142	0	0	0	1,209
Winston Wright Jr., E. Carolina	89	492	18	569	0	1,168
Jonah Coleman, Washington	1,008	160	0	0	0	1,168
Jaylin Noel, Iowa St.	15	935	168	40	0	1,158
LeQuint Allen, Syracuse	761	393	0	0	0	1,154
Marquez Cooper, San Diego St.	1,062	91	0	0	0	1,153
Jarquez Hunter, Auburn	1,015	132	0	0	0	1,147
Ja'Quez Cross, Arkansas St.	543	185	0	411	0	1,139
Isaac Brown, Louisville	803	131	9	193	0	1,136
Tetairoa McMillan, Arizona	0	1,136	0	0	0	1,136

(While receiving is an all-purpose yard, passing is not.)

TACKLES

	Solo	Asst	Total	TPG
Shaun Dolac, Buffalo	66	71	137	13.7
Red Murdock, Buffalo	59	67	126	12.6
Travion Barnes, FIU	51	58	109	12.1
Carson Schwesinger, UCLA	69	39	108	10.8
Nick Andersen, Wake Forest	51	54	105	10.5
Colin Ramos, Navy	43	59	102	10.2
Isaac Smith, Mississippi St.	42	59	101	11.2
Jacob Rodriguez, Texas Tech	61	40	101	10.1
Jackson Woodard, UNLV	46	53	99	9.9
Jay Higgins, Iowa	41	57	98	9.8
Aiden Fisher, Indiana	37	61	98	9.8
Teddy Buchanan, California	37	60	97	9.7
Bryan McCoy, Akron	44	52	96	9.6
Danny Stutsman, Oklahoma	40	56	96	9.6
Whit Weeks, LSU	46	49	95	9.5
Stone Blanton, Mississippi St.	22	71	93	9.3
Jordan Vincent, Utah St.	51	41	92	9.2
Christian Ellis, New Mexico	35	57	92	8.4



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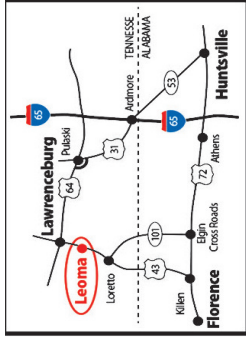
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