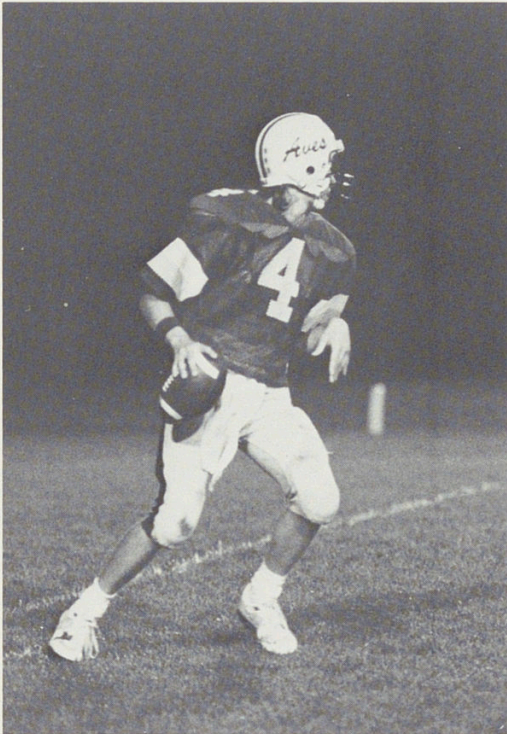


**Impact!** Together, N. Shapiro, L. Whitehead, and M. Butcher tackle the Anderson player.

**Offense!** Quarterback Chris Jones searches the field for an open man during the Anderson game.



## Friday Night Fights!

**T**he varsity football team faced many challenging teams this season. For the second consecutive year, Sycamore competed in the Greater Miami Conference. Even with a 2-8 record, Coach Ron Corradini believed in the players when he said, "The kids hung in there. They never gave up on us or themselves."

The player's conditioning began in early August. The coaches required the team to participate in a running and lifting program which was designed to enhance their strength and stamina. The conditioning program consisted of long, hard days of intense training and early mornings of aching muscles.

The season opened up with a game against rival Moeller High School, a top rated team in the city. Technically, the score said Sycamore lost the game 14-6 however, the game was full of excitement. During the first half, Sycamore was in the lead. Unfortunately, Moeller pulled ahead and won the game.

"Two players that had a profound effect on

the team were captains Jon Brewer and Chris Wilfong," said Coach Corradini. Brewer completed 14 passes out of 39 attempts. Wilfong led the team in tackles with a total of 89. "These key players were a major asset to our team," stated Coach Corradini.

As the season progressed, the players improved their skills and all of the Aves' hard work and commitment during the season paid off in a final victory against Roger Bacon. They shut out the opponents on the home field, 7-0. One player, senior Dwayne Evans, explained the season as, "A

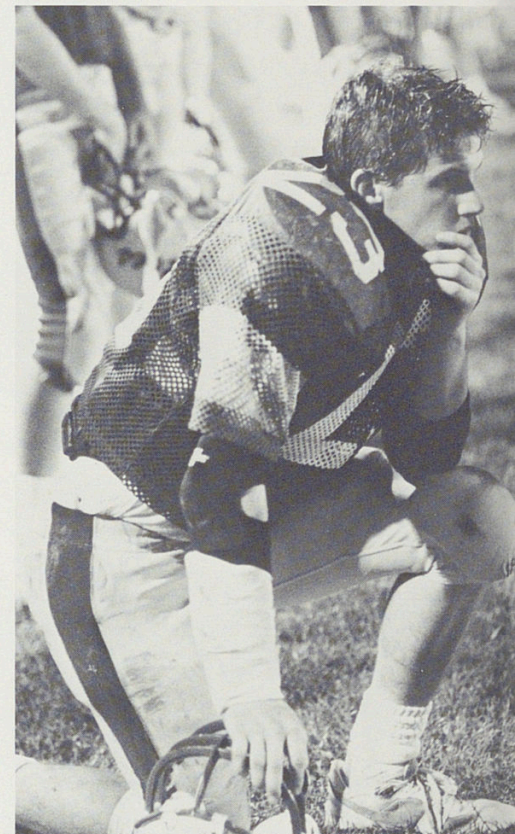
lot of fun but also a lot of hardship. We managed to overcome this and finish the season with a win."

"Although the season was not successful for the football team according to the record, our success was marked by hard work and a positive attitude," stated captain Jon Brewer.

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**Concentration...** Captain Chris Wilfong watches intensely at the soon-to-be victory.

**Getting Ready!** Running back Hank Ray prepares for Friday night's game against Anderson.

