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2012 *Don Hansen* All-Super Region Three Team Hill, Williams, Brown, Keen Earn Top Regional Honors

PITTSBURG, Kan. — The Don Hansen Football Committee has released the 2012 *Don Hansen* NCAA Division II All-Super Region Three squad today (Jan. 9).

Missouri Western running back Michael Hill, a finalist for the 2012 Harlon Hill Trophy, was named the Super Region Three Offensive Player of the Year, while Missouri Southern defensive tackle Brandon Williams was selected the Defensive Player of the Year. Pittsburg State return specialist John Brown garnered Special Teams Player of the Year honors, while Minnesota State acting head coach Aaron Keen, who guided the Mavericks to a 13-1 record and the school's first NCAA Division II national semifinal appearance, was named the Super Region Three Coach of the Year. Keen was named MSU's interim head coach earlier today.

Hill, a senior from St. Joseph, Mo., rushed for 2,168 yards and 16 touchdowns while leading the Griffons to a school record 12 victories and the quarterfinals of the NCAA-II playoffs. Williams, a senior from Kirkwood, Mo., made 68 tackles (31 solo) with 16.5 tackles-for-loss and 8.5 quarterback sacks. Brown, a junior from Homestead, Fla., ranked eighth nationally in punt returns (15.4 ypr) and second in Division II in all-purpose yards (200.0 ypg).

Assuming the acting head coach role in August after serving as associate head coach/offensive coordinator, Keen guided the Mavericks to the 2012 NSIC Championship en route to ultimately reaching the NCAA Division II national semifinals. Keen's squad claimed a pair of post-season victories over No. 13 NW Missouri State (38-35, 2 OT) and No. 9 Missouri Western (17-10), before falling to eventual national champion Valdosta State in the national semifinals.

The *Don Hansen* team carries out the legacy of long-time small college football advocate Don Hansen, who passed away at age 75 on Aug. 29, 2010. Hansen, from Brookfield, Ill., started and published *Don Hansen's National Weekly Football Gazette* for three decades, selecting NCAA Division II All-America teams for the first time in 1988. Don Hansen's Football Gazette began selecting Division II All-Region squads in 2003.

The first-team and second-team All-Region selections advance to a national ballot from which the 2012 Don Hansen NCAA Division II All-America team will be named later this month.

Great America Conference champion Henderson State University led the way with eight honorees, while NCAA Division II playoff participants University of Minnesota-Duluth and Northwest Missouri State University had seven honorees apiece. Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference champion and national semifinalist Minnesota State University and Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association champion Missouri Western State University received six selections apiece.

A total of 103 players earned some form of *Don Hansen* All-Super Region Three honors. Players from 38 of the 46 football-playing schools in Super Region Three earned All-Region accolades.

First Team Offense

POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
QB	Travis Partridge	6-4	230	JR	Missouri Western	St. Joseph, Mo.
FB	Romo Westbrook	5-9	195	SO	Harding	Marion, Ark.
RB	Michael Hill	5-11	205	SR	Missouri Western	St. Joseph, Mo.
RB	Rayon Simmons	5-11	200	SR	Winona State	University City, Mo.
WR	Lemar Durant	6-2		SO	Simon Fraser	Coquitlam, B.C.
WR	Robert Jordan	5-10	175	JR	Henderson State	Miami, Fla.
WR	Shjuan Richardson	5-9	172	SR	Emporia State	Muskogee, Okla.
TE	Adam Schiltz	6-4	256	SR	Emporia State	Ponca City, Okla.
AP	John Brown	5-11	171	JR	Pittsburg State	Homestead, Fla.
C	Kelton Hays	5-11	284	JR	Henderson State	Jonesville, La.
OG	Andrew Essman	6-2	305	JR	Minnesota State	Lincoln, Neb.
OG	Garth Heikkinen	6-4	315	SR	Minnesota Duluth	Duluth, Minn.
OT	Macon Allen	6-4	310	SR	Missouri Western	King City, Mo.
OT	Rod Williams	6-5	300	SR	NW Missouri State	Grandview, Mo.
PK	Sam Brockshus	5-11	200	JR	Minnesota State	Spencer, Iowa

First Team Defense

POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
DE	David Bass	6-5	275	SR	Missouri Western	St. Louis, Mo.
DE	Zach Moore	6-6	282	JR	Concordia-St. Paul	Chicago, Ill.
DG/DT	Fossam Foncham	5-11	255	SO	Minnesota Duluth	Duluth, Minn.
DG/DT	Brandon Williams	6-3	325	SR	Missouri Southern	Kirkwood, Mo.
LB	Collin DeBuysere	6-4	230	SR	NW Missouri State	Geneseo, Ill.
LB	Nate Dreiling	6-4	229	JR	Pittsburg State	Hutchinson/Victoria, Kan.
LB	Maxie Graham	5-11	204	SR	Henderson State	Jackson, Miss.
S	Nate DeJong	6-2	210	SR	NW Missouri State	Rock Rapids, Iowa
S	Jack Moro	5-11	190	JR	St. Cloud State	Brookfield, Wis.
S	Robert Virgil	6-2	180	SR	Sioux Falls	Elk Grove, Calif.
CB	Pierre Desir	6-2	206	JR	Lindenwood	St. Charles, Mo.
CB	Don Unamba	6-1	192	SR	Southern Arkansas	Hurst, Texas
P	Randy Weich	6-2	250	SR	Wayne State (Neb.)	Lincoln, Neb.
RS	John Brown	5-11	171	JR	Pittsburg State	Homestead, Fla.

Second Team Offense

POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
QB	Phillip Klaphake	6-1	196	JR	St. Cloud State	Princeton, Minn.
QB	Kevin Rodgers	6-3	215	SO	Henderson State	Rockwall, Texas
FB	Carlos Brown	5-8	200	SR	Southern Arkansas	Pittsburg, Texas
RB	Mark Johnson	5-7	200	JR	Southern Arkansas	Longview, Texas
RB	Nick Ricciardulli	5-8	190	JR	Humboldt State	Poway, Calif.
WR	Andrew Helmick	6-0	187	SR	Lindenwood	Kansas City, Mo.
WR	Jeremiah Oates	6-3	180	SR	Sioux Falls	Orangevale, Calif.
WR	Adam Thielen	6-3	200	SR	Minnesota State	Detroit Lakes, Minn.
TE	Nate Thienes	6-5	275	SR	Concordia-St. Paul	Lake Elmo, Minn.
AP	Joshua Birmingham	5-9	195	JR	Central Oklahoma	Luther, Okla.
AP	Keaton Hosch	5-11	180	SO	Upper Iowa	Independence, Iowa
C	Logan Freeman	6-4	300	SR	Central Missouri	Jefferson City, Mo.
C	Richard Lilla	6-2	290	JR	Winona State	Rochester, Minn.
OG	Andrew Muer	6-2	280	SO	Minnesota Duluth	Perham, Minn.
OG	Vance Ross	6-5	275	SO	Winona State	Evanston, Ill.
OT	Steve Dieckhaus	6-2	302	SR	Washburn	St. Charles, Mo.
OT	Cody Holland	6-6	337	JR	Pittsburg State	Neosho, Mo.
OT	Austin Smithey	6-2	240	SR	Harding	Mesquite, Texas
PK	Braden Wieking	6-0	185	SR	Sioux Falls	Sioux Falls, S.D.

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POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
DE	Ty Powell	6-3	250	SR	Harding	Marina, Calif.
DE	Chris Schaudt	6-4	270	JR	Minnesota State	Slater, Iowa
DE	Gus Toca	6-3	250	SR	Pittsburg State	Blue Springs, Mo.
DG/DT	Travis Chappellear	6-5	270	SR	NW Missouri State	Urbana, Mo.
DG/DT	Steve Parks	6-4	230	SR	MSU-Moorhead	Apple Valley, Minn.
LB	Ben Carlson	6-3	246	SR	Emporia State	Topeka, Kan.
LB	Tony Leggett	6-1	235	SR	Upper Iowa	Naples, Fla.
LB	Austin Luecke	6-1	225	SR	Augustana (S.D.)	Groton, S.D.
LB	Andrew Marshall	6-3		SR	Simon Fraser	Nanose Bay, B.C.
S	Cameron Harper	6-2	210	SR	Minnesota Duluth	Blaine, Minn.
S	Richie Schumacher	6-2	207	SR	Truman	Crystal Lake, Ill.
CB	Kenny Chowa	5-9	185	JR	Minnesota Duluth	Menomonie, Wis.
CB	O'Hara Fluellen	6-0	190	SR	Lincoln	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.
P	Kyle Goodburn	6-0	180	SO	NW Missouri State	Roeland Park, Kan.
RS	Robert Jordan	5-10	175	JR	Henderson State	Miami, Fla.

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POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
QB	Tyler Eckenrode	6-0	195	SR	Emporia State	Houston, Texas
QB	Tyler Sykora	6-6	200	JR	Southern Arkansas	Jessieville, Ark.
QB	Chase Vogler	6-1	195	SR	Minnesota Duluth	Inver Grove Heights, Minn.
FB	Javonte Edwards	5-10	230	FR	Missouri Southern	Milledgeville, Ga.
RB	Denodus O'Bryant	5-9	194	SR	Lindenwood	Washington, Mo.
RB	Joel Rockmore	5-7	185	SO	Northeastern State	Fort Worth, Texas
RB	Chris Rycraw	5-10	192	JR	Ouachita Baptist	Bryant, Ark.
WR	Dallas Grier	6-3	195	JR	Truman	Frisco, Texas
WR	Carrington Hanna	6-2	215	JR	Sioux Falls	Streetsboro, Ohio
WR	Elby Pope	6-0	185	SO	Mary	Grand Forks, N.D.
TE	Ryan Corbin	6-4	250	JR	Southwestern Oklahoma	Newcastle, Okla.
AP	Warren Matthews	5-9	188	SR	SW Minnesota State	Minneapolis, Minn.
C	Andrew Beckmann	6-3	313	SR	St. Cloud State	Waseca, Minn.
C	Josh Meeker	6-2	300	SO	Minnesota State	Omaha, Neb.
OG	Brett DeLange	6-1	291	SR	Bemidji State	Plainfield, Ill.
OG	Tobyn Large	6-3	305	SR	East Central (Okla.)	Montgomery, Texas
OG	John Hawk Rouse	6-3	300	SR	Fort Hays State	Ardmore, Okla.
OT	Casey Beck	6-8	300	SO	Upper Iowa	Roscoe, Ill.
OT	Jake Bscherer	6-6	310	SR	Minnesota Duluth	Sturgeon Bay, Wis.
OT	Cherokee Streetman	6-5	317	SR	Henderson State	Arlington, Texas
PK	Todd Adolf	6-1	185	SR	NW Missouri State	Omaha, Neb.
PK	John Gay	5-9	170	SO	Harding	Jonesboro, Ark.
PK	Trevor Pinkston	5-10	200	SO	Arkansas Tech	Rockwell, Texas

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POS	NAME	HT	WT	YR	SCHOOL	HOMETOWN
DE	Armonty Bryant	6-4	250	SR	East Central (Okla.)	Wichita Falls, Texas
DE	John Oyloe	6-5	260	JR	Mary	Williston, N.D.
DE	Ben Pister	6-4	280	SR	Missouri Western	St. Joseph, Mo.
DG/DT	Robbie Aldridge	6-0	250	SR	Henderson State	Trussville, Ala.
DG/DT	Jeff Pokorny	6-3	280	SR	Wayne State (Neb.)	Howells, Neb.
DG/DT	Luke Sebald	6-2	262	SO	St. Cloud State	Brookfield, Wis.
LB	Cory Crosby	6-1	238	SR	Bemidji State	Cold Spring, Minn.
LB	Langston Jones	6-0	205	JR	Northeastern State	Whitesboro, Texas
LB	Stan Langlow	6-3	216	JR	Central Washington	University Place, Wash.
LB	Keaton Stigger	6-2	245	JR	Henderson State	Collierville, Tenn.
S	Marquis Mulkey	5-10	185	SR	Northern State	Tampa, Fla.
S	Shane Simpson	6-0	190	SR	Missouri Western	Blue Springs, Mo.
CB	Roderick Cohn	5-10	180	SR	Harding	Long Beach, Calif.
CB	Brandon Dixon	6-0	195	JR	NW Missouri State	Margate, Fla.
CB	Robert Gunderson	5-11	180	SR	Minnesota State	Eden Prairie, Minn.
P	Alexander Bradt	6-1	210	FR	Western Oregon	Salem, Ore.
RS	Chichi Ojika	5-8	185	JR	Winona State	New Brighton, Minn.