

# ***COLORADO***

## ***2007 FOOTBALL***



*Team captains Bernard Jackson, Jordon Dizon and R.J. Brown at Boulder Falls.*

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# CU-BOULDER





*Respect the Past...*

# A PROGRAM OF TRADITION

## catch!

Colorado's Hail Mary Touchdown Shocks Michigan



*Leadership*

*Hard Work*

*Integrity & Discipline*

*Mental & Physical Toughness*

*Passion*

*Trust*

*Blue Collar Attitude*

*Standard of Excellence*

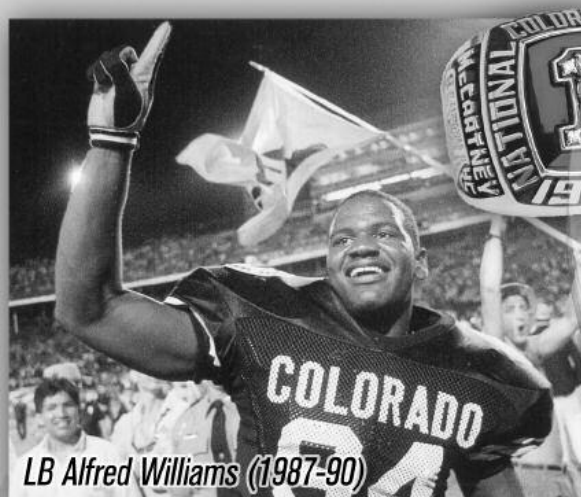
*Attention to Details*

*Selflessness*

*...Represent the Future*



# STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE



LB Alfred Williams (1987-90)



Colorado players pose with the Big 12 Championship trophy in 2001 after beating Texas



DT Matt McChesney (2000-04)

**11<sup>TH</sup> BEST ROAD RECORD SINCE 1988**

**15<sup>TH</sup> ALL-TIME IN WINS**

**20<sup>TH</sup> MOST WINS SINCE 1989**

**21<sup>ST</sup> ALL-TIME IN WEEKS RANKED**



LB Sean Tufts gets carried off the field after the Buffs beat Nebraska 62-36 in 2001



*CU is just one of 23 schools to have won a national championship and have a Heisman Trophy winner*

QB Joel Klatt (2002-05)





*OL Joe Garten and FB George Hemingway pose with the Big 8 Championship trophy in 1989*

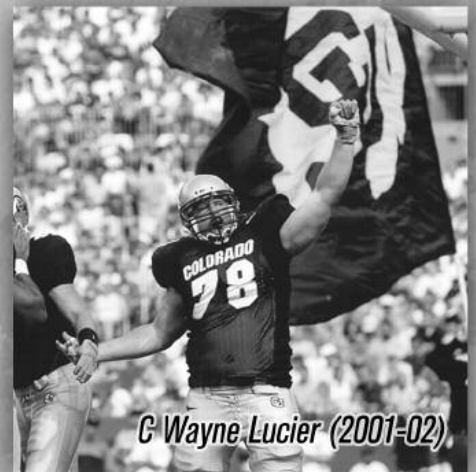


*PK Mason Crosby (2003-06)*

*Colorado won its first national championship in 1990, becoming one of just three schools to accomplish the feat while playing the nation's toughest schedule*

*From 1989 to 1995, Colorado finished first in the Big 8 Conference three times and second four times*

*Since the inception of the Big 12 Conference in 1996, CU has won the conference championship once and the Big 12 North division four times*



*C Wayne Lucier (2001-02)*



*QB Darian Hagan (1989-91)*

*TE Quinn Sypniewski holds up the Centennial Cup after beating Colorado State in 2005*





# GAMEDAY TRADITION



*Folsom Field was named "Football Field of the Year" in 2002 by Sports Turf Managers Association*

*Over 13 million fans have attended CU games in the last 60 years*



*With the Boulder Flatirons as a backdrop, Folsom Field provides one of the most scenic college football settings in the nation at 5,334 feet above sea level*

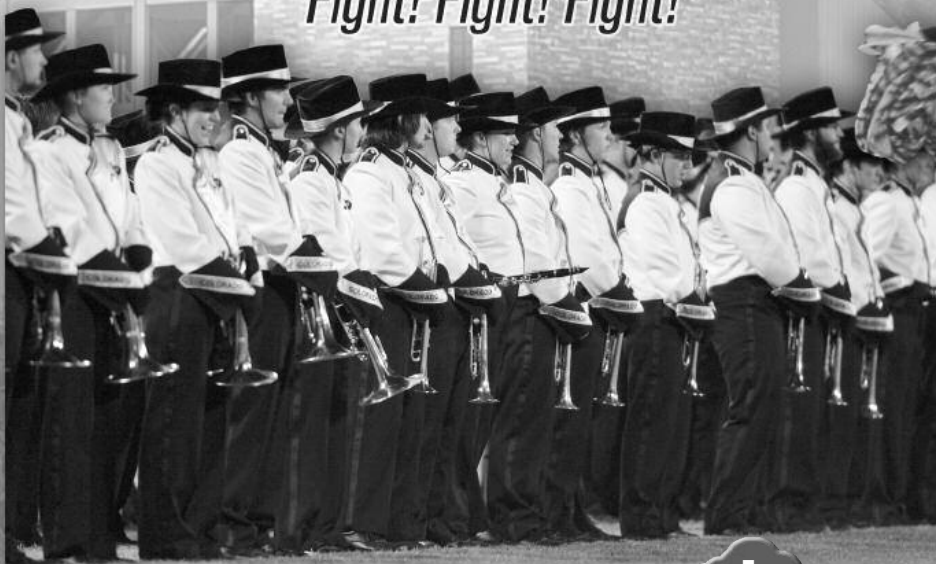
*There is quite possibly no more intimidating entrance in college football than when the Buffs run onto the field behind their thundering mascot, Ralphie, a live 1,200 lb. buffalo, in front of 50,000-plus black-and gold-clad screaming fans who reach a fever pitch*







*Fight CU down the field, CU must win  
Fight, fight for victory,  
CU knows no defeat  
We'll roll up a mighty score,  
Never give in  
Shoulder to shoulder  
We will Fight! Fight!  
Fight! Fight! Fight!*





# ASSISTANT COACHES



**MARK HELFRICH**

*Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks*

109 games coached  
61-48 overall record  
6 bowl games



**JEFF GRIMES**

*Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Line,  
Running Game Coordinator*

85 games coached  
49-36 overall record  
4 bowl games



**DARIAN HAGAN**

*Running Backs*

25 games coached  
9-16 overall record  
28-5-2 record at CU's starting  
quarterback from 1989-91



84 games coached  
44-30 overall record  
3 bowl games

**ERIC KIESAU**

*Receivers/Passing Game Coordinator*

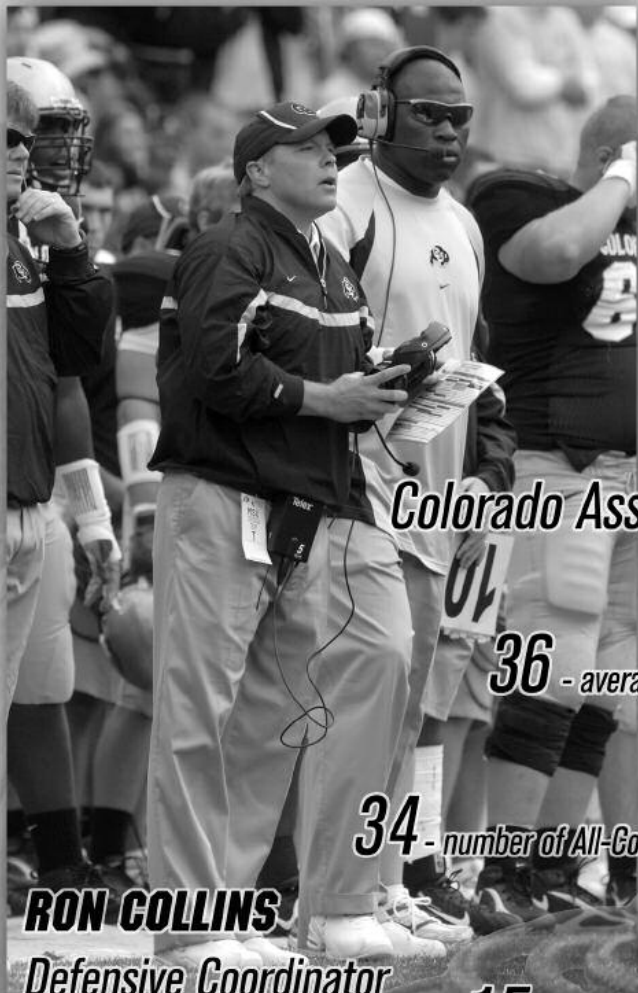
143 games coached  
81-61-1 overall record  
5 bowl games

**KENT RIDDLE**

*Tight Ends/  
Special Teams*







**RON COLLINS**  
*Defensive Coordinator*

76 games coached  
 55-21 overall record  
 4 bowl games



**GREG BROWN**  
*Secondary/Passing Game Coordinator*

96 D-1 games coached  
 53-40-3 overall record  
 5 bowl games  
 25-8-3 record at CU from 1991-93  
 241 NFL games coached

*Colorado Assistants by the Numbers:*

**36** - average age of Buffs' five offensive assistants

**34** - number of All-Conference players coached

**15** - years of NFL coaching experience (all by Brown)

**10** - number of combined All-Americans coached

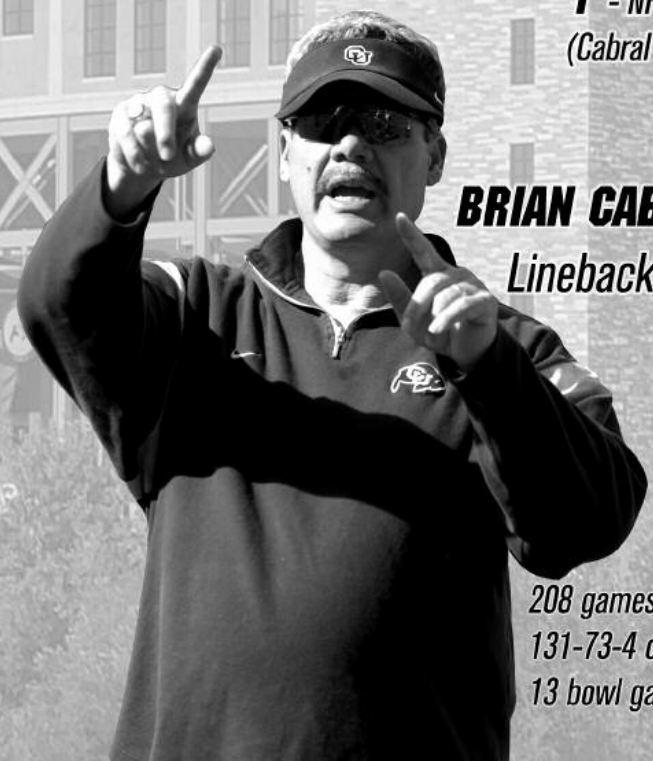
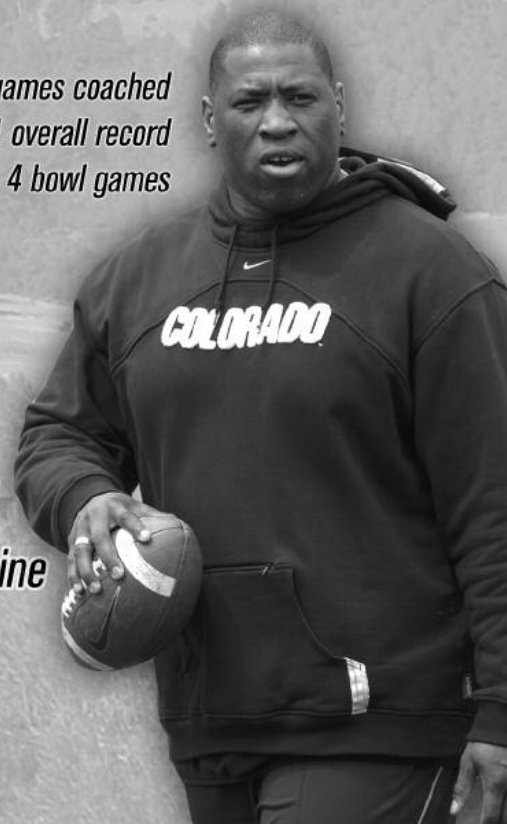
**1** - NFL Super Bowl ring  
 (Cabral with the '85 Chicago Bears)

76 games coached  
 55-21 overall record  
 4 bowl games

**BRIAN CABRAL**  
*Linebackers*

**ROMEO BANDISON**  
*Defensive Line*

208 games coached at CU  
 131-73-4 overall record  
 13 bowl games





# THE HARDWARE

*CU had seven trophy candidates in 2006:*

*TB Hugh Charles - Doak Walker Award (nominee)*

*K Mason Crosby - Lou Groza Award (semifinalist)*

*OG Brian Daniels - Vincent Draddy Trophy (finalist);*

*Outland Trophy (nominee)*

*LB Jordon Dizon - Dick Butkus Award (nominee)*

*C Mark Fenton - Rimington Trophy (nominee); Outland*

*Trophy (nominee); Rotary Lombardi Award (nominee)*

*LB Thaddaeus Washington - Dick Butkus Award*

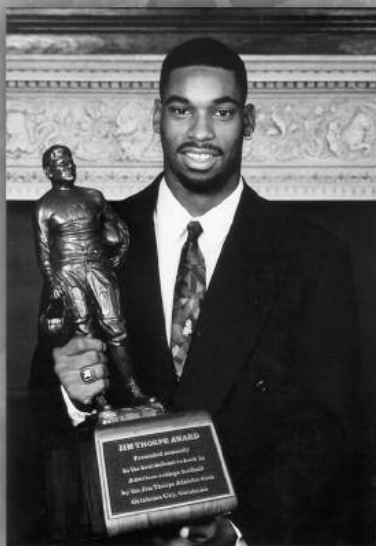
*(nominee); Bronko Nagurski Trophy (nominee); Rotary*

*Lombardi Award (nominee)*

*DE Abraham Wright - Ted Hendricks Award (nominee)*

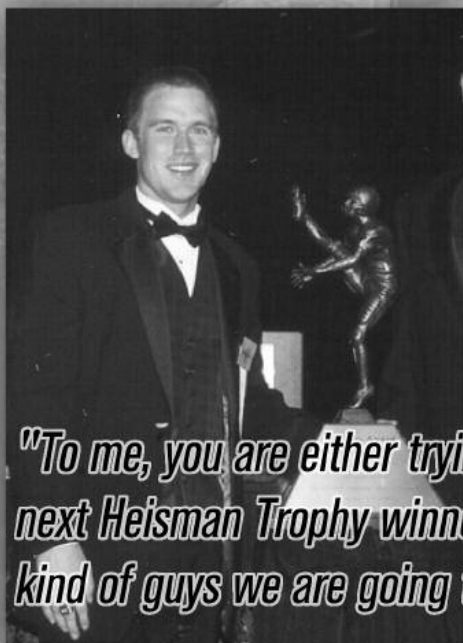


◀ *Tight end Daniel Graham after winning the John Mackey Award in 2001*



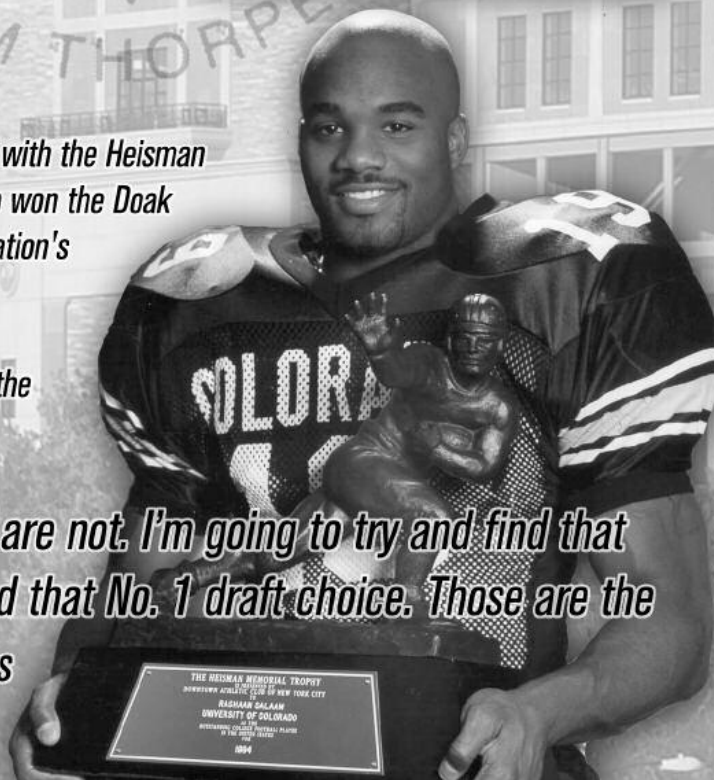
◀ *Deon Figures won the Thorpe Award in 1992*

*Matt Russell was the recipient of the Butkus Award in 1996* ▶



*Rashaan Salaam poses with the Heisman Trophy in 1994. He also won the Doak Walker Award as the nation's top running back* ▶

◀ *Mark Mariscal took home the Ray Guy Award in 2002*



*"To me, you are either trying to be the best or you are not. I'm going to try and find that next Heisman Trophy winner. I'm going to try to find that No. 1 draft choice. Those are the kind of guys we are going to go after." -Dan Hawkins*



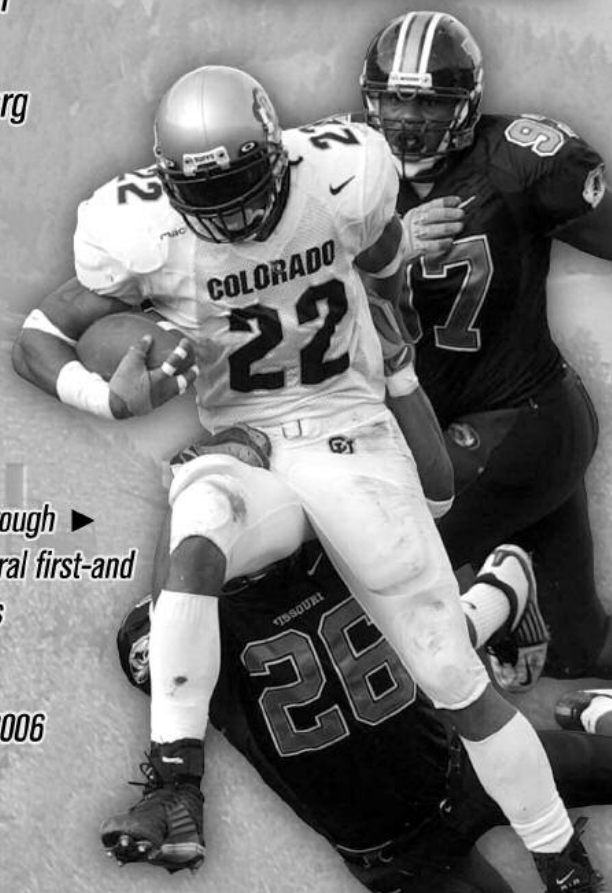
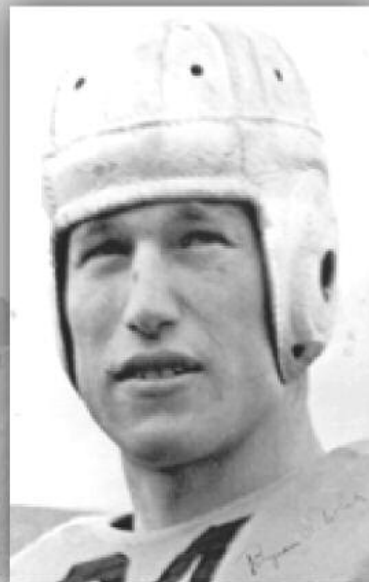
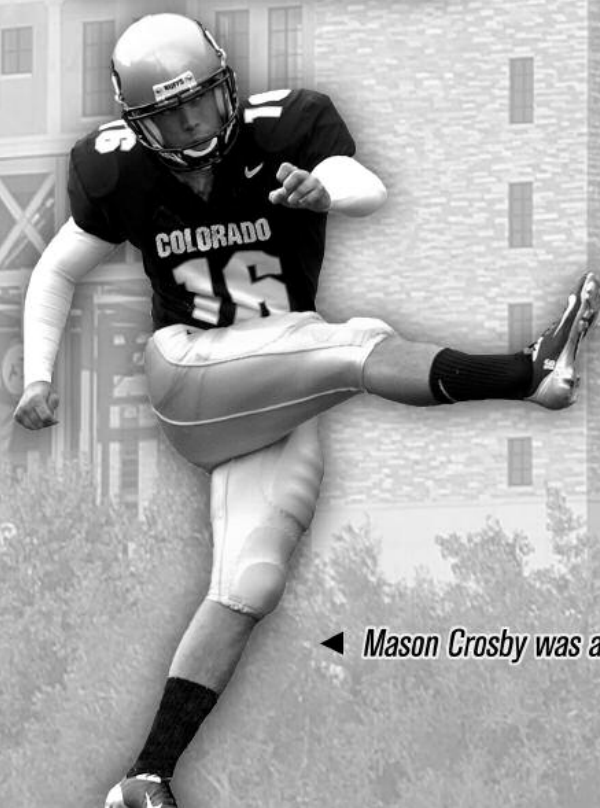
# ALL-AMERICANS

## Consensus All-Americans

- 1937 Byron White ▶
- 1960 Joe Romig
- 1961 Joe Romig
- 1967 Dick Anderson
- 1968 Mike Montler
- 1969 Bobby Anderson
- 1970 Don Popplewell
- 1972 Cullen Bryant
- 1985 Barry Helton
- 1986 Barry Helton
- 1988 Keith English
- 1989 Joe Garten
- Tom Rouen
- Alfred Williams ▶
- 1990 Eric Bienemy
- Joe Garten
- Alfred Williams
- 1991 Jay Leeuwenburg
- 1992 Deon Figures
- 1994 Rashaan Salaam
- Chris Hudson
- 1995 Bryan Stoltenberg
- 1996 Chris Naeole
- Matt Russell
- 2001 Daniel Graham
- 2002 Mark Mariscal
- 2005 Mason Crosby
- 2006 Mason Crosby

Chris Brown pounded his way through ▶ defenses in 2002 to rack up several first-and-second-team All-American honors

◀ Mason Crosby was a two-time All-American in 2005 & 2006





# BUFFS IN THE NFL



*WR Jeremy Bloom  
Philadelphia Eagles*



*RB Chris Brown  
Tennessee Titans*



*G Chris Naeole  
Jacksonville Jaguars*

*One in every 5.6 CU recruits since 1973  
has been drafted into the NFL*



*TE Daniel Graham  
Denver Broncos*



*DT Justin Bannan  
Baltimore Ravens*



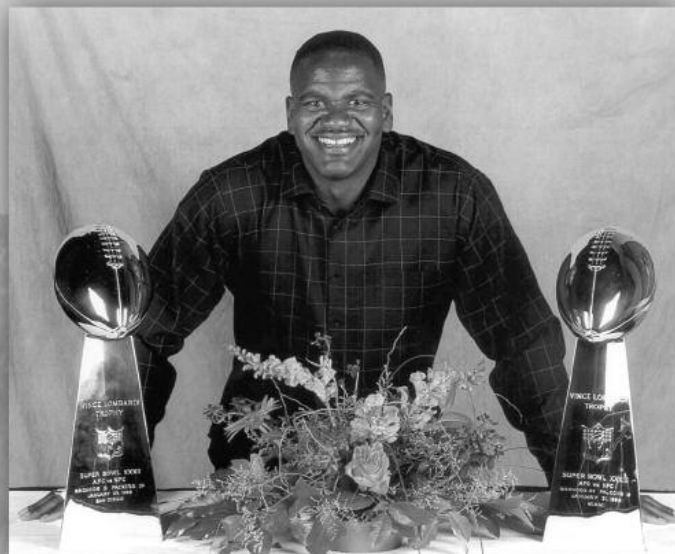
*C Andre Gurode  
Dallas Cowboys*

◀ *Two-time Super Bowl  
Champion and current  
Denver Bronco Matt  
Lepsis*





*Pictured from left: former Buff and current Philadelphia scout Matt Russell, Tom Brady and former Buffs Ted Johnson, Christian Fauria and Daniel Graham showing off their Super Bowl XXXIX rings while members of the New England Patriots*



*Former Colorado linebacker Alfred Williams poses with the two Super Bowl trophies he helped the Denver Broncos earn in 1997 and 1998*

# ***RIISING TO THE TOP***

*CU has never been below third in the Big 12 Conference in players produced for the NFL and has been in the top 20 produced nationally for 16 consecutive years*

◀ PK Mason Crosby  
Green Bay Packers

OL Mark Fenton ▶  
Denver Broncos



OL Brian Daniels  
▼ Minnesota Vikings



▲ LB Thaddeaus Washington  
Buffalo Bills

LB Abraham Wright ▶  
Miami Dolphins





# GOING BOWLING



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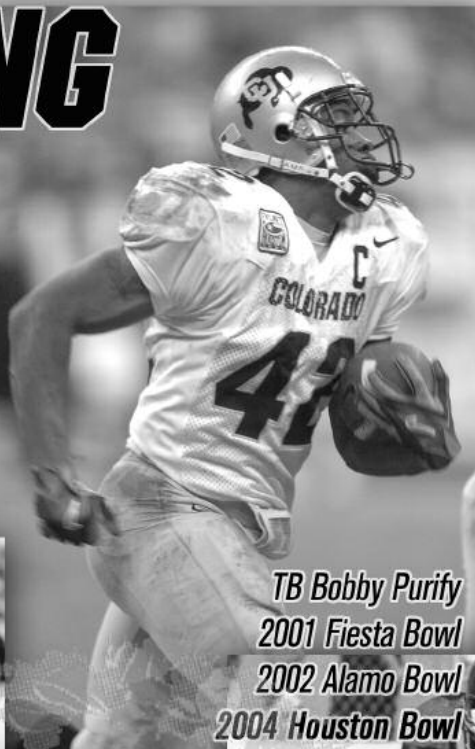
Cotton  
Bowl



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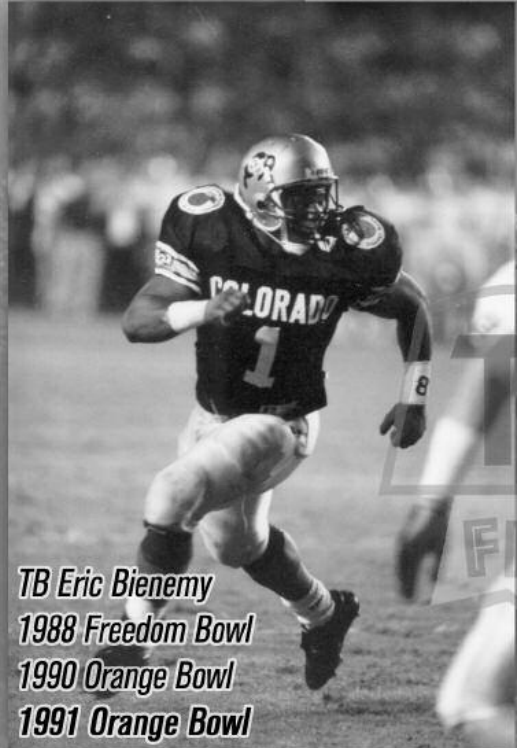
**QB Kordell Stewart**  
1993 Fiesta Bowl  
1993 Aloha Bowl  
1995 Fiesta Bowl (MVP)



**TB Bobby Purify**  
2001 Fiesta Bowl  
2002 Alamo Bowl  
2004 Houston Bowl



**RB Rashaan Salaam**  
1993 Fiesta Bowl  
1993 Aloha Bowl  
1995 Fiesta Bowl



**TB Eric Bienemy**  
1988 Freedom Bowl  
1990 Orange Bowl  
1991 Orange Bowl



**TB Hugh Charles**  
2004 Houston Bowl  
2005 Champ Sports Bowl

Tostitos  
FIESTA BOWL



# CU AND NIKE



*The University of Colorado and NIKE, Inc., have a contract which has the world's largest shoe manufacturer providing both equipment and financial support to the CU athletic department. Colorado's exclusive contract with NIKE calls for the manufacturer to supply all 16 varsity sport programs with practice gear and game uniforms.*



*CU has benefited from NIKE's foresight as the company lends its research for new products and designs to make things better for the student-athlete. This past summer CU unveiled a revolutionary new uniform design by NIKE, made exclusively for the Buffs.*

*Pictured left: senior QB/WR Bernard Jackson; Pictured right, from left to right: senior LB Jordon Dizon, senior CB Terrence Wheatley, Jackson and senior OL Tyler Polumbus*



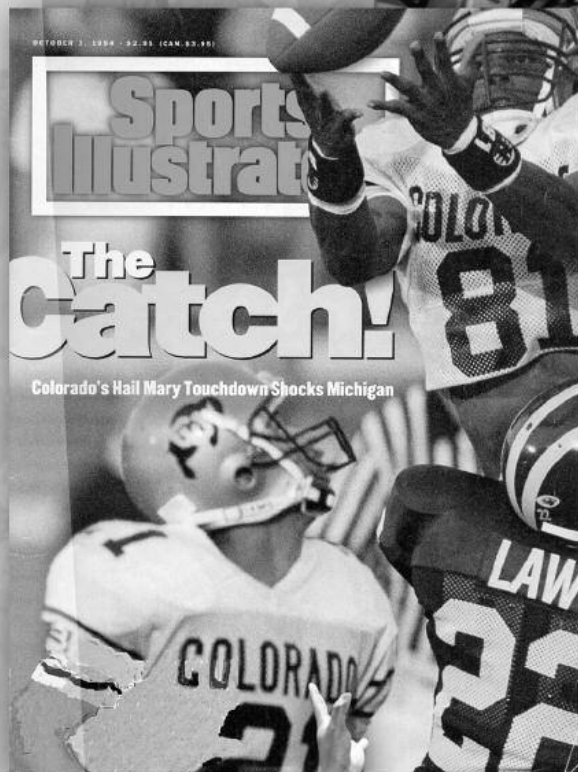
*The revolutionary changes involve new age fabrics and materials that will benefit the players during game conditions. From a design standpoint, incorporating one of the official school colors, silver, back into the uniform for the first time since 1981 was one of the main components of the makeover. Overall, it will make for a faster looking, modern design.*





# NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

abc SPORTS



NOVEMBER 3, 1994 \$2.95 (CAN \$3.95)

Sports Illustrated

The Catch!

Colorado's Hail Mary Touchdown Shocks Michigan



TE Joe Klopfenstein (2002-05)



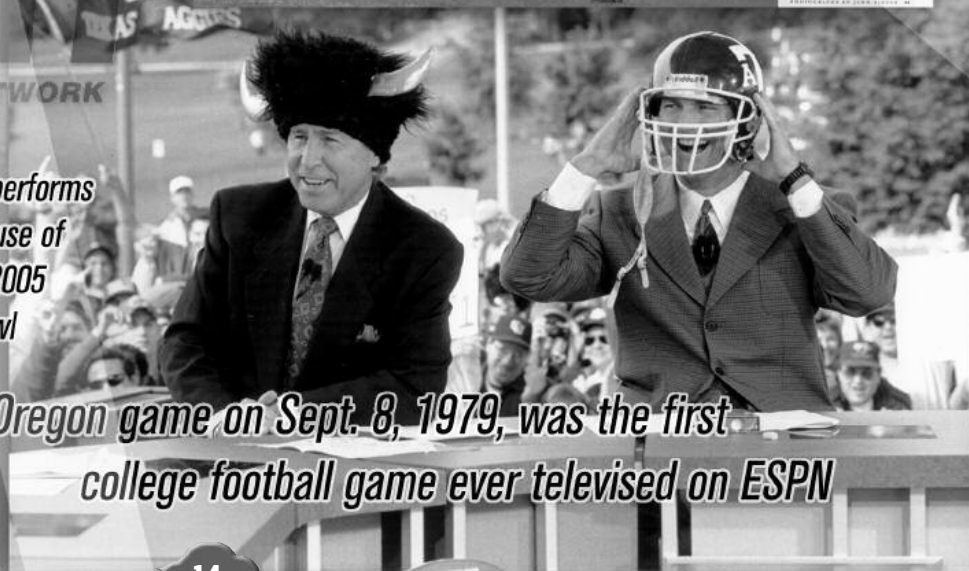
Onrushing Colorado scrambled the national title picture by stepping all over No. 2 Nebraska

BY JUSTIN MURPHY

**W**HEN YOU think of the most exciting moment in the history of college football, you think of the moment when a player from a team that was not considered a contender for the national title stepped all over the top-ranked Nebraska. In 1994, Colorado's offense, led by quarterback Steve Watson, did just that. In the second quarter of the game, Watson threw a 42-yard touchdown pass to tight end Joe Klopfenstein, who caught it in the end zone. This was the first time since 1956 that a team from the Big 12 had won the national championship. Colorado's victory over Nebraska was a major upset, and it marked the beginning of a new era for the program. Watson's performance was also a key factor in Colorado's success. He threw for over 3,000 yards and 25 touchdowns during the season. Klopfenstein's catch was a game-changing play, and it helped Colorado secure the victory. The game was a historic moment for both teams, and it remains one of the most memorable games in college football history.



DT John Guydon performs at the Orlando House of Blues before the 2005 Champ Sports Bowl



The CU-Oregon game on Sept. 8, 1979, was the first college football game ever televised on ESPN



*"During free fall (Hawkins) is surprisingly calm until he shouts to the heavens, 'Colorado Buffaloes Number 1!'"*

*-Austin Murphy, Sports Illustrated (4/24/06)*

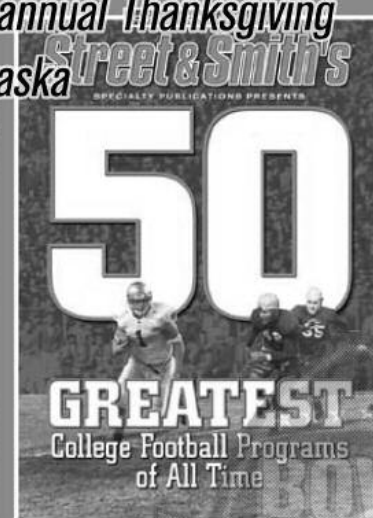
*Senior PK Mason Crosby after making the game-winning field goal with :03 left against Colorado State in 2005*

*Since 1990, the Buffaloes have been one of the most televised teams in the nation, as 137 of their 208 games (66 percent) have been broadcast either nationally or regionally*

*The Buffs are already set to have four nationally televised games in 2007, including a night game against Florida State and the annual Thanksgiving Friday game with Nebraska*



*QB Bobby Pesavento with the Big 12 Championship trophy in 2001*

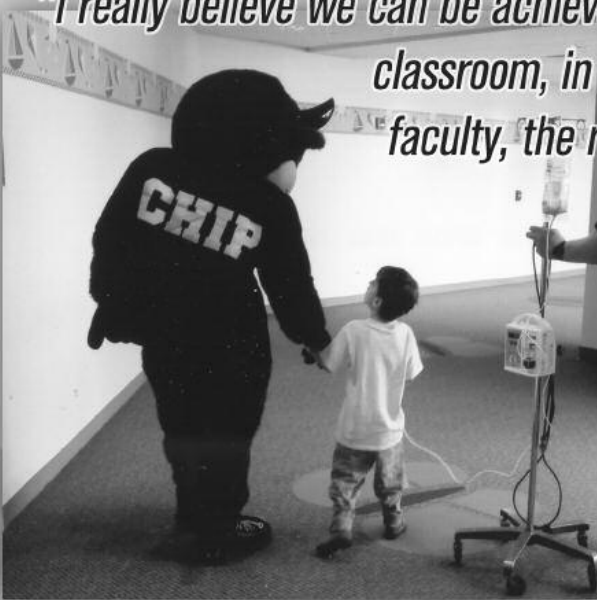




# BUFFS IN THE COMMUNITY

*"I really believe we can be achievers here, and we can get everything done here in the classroom, in the community and on the football field that the fans, faculty, the regents and the media want to see out of this place."*

*- Dan Hawkins*



◀ *Buffalo Hugs: CU student-athletes regularly visit hospitals and deliver stuffed animals to children*

*The Buffs spent time with kids at the Give the Kids the World Village in Orlando, Fla., before the Champ Sports Bowl in 2005. Several Buffs greeted children with life-threatening illnesses by handing out stuffed Buffaloes and autographed mini footballs*



◀ *Junior defensive tackle George Hypolite participates in the Read With the Buffs program where student-athletes visit Boulder Valley and St. Vrain Schools to read to elementary students and take questions*





# COLORADO ALUMNI

*Vance Brand - Astronaut (Soviet Mission)*

*Buzz Calkins - IRL race car driver*

*Scott Carpenter - Astronaut (Soviet Mission)*

*Judy Collins - Singer-Songwriter*

*Kevin Corke - NBC News Correspondent*

*Chris Fowler - ESPN*

*Jim Gray - ABC/ESPN*

*Dave Grusin - Jazz Musician*

*Hale Irwin - Professional Golfer*

*Chawla Kalpana - Astronaut (Columbia)*

*Larry Linville - Actor (M\*A\*S\*H)*

*Doug Looney - Sports Illustrated*

*Bill Marolt - U.S. Skiing President*

*Chris Meloni - Actor (Law & Order: SVU)*

*Glenn Miller - Musician & Band Leader*

*Ellison Onizuka - Astronaut (Challenger)*

*Trey Parker - Actor/Producer/Director*

*(South Park Creator)*

*Robert Redford - Actor*

*Rick Reilly - Sports Illustrated*

*Matt Stone - Actor/Producer/Director*

*(South Park Creator)*

*Jack Swigert - Astronaut (Apollo 13)*

*Bill Toomey - 1968 Olympic Medalist*

*Joan Van Ark - Actress (Knots Landing)*

*Marilyn Van Derbur - 1958 Miss America*

*Byron White - U.S. Supreme Court Justice*

*Solomon Wilcotts - CBS*

*Steve Wozniak - Inventor (Apple Computer)*



*Chris Fowler*  
*ESPN*



*Jim Gray*  
*ABC/ESPN*



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*CBS*

# DENVER PRO SPORTS

A 2004 survey by Sports Business Journal ranked Denver's sports fans as the most loyal and enthusiastic of America's top 41 sports cities

Over six million fans attend sporting events in Metro Denver each year



Metro Denver is truly a "sports" city—with the fans and facilities to prove it. In the past 10 years, new facilities have been constructed for all of the city's eight major sports franchises

Colleges with Division I-A football within a half-hour drive of cities that boast a team in each of the five major sports leagues (NFL, NBA, MLB, NHL, MLS):

- Boston (Boston College)
- Baltimore/Washington D.C. (Maryland)
- Chicago (Northwestern)
- Dallas (Southern Methodist, TCU)
- Denver (Colorado)

**INVESCO Field at Mile High** (\$400 million) - home to the two-time world champion Denver Broncos and Denver Outlaws (outdoor lacrosse)

**Coors Field** (\$215 million) - home to the Colorado Rockies

**Pepsi Center** (\$180 million) - home to the Denver Nuggets, two-time Stanley Cup champion Colorado Avalanche, and Metro Denver's newest teams, the Colorado Mammoth (indoor lacrosse), and the 2005 Arena Bowl Champion Colorado Crush (arena football)

**Dick's Sporting Goods Field** (\$65 million) - new home to the Colorado Rapids soccer team

*Invesco Field at Mile High*







Garrett W. Ellwood/NBAE/Getty Images

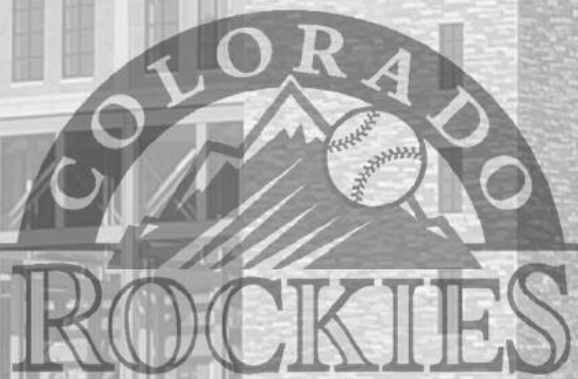
*Carmelo Anthony (left) and Allen Iverson (right) pose as one of the top tandems in the NBA for the Denver Nuggets*

*In recent years, Denver has hosted the MLB All-Star Game (1998), the NHL All-Star Game (2001), Game 7 of the Stanley Cup Finals (2001), the NBA All-Star Game (2005) and the AFC Championship Game (2006)*

COLORADO  
**AMMOTH**  
LACROSSE



*All-Pro Champ Bailey led the Denver Broncos with 10 interceptions in 2006*



*Joe Sakic and the Colorado Avalanche have won two Stanley Cup Championships since the team came to Denver in 1995*



2001 NHL ALL-STAR GAME

# STRENGTH & CONDITIONING



*"A herd of buffaloes can only move as fast as the slowest buffalo. And when the herd is hunted, it is the slowest and weakest ones at the back that are killed first. This natural selection is good for the herd as a whole, because the general speed and health of the whole group keeps improving by the regular killing of the weakest members."*



*From left to right:  
Assistant S&C Coach Jared Aurich,  
Director of S&C Jeff Pitman and  
Assistant S&C Coach/Dietician  
Allison Maurer*

*"The strength of the Buffalo lies **not** in the individual but in the herd."*

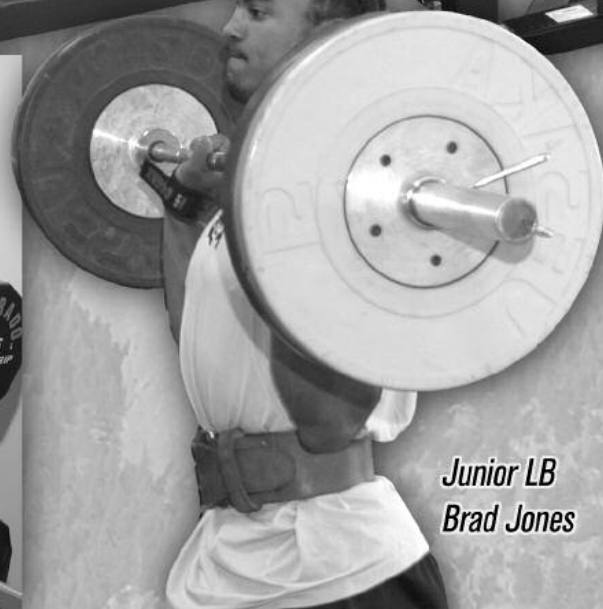
*Head Strength Coach Jeff Pitman is in his second year at Colorado from Boise State where he spent the previous seven years. At CU, Pitman supervises the training programs for all of the Buffs' 16 varsity sports*







*Colorado's Speed-Strength & Conditioning Center is home to over 300 varsity student-athletes, where each one is trained by certified staff in an individualized and sport-specific manner*



*Junior LB  
Brad Jones*

## **WALL OF WINNERS (SPRING 2007)**

	Power Clean	Hang Clean	Squat	Bench	Vertical Jumps	40's	Pro Agility
<b>Offensive Line</b>	Harrison 333 Polumbus 318 Palazzi 313	Polumbus 367 Head 362 Harrison 343	Palazzi 575 Harrison 555 Head 535	Faatagi 430 Harrison 415 Palazzi/ Polumbus 365	Polumbus 31.50 Head 30.50 Harrison 30.00	Polumbus 5.15 Head 5.31 Harrison 5.36	Head 4.53 Harrison 4.79 Polumbus/ Sanders 4.89
<b>Defensive Line</b>	Nicolas 362 Brace 352 Hypolite 352	Nicolas 426 Brace 401 Herrod 367	Hypolite 665 Nicolas 600 Herrod 575	Nicolas 405 Hypolite 385 Brace 380	Barrett 32.00 Hypolite 32.00 Kaynor 29.50	Barrett 4.86 Lucas 4.94 Herrod 5.01	Barrett 4.55 Herrod 4.61 Lucas 4.74
<b>Linebackers</b>	Dizon 352 Brown 333 Duren 333	Sipili 391 Duren 374 Brown 357	Burton 601 Dizon 586 Stengel 575	Burton 390 Brown 380 Duren 340	Dizon 36.50 Burton 35.75 Smart 34.25	Dizon 4.63 Burton 4.81 Smart 4.82	Dizon 4.10 Smart 4.36 Stengel 4.40
<b>Tight Ends</b>	Solder 352 Sanders 328 Geer 318	Solder 374 Sanders 367 Geer 333	Sanders 555 Devenny 545 DeVree 505	Sanders 320 Geer 300 Devenny 295	Sanders 34.00 Devenny 33.75 Solder 33.00	Sanders 4.74 Solder 4.88 Geer 4.96	Sanders 4.24 Geer 4.39 Solder 4.45
<b>Running Backs</b>	Charles 374 Behrens 318 Jagoras 313	Charles 391 Behrens 357 Cantrell 338	Cantrell 645 Charles 635 Behrens 600	Charles 420 Cantrell 375 Moyle 350	Charles 37.50 Nabors 36.00 Sumler 33.50	Charles 4.53 Nabors 4.75 Moyle 4.82	Charles 4.35 Nabors 4.41 Ellis 4.44
<b>Defensive Backs</b>	J. Brown 338 Black 308 Dykes/ Walters 301	Smith 338 J. Brown 333 Walters 313	J. Brown 620 Wheatley 615 Harris 555	Walters 400 J. Brown 355 Black/ Smith 320	Wheatley 39.00 Walters 36.00 J. Brown 34.25	Wheatley 4.39 Burney 4.49 McKay 4.62	McKay 4.08 Dykes 4.18 Wheatley 4.26
<b>Wide Receivers</b>	Barnett 301 Ham 301 Robinson/ Williams 301	Williams 338 Robinson 328 Brown 308	Robinson 600 Brown 505 Williams 500	Robinson 360 Barnett 325 Williams 290	Williams 39.50 Robinson 37.25 Ham/ Sprague 34.00	Sprague 4.59 Williams 4.59 Robinson 4.65	Ham 4.19 Robinson 4.21 Brown 4.26
<b>Quarterbacks</b>	Jackson 301 Nelson 285 Hawkins 240	Jackson 318 Nelson 280 Hawkins 275	Jackson 630 Nelson 425 Hawkins 400	Jackson 335 Hawkins 255 Nelson 255	Jackson 34.50 Nelson 30.50 Hawkins 27.00	Jackson 4.75 Nelson 4.92 Hawkins 5.09	Jackson 4.20 Nelson 4.42 Hawkins 4.41
<b>Specialists</b>	Bisnow 275 Drescher 271 DiLallo 260	Drescher 308 Bisnow 301 Eberhart 270	DiLallo 465 Bisnow 415 Drescher/ Eberhart 395	Eberhart 300 Drescher 270 DiLallo 260	Eberhart 30.50 Suazo 28.50 Parra/ Bisnow 26.50	Parra 4.94 DiLallo 5.09 Suazo 5.09	Eberhart 4.48 Suazo 4.59 Bisnow/ DiLallo 4.6

*The weight room overlooks Folsom Field and its mountain backdrop giving CU athletes the best view in the nation*





*Club Seats and Suites*



*Nicholas R. Petry Auditorium*

# ***TOP-NOTCH FACILITIES***



*Dick Knowlton Sports Medicine Center*



*Award/Trophy Room*



*Dal Ward Athletic Center*



*State-of-the-Art Computer Lab*

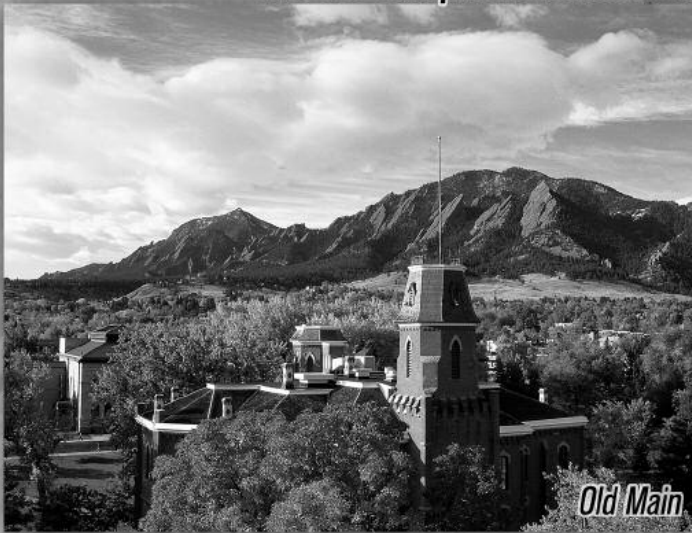


*Computer rendition of indoor practice facility to be completed in October 2007*



# CAMPUS LIFE

*The CU campus is home to about 200 classic rural Italian-style buildings of Colorado sandstone*



*Old Main*



*University Memorial Center*

*Outside magazine ranked CU second among the 40 Best Colleges, noting that the university, "...turns out smart grads with top notch academic credentials, a healthy environmental ethos and an A+ sense of adventure."*

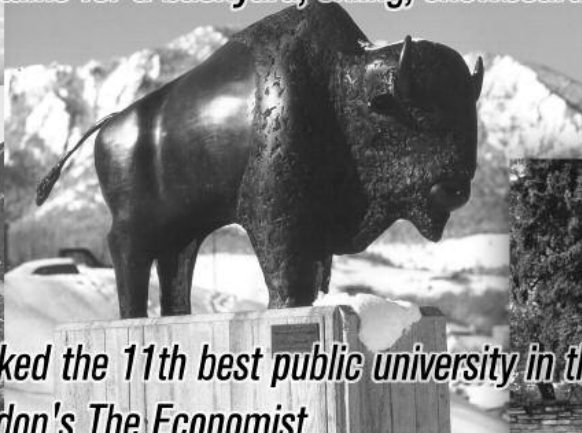


*Norlin Library*

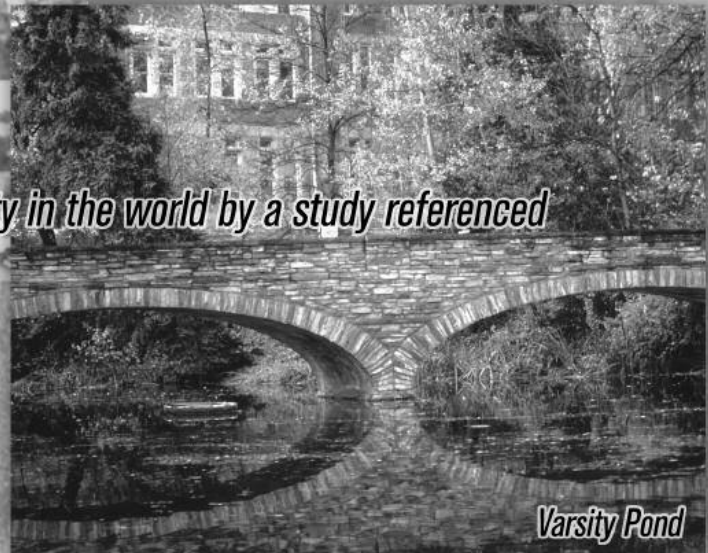
*With the Rocky Mountains for a backyard, skiing, snowboarding, biking, climbing and hiking are never far away*



*Aerial view of Folsom Field*



*Recently, CU was ranked the 11th best public university in the world by a study referenced in London's The Economist*



*Varsity Pond*



*Denver Pavillions*

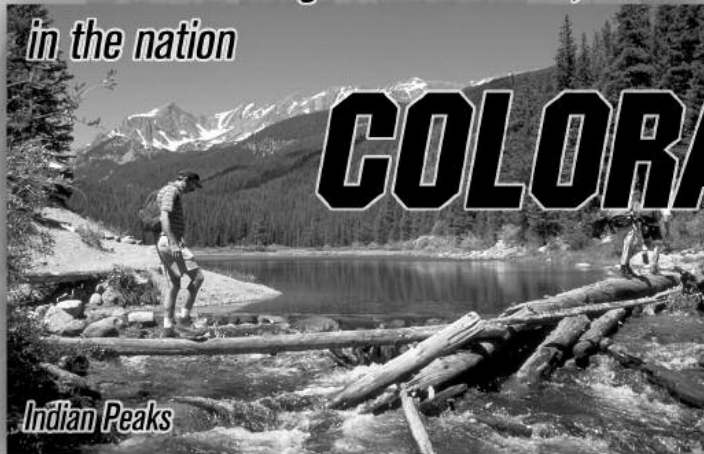
*There are 68 mountains in the U.S. that hover above 14,000 feet, and 54 of those "14ers" are in Colorado*



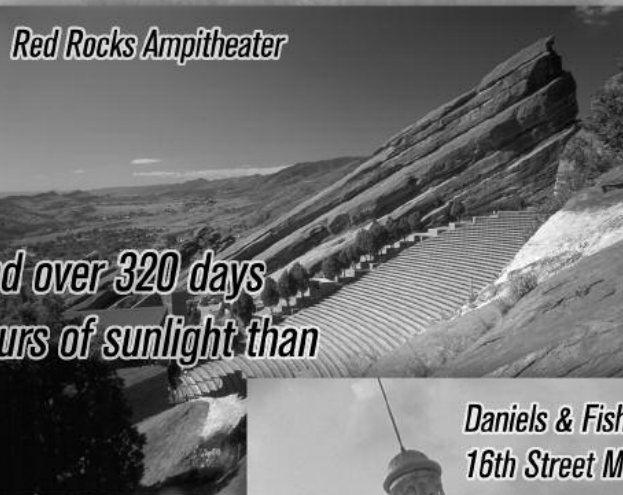
*Maroon Bells*

*Colorado's average elevation of 6,800 feet makes it the highest state in the nation*

# **COLORADO SPLENDOR**

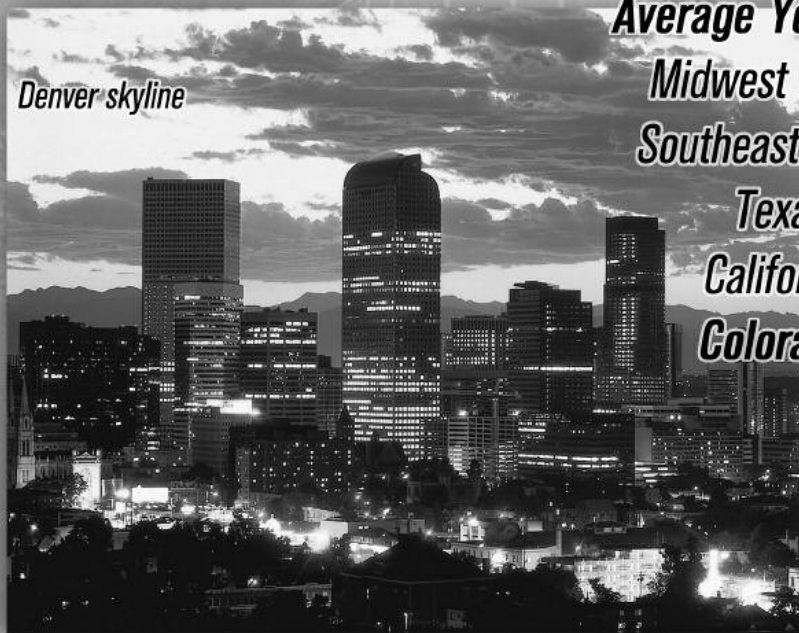


*Indian Peaks*



*Red Rocks Ampitheater*

*Colorado boasts 255 sunny days per year and over 320 days where the sun will shine, adding to more hours of sunlight than Miami and San Diego*



*Denver skyline*

## **Average Yearly Humidity:**

*Midwest Region - 72%*

*Southeast Region - 70%*

*Texas - 69%*

*California - 50%*

*Colorado - 38%*



*Daniels & Fisher Tower on 16th Street Mall in Denver*