



D3football.com 2008 All-North Region Team

Kmic, Ittersagen highlight 2008 D3football.com All-Region team

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MINNEAPOLIS – Mount Union running back Nate Kmic was named D3football.com North Region Offensive Player of the Year for the third year in a row and Wheaton (Ill.) cornerback Pete Ittersagen was named D3football.com North Region Defensive Player of the Year.

Matt Land, who led Trine to a 10-0 regular-season record and the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association title, was named North Region Coach of the Year.

Kmic entered the Purple Raiders' national semifinal game against Wheaton (Ill.) with 2,392 rushing yards and 39 touchdowns in 13 games, is the region's offensive player of the year for the third consecutive season. He recently became Division III's all-time leading rusher and is within 300 yards of the all-time NCAA record, held by Danny Woodhead of Division II Chadron State (Neb.). Ittersagen has broken up 12 passes for the 11-2 Thunder this season and has 61 total tackles, 46 solo. He has four touchdowns: two by kickoff return, one by punt return and one interception return.

The teams, selected in balloting by North Region sports information directors and D3football.com staff, were chosen from 176 nominations by Division III member schools. A total of 75 players were chosen.

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Year-by-year	Offensive POY	Defensive POY	Coach of the Year
2005	Denny Kimmel, RB, Anderson	Mike Gibbons, LB, Mount Union Kyle Hausler, S, Capital	Jim Collins, Capital
2006	Nate Kmic, RB, Mount Union	Andy Studebaker, DE, Wheaton (Ill.)	Larry Kehres, Mount Union
2007	Nate Kmic, RB, Mount Union	Pat McCullough, DT, Mount Union	Mike Hallett, Heidelberg
2008	Nate Kmic, RB, Mount Union	Pete Ittersagen, CB, Wheaton (Ill.)	Matt Land, Trine

The 2008 All-Region team follows:



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Offensive Player of the Year: Nate Kmic, RB, Mount Union
Defensive Player of the Year: Pete Ittersagen, CB, Wheaton (Ill.)
Coach of the Year: Matt Land, Trine

First Team Offense

QB Greg Micheli, Sr., Mount Union
RB Nate Kmic, Sr., Mount Union
RB Rocky Gingg, So., Wheaton (Ill.)
WR Cecil Shorts, Jr., Mount Union
WR Alex Pokorny, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)
T Jesse Scott, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)
C Collin Smith, Sr., Aurora
G Tony Neymeyer, Sr., Wabash
G Ryan Breon, Sr., Case Western Reserve
T Luke Summers, Sr., Mount Union
TE Rick Podkowa, Sr., Illinois Wesleyan

K Tim Ellingsen, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)
RET Pete Ittersagen, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)

Second Team Offense

QB Chad Rupp, Sr., Franklin
RB Dominic Sulo, Jr., North Central (Ill.)
RB Calvin Bueltel, Jr., Rose-Hulman
WR Matt Pawlyk, Sr., Lakeland
WR Kody LeMond, So., Wabash
T Blaine Westemeyer, Jr., Augustana
G Kyle Antos, So., North Central (Ill.)
C Chad Schenkel, So., Franklin
G Storm Tropea, Jr., Wooster
T Andy Fries, Sr., Otterbein
TE Reed Eason, So., Rose-Hulman

K Dan Winsey, So., Concordia (Wis.)
RET Wes Chamblee, So., Wabash

Third Team Offense

QB Aaron Fanthorpe, Jr., North Central (Ill.)
RB Kyle Toot, Jr., Kenyon
RB Ryne Reder, Jr., Aurora
WR Martin Ceisel, Sr., Illinois Wesleyan
WR Nick Merchut, Jr., Carthage
T Seth Qualls, Jr., Franklin
G Andrew Benchic, Jr., Ohio Northern
C Jim Tongue, Sr., Augustana
G Chase Estepp, So., Manchester
T Josh Delancy, Jr., North Central (Ill.)
TE Chad Reynolds, Jr., Mount Union

K B.J. Wanninger, Sr., Otterbein
RET Shane Nolan, Sr., Kalamazoo

Upper Sandusky, Ohio
Delta, Ohio
Phoenix, Ariz.
Cleveland, Ohio
Geneva, Ill.
Blossburg, Pa.
Charleston, Ill.
Essexville, Mich.
Barberton, Ohio
New Middletown, Ohio
Glenview, Ill.

Houston, Texas
Wheaton, Ill.

Evansville, Ind.
Oak Forest, Ill.
Huntingburg, Ind.
Marinette, Wis.
Pendleton, Ind.
Overland Park, Kan.
Warrenville, Ill.
Carmel, Ind.
Hollywood, Fla.
Norwalk, Ohio
St. Louis, Mo.

Tampa, Fla.
South Bend, Ind.

Naperville, Ill.
Cape Elizabeth, Maine
Aurora, Ill.
Deerfield, Ill.
Bartlett, Ill.
Evansville, Ind.
Englewood, Ohio
Schaumburg, Ill.
Napanee, Ind.
Stuart, Fla.
Wayne, Ohio

Cincinnati, Ohio
Lapeer, Mich.

First Team Defense

DE James Herbert, Jr., Mount Union
DT Darryl Kennon, Sr., Wabash
DT Marcus Goedken, Sr., Aurora
DE Dan McManus, Sr., Franklin
LB Matt Wenger, Jr., North Central (Ill.)
LB Courtney Pearson, Sr., Trine
LB Randy Wright, So., Elmhurst
CB Matt Meyer, Sr., Aurora
S Carlo Melaragno, Sr., John Carroll
S Drew McClain, Jr., Mount Union
CB Pete Ittersagen, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)

P Ryan Patten, Jr., Olivet

Second Team Defense

DE Jared Lange, Sr., Wabash
DT Matt Williamson, Jr., Mount Union
DT Jake Fallis, Sr., Ohio Northern
DE Paul Spreen, Sr., Rose-Hulman
LB Michael Nettling, Sr., John Carroll
LB John Wagner, Sr., Lakeland
LB Sam Jordan, Sr., Millikin
CB Bobby Bott, Jr., Case Western Reserve
S Rylan Mitter-Burke, Jr., Ohio Wesleyan
S Keith Snyder, Sr., Defiance
CB Daryl Ely, Sr., Mount Union

P Kevin Friedman, Sr., Wooster

Third Team Defense

DE Mike King, Sr., Otterbein
DT Joe Kowalski, Sr., Baldwin-Wallace
DE Pat Funk, Jr., Aurora
LB Stephen Pagh, Sr., Wheaton (Ill.)
LB Mike Budzinski, Jr., Aurora
LB Hakeem Yakubu, Jr., Olivet
CB Tony Musaraca, Jr., Aurora
S Michael Terranova, Sr., Olivet
S Robert Beauchamp, Jr., Illinois Wesleyan
S Manny Rodriguez, So., Wittenberg
CB Derek Sulo, Jr., North Central (Ill.)

P Adam Pucylowski, Sr., North Central (Ill.)

Sagamore Hills, Ohio
Tempe, Ariz.
Sugar Grove, Ill.
Cincinnati, Ohio
Davis, Ill.
Fort Wayne, Ind.
Bellwood, Ill.
Yorkville, Ill.
Highland Heights, Ohio
Newark, Ohio
Wheaton, Ill.

Charlotte, Mich.

Terre Haute, Ind.
Columbus, Ohio
Harrison, Ohio
Williams, Ind.
Stow, Ohio
Kewaunee, Wis.
Kankakee, Ill.
Grafton, Ohio
Marlborough, Mass.
Martin, Mich.
Winter Springs, Fla.

Pepper Pike, Ohio

Dresden, Ohio
Macedonia, Ohio
Morris, Ill.
Edina, Minn.
Minooka, Ill.
Kalamazoo, Mich.
Sugar Grove, Ill.
Lansing, Mich.
Cerro Gordo, Ill.
Lawrenceville, Ga.
Oak Forest, Ill.

New Berlin, Wis.