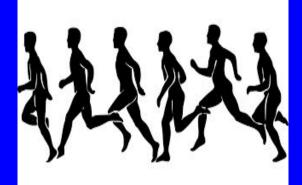
# How to Build A Distance Culture From Scratch



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Coaching Background Blue Valley High School, Stanley, KS-1981 Assistant Football Yankton College, Yankton, SD-1982 Graduate Assistant Football College U of South Dakota, Vermillion, SD-1983 Graduate Assistant Baseball Parsons Catholic School-1984-1987 Head Boys BB, Head Boys and Girls TF, Assistant FB Parsons HS Marty Indian School-1983-1984 Head Football Coach & Basketball Wentworth Military Academy-1987-1988 Head High School TF, Assistant High School FB, Assistant JuCo BKB





Wentworth Military Academy 1987-88

Springfield Catholic High School-1988-1990 Head Boys TF 1989-1990, Assistant Boys TF Coach-1988-1989, Assistant FB 1988-1990 Carthage High School-1990-2021 Head Boys and Girls CC 1994-2021, Head Boys & Girls TF-1996-2021, Head Boys Swim Coach 1998-04 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys BKB-1994-1996, Assistant Boys TF, Freshman FB-1990-1993, Assistant Wrestling-1991-1993 McAuley Catholic-2021-Present Head Boys and Girls CC, Head Boys and Girls TF, JV Boys BB 1991-1994, Assistant FB-1990-1993

#### Springfield Catholic-1990 4x400 Class 2 Champions



Springfield Catholic-1990 Class 2 2nd Place



**Mentors-**

Carl Youngworth-Grandfather-Yankton College, SD-1923-1966 Tommie Lee White-Yankton College-1966-World Class Hurdler Joe Bill Dixon-West Plains CC & TF Ed Streich-Carthage TF

Etc-

Tim Nixon-Liberty HS

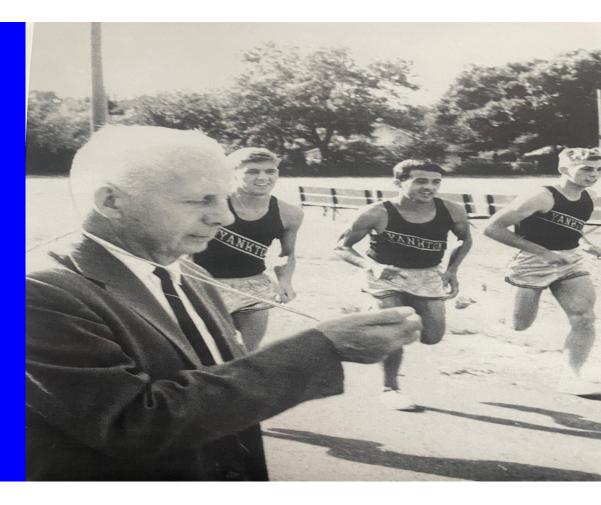
Jeff Pigg-Logan-Rogersville, MU, University of North Florida Jonathan Dalby-Mountain Vista, Colorado

Dan Fitzsimmons-U of South Dakota, Mount Marty Univ, SD

#### Yankton College Greyhounds-1930

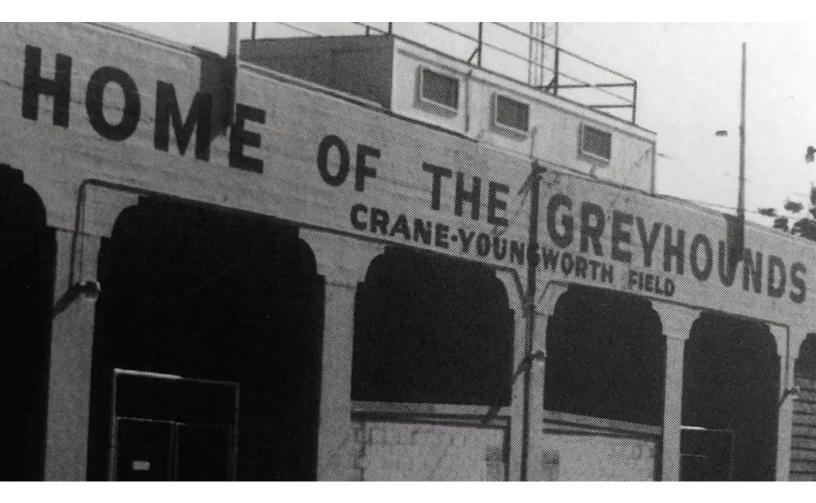


# Yankton College 1965



Tommie Lee White and Carl Youngworth International TF Meet Outstanding Sportsman Soviet Union-1971





# Joe Bill Dixon-2006



#### JBD Wilderness Running Camp-200???-Jorts were in style!



# JBD Running Camp-Daughter Shelby 2nd from right



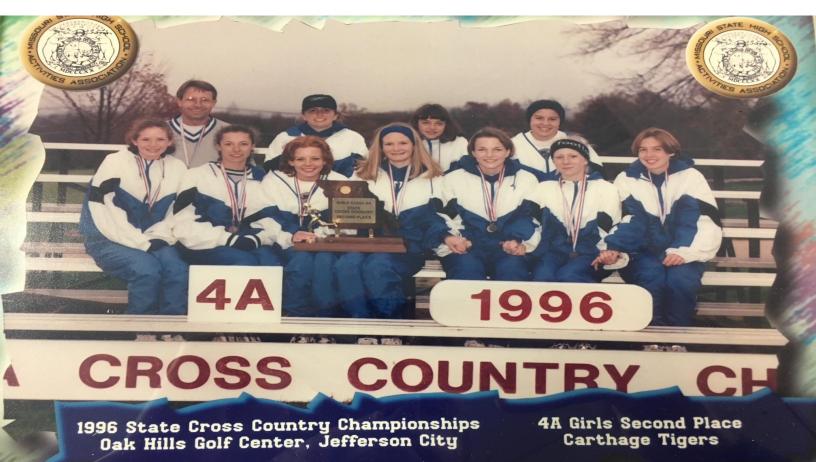


#### **Coaching Journey**

- Made a decision early to teach and coach-FB/BKB/TF
- Early success as a sprint/sprint relay coach
- 1994 chance to coach Cross Country
  - Patty Vavra went from Carthage to MSSU
  - Ed Streich encouraged me to take the CC job???
     No clue how to coach distance kids
  - called JBD-the rest is history
- Journey to the Why???
  - Obvious when young.....winning (reflects on me)
  - Over time-relationships with kids, parents, coaches etc
     & still win! Can't both things be true?

Carthage HS 1996 Class 4 2nd Place





1996 Girls CC Carthage Hall of Heroes-Class of 2022













Missouri Southern Stampede 2012



# Carthage CC-2017 after Ray-Pec Inv



Carthage CC WWI Memorial 2017



At the "K"-2017



Carthage TF Best Staff Ever Kacey Thayer Nikki Sipes Chris Wilkerson

Began to experience success







Carthage HS 3rd Place 2017

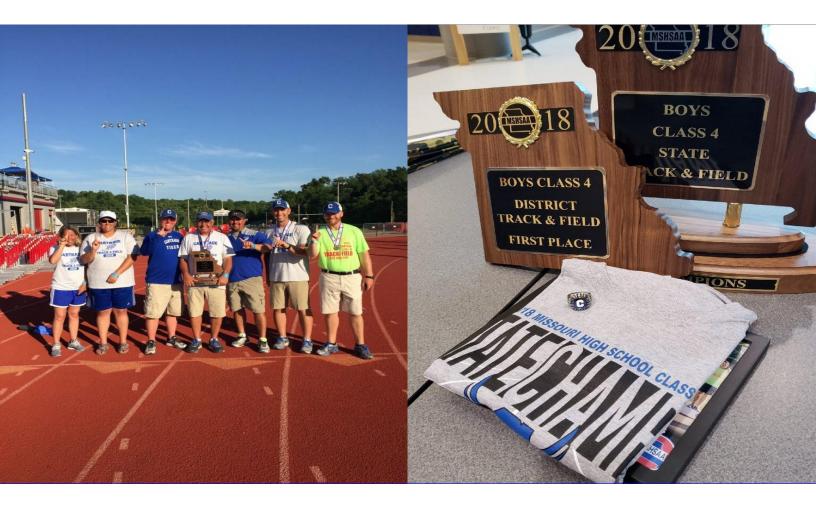


# Right-Arkell Smith-2018 Below-4x400 State Champs









# Clayton Whitehead-KU Relays 3200 Champion 2019



Path to McAuley 2018-retired from Carthage HS, remained as DC US instructor & Head CC & TF Coach March, 2020-Pandemic

- lost TF season
- Questions about my future at Carthage
- 2 classes at McAuley; <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> time at CHS-TF & CC coach
- fall of 2020-potential state team hurt by quarantines March, 2021-time to decide.....
  - status quo, full time at McAuley, Coach at Carthage or....just make the move
  - Decision made little sense in the big picture
  - Discussion with my wife-support any decision I make



Carthage 1500+ students Brand new facility built in 2018 Strong tradition in TF/CC Paid more for ½ and TF job Large Budget 1 mile from school Great Assistants McAuley 55 students No Facility No Tradition Full time/coach 3 sports Small budget 30 minute commute small staff  Carthage Invitational-decision to leave and go to McAuley full time and coach there

#### -Why the change?

- -I felt some new blood was needed in the program
- -Knew my tank was not on empty, needed a change
- -Darbi Stancell-long time McDonald County coach
- -Catholic environment-School with a different mission
- -McAuley presented a new challenge

# **Challenges:**

- Location-Downtown Joplin
- 2 sport athletes in same season-VB/Soccer
- unsafe roads, etc
- No track-we have a small lot & 400 meter sidewalk loop!
- limited indoor options when weather was inclement
- Sport not taken seriously
- No CC banner on the wall-stressed that to the kids
- travel to 3 or 4 practice sites-rely on parents?
- only 1 coach, convinced our administration that our numbers would improve-now have 3 in CC, 5 in TF
- lingering effects of COVID and vacations!
- try to increase numbers

#### April, 2021

- letting my coaches & kids know, very difficult meetings
- Ozark 7 Conference meet-handed out uniforms in the halls
- 1st CC meeting w/ kids at McAuley-10 mile week?
- handed out summer schedule....several eyebrows raised May, 2021
  - Coach Stancell's video for the elementary school kids-15 6th graders ran during the summer-40 kids 6-12th grade
  - No School budget for uniforms, sweats etc? Booster Club
  - \$10k request given to AD, revised to 2K for Mid uniforms
  - Fundraisers allowed
    - Running Camp-2021-\$11k(\$5k) ; 2022-\$5k; 2023-\$5k
      - thank you cards/banner at meets
      - "advertising" on the back of the t-shirt
    - Shakespeare's frozen pizza-3 times-\$10k
    - Cinnamon Rolls-\$7k



Trying to build a culture-Rome wasn't built in a day....

- Attitude of Gratitude, Attitude of Servitude-JBD
- 40 days in the summer-20 for TF and 20 for CC
- Parent Involvement ???
- Tastee Treat Tuesdays & Thirsty Thursdays
- Saturday practices-breakfast-McDonalds & homes
- Canoe trip at the end of June-HS
- Road races
- Schedule-Make it a challenge but fun-overnight trips
   Father Tolton and Rim Rock
- Overnight Camping & canoeing (JBD Wilderness Camp??)
- Webb City Track...paid MSSU \$20k for 40 practices??
- Team breakfasts, dinners, outings etc-Kid driven
- T-shirts

- CC-Top 7 list per course-"Unofficial"-MileSplit
- TF-Top 10 times per event
- Inspirational videos or movies

-"Run Hopi"; McFarland; Ben Koman; Pre??; 1972-800 M Making Footprints-Gallup HS etc

-Conference CC & TF meet...Make it a special experience
-CC Meet...Run at MSSU....road race in the past?
-Timing Company for both-we paid for 1st year; no budget
-McAuley/St. Peter's involved in helping with the race
-Webb City host site for the Ozark 7 TF meet

-We run the events, frees up coaches to coach

-HS kids work field events; Grade school field day

- Team Prayer-Boys-Memorare, Girls-Guardian Angel Patron Saints-St. Peter & St. Joseph the Worker, Yearly Saint-St. Rita-Kids choose (Saint for impossible things!!!)
- Uniforms
  - -Mids-parents bought uniforms or wore HS uniforms
    - -Booster Club bought 40 uniforms
  - -High School-Fundraiser \$
    - -Girls-two sets-Pink and Blue
    - -Boys-"M's" and Catholic (KU Pink???)/Pink Headbands
- Competition Sweats-HS only-Black warmups-fundraiser \$
- Bags for HS & Mids
- Admin forgot to budget for CC state trip..."loaned" from our account.
- -Yearbook
  - -Articles
  - -Pictures
  - -Stats
- Practice Sweats-Kids pay for 70%-(2021-\$70; 2023-\$90)
   \*\*\*\*everything more expensive and takes forever!!!
- relationships with other teams-Lawrence Free State etc
- Running Camp-Week before dead week
  - -Mini Golf, Bowling-Alumni, Movie Night, Swimming, breakfast, t-shirts-tie-dye, speakers-Priests, HS &
  - -College coaches, former runners, trainer, nutritionist team doctor, shoe guy

3rd Annual Warrior Cross Country Camp July 24-28, 2023

Parents and Athletes,

Below find information for the 3rd Warrior Cross Country Camp. The cost will be \$15 per athlete, which covers all expenses for the week, including a camp t-shirt. I have had someone donate money that has been earmarked to reduce the cost of the camp. We will have a guest speaker each day, followed by an activity. Bring a water bottle, a towel, appropriate shoes and clothes based on the activity.

#### July 24-6:00-9:00 pm-Father Andrew/Father Brian//Putt Putt Golf

July 25-<u>6:30 am-2:00 pm-6:30 am-Morning run at N. Frisco 8:00-Breakfast at McAuley 9:00-Speaker-Blaine Jimerson- "Run Around" 9:45-11:30-Activity 1:00-3:00- Shifferdecker pool</u>

July 26-6-7:00 pm-Ty Lewis-Carthage HS/Central Missouri -Bowling

July 27-6:00 pm-Movie Night-Russ Jewett-Pitt State CC/TF Coach

July 28-6:30-10am-Frisco Trail by Tamko Building Products on North St. //Breakfast to follow at McAuley-Jayna Gunter-MSSU

Morning Runs-Mon, Tues, Wed and Friday-Frisco @6:30; Thur @ MSSU

2nd Warrior Running Camp 2022







3rd Warrior Running Camp 2023 Father Brian



# Running Camp Mini Golf with Father Andrew





# Blaine Jimerson The Shoe Guy







2023-Warrior **Running Camp-**Ty Lewis-Carthage HS, State Fair CC, CMU



2023-1st Alumni **Bowling Night** With Ty Lewis Carthage HS(Far Right) **State Fair Central Missouri** 



Russ Jewett Hall of Fame Coach Pitt State

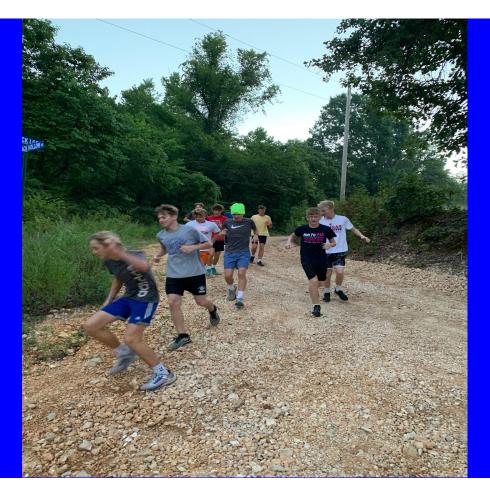


2023-Warrior Running Camp Jayna Gunter West Plains/MSSU



1st Campout August, 2022







# Elk River-2023





# 2023-Float Trip



## System Wide Faculty Mass 2023



Michael Parrigon & Father Brian @ Southern Stampede



Pre-Conference Pasta Feed 2023





Father Tolton Inv Columbia, MO Shakespeare's Pizza-2021 Dinner with Lawrence Free State



# Rim Rock Farm



Lawrence **Free State T-shirts** 



- **Promote Successes through Communication** 
  - Smoke Signals and Group Message page
  - post results on the wall and announcements
  - Be active in your local and State Association
    - -SWCCCA All Region team -Academic All State

    - -Coach of the Year
    - -Assistant of the year.
- **Practice sites** 
  - Mids and HS practice together-siblings
  - MSSU CC Course, Hills & Track
  - Frisco Trail-A little sketchy??
  - Mercy Park-AM runs-Area has good lighting
  - Webb City Track (more in the spring) \_
  - New CC course on school property....Warrior Invitational??!!



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## Morning Practice at MSSU



## Goal Setting Boys-Why Not Us???-Showed Rockhurst State video -Never qualified for State before as a team Championship factor-accept the challenge move to Class 2 in 5 years 4th in 2022-2 points TF District Championship-1 point Girls-Grow the team Never had a team score in 10 years 2021-1 girl-state qualifier 2022-6 girls 1st team score-mid October state qualifying team 2023-6 girls (5 have transferred/home schooled) College runners? NCAA Clearinghouse

2022 Mid "State Meet" 3rd Place



Warrior Cross Country Rosters							
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	Boys	GIrls	Boys	Girls			
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2022	14	8	10	6			
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2023	17	6	10	6			
2024	???	???	20??	7??			

8th Gr	ade-Cass	ville Mic	dle Sch	nool Mee	эt
	2021	2022	2023		
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#2	11:18	10:53	9:45		
#3	12:54	11:38	10:37		
#4	DNR	11:45	10:46		
#5	13:06	13:17	11:09		
#6	12:28	12:35	11:17		
#7	12:20	12:04	11:20		
#8	12:26	11:55	11:23		
#9	DNR	11:32	11:38	Soccer	
#10	12:35	12:04	13:08	Injured	

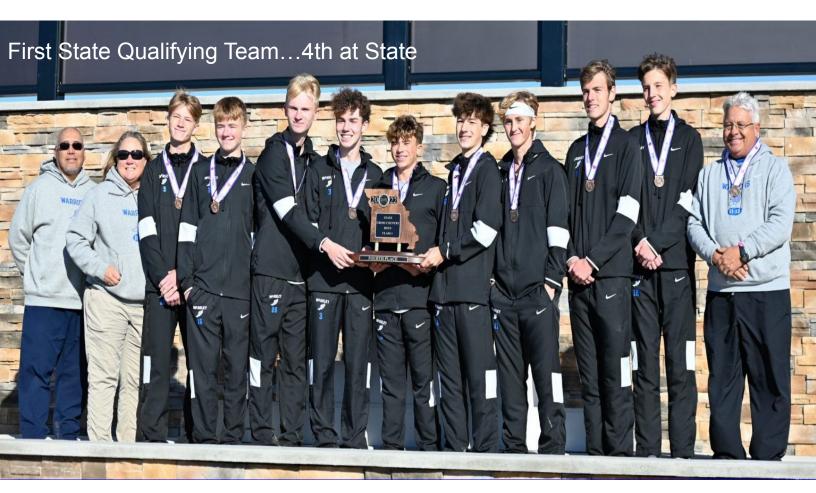
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2nd	22:03	20:41	22:35	19:49	19:49	20:23	21:06	21:36	18:45*	18:50*	17:45*
3rd	22:11	21:05	23:48	21:11	20:03	21:10	21:45	22:08	20:00	18:55*	18:03*
4th		21:42		22:09	20:41	22:02	23:06	23:12	20:36	19:35	19:17
5th				23:06	20:45	22:44	23:29	23:19	20:36	19:36	19:17
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Finish	NA	NA	NA	3/6	6/8	6/8	5/5	7/7	7/12**	2/11**	2/11**
	Bolivar	Spfld	SW W	SW W	Clever	Lamar	Lamar	Lamar	Clever	Herm.	Lamar
Girls	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
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## First Girls Team Score,,,,1st Team to Qualify in School History









2023 4x400 District Champs!! District Champs By 1 Point!!!













2023

Boys

-repeated as Ozark 7 Champions

-District Runner-up

-5th at state-6 points from 4th; 9 from 3rd

-3 all state kids

-All 10 kids back; 10 freshmen to be for 2024?? -Mids-3rd Place at MS State meet

Girls

-first Ozark 7 Championship

-3rd at Districts; 2nd straight trip to state

-8th place finish

-2 all state kids

-lose 1 medalist; 2 freshman to be for 2024



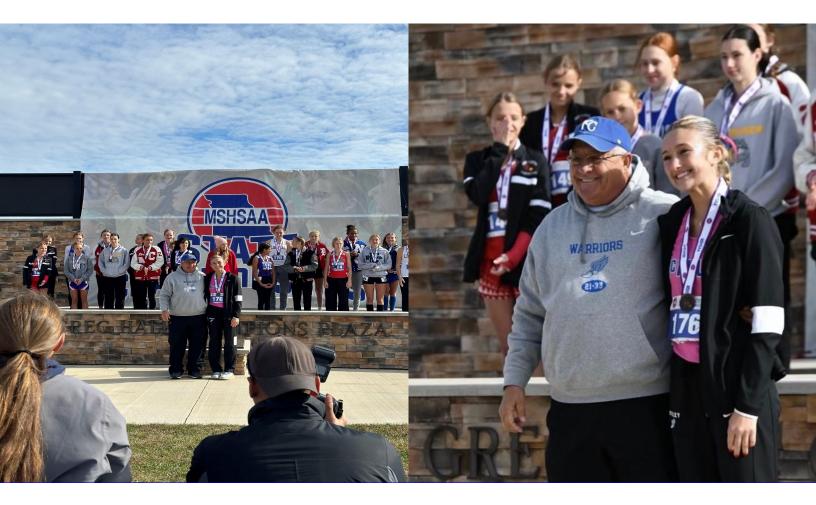












## What's Next???!!!!

