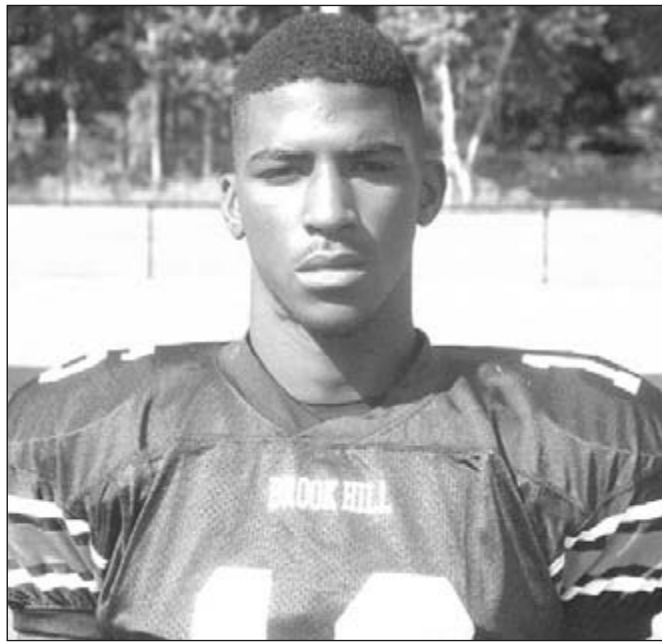
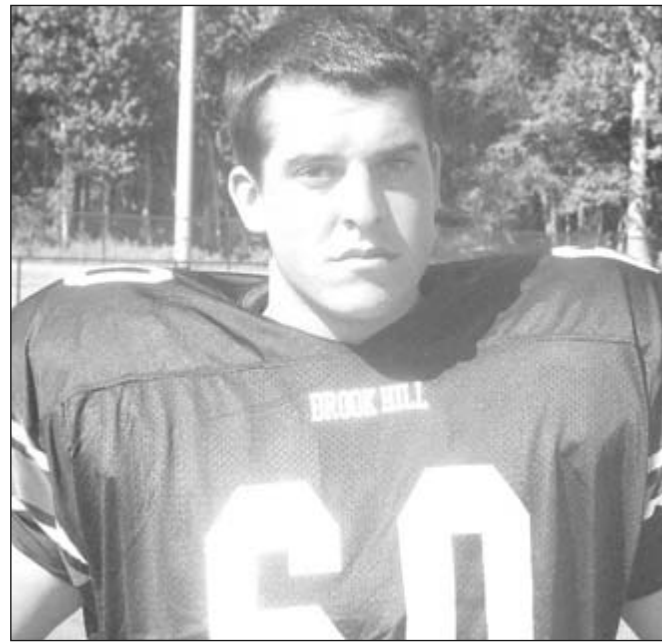


SPORTS

Nine Guard players named TAPPS All-State



JEREMY CHAPPELLE
FIRST TEAM WIDE RECIEVER
FIRST TEAM DEFENSIVE BACK



HEATH DICKEY
FIRST TEAM OFF. LINEMAN
SECOND TEAM DEF. LINEMAN



TYLER BAKER
SECOND TEAM QUARTERBACK
SECOND TEAM DEFENSIVE BACK

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WACO – The state runner-up, Brook Hill Guard, placed nine players and three two-way honorees on the 2009 TAPPS Division III All-State teams recently released.

Leading the way for the Guard is senior district co-MVP, Jeremy Chappelle, garnering two-way all-state first team honors at wide receiver and defensive back.

Joining Chappelle on the first team offensive unit are sophomore wide out, J.B. Moss and Georgetown

University-bound lineman, Heath Dickey. Lineman Justin Northcutt was the lone honorable mention on offense.

Junior league co-MVP with Chappelle made the second team on both sides of the ball.

Defensively, district MVP Tallen Harris was named to the first unit at linebacker, joined by teammates sophomore linebacker Jared Dickey, and Chappelle in the secondary.

The second team defensive unit added Guard players defensive tackle Heath Dickey, lineman Matt Ruark, and defensive backs A.J. Minter and Baker. Linebacker Ross Lee was honorable mention, wrapping up The Guard awards.

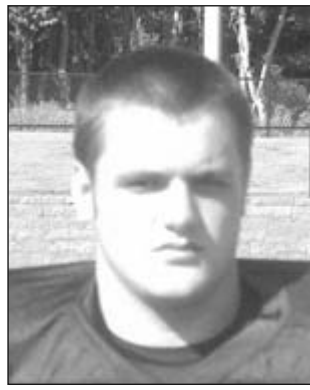
Eight-time state champion Waco Reicher had 13 players on the team, led by quarterback Matt Hicks, named first team quarterback and defensive back, as the lone Cougar repeat player. Nine of the 13 Cougar picks were first team nominees.

Waco Reicher (12-3), beat Brook Hill in the state finals, 35-28 for the Cougars eighth state title, and third in-a-row.

The Guard (12-3), loses Heath Dickey, Chappelle, Northcutt and two-way, all district player, Zach Cool to graduation.



J.B. MOSS
1st Team WR



TALLEN HARRIS
1st Team LB



JARED DICKEY
1st Team LB



A.J. MINTER
2nd Team DB



MATT RUARK
2nd Team DL

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Brook Hill head basketball coach and athletic director, Wally Dawkins chalked up his 600th career win this past Monday when The Guard beat Chapel Hill, 61-52 in the opening round of the Wagstaff Holiday Classic. Dawkins picked up his 100th career win as head coach at Chapel Hill before coaching at Whitehouse, prior to Brook Hill last year.

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Coach Dawkins reaches milestone

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TYLER - Bullard Brook Hill boys basketball coach Wally Dawkins got his 600th win of his career, when The Brook Hill School beat Chapel Hill 61-52 in the opening round of the Floyd Wagstaff Holiday Classic this past Monday.

Dawkins earned the milestone against one of his former schools, Chapel Hill, coaching the Bulldogs from 1982-87. Most recently, he coached Whitehouse for 19 years.

Serving as the Brook Hill athletic director also, Dawkin's career record now stands at 600-254.

"I am really very honored," Dawkins said after the win on Monday. "You don't think you'll ever coach long enough to win 600 games, and in 29 years of having good schools, with good players and I have been very fortunate to be at Brook Hill right now."

Dawkins began his career at Lueders-Avoca, where he spent one year before coaching for two years at Clyde High School. The Abilene native started his East

Texas legacy during his stint at Chapel Hill, making the 600 career mark all the more memorable.

"Chapel Hill is a former school, their assistant coach (Shane Chambless) played for me at Whitehouse, and there are a lot of good people out there, and that just makes it all that more special."

In Dawkins first year at the helm at Brook Hill, he took The Guard to the TAPPS state semifinals. While at Whitehouse, the Wildcats were a Class 4A power that made it to the regional tournament five times in Dawkins stint at the school.

"Going to Brook Hill from Whitehouse was a big change, but it was a good change," Dawkins said about his move to Brook Hill two years ago. "It came at a good time in my life, where I could retire from public schools, and be at a place like Brook Hill."

"A private school that is wanting the best at everything we do," Dawkins continued about his move. "But it's been a big change for me that has been invigorating, and I can't say enough about how pleased I am to be at Brook Hill."