

SPECIAL RELEASES

HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION

HELMS HALL, 2760 VENICE BOULEVARD - LOS ANGELES 34, CALIFORNIA

ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (LARGE) HIGH SCHOOL

FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1959

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Twenty-five Southern California High Schools are represented on this year's All-Southern California Large Schools football team, as released today by the Helms Athletic Foundation. The annual prep gridiron selections were made for the 23rd time, under the Helms All-Southern California Board of Football banner, at Helms Hall in Los Angeles. The selections were made from among the 15 Southern California C.I.F. leagues, comprising the large schools of the area.

It did not take the Helms Board long to determine a player of the year for the 1959 season, as left halfback Willie Brown of Long Beach Polytechnic High School was named as this season's top football player. Performing for Coach Dave Levy's Jackrabbits, the strongest team in CIF ranks for the past two years, Willie Brown led his team to the Harry J. Moore League title and the CIF Northern Group Championship in the large schools division.

Brown is described by his coach as one of the most valuable players he has ever coached and his 140 points in 11 games set a new Long Beach Poly all-time scoring mark. Co-captain of this year's Poly team, Brown carried the ball 126 times in 11 games for 1,707 yards and a fabulous 13.5 average. He completed 14 of 30 passes for 292 yards and three touchdowns. He personally accounted for 22 TDs himself and eight extra points for his 140 points. This topped large school scoring in the CIF for 1959. Over a three-year period at Long Beach Poly, Coach Dave Levy's record now stands at 28-1-2 and two straight CIF crowns.

Willie Brown will receive his player of the year medal award at the 23rd annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 16, at 10:30 a.m. At this time, all those players named for All-Southern California and All-Los Angeles City football team honors will receive framed scrolls. Brown will also have his name engraved upon the Paul H. Helms Trophy which is permanently lodged in Helms Hall.

Long Beach Poly led all schools in placing gridgers on the first team, as Brown, Lonzo Irvin (fullback) and Mike Giers (tackle) made the top eleven. Irvin ran for 950 yards during the season and averaged 9.7 yards per carry, as he scored 95 points on 14 TDs and 11 extra points. Mike Giers is described by his coach, "as the best lineman to ever perform at Poly," which if only half true makes Mike a fine tackle.

San Diego High School, winner of the Southern Section of the large CIF high school playoffs, also placed three performers on the All-Southern California teams, one on the first and two on the second. Duane Maley's top halfback H.D. Murphy was named to the first team, while tackle Oliver McKinney and guard Tom Meshack are the second-team selections. Murphy scored 97 points during the season and played outstanding defense as well.

Monrovia High School, runner-up to San Diego in the Southern Section Championships, placed three players on the three teams, all on the second team. Long Beach Wilson, Glendale, El Monte and Santa Ana are represented by two players each.

Three backs -- Willie Brown, Ken Graham, and Bill Gaydosh -- are the only repeaters on this year's team. Brown and Gaydosh were both on last year's second All-Southern California team, while Santa Monica's Ken Graham was on the first team as an end.

All players named for honors will be guests of Paul H. Helms, Jr. at the 23rd annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program at Helms Hall on January 16, at 10:30 a.m. CIF Championship coaches, Duane Maley (San Diego) Dave Levy (Long Beach Poly) Dick Tucker (Brea-Olinda) Ray Solari (South Pasadena) and Bob McOutcheon (Ramona) will receive special silver tumbler awards for their efforts.

PAST C.I.F. FOOTBALL PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

1937 Frank Albert	Glendale	1949 Jim Contratto	St. Anthony's
1938 Harry Karns	Pomona	1950 Charles Powell	San Diego
1939 John Petrovich	Alhambra	1951 Marty Keough	Pomona
1940 Peter Zucco	Santa Barbara	1952 Ronald Knox	Santa Monica
1941 Newell Oestrich	Inglewood	1953 Ernie Zampese	Santa Barbara
1942 Glenn Davis	Bonita	1954 John Hangartner	Hoover, Glendale
1943 Norman Veeh	Tustin	1955 Mickey Flynn	Anaheim
1944 Bill Martin	Mark Keppel	1956 Mickey Flynn	Anaheim
1945 Al Pollard	Loyola (LA)	Randy Meadows	Downey
1946 Al Pollard	Loyola (LA)	1957 Gary Craig	Riverside
1947 Bud Woodward	Loyola (LA)	1958 Dee Andrews	Long Beach, Poly
1948 John Olszewski	St. Anthony's	1959 Willie Brown	Long Beach, Poly



LONG BEACH ONLY BACK, WILLIE BROWN, NAMED  
PLAYER OF YEAR FOR 1959 IN LARGE SCHOOLS

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ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (LARGE SCHOOL) FOOTBALL TEAM

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POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR
End.....	DAVE JOHNSON	WILSON, LONG BEACH	6' 2	185	Senior
End.....	KEN FRASER	MUIR, PASADENA	6' 4	184	Senior
Tackle..	MIKE GIERS	POLY, LONG BEACH	6'	225	Senior
Tackle..	MIKE BROWN	MT. CARMEL	6'	215	Senior
Guard...	DAMON BAME	GLENDALE	5'10	175	Senior
Guard...	BRUCE JOHNSON	HAWTHORNE	5'10	185	Senior
Center..	MALCOLM WEAVER	REDLANDS	6' 2	225	Senior
Back....	WILLIE BROWN	POLY, LONG BEACH	5'11	175	Senior
Back....	LONZO IRVIN	POLY, LONG BEACH	6'	225	Senior
Back....	H.D. MURPHY	SAN DIEGO	6'	182	Senior
Back....	KEN GRAHAM	SANTA MONICA	6'	185	Senior
Back....	BILL GAYDOSH	EL MONTE	6'	175	Senior

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End.....	TOM SEABOLD	GLENDALE	6' 2	175	Senior
End.....	PAUL BURLESON	INGLEWOOD	6' 2	170	Senior
Tackle..	OLIVER MCKINNEY	SAN DIEGO	6'	180	Senior
Tackle..	DAN PELKEY	MONROVIA	6' 1	220	Senior
Guard...	TOM MESHACK	SAN DIEGO	5'11	185	Senior
Guard...	RON GOLDMAN	MONROVIA	5' 9	195	Junior
Center..	JOHN KENDRICK	SANTA ANA	5'10	176	Senior
Back....	DAVE RICHMAN	WILSON, LONG BEACH	6' 2	202	Senior
Back....	FRANK POZSGAI	MT. CARMEL	5'11	185	Senior
Back....	WARREN JACKSON	SANTA ANA	6'	195	Junior
Back....	JOHN LOCKWOOD	BURBANK	6'	190	Senior
Back....	TOM HARDING	MONROVIA	5' 8	145	Senior

\* \* \* T H I R D T E A M

End.....	JIM WHITE	ARROYO	6' 2	195	Senior
End.....	TONY GILHAM	ST. AUGUSTINE	6'	176	Senior
Tackle..	DAVE BOWERS	WHITTIER	6' 3	230	Senior
Tackle..	TOM CORTY	DOMINGUEZ	6' 1	180	Senior
Guard...	JACK BLACKMUR	EL MONTE	5'10	185	Senior
Guard...	FRED CONVERTINI	DOANEY	5'10	200	Senior
Center..	LARRY STOCKMAN	VENTURA	5' 9	180	Senior
Back....	STEVE THURLOW	ESCONDIDO	6' 3	182	Senior
Back....	MARSHALL ADAIR	EL RANCHO	6'	175	Senior
Back....	STEVE WILLIAMS	SANTA PAULA	5'10	202	Senior
Back....	JIM VALMORE	LEUZINGER	5'11	175	Senior
Back....	JOE CORTEZ	ROSEMEAD	5'10	170	Senior

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The Twenty-Third Annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program will be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 16 at 10:30 a.m. At this time those boys named for All-Los Angeles City and All-Southern California large and small schools football honors for 1959 will be presented with their framed scroll awards. Willie Brown, Southern California high school large school player of the year for 1959, will receive his Helms medal award at this time, also. Coaches, honored players and special guests will be invited to attend the awards luncheon to help pay tribute to this season's top football players.

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# HELMS ATHLETIC FOUNDATION

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## ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (SMALL) HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM FOR 1959

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South Pasadena High School, winner of the Double A football title in the CIF Southern Section for 1959, placed three players on this year's CIF small high school teams, as members of Helms All-Southern California Board of Football met to make their annual prep grid selections. Thirty-six players, representing 27 Southern California high schools were named for 1959 gridiron recognition, including Don Johnson, who was named player of the year. Johnson, from South Pasadena High School, led the Tigers to the Rio Hondo League title and the CIF Double A championship.

A 6', 180-pound fullback who wound up 8th in CIF scoring with 96 points, Johnson is only a junior. He is described by his coach, Ray Solari "as a great runner, blocker and punter." The South Pasadena Tigers had an 12-1 record for the 1959 season, defeating Mater Dei in the finals game, 28-14. In the title game, Johnson scored twice on runs of 28 and 51 yards.

For having been named CIF small schools player of the year for 1959, Don Johnson will receive a special Helms medal award at the 23rd Annual All-Southern California Board of Football Awards Program to be held at Helms Hall on Saturday morning, January 16, at 10:30 a.m. All players named for Southern California CIF and All-Los Angeles City team honors will gather in the Helms Hall patio to receive their scroll awards. Coaches, athletes and past stars of the gridiron will join in paying tribute to these fine stars of the past high school season.

Other small schools backs to make the first team along with Johnson were John Sheeler (Hart), who scored 78 points from his tailback position; Ray Sanchez, Mater Dei's 175-pound halfback and co-captain, who finished season as CIF's third high scorer with 119 points; Gary Holman, who led Brea-Olinda to the Single A title from his quarterback spot, completing 75 of 144 passes for 10 TDs and over 1000 yards; and Beaumont's Larry Rubidoux, senior halfback, who led the Cougars to the De Anza title with over 150 points scored.

Additional players to be named for 1959 honors among a long list of top backs were Mater Dei's John Huarte junior quarterback, who passed for 12 TDs and scored four himself; Mary Star's Vincent Mattera, 6'3, 215-pound fullback, who scored 72 points for the Camino Real champs; Ramona's Mel White, who accounted for 98 points for Coach Bob McCutcheon's Small School CIF champs; Paul Doetsch, who led Brawley to the Imperial Valley League title, with 48 points; Bill Dahlman of Harvard who scored 124 points, while rushing for 784 yards and receiving passes totaling 643 yards; Barry Babine, Desert's fine back, who rolled up 158 points during the season and Eddie Blecksmith, who paced Charter Oak to the Suburban League championship, scoring 89 points, nine TDs of which were made from over 50 yards out.

Only two players repeated from last season's small schools team. Roger Clark was a third-team end in 1958, while Hart's John Sheeler was again named to the first team.

Ten juniors were named to the three honor squads, three on the first, three on the second and four on the third team. South Pasadena and Mater Dei placed a trio of players on the teams, while Mary Star, Brea-Olinda, Harvard, Ramona and Eisenhower placed two players each.

C.I.F. small schools coaches to receive special silver tumbler awards for leading their teams to division titles are Raymond Solari (South Pasadena), Dick Tucker (Brea-Olinda) and Robert McCutcheon (Ramona), all of whom won playoff titles.

### PAST SMALL SCHOOLS PLAYER OF THE YEAR SELECTIONS

YEAR	PLAYER	SCHOOL	YEAR	PLAYER	SCHOOL
1951	Billy J. Smith	Ventura	1956	Adrian Ledbetter	Brea-Olinda
1952	C.R. Roberts	Oceanside	1957	Harold Tobin	Coronado
1953	C.R. Roberts	Oceanside		Henry Enriquez	Mater Dei
1954	Bill Cooper	Hawthorne	1958	Bill Redell	San Marino
	Bob Franklin	Chula Vista	1959	Don Johnson	South Pasadena
1955	Bill "Skip" Face	San Marino			

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DON JOHNSON SOUTH PASADENA BACK, SELECTED  
TOP SMALL SCHOOLS PLAYER FOR 1959 SEASON

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ALL-SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (SMALL SCHOOL) FOOTBALL TEAM

\* \* \* FIRST TEAM

POSITION	PLAYER	SCHOOL	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	YEAR SCHOOL
End.....	BUDDY ORTEGA	MARY STAR OF THE SEA	6'	170	Senior
End.....	ROGER CLARK	SOUTH PASADENA	6' 1	170	Senior
Tackle..	FRED ENGEL	TUSTIN	5'11	185	Senior
Tackle..	GILBERT ACHTER	MISSION, S.L.O.	6' 1	200	Senior
Guard...	LARRY SAGOUSPE	CHINO	6'	205	Senior
Guard...	STAN GONTA	TORRANCE	6'	220	Senior
Center..	JACK BARNHART	PASO ROBLES	5' 9	195	Junior
Back....	DON JOHNSON	SOUTH PASADENA	5'11	180	Junior
Back....	JOHN SHEELER	HART	5' 8	171	Senior
Back....	GARY HOLMAN	BREA-OLINDA	5'11	175	Junior
Back....	RAY SANCHEZ	MATER DEI	5'10	175	Senior
Back....	LARRY RUBIDOUX	BEAUMONT	5'10	170	Senior

\* \* \* SECOND TEAM

End.....	MIKE MACKLIN	CLAREMONT	6' 5	195	Senior
End.....	JIM WILLIAMSON	BREA-OLINDA	5'10	160	Junior
Tackle..	MEL CARPENTER	LUTHERAN	6' 1	195	Senior
Tackle..	BILL SCHERRER	BELL GARDENS	5'11	185	Senior
Guard...	EDWARD SHUEY	HARVARD	6' 1	195	Senior
Guard...	DENNIS BENDER	NEEDLES	6' 1	197	Senior
Center..	RON PATERNO	WESTMINSTER	5'10	175	Senior
Back....	BILL DAHLMAN	HARVARD	5'10	175	Senior
Back....	PETER BEATHARD	EL SEGUNDO	6' 1	195	Senior
Back....	BARRY BABINE	DESERT	5'10	162	Senior
Back....	VINCENT MATTERA	MARY STAR OF THE SEA	6' 3	215	Junior
Back....	JOHN HUARTE	MATER DEI	6'	165	Junior

\* \* \* THIRD TEAM

End.....	JERRY KOCH	EISENHOWER	6' 1	175	Junior
End.....	TOM LOVERN	ARROYO GRANDE	6' 1	195	Senior
Tackle..	AL LOOSLI	SOUTH PASADENA	6'	175	Senior
Tackle..	DICK LITZINGER	MATER DEI	6'	185	Junior
Guard...	CHARLES JONES	RAMONA	5' 9	163	Senior
Guard...	SKIP WEBSTER	ST. FRANCIS	5' 6	178	Senior
Center..	LARRY WHITELEY	EISENHOWER	5'11	180	Senior
Back....	DOUG O'KEEFE	SAN MARINO	6'	170	Junior
Back....	EDDIE BLECKSMITH	CHARTER OAK	6'	165	Junior
Back....	LEONARD FOLLOCK	VICTOR VALLEY	5' 9	175	Senior
Back....	MELVIN WHITE	RAMONA	5' 8	155	Senior
Back....	PAUL DOETSCH	BRAWLEY	5' 9	165	Senior

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