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FRANK CILIBERTO 1982 Concensus First Team All-American Drafted by the Tampa Bay Rowdies

1982 DRAGONS: MOST VICTORIES EVER

Cortland began the 1982 season playing in the wake of an excellent 1981 campaign. Just one year earlier, the Red Dragons went 17 straight contests without a loss, which came with a 1-0 defeat in overtime to Glassboro State in the NCAA Quarterfinals. To duplicate that performance, the 1982 Dragons would need a special effort by a special team.

Coach Fred Taube's charges responded to the challenge by playing defense as no other Cortland squad has in the 56-year history of the sport on campus. Behind a stellar defense that allowed just eight goals in 18 matches, the 1982 Red Dragon unit won more games in a season -15 – than any C-State team before it.

Cortland captured its second consecutive championship in the talent-laden, 39-team New York Region while running its record over the past two seasons to 29 wins, four losses and three ties.

The heart of the C-State defensive corps was first-team All-American sweeperback Frank Ciliberto. The Spencerport product captured the Player of the Year Award in the SUNYAC East, as well as first-team honors in all-state and all-league selections. Ciliberto was the only Division III player invited to play in the prestigious Senior Bowl in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where he started and played most of the collegiate star-studded contest. In the North American Soccer League (NASL) draft, Ciliberto was selected by the Tampa Bay Rowdies.

In the nets, Cortland keeper Charlie Moore tied a school record with his 11 shutouts and established a new mark by finishing with an 0.44 goals-allowed-per-game average. Moore, who maintained the tradition of goalkeeping excellence that has been synonomous with Taube's Cortland State teams, closed out his two-year career with 19 shutouts.

Senior Halefom Belay, an All-American, first team all-state and all-conference choice, used his deceptive speed and fine skills to lead the C-State midfield corps in '82. Up front, the Dragons filled the void left by the graduation of all-time leading scorer David



All-American Halefom Belay

Wright with a more balanced attack. Junior Mark Foreman spearheaded the scoring with 10 goals and three assists, while senior Paul Simmonds netted eight goals. Foreman was an honorable mention all-league forward.

The highlight of the regular season came when Cortland State blanked perennial Division II power Lock Haven 1-0 at Lock Haven, Pennsylvania. Cortland brought its 13-2 regular season record into the NCAA playoffs at Binghamton. Cortland avenged an earlier loss to SUNY-Binghamton with a 1-0 OT victory over the hosts. The Dragons then blanked Buffalo State 1-0 to advance into the NCAA Division III semifinal game against North Carolina-Greensboro.

Before an enthusiastic crowd of 1,600 fans — the largest soccer crowd in Cortland history — at Holloway Field, Cortland and UNC-Greensboro battled to a 0-0 tie after regulation time had expired. The visiting Spartans scored in the first minute of overtime to advance to the national championship game, which they won. Cortland State finished in a tie for third place in the nation.



Coach Fred Taube poses with his 1983 co-captains Steve Moore (left) and Tom Huber.

1982 Cortland State Roster

NAME

Bob Aser Halefom Belay Hans Blomer Frank Ciliberto Phil Diffley Ken Fabian Mark Foreman lose Gonzalez Luis Gonzalez Mike Heedles Bill Henson loe Huber Tom Huber **Dennis Hughes** Pat Kennedy Mark Ludington Charlie Moore Steve Moore Dan Myers Tim Reynolds Dan Robinson Paul Simmonds John Wissing Bob Wood

CLASS/POSITION

Senior/Forward Senior/Midfielder Senior/Midfielder Senior/Back Senior/Midfielder Sophomore/Forward **Junior**/Forward Freshman/Midfielder Sophomore/Forward Junior/Midfielder Senior/Midfielder Senior/Forward Junior/Midfielder Sophomore/Midfielder Junior/Back Sophomore/Back Senior/Goalie Sophomore/Midfielder Sophomore/Back Senior/Forward Senior/Back Senior/Forward Freshman/Midfielder Junior/Forward

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Head Coach: Fred Taube Assistant Coach: Al MacCormack Managers: Tim Peabody, Tim Pratt Trainer: Dave Aiken

Head Coach Fred Taube



One of NCAA Division III's most successful soccer coaches, Fred Taube has posted a 109-36-17 record during his 10 years as Cortland State head coach. The Brockport native has taken the Red Dragons to the NCAA Tournament in six of the last seven seasons. C-State finished second in the nation in 1977, and third in the country in 1978 and 1982. The Taube-led Dragons have been involved in post-season tourneys in eight of the last 10 campaigns, having won two ECAC Upstate New York Championships in addition to their NCAA action.

Taube has received awards numerous times by his peers. He has been named the State University of New York Athletic Conference (SUNYAC) Coach of the Year in 1973, 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1981. Taube earned regional honors when he was voted the New York State Coach of the Year by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America in 1977, 1979 and 1981.

A member of the Cortland State faculty since 1970, Taube was freshman soccer coach before being named head coach in 1973. He succeeded the legendary Fred "Prof" Holloway, who retired after 35 years of teaching and coaching. The C-State soccer field is named in honor of Holloway, who experienced just three losing seasons in 35 years.

Prior to coming to Cortland State, Taube was a soccer and track coach at MacMurray College and taught at Auburn University, where he coached the soccer club. He is a graduate of Brockport State and holds a master's degree from the University of North Carolina. Taube has also earned a doctorate from the University of Utah.

1982 RESULTS

Cortland 4, McMaster 1 RIT 1, Cortland 0 Cortland 4, RPI 0 Cortland 3, Union 1 Cortland 4, Albany 0 Cortland 2, Oneonta 1 Cortland 1, Plattsburgh 0 Cortland 5, Ithaca 0 Cortland 1, Brockport 0 Cortland 1, Lock Haven 0 Cortland 1, Oswego 0 Binghamton 2, Cortland 0 Cortland 4, Potsdam 0 Cortland 5, LeMoyne 0 Cortland 2, Colgate 1 Cortland 1, Binghamton 0 (OT) Cortland 1, Buffalo St. 0 UNC-Greensboro 1, Cortland 0 (OT)