



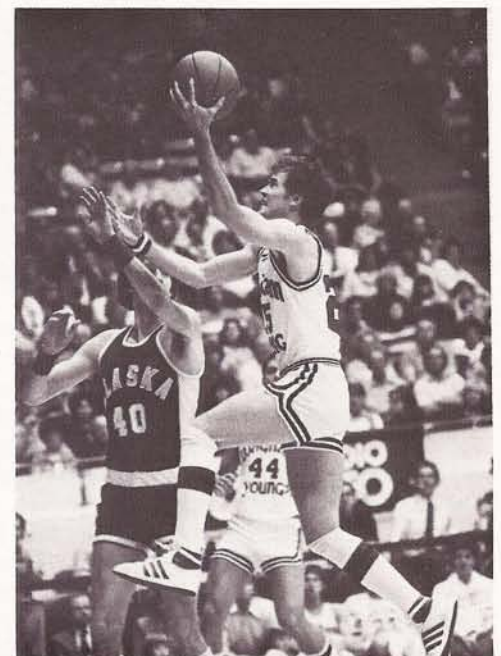
Personnel Picture

	Cl.	Ht.	Scoring Average	Rebounding Average	Scoring Position
LETTERMEN LOST (6)					
****Timo Saarelainen	Gr.	6-6	22.0	4.5	1st
***Marty Perry	Gr.	6-1	4.9	1.7	7th
****Scott Sinek	Gr.	6-2	10.1	2.3	2nd
*Andy Toolson	+So.	6-6	8.5	2.7	3rd
***Chris Nikchevich	Jr.	6-2	6.8	1.7	5th
*Eric Kellogg	Jr.	6-7	2.4	2.1	11th
LETTERMEN RETURNING (10)					
*Alan Pollard	So.	6-9	7.7	6.5	4th
*Tom Gneiting	Jr.	6-10	6.3	6.0	6th
*Jeff Chatman	So.	6-6	3.9	4.1	8th
***Richie Webb	Sr.	6-5	3.8	1.2	9th
*Bryan Fink	Sr.	6-8	2.4	2.8	10th
*Bob Cochran	Sr.	6-5	0.8	0.5	12th
*Anthony Matthews	So.	6-5	0.3	0.7	13th
JUNIOR COLLEGE TRANSFERS (3)					
Avarian Parrish	Jr.	6-5	23.5	6.1	JC Dixie
Brent Stephenson	Jr.	6-9	13.0	7.3	Dixie
Greg Humphreys	Jr.	6-7	23.2	9.9	Snow
MISSION RETURNEES (2)					
**Mike Maxwell	Sr.	6-1	2.3	0.6	10th
**Bob Capener	Jr.	6-4	1.0	0.6	10th
FRESHMEN (2)					
Chris Rasmussen		6-7	17.0	11.0	HOME TOWN Butte, Mont.
Mark Heslop		6-5	24.3	9.0	Ogden, Utah

*Letters Earned
+Left on LDS Church Mission



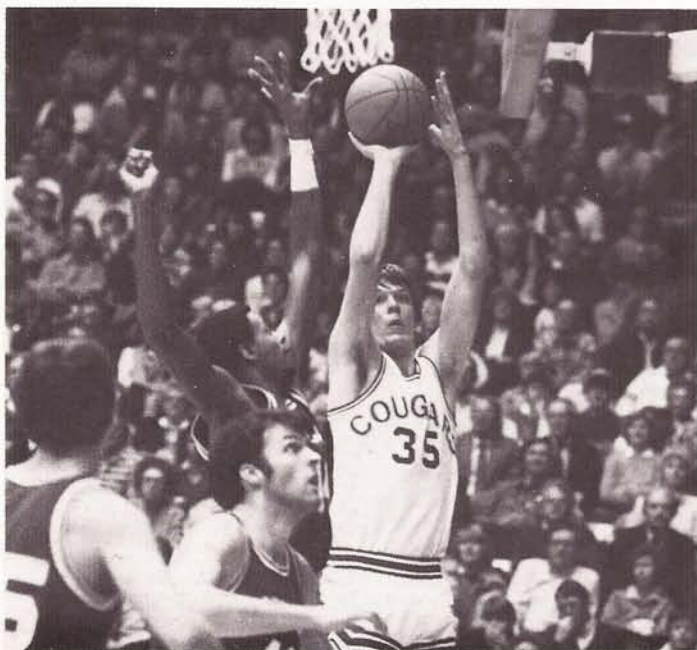
Members of BYU's coaching staff are (l to r) John Hansen, graduate coach; Carl Ingersol, assistant coach; Ladell Andersen, head coach; Roger Reid, assistant head coach; and "Chic" Hess, junior varsity coach.



Mike Maxwell returns after a knee injury and a mission.



1985-86 Outlook



Tom Gneiting should be a force inside for BYU.

Injuries and mission calls played havoc with Cougar basketball fortunes last year. As a result, BYU found itself struggling at the start of the season, winning 12 of 16 in the middle, then fading at the finish with an overall 15-14 record. This time around, Coach Ladell Andersen and his staff will be looking for more stability and more consistency from a squad that contains nine returning lettermen.

Gone from the 1985 team are the top three scorers of last season, including Timo Saarelainen, who averaged 22.0 points per game and was named the WAC's most valuable player. And a church mission call claimed freshman standout Andy Toolson. Scott Sinek, a starter most of the past three seasons, will be missed on the guard line, along with Marty Perry. Those four averaged more than 45 points per game between them last season, about 60 percent of the scoring output.

Even with the balance of the team returning, there will have to be some major retooling for the 1985-86 season. To help bring the club up to strength, the Cougar staff acquired three promising junior college transfers and two fine prospects from the prep ranks. Two or three of the five could provide immediate help.

Two of the three junior college transfers are coming to BYU from the 1985 junior college national championship team at Dixie College (St. George, Utah). Newcomer Averian Parrish (6-5) was named MVP at the national tournament, and Dixie teammate Brent Stephenson (6-9) was named All-American and was also one of the most highly recruited players in the State. A third transfer, Greg Humphreys (6-7) from Snow College (Ephraim, Utah) played in the same conference (ICAC) with Parrish and Stephenson. Parrish led the league in scoring (25.9 points per game), and Humphreys was runner-up (23.2). Humphreys was the leading rebounder in the conference (9.7), and Stephenson was a 60 percent shooter from the field. With these three aboard, the BYU outlook should improve markedly.

While not too much can be expected from a team that as yet has not played together, the combination of new transfers and returning lettermen will give the Cougars a new look. The battle for starting positions on the front line will be intense. Sophomore Alan Pollard (6-9) averaged nearly 28 minutes of play per game his freshman year. Another sophomore, Jeff Chatman (6-6), was in 26 games for an average of 15 minutes of play. Junior Tom Gneiting (6-10) saw a lot of time at center last season, which should give BYU seasoning for this year.

There will be one senior returning on the guard line. Richie Webb (6-5) averaged 13 minutes of play per game last year. A mission returnee, Bob Capener (6-3), will also be vying for a guard spot. But the Cougars could use some more help, some more fire power on the guard line.

Coach Andersen is also making room for two high school recruits who will figure in the Cougars' future. Guard Mark Heslop (6-5) was an outstanding all-around athlete at Ogden High School, and Chris Rasmussen (6-7) is one of the better players to come out of Montana (Butte High School) in recent years. But Andersen may be looking for immediate help for this year.

Overall, the Cougars will be working with a new mixture of talent. It appears the challenge will be to come up with some scoring punch, plus some consistent shooting from the free throw line. Last season the Cougars dropped several games because they weren't steady at the free throw line. Given the right combination of factors, BYU could improve on last year's record.



Jeff Chatman makes things happen around the basket.