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## CENTRAL FOOTBALL COACHING STAFF

John Zamberlin (Head Coach, 3rd Year, 12-8)

John Zamberlin, who played seven seasons in the NFL with the New England Patriots and Kansas City Chiefs, begins his third season as Central Washington University's head football coach this fall.

Last fall Zamberlin, 43, guided the Wildcats to a 7-4 record and to CWU's first Columbia Football Association championship since 1991. The Wildcats reached the quarterfinal round of the NAIA playoffs before losing to eventual NAIA national champion Azusa Pacific 35-28.

In two seasons since replacing Jeff Zenisek as head coach, Zamberlin has guided the Wildcats to a record of 12-8.

Zamberlin, who had nine years experience as a NCAA Division 1 assistant prior to taking over at CWU, will now lead the Wildcats as they move their football program from NAIA to NCAA Division II beginning this fall.

Prior to joining CWU's coaching staff, Zamberlin was the defensive coordinator at the University of Richmond for two seasons. He also previously coached at Eastern Washington University (1992-94) and at the University of Massachusetts (1987-90).

In his final season at Richmond, Zamberlin's defensive unit ranked 12th nationally among NCAA Division I schools in total defense.

Before embarking upon a coaching career, the CWU head coach played linebacker for four seasons with New England (1979-82) and three seasons with Kansas City (1983-85).

Zamberlin is a 1979 graduate of Pacific Lutheran. At PLU, he was a four-year letterman in both football and baseball. He was selected to the Associated Press small-college All-American football team and was named a NAIA All-American in 1978.

During his collegiate career he had 184 unassisted tackles, 10 interceptions and six quarterback sacks. Three times he was named all-conference and all-district. His number 56 is the only retired PLU football jersey.

In baseball, he was a two-time all-conference outfielder.

Zamberlin, who was inducted into PLU's Hall-of-Fame in 1996, was selected in the fifth round of the 1979 NFL draft by New England. He began his collegiate coaching career at Massachusetts in 1987 when Mike Dunbar left that school to return to Ellensburg to take over as the Wildcat head coach.

Zamberlin is a native of Tacoma. He graduated from Wilson High School in 1974. At Wilson, he earned four letters each in football and baseball. He earned honorable mention All-City honors in football and was a first team selection in baseball.

Misc: Born 2-13-56 at Tacoma. . .Married Mary Ellen Wolf on June 28, 1997. They have an infant son, Ken, who was born Mar. 23. . . .Mary Ellen previously was an assistant trainer at the University of Richmond. John has two children by a previous marriage (daughter Megan, 14, and son Kyle, 10).

JOHN PICHA (Offensive Coordinator, 11th year)

John Picha, 33, begins his fifth season this fall as a full-time member of CWU's football coaching staff.

Picha, who previously served as a graduate assistant or part-time coach for six seasons, coached the inside linebackers after joining the full-time staff in 1995. He was named the offensive coordinator and offensive line coach prior to the beginning of the 1996 season. Picha replaced Charles Chandler on

the full-time staff. He also replaced Chandler as CWU's men's and women's track-and-field coach.

Picha led CWU's men to the 1995 Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference track-and-field title and a 17th place finish in the NAIA National meet and was selected the PNWAC Men's Coach-of-the-Year.

Two springs ago both his men's and women's track squads placed second in the conference meet . His men's squad also finished 24th in the NAIA national meet.

Picha recently resigned as CWU's head track-and-field coach in order that he may devote more time to football . He will continue to serve as an assistant in track-and-field, coaching the throwing event athletes.

The CWU coach first joined the football coaching staff as a graduate assistant in 1988. In 1988 and 1989, he coached the tight ends. He then coached the defensive line in 1990, 1992 and 1993.

A 1984 graduate of Rogers High School in Puyallup, Picha is a former two-year letterman for the Wildcats. He earned honorable mention all-league honors in 1987 and was the recipient of CWU's Best Blocker award in 1986.

Picha played two seasons at Wenatchee Valley College before enrolling at CWU, earning second team NWAACC honors during his sophomore season.

In 1987 he started all 10 games at center for CWU as the Wildcats averaged 252.7 yards rushing and set a CFA record with 34 rushing touchdowns.

Misc: Born 2-9-66 at Puyallup. Earned BA degree in history in 1993. Brother Tom played football at UPS. Also has three sisters. Married. Wife's name is Brenda. Has an infant son, David, who was born Mar. 27.

#### JOHN GRAHAM (Defensive Coordinator, 5th Year)

John Graham, 30, begins his fifth season on Central Washington University's coaching staff this fall. It will be his fourth year as the defensive coordinator.

For the previous two seasons, Graham, who also coaches the defensive backs, had been the head football coach at DeSales High School in Walla Walla.

At DeSales, Graham's teams compiled a won-loss record of 12-7, winning the 1993 conference championship and advancing to the semifinals of the Washington State Class B state playoffs.

Graham also served as an assistant basketball and assistant track-and-field coach at DeSales. Prior to joining the DeSales staff, he was an assistant coach for one year at Kent-Meridian High School in Kent.

Graham is a 1992 graduate of CWU, earning a bachelor of science degree in business education. He played two seasons for the Wildcats (1990 and 1991), earning honorable mention all-conference defensive back honors in his senior season. In the 1991 season, Graham intercepted three passes and also was credited with 30 tackles.

Prior to enrolling at CWU, he played two seasons at Walla Walla CC where he earned first team all-conference honors at defensive back.

Graham is a 1987 graduate of Reardan High School. At Reardan, he earned four letters each in football, basketball and track. He was a three-time all-league linebacker and two-time all-league quarterback and also was the team captain and Most Inspirational award winner.

Misc: Born 2-7-69 at Ellensburg. Married. Wife's name is Becky. Has two sons, Andrew, 4, and Ty, 2.

#### BEAU BALDWIN (Quarterbacks, 6th Year)

Beau Baldwin begins his sixth season as CWU's quarterback coach this fall. It will be his fourth season as a full-time staff member.

Prior to joining the coaching staff as a graduate assistant, Baldwin played four seasons for the Wildcats, and ranks 14th in career passing despite the fact he was never a full-time starter.

Baldwin, 27, completed 121 of 197 passes for 1,655 yards and eight touchdowns. His 61.4 career passing percentage is a school record.

He engineered two of the greatest comebacks in school history. In 1991, he set school single-game marks for passing attempts (52), completions (32), yards (467), total plays (66) and total yards (550) in a 38-35 win over Simon Fraser. His six-yard touchdown pass to Eric Boles with four seconds left gave Central the win.

In 1992 he came off bench to lead CWU to the greatest fourth-quarter comeback in Columbia Football Association history. He completed 21 of 33 passes for 222 yards as the Wildcats scored 26 points in the period to overcome 28-3 deficit.

Baldwin graduated from Curtis High School in 1990 where he earned three letters in football and three in baseball. He led Curtis to the 1989 state football title.

Misc.: Born 5-21-72 at Santa Barbara, Calif. Earned education degree in 1996. Single.

#### GRAD ASSISTANTS

##### STEVE AMRINE (Running Backs, 2nd Year)

Steve Amrine, 27, is in his second season as a member of the Wildcat coaching staff. Amrine, who is pursuing a master's degree in athletic administration, will coach the running backs.

The CWU assistant coach is a 1996 graduate of Eastern Washington University where he earned a BA degree in education. He also previously attended Eastern Oregon University and Lower Columbia College. He played one season of football at Eastern Oregon.

Prior to joining the CWU coaching staff, Amrine served as the offensive coordinator at Columbia High School in White Salmon for two seasons. He was also an assistant baseball coach at Columbia.

Amrine previously also coached the running backs at Eastern Washington between 1993 and 1995. He was the wide receiver coach at Castle Rock High School in 1991 and 1992.

Amrine is a 1990 graduate of Castle Rock where he earned three letters each in baseball and football earning all-league honors during his senior seasons.

Misc: Born 11-11-71 at Longview. Single. Sister (Marni) played softball for CWU. Brother (Matt) played football at Eastern Oregon. Mother (Janet Bate) played basketball at CWU.

##### JASON FREDERICK (Wide Receivers, 2nd Year)

Jason Frederick, a former starting offensive tackle for the Wildcats, begins his second season on CWU's coaching staff this fall. Frederick, who assisted John Picha with the offensive line last season, will coach the wide receivers. He will also manage the Wildcat football web page.

Frederick, who is pursuing a master's degree in athletic administration, is a 1992 graduate of Willapa Valley High School near Raymond. He earned a BA degree in education from CWU in 1998.

At Willapa, Frederick, 25, lettered in football, basketball and track-and-field. He was a wide receiver and defensive end in football, earning Inspirational and Coaches awards.

Frederick attended Centralia Community College prior to enrolling at CWU in the fall of 1994. After redshirting one year, he played three seasons for the Wildcats, earning honorable mention all-league honors last fall when he started all nine games.

Misc: Born 8-26-74 at South Bend. Uncle (Gary) is CWU's women's softball coach and was athletic director for 18 years before resigning this summer. Father (Mike) and uncle (Steve) competed in cross country at CWU. Father also served university as women's cross country coach between 1984 and 1986 and assistant women's basketball coach in late 1980s.

#### MARK DOLL (Tight Ends, 1st Year)

Mark Doll, who started a school-record 44 consecutive games at offensive tackle the past four seasons, will coach the tight ends this fall as he completes work on his bachelor's degree in business.

Doll earned second team NAIA All-American honors last season helping the Wildcats win seven of 11 games and reach the quarterfinal round of the NAIA national playoffs. In his four seasons as a starter, the Wildcats won a total of 27 games and a NAIA national title in 1995.

Doll is a 1994 graduate of Selah High School where he lettered in football and baseball. He played tight end and outside linebacker at Selah and started his collegiate career at tight end before being switched to the offensive line midway through his redshirt season in 1994.

During his collegiate playing career, he was twice selected CWU's Outstanding Blocker award winner. He also won three all-conference awards, including second team honors in 1996 and first team honors the past two seasons. In 1995, he was voted CWU's Outstanding Freshman.

Misc: Born 2-14-76 at Yakima. Single. Has one sister. Uncles Jay Gilliam and Mike Ehliis played football at CWU and YVC, respectively. Had tryout last spring with Portland franchise in Arena League.

#### JOSH FETTER (Defensive Ends, 4th Year)

Josh Fetter, a four-year letterman at the University of Idaho, will coach CWU's defensive ends this fall for the third year in a row. He previously coached the defensive tackles for one season.

A 1991 graduate of White River High School, Fetter graduated from the University of Idaho in the spring of 1996 with a degree in general studies.

Fetter, 26, played linebacker for the Vandals between 1991 and 1994 starting his freshman and senior seasons. He was UI's Inspirational award winner and team captain in 1994 when the Vandals led the nation in rushing defense.

Prior to enrolling at Idaho, he was a three-sport standout at White River High School in football, basketball and track. He earned all-state honors at linebacker during his senior season and was selected a team captain for the 1991 East-West all-star football game.

Fetter served as a student assistant on the Vandal coaching staff prior to joining the Wildcat coaching staff.

Misc: Born 12-6-72 at Tacoma. Single.

#### RICO INIGUEZ (Linebackers, 1st Year)

Rico Iniguez, who is one of CWU's all-time leading career tacklers, joins Central's coaching staff this fall and will assist head coach John Zamberlin with the linebackers.

Iniguez, 25, ranks eighth on CWU's all-time career tackle list with a total of 210, including 13 quarterback sacks. He was twice named to the Columbia Football Association all-star team, including 1996 when he set a school single-season mark for tackles with 126, including 95 primary stops.

He was selected CWU's Most Valuable Player in 1997 when he led the Wildcats in tackles with 65. Iniguez also served as one of four CWU captains during his senior season. He was voted the team's Top Tackler during his junior campaign.

Iniguez is a 1992 graduate of Wahluke High School where he lettered in football, baseball and basketball. He originally enrolled at CWU with the intent to play baseball, but switched to football prior to the 1994 season.

He played defensive back for two seasons before being switched to linebacker late in his sophomore season.

Misc: Born 4-9-74 at Othello. Earned a degree in elementary education in 1998. Is currently pursuing a master's degree in school administration. Has seven brothers and three sisters. One brother, Emilio, is a freshman on this fall's team.

#### BRIAN STRANDLEY (Defensive Tackles, 3rd Year)

Brian Strandley, who was a four-year starter at the University of Idaho and was the Vandals' 1993 defensive captain, will coach CWU's defensive tackles this fall.

Strandley, 28, had a total of 101 tackles, including 39 in his junior season when he helped the Vandals advance to the semifinals of the NCAA Division 1-AA playoffs. In 1994 he played a key role as Idaho led the nation in rushing defense.

After earning a general studies degree at Idaho in 1995, Strandley coached football at Potlatch High School. He served as the varsity defensive coordinator and was also the head junior varsity coach.

Strandley is a 1990 graduate of Curtis High School in Tacoma where he was a teammate of CWU quarterback coach Beau Baldwin. At Curtis, he lettered in football and baseball. In football he earned all-state honors at defensive tackle as he and Baldwin led Curtis to the State AAA title.

Misc: Born 6-7-71 at Tacoma. Single.

#### LELAND SPARKS (Defensive Backs, 1st Year)

Leland Sparks, a standout cornerback for the Wildcats the past two seasons, will assist defensive coordinator John Graham with the defensive backs this fall.

Sparks started at cornerback for the Wildcats for two seasons, earning first team Columbia Football Association all-star honors in his junior year and second team honors last fall.

Leland, who is completing work on a communications degree at CWU, had 43 tackles and was credited with blocking eight passes last fall. He also had one interception. He had 29 tackles and four takeaways, including two interceptions during his junior season.

Sparks, who attended Washington State prior to enrolling at CWU, is a 1991 graduate of Mater Dei High School in California where he lettered in football and baseball. He also played football at Montclair Prep during his junior season.

Misc: Born 8-17-72 at Wharton, Tex. Has five sisters. Cousin of former WSU player Derek Sparks.