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### Rosel Speaks to Redskins

Eric Rosel spoke to the Liberal football team during their banquet Thursday night. Rosel spoke about LHS tradition, obstacles he overcame at Michigan, and gave advice to the football team. Here's some of his accomplishments.

Born & raised in Liberal, A Graduate of Liberal High School, class of 1997. While at LHS he was a standout student athlete. His accomplishments include

Top 10% of his academic class

1996 All State Football as Tailback

1993, 1995 State Champions in Football

1994, 1996 State runner-up in football

7 individual Gold medals at state track

100 meter 10.33 (new School record); Long Jump 23'6.75";

Javelin, 219-4' (new School record; 4 X 100 meter relay 42.03 (new State record)

Kansas Gatorade Athlete of the year

1994,1995,1996,1997 State champion in Track

1995,1996,1997 All Wac in Basketball

1996 State runner up in basketball

Chosen Kansas Shrine Bowl Team

All American Bowl West Team

Eric still holds the School record in Javelin and State record in the 4X 100 meter relay.

Upon graduation, Eric was awarded a full ride scholarship to the University of Michigan in Football. While at Michigan, he played under head coach, Lloyd Carr along with players such as Heismann Trophy Winner Charles Woodson; former NFL Bronco Quarterback, Brian Griese, NFL Quarterback Tom Brady of the New England Patriots, and Liberal's own Jeremy Tuman, a Former NFL Pittsburgh Steeler.

Eric wears his college rings proudly which include a 1997 National Championship at the Rose Bowl; 1998 Orange Bowl and Citrus Bowl rings of 1999, 2000, and 2001, along with several Big Ten Championships. While attending the University of Michigan, Eric was also a member of the Dean's Honor Roll.

Eric's accomplishments have not come without many challenges and adversities. In fact, while in high school nursing a pulled hamstring during track season, he would spend his spare time (when not able to do running events) in the bus studying to get his pilots license. The day he turned 17 (the

legal age to fly) he passed his written FAA exam and soon became a certified pilot.

In all his excitement upon receiving his pilots license, he is known to have said: “Now I can go somewhere”. That he has done.

Eric currently resides in Denver, Colorado and works for Morgan Stanley/Smith Barney as a wealth management advisor, overseeing and managing millions of dollars in assets. He is married to his high school sweetheart from Dodge City, Kansas and has three wonderful children.

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