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**CSU PUEBLO FOOTBALL**  
OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THUNDERWOLVES FOOTBALL



## A MESSAGE FROM COACH VIGIL



Dear Thunderwolves,

As we wrap up the spring semester, Colorado State University Pueblo Football is gearing up for an exciting summer filled with workouts, team camps, our annual golf tournament, and more.

We also want to send our best wishes to our seniors, who have left lasting memories and made a tremendous impact on our program. We are excited to see their future success as they transition into our prestigious alumni community.

With that being said, we value bringing our alumni together for future events as we continue celebrating our program's past, present, and future. With your support and involvement, we will continue building something special—together.

God Bless,

Philip Vigil

## 2ND ANNUAL PACK GOLF TOURNAMENT



### SAVE THE DATE:

Saturday May 30th

Location: Walking Stick Golf Course

Address: 4301 Walking Stick Blvd, Pueblo, CO 81001

Time: 1:00 PM Shotgun Start

Details: 4 person teams, scramble format, 18 holes, cart, range, and prizes.

Dinner/silent auction/social following at the Pack House

Cost: \$150 per person / \$600 per team

The sponsorship tiers for our events are as follows:

- BRONZE - \$500 = This sponsorship will get your name recognized as a hole sponsor for the golf outing.
- SILVER - \$1,000 = This sponsorship will get your name recognized as a hole sponsor and as a competition sponsor,
- GOLD - \$1,500 = This sponsorship will get your name recognized as a hole sponsor, competition sponsor, and an event/social sponsor.

Tickets can be purchased at [Pack Football Golf Outing - Colorado State University Pueblo](#)

Contact: Neal Davis by cell phone at 614-271-2292 or by e-mail at [neal.davis@csupueblo.edu](mailto:neal.davis@csupueblo.edu) for more information.

## DAY OF SERVICE RECAP



Thunderwolves Football completed another successful Day of Service this past April, giving back to the city of Pueblo through volunteer efforts. Thunderwolf players and staff hit the community helping serve dozens of families in need. This annual tradition reflects the program's commitment to leadership and community impact.

Over the last calendar year, we have totaled over 4000 community service hours.

## SPRING GAME 2026 RECAP



The Colorado State University Pueblo football team marked the conclusion of spring practice here Saturday afternoon by splitting into two teams – Red and White and played its annual Spring Game in front of nearly 400 fans in the CSU Pueblo ThunderBowl.

In Saturday's spring game, the Red Team came away with a 44-19 win thanks to gaining 418 yards of offense on 66 plays, including passing for 228 yards and rushing the ball 35 times for 190 yards, including 104 yards rushing on 12 carries from redshirt freshman running back Caleb Llamas (Centennial, Colo./Grandview).

The defense for both teams was strong in Saturday's game, combining for 17 sacks, 27 tackles for loss, and three turnovers, including two interceptions by the Red Team. The quarterbacks were not allowed to be tackled, so once their flag was pulled, the play was over.

The Pack will kick off its 2026 season on Thursday, Aug. 27, as they host Central Missouri for a 6 p.m. game in the ThunderBowl. Season tickets for the 2026 season will go on sale on June 1.



## PACK PROS



Colorado State University Pueblo was proudly represented this past weekend at New York Jets Rookie Mini-camp where 2 former Pack standouts showcased their talents.

Reggie Retzlaff & Ben Wilson were among 31 other players to attend Jets rookie-mini camp to earn a roster spot in the NFL.

Reggie Retzlaff finished his career at CSU-Pueblo as a 2-time All-American & the all-time leader in all major receiving statistical categories, while Ben Wilson was a 2-year starter and all conference DB for the Pack.

CSU Pueblo remains committed to developing student-athletes for success at the next level.

## CSU PUEBLO 2026 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



## FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Make plans to come out to support the Pack at home games. Come early for tailgating and help continue making the Thunderbowl the most feared place to play in the RMAC.

[2026 Football Schedule](#)

## PACK FOOTBALL ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



**Mark Sterling  
2009-2013**

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*(will provide contact info for alumni features so people can connect)*

**Position in college:** Cornerback

**Degree(s) in:** Computer information system minor in business

**Current Occupation and Residence:** Management team for the Post office - Colorado Springs, Colorado

**Family Members:** Sherrea Elliott-Sterling (Wife), Mark Sterling III, Kye Sterling, Theophilus Sterling and Power Sterling (Children)

**Favorite Memory:** Senior year being down 14 to 0 against Chadron State. I was able to get an interception on a third down in the 2nd quarter to change to momentum for us to come back and win.

**Value CSU Pueblo Added to Me as a Person:** The life lessons & memories made with Coach Donnell Leomiti.

**Career Accomplishments/Honors:** First-team All-America selection by Don Hansen's Football Gazette ...First-team All-Super Region 3 Selection by Don Hansen's Football Gazette ... Daktronics second-team All-Super Region 3 Selection ... All-Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference second-team selection ...First-team All-Colorado selection by National Football Foundation



**We want to keep everyone connected; please fill out the questionnaire below to be featured in an upcoming Alumni Spotlight!**

Alumni Spotlight Questionnaire



NOTE: If you know of any football alumni that is not receiving this newsletter, and would like to, please reply to this email with their best email address and we will add them to the database!

We will utilize this platform to be able to give you an inside look into our program. We are excited to be able to connect with you throughout the year. CSU Pueblo is a special place, and it is largely due to the support of the Alumni like yourself. We want to continue to bridge the gap between USC & CSU Pueblo and bring all those that love this great university together.

I want to personally invite you back into our program. I want you to know that you are more than welcome to be around our facility, our staff, at practice, and as always, at our games. I know that I do not know many of you, but I look forward to changing that in time. In the meantime, please know that I will do my very best to carry on the legacy of this historic program.

Thanks for keeping up with YOUR Thunderwolves Football team each week! Your support pushes our program forward and I want to personally thank you!

We hope the recap and preview in this newsletter each week gives you all the information you are looking for within YOUR football program! We hope to see you at a game soon! GO PACK!

Please feel free to contact me any time on my cell 936-221-6737. Would love to connect with you.

-Philip Vigil

Please consider supporting Pack Football. We need you to continue the legacy of this great program. To support Pack Football please click on the link below.

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