

**ROB DALLEY from Wilfrid Laurier University receives the 2003
Gino Fracas Award as the CIS's Most Outstanding Volunteer Assistant Coach.**

Toronto – Rob Dalley of Wilfrid Laurier University is the 2003 recipient of the Gino Fracas Award as the Most Outstanding Volunteer Coach in Canadian University Football.

The award was presented on Friday, November 21 by Football Canada at the combined TSN/CFL Vanier Cup Awards Luncheon.

Named in honour of Gino Fracas, legendary coach at the Universities of Alberta and Windsor, the award recognizes outstanding career service by a volunteer assistant football coach.

Rob has served as an assistant coach with the Wilfrid Laurier Golden Hawks for the past 13 seasons. He has coached receivers, running backs, quarterbacks and acted as special teams coordinator. During Rob's tenure the Golden Hawks have appeared in four Yates Cups, winning a Yates Cup in 1991, the same year they went on to win the Churchill Bowl and the Vanier Cup. He has also coached at the junior level with the Windsor AKO Fratmen Football Team for 2 years, with team Ontario's Provincial Team for one year and he won a High School National Championship in 1996.

Many of Rob's athletes have gone on to the CFL and many more have been recognized as all stars and major award winners in the CIS. Many of the traits exhibited by Rob are no doubt a result of the influence his University Coach had on him. Ironically, it was Coach Fracas who helped develop Rob's exceptional character. What sets Coach Dalley apart from his peers is his ability to deliver his message to his player's. Rob is an outstanding teacher and he is very highly respected by coaches and players alike.

In addition to Rob's on field contributions he has actively assisted in community endeavours such as Big Brothers, Heart and Stroke and Literacy for Laurier. Rob is also very committed to his family and his full time job as a teacher within the Waterloo Separate School Board. He has worked his way up the education ladder from teacher to Vice-Principal and now Principal.

Rob also has his Level 1 & 2 Technical in football from the National Coaching Certification Program.

The Gino Fracas Award was introduced in 1988. Previous winners are:

1988	-	Morgan Clark, University of Windsor
1989	-	Phil Hughes, St. Francis Xavier University
1990	-	John MacNeil, Mount Allison University
1991	-	Clarke Samways, University of Western Ontario
1992	-	Doug Smith, University of Toronto
1993	-	Bob Mullen, Queen's University
1994	-	Bill Miklas, Queen's University
1995	-	Gary Kirchner, McGill University
1996	-	Peter Regimbald, Concordia University
1997	-	Rita Sue Bolton, Queen's University
1998	-	Mark Forsyth, McMaster University
1999	-	John Belmont, University of Alberta
2000	-	Kevin Artichuk, Saint Francis Xavier
2001	-	Frank Gesztesi, McMaster University
2002	-	Barry Radcliffe, University of Saskatchewan

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