

More Aggies find way to NFL

Richardson, Alex, Vincent, McAfee late-round picks

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The Battalion

Quarterback Bucky Richardson was one of four Texas A&M players selected in the latter half of the NFL draft on Monday, making a total of eight Aggies selected by pro teams.

Richardson, the Southwest Conference's all-time leading rushing quarterback, was selected by the Houston Oilers in the eighth round. Richardson led the Aggies to two conference titles during his career and was the most valuable player in the 1988 Cotton Bowl Classic as a freshman.

A&M's Kary Vincent went to the New Orleans Saints in the sixth round. Offensive tackle Keith Alex heads to the Atlanta Falcons after being picked in the ninth round. The San Diego Chargers picked Aggie running back Keith McAfee in the eleventh round.

On Sunday, Quentin Coryatt, Kevin Smith, Mark Wheeler and Chris Crooms were selected in the first five rounds.

Many teams had an interest in Richardson, but were not sure what position to play him. He said the Oilers would try to keep him on as a quarterback.

"I've talked with coach (Jack) Pardee some and every indication is they want me to be a quarterback," Richardson said from his parents' home in Baton Rouge, La. "They said they want me to do some other things, too, but I'm not ready to get into that now."

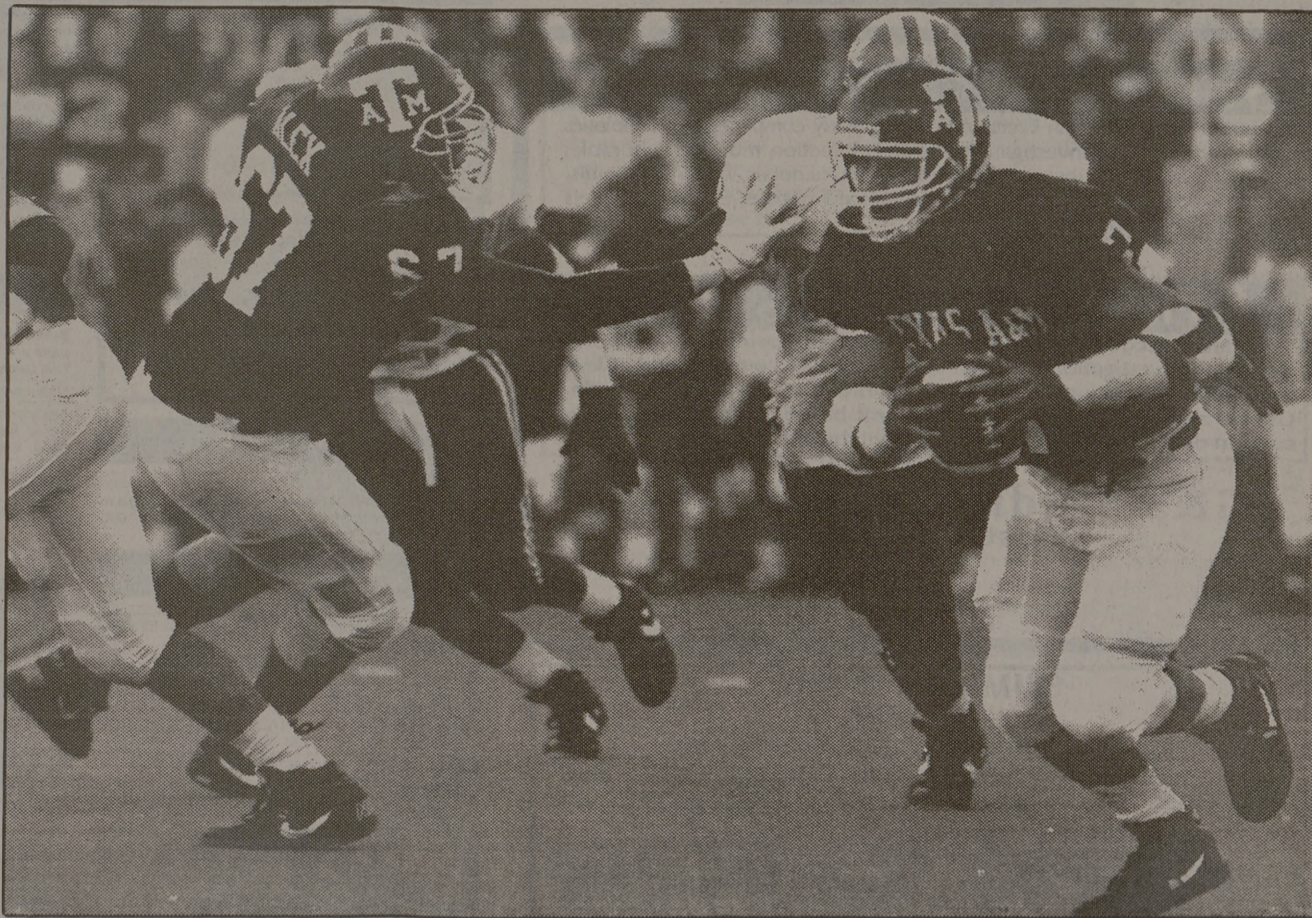
Richardson said he was pleased to stay in state, but he wished he could have been selected earlier than the eighth round.

"Don't get me wrong, I'm happy Houston drafted me," Richardson said. "Going in, I thought I'd be picked a little higher, but for one reason or another I slipped. You have to go through this not expecting too much and stay on an even keel."

Richardson was a finalist in last year's Davey O'Brien Award balloting for best quarterback in the nation. Plus, he was tabbed as the SWC Offensive Player of the Year by the Associated Press.

The Aggie quarterback made a reputation for being a versatile athlete as well as a hard worker.

As Richardson gears up to make a pro team, his attitude remains the same.



Battalion file photo

Former A&M lineman Keith Alex and quarterback Bucky Richardson were selected Monday in the late rounds of the 1992 NFL Draft. Alex was picked in the eighth round by Atlanta. Houston picked Richardson in the eighth.

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Vincent, a defensive back from Port Arthur, was second on the A&M squad in interceptions and had 15 tackles last season.

Alex, 6-foot-6 and 285 pounds, hails from Beaumont and was selected to the All-SWC second team by the Dallas Morning News.

McAfee, a native of Sugar Land, had the third-highest rushing total on the team after being injured for the first two games of the season. He averaged 4.8 yards a carry.

The Associated Press contributed to this story

Detmer vows to prove he can play in NFL

Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback disappointed at 9th round pick

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Ty Detmer, disappointed at being a late pick in the NFL draft, vowed Monday to prove he belongs in a league where most everybody is bigger or faster.

His college coach thinks the Packers got a steal.

Detmer, who set 59 NCAA passing and offense records at Brigham Young and won the Heisman his junior year, was Green Bay's ninth-round pick Monday, the 230th selection overall.

"I was a little disappointed that I didn't go sooner," said Detmer, who played schoolboy football at San Antonio's Westwood High School. "But it ended up good because I'm with a good organization and a great coaching staff."

Detmer referred to new Packers coach Mike Holmgren, who coached quarterbacks in BYU's pass-oriented offense from 1982-85 before becoming an assistant with the San Francisco 49ers.

Green Bay general manager Ron Wolf said he wants four quarterbacks in camp, and with Detmer, he might get them. The Packers acquired Brett Favre in a trade with Atlanta in February to go with unsigned veterans Don Majkowski and Mike Tomczak.

In his Heisman season, Detmer set the college season record for passing yards at 5,188, including 41 touchdowns.

He also holds NCAA marks for career passing efficiency at 162.7, and career of 15,031 yards, including 121 TDs.

Detmer is not the first BYU quarterback selected by Green Bay. The Packers chose current Cougars assistant coach Robbie Bosco — who led BYU to a 1984 national title — in 1986's third round. However, shoulder injuries ended Bosco's pro career before it got started.

"I've met coach Holmgren a few times and I enjoy his personality," said Detmer, who will attend a Green Bay minicamp

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Mizuno honors A&M's Granger

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Texas A&M pitcher Jeff Granger was named one of the three Mizuno's National Players of the Week in college baseball on Monday.

Last week, Granger threw a one-hitter and struck out eleven against the Baylor Bears en route to a 3-1 Aggie victory. Four days later, he held the University of Houston to two runs on five hits through six hits, but did not enter into the decision.

Through 14 games this season, Granger has a 2.95 ERA and a record of 5-3. He has thrown four complete games this season.



ANTHONY ANDRO
Sportswriter

Dad coached fundamentals of sports, life

Spring is the season for sports and memories.

If you think about it, most of the memories people have from growing up are about the spring time. Also, most of the sports played are played during the spring.

Growing up, kids are taught how to play baseball and basketball during the spring. Either you learn how to catch a ball in your front yard or you learn about the art of a jumper in the driveway.

And, if you really think about it, the person who probably taught you how to play all of these things was your father.

At least that's how it was in my case. Not only did my dad teach me how to play sports, he taught me about life. It's strange that it has taken me almost 10 years to make sense out of everything he said.

That is where the memories come in.

There is no manual on how to be a good dad, but it seems like there is something built into fatherhood. A dad must teach his boy or girl about sports. It wasn't any different in my case.

Baseball was never my sport. But after my dad got home from work, he would play ball with me. It didn't matter if he had a bunch of things to do, he would always find the time to play ball.

We would go out in the front yard and he would throw me a couple of easy balls to build up my confidence. And then came the dreaded grounders, they would shoot off all parts of my body and wind up all over the place. And that was on a good day.

On bad days, they would go right by me and I'd turn and throw my glove at the ball, hoping the mitt would magically stop it. It never did.

But thinking back, I can still hear my dad yelling to me. "Stay in front of it!" "Concentrate!" "Don't give up!" I must have heard those phrases a million times in my life and they didn't mean anything — until now.

Then there was basketball. It was like David and Goliath. He owned me. He made me mad. But he also taught me another lesson. No one ever wants to play defense, especially me, but my dad made me play.

He was always saying that if you aren't going to play a complete game, don't bother playing at all. But I could have played the most complete game of my life and it wouldn't have made

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1991-92 UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE FELLOWS SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS

The University Undergraduate Fellows Program is the capstone of the Honors curriculum at Texas A&M. This program is the most prestigious research opportunity available for undergraduates at the University featuring a close, master-apprentice relationship between student researcher and faculty advisor.

Shortly after Fellows submit their completed Senior Honors Theses, they are invited to make formal oral presentations of their completed research at the annual University Undergraduate Fellows Symposium. This year the Fellows have been divided into eight groups of students pursuing research in related areas. Each group will conduct a separate Symposium session on the fourth floor of Rudder Tower according to the following schedule:

<p><i>Tuesday, April 28, 7:00 p.m.</i></p> <p>Biomedical Sciences, Rudder 302 Eric Doughty James Lantito Lara Madison</p> <p>Biological Sciences, Rudder 401 Nanber Donahoe Kylie Capps Lucy Fuhrmann</p> <p>Humanities, Rudder 292A Melody Chan Mark Hargrove Lana Hedberg</p> <p>Mathematical and Computer Sciences, Rudder 292B Lugh Ellen Key Nanber McGivray</p>	<p><i>Thursday, April 30th, 7:00 p.m.</i></p> <p>Mechanical Engineering, Rudder 301 Eric Beam Byron Bunker Paul Deignan Alicia Harris</p> <p>Physical and Electrical Engineering, Rudder 401 David Betz Brian Hennings</p> <p>Psychology, Rudder 504 Jeanne Boerner Kylie Burks Shelly Busceme Lauren Manning</p> <p>Social Sciences, Rudder 501 Robert Newberry George Appling Clifton Green</p>	<p>Eric Simonson Jason Thomas Laurisa Watkins</p> <p>John John John Wahl</p> <p>Chris Robinson Holly Shinn Kic Steele</p> <p>Krista Lyons Andrew Jung</p>
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A reception honoring the 1991-92 University Undergraduate Fellows will be held in the lobby on the second floor of Rudder Tower at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 28th. Faculty, students, and other members of the University community are invited to attend the reception and any of the Symposium sessions to learn more about what some of Texas A&M University's most successful, confident, and motivated undergraduates have been able to achieve. Should you have any questions, please contact Dr. Susanna Finnell, Associate Director of the University Honors Program, 845-6774

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Individuals of any age with symptoms of impetigo (bacterial infection of the skin) to participate in an investigational drug research study using a cream with drug in it. \$150 for those chosen and completing the study.

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