

enjoyed by many

was coaching, which made it impossible." This year Wertman, who now lives in Crystal Beach, FL bought his Homecoming game tickets in advance through the mail.

Jane Morrison, whose main reason for coming to Slippery Rock this year was to support Shirley Comstock being honored at the first Hall of Fame, had the same problem.

"I usually don't get up here for Homecoming because I have swim meets in the fall," said the 1940 phys. ed. graduate who has taught at Ohio Western University for 20 years.

"I retired last year so now I can do what I want," said Morrison whose grandfather helped found the Slippery Rock Normal School.

The biggest change that came to Morrison's mind was that women are now competing in varsity sports and back in those days women only played intramural sports.

Rusty, a 1980 graduate who is now a substitute teacher in Pittsburgh, said Slippery Rock has changed tremendously. He feels the changes were for the better.

He said he noticed there are more people and a different breed of students.

"Everyone is having a good time, but they're also doing a lot of work," he explained.

The Theta Chi brother commented that he was surprised to see the fraternity's Q.P.A.'s going up. "Slippery Rock is not so much the partying school like it was notorious for. Now it's how much you can consume and still go to class," he joked.

Rusty said he doesn't miss going to class or the book work, but he misses being around his friends. "That's what keeps me coming back," he added, explaining that the lasting friendships that he built are one of the biggest benefits he received from Slippery Rock University.

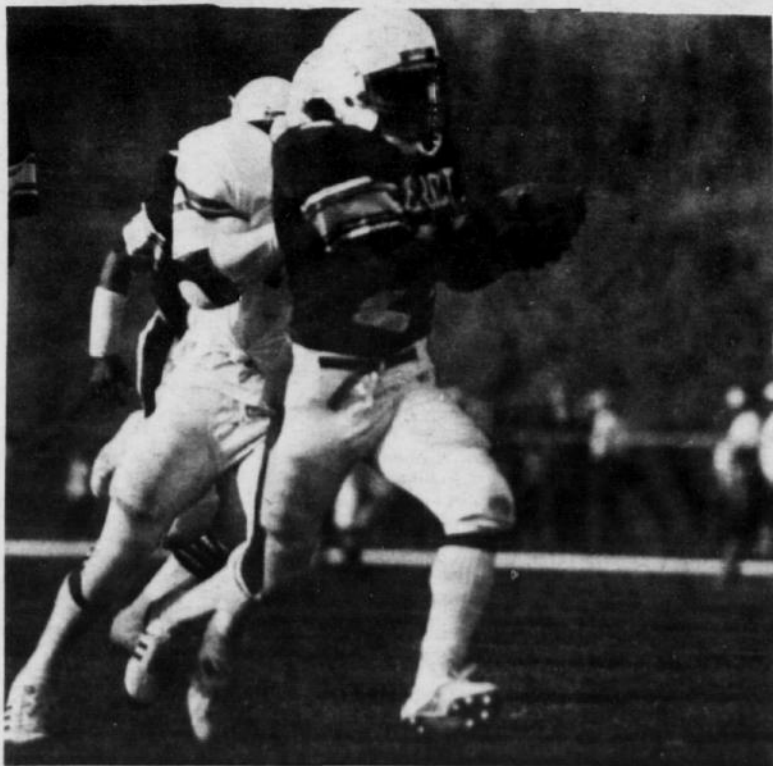
Evan Davis, a 1982 political science graduate who helped found the Slippery Rock rugby team, came back for Homecoming to play rugby with the alumni.

Davis, who was having a good old time "partying" with his friends at a tailgate party, said the Rock has changed because it's now a University and the football team is on the rise. "That's important to me because I'd like to see the football team do it up," said the former J.V. player.



"Beat It" by Rocklettes Saturday half-time. (Photo by Kim George.)

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Football game Saturday afternoon. (Photo by Kim George.)

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