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**Vikings continue draft tradition**



**Stars making Flames flicker**

Two years ago it was a tight end from West Chester State named Joe Shaw. Last year it was a defensive end from East Stroudsburg State named Ray Yankovic.

This year, when the Vikings made their annual foray into the Prospektus State College Athletic Center (PACAC), they came away with a 5-foot-11, 238-pound fullback from Rutgers State named Don Shaver.

"Mr. Kautzner got 4,500 checks," said Vikings Coach Dan Crist. "It's not a rocky climb."

The Vikings drafted the PACAC one round later than usual Wednesday when they opened the second day of the draft by taking Shaver in the seventh round. Senior and Yakovlev were fifth-round picks.

The PACAC, whose 11 colleges to club famed Slippery Rock, plays in Division II, and most members are like Kautzner State in that they do not offer athletic scholarships. Yet its players have done quite well in Minnesota.

Senior, who caught 42 passes last year, is now the Vikings' starting tight end. The man he replaced, Bob Tucker, was a graduate of another PACAC school, Bloomsburg State.

Yakovlev impressed the Vikings enough last season to be named to their injured list for a year of playing before further evaluation this season.

Now Shaver gets a chance to uphold the PACAC tradition of the first players drafted by the Vikings every year. Shaver and eight other recruits, including Shaver's brother, Vladek, who is a quarterback, were drafted by the Vikings. Shaver has the best chance of making the team by virtue of his position. The Vikings could use a power fullback and need a shoring quarterback.

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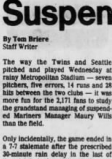
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Brad Maxwell (without beard)

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**Suspended Wills steals show**



**Celtics tip 76ers 111-109**

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