



# Football Award Winners

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## All-America Honors

Roy White	1923		
William Karr	1936		
Don Findling	1947		
Joe Pahr	1950		
Arol Amling	1951		
Bob Grobengeiser	1951		
Gene Holtrey	1951		
Joe Pahr	1951	Associated Press	
Carl Woodward	1951		
Gerry Raasch	1954		
Fuzzy Thurston	1954		
Gordon Helms	1955		
Fuzzy Thurston	1955		
Jerry Goeglein	1961		
Bob Gusse	1961	Honorable Mention Little	
John Knight	1961		
Garry Puetz	1971		AFCA
Garry Puetz	1972		AFCA
John Belskis	1976		AFCA
Ken Karczewski	1979		
Dan Bogar	1983		
Tony Bauer	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Dan Bogar	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Kevin Mackey	1984		Associated Press Honorable Mention Little
Mike Healey	1985		AFCA and Football News
Eric Kenesie	1998		
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Rob Giancola	2003		

AFCA - American Football Coaches' Association

## Indiana Collegiate Conference Honors

### First Team All-Conference

Arol Amling, 1951  
 Jerry Karstens, 1951  
 Robert Kuska, 1951  
 Joe Pahr, 1951  
 Royce Rowedder, 1951  
 Jerry Karstens, 1952  
 Don Kelly, 1952  
 Robert Kerns, 1952  
 Richard Schalon, 1952  
 Dennis Tuomi, 1952  
 Charles Lembke, 1953  
 Gerry Raasch, 1953  
 Ralph Starenko, 1953  
 Chuck Dhooge, 1954  
 Gordon Helms, 1954  
 Rod Poppe, 1954  
 Gerry Raasch, 1954  
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1954  
 Chuck Dhooge, 1955  
 Dick Jung, 1955  
 Chuck O'Brien, 1955  
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1955  
 Chuck Dhooge, 1956  
 Ken Schreiber, 1956  
 Noel Schlegelmilch, 1959  
 Joe Sever, 1959  
 Ray Zubeck, 1959  
 Don Martis, 1960  
 Fred Morgner, 1960  
 Jerry Goeglein, 1961  
 Bob Gusse, 1961  
 John Knight, 1961  
 Tyrone Smith, 1961

Tyrone Smith, 1962  
 Dave Lass, 1963  
 Dick Pohlman, 1963  
 Bill Schade, 1963  
 Dave Lass, 1964  
 Bert Bleke, 1965  
 Bert Bleke, 1966  
 Tom Dohrman, 1966  
 Bill Kohn, 1968  
 Ken Manning, 1968  
 Jack Sukup, 1968  
 Ken Weiss, 1968  
 John Whetsel, 1968  
 Fred Donath, 1969  
 John Rusert, 1969  
 Jeff Freitag, 1970  
 Tim Hartner, 1970  
 John Knudson, 1970  
 Neil Palmer, 1970  
 Garry Puetz, 1970  
 John Rusert, 1970  
 Joe Conn, 1971  
 Jeff Freitag, 1971  
 Mike Hall, 1971  
 Dave Hansing, 1971  
 Tim Hartner, 1971  
 John Knudson, 1971  
 Neil Palmer, 1971  
 Garry Puetz, 1971  
 Garry Puetz, 1972  
 Tom Seggerman, 1972  
 Faust DeLazzer, 1973  
 Bill Monahan, 1974  
 Jim Russler, 1974

John Belskis, 1975  
 Chris Knutsen, 1975  
 Mike Lightbourn, 1975  
 John Belskis, 1976  
 Chris Knutsen, 1976

### Coach of the Year

Emory Bauer, 1954  
 Emory Bauer and Walt Reiner, 1961  
 Norm Aundsen, 1968

### Players of the Year

Joe Pahr, 1951,  
 Most Valuable Back  
 Dennis Tuomi, 1952,  
 Most Valuable Lineman  
 Charles Lembke, 1953,  
 Most Valuable Lineman  
 Fuzzy Thurston, 1955,  
 Most Valuable Lineman  
 John Knight, 1961,  
 Most Valuable Back  
 Dave Lass, 1963,  
 Most Valuable Back  
 Tim Hartner, 1971,  
 Most Valuable Defensive Back  
 Mike Lightbourn, 1975,  
 Most Valuable Defensive Back



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## Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference Honors

### First Team All-Conference

Gil Gutierrez, 1991

## Heartland Collegiate Conference Honors

### First Team All-Conference

John Belskis, 1977  
Michael Dodds, 1977  
Frederick Harris, 1977  
David Newman, 1977  
Rich Anderson, 1978  
Mike Dodds, 1978  
Jim Prochaska, 1978  
Ron Risco, 1978  
Scott Swanson, 1978  
Cortie Wilson, 1978  
Ken Biel, 1979  
Jeff Heintzelman, 1979  
Ken Karczewski, 1979  
Steve Leonhard, 1979  
Randy Riese, 1979  
Mitch Sivertson, 1979

Warren Frey, 1980  
Kyle Lupo, 1980  
Randy Riese, 1980  
Jimmy Harris, 1982  
Dan Bogar, 1983  
Tony Bauer, 1984  
Dan Bogar, 1984  
Mike Healey, 1985  
Scott Lange, 1985  
Kevin Mackey, 1985  
Tony Maselli, 1985  
Jim Bettinardi, 1986  
Rick Danowsky, 1987  
Tyler Mason, 1987  
Tim Eloe, 1989

### Players of the Year

John Belskis, 1977,  
Most Valuable Defensive Back  
Dave Newnam, 1977,  
Most Valuable Offensive Back  
Cortie Wilson, 1978,  
Most Valuable Player  
Cortie Wilson, 1978,  
Most Valuable Offensive Back  
Ken Karczewski, 1979,  
Most Valuable Offensive Lineman  
Mike Healey, 1985,  
Most Valuable Player  
Mike Healey, 1985,  
Most Valuable Offensive Back  
Tyler Mason, 1987,  
Offensive Lineman of the Year

## Pioneer Football League Honors

### First Team All-Conference

John Lyon, 1993  
Scott Petcu, 1993  
Shayne Snider, 1993  
Josh Berning, 1994  
Doug Holok, 1994  
Jeff Seymour, 1994  
Evan Fitzgerald, 1995  
Scott Hinrichs, 1995  
Matt Kulp, 1995  
Ozzie Young, 1995  
John Harrington, 1996  
Ronnie Sazone, 1996  
Michael Tolbert, 1996  
Ike Anigbo, 1997  
Ron Brown, 1998  
Ray Cirks, 1998  
Ray Hiller, 1998  
Eric Rodbro, 1998  
Eric Zodrow, 1998  
Ric Edgcomb, 1999  
Steve Gresh, 1999  
Franco Francese, 1999  
Brian Vladika, 1999

Ray Hiller, 1999  
Eric Kenesie, 1999  
Ric Edgcomb, 2000  
Jason Lougheed, 2000  
Matt Maher, 2000  
Jim Schroeder, 2000  
John Schulte, 2000  
Josh Skidmore, 2000  
Adam Wakefield, 2000  
Tom Byrne, 2001  
Ric Edgcomb, 2001  
Terrance Shelton, 2001  
Tom Byrne, 2002  
Chris Daniels, 2003  
Rob Giancola, 2003  
Andrew McCawley, 2003  
Chris Daniels, 2004  
Bill Marshall, 2004  
Brad Smeja, 2004  
Joe Blahowicz, 2005  
Jeff Horton, 2005  
Mike Jones, 2005  
Andrew McCawley, 2005  
Ryan Palonka, 2005

Ryan Kozey, 2007  
Ryan Kozey, 2008  
Greg Wood, 2010  
Greg Wood, 2012  
Alex Green, 2015  
Drew Snouffer, 2018  
Robert Washington, Spring 2021  
Jaxon Peifer, Spring 2021  
Ben Niesner, Spring 2021  
Brian Bartholomew, Spring 2021  
Keyon Turner, Spring 2021

### Coach of the Year

Tom Horne, 1999  
Tom Horne, 2003  
Dave Cecchini, 2017

### Offensive Player of the Year

Robert Washington, Spring 2021

### Special Teams Player of the Year

Ben Niesner, Spring 2021 (co-)

### Offensive Freshman of the Year

Jake Hutson, 2012



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## Academic Honors

### First Team Academic All-America

Kevin Knutson	2004	Wide Receiver
Adam Rundh	2009	Defensive Line

### Second Team Academic All-America

Scott Hinrichs	1995	Wide Receiver
Nick Bamber	2001	Defensive Back
Adam Rundh	2008	Defensive Line

## Richard P. Koenig Award

Valparaiso University award that exemplifying moral character, academic, and athletic achievement.

Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient
1989	Tim Eloe	1996	Ronnie Sazone	2005	Andrew McCawley
1990	Tim Eloe	1997	Bob Cracknell	2006	Brandon Bogenschutz
1991	Steve Moseley	1998	Joe Nowak	2007	Matt Watkins
1992	Mike Spicer	1999	Matt Rochner	2008	Ryan Koepke
1993	Trevor Bell	2000	Ron Brogle	2009	Adam Rundh
1994	Trevor Bell	2001	Bill Stanton	2010	Eli Crawford
1995	Scott Hinrichs	2002	Adam DaSilva	2011	Nate Blair
		2003	Jeffrey Vlck	2012	Mike Gerton
		2004	Kevin Knutson		

## Joe Sever Trophy

Valparaiso University award that honors the lineman who exemplifies excellent work ethic and high-quality performance.

Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient	Year	Recipient
1993	Evan Fitzgerald	1999	Steve Gresh	2006	Seungyeup Ro
1994	Evan Fitzgerald	2000	Jim Schroeder	2007	Ben Faulkner
1995	Evan Fitzgerald	2001	Scott Tyrcha	2008	Trey Clark
1996	Jacob Adames	2002	Tom Byrne	2009	Nate Blair
1997	Chad Schroll	2003	Kyle Padgett	2010	Alex Soller
1998	Ron Brown	2004	Brandon Sturman	2011	Grant Bushong
		2005	Ryan Palonka	2012	Chris Howard