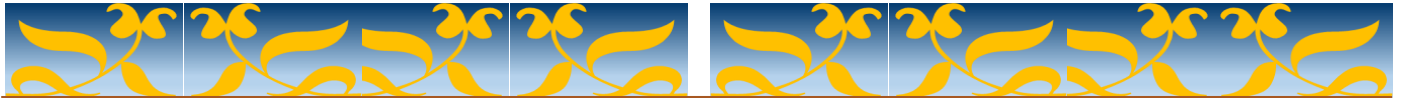




Dear Players:



Team List 2015



JERSEY # NAME POSITION HEIGHT WEIGHT YEAR

1 McCaskell, Jamal RB/OLB 5'10" 181 12

2 Santiago-Rodriquez, Alex WR/TE.DB 6'1" 195 12

3 Jones, Dante TE,DE 6'3" 186 11

4 Roman, Xavier WR/DB 5'11" 172 10

5 Richardson, Blane WR/DB 5'9" 176 12

6 Nina, Marcos RB/DB 5'7" 149 12

7 Gale, Grant QB/DB 6'2" 172 11

8 Guerrero, Jesse WR/DB 6'1" 169 12

9 Hiltz, Joshua QB/WR/DB 6'1" 180 11

10 Wolf, Daniel WR/DB 5'9" 165 12

12 McElheny, Theo RB/DB 5'6" 150 10

13 Scheivert, Alex QB/DB 6' 201 10

14 Crespo, William WB/DB 5'10" 165 11

15 Edwards, Josiah WR/DB 5'11" 156 10

18 Hart, Liam K 5'8" 158 9

20 Morris, Michael WR/DB 5'9" 164 10

21 Zechman, Cavan WR/DB 5'8" 164 11

22 Kinser, Carter RB/ILB 5'10" 201 12

23 Wright, Ben RB/OLB 5'10" 182 10

24 Barley, Jonah RB/LB 5'8" 167 11

25 Heckaman, Cole RB/OLB 5'9" 169 10

28 Ortiz, Jason RB/DB 5'10" 146 11

31 Brown, Michael RB/LB 5'6" 150 10

32 Presnell, Adam LB/RB 5'11" 168 10

33 Harnish, Shawn RB/ILB 5'11" 205 11

35 Vozzella, Vinny OLB 5'6" 169 10

36 Sottek, Mason OL/ILB 5'11" 167 10

38 Bollow, Blair III OL/ILB 5'9" 182 11

47 Laughlin, Alex K 5'7" 128 11

50 Yoder, Mark OL/DL 5'8" 221 11

51 Harris, Paisun OL/DL 5'11" 221 10

52 Groff, Kyle OL/ILB 5'9 210 11

55 Noel, Colton OL/DL 5'11 182 11

56 Serrano, Camron OL/DL 5'5" 194 11

57 McDonald, Michael OL/DL 5'4" 135 12

60 Shirk, Shane OL/DL 5'10" 188 11

62 Mahoney, Daniel OL/DL 5'11" 206 11

61 Eavey, Harrison OL/DL 6'2" 209 11

63 Weitzel, Tyler OL/DL 5'11" 182 10

68 Kiebler, Tyler OL/DL 6'3" 240 12

69 Santiago, Joseph (Joe) OL/DL 5'9" 268 11

74 Brown, Andrew OL/DL 6'4" 260 12

76 Hertzog, Tyler OL/DE 5'9" 146 11

77 Eshleman, Justice OL/DL 6'1" 285 11

81 Ortiz, Alex DB/WR 5'11 167 11

82 Eshleman, Andrew TE/DE 6' 175 10

84 Pomarici, Michael WR/DB 5'11" 153 10

86 Swisher, Robert (RJ) TE/OLB 5'11" 181 12

88 McCollum, Casey TE/DE 6'5" 240 10



Military Night

Head Coach

John Brubaker Jr

Defensive Coordinator

ASSISTANT COACH

Mike Burke

Offensive Coordinator

Quarterbacks

ASSISTANT COACH

Jared Shearer

Running Backs & Inside Linebackers

Special Teams Coordinator

ASSISTANT COACH

Tom Sherk

Receivers & Defensive Backs

ASSISTANT%COACH

Ray Costello

Defensive Line Coach

ASSISTANT COACH

John Tercha

Offensive Line

ASSISTANT COACH

Joe Krieder

Tight End and Defensive Ends

ASSISTANT%COACH

Cody Booth

Assistant Defensive and Offensive Line



9th HEAD COACH

Streeter Stuart

9th ASSISTANT COACHES

Barry Groff

Ben Schober

7/8th HEAD COACH

Steve Weidner

7/8th ASSISTANT COACHES

Pat Weaver

Dan Baer

WEIGHT TRAINING COACH

Stephen O'Neill

ATHLETIC TRAINER

Stephen Kramer

EQUIP. MANAGER

Kevin Hertzog

STATISTICIAN

Dave Kmiecik

2015 COMETS

FOOTBALL





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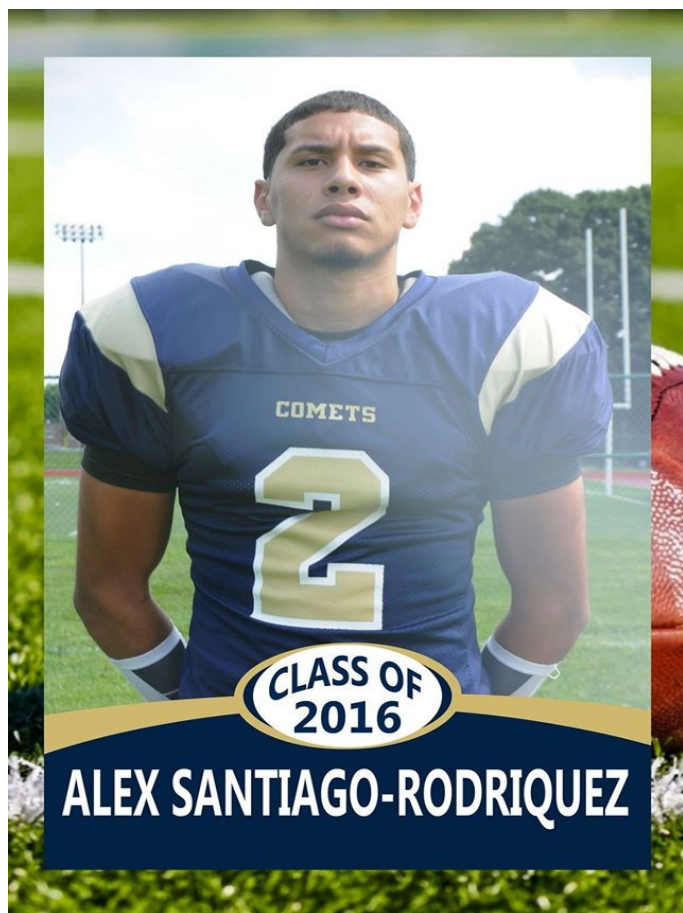
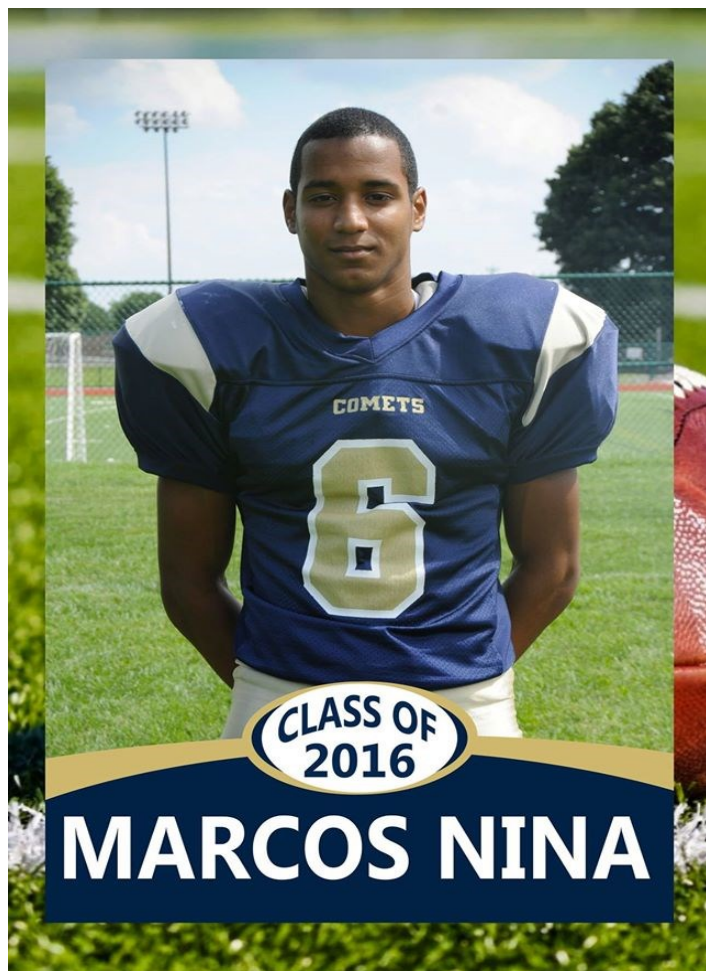
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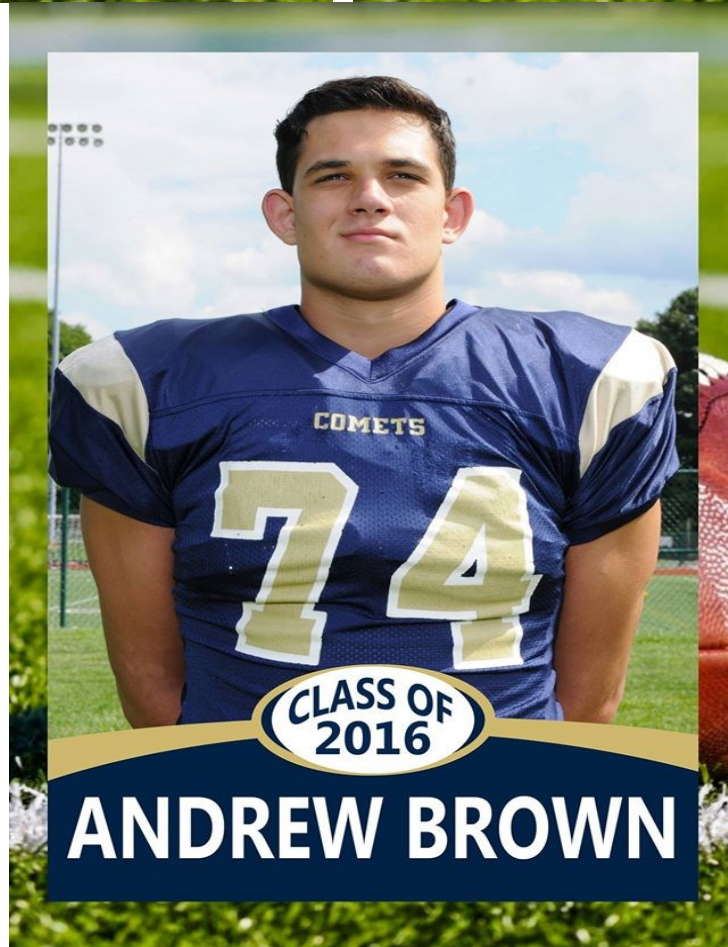
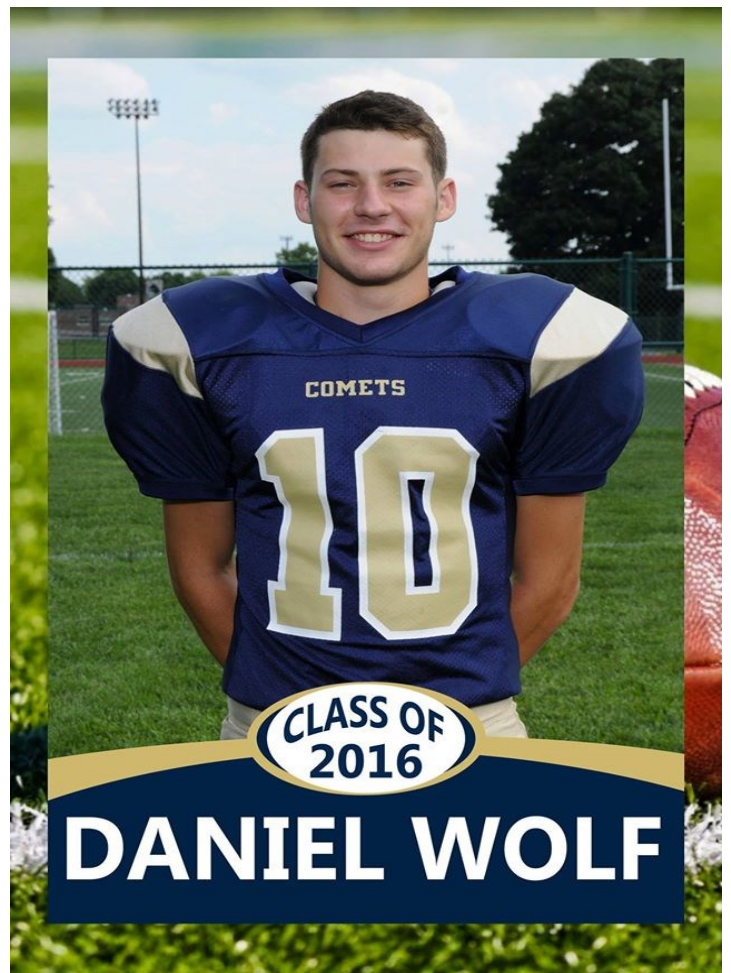


CARTER KINSER



JAMAL McCASKELL





Special Events Pre Season



MAY Spring Fling



June Lineman Challenge



**All
Summer
Weight
Room**

Special Events Pre Season



July-Golf Contest



**Volunteering with the
Junior Comets**



Special Events Pre Season



Junior Comet Night

Other Activities and Events...



Breast Cancer Awareness

New Equipment

Barnstormers Game

Millersville Camp

Wilson 7 on 7



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EARLY WORKOUTS AS A TEAM



MC Scrimmage



Hershey Scrimmage



Video: Meet the L-L League's five new football coaches



Kevin Schweigert, August 12, 2015

They're different yet similar.

And like Frankie said, they're gonna do it their way.

What John Brubaker of Penn Manor, Dave Hahn of Manheim Central, Elizabethtown's Bill McDonald, Columbia's Anthony Sottasante and Annville-Cleona's Matt Gingrich have in common is that they're the newest head football coaches in the L-L.

Each has been a player and then an assistant, learning what it takes to be a head coach in part from the man in charge.

"The main difference is a little more time," said Hahn. "As assistants we're used to the grind. As a head coach, it's a little bit more (time consuming)."

Some of the many things he learned from Hall of Fame coach Mike Williams, Hahn said, are "organization, dedication, learning your craft; how to deal with kids, with adults; things to do, things not to do..."

"Mike," he stated, "was a big influence."

Gingrich, too, has benefited from positive influences.

"I've been lucky," said Gingrich, who played and coached for longtime A-C boss Terry Lehman, played for Millersville University legend Gene Carpenter and coached alongside his brother, Dave Gingrich, at Cocalico.

Gingrich has learned from each, and also credited former Cedar Crest coach Gene "Spike" Fuhrman for part of his philosophy.

"Spike always said 'Get your best athletes in space,' and that's what we're doing."

Each new head coach comes in with different strategies, different coaching philosophies. Brubaker, defensive coordinator of Manheim Central's title teams and state champions in 2003, favors 4-4 and 4-3 fronts.

McDonald, Lancaster Catholic's offensive coordinator for their state titles in 2009 and 2011 when they featured two of Pennsylvania's best players in QB Kyle Smith and RB Roman Clay, employs a multiple attack that stresses a run-pass balance.

What each has in common is that they've spent the months since their hiring putting together coaching staffs to implement their schemes.

Hahn has the most unique situation; the venerable Williams staying on to assist in coaching the quarterbacks, defensive backs and special teams. Hahn said two veteran assistants from Central's high-gloss staff – former Hempfield head man Tom Getz and ex-Lancaster Catholic

Hahn has added another former head coach in Tom Waranavage from Cedar Crest. Brubaker, too, has landed a respected former head man in Mike Burke Sr., who guided Columbia.

McDonald may have had the most turnover on his staff; former L-L All-Star QB and wide receivers/defensive backs coach Andy Breault the lone returnee from Mike Cottle's coaches.

McDonald has brought in several assistants who share his Lancaster Catholic background. TJ Rudy, former defensive coordinator for the Crusaders, now occupies the same post for E-town. Mike McDonald and Luke McDonald, former linemen at Catholic, have been assisting and Mike Kyne, the last head coach Lebanon Catholic had before the program was disbanded, is on staff as well.

"It's a mix of experience and youth," Bill McDonald said of his coaching staff.

One other thing these new coaches have in common is that their roots run deep in the L-L. Sottasante played at Donegal for ground game guru Gayne Deshler. Not surprising, then, that Sottasante, who has remained familiar with Section Three play, said his coaching philosophy is to "run the ball and stop the run."

McDonald played for Tony DiPaolo at Catholic; Brubaker starred at running back for Manheim Central, was named to the Big 33 team and like Matt Gingrich played for Carpenter at Millersville.

One more shared similarity is that each man will try to stay on top of the ever-evolving schemes that trickle down to high school football from the college game and the NFL. It's not uncommon to see a "Bear" defense one week, a no-huddle offense the next.

"It's a neat group of coaches," Brubaker said of his L-L brethren. "Everyone works to stay on top of the trends. There are a lot of varied looks, without a doubt.

"The old 5-2 (defense) from the 1980s," he stated, "isn't going to cut it."

One of the interesting subplots in the story of Manheim Central's quest to replace Mike Williams was that of Brubaker, who joined Hahn as the other finalist for the job.

When the Manheim Central School Board decided to go with Hahn (in a 5-4 vote), Brubaker decided to step down, leaving the Barons after serving for 28 years as an assistant coach.

He quickly [landed on his feet at Penn Manor](#), replacing former coach Todd Mealy, who stepped down after last season in order to pursue a doctoral degree.

Mealy turned the Comets into perennial Section One title contenders and District Three playoff participants, going 56-35 during his time there.



L-L's 2015 football schedule offers weekly slates of marquee matchups



Ed Gruver, August 18, 2015

With Lancaster-Lebanon League sports practices officially starting Monday it's appropriate timing to take a look at the upcoming L-L football schedule.

In Part One of two installments, the focus is on the first half of the season and some of the potentially high-gloss games on the schedule.

Week One: The season kicks off Sept. 4 and opening night boasts renewals of a number of backyard rivalries. As it is every season, the Cedar Bowl featuring Lebanon at Cedar Crest is a game of particular significance.

The Falcons have won three straight in the long-running series, including last season's 38-24 shootout victory at Alumni Stadium. The Cedars' most recent victory came in 2011, a 47-13 final that gave Lebanon two straight wins over its county rival.

Crest leads the overall series 28-14-1, including a 15-13 win in the 1972 inaugural.

Wilson and Governor Mifflin throw down in a Berks County backyard brawl that a year ago produced a wild 35-34 Bulldog victory. Manheim Central and Warwick, Donegal and Elizabethtown renew acquaintances in classic Lancaster County matchups.

McCaskey hosts Harrisburg in a meeting of city schools, while recent district playoff foes Cocalico and Daniel Boone, Manheim Township and Central Dauphin square off in season openers.

Week Two: Nonleague backyard battles continue with E-town traveling to Hershey for a Saturday meeting, while Hempfield heads to Manheim Central and reigning Section Three champion Northern Lebanon is at Lebanon.

Black Knights-Barons is of particular note for several reasons. It marks the first home game for new head coach Dave Hahn, and last year's game in Landisville, won 22-14 by Hempfield, was an early-season classic.

New Penn Manor head man John Brubaker returns to his Section Two roots with a trip to Lampeter-Strasburg. District playoff contenders Township and Mifflin clash in Neffsville, and district Class AAAA champion Wilson rematches with 2014 playoff foe and Mid-Penn power Central Dauphin East, whom the Bulldogs beat 9-6 last November.

Solanco, seeking to build on its success last season, collides with

Week Three: The final week of nonleague games continues the theme of neighboring matchups as Middletown heads to E-town and Lebanon is at Elco.

McCaskey is at Reading in a meeting of city schools and Wilson continues its annual tour of MPC schools with a hosting of Central Dauphin, last year's opponent in the district title game.

Lancaster Catholic, 5-1 over Littlestown in recent years including three postseason wins, is at the Thunderbolts. Playoff teams Cocalico and Cedar Cliff meet in Denver; the Colts won last year's game 28-27. Also, the Pioneers play host to former Section Two power Conestoga Valley.

Week Four: League play begins in earnest and two marquee games are Lancaster Catholic at Garden Spot in Section Two and Annville-Cleona at Donegal in Section Three. For the first time in decades the Little Dutchmen have a new head coach, former A-C and Millersville player Matt Gingrich taking over for Terry Lehman.

On other fronts, Elizabethtown is at Manheim Central in a matchup of storied rivals, CV is at Township, Wilson at McCaskey, Hempfield at Penn Manor and Northern Lebanon opens defense of its title against Ephrata.

Week Five: Cocalico at L-S has "headline game" written all over it. The Pioneers won Section Two last season; the Eagles advanced to the Triple-A title game. Two of the L-L's premier programs go helmet-to-helmet once again. Their last nine meetings have seen Cocalico win five, L-S four. Can't get closer than that.

On other Section Two fronts Lancaster Catholic is at Solanco in what could be one of the more physical contests this season.

In Section One, McCaskey is at Hempfield and Warwick hosts Township. Section Three sees Pequea Valley play host to champion NL, Donegal is at Columbia and Elco heads to A-C.

The adage in professional boxing is that the late rounds are the championship rounds.

The same can be said for the football season. The late weeks are the championship weeks, the weeks that separate the pretenders from contenders, the wheat from the chaff.

[In Part I](#) of this two-part installment the top games for the first half of the season – Weeks 1-5 – were examined. Part Two focuses on the season's second half - Weeks 6-10 – the aforementioned championship weeks

Week Six: The second half of the season starts with some heavyweight battles - Manheim Central at Lancaster Catholic, Wilson at Hempfield, Garden Spot at Cocalico, McCaskey at Penn Manor, Donegal at Elco and Solanco at Lebanon.

The latter is one of the more intriguing matchups from a strategic standpoint – the ground-bound Golden Mules against the Air Raid offense of the Cedars.

Week Seven: This slate offers a mix of backyard brawls, championship contenders and strategic opposites.

Week Eight: Section Two has been called by more than one of its coaches a "gauntlet" and that is evident when looking at the weekly schedule.

Manheim Central heads to Cocalico in one of the headline games of the season, as is Wilson at Manheim Township. Lancaster Catholic travels to Lampeter-Strasburg, Northern Lebanon welcomes Annville-Cleona and Warwick is at Penn Manor. The latter matches a pair of former Manheim Central assistant coaches in the warriors' Bob Locker and John Brubaker of the Comets.

Week Nine: The penultimate week of the regular season is fronted by two games – Penn Manor at Wilson and Solanco at Cocalico. The Comets have been knocking on the Section One door for years and Brubaker and Co. could be looking to kick it in come Week Nine in West Lawn.

Mules-Eagles offers two teams heavy reliant on the running game, Hempfield-Warwick could have section title implications and the same can be said for Garden Spot-Manheim Central, Northern Lebanon-Donnegal and Columbia at Annville-Cleona.

Week 10: Section races were a fight to the finish last fall and it looks to be the same scenario again this season.

L-S clinched its section tile at home in Week 10 last season against Garden Spot. This year the Spartans welcome the Pioneers to New Holland. Central is at Solanco and Cocalico heads to Catholic in other Section Two games of import.

Warwick-Wilson and Township-Hempfield headline Section One's finales. In Section Three, Columbia welcomes Northern Lebanon and Pequea Valley is at Annville-Cleona in two games that could have title implications.

L-L football 2015: Brubaker, Comets seeking success in Section One



Ed Gruver, August 25, 2015



With only five returning lettermen and two returning starters some see potential problems for Penn Manor's football team in highly competitive L-L Section One.

New boss John Brubaker and his coaching staff, however, see something else.

"Critics would say this (lack of experience) is not a recipe for success," Brubaker said. "But our coaching staff believes we have an uncommon group of players and believes this team will be successful."

Brubaker has known nothing but success in his many years as defensive coordinator at Manheim Central. Long regarded as one of the top defensive minds not only in District Three but in the state, Brubaker brings his "can do" attitude to a Comets program that knew its fair share of success under previous coach Todd Mealy.

"We need varsity playing experience and game situations to grow as a team," Brubaker said. "But make no mistake, we will approach each game as one we will win."

About the offense: Brubaker said junior Grant Gale is moving from receiver to quarterback to replace the graduated Tanner Erisman. Brubaker believes Gale has shown the "skill and leadership" necessary to be effective in his new role as leader of the offense. Gale will be under the direct supervision of offensive coordinator Mike Burke, formerly the head coach at Columbia.

Seniors Carter Kinser and Jamal McCaskell return to the backfield. Senior Andrew Brown is the lone returning offensive linemen owning varsity experience. Though subject to change, at time of writing potential starters on offense include center Dan Mahoney, Brown and Justice Eshleman at guard and Tyler Kiebler and either Mark Yoder or Kyle Groff at tackle.

Blane Richardson, Cavan Zechman are projected starters at wideout, with Daniel Wolf and Dante Williams getting playing time as well.

About the defense: Brubaker will maintain his DC duties and he likes what he sees in Kinser, whom he said "has the instincts to be a great linebacker." Joe Santiago and Dante Jones have shown promise in the 4-4 and 4-3 defensive fronts favored by Brubaker.

Potential starters on defense are Jones and Colton Noel at end, with Santiago and Brown at tackle. Groff and Kinser are inside linebackers, while McCaskell and RJ Swisher man the flanks. Ben Wright and Johah Barley are also seeing time at outside 'backer. Richardson and Zechman are on the corners; Gale and Wolf are the safeties.

Special teams starters look to be Liam Hart (kicker); Alex Schievert (punter); Richardson, Kinser and McCaskell (kick returners); and Richardson and Gale (punt returners).

Intangibles: Brubaker played and coached in Section Two – he was a start running back at Central and was named to the Pennsylvania Big 33 team - but he is familiar with Section One as well. Through the years the Barons have played Section One squads, lining up against Wilson, Warwick, Hempfield and Cedar Crest, and scrimmaging Penn Manor in the preseason. From his experience, Brubaker believes the biggest difference between Section One and Two may be the size of the schools. "Section One teams," he said, "may have more depth because they're bigger schools." **Key to the Season:** How quickly the younger Comets acclimate themselves to varsity play will be vital to the team's success. **Final words:** McCaskell on Coach Brubaker: "He's a really great coach. We're glad to have him." Kinser on Section One: "It's always very competitive. We look forward to it." Brown on the team's outlook: "We're looking to have a great season."

Despite massive graduation losses, Penn Manor hopes to be a player in L-L Section 1 pursuit: Preview

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From left, Penn Manor's Andrew Brown, Jamal McCaskell and Carter Kinser will lead the Comets in John Brubaker's first season as head coach in Millersville. (Mark Palczewski | For PennLive)

School Name: [Penn Manor Comets](#)

Coach: John Brubaker

Last Year: 6-5, 4-3 in L-L Section 1

Last 5 Years: 36-21

Returning Starters: 3 on offense, 3 on defense

Key Players: OL-DL [Andrew Brown](#), QB [Grant Gale](#), RB-LB [Carter Kinser](#), RB-LB [Jamal McCaskell](#), WR-DB [Blane Richardson](#), WR-DB [Alex Santiago-Rodriguez](#), WR-DB [Daniel Wolf](#), WR-DB [Cavan Zechman](#).

Offensive Overview: Brubaker, from his Manheim Central days, is a defensive guru, so he brought in former Columbia coach Mike Burke to install a spread option attack. The good

yards, 11 TDs) and Kinser (187 yards, 7 TDs) return. The bad news: Pretty much everyone else is brand new, including QB Gale, a converted wideout who has thrown nine passes in his career. But he seems to have a good grasp of the system, and has some speed kids in Richardson, Santiago-Rodriguez, Wolf and Zechman on the flanks to work with. Only Brown returns to the O-line, so there could be some growing pains there as Penn Manor adjusts to [life without Todd Mealy](#), who took the Comets to the District 3-AAAA playoffs the last seven years in a row.

Defensive Overview: Brubaker brought his beloved 4-4 scheme over from Manheim Central, where the Barons had boatloads of success shutting teams down over the years under his watch. Looks like 'backers Kinser and McCaskell will spearhead this group, with a whole lot of new names and faces sprinkled in there while everyone learns Brubaker's nuances. Under his guidance, it shouldn't take the Comets very long to rebuild a top shelf D unit. Be patient.

Biggest Game: Oct. 30 at [Wilson](#). While the Bulldogs have chalked up the last seven Section 1 championships in a row, Penn Manor has had Wilson on the ropes in the fourth quarter a couple of times over the last few years. Tough to say where everyone will be in the standings when the Comets visit West Lawn in Week 9. Or if the Bulldogs' L-L winning streak will still be intact. But there's sure to be a lot riding either way.

REINHART'S CRYSTAL BALL: Not only did Penn Manor lose coach Todd Mealy, who stepped down so he could work on earning his doctorate degree, but the Comets were stung by massive graduation hits. Massive as in 21 total starters out the door. So Brubaker didn't inherit the deepest Penn Manor squad ever. There are some pieces here — Kinser and McCaskell are sure-fire all-stars and Gale, if he gets some help, should be OK at QB — but if there's one Section 1 team likely to take a step back this season, it could be the Comets, who lost some wicked firepower. Hey, it happens. Of course, maybe Brubaker brought some of that Manheim Magic along with him, too. We shall see.

With John Brubaker at the helm, Penn Manor hopes to continue winning ways: 2015 L-L football camp tour (video)

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MILLERSVILLE — Plenty of changes to go around in Penn Manor's football program, which raised the bar to great heights over the last seven seasons under Todd Mealy. Turns out, that's the first change. After guiding the Comets to a 56-35 record in eight years — including District 3-AAAA playoff appearances the last seven seasons in a row — [Mealy resigned his post in January](#) so he could concentrate on earning his doctorate degree.

Enter John Brubaker.

Manheim Central's longtime defensive coordinator and one of Mike Williams' top lieutenants left Baron Country and [took the Penn Manor job](#) — and a teaching position in the district — in March.

Brubaker inherited a Comets' crew that returns just three starters and five lettermen from last year's 6-5 team, which fell to Cumberland Valley in the first round of the district playoffs. So there are plenty of fresh faces in [Penn Manor](#) camp, with just [Carter Kinser](#), [Jamal McCaskell](#) and [Andrew Brown](#) returning to the starting lineup. That means Brubaker and Co. must find 19 new full-time starters before Opening Night, when the Comets take on Cedar Cliff — not in Dublin, Ireland this time around — in a nonleague clash. Brubaker said practice time and the two scrimmages will be ultra important to this group, as he and his staff try to put the best 22 players on the field. Speaking of scrimmages, the Comets take on Brubaker's old outfit, [Manheim Central](#), on Saturday in Manheim. Should be an interesting homecoming for Coach Bru. Penn Manor had a pair of

homecoming for Coach Bru. Penn Manor had a pair of practices on Day 2 of camp on Tuesday. PennLive was at the morning session scoping things out

Teaching, teaching and more teaching. Say hello to John Turcha, Penn Manor's new offensive line coach. And by new, we mean brand spanking new. Turcha just got the job last week, coming over from Octorara, where he was an O-line coach and emotional support teacher. Turns out Penn Manor was looking for an emotional support teacher and an offensive line coach, and Turcha — whose wife was applying for a teaching position at Penn Manor — fit both bills. He spent most of Tuesday morning's session going over blocking schemes with the Comets' trench specialists. Just Brown returns; looks like he'll man the right guard spot. He was a spot starter last fall, when injuries crept up on the Comets down the stretch. So Turcha will lean on him to show the way while the newbies get their feet wet. There wasn't much hitting amongst the linemen on Tuesday morning. Instead, Turcha was preaching technique and answering questions as everyone worked on getting on the same page.

* *Burke back in the saddle.* Brubaker brought in long-time [Columbia](#) head coach Mike Burke to be Penn Manor's offensive coordinator, and he was right in the middle of everything Tuesday morning, working with the quarterbacks and shouting out play calls during full-squad drills. Burke spent plenty of time with junior lefty [Grant Gale](#), who is poised to take over the QB reins from Tanner Erisman, who put together back-to-back all-star seasons under center for the Comets before he shuffled off to Franklin & Marshall College. Gale had eight catches for 201 yards playing wideout last fall, and he's completed 4-of-9 passes in his career. So he's taken some varsity snap. Gale's got a strong arm and some wheels, and with McCaskell (585 rushing yards, 11 TDs) and Kinser (187 rushing yards, 7 TDs) due back in the backfield, if the Comets' new-look line can come together quickly, Penn Manor's spread-option O could do some things — especially with a flock of new wideouts, including some track kids and a basketball player with size 17 spikes, in the mix.

* *Brubaker in blue.* Odd seeing Brubaker, a lifer at Manheim Central, where he played and coached, decked out in Penn Manor's blue and gold color scheme. But he had to pack up his maroon gear earlier this spring when he took the Penn Manor gig after [Dave Hahn got the Manheim Central job](#), replacing Williams. Brubaker said he'll carry over some things from Manheim Central — including his trusty 4-4 defensive scheme — but that he wants to let his assistant coaches coach and bring some fresh things to the table in Millersville.

QUOTABLE

Penn Manor's Carter Kinser on new head coach John Brubaker — "I think it's going really well, and I think the whole team is getting acclimated to all the new coaches. It's been a good thing. He's really quite humble and we all know where he came from. But he's really transitioned well to Comet Pride."

Kinser on the young Comets — "I think everyone is coming along pretty well. Some things we need to work on more than others, but that's part of football. Change is a good thing in my opinion, but we definitely need to keep the bar up there and keep going with the Penn Manor name."

Brubaker on being a head coach — "Truthfully, my focus has been on the day-to-day stuff, but I'm excited about the opportunity here, without a doubt. I don't wake up with a different mindset than I did before I became a head coach. I know I have a responsibility and I know we have a team that we need to get ready. At Manheim it was like half of this.

I was in charge of the defense, and I had to make sure I had the defense ready to play. Now it's the whole thing, and it's been good so far. It's been exciting and these guys have embraced me and what we're doing and they've worked hard."

Brubaker on replacing multiple starters — "More than anything we need game action right now because we're so green across the board. Scrimmages will be valuable for us because it'll give us a chance to evaluate our personnel. We've gotten the chance to see some kids and we have a pretty good idea about where we're going. But when the lights pop on and it counts, we need to see who the best 11 are on both sides of the football."

UP NEXT

Penn Manor is at Manheim Central on Saturday for a 10 a.m. scrimmage, as Brubaker will square off against his former Barons' coaches and players.

High school football





Opening Game
Against Cedar Cliff



LS vs PM



*Dallastown vs.
Penn Manor*





Hemp vs. Penn Manor



Warwick





Manheim Twp





Conestoga Valley



MCCaskey





Wilson

Cedar Crest



Comets

Junior Varsity



Junior Varsity





*“Keep your gaze forward to
see life’s stumbling blocks,
and use them as steps to the
next level.”*

Troy Vincent