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2020 Football Schedule

8/11	H	Scrim-	West Musk.
8/15	A	Scrim-	Liberty Union
8/21	H	Scrim-	Crooksville
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8/28	A		Mt. Gilead
9/4	H		Columbus West
9/11	A		Fairfield Union
9/18	H		Ellet (Akron)
9/25	H		Licking Valley
10/02	A		Heath
10/09	H		Northridge
10/16	A		Newark Catholic
10/23	A		Johnstown
10/30	H		Utica

#continuethelimb

LANCERS TAKE VIRTUAL INCENTIVE TRIP



On April 13th Lancer Football players had a chance to get together and take a virtual field trip to the Pro Football Hall of Fame. The trip is part of Coach Lee's Off-Season Academic program. Thirty two players qualified for the trip! These players qualified because they did not receive a grade lower than a C on their 3rd grade report card.

Lancers had the opportunity to actually tune into a live webinar hosted by the Hall of Fame. Players were able to look at how the Hall of Fame tells the "Story of Pro Football" through its historical documents and priceless artifacts. During the visit players had a chance to interact with the presenter by submitting questions via a live chat function built into the software.

Incentive trips although now virtual will continue during the Pandemic. Updates and information on next months trip will be released soon.

2020 JV SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED



The 2020 Junior Varsity schedule has been completed. It includes a schedule of 9 games. Of those nine games, five of those game will be home at Lancer stadium.

The Lancers will have three non conference games to start the season. They open up the season

on August 29th at home against **Mount Gilead**. The following week the Lancers will travel to **Berne Union**. The last out of conference game will be at Home with **West Muskingum**.

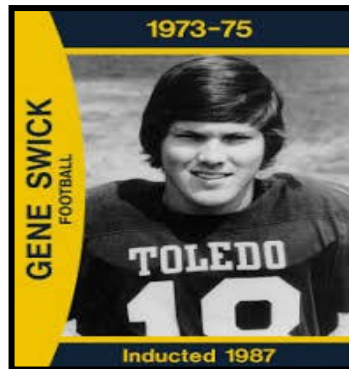
The JV schedule will also include an away Buckeye crossover opponent **Licking Valley** on September 26th.

After Utica on the

road, the season will end with four straight Cardinal games. It starts with a Home contest with **Heath**, on October 3rd and then the Lancers will travel to **Northridge** on October 10th.

The final two Home games of the season will be with **Newark Catholic** on October 17th & **Johnstown** on October 24th.

FORMER LANCER-NFL DRAFT PICK 1976



Lakewood Alma Mater

*As voices ring out bright
with cheer*

*We hear our Lakewood
loud and clear*

*We feel the peoples'
unity*

*Their shouts express
their loyalty*

*As time rolls on in
golden haze*

*We'll remember high
school days*

We will try to do our best

For our dear old L. H. S.

Gene Swick moved to Lakewood from Millersport his junior year. From 1970-1971 he started 20 games as the Lancers Quarterback. For his career he threw 301 times and completed 157 (52.1%) for 2,253 yards, a LHS school record. During that time Lakewood went 17-3 under Coach Dou Grandstaff (1968-1973).

Gene Swick then would go on to a legendary career at the University of Toledo from 1972-1975. Gene Swick lettered three times as UT's starting quarterback and each season (1973-75) was first-team All-MAC. He was MAC "Back of the Year" in both 1974 and 1975. In 1975, he set the NCAA Division I record with 8,074 career yards, which broke the previous record held by Jim Plunkett of Stanford and stood until surpassed by Mark Herrmann of Purdue in 1980.

As a senior he became the first MAC quarterback ever honored as first team all-America by a major wire service (UPI). Following the 1975 season, he was named the nation's most outstanding quarterback by the Columbus Touchdown Club and was honored by Football Roundup Magazine as "Offensive Player of the Year." He played in the Senior Bowl Game and the East-West Shrine Game in San Francisco and finished 10th in balloting for the Heisman Trophy. The University of Toledo record for career passing yards was held by Swick (1972-2005), it was finally broken by Bruce Gradkowski in 2005.

Before the 1975 season, Swick had been considered a prospective first-round selection in the NFL Draft according to The Chicago Tribune. In the 1976 NFL Draft, Swick was selected in the fourth round, he was chosen with the 97th overall pick by the Cleveland Browns where he was later released. Swick remained the last Toledo quarterback drafted into the NFL until Tampa Bay picked Bruce Gradkowski in the sixth round of the 2006 NFL Draft.

In August of 1976 he attended tryouts with the New York Giants, and had a "two-year, no-cut contract" with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League.. However, Swick decided instead to retire and enter the business world. Swick is inducted into both the Lakewood High School Hall of Fame and the University of Toledo Hall of Fame.

“HARD HAT” PLAYERS RECOGNIZED



FOOTBALL

Each month in the off-season we are recognizing three Lancer Hard Hat Players of the Month! Returning players, New Comer & 8th grade players are announced.

The Hard Hat Culture represents a player who demonstrates a blue collar mentality of embracing hard work, having no excuses, and understanding the value of investing in something bigger than themselves!

A white hard-hat with the script lancer logo and stripe is displayed in the weight-room. Players recognized for the month of **March** include:

Returning Player:	Trace Ford	Jr.	OL/DL
Newcomer:	Kaleb Fellure	Jr.	OL/DL
8th Grade:	Isaiah Ratliff	8th	RB/LB

Football HUDL Platform Utilized During Pandemic



During this pandemic it has become critical to utilize a platform that allows connection but also development within your football program.

During this time Lakewood has utilized HUDL to support multiple needs

for the players and to assist with development.

Coaches have been busy updating the both offense and defensive playbooks that are stored in HUDL. Each play has a drawing and play clip for players to review. These plays can be animated and coaches can see what players have visit-

ed the playbooks and how many pages they have visited.

The HUDL is also utilized to group players by position to e-mail and send specific film drills to the group. Coaches can see what players have opened and read their e-mails.

2020 HOME GAME EVENTS ANNOUNCED



The 2020 football schedule is complete and it includes the Friday Night community

events.

The first Home game against **Columbus West** on September 4th will also be **Middle School Fall Sports Night** that will include

Cross-Country, Golf & Volleyball.

The Home game on September 18th against **Ellet** from Akron will also be **Hall of Fame Night & Senior night** for Cross Country, Golf and Volleyball.

The **September 25th** game versus Licking Valley will also be **Mid-**

dle School Fall Sports Night for Football, Cheer & Band.

This years **Homecoming** game will be October 9th versus **Northridge**. That night also will be **Youth & Cheer night**.

The last Home game will be **Senior night** for Football, Cheer & Band on October 30th versus **Utica**.

LANCER FIGHT
SONG

On ye Lancers, On ye Lancers

On to victory

Show your spirit, show your courage

Show your loyalty

On ye Lancers, On ye Lancers

Fight with all your might

We're behind you all the way

So fight, fight, fight!

