

MISSOURI VALLEY  
VIKING FOOTBALL  
TEAM AWARDS  
WEEK I

- Offensive MVP  
#81 Darrell Madry
- Blocker of the Week  
#75 Justin Hendrix
- Big Play Award  
#34 Jacob Cahill
- DL of the Week  
#97 Merlin Benefield
- LB of the Week  
#28 Billy Atlas
- DB of the Week  
#13 Moamoa Palepale
- Special Teams MVP  
#34 Jacob Cahill  
#44 Jon Durham
- Scout MVP  
Defense: Jeff Wendel  
Offense: Cody DeRousse

2008 MVC  
SCHEDULE



Benedictine	W 26-16
@ Graceland	9/13
William Jewell	9/20
@ Evangel	9/27
Central Methodist	10/4
@ MidAmerica	10/18
Avila	10/25
@ Baker	11/1
Culver-Stockton	11/8
@ Lindenwood	11/15
NAIA Playoffs	11/22

# Viking Football Update

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## Valley Tops Ravens In '08 Opener

The Missouri Valley Vikings overcame some inconsistent first-game play to come out with a solid 26-16 win over the Benedictine College Ravens Saturday. MVC took a 10-0 lead after its first three possessions. Adrian Trevino connected on a 37-yard field goal attempt, then the Vikings took over at the BC 40 yard-line after an interception by MVC safety Maurice Peterson. Sophomore quarterback Chris White found Jacob Cahill for his first TD pass of the season on the next play. White would finish the day with 244 yards passing, hitting on sixteen of his 31 throws. Darrell Madry hauled in a 41-yard strike on the first play of the second quarter, one of his four catches for 95 yards on the night, that set the Vikings up at the BC



Robert Holmes finds the end zone

four yard-line. Senior RB Robert Holmes walked into the end zone on the next play to make the score 16-0. BC would answer with a nine play, 56-yard TD drive of its own to make the halftime score 16-7. In the third period, a Viking turnover deep in their own territory set up BC for a 42-yard field goal to pull within one score. The Valley defense shut down the

BC spread attack most of the evening, holding the Ravens to just 167 yards of total offense and only 20 yards rushing. The MVC defense sacked Raven QB Ryan Kelly five times and forced two turnovers. Nose tackle Merlin Benefield ran wild through the Raven backfield much of the night, totaling eight tackles and a pair of sacks. Another Trevino field goal and a TD pass from White to Madry of eight yards gave Valley a 26-10 lead. BC hit from 39 yards out on a late TD pass from Kelly to Conor Walsh to close out the scoring. The Vikings will travel to Lamoni, IA Saturday to take on the Graceland Yellowjackets, a team who handed Valley one of their two regular-season losses last fall.



## MVC Football Senior Profile

#57 Nick Pekar Tackle Eureka, MO

Three-year starter and team captain Nick Pekar has been a rock-solid fixture at offensive tackle for the Vikings. Named to the Heart of America Conference 1st Team for both the 2006 and 2007 seasons, Pekar has helped

pave the way for a Viking rushing attack that hopes to lead the HAAC in ground yardage for a third straight season. A graduate of Eureka high school, the 6-3, 285-pounder is in his final year in the business program at MVC.