

Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb will lead his team against the New England Patriots in Super Bowl XXXIX in Jacksonville, Fla. on Sunday, Feb. 6. (AP photo)

Patriots Picked for Repeat

But Eagles aren't acting like underdogs

(AP) — The Philadelphia Eagles haven't lost their swagger. Despite being seven-point underdogs against the New England Patriots on Sunday, the Eagles are walking around as though they're favored to win the Super Bowl.

"We're not just happy to be here, we're here to win the game," center Hank Fraley said Monday.

This is Philadelphia's first trip to the Super Bowl in 24 years, and just five players - defensive end Jevon Kearse and right tackle Jon Runyan are the only starters - have played in the big game.

The Eagles haven't won a championship since 1960, while the Patriots are seeking their third title in four years.

Still, this is a confident, even cocky, bunch.

"They think they're as good as any team in the NFL," Eagles coach Andy Reid said. "They understand that you have to prove that each and every Sunday. I think that's how they're approaching this."

The Eagles (15-3) dominated

Super Bowl Kicks Off Sunday

Super Bowl XXXIX kicks off Sunday, Feb. 6 at Jacksonville, Fla. with the defending champion New England Patriots vs. the Philadelphia Eagles. Coverage begins at 3:30 p.m. (PST) on Fox KPTV Channel 12.

the NFC this season, winning nine games by double-digit margins, including five by at least 21 points. Even without injured All-Pro receiver Terrell Owens, they outscored Minnesota and Atlanta 54-24 in the playoffs.

But the Patriots (16-2) are the defending champions, and they shut down Peyton Manning and

the rest of the Indianapolis Colts in the playoffs and knocked off the Steelers in Pittsburgh in the AFC championship.

"When you play this game, somebody has to be an underdog. At times, the underdogs are the ones that shock you," quarterback Donovan McNabb said. "It's an exciting time for us. We're going to go out there and do our job and have fun."

Plenty of underdogs have won the Super Bowl, including the Patriots. New England was nearly a two-touchdown underdog against St. Louis when it won its first championship three years ago.

The point spread makes little difference to the Eagles.

"I don't think you need to use that as motivation in a game as big as the Super Bowl," Fraley said. "People aren't expecting us to win this game, so I guess you could use being a seven-point underdog as motivation, but it's the biggest game of the year and it's what you play for all year so that's motivation enough."

Promoting HIV/AIDS Awareness

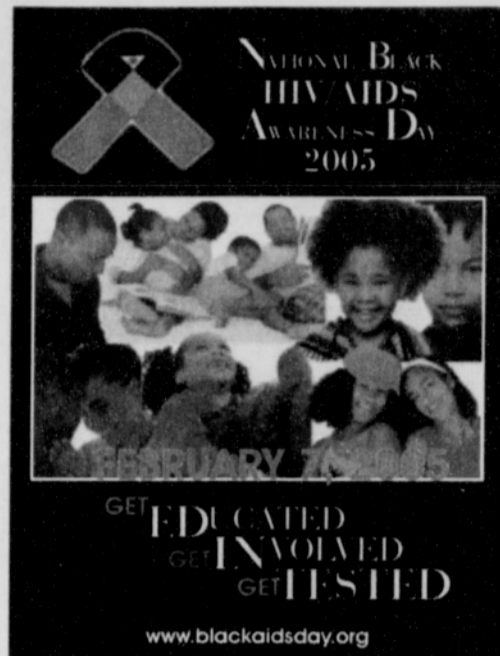
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the county population in 2002, yet comprised 11 percent of the county's total new AIDS cases.

Awareness day attendees will learn about new medicines available to manage HIV, as well as have an opportunity to

take an HIV test using cotton swabs in the mouth as an alternative to drawing blood. Event organizers said testing by women who are pregnant or are considering pregnancy would put them in a better position to protect their health and the health of their babies. What passion drives the people

who are participating in the upcoming awareness day?

"We are saving lives," said Diata Rhodes, an African-American community health specialist for Multnomah County. Co-worker David Zambrano, a Hispanic man from Venezuela, called it "the need we have in our hearts to help."



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