

MONSTERS OF THE MIDWAY *Return*

For the first time in ages the U of C football team has had a run of very successful years. Although this year has not been as spectacular as the last few, a cold but enthusiastic crowd turned out October 26 to see the Maroons beat Rochester 42-7.

Sorry, we're kind of engrossed. Because the score is 7-0, and we've lost four games straight! Which is really sad, because when I was a freshman, we were UAA champs! It was awesome.

Second-year Gita and third-year Mandy

We try to come out for all the games because they really don't get enough love.

No, they don't. People have this sense that they're buffoons, but I'm like, come on! They go to U of C!

There's a whole group of parents who travel and get to know each other. At the Pomona game, the U of C had more fans than they did!

Donna Dowd, mom of 3rd-year right guard James Dowd, #79, goes to every game, traveling with the team.

The parents usually hang out before and tailgate. We'll talk each other up, say, OK, we've got to be really loud, and we usually are! Then the boys leave after the game, and the parents are on their own.

Wes McGhee, alumnus of the football team, 1990-94; Shala Bobolan, track, 1994-98.

We were on the track team together. We were throwers. Hammer, discus, shot put, javelin, that kind of stuff.

Do you come back to see games often?

Well, I'm still in school here, but this is my first game this year. I used to come a lot more often I was part of the Women's Athletic Association so I would've been over there, selling concessions.

I keep track of the team, and I try to catch one game a year.

Do you miss playing?

I had my fill of football. I enjoyed it while I was here, but when I was done I was done. I do coach in a high school where I live in Michigan.

Terry Tamilow, father of 1st-year defensive tackle Robert Tamilow, #65.

He finally decided where to go when the U of C gave him an academic scholarship. In high school, he had a 4.7 GPA out of 4.

Does he know what he's interested in yet?

Well, he's studying philosophy, so I'd say no.