

AL SEAMONSON

Outside Linebackers/ Special Teams Assistant (Wisconsin '82) Second Season

Al Seamonson is in his second season as outside linebackers coach for the Terrapins. He also assists Ray Rychleski with the special teams.

In 2001, Seamonson's linebackers were part of a Maryland defense that was among the best units in the ACC and the nation. His players helped the Terps display a high-pressure style that produced the nation's fourth-best turnover margin (+1.45 average) and the ACC's lowest scoring defense (19.1 points per game).

Seamonson boasts 20 years of collegiate coaching experience. Prior to coming to Maryland, he spent the 2000 season at Bowling Green State University — where he worked under current Terp defensive coordinator Gary Blackney — as the Falcons' special teams coordinator and linebackers coach.

In his lone year at Bowling Green, Seamonson helped the Falcons produce a defensive unit that ranked fourth

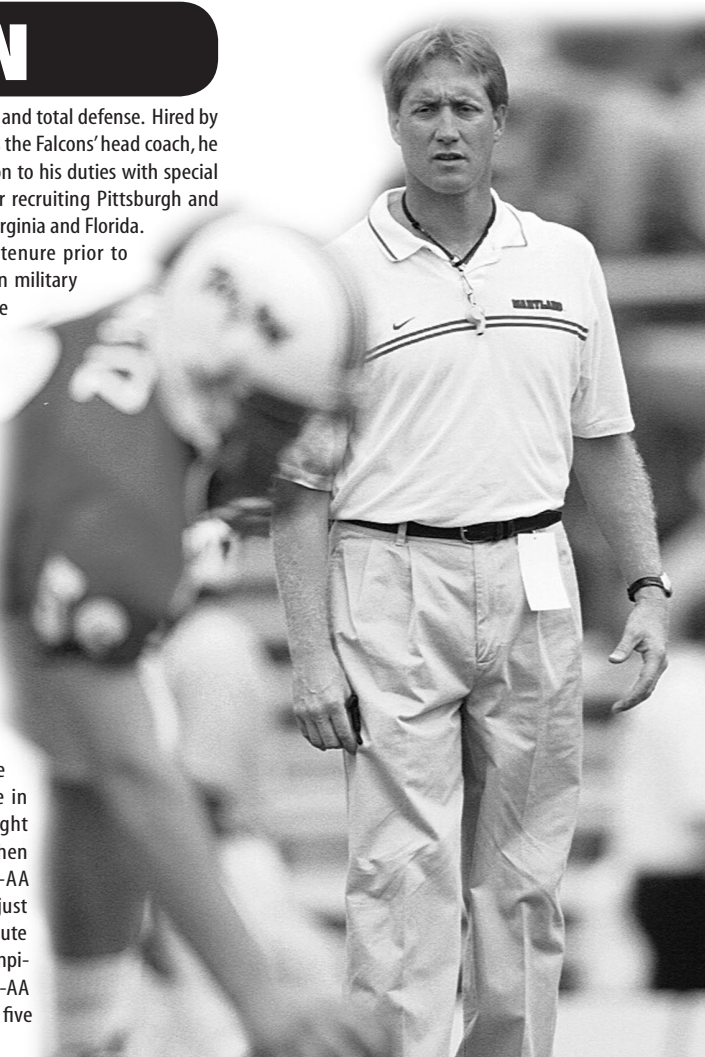
in the MAC in rushing defense and total defense. Hired by Blackney, who at the time was the Falcons' head coach, he was responsible — in addition to his duties with special teams and linebackers — for recruiting Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Florida.

Seamonson's coaching tenure prior to BGSU was weighted heavily in military settings. From 1987-99, he coached at The Citadel (The Military College of South Carolina), where he started as a wide receivers coach (1987) before serving the remainder of his tenure (1988-99) as special teams coordinator and linebackers coach. At The Citadel, Seamonson coached under current Terp offensive coordinator Charlie Taaffe and worked alongside defensive line coach Dave Solazzo. He helped coach five linebackers to All-Southern Conference honors and one (J.J. Davis) to an appearance in the Senior Bowl. The highlight of his tenure was in 1992 when the Bulldogs led Division I-AA in scoring defense, yielding just 13.0 points per contest en route to a Southern Conference championship and advancing to the I-AA playoffs for the third time in five years.

The Citadel was not Seamonson's first taste of the military life, however, as he was a linebackers coach at the U.S. Military Academy (Army) in West Point, N.Y., for the 1985 and '86 seasons. In his first season at Army, the Cadets were one of the surprise teams in the country as they won the 1985 Peach Bowl, 31-29, over Illinois. It was one of just four times in the Academy's history that it had gone to a bowl game.

A 1982 graduate of Wisconsin and a two-year letterwinner for the Badgers at wide receiver, Seamonson got his start in coaching in Madison. In 1982, he served as a volunteer coach for Wisconsin's wide receivers. He then was a graduate assistant for the next two years where he worked for the Badgers' secondary unit.

Born September 7, 1959, in Stoughton, Wisc., Seamonson was a wide receiver at Stoughton High School and was a captain for the All-State Shrine Team in 1977. He and his wife, Kristi, have three children: Kyle,



Seamonson File

Personal

Date of Birth September 7, 1959
Hometown Stoughton, Wisc.
Alma Mater Wisconsin, '82

Coaching Experience

Maryland

2001 - Assistant Coach -
 Outside Linebackers/Special Teams Assistant

Bowling Green

2000 Assistant Coach -
 Special Teams Coordinator/Linebackers

The Citadel

1987-99 Assistant Coach -
 Special Teams Coordinator/
 Linebackers/Wide Receivers

United States Military Academy (Army)

1985-86 Assistant Coach - Linebackers

Wisconsin

1983-84 Graduate Assistant - Defensive Backs

Wisconsin

1982-83 . Part-Time Assistant Coach - Wide Receivers

Playing Experience

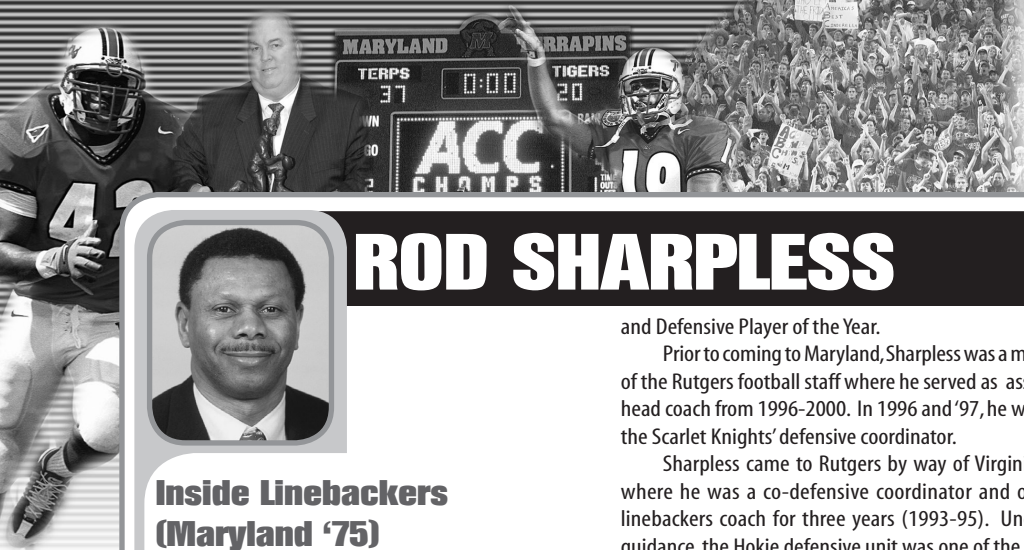
Wisconsin

1978-81 Wide Receiver

Recruiting Areas

Virginia, Detroit (Mich.), South Carolina, North Florida





ROD SHARPLESS

Inside Linebackers (Maryland '75) Eighth Season

Rod Sharpless is in his eighth season overall at Maryland and his second year in his current stint as the Terrapins' inside linebackers coach. Sharpless is a graduate of the University of Maryland and has coached twice previously in College Park.

Sharpless' main area of concentration with the Terps is with middle and strongside linebackers. Under his guidance, middle linebacker E.J. Henderson flourished in 2001, becoming one of the top defensive players in the nation. Last year, Henderson became Maryland's first consensus All-American since 1979, was named a finalist for the Dick Butkus Award, and earned recognition as the ACC Player

and Defensive Player of the Year. Prior to coming to Maryland, Sharpless was a member of the Rutgers football staff where he served as associate head coach from 1996-2000. In 1996 and '97, he was also the Scarlet Knights' defensive coordinator.

Sharpless came to Rutgers by way of Virginia Tech where he was a co-defensive coordinator and outside linebackers coach for three years (1993-95). Under his guidance, the Hokie defensive unit was one of the best in the country in 1995. That season, the Tech defense ranked first nationally against the run, fifth in scoring defense and 10th in total defense. Virginia Tech also went to three bowls in his three years as a coach in Blacksburg, winning the 1996 Sugar Bowl and the 1993 Independence Bowl. In his career as a coach and a player, Sharpless has participated in 12 bowl games.

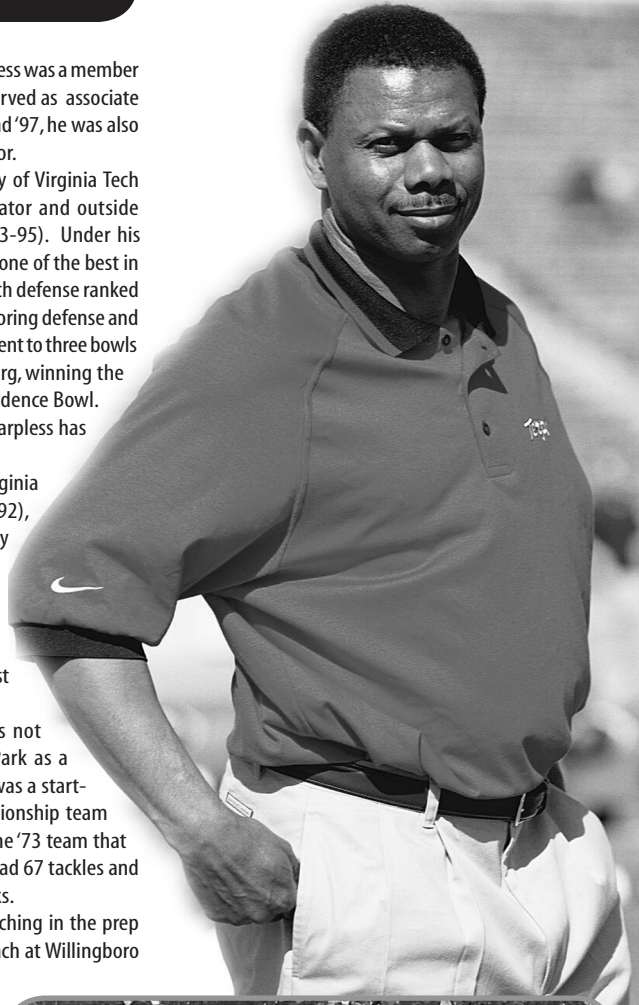
Prior to his successful tenure at Virginia Tech, Sharpless coached at Cornell (1992), Maryland (1990-91; 1977-80), Kentucky (1982-89) and Richmond (1981). Like Friedgen, his time with the Terrapins has been marked by success as Maryland has gone to five bowls in his seven years as a coach, including the Terps' most recent trip to the Orange Bowl.

Sharpless' success at Maryland is not limited to his time spent in College Park as a coach, however. As a player, Sharpless was a starting linebacker on the 1974 ACC championship team that went to the Liberty Bowl and on the '73 team that played in the Peach Bowl. In 1974, he had 67 tackles and tied for third on the team with four sacks.

Sharpless got his first taste of coaching in the prep ranks as he was a football and track coach at Willingboro (N.J.) High School from 1975-77. Notably, he worked with eventual Olympic medalist Carl Lewis while serving as a track coach at Willingboro.

A native of Jacksonville, N.C., Sharpless earned his bachelor's degree in health and physical education from Maryland in 1975 and went on to earn his master's from Bowie (Md.) State in education in 1981. He served in the United States Air Force for three-and-a-half years (1969-72) before enrolling at Maryland.

He is married to the former Linda DiColo who, as it turns out, has quite a history in College Park herself. A former assistant coach for the Terrapin women's lacrosse team — including the 1981 national champs and 1991 national runners-up — and the Maryland field hockey team, Linda also earned her master's from the university. The couple has an 11-year-old daughter, Victoria.



Sharpless File

Personal
Date of Birth November 6, 1949
Hometown Jacksonville, N.C.
Alma Mater Maryland, '75

Coaching Experience

Maryland
 2001- Assistant Coach - Inside Linebackers
Rutgers
 2000..... Associate Head Coach - Defensive Line
 1996-99 Associate Head Coach - Def. Coordinator
 1996-97 Def. Coordinator /Inside Linebackers
Virginia Tech
 1993-95 Assistant Coach -
 Co-Defensive Coordinator/Outside Linebackers
Cornell
 1992..... Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Maryland
 1990-91 Assistant Coach - Wide Receivers
Kentucky
 1982-89 Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Richmond
 1981..... Assistant Coach - Outside Linebackers
Maryland
 1977-80 Assistant Coach - Outside Linebackers
Willingboro (N.J.) High School
 1975-77 Football Coach/Track and Field Coach

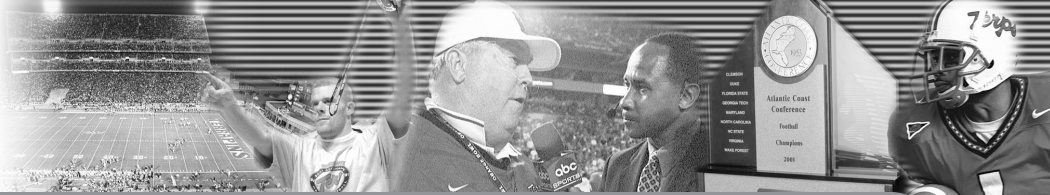
Playing Experience

Maryland
 1972-74 Linebacker

Recruiting Areas

Baltimore County (Maryland), Southern New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island





DAVE SOLLAZZO

Defensive Line (The Citadel '77) Second Season

Dave Sollazzo is in his second season in his current stint as defensive line coach at the University of Maryland. It is his fifth season overall at the university. Sollazzo was a defensive line coach for the Terps in 1986 and '87 as well as a graduate assistant in 1984.

In his first season back with the Terps, Sollazzo made quite an impact on his defensive line unit. He took a group that entered the 2001 season as a concern for the Terps, and turned it into a rock-solid group that helped anchor one of the top defenses in the ACC. Under his tutelage, nose tackle Charles Hill became an honorable mention All-ACC pick and, ultimately, a third-round draft choice of the upstart Houston Texans in the 2002 NFL Draft.

Prior to his current stint at Maryland, Sollazzo was at

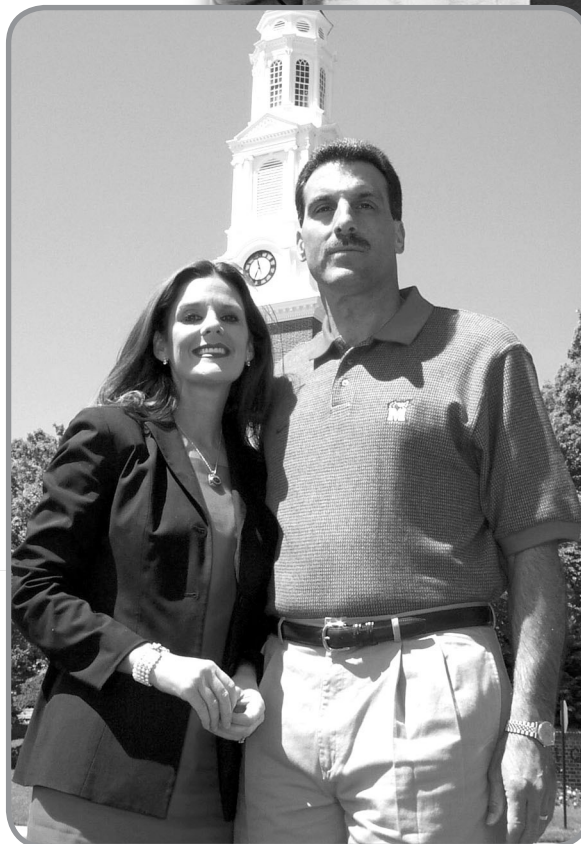
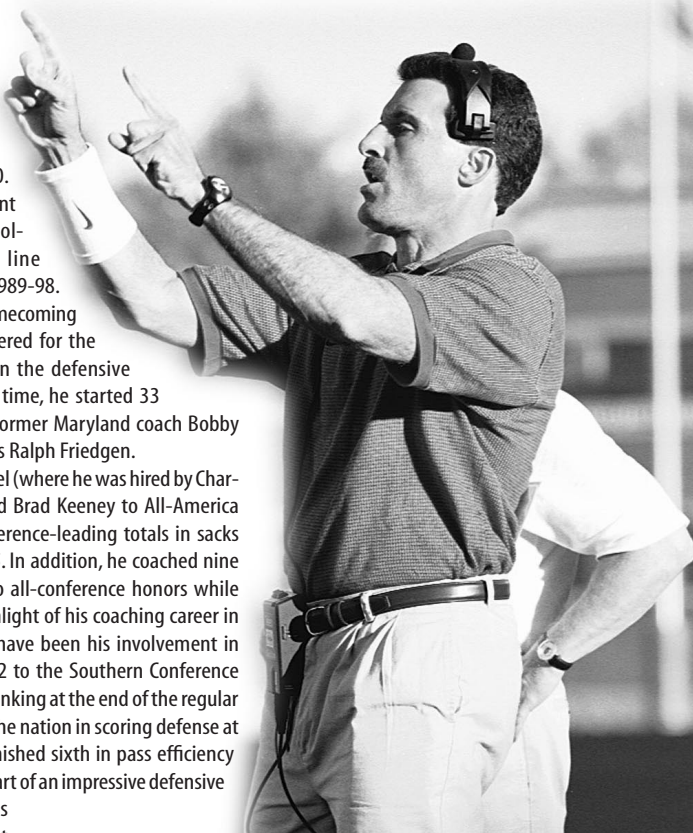
Georgia Tech in 1999 and 2000 as a defensive tackles coach. In his two years in Atlanta, Tech participated in a pair of bowl games — the Gator Bowl in 1999 and the Peach Bowl in 2000.

Prior to his appointment with the Yellow Jackets, Sollazzo was the defensive line coach at The Citadel from 1989-98. The Citadel was another homecoming for Sollazzo as he had lettered for the Bulldogs for three years on the defensive line from 1974-76. In that time, he started 33 consecutive games under former Maryland coach Bobby Ross. His position coach was Ralph Friedgen.

As a coach at The Citadel (where he was hired by Charlie Taaffe), Sollazzo coached Brad Keeney to All-America honors and Southern Conference-leading totals in sacks and tackles for loss in 1995. In addition, he coached nine other defensive linemen to all-conference honors while with the Bulldogs. The highlight of his coaching career in Charleston, however, may have been his involvement in helping The Citadel in 1992 to the Southern Conference championship and a No. 1 ranking at the end of the regular season. That '92 squad led the nation in scoring defense at 13 points per game and finished sixth in pass efficiency defense. In 1997, he was a part of an impressive defensive effort in which the Bulldogs finished their season by not allowing a touchdown in their final 13 quarters.

Along with his ties to Maryland and The Citadel, Sollazzo has an extensive history in prep coaching. With the exception of the Maryland job in 1984 (a season that saw the Terps win the ACC and earn a berth in the Sun Bowl), Sollazzo was a high school defensive coordinator in South Carolina from 1978-85.

Sollazzo was born in Harrison, N.Y., on December 24, 1955, and earned his degree from The Citadel in 1977. He is married to the former Ellen Beloin of Farmington, Conn.



Sollazzo File

Personal

Date of Birth December 24, 1955
Hometown Harrison, N.Y.
Alma Mater The Citadel, '77
Pronunciation so-LAH-zo

Coaching Experience

Maryland
 2001- Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Georgia Tech
 1999-2000 Assistant Coach - Defensive Tackles
The Citadel
 1989-98 Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Guilford (N.C.) College
 1988 Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Maryland
 1986-87 Assistant Coach - Defensive Line
Stratford (S.C.) High School
 1985 Assistant Coach - Defensive Coordinator
Maryland
 1984 Graduate Assistant
North Charleston (S.C.) High School
 1983 Assistant Coach - Defensive Coordinator
Fort Johnson (S.C.) High School
 1978-82 Assistant Coach - Defensive Coordinator

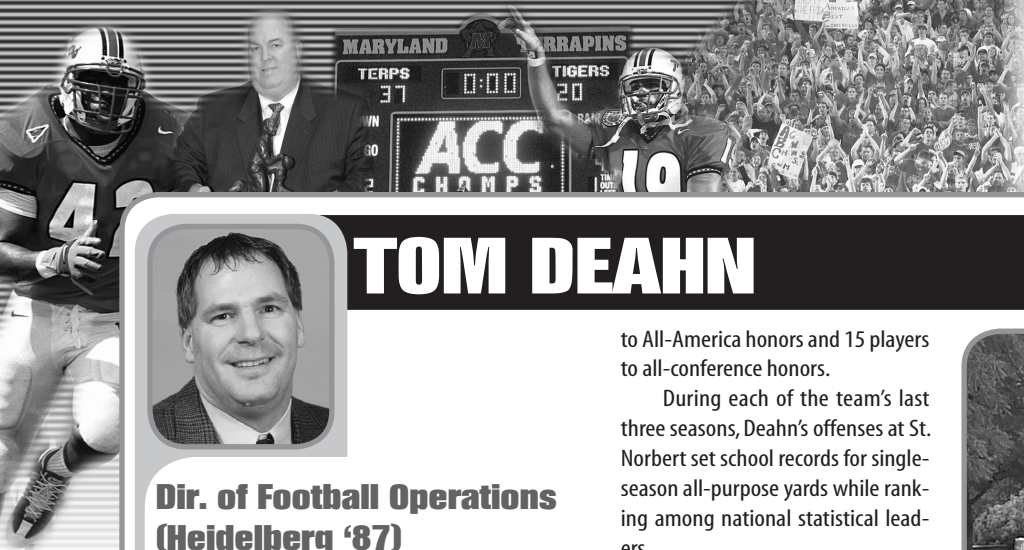
Playing Experience

The Citadel
 1973-76 Defensive line

Recruiting Areas

Northern New Jersey, Eastern New York, Connecticut





TOM DEAHN

**Dir. of Football Operations
(Heidelberg '87)
Fourth Season**

Tom Deahn is in his fourth year on the Maryland football staff and his third as director of football operations. He served as assistant recruiting coordinator during the 1999 season. His administrative responsibilities include daily management of the football program, including operations, team travel and schedule coordination.

Deahn came to Maryland following a five-year stint at St. Norbert College in DePere, Wisc., where he spent time as assistant head coach, recruiting coordinator, offensive coordinator and quarterbacks/wide receivers coach. He also served as travel coordinator and equipment manager for a 19-sport program. While at St. Norbert, he coached two offensive linemen

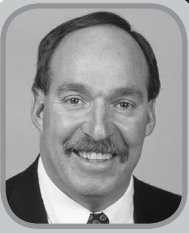
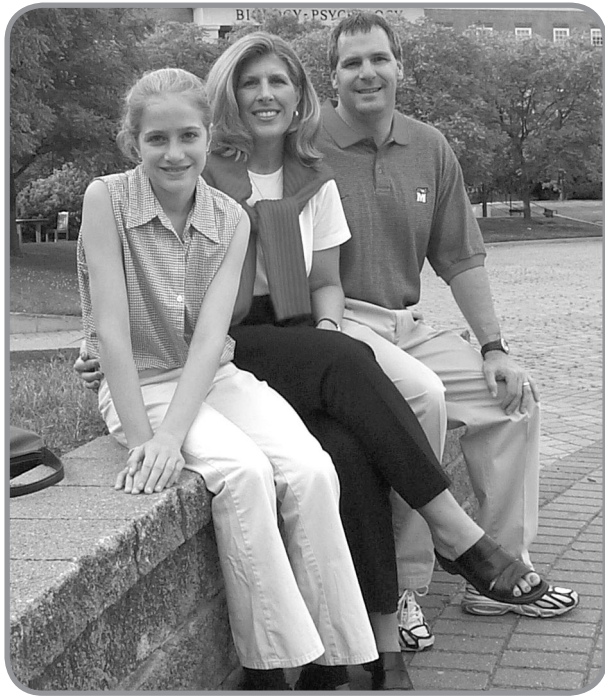
to All-America honors and 15 players to all-conference honors.

During each of the team's last three seasons, Deahn's offenses at St. Norbert set school records for single-season all-purpose yards while ranking among national statistical leaders.

Prior to his arrival at St. Norbert, he spent three years at Catholic University in Washington, D.C., where his responsibilities included serving as recruiting coordinator and strength coordinator during his stay. Catholic's defense ranked second in the country in 1993. Two of his players received All-America recognition.

Deahn played collegiately at Heidelberg College in Ohio, where he was a member of two nationally ranked teams.

Deahn and his wife, Dawn, have a daughter, Amanda.



DWIGHT GALT

**Dir. of Strength & Conditioning
(Maryland '81)
Ninth Season**

Dwight Galt, a member of the Terps' strength staff since 1989, is in his ninth year as Maryland's director of strength and conditioning. His responsibilities include managing the department's three training facilities and coordinating strength and conditioning programs for the Terps' 25 varsity sports, with special emphasis on football.

Galt, who earned his bachelor's degree in business management (1981) and his master's degree in exercise physiology (1989) from the University of Maryland, is a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association, the United States Powerlifting Federation and the Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coaches Association.

Galt began his strength career as a volunteer in 1984 and assisted with the training of the 1984 and 1985 ACC champion football teams. In '89, he earned full-time status at the university and for three years worked with all of Maryland's intercollegiate sports programs. In 1992, Galt became the assistant strength coach for football and he is now in his 11th year of providing complete athletic development training to Terp football team members.

Galt, 45, and his wife Jan are natives of Hyattsville, Md., and have four children: Angie, Teri, Dwight IV and Tommy.





JOHN DONOVAN

Asst. Recruiting Coordinator (Johns Hopkins '97) Second Season

John Donovan is in his second season with the Terrapins as assistant recruiting coordinator. Donovan is a familiar face to coaches Ralph Friedgen and Dave Sollazzo as he served as a graduate assistant for the Georgia Tech offense from 1998-2000. While with the Yellow Jackets, one of his responsibilities was helping Friedgen with game plan and practice preparation. Prior to his tenure in Atlanta, Donovan worked as an assistant secondary coach at Villanova, helping the Wildcats in 1997 to a 12-1 season and a No. 1 ranking in the season's final six weeks. A 1997 graduate of Johns Hopkins and three-year starter for the Blue Jays' football team, Donovan was twice named an all-conference defensive back. He went on to earn his master's degree in economics while working at Georgia Tech.



BRIAN FLINN

Graduate Assistant (Mount Union '97) Second Season

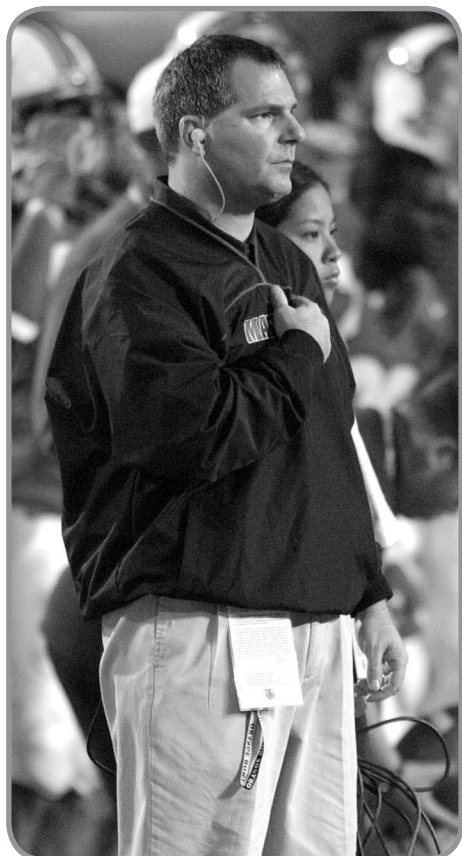
Brian Flinn is in his second season as a graduate assistant with the Terps. Flinn works with the Terrapin offense in breaking down opponent film, working with the scout team and assisting with the offensive line. Flinn came to College Park from Villanova University where he worked with the Wildcats' tight ends in 2000. While at Villanova, he helped with the offensive line and in evaluating opponent game film. Flinn's first graduate assistantship was at Drake University where he worked with the wide receivers. Flinn began his coaching career at his alma mater, Mount Union College, in 1998. That season he worked with wide receivers before moving on as an assistant with outside linebackers in '99. A wide receiver and all-conference tight end for the Raiders from 1993-96, Flinn earned bachelor's degrees in business and philosophy from the Ohio college.



GREG SESNY

Graduate Assistant (Catholic '99) Second Season

Greg Sesny is in his second season at Maryland as a graduate assistant, working with the Terrapins' defense. Among his duties are breaking down opponent film, working with the scout team and assisting with the secondary. Sesny is no stranger to the area after spending the last six years as either a player or a coach at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. He started at Catholic in 1995 and ultimately became a three-year starter at tight end/H-back for the Crusaders. In his three years as a starter, CUA went 27-4 and qualified for the NCAA playoffs twice. After graduating with a degree in electrical engineering in 1999, Sesny went on to serve as CUA's tight ends coach in 1999 and added receivers coach to his duties in 2000. He also worked as an assistant basketball coach for the Cardinals while teaching math, science and computer science at Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville, Md.



Tom Deahn on the sidelines at the Orange Bowl.



MITCH WILKENS

Video Coordinator (Tennessee '97) Second Season

Mitch Wilkens is in his second season working with the University of Maryland football program as video coordinator. Wilkens and his staff videotape all Terrapin football practices, scrimmages and games and then employ the recently-purchased Pinnacle Sports Pro video equipment to edit and break down the footage to best serve the needs of coaches and players. Wilkens came to Maryland by way of the University of Pittsburgh where he served the Panthers as a video coordinator during the 2000 season. Prior to his stint in Pittsburgh, Wilkens spent time as the video coordinator at UMass and Louisiana Tech. He got his start as an assistant at his alma mater, the University of Tennessee, in 1997. Wilkens is married to the former Nicole Radu of Pittsburgh.



RON OHRINGER

Head Equipment Manager (Maryland '85) 15th Season

Ron Ohringer is in his 15th year as the Terrapins' head equipment manager. Ohringer oversees the ordering, inventory, maintenance and distribution of all athletic equipment for the university's 25 intercollegiate sports programs. While managing the overall equipment operation for the entire department, Ohringer primarily serves as the football equipment manager on a day-to-day basis. A native of nearby Bethesda, Md., Ohringer graduated from Maryland with a bachelor's degree in journalism and public relations in 1985. While a student in College Park, he served the football team as a manager and was the team's head student manager for his final three years. Following graduation, Ohringer utilized his degree by serving as an assistant with both the Washington Redskins and Philadelphia Eagles of the National Football League. He also worked with the Washington Commandos of the Arena Football League and the minor league Alexandria Dukes. Ohringer was married on November 28, 1992 to the former Amy Brennan. The couple resides in Burtonsville, Md., and have two children: Casey Ryan (5) and Derek James (1).





coaching staff

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KARYL HENRY
Administrative
Assistant to the
Head Coach



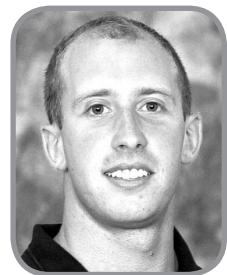
MONA FELDER
Administrative
Assistant (Offense)



PAULA BROGLIO
Administrative
Assistant (Defense)



CRAIG FITZGERALD
Assistant Strength
& Conditioning
Coach



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Assistant Strength
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Coach



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Assistant Strength
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Coach



Testudo ready to lead the Terps onto the field at the Orange Bowl.



PAT SHANNON
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Coordinator



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State Police

