



**Minnesota-Morris
(3-5)
at
Lawrence University
(0-9)**

**Saturday, Nov. 15, 2008, 1:00 p.m.
The Banta Bowl, Appleton, Wis.**

Radio/Audio Webcast

None.

Video Webcast

None.

The Series

The teams have only met twice, with Lawrence holding a 2-0 edge, and both games have had significance.

The first meeting was the 1981 NCAA Division III playoffs at the Banta Bowl. Lawrence won 21-14 in overtime, with All-America tight end Pat Schwanke catching a touchdown pass and Graham Satherlie intercepting a pass to secure the victory.

The other meeting was the 2006 season opener, as Lawrence traveled to Morris, Minn., for the first game in Big Cat Stadium. Lawrence won 21-8 in a driving rainstorm.

Last Meeting

Lawrence spoiled the opening of Big Cat Stadium with a 21-8 victory over Minnesota-Morris on a soggy Sept. 2, 2006.

Aljay Wren ran 19 times for 106 yards and a touchdown to pace the Vikings. Wren also caught three passes for 32 yards. Quarterback Nick Maxam ran 14 times for 66 yards and completed 5 of 9 passes for 41 yards and two touchdowns in a game played in a driving rainstorm.

The Vikings trailed 6-0 at the half, as Rick Arterberry converted field goals of 22 and 26 yards.

Lawrence tied the game with

a nine-play, 48-yard drive midway through the third quarter. Maxam hit Craig Ebert with a 14-yard touchdown pass to cap the drive.

A mishandled snap on a punt on the Cougars' next possession gave Lawrence a first down at the Morris 15-yard line. Three plays later, Maxam completed a 7-yard scoring pass to Dominique Lark, and the ensuing two-point conversion gave Lawrence a 14-6 lead.

Lawrence went up 21-6 on the legs of Wren early in the fourth quarter. Lawrence drove 86 ayrds in eight plays with Wren doing all the damage. He ran seven times for 72 yards on the drive and caught one pass for 14 yards. He capped the drive with an 11-yard touchdown run with 10:32 left.

The Vikings then stopped a Morris drive at the Lawrence 1-yard line when Jordan Roman's fumble was recovered by Jack Peters. Lawrence took a safety to cut the lead to 21-8, but the ensuing free kick was returned to the Lawrence 7. Morris quarterback Jeff Karschnik fumbled three plays later, and the Vikings recovered to seal the win.

Last Week

Ripon continued to have the upper hand in the state's oldest college football rivalry, as the Red Hawks beat Lawrence 42-14 in a Midwest Confer-

ence game last Saturday at the Banta Bowl.

Ripon, which has now won nine consecutive games in the series that began in 1893, led 28-0 at the half and rolled up 435 yards of offense to keep possession of the Doehling-Heselton Memorial Trophy. With 108 meetings in the books, Ripon holds a 55-46-7 lead in the series.

Lawrence got second-half touchdowns from Derek Micke and Craig Ebert. Ebert finished with game highs of 23 carries and 116 yards. The senior running back now has 2,354 rushing yards for his career and passed Greg Curtis (2,271) for fourth place on Lawrence's career rushing list.

The Red Hawks got a 61-yard touchdown pass on a third-and-11 play on the opening series of the game to grab a 7-0 lead. Ben Garland caught the screen pass from Matthew Miller and went down the right sideline for the score just two minutes into the game. Ripon made it 14-0 on its next drive when Josh Pasek completed a six-play, 65-yard drive with a 20-yard touchdown run.

Jon Larsen, who had 20 carries for 85 yards, made it 21-0 with a 2-yard scoring run early in the second quarter. Ripon then got 37-yard touchdown pass from Miller to Ted Bartels with just 34 seconds left in the first half to go up 28-0.



Nick Maxam



Craig Ebert

A Josh Kraemer interception set up Ripon's first score of the second half. Kraemer returned the interception 22 yards to the Lawrence 29 before fumbling the ball out of bounds. Ripon scored four plays later on Andrew Fink's 7-yard scoring run to go up 35-0.

Lawrence finally got on the board behind reserve quarterback Max Granaroli. Seeing his first action of the season, Granaroli completed a short pass to Derek Micke, who raced down the left sideline 45 yards for a touchdown to cut lead to 35-7. Micke finished with six catches for 126 yards.

In a bizarre turn after the touchdown, Lawrence received two unsportsmanlike conduct penalties and an offside penalty and ended up kicking off from the 4-yard line. Lawrence nearly recovered a pooch kick, but Ripon took over at the Lawrence 28. The Red Hawks scored three plays later on Miller's 1-yard run.

Zack Hintz set up Lawrence's final score of the game with a 64-yard punt return to the Ripon 22-yard line. Ebert ripped off a 13-yard run on fourth-and-2 and scored on a 1-yard plunge on the next play.

The Coaches

Chris Howard (UW-Stevens Point 1983) is in his fourth season at Lawrence and has a record of 13-25 (.342). Todd Hickman (Minnesota-Morris 1985) is in his second season at Minnesota-Morris and has a record of 7-10 (.412).



Chris Howard

Vikings Update

►The Vikings will honor 11 seniors playing in their final home games today. Running back Craig Ebert (New London, Wis./New London), quarterback Nick Maxam (Appleton, Wis./East), wide receiver Derek Micke (Kaukauna, Wis./



Midwest Conference Standings

	MWC		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Monmouth College*	9	0	10	0
Ripon College	8	1	8	2
St. Norbert College	7	2	7	3
Carroll College	6	3	7	3
Beloit College	4	5	5	5
Illinois College	4	5	4	6
Lake Forest College	3	6	3	7
Grinnell College	2	7	3	7
Knox College	2	7	3	7
Lawrence University	0	9	0	9

*MWC champion and clinched NCAA Division III playoff berth

Last Saturday's Results

Ripon 42, Lawrence 14
 Beloit 34, Grinnell 12
 Carroll 27, Lake Forest 12
 Monmouth 56, Knox 10
 St. Norbert 42, Illinois College 27

Saturday's Games

Minnesota-Morris at Lawrence, 1:00 p.m.

Kaukauna), guard Barry Marquardt (Kaukauna, Wis./Kaukauna), defensive lineman Jeremy Reider (Appleton, Wis./North), defensive lineman Nils Schaede (Schleswig-Holstein, Germany/Humboldt), defensive end Marvin Simelton (Milwaukee, Wis./Vincent), defensive end Mike Baumann (Appleton, Wis./North), linebacker Matt Hoh (Appleton, Wis./Kimberly), safety Sam Laes (Green Bay, Wis./Ashwaubenon), and safety Evan Neuens (Niagara, Wis./Florence) will be recognized before the kickoff.

►Running back Craig Ebert (New London, Wis./New London) rebounded from his worst game of the season (at Carroll) to rush 23 times for 116 yards against Ripon. It was his fourth 100-yard rushing game of the season and the fourth in the past five games. Ebert leads the Midwest Conference in rushing at 86.2 yards per game. Beloit freshman Terence Steward is second

at 84.3. On the season, Ebert has 159 carries for 776 yards, a 4.9-yard average.

►Quarterback Nick Maxam (Appleton, Wis./East) moved past Ron Roberts Jr., on the career passing yards list by going 10-for-20 for 132 yards against Ripon. Maxam has 3,081 passing yards and will likely finish his career in seventh place in passing yards. He needs one more touchdown pass to tie Roberts for eighth place on the career list with 25.

►Freshman quarterback Max Granaroli (Ventura, Calif./St. Bonaventure) saw his first action of the season against Ripon. He completed 6 of 10 passes for 70 yards, a touchdown, and no interceptions.



Max Granaroli

►Wide receiver Derek Micke (Kaukauna, Wis./Kaukauna), who has battled an injury over the past month, had one of his best games of the season against Ripon. Micke caught six passes for a season-high 126 yards and a touchdown. On the season, Micke leads the team with 42 catches for 494 yards and three touchdowns.

►The Vikings rank last in the league in scoring offense (13.7 points) and total defense (405.0 yards). Lawrence is sixth in total offense (313.0 yards) and seventh in scoring defense (32.9 points).

Cougars Update

►Morris is coming off a 20-0 win at Waldorf last Saturday, and that snapped a four-game losing streak for the Cougars. Morris also has wins over St. Scholastica and Trinity Bible.



►Linebacker Andrew Shay is the leading tackler for the Cougars, and he got Morris on the board in its win over Waldorf last Saturday. Shay forced a fumble and then scooped it up and raced 60 yards for a touchdown. Shay, who had seven tackles against Waldorf, leads the Cougars with 79 tackles this season.

►Sophomore linebacker Adam Gerten paces the Cougars with five tackles for loss, and no one on the squad

has more than 1.5 sacks.

►Morris has picked off 12 passes in eight games, with Corey Hemphill nabbing a team-best three interceptions. Morris did not have an interception against Waldorf, but the Warriors attempted only two passes and didn't complete either of them.

►Running back Robert Koranda ran 32 times for 86 yards against Waldorf and passed the 1,000-yard plateau in the process. Koranda has 243 carries

for 1,008 yards on the season. He averages 4.1 yards per carry.

►Seth Hubbard has seen the majority of action at quarterback this season. Hubbard is 39 of 98 for 445 yards. Hubbard has five interceptions and four touchdown passes on the season.

►Matt Fragodt caught a touchdown pass in the win at Waldorf to increase his school record to 26 touchdown receptions. Fragodt has 27 catches for 290 yards and five TDs this season.

Lawrence University Football Facts	
Location	Appleton, Wis.
Founded	1847
Enrollment	1,400
President	Jill Beck
Affiliation	NCAA Division III
Conference	Midwest Conference
Nickname	Vikings
School Colors	Blue and White
Home Field	Banta Bowl (capacity 5,255)
Interim Directors of Athletics	Kim Tatro and Chris Howard
First season of football	1893
Seasons of football	115
All-time overall record	485-401-29 (.546)
Midwest Conference record	256-248-13 (.508)
Midwest Conference titles	16
	1922, 1924, 1929, 1938, 1942, 1946, 1947, 1949, 1951, 1966, 1967, 1975, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1986
NCAA playoff appearances	1 (1981)

2008 Lawrence University Schedule and Results

Date	Opponent	Time/Result	Fast Fact
Sept. 13	at Monmouth	L, 47-2	Brian Dabbs' safety accounts for only LU points
Sept. 20	St. Norbert	L, 44-18	QB Nick Maxam completes first 16 pass attempts
Sept. 27	Grinnell	L, 32-16	Vikings throw six interceptions in loss
Oct. 4	at Illinois College	L, 28-16	Michael Jennings sets season receiving record for IC
Oct. 11	Lake Forest	L, 20-12	LU gets 449 yards on offense but goes 2 of 7 in red zone
Oct. 18	at Knox	L, 28-25	Knox holds off LU rally with key late drive
Oct. 25	Beloit (Hall of Fame Game)	L, 21-6	LU outgains Beloit but goes 1 of 4 in red zone
Nov. 1	at Carroll	L, 34-14	Carroll rallies for 24 fourth-quarter points to win
Nov. 8	Ripon	L, 42-14	Ripon wins ninth consecutive game in series
Nov. 15	Minnesota-Morris	1:00 p.m.	LU won 2006 game at Morris in a downpour