

## Jan Berringer still hearing from NU fans

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Jan Berringer couldn't believe the cards, letters and support she received after the plane crash that killed her son, Brook, in April.

Almost five months later, she is still surprised when she receives condolences from people who never met Brook but were touched by him.

Saturday, as Jan, her daughters Drue and Nicoel, and Brook's niece, Ellen Brook, were welcomed home to Memorial Stadium for Nebraska's season opener against Michigan State, Jan wore a pin she had received in the mail.

"Today's a rough time," she said at halftime. "I wanted to be here. I wouldn't have missed it for anything."

The Cornhusker football team has dedicated its 1996 season to Brook's memory. He graduated in December and played an integral role in Nebraska's national championships the past two seasons.

After highlights of his NU career were shown on the HuskerVision screens, the four current senior Husker captains talked about Brook.

Following the video, the cameras were turned to the press box, where Jan and Ellen Brook waved to the sold out Memorial Stadium crowd.

The proceeds from a memorial fund established in April have helped fund schooling for both Nicoel — who graduated from medical school in May — and Drue, a junior at Kansas State.

Jan said she also has been talking with the Goodland (Kan.) High School football coach about establishing a little league program in the Berringer's hometown.

"We don't have one there," she said as she held Ellen, who was dressed in a red Nebraska outfit.

## Fifth-ranked CU eyes Wolverines

BOULDER, Colo. (AP) — Colorado Coach Rick Neuheisel won't ever forget the Kordell Stewart-to-Michael Westbrook, 64-yard miracle pass that beat Michigan two years ago.

His kids won't let him.

Neuheisel has a plaque at home with a picture of Westbrook's last-play TD catch. And every time someone pushes a button on the plaque, a cassette is activated and play-by-play man Larry Zimmer's voice makes the dramatic call.

"I still get goose bumps when my little boys press the button," Neuheisel said this week as No. 5 Colorado (2-0) prepares for Saturday's game against No. 11 Michigan (1-0) at Folsom Field in Boulder. "My boys love it. They've almost worn it out."

Michigan Coach Lloyd Carr has tried to sidestep the play that turned a 26-21 lead into a 27-26 loss at Ann Arbor, Mich.

"We haven't talked about it," Carr said. "I don't say that trying to be a bad guy, but it just makes no sense for us to look back."

This time, the Buffaloes are led by Koy Detmer, who has hit on 51 of 75 passes for 618 yards and five touchdowns.

For Michigan, Scott Dreisbach starts at quarterback. Two weeks ago, he ran 72 yards for a score in the Wolverines' 20-8 win over Illinois.

"You can't go out there and try to trick them," said Neuheisel. "They will find a way to punch you out if you do that."

## Fatigued Nebraska to face Duke, N.C.

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five games in Gainesville, Fla., earlier this season, and North Carolina (5-3) took Colorado to a fifth game before losing to the Buffs last week.

The Huskers will make the trip without Coach Terry Pettit, who suffered a knee injury Thursday morning and has temporarily passed the coaching responsibilities to assistant Cathy Noth.

Nebraska travels to North Carolina to complete a home-and-home series with the two teams. Tar Heel Coach Joe Sagula is excited to have the defending national champions visit Chapel Hill.

"When you host the defending national champions, it is a great opportunity," Sagula said. "When we play them in Chapel Hill, it brings notoriety to the team, the sport and the university."

Sagula, in his seventh year at North Carolina, finds himself at the helm of a young, injury-riddled team.

The Tar Heels top player, senior Amber Willey, could miss Friday's match with a shoulder injury. Sophomore Alicia Alford, who has not played in UNC's last three matches, has a severely sprained ankle and will not play tonight.

"We are making small adjustments to play a team like Nebraska," Sagula said, "because we know we are facing a team that is big and physical."

Sagula said UNC freshmen Lib Hobson, Tori Seibert and Shannon Smith are seeing a lot of action. The Tar Heels are also getting big contributions from sophomores Erin Berg and Maya Starks. Berg, a setter from Honolulu, leads North Carolina with 203 assists.

Duke Coach Linda Gensing, in her second year, also has a young team with three freshmen playing a large role in the Blue Devils' first four matches.

Duke is coming off a rough weekend. Their match against Colorado was canceled because of Hurricane Fran before they ran into No. 3 Texas, which swept the Blue Devils.

The Huskers head into the east coast road trip coming off two wins over Michigan State. Pettit said his team is still feeling the effects of the two wins over No. 8 MSU.

"We are playing every Friday and Saturday night, and we are feeling fatigued," he said. "We were very sore after the Michigan State matches, and we were still feeling the fatigue at practice this week."

## No. 12 Huskers start 10-game homestand

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-arounds had nothing to do with fiery halftime speeches.

"First," Walker said, "it's our fitness level. We pride ourselves on being the best conditioned. Also we have depth, which means our starters are well rested. Plus it's perseverance. We have the will to win."

Gay also said the Huskers never panic.

"I think we're more relaxed in what

we need to do," said Gay, who has four goals this season.

The Husker newcomers continue to pick up the slack when the veterans are not scoring. New players have scored six of the Huskers' 17 goals. Lindsay Eddleman and Isabelle Morneau have contributed two goals apiece, and Jenny Benson and Sharolta Nonen have added one goal each.

Nebraska's offense continues to be balanced. Eight Huskers have scored goals and seven have assists.

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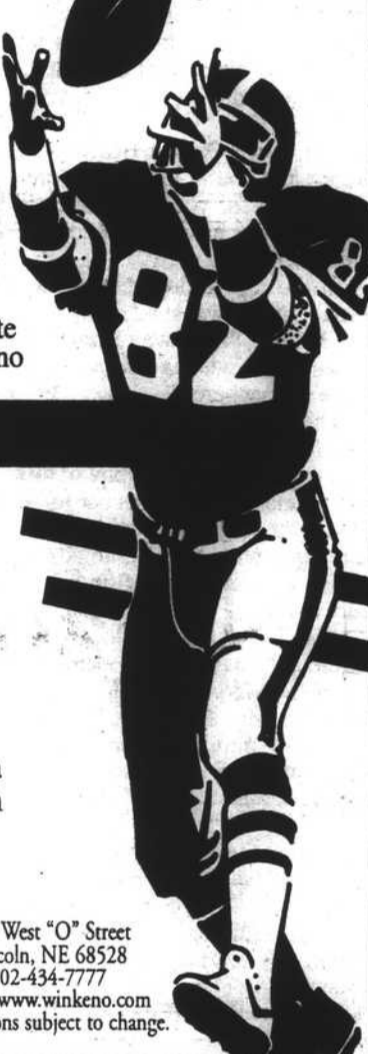
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