

PENN ST NITTANY LIONS

ASSISTANT COACHING STAFF

OFFENSE

Offensive Coor/RB's: Galen Hall, 6th year

Under Hall's tutelage the Lions have had a 1,000 yd rusher for the past 4 consecutive seasons. PSU's starting QB in '60 & '61. Hall's previous stops include the NFL (Dallas RB coach '02-'03), NFL Europe (Rein Fire HC '95-'00), World League (Orlando HC '91-'92), Arena League (Charlotte HC '94), XFL (Orlando HC '01), Big Eight (Oklahoma OC '66-'83) and the SEC (Florida HC '84-'89).

Quarterbacks: Jay Paterno, 15th year

The son of Joe, Paterno is in his 10th season as QB coach. Previously he served as TE Coach/Recruiting Coordinator from '95-'99. He spent the '94 season as the QB coach at James Madison.

WR's/Recruiting Coor: Mike McQueary, 6th year McQueary played QB here from '94-'97, leading the Lions to a 9-3 record as a senior. McQueary was a grad assistant here from '00-'02 and an administrative assistant in '03. He has coached the most productive receiving trio in PSU history the last 4 years in Butler, Williams and Norwood.

TE/OT's: Bill Kenney, 22nd year

Veteran who has spent his entire professional coaching career as a PSU assistant. Some of Kenney's former pupils include 1st Tm Big Ten OT Gerald Cadogan and 2-time All American OT Levi Brown (#5 overall draft pick in 2007). Previously Kenney worked with the OL from '95-'99 and the OL & TE's from '89-'94.

OG/C's: Dick Anderson, 32nd year

The senior member of Paterno's staff, Anderson is in his 10th season working with the OG's and C's including the Lions' 1st ever Rimington Award winner in '08, AQ Shipley. He was the Lions QB coach from '93-'99 helping to tutor #1 DC Kerry Collins. He also was the Lions OL coach from '90-'92 and from '73-'83. Previously Anderson was Rutgers HC from '84-'89 compiling a 27-34-4 record including an upset of PSU in '88.

DEFENSE

Defensive Coor/CB's: Tom Bradley, 10th DC/31st

Bradley became the Lions DC in '00 following the retirement of Jerry Sandusky in addition to his duties mentoring the CB's. Under his watch the Lions have 5 consecutive top 15 finishes in total and scoring defense. Bradley has been a jack of all trades in his PSU career coaching nearly every position on defense, coordinating the special teams and acting as the school's Recruiting Coordinator.

Defensive Line: Larry Johnson, 14th year

Johnson returns to State College for his 14th yr after he reportedly turned down an offer to become the DC at Illinois this offseason. Johnson has coached five 1st team All American performers who were #1 DC's including Courtney Brown, Michael Haynes, Jimmy Kennedy, Tamba Hali and Aaron Maybin. He came to PSU after a successful career as a HS head coach.

Linebackers: Ron Vanderlinden, 9th year

Vanderlinden has coached three 1st Tm All Big Ten performers including Paul Posluszny, Dan Connor and Navorro Bowman. He arrived at PSU after serving as Maryland's HC from '97-'00 compiling a 15-29 record. His previous Big Ten experience includes a highly successful run as the DC at Northwestern from '92-'96. He also served on Bill McCartney's staff at Colorado from '84-'91.

Safeties: Kermit Buggs, 2nd year

Buggs was made the Lions' Safeties coach in Dec '07 after Brian Norwood left to become the DC at Baylor. After spending '03-'05 as a grad assistant for the Lions, Buggs spent '06-'07 working as the program's Coordinator of Player Personnel. From '99-'02 Buggs was a successful HS football coach in his home state of Virginia compiling a 34-14 record.

Strength & Conditioning: John Thomas, 18th year

The 1997 National Collegiate Strength and Conditioning Coach of the Year, Thomas came to PSU after serving as the strength coach at Army in '90-'91. In 2002 was selected as Master of Strength and Conditioning Coach, a title held by fewer than 30 people worldwide.