

## News Release

# Golden Eagle Turnovers Prove Costly in 47-9 Loss to Bemidji State University

By Mitch Bakken on Saturday, September 22, 2007

(Crookston, Minn.)- The Bemidji State University Beavers opened the game in shocking fashion today as Anthony Schreiber returned the opening kick-off 90-yards to put the Beavers up seven points just 14 seconds into the game. UMC fought back and responded on the team's next drive, using seven plays to go 58-yards, capped of by a six yard run by Eric John (So.,RB, North Miami FL). The point after attempt failed to keep BSU in the lead at seven to six. Just six points were scored through the rest of the first quarter. BSU's Paul Potemra hit a 37-yard field goal and UMC's Stan Shurson (FR.,K, Ramona, CA) kicked a 22-yard field goal to bring the Golden Eagles within one point to close the first quarter with BSU up 10-9.

The second quarter started off slow with no points being scored in the first 10 minutes. With 5:39 left to go before the half, Bemidji State took advantage of Golden Eagle offensive miscues. In just 4:30, BSU scored four times, putting 23 points on the board to go into halftime with a 33-9 lead.

The Golden Eagles regrouped after the half to hold the Beavers to 14 points in the third quarter and zero points in the fourth quarter. Both of Bemidji's third quarter touchdowns came on rushes. The first touchdown was scored by James Moore on a 12 yard rush. Quarterback Cory Wardrope tallied his second rushing touchdown of the day on a one yard scamper with 1:58 to go in the third quarter.

Offensively, quarterback David White (Jr., Detroit, MI) completed 12 passes for 121 yards with a completion long of 36 yards to Aaron Wall (So., WR, New Orleans, LA). Wall caught a game high six passes for 148 yards just 12 yards shy of a Golden Eagle record. Tim Ennis (Fr., QB,Lancaster, CA) took five snaps and completed three passes for 61 yards. Eric John rushed 17 times for 45 yards and one touchdown. He had a rushing long of 26 yards. BSU's Cory Wardrope completed six passes for 120 yards and two touchdowns. Defensively, Tom Melhorn (So., LB, White Bear Lake, MN) led UMC with seven tackles (three solo, four assisted) and one tackle for a loss of one yard. Chris Wooding (So., DB, Miami, FL) tallied three tackles (two solo, one assisted) and grabbed one interception and returned it 47 yards. Bemidji's Jeremiah Johnson led all defenders with 11 total tackles (four solo, seven assisted). He had one tackle for a loss of two yards and broke-up two Golden Eagle passes.

The Golden Eagles are now 1-2 on the season and 0-2 in the NSIC. Bemidji State University moves to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the NSIC. The Golden Eagles travel to Wayne, NE next Saturday to take on the Wayne State Wildcats. Kick-off is set for 1:00 p.m. Wayne was defeated today by MSU-Moorhead by a score of 42-18.

For more information, visit the Golden Eagle Athletics website at [www.goldeneaglesports.com](http://www.goldeneaglesports.com).

(Story written by Dana Torres, Sports Information Student Assistant)

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