New Castle’s Stone already making his mark at Iowa  
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Geno Stone is off to a quick start to his football career at the University of Iowa.

The New Castle High product was forced into action early due to injuries and has responded well, playing in six games, making five tackles and hauling in his first career interception on Oct. 7 in a 45-16 win over Illinois. The Hawkeyes freshman also has seen playing time on special teams throughout the season.

Neshannock graduates Ty Sear and Jimmy Medure are making their mark at Pitt. Sear, a freshman tight end, has made one reception for 10 yards in five games played, while Medure, a defensive lineman, has appeared in five games in his sophomore season.

Former New Castle stars Tevin McCaster and Steven Wethli are playing for ninth-ranked Youngstown State in Division I FCS play. Both juniors, McCaster leads the team in rushing with 598 yards and nine touchdowns, while Wethli has played in all six games as the long snapper.

Nick Ioanilli, an Ellwood City Lincoln product, is the third-leading tackle for Colgate. The sophomore linebacker has made 46 stops on the years.

Duquesne University is home to New Castle’s Drew Allen and Wilmington’s Spencer DeMedal. Allen, a junior tight end, has made two receptions for 19 yards. DeMedal, a freshman, has played in six games and made five tackles.

New Castle graduate Julian Cox has appeared in six games for Albany, making 16 tackles from his linebacker spot in his junior season.

Former Union standout Clarence Parchman has played in six games for Waynesburg University.

A number of former county players are now taking the field for Slippery Rock University. Neshannock graduates Danny Welker and Sean Doran have both seen significant playing time as freshmen. Doran has made 19 tackles through six games and Welker has played in three games. Also at The Rock is former Red Hurricane quarterback Pat Minenok, now a linebacker, who has appeared in one game this season.

Robert Morris University is home to Neshannock graduate Frank Antuono, who has played in three games thus far in his freshman season. Drew Allen, brother of Stew and also a former ‘Canes standout, has played in six games, made 19 tackles and one interception for the Colonials.

Anthony Berardi of Wilmington, Nathan Nativio of Neshannock and Steven Reether of Laurel are now all playing for Grove City College. Berardi and Nativio have both played in seven games in their freshman and senior seasons respectively, while Reether, also a senior, has seen the field in five games.

Berardi’s former Wilmington teammate Reese Bender has yet to play for Allegheny College.

A pair of juniors from Lawrence County play for Mercyhurst University. Chris Peluso, a Laurel graduate, has played in seven games and made 33 tackles and two sacks. Team-mate Benjamin Young, a Union product, also has played in seven games and made 28 tackles from his defensive back position.

Mohawk graduates, Michael Kurtz, Mehmet Iclek and Thomas Romano have each yet to play in their sophomore seasons at Westminster College. Joe Salmen, a Union graduate, has punted 24 times with a 37.4 yard average in his senior season. Sophomore Anthony Rush, also of Union, has played in six games and made 12 tackles.

Thiel College is home to former Shenango punter Dylan Kleckner, who is averaging 37.9 yards per punt in his sophomore season.

Freshmen Rissaun McKnight of Union and Alonzo Regina of Neshannock are both at Geneva College. McKnight has played in one game and Regina has made two tackles in two games for the Golden Tornadoes.

Former New Castle standout Lamont McPhatter has been an integral part of the defense for California University (Pa.). McPhatter, a sophomore, has played in six games and made 35 tackles, four interceptions and one forced fumble. Teammate Bouraguard Jones, also of New Castle, has made three catches for 36 yards in three games played for the Vulcans.

Men’s soccer

Wilmington product Jon Clark has scored five goals and tallied two assists in 15 games played in his senior season for Westminster College. Mohawk graduate Christopher Felger has appeared in 14 games for the Greyhounds.

Women’s soccer

Freshman Regan Moorhouse of Neshannock has impressed in her freshman season at Westminster, scoring two goals in 15 games played. Teammate Ayla Chapman, a Mohawk graduate, has appeared in 13 games in her sophomore season.

Wilmington graduate Savanah Gerstnecker has played in one match in her freshman season at St. Vincent College.

Men’s golf

Evan Long, a freshman from Laurel, finished 18th in the St. John’s Fall Invitational for the Minnesota University golf team. Matthew Benson, Nate McCandles and Bryan Peterson of Shenango join Luke Ostermeyer of Laurel, Tyler Good of Ellwood City and Michael Rozzi of Neshannock on the Butler County Community College golf team. Most recently, the team won its fifth consecutive Western Pennsylvania Athletic Association championship and Good and Rozzi were named to the WPCC all-conference team.

Women’s golf

Neshannock graduate Marissa Kirkwood shot a 235 at the Betsy Rawls Invitational to take 63rd for Kent State University. Kirkwood is currently in her sophomore season for the Golden Flashes.

If you have any additional former county athletes to include in the college notebook, contact The News sports department at ncsports@ncnewsonline.com.