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LOU GROZA NATIONAL COLLEGIATE PLACE KICKER AWARD

"STARS OF THE WEEK"

10/11/2010



Dan Bailey Oklahoma State



Derek Dimke

Illinois



Danny Hrapmann

Southern Miss

College football's top kicking award, the Lou Groza Collegiate Place Kicker Award sponsored by the Palm Beach County Sports Commission recognizes three of the top kickers each week from FBS division (Div 1A) teams as the "Stars of the Week".

It was a career day for senior Dan Bailey in Oklahoma State's 54-28 thumping of Louisiana-Lafayette in Lafayette Saturday. He was a perfect 4-for-4 in field goals and converted six extra points. Bailey twice connected from a career-long 52 yards and added scores from 25 and 47 yards out. The Mustang, Oklahoma native has never missed a PAT try in his Cowboy career, setting a school record by making all 163 attempts. He has hit all 11 of his field goal tries this season, the second highest total by a kicker who has yet to miss.

Derek Dimke was the kicking star in Illinois' 33-13 victory at Penn State Saturday, the first ever win by the Fighting Illini in Happy Valley. The junior from Rockford, Illinois was a perfect 4-for-4, connecting from 31, 37, 41 and 50 yards to improve his season total to 10 of 11 field goal attempts. He is 15-of-16 in his career at Illinois. Dimke added three PATs to improve to 12-of-12 this season. He has never missed an extra point try, and leads the team in scoring with 42 points.

University of Southern Mississippi junior Danny Hrapmann moved to number one in the nation in field goals made with his team-record 5-for-5 performance against East Carolina on Saturday, but the Golden Eagles came up on the short end of a 44-43 shoot out in Hattiesburg. The New Orleans native connected twice from 49 yards, twice from 39 and once from 28 yards out, adding 4 PATs to improve to 19-for-19. Hrapmann's season total improved to 14 of 14 field goals made, and he has hit 16 straight dating back to last season. It is the longest Southern Miss field goal streak since 1995. His 61 points lead the team in scoring.

The Lou Groza Award finalists will be honored at the 19th Annual Lou Groza Awards Banquet on Tuesday December 7th at the Kravis Center in West Palm Beach, Florida. For more information on the Groza Award and the Palm Beach County Sports Commission, visit www.palmbeachsports.com.

The presentation of the Lou Groza Place-Kicker Award will be featured on *The Home Depot ESPNU College Football Awards* live on Thursday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m. ET on ESPN. The show, hosted by ESPN's Chris Fowler, Lee Corso and Kirk Herbstreit will feature the live presentation of nine player awards, along with the recipients of Disney's Spirit Award; The Home Depot Coach of the Year Award, the NCFAA (National College Football Awards Association) Contributions to College Football Award; and student-athletes selected to the Walter Camp All-America Team. Fans can visit the show's dedicated Web site at www.espncollegefootballawards.com to find the latest college football awards news, including show details, previous winners, fan voting, a photo gallery and video highlights.