



TIGERtales

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YEAR IN REVIEW

The long process of fundraising and updating our Alumni Clubhouse with some additions is finally complete. We added 3 display cases, two of which feature Tiger-Cat memorabilia and the other which showcases our merchandise. We up-dated our Grey Cup Champions wall with larger pictures of our Championship teams and also added photo plaques to our Wall of Honour Inductees. We also added various historical photos including our tie with the past with our "Signature Piece". The additional finishing touches certainly added to the overall ambience of the room with recognition of our past.

This summer we also created a "Mission Statement" to help guide our Association in our operations, which we now display throughout the Clubhouse and in our newsletter.



We also celebrated the 50th and 60th reunions of our 1967 and '57 Grey Cup Championship team. The HTCAA held a very special and successful pre-game tailgate party where fans were able to mix and mingle with team members. The weekend also included a private reception, on field ceremony and stadium tour and brunch.

The Vanier Cup returned again to Hamilton at Tim Horton's Field and former Tiger-Cat head coach Greg Marshall claimed his first U-Sports football championship as head coach for Western. The Annual Canadian Football Hall of Fame Weekend was again held in Hamilton and was a great success.

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HTC-75 ORIGINALLY AUTOGRAPHED PRINTS

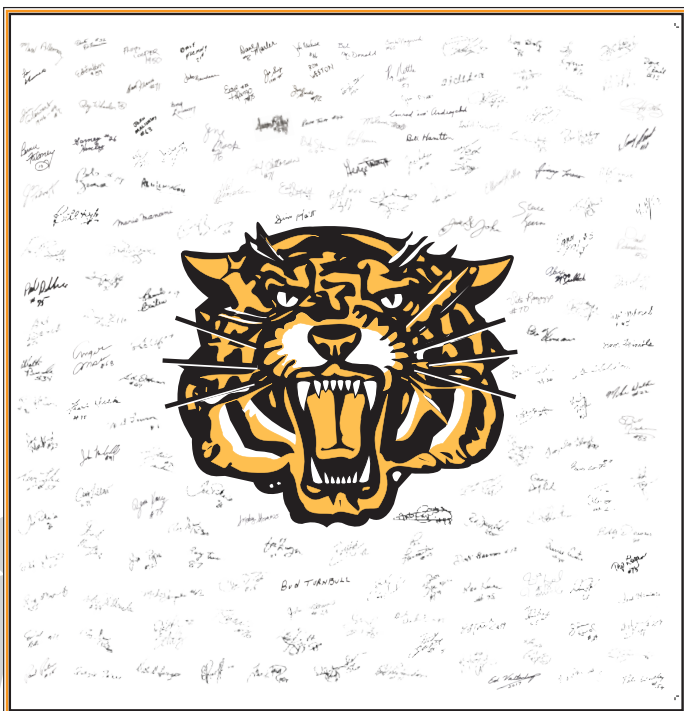


The Ultimate gift for Tiger-Cat fans. Renowned Canadian sports artist Gary McLaughlin created this original painting depicting 75 of the greatest players to ever wear a Hamilton uniform. Included are all Hall of Fame and Wall of Honour inductees as well as members of the Walk of Fame and Fans All-time team.

In recognition of the 145th season of Hamilton football, 145 limited edition numbered prints were created to commemorate this event. Each print was then originally autographed by over 25 Alumni of this select group.

Originally unframed autographed "28 x 33" prints sell for \$100 and are available online at www.htcaa.ca or from the Tiger-Cat Shop. Poster prints "16 x 24" are now also available for only \$20.

We also now have professionally framed prints ready to hang on your wall. Autographed prints are \$299.99 and poster prints are \$99.99. Prints come with a legend a letter of authenticity.



IVOR WYNNE ALUMNI ROOM AUTOGRAPHED WALL PANELS AND BRICKS

Own a piece of history by purchasing the originally autographed wall panels or bricks from the old Alumni Room at Ivor Wynne stadium.

Panels were carefully removed prior too demolition and stored. We have 8 panels measuring 4' x 4' that include signatures from some of the greatest Tiger-Cat and CFL players to ever play the game including names like Ralph Sazio and Jim Trimble; John Barrow and Ellison Kelly; Earl Winfield and Joe Montford...over 130 in all.

We also have the originally signed bricks from the room which were carefully cut out individually and removed.

Asking \$100 per panel and \$25 per brick with proceeds to the HTCAA. Contact admin@htcaa.ca.



REPLICA SIGNATURE PRINTS

Due to the very positive response to our original 4' x 4' "Signature print" which is on display in our Alumni Clubhouse, we have created a replica 2' x 2' box framed canvas print for you to display at your home or office. The print features 165 signatures take from the walls from the old "green room" at Ivor Wynne stadium, with signatures dating back to the 1950's. Prints sell for \$299.99 and are ready to be hung. Contact admin@htcaa.ca if you would like to order.

VANIER CUP

The Vanier Cup returned to Tim Horton's Field for the second year in a row. A very powerful Western squad led by former Tiger-Cat head Coach Greg Marshall defeated the Laval Rouge et Or 39 – 7. The Clubhouse was open for Alumni to enjoy prior and during the game.

The Annual U-Sports awards dinner was also held at the Hamilton Convention Centre and many Alumni were on hand including Jason Riley, Ben Zambiasi, Stefan Ptaszek and Mike Morreale.



IN MEMORIAM

Bobby Dawson

February 4, 1932 – December 10, 2017

Bob played QB/HB/DB for the Hamilton Tiger Cats from 1953–1959, winning Grey Cups in 1953 and 1957. Bob also won the Gruen Trophy for the Canadian Rookie of the Year in the C.F.L. in 1953. He coached the Burlington Braves and McMaster Marauders from 1961 to 1965 (Ontario Championships in 1962, 1963 and 1964). Bob was also a former President of the Hamilton Tiger-Cat Alumni Association.



Donald Paquette

January 23, 1939 – July 31, 2017



Don passed away at age 78, in Ashcroft, British Columbia. He was born in Niagara-on-the-Lake, Ontario and went to Stamford High School, Niagara Falls.

He was brought up to the Hamilton Tiger Cats from the intermediate Ti-cats in 1958 and played with them from 1958 to 1961 as a defensive end and defensive tackle. In 1961, he was involved in a blockbuster trade when he and Bernie Faloney were dealt to the Montreal Alouettes for Hal Patterson and Sam Etchevery. But since Faloney and Etchevery exercised their no-trade contract clause, the deal became even up Paquette for Patterson.

He played with the Montreal Alouettes until 1963 and subsequently also played for Toronto and Calgary.



TIGER-CAT Q&A

Name: Rufus Crawford

Birthday (M/D/YY):

May 21, 1955

School/ Jr. Football: Hunter Husk High School

Position(s): Running Back/ Defence of Back/
Quarterback

Years with Tiger-Cats: 7

CAREER

1. Tell us about how you got started in football and your amateur career.

I started playing football in my hometown of Gastonia North Carolina, with the Young Boys Men's Clubs (YMBC Little orange men)

2. How did you get started in the CFL? (draft, free agent, trade etc)

I was a free agent in the NFL, when I was released by Seattle Seahawks. Later that year I was called to the CFL. My first stop was with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers where I played the last three games of the season. Then I got sent to Hamilton to play for the Tiger Cats.

3. Do or did you hold any records?

Yes, I held the all-time total yards record which was set previously by Hal Patterson. I broke his record with a total of 2,896 yards, which I held for four years.

4. Do or did you have a nickname?

"Rufus Baby" I used to say baby all the time, and a sweet girl back in college bought me a red Jacket one day with the name "Rufus Baby" on the back and it stuck my whole carrier.



5. Who were some of the teammates and opponents you admired the most and why?

Grover Covington was one heck of a player, I have never met someone who could take such a vicious sport at times and be so peaceful on the field. Ben Zambiasi was the ultimate leader, you could just look into his eyes during game time and that's all you needed to know. Everything he expected of you in just one look.

7. Which coach did you respect or enjoy playing for the most and why?

Frank Kush was tough and hard but always expected the same out of everybody, it didn't matter if you were a player, coach, administrator etc. and he would never ask you to do anything that he wouldn't do himself.

Al Bruno was always calm, but expected great things from the people around him. He always said what he needed and nothing more, you understood what he expected.

8. Tell us about some of your favourite Grey Cup memories.

'1984 Grey Cup' we didn't win many games and nobody thought we would get there that year and we did. We lost but I played my heart out and set a new record, a very happy day for me! Walked away with MVP Eastern Conference and runner up that year for CFL MVP.

POST CFL CAREER

9. Tell us about your life and career after playing/working with the Tiger-Cats or CFL?

Author my first book called *Rufus Baby a Dream to Defeat the Odds*.

Work as a stand-up comedian

Became an Actor

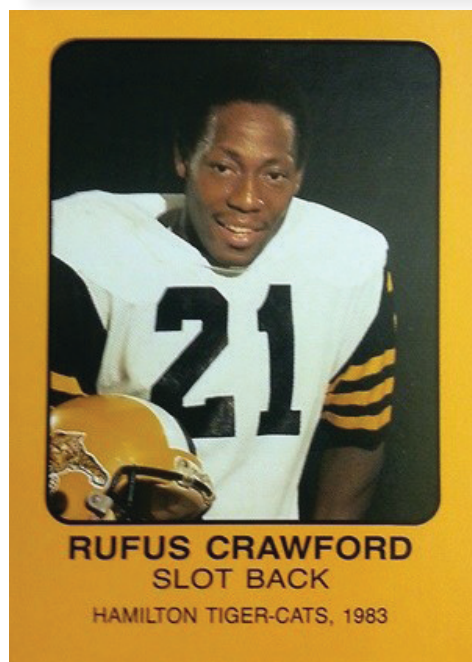
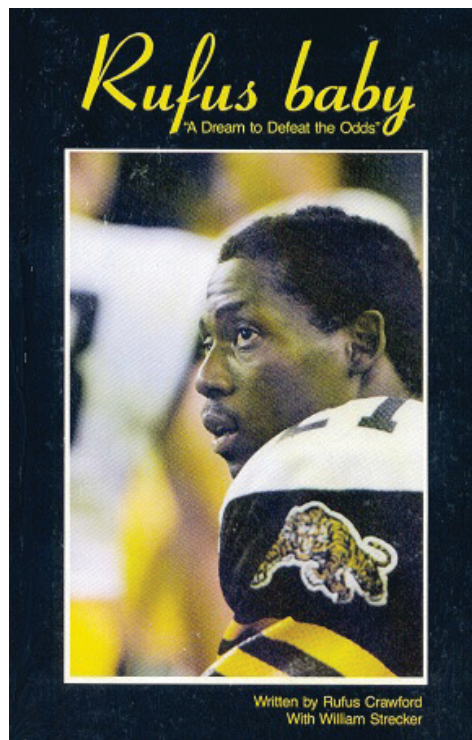
10. Tell us about your interests, hobbies, your passion or anything else you would like to share about yourself.

Music has always been a great passion throughout my whole life; I have a great collection of guitars.

THE GAME

11. What aspects of the Canadian game do you like the most?

The wide openness of the field and the motion that an offensive player has at his disposal.



FINAL THOUGHTS

12. What advice do you have to either young players or those just starting out in the CFL?

"Be there because you want to be there and love what you do!"

13. Is there anything else you would like to share? (thoughts, advice, stories, memories)

Respect the game, respect the history!

2017 a Forgettable Year for Tiger-Cats

By Brian Snelgrove

It was a season of what could have been for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

After a dismal 0-8 start, the Ticats settled down to play some excellent football during the second half of the season. They rebounded to go 6-4 down the stretch—not enough to make the playoffs - but a distinct improvement over the opening segment of the 2017 campaign.



Hamilton finished third in the East with a record of 6-12 but was eliminated from playoff contention by the cross-over Saskatchewan Roughriders.

The Cats lost their opener 32-15 to the Argos and proceeded to go winless for the rest of the summer.

Perhaps the lowlight of the season—mixed in with a number of debacles—was a 60-1 thrashing at the hands of the Calgary Stampeders on July 29 to drop to 0-5.

It wasn't until Labour Day that Hamilton registered their first win of the season.

Kent Austin stepped aside as head



coach and was replaced by June Jones after the Tiger-Cats eighth straight loss of the year. Jones has more than 30 years coaching experience on his resume including college, the NFL and the CFL. The new man at the helm took over just in time for the Labour Day Classic and promptly installed Jeremiah Masoli as the starting quarterback replacing Zach Collaros. The Tiger-Cats picked up their first win of 2017 in a lightning-delayed 24-22 nail-biter over the Argos. In his first start Masoli threw for 219 yards and a touchdown.

Despite the disappointing season there was some light at the end of the proverbial tunnel. The Tiger-Cats placed six players on the Eastern all-star team – Brandon Banks, Luke Tasker, Ryan Bomben, Larry Dean, Richard Leonard and first-year kicker Sergio Castillo. Dean was named the team's most outstanding player as well as most outstanding defensive player. Bomben was picked top Canadian and top offensive lineman. Castillo was named the team's best special teams player and Leonard was nominated for most outstanding rookie.

For the first time in history, the Tiger-Cats had three receivers with more than 1,000 yards. Tasker set a Ti-Cat single-season record with 104 receptions for 1167 yards. Jalen Saunders had an outstanding rookie campaign picking up 1170 yards on 76 receptions. Banks finished the year with 67 catches and cracked the 1,000 yard plateau for the first time in his five year career with 1011.

Prior to the start of the season, the kicking duties were a concern with the departure of Brett Maher. Castillo filled the void admirably and despite missing the last four games of the season with an injury, converted on 29 of 34 field goal attempts and missed just one convert.



He also had an excellent 45.1 yards per punt average.

First-year running back Alex Green rose to the challenge and ran for 447 yards and five touchdowns in just six games. Green's presence allowed the Tiger-Cats to trade veteran C.J. Gable to Edmonton after 13 games.

Dean had a team-high 96 tackles to go along with three sacks and three forced fumbles



Leonard was second in the CFL with seven interceptions and finished second on the Ticats with 72 tackles.

The Tiger-Cats will need to build on the positives from 2017 for a more successful campaign next year. The off-season promises to be busy for the Hamilton brain trust as they try to restore the Ticats roar in 2018.



Tiger-Cat Grey Cup Champions Reunite

By Brian Snelgrove

They forged a bond that has lasted a lifetime.

On September 29, the 1957 and 1967 Hamilton Tiger-Cat Grey Cup championship teams came together to celebrate friendship, share memories and reminisce with their fellow warriors. The BBQ, held the night before the same players were honoured at the Hamilton and Toronto CFL game, was in recognition of the 60th and 50th anniversary of the two championships.

The event was hosted by Tiger-Cat Wall of Honour Committee member John Pellizzari. "It's absolutely an honour," Pellizzari said. "I was thrilled when they asked me to host this event."

Close to 80 former players, family and friends attended the dinner and dance.

"We had a great ball club in 1967," said Garney Henley, unquestionably the most versatile defensive back/receiver in Ti-Cat history. "It was one of the best teams defensively I ever played on. We all played hard; they were all good athletes. Sazio put us all together and we knew what we could do. We just went out and did it. Our offensive line didn't get much recognition but there were some great players – (Bill) Danychuk was one of the best. And Ceppetelli. There were a lot of

pranksters especially (Joe) Zuger and (Dave) Fleming. Everything just worked well."

"Hamilton was the Green Bay of Canada at the time," added Dave Viti, a two-way end for the Ticats. "The cultural mosaic, the steel mills, Stelco, Dofasco. We were a different breed. The team was most important and there was a commitment to team goals. We were not as dedicated to ourselves as individuals. If you look at '67 we were slow starters. I think Ralph (Sazio) brought us along that way with intent. His goal was to have us peak at the right time and we did. That Grey Cup was the coldest day I have ever experienced playing football. Garney Henley was the smoothest athlete I ever played with. He was a joy to play with and a joy to watch from the sidelines. He was a quality guy and role model for the younger players. He was the most fluid athlete I ever knew."

"Playing back then really has no relevance to today," said Tommy Joe Coffey, an outstanding receiver and kicker "You made the team every week. The import rule was there the whole year. It was much more competitive. I was a third round draft pick in the NFL but got more money to come to Canada. If you didn't play both ways they didn't really want you. Bill Redell from California was a great



player. I had played with him in Edmonton and when he came to Hamilton in 1967. I have always been a great fan of (Joe) Zuger. He was probably the most underrated quarterback to ever play in Canada."

"Tough? The whole team was tough," said running back Dave Fleming, who played 10 seasons in Hamilton. We played with heart. And as a team. Everybody got along. I was a team captain and everybody took care of their position. Mosca, Barrow, Danychuk, Ceppetelli, Kelly, Viti; the O-line was outstanding. I'm not sure if we were that good or the other teams were that bad. We had character."

Running Back Willie Bethea agreed. "Everybody was friendly," he recalled. "We worked as a group not as individuals. It was



very enjoyable. Everybody played their best, win or lose. It was a great team. You don't think about the Grey Cup during the season you just give it your best shot, one game at a time. I didn't think any player was better than I was. You have to prove you're better than me."

"I was a starter the year before but got hurt," said Bob Krouse. "'67 was my first year as a starter. I used to go to practice early just to watch the shenanigans with guys like Ang (Mosca) and Ellison Kelly. We just played very hard. We always thought we would win but it was still win one game at a time. We had a lot of new people: Locklin, Viti, Page, Brewer, but we just started to jell."

"Sazio was fair," added tackle Angelo Mosca. "But he was tough. We used to love to kick ass. (Dave) Fleming was the toughest guy on the team."

"It was great," said '57 team member Bill Graham who lives in Mississauga. "There wasn't a better team than our 1957 team in any sport as far as I'm concerned. The guys were incredible. Faloney, Barrow. I liked the spirit. It was a phenomenal team. McDougall and Gilchrist. I played with Cookie in Kitchener with the Kitchener-Waterloo Dutchmen. Faloney was probably the hardest working player. He was a great leader. Steve Oneschuk was a hard worker and a real gentleman. Vince Scott and Eddie Bevan were good buddies."

"We felt like a team," added teammate Conrad Andreychuk. "Once we got the team settled we played for each other. Our best player was Bernie Faloney. An outstanding player who never lost. He won at Maryland and in Edmonton. He didn't know how to lose. Young John Barrow was a great player. I knew Cookie well. Peter Neumann was one of the

smartest players. McDougall was a tough guy and he could hit the hole. He made the other guys look stupid."

"I'm so thrilled that the Club has been so gracious in supporting the partnership with the HTCAA," said Jason Riley, Tiger-Cat Alumni President. "The Wall of Honour Committee has worked tirelessly to put this together – over a year to put this together. The whole thing is a team effort. It is so gratifying to see such a turnout from these excellent teams. Seeing them come together. Food, friends, music and it's just the start of the weekend."

BRIAN SNELGROVE has written extensively for the CFL, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats and the Toronto Argonauts



Hamilton Tiger-Cat Alumni Wear

Items in various sizes are in stock and can be picked up and paid for on game day at the new Alumni Clubhouse at Tim Horton's Field.

Order Alumni merchandise by completing an order from online at www.htcaa.ca and emailing to admin@htcaa.ca.

Embroidered Athletic T-Shirt



\$25

Embroidered Hat



\$20

Embroidered Golf Shirt



\$35

Embroidered Jacket



\$70

**"Property of" design
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T-shirt \$15, Sweatshirt \$25

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\$45

Football T-Shirt



\$15

Football Sweatshirt



\$25

Tiger Head T-Shirt



\$15

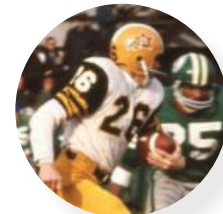
Tiger Head Sweatshirt



\$25

In Conversation With... Garney Henley

By Chris Durka



My conversation recently was with Hamilton Tiger Cat legend # 26, Garney Henley. Garney played his entire 16

year professional football career for the Tiger Cats. He initially came to Hamilton in 1960 as a defensive back but it didn't take long before he ended up also playing on the offence and special teams. Garney played in 7 Grey Cup games where he was part of 4 Grey Cup Championship Ti Cat teams, in 1963/65/67 and '72. He was both a CFL Eastern All Star and a CFL All Star in 1963/64/65/66/67/68/69/70/71 and '72. He also won the CFL Most Outstanding Player Award in 1972 and the Jeff Russell Memorial Trophy in 1963 and 1972.

This may be difficult to believe, especially to the avid CFL and Ti Cat fan, but Garney Henley didn't begin to play the sport of football until he attended Huron Collage in South Dakota. After high school Garney enrolled at South Dakota State but a few months later he transferred to Huron College where his main sports were Basketball and track. It was his basketball achievements in high school that attracted a lot of attention in and around the State. When he attended Huron College it was the football coach there that noticed his athletic abilities and approached him to try out for the football team. It wasn't until after some personal soul searching, family consultation and the consistent encouragement of the football coach that Garney finally decided to give football a try.

Garney's college grid iron accomplishments, which included his NAIA All American selection in 1959, caught the attention of Vince Lombardi and the Green Bay Packers so they selected him in the 1960 NFL draft. He was also drafted by the New York Titans of the newly formed AFL but he decided to try out with the Packers. Garney dressed and played in all the exhibition games, primarily on the offence as a receiver and although he did quite well, he was a victim of the numbers game and was the last cut. It was soon after when he found out from Lombardi that a coach named Jim Trimble of a Canadian professional football team was interested in him, so his rights were traded to the Hamilton Tiger Cats.

Garney and his wife packed up their car and drove to Hamilton. When they arrived and saw the view of the city from the mountain, they couldn't get over the number of so many houses they saw and wondered how they would ever find the football stadium. Garney said that

with the directions from a gas station attendant they eventually made it to Civic Stadium. His first meeting with head coach Trimble was somewhat candid and concerning because when Trimble looked at the rather thin, studious looking Henley he thought that he was a lost high school kid. When Garney introduced himself, Trimble didn't seem to be impressed and instructed assistant coach Ralph Sazio to take Henley out to run some pass patterns and then let him go. Fortunately Sazio, who had a keen eye for football talent, saw something in Henley and told the head coach that they should keep him and the rest is history.

When Garney dressed for his first game he said that he was simply given jersey #26 to wear, he didn't have a choice in the matter, so there was no special personal reason for having that number. For the next 16 years however, #26 became one of the most famous numbers in Tiger Cat and CFL history. During the road trips, Garney said that he had two great roommates in Don Sutherin and for the longest time Bob Krouse. He also mentioned that he had the good fortune to have played with some of the greatest players of that time such as, Angelo Mosca, Bernie Faloney, Joe Zuger, Bob Krouse, Hal Paterson, John Barrow, Zeno Karcz, Pete Neumann and the list goes on he said.

Garney mentioned the head coaches that he played for, Jim Trimble, Ralph Sazio, Joe Restic and finally Jerry Williams. He said that he preferred playing for Ralph Sazio the most and went on to say that Sazio was a strict, hard line but fair coach whose approach was very similar to that of Vince Lombardi's in Green Bay.

Garney said that there were a number of memorable moments during his career, such as being selected as the Canadian Football League's most outstanding player in 1972, and participating in 7 Grey Cup games, especially three in particular. The first being the 1962 Grey Cup fog bowl, although the Cats eventually lost that game, it was an unforgettable game for him personally where he scored on a 74 yard TD run, recovered a fumble, had another 18 yard rushing TD and an interception in that game. It was also unforgettable because of the thick fog that set in at CNE Stadium in the third quarter. It made the visibility so bad that eventually only the lower half of the players could be seen thus causing the last 10 minutes of the game to be postponed until the next day. The second memory was the 1963 Grey Cup game in Vancouver against a very strong Lions team stands out because the Cats won that

game and he played both ways, never coming off the field. The third memory was winning the 1972 Grey Cup game in Hamilton on a last second field goal. I asked Garney, who held the placement for the rookie kicker, what did he say to Sunter just before that last second field goal and he told me that he simply said, "I'll get it there, you just look at the ball and kick it".

Garney's last season was at the end of the 1975 football season. He remained in Canada and became an administrator and a coach at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick, Brock University in St. Catharines and Guelph University. At Guelph he turned around a very poor basketball program into a very successful one and in 1973-74 Guelph won the Canadian (CIAU) national Basketball championship. In 1989 to 1993 Garney was an assistant coach with the Tiger Cats and in 1995 to 1996 was the Director of Football Operations with the Ottawa Rough Riders. After 36 years in Canada, Garney moved back to his home State of South Dakota in 1996.

Garney Henley was inducted into the South Dakota Track Hall of Fame in 1972, the South Dakota Basketball Hall of Fame in 1975, the Huron College Hall of Fame in 1978, the South Dakota Hall of Fame in 1979 and the South Dakota College Hall of Fame in 2004. In 1979 he was inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame and in 1985 into the Guelph Athletics Hall of Fame. Garney was voted the 6th Greatest Player ever to play in the Canadian Football League in a 2006 TSN poll. He was inducted into the Hamilton Sports Hall of Fame in 2011 and into the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame in 2015.

In ending, Garney mentioned the Tiger Cats fans. He said that Hamilton football fans were and still are tough, supportive fans that know their football. He said that after leaving Green Bay he couldn't have gone to a better place than Hamilton.

It was both a privilege and an honour for me to have had the opportunity to have had a conversation with one of the greatest players to have played in the Canadian Football League and especially for the Hamilton Tiger Cats.

CHRIS DURKA IS a long-time Tiger-Cat fan, season ticket holder, historian and collector of Tiger-Cat memorabilia and autographs. Over the years, Chris has had the honour to speak with many Tiger-Cat players whom he now recalls in conversation.



2017 GREY CUP HIGHLIGHTS

Hello Everyone,

What great Grey Cup Weekend for Alumni! Thank you to our hosts, CFL Ottawa Alumni Association (especially President, Jeff Avery and VP CFLAA Board of Directors, Jim Cain) Ottawa RedBlacks, and the CFL.

The week kicked off with **Rick Sowieta**, former Roughrider and Argo, who died of pancreatic cancer in August, was named the winner of the **Commissioner's Award Thursday night at the Shaw CFL Awards**.

"Football was always Rick's first passion and coaching was a huge part of his life," said Sowieta's wife Jenny. "Football shaped him into the strong man he was, it forged the strong will he had, and it created the in-credible bond he shared with his teammates."

The Commissioner's Award recognizes dedication to Canadian football.

The CFLAA Support Fund, local Alumni Associations, and individual players through the efforts of the CFLAA Board and Executive contributed over \$40,000 to offset costs of a surgery in Germany. The surgery at the time was not covered by OHIP. Subsequently it is covered now.

Early in the day we continued a 10-year tradition with several Alumni joining Commissioner Randy Ambrosie when we visited the Perley & Rideau Health Centre to honor our Canadian military Veterans.

Canada Post CFLAA Legends Luncheon honored CFL Alumni Men of the Year, Russ Jackson and Jeff Avery.

Another fabulous event! Over 1000 guests with over 120 former CFL Players! Our Luncheon is always a great way for fans and Alumni to reminisce! It is truly a fan favorite and the go to event, outside of the game, at Grey Cup.

This year we were happy to have joined forces with the Canadian Men's Health Foundation and their Don't Change Much initiative. Alumnus Shea Emery who was the first member of the program was joined by our Joe Sardo, Henry Burris, Davis Sanchez, Troy Westwood, Kyle Koch, Gene Mack, and Orlando Bowen to spread the message of health of health to all Canadians, men, dads, moms, women, families, children, etc. Check out the website www.dontchangemuch.ca.

The CFLAA Board of Directors held our AGM along with our regular business meetings.

After a few years hiatus the board once again met with the CFL, represented by Commissioner Randy Ambrosie. It was a candid conversation about his views on the importance of Alumni in the success of our League. Our relationship with the CFL under Randy's leadership is truly encouraging. Not only does he acknowledge the importance of our Alumni but his understanding of our great country and of our football fans is refreshing and critical!

We also met with the CFLPA, Brian Ramsay, Executive Director, Jeff Keeping, President, and Ken Georgetti, special advisor to the CFLPA. We continue to work on common goals of each association. We are encouraged by our continued good working relationship.

On behalf of the CFLAA Board of Directors we wish you and your families the best for a happy and joyous Christmas, and a great 2018 and beyond!

Best,
Leo Ezerins, CFLAA Executive Director





CARD COLLECTOR



EDDIE BEVAN
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS

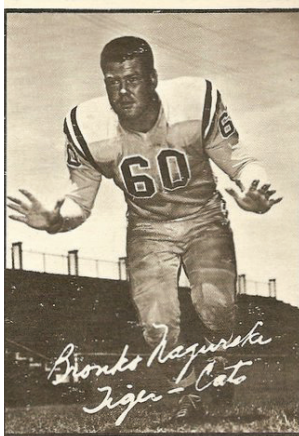
Guard . . . 5 ft. 9 ins. 220 pounds. Born in Hamilton, Ont. With Tiger-Cats since 1950. Eddie went practically straight into professional football without high school or junior training. Captain of Tiger-Cats in '53 and '55. Is annually named to the I.R.F.U. All-Star Team, and last year played in first East-West All-Star Game.

Garde . . . 5 pi. 9 po., 220 lb. Né à Hamilton. Avec les Tiger-Cats depuis 1950. A passé presque immédiatement au football professionnel sans bénéficier de l'entraînement de l'école secondaire ou d'une équipe junior. Capitaine des Tiger-Cats en '53 et '55. Nommé chaque année à l'équipe des étoiles I.R.F.U., il a joué l'an dernier dans la première équipe d'étoiles Est-Ouest.

When team is complete (15 cards), send only this portion of card showing player's name and number. You keep picture. Une fois l'équipe ou complet (15 cartes), envoyez seulement cette partie de la carte qui indique le nom et le numéro du joueur. Gardez la photo.

2D EDDIE BEVAN

Eddie Bevan, 1956



53 BRONKO NAGURSKI
HAMILTON TIGER-CATS
TACKLE

HT: 6'03" WT: 235
AGE: 28

Nagurski is the son of the famous Bronko who 'led' the Hamilton Tiger-Cats to a Grey Cup in the '50s.

Nagurski est le fils du fameux Bronko bien connu aux États-Unis. Il est citoyen canadien.

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Bronko Nagurski, 1961

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HAMILTON
Tiger Cats
TIGHT END

71 TONY GABRIEL
IS A GRADUATE CHEMICAL ENGINEER.

Non-Import
6'4" - 215 lbs.
Syracuse University
Tight End

Canadien
6'4" - 215 lb.
Université de Syracuse
Allier rapproché

Tony holds these records at Syracuse:
(a) most receptions, 86; (b) most yardage, 1,186; (c) most touchdown passes, 11.

Tony établit trois records à Syracuse pour le plus grand nombre de réceptions (86), de verges gagnées (1,186) et de passes conduisant à un touché (11).

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Tony Gabriel, 1971

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Quarterback
HAMILTON

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Ht: 6'0" Wt: 185 Years Pro: 7
Jacksonville State University

Dieter is heading into his eleventh season in the C.F.L. . . Came to the Tiger-Cats late in the 1983 season in a trade for quarterback Tom Clements . . . He subsequently led the Tiger-Cats to the 1983 Eastern Final . . . Passed 197 times for 114 completions and 1241 yards in 6 regular season games with the Tiger-Cats . . . In 1981 with the Blue Bombers Dieter threw for 4,796 yards . . . Schenley Most Outstanding Player recipient in 1980 and 1981 . . . Dieter and his wife Kathy have two daughters and are residing in Burlington, Ontario.

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Dieter Brock, 1984

ORLANDO STEINAUER #22
DEFENSIVE BACK
Ht: 5'10" Wt: 185 lbs
Western Washington University
Years Pro: 3 Years CFL: 3
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Orlando had a great season in 1997, and was off to an even better start this year even though he switched from cornerback to defensive halfback. He picked off four passes in the first six weeks this season and scored a touchdowns on a 52-yard return. Steinauer led the CFL in interceptions last year with seven, including an 82-yard TD return. He was an East Division all-star and Hamilton's most outstanding player and defensive player of the year. As a senior at Western Washington, Orlando earned all-American honors and led the nation with 10 interceptions.

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Orlando Steinauer, 1998

COREY GRANT #8
WIDE RECEIVER
Wilfrid Laurier U.
Canadian

CARD 180
Ht: 6' 0"
Wt: 195 lbs
Years Pro: 11

Corey signed as a free agent with Hamilton on June 29, 2009. In 2008 he played in 16 games during his seventh season in Saskatchewan, caught 30 passes for 284 yards and one touchdown. Corey has two Grey Cup rings as a starter in both games, 1999 with Hamilton Tiger Cats & 2007 with Saskatchewan Roughriders. Grant played four seasons (1995-98) at Wilfrid Laurier and was named a second team OUA All-Star in 1998. He was born in Hamilton and resides in Beamsville, Ontario with his wife, Jennifer and daughter Qiawna.

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Corey Grant, 2009



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