

## **Football & Football Helmet History**

### **Anthony Thornhill**

#### **EVOKE**

##### **About the Ethnographer**

My name is Anthony Thornhill and I'm a senior in kines. I will be graduating in May and I really don't have a clue what I'm going to do after that. Hopefully I will figure out what I want to do soon. I also play football here at the university. Something interesting about myself is that I have an identical twin brother named Andre. What's even more interesting is that my mom had another set of twins named Stacy and Tracy. I don't have any connections to this topic unless you count me playing football.

#### **EXPLORE**

##### **Investigate**

The articles about history was very interesting and made me think about my view about history . The main point that stuck out to me about the readings was the fact that history is subjective. There was a part in Nerone article were it was stated "Everyman His Own Historian(pg 97)." To me this statement is just saying that everyone has there own version of history or what happen in the past. So when a person is thought history the history that they are learning could just be what the teacher knows and something can be left out.

A good example could be the 1980 Olympic hockey team which they made a movie called Miracle. What everybody remembers about this movie is that they beat the great Soviet union team. What people don't remember is that even though that was a great moment that win over the Soviet Union wasn't even the gold medal game it was just the semi.

These two articles written by Syndnor and Osmond, Phillips, and O'neal were both very good articles that provided the reader with a lot of important information. Even though both articles were very well written they both had their on style of writing to the paper. The article by Osmond, Phillips, and O'neal was very good piece written about the Duke statue but it seemed like every other article written. They got their research and point across by just stating facts. The Syndnor article about the Michael Jordan Statue was more like her talking right to you making it very interesting to read. Not many papers are interesting to read but the way she put her personality and interest into the paper made this article different and easy to follow.

I'm not the biggest fan about reading articles but I really did find the article by Rosenbaum interesting. The whole time I was surprised to see that the students allowed to this to happen. I could see the faces of the students today if they were asked to take naked pictures to check out their posture. This article is related to the study of Kinesiology because this filed is about the study of how the body moves. Knowing about body postures can help researchers help people who have problem with their body

workout to become healthier. Also knowing about their posture can help people get rehab on injured parts of their body.

## **Plan**

### **How will you go about answering your inquiry?**

For my topic I will research something involving football. I play football and so has most of my family so this topic is something I'm interested in. Football is a huge sport and there are a lot of things that I can find research on. I probably will research something on past great football players or the development of the helmet. Because I play linebacker I will probably research a great linebacker like Dick Butkus. For the helmet I will probably research how to helmet has changed over the years and why teams place stickers on their helmets.