



# Nick Hardwick, C, Chargers



Nick Hardwick, center for the San Diego Chargers, will be helping coach the Pro Football Camp for the first time this year. During his 2007 season, he earned All-NFL honors from USA Today Sports Weekly, despite a foot injury that took him out of play for 4 weeks.

Nick knows about determination. During college, he attended Purdue with the intent to wrestle for the Boilermakers. It wasn't until his sophomore year that he decided to try to walk on to the school's football team. After spending a year as the defensive tackle for the scout team, Nick was given the position of starting center. The hard work and willpower he displayed paid off and, in 2004, Nick was drafted by the San Diego Chargers.

Nick has been a starter since his rookie season in 2004, and the Chargers have rushed for at least 2,000 yards each of those seasons, including a team-record 2,578 yards in 2006. In 2006, Nick was selected to the AFC Pro Bowl Squad.

