

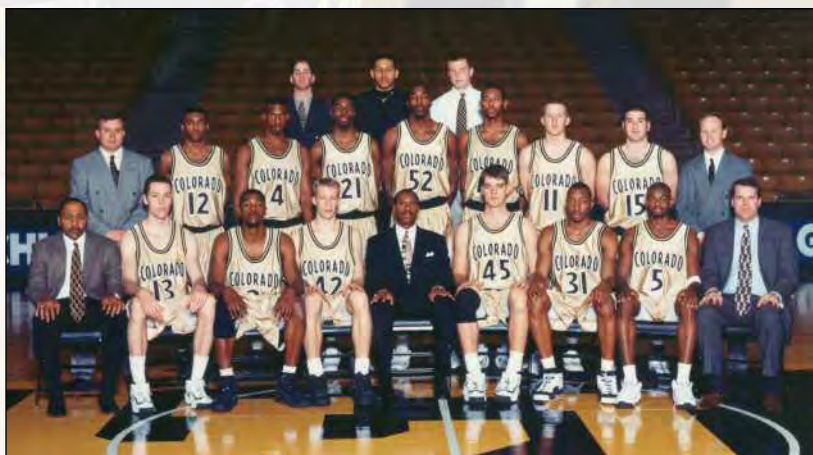
## NCAA TOURNAMENT TEAMS

### 2002-03 NCAA Tournament Team

The 2002-2003 season was one of the most successful campaigns in Colorado history. Standards were set high as the team returned five of their top six scorers from a year ago. Rarely in athletic competition can a team live up to the expectations of the media, and the fans; but the Buffs were able to not only meet expectations, but surpass them. CU finished the season 20-12, the third time in school history that a 20 win season had been accomplished. That included a nearly perfect record at home, as they went 14-1 on Sox Walseth Court. The game of the year came on January 22nd when the Buffs were able to topple the #6 ranked Kansas Jayhawks; a feat not accomplished since 1991. Sophomore David Harrison had a breakout year, setting several school records. Harrison broke, and then re-broke the record for blocked shots in a game when he recorded 10 against Stetson, and then 11 at home against Nebraska. Harrison also added two triple-doubles that year against Stetson and Nebraska.



Standing (l-r): Manager Kristi Coady, Glean Eddy, Jayson Obazuaye, Michel Morandais, Lamar Harris, Stephane Pelle, David Harrison, Chris Copeland, Scott Senger, Amadou Doumbouya, Blair Wilson, John Tynan, Brett Mattingly, James Wright. Sitting (l-r): Billy Boidock, Antoine McGee, Team Manager, Basketball Sports Information Director Andrew Green, Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Assistant Coach Jason Shelton, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Assistant Coach Larry Gay, Director of Operations Gerald Harris, Athletic Trainer Kenny Boyd, Manager Mike Bermel, Trennis Jones, Matt Greenwald.



Top (l-r): Assistant Coach Shane Wagner, Marlon Hughes, Chauncey Billups, Devon Gilchrist, Ronnie DeGray, Will Smith, Josh Townsend, Rick Brownstein. Bottom: Assistant Coach Terry Dunn, Charlie Melvin, Martice Moore, Greg Jensen, Head Coach Ricardo Patton, Dennis Griffin, Fred Edmonds, Howard Frier, Assistant Coach David Moe.

### 1996-97 NCAA Tournament Team

The Buffs were back. Not since the late 1960s had CU basketball made the NCAA tournament, or had an AP top 25 ranking. Both of those droughts ended during '96-'97 season, as Colorado made it back to the big dance. Led by sophomore phenom Chauncey Billups, the Buffs stormed to a 22-10 record. Conference play did not change their winnings ways, as they went 11-5 in the Big Twelve. The 22 wins, along with their 11 Big Twelve victories each are school records. With their stellar record, the Buffs were able to break the AP Poll and receive a #24 national ranking. This was the first time since the 1968-1969 season that CU had been ranked in the top 25. The season was highlighted by two upsets, as the Buffs were able to defeat #20 ranked Texas Tech, and then exactly one week later topple the #8 ranked Cyclones of Iowa State. Chauncey Billups turned in one of the best seasons ever by a Buffalo. Billups finished the season with 555 total points, the first time a sophomore made scored that many points since Cliff Meely put up 667 points during the '68-'69 season. Electing for the NBA draft, Billups left Colorado after his sophomore year, but not after becoming the 23rd all time scorer in school history in just two years.

### 1968-69 NCAA Tournament Team

Coming off an uninspiring 9-16 overall record the previous year, Colorado was looking for a way to get the program back on track. A 3-11 conference record had coach Sox Walseth reeling. The Buffs were in need of a spark plug; and they found it in Cliff Meely. Never in school history had a first year player given the program a jolt in the way Meely was able to do in the 1968-1969 season. The Buffs tore through the season, finishing with a 21-7 mark and an 11-4 conference schedule. That record included a perfect 11-0 on home court. The 21 wins marked at the time, a school record for wins in a season. Colorado earned a #18 national ranking for their success, the first time the Buffs were able to crack the top 25 since 1963. This success was fueled by the inspiring play of Cliff Meely. Meely finished the season with 667 points, the most ever by a sophomore and 4th all time for any class. His ability to score was complimented by superb rebounding. Meely finished the '68-'69 campaign with 337 rebounds. This mark is also the most by any sophomore, and ranks 2nd all time in CU history.



Top (l-r): Head Coach Sox Walseth, Trainer Monte Smith, Steve Swanson, Ron Maulsby, Dudley Mitchell, Scoopy Smith, Terry Jameson, Gordie Tope, Mickey Kern, Manager John Weintraub. Bottom: Mike Kinkki, David Lee, Tim Richardson, Mike Coleman, Ted Erfert, Bruce Hyink, Cliff Meely, Tim Wedgeworth, Lloyd Hutchinson.



## 1962-63 NCAA Tournament Team

The 1962-1963 season opened with all eyes on the Buffs. Coming off an impressive 19 win campaign and NCAA tournament berth the year before, Colorado was receiving national attention. Coach Sox Walseth knew his team was under the microscope from the very beginning. Some critics thought a team who was not used to being in the spotlight would crumble under the pressure; these Buffaloes proved them wrong. CU stormed through the season, accumulating a 19-7 record while going 11-3 in conference play. It was the second year in a row that Colorado had gone 19-7 overall. A perfect home record and a #10 national ranking helped to keep Boulder in a basketball induced frenzy. The previous year had ended with CU having 499 wins as a program, and they seized first opportunity they had during the '62-'63 campaign to reach that milestone. December 3rd 1962 saw CU defeat Wichita State 79-69 in double overtime, the 500th win of the programs illustrious history. Senior Ken Charlton paced the Buffs in scoring for the season. En route to an All-American selection, the 5th in CU's history, Charlton put up 514 points and 214 rebounds. His point total was well above the rest of the team, outpacing the 2nd best scorer, Jim Davis, by 154 points. Charlton currently ranks 10th all time on the career scoring list.



(L-R): Glenn Sponholtz, Jim Davis, Jack Lintz, Norm Saunders, Milt Mueller, Ken Charlton, Ralph Becker, Gene Sparks, Terry Woodward, Tom McCann, Bob Joyce, Lonnie Melton, Ed Price, Allan Pike, George Parsons, John Sciez, Frank Harshman, Denny Lee, Adrian Mohr, Eric Lee, Russ Casement.



## 1961-62 NCAA Tournament Team

A 19 win season was something the Colorado Buffaloes had seen only once in their history. The last time they won 19 games (in 1955), was the last time CU received a bid to play in the NCAA tournament. With that goal in their heads, Sox Walseth and his Buffs marched to a 19-7 record, and a near perfect 13-1 mark in conference play. The #9 ranked Buffaloes finished the regular season on a torrid pace, winning 14 of their 15 final games. The one loss was their one conference loss as well, falling at Kansas State. That span included a 12 game winning streak, as CU decimated their Big 8 opponents. The #9 national ranking was, and continues to be the highest position CU has ever had with the AP polls. Colorado scorers were paced by junior forward Ken Charlton, who finished the season with 498 points and 216 rebounds. Charlton was the only member of the team to record 400 points and 200 rebounds. One of the great storylines of the season was the play of senior forward Wilky Gilmore. Gilmore was the only member of the team to play in all 26 contests, as he accumulated 330 points and 163 rebounds. Gilmore left the program as the 2nd all time leading scorer in CU history with 1026 career points. He currently ranks 22nd.

(l-r): Glenn Sponholtz, Jim Davis, Gene Zyza, Milt Mueller, Ken Charlton, Wilky Gilmore, Wayne Millies, Gene Sparks, Terry Woodward, Tom McCann, Larry Morris, Gil Whissen, Lonnie Melton, Ed Price, George Parsons, Eric Lee, Bob Owen, Duane Lewis.

## 1954-55 NCAA Tournament Team (Final Four Team)

It was a season of first for the Buffaloes. The year marked the first time in school history the Buffs were offered an invitation to the NCAA national tournament. Once they arrived, the success they had during the big dance is unmatched in school history to this day. Advancing to the national semifinals, they were eventually defeated by San Francisco. CU won the consolation game 2 days later, to finish the season as the #3 team in the country. The season also saw the first time Colorado could put the number 19 in the win column. They finished with a 19-6 overall record, going 11-1 in tournament play. Their one blemish in Big Seven play came while playing at rival Nebraska. The season opened with a bang, as CU set a school scoring record as they took down Brigham Young by a score of 88-66. Colorado had an amazing winning streak during the season, capturing 15 of 16 games spanning from December to March. A #15 national ranking was also given to the Buffs during the regular season, which marked the first time in school history that CU had broken the AP top 25 poll. The '54-'55 Buffs were blessed to have the single most dominating rebounder in the history of Colorado. Senior Burdette Haldorson tore apart record after record, many of which are still standing today. His accomplishments were highlighted by a 21 rebound effort against Oklahoma, and later a 22 rebound game against Nebraska. His season mark of 346 rebounds is still the school record, as his single season rebounds/game average. He stands 6th on the career list, with 711 rebounds. He also knew how to put the ball in the basket; his 1125 career points was the best in school history when he left. He currently stands 18th on the all time list.



Front Row (l-r): Trainer Jack Rockwell, Tom Harrold, Will Walters, Bob Helzer, George Redhair, By Bennett, Dave Mowbray, Head Coach Bebe Lee. Second Row: Manager John Roberts, Gordon Johnson, Sam Morrison, Charlie Mock, Jamie Grant, Bill Peterson, Bob Decker, Jim Grant, Jim Cadle, Bob Yardley, Assistant Coach: Gerry Ellison. Back Row: Assistant Coach Bill Toms, Mel Coffman, Jim Ranglos, Bob Jeangerard, Burdy Haldorson, Frank Wilcox, George Hannah, Jim Jochems, Leo Hayward, Mik Mansfield, Jerry Spicer.



## 1953-54 NCAA Tournament Team

Under the direction of coach H.B. Lee, the Buffs finished the season with a less than stellar 10-10 regular season mark. It was their inspired 10-2 Big Seven record, however, that helped the Buffs reach the NCAA tournament for the 4th time in school history. Colorado started their season losing 7 in a row. Fans and the media had already stuck the proverbial fork in the Buff's season. After a loss at home to Iowa State though, a fire was lit under the Buffs, and they went flying to finish out the season. They won 11 of their next 13 games to storm back into tournament contention. That win streak was highlighted by a home win against the defending champion Kansas Jayhawks, along with road wins against contenders Iowa State, Nebraska, and Oklahoma. At season's end, the impressive winning streak was not enough to ensure an NCAA berth. The selection was eventually made when Colorado's name was literally pulled out of a hat. Talk about luck of the draw. CU was paced by junior center Burdette Haldorson. The 6'7 center led the team with 367 points and 199 rebounds. At the time, Haldorson's average of 9 rebounds per game tied him for the all time high with Frank Gompert.



Bottom Row (l-r): Head Coach: H.B. Lee, James Grant, Byron Bennett, Samuel Morrison, Thomas Harrold, Charles Mock, Assistant Coach Bob Sneddon. Middle Row: William Peterson, James Ranglos, Wilbert Walter, Kenneth Munns, Merle Abrames. Top Row: James Owsley, Robert Jeangerard, Burdette Haldorson, George Hannah, Melvin Coffman.



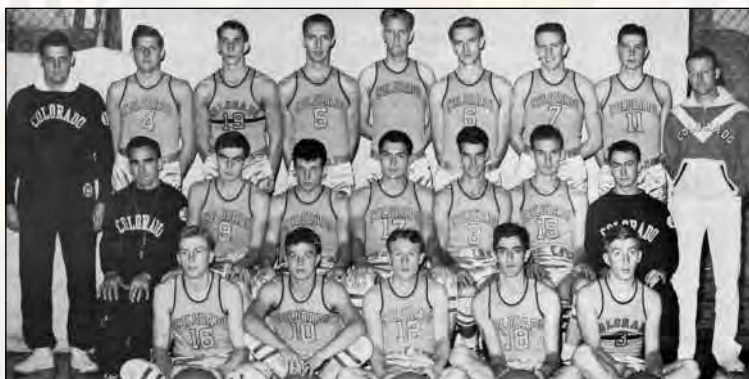
Front Row (l-r): Leo Atkin, equipment manager, James Stark, Harold Beattie, Jack Hunt, Sam Jenkins, Bill Allen, Leonard Poth, W.C. Lam. Middle Row (l-r): Director of Athletics Dean Harry Carlson, Chet Riley, Lee Robbins, Hank Knocke, Horace Huggins, Assistant Coach Jim Wilcoxon, Head Coach Frosty Cox. Back Row (l-r): Bob Sloan, Sox Walseth, Ernie Fuller, Don Patman, Jack Sterling, Clarence Ellis.

## 1945-46 NCAA Tournament Team

One of the youngest CU teams to ever make the NCAA tournament came in the 1945-1946 season. The Buffs did not have one senior to help coach Forrest Cox direct the untested youth. Thankfully for Coach Cox, and for Buffs fans, they didn't need one. Colorado battled their way to a 12-6 overall record, and a 9-3 Mountain States Conference record. The season was highlighted by a 5 game win streak during the heart of the schedule. During that span they were able to defeat conference foes Denver, Colorado State, Utah, and Brigham Young. The inexperienced Buffs were lead by center Hank Knocke. The sophomore transfer exploded out of the gates: scoring 49 points in his first four games as a Buffalo. With a sturdy 6'4 frame, Knocke was able to control the area under the basket, and maintain CU's distinction as a force to be reckoned with. Knocke's season was highlighted by two 26 point efforts; once against Utah State, and again just two weeks later against Denver. At the time, those stood as the 3rd and 4th all time single game scoring records. The Buffs ended their season with a consolation victory over the University of Baylor.

## 1941-42 NCAA Tournament Team

Very little could stop Colorado in their march towards their second all time appearance in the NCAA tournament. The Buffs decimated their competition, going 15-1 in the regular season. Behind the direction of head coach Forrest B. Cox, CU's explosive attack and stingy defensive work won them their first 14 games in as many attempts. The Buffs finally lost their first game of the seas on March 3rd, a 39-40 loss to conference foe Wyoming. A perfect 6-0 home record had the fans in Boulder excited; and their 9-1 away record had the rest of the nation trembling. Colorado would eventually finish their season 16-2, as they took down Kansas in the NCAA western regional semifinals. They would later bow out to Stanford in the regional finals. Their stellar play helped the Buffs capture their 4th Mountain States Conference title in 5 years. Two All-American players helped to pace CU during this dominating season: Robert Doll and Leason McCloud. Robert Doll was the big play man for the Buffs. His imposing presence down in the paint allowed him to out rebound all of his opponents. Doll would later go on to play for the Boston Celtics in the NBA. Doll was supplemented by the stellar play of McCloud. The leading scorer on the team, McCloud was seen by coach Cox as the Buffs "go to guy". McCloud's inspired 19 point performance was the turning factor in Colorado's first round victory against Kansas.



Top Row (l-r): Head Coach H.B. Lee, George Hamburg, #19-?, Bob Doll, ?, Bob Kirchner, 7-?, Lee Robbins. Middle Row (l-r): Bill Miliken, Don Putman, Reed Hannon, Leason McCloud, Paul Schmidt. Bottom Row (l-r): Jack Stirling, Heath Nuckolls, Barney Oldham.



## 1939-1940 NCAA and NIT Team

Coming off of an impressive NIT tournament championship, Colorado was invited to play in the NCAA tournament for the first time in school history. Under the direction of coach Forrest Cox, the Buffs had compiled an impressive 17-2 record previous to the NCAA tournament. This included a near perfect 11-1 record in conference play, a flawless 8-0 home performance, and a mid-season 12 game winning streak. Although CU had to bow out after the first round of the tournament, they did not end the season without some hardware to show. They had earlier defeated Duquesne University for the NIT championship. A 52-37 romping of the University of Denver had given the Buffs their 3rd straight Mountain States Conference title. Colorado was lead by Jack Harvey: a two time All-American selection. Over a two year span, CU went 31-8 with Jack Harvey wearing the silver and gold. Harvey was a dominating presence in the defensive end of the court; as well as being the catalyst in an explosive fast break offense. Harvey is Colorado's only two-time All-America selection.



Head Coach: Forrest B. Cox. Jack Harvey, Gene Grove, Bob Doll, Don Hendricks, Don Thurman, Leason McCloud, Bill Cates, George Hamburg, Dick Emery, Paul Schmidt, Martin Trotsky, John Musgrove, Jim Hickey, Dick Merrill.

## All-Time Post-Season Record

### National Invitational Tournament: 11-8

2011: 3-1	2000: 0-1	1941: 4-1
2006: 0-1	1999: 1-1	1940: 2-0
2004: 0-1	1995: 0-1	1938: 1-1

### NCAA Tournament: 9-12

2003: 0-1	1962: 1-1	1942: 1-1
1997: 1-1	1955: 3-1	1940: 0-2
1969: 1-1	1954: 0-2	
1963: 1-1	1946: 1-1	

## POST-SEASON TOURNAMENT HISTORY (20-20)

### 2010-11 National Invitational Tournament (3-1)

Mar. 16	Colorado 81, Texas Southern 74	Boulder, Colo. (First Round)
Mar. 18	Colorado 89, California 72	Boulder, Colo. (Second Round)
Mar. 22	Colorado 81, Kent State 74	Boulder, Colo. (Quarterfinal)
Mar. 29	Alabama 62, Colorado 61	New York City, N.Y. (Semifinal)

### 2005-06 National Invitational Tournament (0-1)

Mar. 15	Old Dominion 79, Colorado 61	Boulder, Colo. (First Round)
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### 2003-04 National Invitational Tournament (0-1)

Mar. 17	Oregon 77, Colorado 72 (ot)	Eugene, Ore. (First Round)
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### 2002-03 NCAA Tournament (0-1)

Mar. 21	Michigan State 79, Colorado 64	Tampa, Fla. (First Round)
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### 1999-2000 National Invitational Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 16	Southern Illinois 94, Colorado 92	Boulder, Colo.
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### 1998-99 National Invitational Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 10	Colorado 65, Pepperdine 61	Boulder, Colo.
Mar. 16	Colorado State 86, Colorado 76	Fort Collins, Colo.

### 1996-97 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 14	Colorado 80, Indiana 62	Winston-Salem, N.C. (First Round)
Mar. 16	North Carolina 73, Colorado 56	Winston-Salem, N.C. (Second Round)

### 1994-95 National Invitational Tournament (0-1)

Mar. 15	New Mexico State 98, Colorado 83	Las Cruces, N.M.
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### 1990-91 National Invitational Tournament (4-1)

Mar. 13	Colorado 71, Michigan 64	Boulder, Colo.
Mar. 18	Colorado 83, Wyoming 75	Boulder, Colo.
Mar. 21	Colorado 81, Arkansas State 75	Boulder, Colo.
Mar. 25	Oklahoma 88, Colorado 78	New York, N.Y. (NIT Semifinal)
Mar. 27	Colorado 98, Massachusetts 91	New York, N.Y. (NIT Consolation Game)

### 1968-69 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 13	Colorado State 64, Colorado 56	Lawrence, Kan. (Midwest Regional)
Mar. 15	Colorado 97, Texas A&M 82	Lawrence, Kan. (Regional Third Place Game)

### 1962-63 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 15	Colorado 78, Oklahoma City 72	Lawrence, Kan. (Midwest Regional)
Mar. 16	Cincinnati 67, Colorado 60	Lawrence, Kan. (Regional Third Place Game)

### 1961-62 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 16	Colorado 67, Texas Tech 60	Manhattan, Kan. (Western Regional)
Mar. 17	Cincinnati 73, Colorado 46	Manhattan, Kan. (Regional Final)

### 1954-55 NCAA Tournament (3-1)

Mar. 10	Colorado 69, Tulsa 59	Manhattan, Kan. (Western Regional)
Mar. 15	Colorado 93, Bradley 81	Manhattan, Kan. (Regional Final)
Mar. 19	San Francisco 62, Colorado 50	Kansas City, Mo. (NCAA Semifinal)
Mar. 21	Colorado 75, Iowa 54	Kansas City, Mo. (NCAA Consolation Game)

### 1953-54 NCAA Tournament (0-2)

Mar. 12	Bradley 76, Colorado 64	Stillwater, Okla. (Western Regional)
Mar. 13	Rice 78, Colorado 55	Stillwater, Okla. (Regional Third Place Game)

### 1945-46 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 22	California 50, Colorado 44	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
Mar. 23	Colorado 59, Baylor 44	Kansas City, Mo. (Regional Third Place Game)

### 1941-42 NCAA Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 20	Colorado 46, Kansas 44	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
Mar. 21	Stanford 46, Colorado 34	Kansas City, Mo. (Regional Final)

### 1939-40 NCAA Tournament (0-2)

Mar. 20	Southern California 38, Colorado 32	Kansas City, Mo. (Western Regional)
Mar. 21	Rice 60, Colorado 56	Kansas City, Mo. (Regional Third Place Game)

### 1939-40 National Invitational Tournament (2-0)

Mar. 13	Colorado 52, DePaul 37	New York, N.Y.
Mar. 15	Colorado 51, Duquesne 40	New York, N.Y. (NIT Championship)

### 1937-38 National Invitational Tournament (1-1)

Mar. 14	Colorado 48, New York University 47	New York, N.Y.
Mar. 16	Temple 60, Colorado 34	New York, N.Y. (NIT Championship)