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Bolivar, Mo. - The SBU Bearcats enter into their 3rd game of the 2011 season after coming off a game where the Bearcats produced over 400 yards of total offense. The Bearcats look to continue their winning streak to three seasons after a record of (7-4) in the 2010 season. The Bearcats look to get on the right track with a victory over an MIAA opponent, one they will have to face next year when they rejoin the MIAA Conference.

Last week, the SBU offense was impressive, as they piled up over 400 offensive yards in the contest. The Bearcats were lead in passing by **Dan Connors** who was 14-23 for 166 yards and two touchdowns. The Bearcats were lead in receiving by **Charles Johnson** who had seven receptions for 107 yards and three touchdowns.

The Bearcats are poised to have their third consecutive winning season as they go into the next game this weekend against the Fort Hays Tigers. Coach Allen's theme continues to be "Leave no Doubt". He wants all of his athletes to have the mind set of "Every day you come to work, every day you've got to get better, every day you have to compete."

The Coaches and the All-Time Series

Keith Allen has already engineered a significant turnaround at SBU, moving the 'Cats from 0-11 his first year as interim coach, to 5-6 in 2008, to the winning record of 6-5 in

2009, and followed up with a 7-4 record in 2010. Allen served as defensive and recruiting coordinator before being named SBU head coach in 2007. His past coaching experience has included stops at San Jose State, Quincy, TCU and Oklahoma.

Chris Brown enters his first season as head coach of Fort Hays State in 2011. Brown came to Fort Hays State from Washburn University, where he served as the defensive coordinator and defensive secondary coach from 2002-2010 and assistant head coach in 2010.

Brown helped Washburn compile a 62-41 record in his nine-year span with the program, which included two NCAA playoff appearances and two bowl wins.

The all-time series between Fort Hays and Southwest Baptist is tied at 1-1. Fort Hays won the last match-up between these two teams in 2007 at Hays, 36-30.

Southwest Baptist University is a four-year evangelical Christian university that was established in 1878. The main campus is located about 30 minutes north of Springfield, Missouri, in Bolivar, a town of approximately 10,000 people.

DHS alum Glen Johnson is a defensive lineman for the Bearcats.

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