

University of Colorado Football



2005 NFL Draft Candidates

<u>Player</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Ht.</u>	<u>Wt.</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Exp</u>	<u>Hometown (High School/Previous College)</u>
BARREAU, Terrance	OL	6- 1	295	Sr.	1L	Aurora, Colo. (Gateway/ Air Force Prep/Air Force)
*BLOOM, Jeremy	WR	5- 9	175	Jr.	2L	Loveland, Colo. (Loveland)
DABDOUB, Brandon	DT	6- 1	290	Sr.	4L	Metairie, La. (Archbishop Rummel)
DUREN, Mike	WR	5- 9	190	Sr.	1L	Arvada, Colo. (Arvada West/Nebraska)
EBERLY, J.T.	PK	6- 2	190	Sr.	1L	Littleton, Colo. (Mullen)
GREENBERG, Erik	QB	6- 2	195	Jr.	1L	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Rampart)
McCHESNEY, Matt	DT/DE	6- 4	290	Sr.	4L	Longmont, Colo. (Niwot)
MONTEILH, Ron	WR	6- 0	200	Sr.	3L	Beverly Hills, Calif. (Beverly Hills/ Oregon State)
PURIFY, Bobby	TB	6- 0	215	Sr.	5L	Colorado Springs, Colo. (Palmer)
STEMRICH, Derek	OL	6- 6	290	Sr.	3L	Hesperia, Calif. (Sultana)
TILMON, McKenzie	DT	6- 3	310	Sr.	2L	Irving, Texas (MacArthur/ NE Oklahoma A&M)
WALLACE, Jesse	TE	6- 3	245	Sr.	3L	Kansas City, Mo. (Blue Valley Northwest)
WILDER, Sam	OL	6- 5	305	Sr.	4L	Dallas, Texas (First Baptist Academy)

*—ineligible in 2004 due to NCAA ruling against his competing in both football and World Cup skiing (he is no longer eligible to play collegiately and is on the World Cup ski tour).

Player Biographies / Press Clippings

78 TERRANCE BARREAU, OG

6-1, 295, Sr., 1L, Aurora, Colo. (Gateway/Air Force Prep/Air Force)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He started all 13 games including the EV1.net Houston Bowl at split guard, playing 596 snaps from scrimmage as he missed a few plays here and there due to injuries. He graded out to 77.3 percent for the season (fourth among the OL starters), with 17 knockdown blocks and a team-best seven touchdown blocks clearing the way for backs to get into the end zone. He was called for just three penalties, and tied for the team low among regulars in allowing just half a quarterback sack. His top game grade came at Nebraska, where he recorded an 81.1 figure. Entering fall camp, he was in the best condition of his career since leaving the Air Force and was under 300 pounds for the first time at Colorado.

2003 (Jr.)—He did not see any action but did dress for six games and practiced all season on the offensive line, mainly at guard. He was sidetracked early in the year after suffering a knee injury that eventually required arthroscopic surgery in early September. He joined the team in the early summer after being cleared academically once he was discharged from the Air Force.

2001-2002: The bulk of his stretch of his two-year obligation to serve the Air Force, he was deployed to Kyrgyzstan (Russia, wedged between and Kazakhstan and China) from January to April, working in security police detail. Upon his return, he was stationed at Seymour Johnson AFB in North Carolina. His two years started in May 2001 and ran through May 2003.

AT AIR FORCE: 2000 (Soph.)—He started six games before deciding the Air Force just wasn't for him, but was emerging as one of the Mountain West Conference's top linemen. He had 95 knockdown blocks for an 11.9 average in those six games, including a career-high 27 against Brigham Young. He moved from tackle to guard in spring drills.

1999 (Fr.-RS)—He recorded 24 knockdown blocks as a backup offensive tackle, with a high of five in back-to-back games against Utah and Brigham Young. Prior to football practice in August, he completed Combat Survival Training, when he also completed Operations Air Force and was a member of the cadet squadron 10.

1998 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any game action, but practiced the entire fall on the offensive line.

PREP SCHOOL—He attended Air Force Academy Prep for the 1997-98 school year, and was the team's most valuable player on offense, playing guard on a 3-6 team.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-state honors, when he was named first-team All-Continental League for the third straight season. He was a second-team all-state performer as a junior. Also a three-year starter at defensive tackle, he had 10 career sacks. His head coach in football at Gateway was Steve Eaton; he also lettered four times in both track and wrestling, placing fifth in the heavyweight division in the state meet in the latter as a senior.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in business (finance) at Colorado, and is scheduled to graduate next May. He earned second-team Academic All-Big 12 honors as a senior.

PERSONAL—He was born February 13, 1980 in Denver. Hobbies include playing most sports, hunting and fishing. He is interested in the banking industry as a possible career after football.

15 JEREMY BLOOM, WR

5-9, 175, Jr., 2L, Loveland, Colo. (Loveland)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Jr.)—In early September, the NCAA denied a final CU appeal for reinstatement for Bloom to be able to play college football and still ski professionally so he could keep alive his hopes to represent the United States in moguls skiing in the 2006 Winter Olympics (Turin, Italy). He accepted endorsement money in the winter to be able to continue skiing on the World Cup circuit, a violation of NCAA rules even though he was an amateur in football. The process dragged out over the entire summer, and Bloom left campus in August to train in Chile while the NCAA weighed his case. Despite evidence of previous rulings (Iowa's Tim Dwight ran track after collecting endorsement money as a pro football player), an "independent" NCAA appeals committee ruled against Bloom a final time on August 24, ending his collegiate career. If eligible to play, he figured to be CU's top return man for punts and kickoffs, as well as a key player in the rotation at wide receiver (he would have been one of just two returning receivers who had receptions in 2003). *Street & Smith's* selected him as a preseason honorable All-America at kick returner, where *The Sporting News* lists him as the No. 8 player in the nation. He had five career plays of 75 yards or longer (two receptions, two punt returns, one kickoff return), tied with Byron White for the second most in school history, and just one behind the leader, Ben Kelly (six between 1997-99). He finished his career eighth in punt return yards (625), tied for fifth in punt return touchdowns (2), 11th in kickoff return yards (627), 57th in receiving yards (458) and 48th in all-purpose yards (1,792).

2003 (Soph.)—He was an all-around weapon, as for the season he had 80 touches for 1,286 yards, or 16.1 per touch. Most of those came on kick returns, as he led the Big 12 Conference in total kick return yards with 878, ranking fifth in the league in kickoff returns (30th NCAA) and sixth in punt returns (21st NCAA). He returned 24 kickoffs for 589 yards (24.5 per), including an 88-yard kickoff return for a touchdown against Kansas State, along with 24 punt returns for 289 yards, an average of 12.0 per. He caught 22 passes for 356 yards (16.2 per reception), with one touchdown, an 81-yard catch and run at Florida State. He had at least one reception in 11 games, with a season and career-high of five for 97 yards in a 50-47 overtime win over Kansas. One of his biggest grabs was an acrobatic 33-yard catch in the final stages of CU's 42-35 win over Colorado State; it set the table for Bobby Purify's winning TD run with 40 seconds left. His other touches came on rushes, a combination of reverses or quick handoffs, as he had 10 attempts for 52 yards with a long of 19. He earned second-team all-Big 12 honors from the league coaches at kick returner (honorable mention by the *Associated Press*); he also was the Special Teams Player of the Year in Colorado as selected by the state's chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame (and was a first-team member of its All-Colorado team). The CU coaches named him winner of the Bill McCartney Award, presented for special teams achievement, as he was twice selected as CU's special teams player of the week (for the Baylor and Kansas State games). In that Baylor game, he set a school record for the most kick return yards in a game by a Buff with 250 (143 kickoff, 107 punt). He announced on June 4 that he was resuming his college football career, as he was not enrolled in spring classes at CU after returning to competitive skiing (he did take a correspondence course allowed by NCAA rules specifically for Olympic athletes). He made a "cameo" appearance in the spring game, fielding a punt in street clothes in the second quarter (after the whistle, a few players "dog-piled" on him for laughs).

2002 (Fr.)—As a kick return man, he was a first-team Freshman All-America team member by both the FWAA and collegefootballnews.com, which also selected him as an honorable mention choice on its overall team; *The Sporting News* tabbed him a third team frosh All-American. He saw action in 13 games, including the Alamo Bowl (no starts; he missed the USC game due to a broken sesamoid bone in his left foot) and had quite an impact, as he was electric almost every time he touched the ball. By the time the season was over, he participated in three of the five longest plays involving a true freshman in CU history. The first time he touched the ball as a collegian, he returned a punt 75 yards against Colorado State to get the Buffs on the scoreboard in the fourth quarter. Against Kansas State, he had a 94-yard catch and run reception for a touchdown, the longest pass play in school history (also his first career catch). And versus Oklahoma in the Big 12 Championship, an 80-yard punt return for six turned the momentum CU's way for a time in the third quarter. Including the bowl game, he averaged 15.0 yards for 23 punt returns to rank 13th in the nation (he was fifth at 16.8 through the regular season, but the NCAA included bowl stats for the first time). He was the first CU freshman (true or redshirt) to return more than one punt for scores in a single season. After the Big 12 Championship game, he began training for the ski season, taking his final exams early as he left Dec. 15 for Finland to compete in a FIS World Cup event (he rejoined the team in San Antonio for the bowl; in Finland, he missed a bronze medal in the moguls by two-hundredths of a second). He returned three punts against Wisconsin in the Alamo Bowl (for a net 8 yards). Prior to the start of fall drills, he challenged the NCAA in court, as he wants to pursue a promising skiing and endorsement career outside of football. Though chastising the NCAA for missing an opportunity to do the right thing, the judge upheld the enforcement of its rules by the NCAA in ruling against Bloom. He and his attorneys have appealed, and the case is still active as of June 2003.

2001—He wound up delaying his enrollment to pursue his dream of making the U.S. Olympic ski team for the 2002 Winter Olympics, which he accomplished (see *skiing notes below*). He did report with his class for fall camp, participated in the freshman and a couple of varsity practices, and then left for San Diego for training.

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SKIING—A very accomplished moguls skier, he has competed for the United States Freestyle Ski Team since 1998, the newest addition to U.S. Skiing, headed by former CU athletic director Bill Marolt (Bloom's coaches are Scott Rawles, Liz McIntyre and Donny St. Pierre). Prior to the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics, he was named to the U.S. Ski Team on the strength of his third place finish in the moguls in the 2001 USA Championships. He finished ninth in the moguls at the Olympics, but bounced back a month later to win the World Cup moguls title in Ruka, Finland. In winter 2003, he posted three World Cup victories in six races, and won both Gold and Silver medals in the World Championships held in Deer Valley, Utah. He has won several NorAm races in his career, and finished third (claiming the bronze medal) at the 2000 Junior World Championships in Italy. He was only three when he made his first mogul run (Geronimo) at Keystone. He opened the 2003-04 winter with a second place finish in the moguls at the Ruka World Cup event, just .33 points behind 2002 Olympic champion Janne Lahtela of Finland, and had three other runner-up finishes before ending his year with a win in the moguls in the Czech Republic. In the 2004-05 season (as of February 27), he set a world record with six consecutive victories, topping the old mark of five.

KNEE INJURY—Bloom first tweaked his knee as a freshman in the Kansas State game in 2002. There were no real lingering effects the rest of the football season, but the knee did bother him a bit during the 2002-03 ski season. He had an MRI prior to last season (2003 football), but it showed there was nothing that needed immediate surgical attention. He had some occasional trouble during the year with the knee, but nothing major or that kept him from missing a practice here or there. The knee really started to bother him during the 2004 ski season, and he ended skiing early to have arthroscopic surgery on March 5. The injury turned out to be inflamed tissue in the meniscus capsule; it was removed by Dr. Vernon Cooley, a renowned knee specialist whose past client list includes Tiger Woods. He's been fine since, judging by the tear he went on in skiing the 2004-05 winter.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* all-Midlands honors, as he was listed as the No. 68 player overall (the seventh receiver) in the area by *SP*. He also earned first-team all-state from the *Denver Post* and all-area honors. As a senior, he caught 48 passes for 1,116 yards and 12 touchdowns, and ran a few successful reverses, gaining about 200 yards on five attempts. He also occasionally returned punts. As a junior, when he garnered all-area accolades, he caught 19 passes for 550 yards and six touchdowns. His career totals were thus: 67 catches for 1,666 yards and 18 touchdowns. He was on the junior varsity as a sophomore, and was the quarterback (and a defensive back) on the freshman team. His top games include a 35-12 win over Lakewood in the 2000 state playoffs, when he broke three school records with nine receptions for 204 yards and four touchdowns. He also had 135 yards on four receptions in a win over Northglenn, and as a junior, he opened the year with four catches for 110 yards and two scores in a 14-12 win. Against Rampart in the 2000 playoffs, he had his best day as a runner, rushing three times for 85 yards. Loveland was 13-1 his senior year, claiming the Colorado 4A state championship, and was 8-2 his junior year under coach John Poovey. He has lettered in track three times (relays, sprints), and is a three-time all-state performer; he helped Loveland to the state title his junior year as a member of the 4x200 relay team.

ACADEMICS—He was a communication major at Colorado, and was in good academic standing when the NCAA ruled against him (he has every intention of completing his degree). He was an honor roll student all four years in high school, and maintained a 3.0 grade point average at CU despite his hectic travel schedule.

PERSONAL—Born April 2, 1982 in Fort Collins. He selected Colorado over Colorado State and Wyoming, as it was evident he wasn't looking to go very far away from the mountains. His hobbies include skiing on a football questionnaire, and football on a skiing one. For his accomplishments in both, the Colorado Sports Hall of Fame named him the Colorado Amateur Athlete of the Year for 2002, while *Mile High Sports* magazine named him the state's athlete of the year. In March of 2003, he won the 30th annual Superstars Competition that took place in Jamaica; he defeated nine professional athletes in the competition, of which all had to choose seven of 10 events to participate. Bloom excelled, including wins in the half-mile run and the 100-yard dash (which he accomplished in 9.41 seconds). He donated his \$45,000 prize to charity, as the NCAA rules prohibited him from keeping it.

Season	RECEIVING						PUNT RETURNS				
	G	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long
2002	12	2	102	51.0	1	94t	20	336	16.8	2	80t
2003	12	22	356	16.2	1	81t	24	289	12.0	0	37
Totals	24	24	458	19.1	2	94t	44	625	14.2	2	80t

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Kickoff Returns: 1-38, 38.0 (2002), 24-589, 24.5, 88 long, 1 TD (2003). Rushing: 5-30, 6.0, 26 long (2002); 10-52, 5.2, 19 long.

98 BRANDON DABDOUB, DT

6-1, 290, Sr., 4L, Metairie, La. (Archbishop Rummel)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He saw action in all 13 games including one start (Kansas State), playing 243 snaps from scrimmage. He was in on 27 tackles (18 solo), with four for losses including two quarterback sacks, along with three third down stops, one pressure and one pass broken up. Both of his sacks were at key junctures against Washington State and Kansas State, when he also posted his season high in tackles with six in each game. He also had four tackles against Texas. In the EV1.net Houston Bowl game against UTEP, he was in on one tackle (for a loss) and had a pass breakup. He missed all of spring practice recovering from a torn pectoral muscle that he suffered during March conditioning; he had resumed most normal weight and conditioning activity by the end of June and was 100 percent by the start of fall camp.

2003 (Jr.)—He played in all 12 games, including nine starts, at defensive tackle, finishing the year with 20 tackles (14 solo) in playing 514 snaps from scrimmage. He was second on the team with nine quarterback pressures, and also had four third down stops, three tackles for loss, two pass deflections and an interception. The pick was the first of his career, coming at Texas Tech, and was the first interception by a CU defensive tackle in seven seasons. He registered a career-high seven tackles (three solo) in the season finale against Nebraska, which included a pair of third downs stops; he had three tackles on three other occasions. He had a pretty solid spring, as he was one of 13 players to earn prestigious Spring Victory Club honors.

2002 (Soph.)—He saw action in 10 games, including one start that came against Southern California, as he played 184 snaps overall. He had two tackles in three different games, posting nine overall, which included a quarterback sack against San Diego State. He had entered fall drills in a battle for a starting position, coming off an impressive spring. He owned the second best bench press (445 pounds) on the team in the spring conditioning tests.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—He earned second-team freshman All-America honors from The Sporting News, as he played in all 13 games, including the Fiesta Bowl, and making seven starts. In 299 snaps from scrimmage, he had 21 tackles (12 solo), with one for a loss to go with a hurry and a pass broken up. In his second start at Kansas State, on his 20th birthday, he had a season and then career-high five tackles, one behind the line for a loss. He also had four tackles against Texas A&M.

2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall at defensive tackle. He was the Scout Team Defense award winner for the Kansas game.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *SuperPrep* all-Southwest honors (the No. 18 player out of Louisiana), *PrepStar* all-Southeast honors and Rivals.com Southeast-West Top 100 mention. He also was named first-team all-state (*Louisiana Football Magazine*) and all-district (*New Orleans Times-Picayune*, WWL-TV), with the Times-Picayune selecting him to its Top 20 Blue Chip list. He was the third ranked defensive lineman in the state and a Purple & Gold Top 100 list member, along with making all-Catholic Elite Team, all-metro and all-East Bank. As a junior, he earned all-district honors from the area coaches, along with all-metro, all-East Bank and all-Catholic Elite Team accolades. He played both defensive tackle and end as a senior, racking up 95 total tackles, with 27 for losses including 12 quarterback sacks. He also had eight hurries, six passes broken up, four forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and an interception he returned for a touchdown. His top games included a 12-tackle, two sack and a fumble recovery effort in a 20-3 playoff loss to St. Augustine; 15 tackles, one sack and a forced fumble in a 34-27 overtime win over Jesuit; and 10 tackles, three sacks and an interception returned for a touchdown in a 28-14 win over South Lafauche. Playing primarily tackle, he had 65 tackles as a junior, 23 for losses including 10 sacks, with seven hurries, five forced fumbles, three recoveries, three passes broken up and an interception. He returned the pick and one of the fumbles for scores, and was the state player-of-the-week on one occasion (10 tackles, three sacks and the fumble return for a TD). Archbishop Rummel was 10-2 in his senior year and 7-4 his junior season, losing in the second round of the playoffs both years, under coach Jay Roth. He participated in track for the first time as a senior (shot put).

ACADEMICS—He graduated with a degree in communication in December 2004. He is interested in broadcast television, and worked the summer prior to his senior year at Fox Sports Net in Denver.

PERSONAL—Born Oct. 6, 1981 in New Orleans, La. His hobbies include fishing (he'd like to be a tour guide someday), reading, golf (career best of 80), running and lifting weights. An older brother (Alan) played football at Louisiana State. He selected Colorado because he said the Buffs were a childhood favorite. Five high school teammates received scholarships at Division I-A schools. (*Last name pronounced dab-dooob.*)

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2001	12	299	12	9	21	1- 3	0- 0	0	1	0	0	1	0
2002	9	184	6	3	9	3- 9	1- 4	2	1	0	0	0	0
2003	12	514	14	6	20	3- 7	0- 0	4	9	0	0	2	1
2004	12	243	18	9	27	4-19	2-15	3	1	0	0	1	0
Totals	45	1240	50	27	77	11-38	3-19	9	12	0	0	4	1

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Interception Return Yards: 1-0, 0.0 avg. (2003).

81 MIKE DUREN, WR

5-9, 190, Sr., 1L, Arvada, Colo. (Arvada West/Nebraska)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He saw action in all 13 games, including one start (Kansas State), as he was in the regular rotation at wide receiver (the “Z” position). He caught the seventh most passes on the team in hauling down 20 for 146 yards. He caught four passes in two different games, Kansas and Nebraska; he had his career long of 28 yards in the latter, but his yardage total suffered for the game as he was credited with a 13-yard loss on catch after the ball got away from him after a grab. Against UTEP in the EV1.net Houston Bowl, he caught two passes for 10 yards. On special teams, he had one punt return as well as a solo tackle on coverage. He had a terrific spring, as the coaches named him the Most Improved Offensive Player. He led all players in the spring scrimmage receiving stats with 13 catches for 142 yards, including a 33-yard touchdown reception (from Erik Greenberg) in the spring game.

2003 (Jr.)—He saw action in eight games, mainly on special teams. He twice won the Scout Team Offense Award, being so honored by the coaches for the Colorado State and Texas Tech games. On the heels of a good spring and solid fall camp start, he was placed on scholarship during the second week in August, as the coaches rewarded him particularly for his dedication on special teams. He had a solid spring, establishing himself as a reliable wide out, while he also saw action some action at returning punts and kickoffs. In the three main spring scrimmages, he reeled in five catches for 107 yards and one touchdown (a 53-yard grab from Greenberg).

2002 (Soph.)—He joined the team as a recruited walk-on in August, after transferring from Nebraska’s baseball program. He was used solely on special teams in the four games he played in. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the Kansas game.

Other Years—He was a member of the University of Nebraska’s baseball team in 2000 and 2001 as a scholarship outfielder, but he did not see any game action.

HIGH SCHOOL— He lettered four times in football, playing on all three phases of the game as a running back, defensive back, and punt/kick returner. As a senior he garnered all-state (honorable mention) and first-team all-Jefferson County League honors. He rushed for 200 yards and 10 touchdowns on 22 attempts, and also gained 400 yards and 10 scores through the air with 30 receptions. Of the three punts he returned, two went for touchdowns, while his only kick return also yielded a touchdown. As a junior, he earned all-state (honorable mention) accolades and was named to the first-team all-conference squad. He rushed 150 times for 1,110 yards and 20 touchdowns that season, also netting 20 catches for 300 yards and five touchdowns. Three of his five punt returns were returned for scores. Arvada West was 5-5 his senior year, 8-3 his junior year and 12-2 his sophomore season, winning the 5A state championship under coach Dave Logan. He was a four-year letterman in baseball, earning honorable mention all-state and first-team all-conference honors his junior and senior seasons at shortstop (and was a second team all-conference pick as a sophomore). He also lettered twice in track (sprints).

ACADEMICS—He earned his degree in communication, graduating this past December 17. He was named to the academic all-state team as a senior in high school.

PERSONAL—Born Sept. 16, 1981 in Lakewood, Colo. Hobbies include listening to music and recreational shooting. He is the third in a succession of Duren’s to play at Colorado, as father Gary was a defensive back in 1973-74, and older brother Matt a safety in 2000-01.

Season	G	RECEIVING					High Games	
		No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2004	12	20	146	7.3	0	28	4	34

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Punt Returns: 1-minus 3, -3.0 avg. (2004). Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2004).

35 J.T. EBERLY, PK

6-1, 195, Sr., 1L, Littleton, Colo. (Mullen)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He suffered a torn Achilles heel early in August camp and was lost for the remainder of the season. He had entered the fall listed third at placekicker, and made good on 4-of-5 field goals in spring scrimmage action (the miss was from 47 yards) as well as on his lone PAT kick.

2003 (Jr.)—He did not see any game action, but dressed for nine contests. He entered the fall listed first on the depth chart after a solid spring, converting on all three PAT kicks and 1-of-4 field goals in the three spring scrimmages.

2002 (Soph.)—He saw action in three games (Kansas, Kansas State and Texas Tech), making good on his only placement kick (a PAT against Tech). He also kicked off four times, with three being returned and one fair caught. He made good on 2-of-3 field goals in spring scrimmages (long of 31), as well as converting all three of his PAT kicks in the spring game.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—Did not see any game action, but did dress for all home games and the Fiesta Bowl. He nailed his lone field goal try in CU's four full spring scrimmages from 48 yards out.

2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced the entire fall with the team after joining the fold as a walk-on prior to August drills.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned second-team all-Centennial League honors at placekicker, when he was 37-of-41 on PAT kicks and made 8-of-9 field goals (with a long of 45). It was the only year he played football, and Mullen posted an 11-2 record under coach Mick McCall. He lettered four times in track (hurdles), with career bests of 15.6 in the 110-hurdles and 42.0 in the 300-hurdles as Mullen was a three-time 4A state champion in his career. He also lettered twice in soccer (midfielder) and played forward one season on the basketball team.

ACADEMICS—He graduated in December ('04) with a double business major in finance and marketing. He made the Dean's List at CU (Spring 2001) and is a two-time member of the Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll. At the team's senior banquet, he was honored with the Dean Jacob Van Ek Award for academic excellence.

PERSONAL—Born October 17, 1981 in Littleton, Colo. Hobbies include fly-fishing, hunting and playing golf.

60 MATT McCHESNEY, DT

6-4, 290, Sr., 4L, Longmont, Colo. (Niwot)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He started all 12 games, including the EV1.net Houston Bowl at defensive tackle in earning honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from both the *Associated Press* and the league coaches. The coaches named him the winner of the Dave Jones Award as the team's most outstanding defensive player, and he also won the Derek Singleton Award for spirit, dedication and enthusiasm. He was one of 10 players named by the coaches to CU's prestigious Victory Club, and CU's beat media also selected him as the recipient of the Best Interview Award. He saw the most single-season action of his career in playing 711 snaps from scrimmage, posting 59 tackles (43 solo) and a team-leading seven quarterback sacks, tied for the most by a Buff over the last nine seasons. His 11 career sacks tied for 23rd all-time at Colorado. He led the team in quarterback pressures (9) and tied for second in third down stops (11). He had a key fumble recovery, as it came with five seconds remaining at Washington State, as he pounced on the ball at the Buff 2 to end WSU's threat to tie the game. He also had seven tackles and three hurries in that game, and in the loss to Texas, he posted a career-high nine tackles (with seven solo). He had eight tackles, one sack and a third down stop against Iowa State, as he was CU's defensive lineman of the week for that performance. In the bowl game, he had six tackles, four of the solo variety. He battled through ankle injuries much of the season, and suffered an injured elbow early in the Big 12 title game against Oklahoma that limited his effectiveness.

2003 (Jr.)—He played in all 12 games (10 starts), seeing time at both tackle as well as end; he made eight of his starts at tackle. He played 565 snaps on the year, racking up 26 tackles (19 solo, including four for losses and two quarterback sacks). He matched his then career high of six tackles in a game twice—book ending the season as he had five solo and one assist in the opener against Colorado State and two solo with four assists in the finale against Nebraska. He was CU's defensive lineman of the week for the UCLA game, as he had four solo tackles, two for losses with a sack, a third down stop and a fumble recovery. He had a tremendous spring, as in CU's three main scrimmages, he was in on 15 tackles, six for losses including four-and-a-half sacks. He was one of 13 players to earn CU's prestigious Spring Victory Club honors.

2002 (Jr.-RS)—He sat out the entire year after suffering a nasty ankle injury that required surgery during the season. He also missed spring practice, as he was suspended from CU (by the University for violating the school conduct code), but was reinstated in good standing in June. He wound up taking his redshirt year and thus saved a season of eligibility.

2001 (Soph.)—He played in 12 games, making two starts (Fresno State and Missouri) and played 406 snaps. He had 29 tackles (18 solo), with four tackles for losses (two sacks) and a fumble recovery. He was coming on at the end of the season, with some big plays against both Nebraska and Texas (he had a tackle for loss and a fumble recovery in the Big 12 title game). He had six tackles in the win at Iowa State, and had two sacks (for 24 yards in losses) at Kansas State. A natural end, he was moved inside to play the tackle position early in the year, mainly due to the fact that the Buffs only had one returning experienced DT. He wound up playing several snaps at both positions. He got off to a great start during fall camp but suffered a sprained elbow that sidelined him for a week. He had also missed one day of practice earlier in camp due to Giardia, a protozoan parasite that is most commonly picked up by drinking out of a stream; he said it just felt like a bad case of the flu. He was suspended for the bowl game by Gary Barnett, and thus did not travel to the Fiesta Bowl.

2000 (Fr.)—He saw action in seven games at defensive end (no starts), as he didn't play until the third game of the season and had his year cut short when he suffered a dislocated elbow at Missouri in the ninth game of the year. His playing time was increasing at the time of his injury, as he ended the year playing 127 snaps and nine tackles (seven solo). He also had a tackle for loss, a third down stop and a quarterback pressure. He zoomed up the depth chart quickly upon his arrival, securing the second-team spot on the depth chart by mid-August.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned *PrepStar*, *SuperPrep* and *USA Today* (honorable mention) All-America honors as a senior, and also made *Prep Football Report's* Top 250 list (the No. 117 player overall in the nation). Rivals.com ranked him No. 20 on its Top 100 DE list in the preseason, while *SuperPrep* ranked him as the No. 32 defensive end in the nation (and the No. 22 player overall in the Midlands). He earned 4A first-team all-state honors from the *Rocky Mountain News* (the *Denver Post* selected him honorable mention), but the *Post* placed him on its top Blue Chip list for the state. He earned first-team all-area honors his sophomore through senior years, while the *Boulder Daily Camera* selected him first-team all-Boulder County as a junior (defense) and senior (offense, though the *Camera* selected him second-team on defense). He was a three-time all-conference selection, in the Metro North League his final two years and in the Front Range League as a sophomore. As a senior, he posted some monster numbers: he was in on 107 tackles, including 25 for losses and 11½ quarterback sacks, along with 11 forced fumbles, five fumble recoveries and nine passes broken up. On offense, playing left tackle, he had 25 pancake blocks with about 75 percent of Niwot's rushing yards coming on his side of the line. As a junior, he made 89 tackles, with 17 for losses and nine sacks, forced 14 fumbles, recovered eight, and had four PBU's. He also returned an interception and a blocked punt for touchdowns and had about 20 pancake blocks on offense (tackle). He had 60 tackles, 14 sacks and two caused fumbles as a sophomore, and 55 tackles, nine sacks and five forced fumbles as a freshman. That's 33 forced fumbles in his prep career, which saw him start all four years on defense. As a frosh, he sacked Longmont's Joe Chrisman (now at Nebraska) three-and-a-half times and knocked him out of the game. Top games included a 25-24 win over No. 1 Dakota Ridge his junior year when Niwot was No. 2; he had 12 tackles, blocked a punt for a touchdown, and had a PBU on the last play of the game to help preserve the win. He had a school record 22 tackles in a 48-14 win over Hinkley, also as a junior, and had three sacks and a 78-yard interception return for a score in the game as well. In a 27-24 loss to Centaurus as a senior, he had 11 tackles, three forced fumbles and a recovery. Niwot was 3-7 his senior year, 7-3 his sophomore and junior seasons, and 5-5 his freshman year under coach Tiny Koehler. He ended his prep career with six tackles and a quarterback sack in the All-State game in June 2000.

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ACADEMICS—He is majoring in history at Colorado, and is on schedule to graduate next May.

PERSONAL—Born November 6, 1981 in Santa Cruz, Calif. His hobbies include snowboarding, motorcycles (Harleys) and working on the family ranch. He was the first commit of the 2000 class, doing so on March 7 of the previous year, fulfilling a childhood dream of wanting to play at CU since he was in grade school.

<u>Season</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>Plays</u>	<u>TACKLES</u>			<u>TFL</u>	<u>Sacks</u>	<u>3DS</u>	<u>Hurr</u>	<u>FR</u>	<u>FF</u>	<u>PBU</u>	<u>Int</u>
			<u>UT</u>	<u>AT</u>	<u>TOT</u>								
2000	7	127	7	2—	9	1- 1	0- 0	1	1	0	0	0	0
2001	12	406	18	11—	29	4-27	2-24	2	3	1	0	0	0
2003	12	565	19	7—	26	4-20	2-17	2	4	1	0	0	0
2004	12	711	43	16—	59	11-44	7-38	11	9	1	0	1	0
Totals	43	1809	87	36—	123	20-92	11-79	16	17	3	0	1	0

4 RON MONTEILH, WR

6-1, 200, Sr., 3L, Beverly Hills, Calif. (Beverly Hills/Oregon State)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He played in 12 games, including the EV1.net Houston Bowl (all starts), missing the Texas game due to a shoulder injury. He tied for the second most receptions on the team, as he had 28 catches for 314 yards (11.2 per), 12 first downs and a touchdown. He caught at least one pass in 11 games, but being the lone experienced wideout, he was keyed on by defenses and 18 of his catches went for single figures in length. However, he will go down in history for making one of the most exciting plays to end a game (and home season, as it turned out) in CU's 38-31 win over Kansas State. With 16 seconds remaining and the Buffs on their own 36, he caught a pass from Joel Klatt at the K-State 23, eluded two defenders and raced along the east sideline into the end zone for the winning points with five seconds to go. Not only was the play the longest of the season by Colorado, it was also the longest of his career as well as his first career touchdown. That gave him four catches for 106 yards, also marking his first collegiate 100-yard receiving game. Just under half of his receptions came on first down, when he caught 13 for 183 (14.1 per), earning five first downs along with his TD play. He concluded his Colorado career ranked 23rd in all-time receptions (58) and finished 44th in career receiving yards (562). In the bowl game against UTEP, he caught four passes for 34 yards. His senior leadership was heavily counted on in a unit where he was the only receiver that entered the season with any previous career receptions.

2003 (Jr.)—He played in 10 games, including his first career start (against Kansas State), but missed the last two due to a shoulder injury. He caught 18 passes on the year for 153 yards (no touchdowns), and was stopped for an 8-yard loss on his lone rushing attempt (a reverse). He had his top game against Kansas in CU's overtime win, catching five passes for 45 yards, including a clutch 18-yard reception on CU's field goal-tying drive in the final three minutes. He also caught three passes against Kansas State and Oklahoma. The coaches selected him as the recipient of the Most Improved Offensive Player Award for the spring, when he was also one of 13 players to earn CU's prestigious Spring Victory Club honors.

2002 (Soph.)—He played in all 14 games including the Alamo Bowl (no starts), catching 12 passes for 95 yards during the regular season and adding one for 20 yards in the bowl against Wisconsin. He never really had the chance to break loose after one of his catches, although a nice 36-yard gain against San Diego State was negated due to a penalty. He had three catches in the opener against Colorado State, and caught two passes in four other games. Four of his 12 catches on the year were against Oklahoma (for a combined 37 yards), and five earned first downs. He was bothered for much of the spring by a nagging hamstring injury, but it was all but healed by the end of April.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—Transferred to CU from Oregon State, arriving in Boulder during two-a-day practices. He was required to sit out the season due to NCAA transfer rules. He had a solid spring at OSU, where he finished up drills as the No. 2 flanker.

AT OREGON STATE: 2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; he practiced the entire season at flanker and was a member of OSU's scout squad.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* (preseason) All-America honors as a senior, when he was also first-team all-Westside (Los Angeles Times), all-Bay League, all-CIF Division II and all-CIF Southern Section for all schools. He was an honorable mention selection on the *Long Beach Press-Telegram's* prestigious Best In The West team, as he garnered four of the maximum 10 votes. As a senior, he made 58 receptions for 950 yards (16.4 per grab), scoring 13 touchdowns with a long of 68; he also added a pair of touchdowns running the ball. He returned 16 kickoffs for 512 yards as a senior, a healthy 32.0 yards per return. As a junior, he caught 41 passes for 940 yards (22.9 average), scoring 13 touchdowns that included one of 99 yards. On defense, he had 20 tackles and returned both of his interceptions for scores. On return team duty, he brought back 22 kickoffs for 546 yards (24.8 norm), including a 99-yard return for a score. He had 29 catches for 340 yards and five scores as a sophomore (with a long of 77). Top career games included a 12-reception, 192-yard effort against Peninsula High his senior year. Beverly Hills was 6-4 his senior year, 8-3 his junior year and sophomore seasons, and 11-1 his freshman year under coach Carter Paysinger. He lettered three times in basketball (guard; he averaged 15 points and eight rebounds as a junior; he did not play as a senior). He also lettered three times in track (sprints). He owned the school record in the 100-meters (10.63). He was Beverly Hills' male athlete of the year all four years he attended the school.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in economics at Colorado, and is on schedule to graduate next May. He earned honor roll status in his one year at Oregon State. As a high school senior, he was vice-president of the Black Student Union and was an honor roll student.

PERSONAL—Born January 18, 1982 in Culver City, Calif. Hobbies include playing basketball and video games, especially John Madden Football (and claims he is one of the best in the country at it). His mother (Marissa) is a writer. Colorado had recruited him as a prep, but he signed with Oregon State. A former volunteer bereavement counselor, he has worked with at-risk teens. He was selected as a 2004 model for the national calendar, *Alaya*, whose mission is to increase breast cancer awareness in the African-American community. His uniquely spelled last name is pronounced *mon-tay*.

Season	G	RECEIVING				High Games		
		No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2002	13	12	95	7.9	0	12	2	21
2003	10	18	153	8.5	0	20	5	45
2003	11	28	314	11.2	1	64t	5	106
Totals	33	58	562	9.7	1	64t	5	45

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Rushing: 1-minus 8, -8.0 avg. (2003); 1-7, 7.0 avg. (2004).

42 BOBBY PURIFY, TB

6-0, 215, Sr., 5L, Colorado Springs, Colo. (Palmer)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)— He started 12 games including the EV1.net Houston Bowl at tailback; he missed one start against Oklahoma State due to injuries but played sparingly. He garnered honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from both the *Associated Press* and the league coaches. His teammates selected him as the team most valuable player (Zack Jordan Award), and the coaches named him the winner of the John Mack Award as the team's most outstanding offensive player. He also won the Buffalo Heart Award, which is selected by the "fans behind the bench" and given to the player that displays in their estimation the most heart, and was CU's offensive back of the week for three games (Colorado State, Kansas State and Nebraska). He was one of 42 candidates on the official watch list for the Doak Walker Award, and was posting very comparable numbers to the top contenders until beset by injuries. Purify battled through separations to both shoulders, along with other assorted maladies, to post the 13th 1,000-yard season in school history as he finished the year as the conference's sixth-leading running back with 1,017 yards (43rd in the NCAA). He finally led the team in rushing (he entered his senior year tied for the second most career yards without doing so), and his 3,016 career total placed him third on CU's all-time list. He had 10 career 100-yard games, tying him for seventh most, and his 3,524 all-purpose yards were the fourth most ever at Colorado. With 508 receiving yards, he became the first player in school history to record 2,500 and 3,000 yards rushing and 500 yards receiving, and was only the 11th to do the 3,000/500 double at a Big 12 school. He tied for 30th in receptions (50), was 52nd in receiving yards (508) and tied for 26th in scoring (126 points) and 16th in rushing touchdowns (20). Top games as a senior included a season-high 189 in the opener against Colorado State, with 155 against Kansas State and 130 at both Texas A&M and Nebraska; CU was 4-1 in the five games when he rushed for over 100 yards. He also scored nine touchdowns, caught 14 passes for 165 yards and earned 46 first downs (40 rush, 6 receiving). In the bowl game against UTEP, he was the leading rusher in the game with 22 carries for 80 yards (six for 33 in the fourth quarter), and also caught a team-high six passes for 41 yards. Due to his receiving a medical redshirt for his fourth-year senior season, and because he played enough plays to letter that same year, he earned his fifth letter, only the sixth Buff to ever do so and the first since Clare Coffin in 1908. He had another fine spring, as the coaches named him the Fred Casotti Award winner as the team's most outstanding offensive back; *Street & Smith's* cited him as a preseason honorable mention All-American and he was on the official watch list for the Doak Walker Award.

2003 (Sr.-RS)—He had his season cut short due to a nasty high ankle sprain in the third game of the year against Washington State; it eventually required surgery and he thus received a medical redshirt for the season. He played in just the three games (two starts), as he rushed 13 times for 31 yards and two touchdowns in the opener against Colorado State, including the game winning score from nine yards out with 40 seconds remaining. He had 22 carries for 80 yards and a TD the following week versus UCLA, and was running hard against Washington State when he went down: he had 17 carries for 56 yards, but of his 62 yards on rushing gains, 59 came after he was first hit. He thus had 167 yards for the season, still the second most on the team, with 14 of his 52 carries going for five or more yards (nine 10-plus). He also caught four passes for 27 yards, two of those for 20 yards in the Washington State game. Going in, he was one of 39 candidates for the Doak Walker Award, was a preseason second-team All-Big 12 choice by *The Sporting News* and *Lindy's Big 12 Football*, while *Phil Steele's College Football* had ranked him as the nation's No. 27 running back entering the season. He was one of 13 players to earn CU's prestigious Spring Victory Club honors for his efforts during spring drills.

2002 (Jr.)—He earned honorable mention All-Big 12 honors from the league coaches, and the CU coaches named him to CU's prestigious Victory Club. As the second half of the nation's most prolific 1-2 rushing punch (with Chris Brown), he had 739 yards on 132 carries, a healthy 5.6 average per carry, with three touchdowns. He had a pair of 100-yard games, which came back-to-back when he rushed for 119 yards on 19 tries in CU's overtime win at Missouri, and followed that up with 174 yards on 20 carries against Iowa State. He had 70-plus yards in five games, and on the year, he had 24 rushes for 10 or more yards and 44 for five or longer. Also dangerous as a receiver, he was second on the team in receiving as well with 21 catches for 224 yards, a 10.7 average; he scored a receiving TD on a 36-yard catch and run against Texas Tech. He was third on the team in first downs earned with 46 (33 rushing, 13 receiving). Overall, he had 96 all-purpose yards, going over 100 yards four times, all against quality opponents (128 at UCLA, 102 at Oklahoma, 128 at Missouri and 183 vs. Iowa State). A nasty high ankle sprain limited him to just a couple of plays in the Big 12 championship game and kept him out of the Alamo Bowl against Wisconsin; otherwise, he appeared in 13 games, including a start at Nebraska. He participated in conditioning drills only in spring ball as he was recovering from shoulder surgery and was thus held out of contact (he had the surgery in January).

2001 (Soph.)—He earned honorable mention all-Big 12 honors from the *Associated Press*, and also earned his way on to CU's prestigious Victory Club by grading out with a winning performance in at least eight games. He played in all 13 games including the Fiesta Bowl, making one start (Missouri) as he finished second on the team in rushing with 916 yards on 157 carries, a most healthy 5.8 yards per carry. He ranked eighth in the Big 12 and 62nd in the NCAA in rushing for the season. He scored five touchdowns and also caught 11 passes for 92 yards. He had three 100-plus yard games, topped by a 21-for-191 effort against Colorado State; others included a 20-for-154 day against Nebraska and a 23-for-109 effort at Oklahoma State. He came close on two other occasions with 92 yards against both San Jose State and Missouri. His long run of the year came in the Big 12 title game against Texas, as a 51-yard jaunt helped set up a Buff touchdown. A member of the "hands" team, he recovered an Iowa State on-side kick attempt late in the game to help preserve CU's 40-27 win. He rushed six times for 19 yards in the bowl game, with a long run of 15 yards.

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2000 (Fr.)—He had the misfortune of breaking a bone in his foot on the first day of practice, forcing him to miss the first six weeks of the season. He bounced back, though, and played in the final five games of the year, including one start (against Oklahoma State). He gained 177 yards on 45 carries, a 3.9 average, on the season, with his best game coming in the snow against Iowa State, when he had 78 yards on just 11 carries. He earned eight first downs on the year.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned *PrepStar* and *SuperPrep* All-America honors, with Rivals.com naming him to its Top 100 running backs list (No. 75 nationally) in the preseason, while *SuperPrep* ranked him as its No. 13 skill athlete. He was a first-team all-Colorado and all-state selection by the *Denver Post*, while the *Rocky Mountain News* named him second-team all-state; both newspapers placed him on their state blue chip lists. He earned first-team all-conference honors as a junior and senior (second-team as a sophomore), and he was also honorable mention all-state as a junior (*Post*). As a senior, he rushed 269 times for 2,102 yards and 24 touchdowns, averaging 7.8 yards per carry and finishing second in the state overall. He also caught eight passes for 115 yards, and had seven games where he rushed for over 200 yards (and five for over 250 yards). He played sporadically on defense as a senior, seeing action at cornerback usually in goal-line situations. He may have led the nation in blocked kicks—he had seven (five extra points and two field goals). As a junior, he led the state's 5A schools in rushing with 1,865 yards on 295 carries, scoring 23 touchdowns in averaging 6.3 per attempt despite playing tailback in just eight games. He had 14 touchdown runs of 50 yards or longer, and had two interceptions playing free safety and some corner on defense. He rushed 90 times for 700 yards and 11 touchdowns as a sophomore. He had a two 300-yard plus games in his career: the first in a rout of Lakewood his junior year, when he had 17 carries for 360 yards and five TDs—and he only played in the first half. In a 48-42 win over Coronado as a senior, he had 38 carries for 396 yards and five touchdowns; he also had 275 yards and four touchdowns versus Doherty that same year. Palmer was 5-5 his senior year, 3-7 his junior season and 2-8 his sophomore year under coach Rod Baker. He rushed for 71 yards on 16 carries in the All-State game (June 2000) to end his prep career. He lettered three times in basketball (guard), averaging 10 points, seven assists and eight rebounds per game as a senior. He led his team to the 5A state championship and a 24-0 record, as he was named the MVP of the tournament by the *Rocky Mountain News*. He also lettered in track (high jump and relays). He finished sixth in the state in the high jump as a junior, clearing 6-5.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in sociology at Colorado, and is on schedule to graduate this December.

PERSONAL—Born December 19, 1981 in Long Beach, Calif. He is well versed in sign language, which he learned as a sophomore in high school; he helped coach his younger brother's Pop Warner football team, which had a few deaf youngsters. He has a most famous uncle, Webster Slaughter, who was a wide receiver at San Diego State who went on stardom in the NFL with the Cleveland Browns and Houston Oilers. And remember the pop-soul group James & Bobby Purify from the 1960's? They were cousins—James is his uncle and Bobby his grandfather. They teamed on such songs as "I'm Your Puppet," "Let Love Come Between Us," and a popular remake of "Shake A Tail Feather." He was the second member of the 2000 class to commit, doing so officially on April 7, 1999.

Season	G	RUSHING					High Games		RECEIVING					High Games	
		Att	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Att	Yds	No	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2000	5	45	177	3.9	0	14	12	78	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0
2001	12	157	916	5.8	5	51	23	191	11	92	8.4	0	20	4	28
2002	13	132	739	5.6	3	50	20	174	21	224	10.7	1	36t	6	57
2003	3	52	167	3.2	3	18	22	80	4	27	6.8	0	19	2	20
2004	12	209	1017	4.9	9	48	26	189	14	165	11.8	0	35	3	56
Totals	45	595	3016	5.1	20	51	26	191	50	508	10.2	1	36t	6	57

52 DEREK STEMRICH, OG

6-6, 285, Sr., 3L, Hesperia, Calif. (Sultana)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He played in 12 games including the EV1.net Houston Bowl (no starts), though his time was limited as he battle with knee injuries through his career led to constant swelling and soreness. But when he did play, he graded out high; for 107 gradable snaps from scrimmage, he scored 90 positive plays, grading out to 84.1 percent for the year (he played 117 snaps all told). He had five knockdown blocks and one touchdown block, allowed no quarterback sacks and just one pressure, and was not flagged for a penalty. He missed all of spring practice rehabilitating from knee surgery, and it wasn't known until early in fall drills that he would even be available for duty.

2003 (Jr.)—He started 11 games on the offensive line, the first three at center and the next eight at tight guard (he missed the Texas Tech game with a sprained knee); thus, his first career start at center came in the season opener against Colorado State, while the his first career start at guard was at Florida State. He graded out to 72.9 percent for the year, fourth best among the linemen, and was second on the team with 22 knockdown blocks. He had a single-game high grade of 84.4 percent against Kansas, and graded out above 75 percent in four games. His five against Colorado State tied for the second-most knockdowns on the team in a single game. He played 717 snaps overall from scrimmage (plus three more on the FG/PAT unit on special teams), and was called for just one penalty, the fewest among all the O-linemen. He also had two touchdown blocks, allowed 12 quarterback pressures as well as three sacks. He missed spring practice recovering from knee surgery that he had following the 2002 season.

2002 (Soph.)—He saw action in the first eight games of the season (no starts), mainly on the FG/PAT unit on special teams (43 snaps). He also got into three games on offense (center), grading out to 87.5 percent in 16 snaps from scrimmage. He injured a knee in bowl practices and had surgery on Dec. 19, thus missing the bowl game. He had suffered a patella subluxation in the same knee midway through spring practices, with the injury requiring surgery (which he had in late April). He was the speed-strength and conditioning champion in the spring for the 265 to 280-pound weight class.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in two games at split-guard, playing a total of five snaps combined against San Jose State and Iowa State. He was twice honored as the Scout Team Offense Award winner, for the Iowa State game and the second Texas game for the Big 12 Championship. He had plenty of reps during the spring as CU was down to as few as eight healthy offensive linemen at one time, gaining invaluable experience out of the situation.

2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; did not see any action. He practiced the year on the offensive line.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-CIF Division VIII honors at defensive tackle, the same position he was afforded all-San Bernardino County, all-area (from the *Victor Valley Daily Press*) and all-Mojave River League honors. The league defensive player-of-the-year as a senior, he was in on about 60 tackles, including 15 for losses and five quarterback sacks playing defensive end. Often assigned to either rush or play the gaps, he added eight hurries, two forced fumbles, two recoveries and a pass broken up. He played guard on offense, allowing just three sacks and had about a dozen pancake blocks in grading out to 90 percent or better in eight of 11 games. Top games his final prep season included 10 tackles and two sacks in a win over rival Hesperia, and when he had three pancake blocks in grading to 100 percent on pass plays and at 85 percent on run-block plays in a victory over Burroughs. As a junior, he did not allow a sack on offense and played end on defense. He started the final 21 games of his high school career, as he was a special teams performer his sophomore year. Sultana was 9-2 his senior campaign, claiming the Mojave River League title, and was 3-7 his junior year and 1-8-1 his sophomore season under coach Pete Delagardelle. He lettered twice in track and field, participating in the discus (170-0 career best), shot put (51-11) and weight throw (62-4), posting all his career bests as a senior, when he placed ninth in the weight throw at NIKE Indoor Championships.

ACADEMICS—He graduated from CU with a degree in architecture on December 17. He was second-team Academic All-Big 12 both as a senior in 2004 and as a sophomore in 2002. An honor roll student in high school, he posted a perfect 4.0 the fall semester of his senior year.

PERSONAL—Born December 12, 1981 in Arcadia, Calif. His hobbies include fishing. (*Last name pronounced stem-rick.*)

99 McKENZIE TILMON, DT

6-4, 305, Sr., 2L, Irving, Texas (MacArthur/NE Oklahoma A&M)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He saw action in one game, as he played 15 snaps against North Texas but did not register any tackles or other stats. He entered the fall listed third at nose tackle, but never really worked his way into the rotation CU utilized among the two tackle positions. He had six tackles, including four solo, with two for losses and one quarterback sack in the three main spring scrimmages.

2003 (Jr.)—He played in five games (no starts), as he missed four games over the second half of the year with an injured hand. In his limited playing time (71 snaps), he was in on four tackles, including two solo stops. He had one tackle in four different games, registering solo stops in the Washington State and Baylor affairs.

JUNIOR COLLEGE—A *PrepStar* JUCO Top 125 performer, he was primarily a nose guard as a sophomore, with his main duties to clog the middle against the run. He was in on 20 tackles, five for losses with two quarterback sacks, to go with 20 hurries, a fumble recovery and a blocked field goal (NEO rotated in eight DL's all season). He made 32 tackles as a freshman (23 solo), with six for losses, two sacks, two forced fumbles and one recovery playing both defensive end and tackle. NE Oklahoma A&M was 11-1 his sophomore year and 6-4 his freshman year under coach Dale Patterson. NE Oklahoma was the Southwest Junior College champion and defeated Erie (N.Y.) Community College, 27-21, in the Red River Bowl to finish No. 2 in the nation his sophomore season.

HIGH SCHOOL—He earned both *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* and *Houston Chronicle* Texas Top 100 honors as a senior, also when *Prep Football Report* named him to its all-Southwest team and *PrepStar* to its all-Midlands squad. He was one of 14 defensive lineman on the *Chronicle's* list, while *PFR* ranked him as the No. 75 player overall in the southwest and the ninth D-lineman. He was a three-time, first-team all-district selection at defensive end, as he started his sophomore through senior seasons. As a senior, he was in on 64 tackles, with 17 for losses including seven quarterback sacks; he blocked three punts, had three fumble recoveries, two forced fumbles and three passes broken up. As a junior, he was in on 84 tackles, 20 for losses (10 sacks), along with forcing six fumbles, three recoveries, two blocked punts and two PBU's. He had 68 tackles as a sophomore, including eight TFL's and four sacks, adding three forced fumbles (two recoveries), two passes broken up and a blocked punt. He also occasionally played tight end, usually going in for blocking situations. His top career game came in a narrow loss to L.D. Bell his senior year: his assignment was to shoot the gap every play, and he finished with 11 tackles, seven for losses including five sacks, and two passes broken up. MacArthur was 3-7 his senior year, 4-6 his junior year and 6-4 his sophomore campaign under coach David Visentine. He also lettered once in basketball (played center as a junior), and threw the discus in track, finishing second in the district as a junior; his career best throw was 175-0.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in ethnic studies at Colorado, and is currently on schedule to graduate during the 2005-06 school year.

PERSONAL—Born February 2, 1982 in Brownwood, Texas. An accomplished drag racer, he belongs to a racing club that participates annually in the "Texas Drag Wars." He also collects Deion Sanders memorabilia, ranging from cards and photos/posters to figurines, and got meet him as a gift on his 16th birthday. An "adopted older brother," Akin Ayodele, played defensive end at Purdue (he's one of the Boilermakers' all-time sack leaders), and is now with the Jacksonville Jaguars in the NFL; Ayodele, one of the best friends of Tilmon's older brother, lived with his family since the younger Tilmon was nine, and he views as a true brother. He signed with Colorado out of high school, but when he didn't qualify academically, he attended NE Oklahoma A&M (junior college). He held firm with his commitment to return to Colorado once he earned his A.A. degree.

TACKLES

Season	G	Plays	UT	AT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2003	5	71	2	2	4	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2004	1	15	0	0	0	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	6	86	2	2	4	0- 0	0- 0	0	0	0	0	0	0

86 JESSE WALLACE, TE

6-3, 245, Sr., 3L, Kansas City, Mo. (Blue Valley Northwest)

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He was the recipient of CU's Tyronee "Tiger" Bussey Award, presented by the coaching staff to a player who persevered over adversity, injury or illness. He had post-spring knee surgery and underwent rehabilitation well into the summer, and with another key injury at the position, he battled through pain and soreness in playing about half the snaps on offense. He played in 12 games, including the ev1.net Houston Bowl, making seven starts during the regular season (he missed the North Texas game because of the knee). He caught eight passes for 42 yards as he was primarily utilized for his blocking skills. He did have a very important reception, as a 3-yard TD grab from James Cox put the Buffs up 7-0 against Iowa State, and turned out to be CU's lone touchdown in a 19-14 win; it was his second career score. He also logged 12 plays on CU's field goal/PAT unit.

2003 (Jr.)—He played in all 12 games on offense, including six starts, and also saw regular action on special teams as well. He caught 12 passes for 70 yards and three first downs, as he primarily was a secondary target underneath when the wide-outs were covered but did make eight of the catches in the last four games. He continued to improve as a blocker, and was one of 13 players in the spring to earn CU's prestigious Spring Victory Club honors.

2002 (Soph.)—He played in all 14 games, including the Alamo Bowl, and made one start (at Kansas). He had two receptions for 29 yards, as he was primarily utilized in two-tight end sets and on special teams. He recorded his first career touchdown reception, coming on a 1-yard grab from Robert Hodge against Kansas State, which increased CU's lead at the time to 35-14 in the third quarter. His other catch came against Baylor.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in one game (San Jose State), catching one pass for 7 yards. He was the Scout Team Offense Award winner for the first Texas game. He had a good spring, and caught seven passes for 41 yards in the four full spring scrimmages.

2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; practiced at tight end the entire year.

HIGH SCHOOL—Played primarily in two-tight end sets, sharing time, but came on late according to his high school coach. He earned first-team all-Eastern Kansas League honors as a senior, when he was also a team captain. He caught 13 passes for 200 yards and four touchdowns, and played sporadically on defense as an end (posting 11 tackles, two for losses, with five quarterback hurries, a forced fumble, one recovery and a pass broken up). He caught five passes for around 80 yards as a junior (no TDs), and had 20 tackles and a quarterback sack on defense. His top games as a senior included wins over Bishop Miege (four catches for 75 yards and a touchdown), Shawnee Mission West (five grabs for 50 yards) and Olathe East (when he caught his first career touchdown pass). Blue Valley Northwest was 10-3 his senior year and 9-3 his junior season under coach Steve Harms, winning the district title both years and the league title his senior season (losing in the Kansas state semifinals). He also lettered two times in basketball, as he averaged nine points and six rebounds per game as a senior, and lettered twice in track, participating in the 100-meter dash and javelin throw as a freshman and sophomore.

ACADEMICS—He is majoring in both communication and political science at Colorado, and is on schedule to graduate next May. He owned a 3.0 grade point in high school and was an honor roll member all three years.

PERSONAL—Born August 20, 1982 in Oakland, Calif. His hobbies include PlayStation (claims that he is the "ultimate monster" at any sport video game), reading and rap music. Two uncles who played in college have gone on to high positions in NFL administration: Lamonte Winston, a wide receiver at San Francisco State, is the director of player development with the Kansas City Chiefs, and Kevin Winston, a wide receiver at Indiana University who is now the director of player programs with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. He participated for two years in Shoulder Pads & Paragraphs, a Kansas City area program in which high school football players read with area second graders. At CU, he has been a regular participant in "Read With The Buffs," for area fifth-graders.

Season	RECEIVING				High Games			
	G	No.	Yds	Avg.	TD	Long	Rec	Yds
2001	1	1	7	7.0	0	7	1	7
2002	13	2	29	14.5	1	28	1	28
2003	12	12	70	5.8	0	12	3	16
2004	11	8	42	5.3	1	20	2	29
Totals	37	23	148	6.4	2	28	3	29

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS—Special Team Tackles: 1,0—1 (2003).

74 SAM WILDER, OT

6-5, 305, Sr., 4L, Dallas, Texas (First Baptist Academy)

Note: He has gained 15 pounds in the weight room since the end of the season, as he played between 290-295 last fall.

AT COLORADO: 2004 (Sr.)—He earned second-team all-Big 12 honors from both the *Associated Press* as well as the conference coaches. He started all 13 games, including the EV1.net Houston Bowl, at split-side tackle and graded out the second highest of all the offensive linemen at 81.5 percent for 726 gradable snaps (he played 764 overall, as the coaches did not grade the Big 12 title game). CU's most aggressive lineman, he was impressed several pro scouts with his play. He had 13 knockdown blocks and touchdown block, allowed three-and-a-half sacks and nine pressures, pretty solid numbers since he had the main responsibility of protecting the quarterback's blind side. The CU coaches presented him with the Regiment Award, which is given to the player they feel has made the greatest contribution with the least recognition. He was CU's offensive lineman of the week for the opener against Colorado State, as he had 10 cut blocks and a touchdown block in posting a monster grade of 88.4, the best single-game grade by any Buff O-lineman in 2004. He also played some on the FG/PAT unit on special teams (seeing action for 12 snaps). He had an outstanding spring and the coaches named him as the recipient of the Joe Romig Award, presented to the team's most outstanding offensive lineman.

2003 (Jr.)—He started all 12 games at split tackle, a pretty good accomplishment considering he moved over from defensive tackle two weeks before the season opener. He actually posted his high game grade of the year the first time out of the blocks, grading to 80.5 percent against Colorado State (77 snaps, 62 plus plays). For the year, he graded out at 72.7 percent for 791 snaps from scrimmage; he had his growing pains, allowing team-highs of seven quarterback sacks and 27 pressures (just four and 11 over the last eight games), but developed as the season progressed as the coaches had desired, setting him up to be the anchor on the line as a senior. He also had 12 knockdowns and one touchdown block; taken into account that he was learning on the run, he was called for only three penalties all year (the same number as CU's four-year senior starter). He had four knockdown blocks against Baylor for his season high, with his touchdown block against Kansas in CU's overtime win.

2002 (Soph.)—He played in all 14 games, making starts in the last 11 including the Alamo Bowl, at defensive tackle. He was moved inside from end, and after adjusting to the position, won the starting job for the fourth game of the year. In 617 snaps from scrimmage, he recorded 38 tackles, including 26 solo and 10 tackles for loss (with five quarterback sacks, second most on the team). He had seven third down stops, five pressures and a fumble recovery. He had a career high five tackles, two for losses, in the win over Kansas State, and had four tackles in five other games. He matched his career high with five stops in the bowl game against Wisconsin, with four of the solo variety including a third down stop. He was suspended from school for the spring semester, as he violated the university's code of conduct, but he was reinstated in good standing by summer. Though he did not participate in spring practice, he didn't miss a beat upon his return in the fall.

2001 (Fr.-RS)—He saw action in eight games, six on defense including the Fiesta Bowl. He played 46 snaps from scrimmage for the regular season, making one solo tackle (at Iowa State) and registering one quarterback pressure (against Missouri). He added a tackle against Oregon in the bowl. He had nine tackles and a quarterback sack in the four spring scrimmages.

2000 (Fr.)—Redshirted; was moved from end to tackle early in drills and practiced the remainder of the year there.

HIGH SCHOOL—As a senior, he earned first-team all-state honors at defensive tackle and earned mention on the Top 100 list by the *Dallas Morning News*. He was all-district as a sophomore and as a senior, as the Tapps 4A district selected him as the defensive player-of-the-year as a senior (he was second-team all-state as a sophomore). He missed his entire junior year in three sports after tearing his ACL in the final football scrimmage of the summer, but rebounded very well from it in time to play summer baseball prior to his senior year. As a senior, he was in on 120 tackles (40 solo), with 15 tackles for loss including six quarterback sacks. He also had five passes broken up, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries, one of which he returned for a touchdown, and a blocked punt (which his team returned for a score). On offense, he allowed just two sacks playing strong side tackle. He was in on 90 tackles as a sophomore, and played right tackle on offense. One of his top games came during his sophomore year, when FBHS played perennial state champs Dallas Christian to the end in a 6-0 loss: he had 13 tackles, two fumble recoveries and a sack against Jordan Black, one of the area's top players. First Baptist was 4-6 his senior year and 7-4 his sophomore year under coach Troy Miller. He also lettered as a freshman and sophomore in basketball, and was quite an accomplished baseball player (first baseman): he hit .550 with six home runs as a sophomore. He was a member of Team USA, an all-star team comprised of Texas high school players, and they played in a goodwill baseball tournament in Vera Cruz, Mexico, in the summer of 1999.

ACADEMICS—He graduated from CU with a degree in economics this past December 17.

PERSONAL—Born January 10, 1982 in Dallas, Texas; he was a "halftime" baby, as he was born during halftime of the '81 NFC Championship game between Dallas and San Francisco (San Fran won, 28-27, on the famous Joe Montana to Dwight Clark catch). A great uncle (Ted Wilder) played college football at Iowa. Hobbies include skiing and golf (career best of 80).

Season	G	Plays	TACKLES										
			UT	AT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	3DS	Hurr	FR	FF	PBU	Int
2001	5	46	1	0	1	0- 0	0- 0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2002	13	617	26	12	38	10-37	5-27	7	5	1	0	0	0
Totals	18	663	27	12	39	10-37	5-27	7	6	1	0	0	0