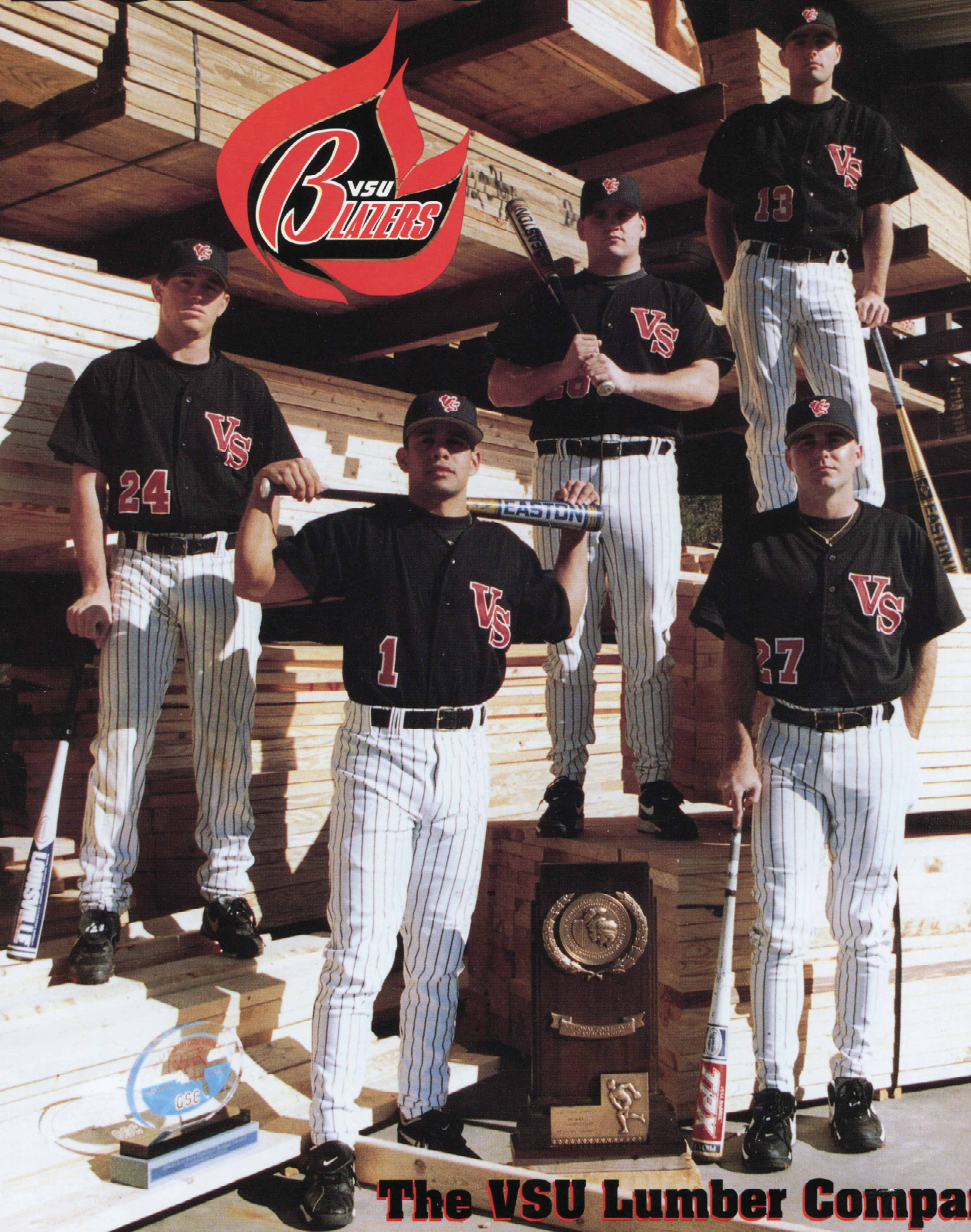


# VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY *Baseball 1996*



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# 1996 VSU BASEBALL SCHEDULE

## February

17	Sat.	Rollins . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
18	Sun.	Rollins . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	2 pm
20	Tue.	St. Leo . . . . . St. Leo, FL . . . . .	3 pm
21	Wed.	Brewton Parker . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
24	Sat.	Florida Southern . . . . . Lakeland . . . . .	4 pm
25	Sun.	Eckerd . . . . . St. Petersburg, FL . . . . .	1 pm
27	Tue.	Albany State . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
29	Thu.	Georgia Southwestern . . . . . Americus . . . . .	3 pm

## March

1	Fri.	West Florida . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	7 pm
2	Sat.	SIU Edwardsville . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
3	Sun.	Tampa . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	2 pm
5	Tue.	Columbus . . . . . Columbus . . . . .	6 pm
9	Sat.	Lincoln Memorial* (2) . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	4 pm
10	Sun.	Lincoln Memorial* . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	1 pm
10	Sun.	Bellarmine . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	4 pm
12	Tue.	Thomas College . . . . . Thomasville . . . . .	3 pm
13	Wed.	Georgia Southwestern . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
16	Sat.	North Alabama* (2) . . . . . Florence . . . . .	1 pm
17	Sun.	North Alabama* . . . . . Florence . . . . .	1 pm
21	Thu.	Kennesaw State . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	3 pm
22	Fri.	Brewton Parker . . . . . Mount Vernon . . . . .	2 pm
23	Sat.	West Georgia* (2) . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	1 pm
24	Sun.	West Georgia* . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	1 pm
25	Mon.	Florida A&M . . . . . Tallahassee . . . . .	6 pm
27	Wed.	Georgia College . . . . . Milledgeville . . . . .	2 pm
28	Thu.	Florida A&M . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm

30	Sat.	Alabama-Huntsville* (2) . . . . . Huntsville . . . . .	4 pm
31	Sun.	Alabama-Huntsville* . . . . . Huntsville . . . . .	1 pm

## April

2	Tue.	Macon Braves (exhibition) . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	5 pm
5	Fri.	West Florida* (2) . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	4 pm
6	Sat.	West Florida* . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	1 pm
8	Mon.	St. Leo . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm
9	Tue.	Columbus . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm
13	Sat.	Montevallo* (2) . . . . . Montevallo, AL . . . . .	4 pm
14	Sun.	Montevallo* . . . . . Montevallo, AL . . . . .	1 pm
16	Tue.	Albany State . . . . . Albany . . . . .	3 pm
18	Thu.	Armstrong State . . . . . Savannah . . . . .	3 pm
20	Sat.	West Alabama* (2) . . . . . Livingston . . . . .	4 pm
21	Sun.	West Alabama* . . . . . Livingston . . . . .	1 pm
25-28	Thu.-Sun.	Gulf South Conference Tournament Site of West Div. Winner . . . . .	TBA
30	Tue.	Armstrong State . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm

## May

3	Fri.	Georgia College . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6:30 pm
4	Sat.	Augusta . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm
5	Sun.	Augusta . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	1:30 pm
6	Mon.	Thomas College . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	6 pm
11	Satu.	North Florida . . . . . Jacksonville . . . . .	2 pm
12	Sun.	North Florida . . . . . Valdosta . . . . .	2 pm

\* Gulf South Conference games ALL TIMES LOCAL  
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 29 Home Games, 23 Away Games, 7 Doubleheaders

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The working media is cordially welcomed to Billy Grant Field as guests of the athletic department. Sports Information Director Steve Roberts can be contacted at (912) 333-5890 (office) or (912) 244-6560 (home). Other baseball contacts are Head Coach Tommy Thomas and top assistant Pete Meyer. The office number is 333-5890, and both can be reached in the mornings. Home numbers are 245-0303 (Thomas) and 244 5952.



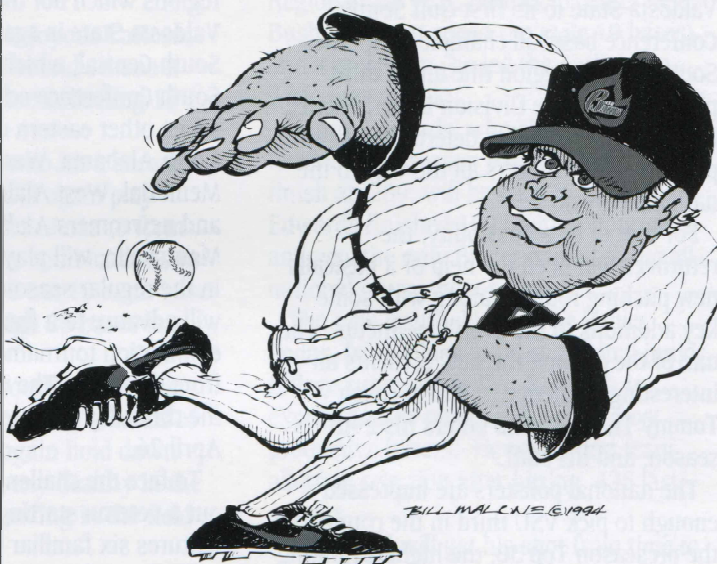
Steve Roberts

The 1996 Blazers will, as many teams, have as their ultimate goal a berth in the Division II World Series, which will be held at Paterson Field in Montgomery, Ala. The Blazers won the 1979 national championship and have made seven other appearances in the national tournament, including a third place finish a year ago. Valdosta State again will be the host school for this year's national tourney, but that does not give the Blazers an automatic bid. Information on this year's team, the coaches and statistics and records can be found in this yearbook.

## Cover Photo

The Valdosta State Lumber Company, players who were largely responsible for the Gulf South Conference trophy (lower left) and the South Central Regional trophy (center) won in 1995, are back this season to seek a return trip to the Division II World Series. The senior quintet, clockwise from far left, center fielder Darren Bush, first baseman Paul Bagley, second baseman Joyous LaRosa, left fielder Kenny Edwards and shortstop Franky Carrasquillo.

# 1996 BLAZER BASEBALL



## General Information

Name	Valdosta State University
Location	Valdosta, Georgia
Founded	1906
Enrollment	9500
President	Dr. Hugh C. Bailey
Colors	Red and Black
Nickname	Blazers
Home Facility	Billy Grant Field (1100)
Conference	Gulf South
National Affiliation	NCAA, Division II
1995 Record	41-22 overall, 14-9 in GSC East

## Athletic Staff

Athletic Director	Herb Reinhard
Secretary	Debbie Wisenbaker
Faculty Athletic Representative	Bobby Tucker
Sports Information Director	Steve Roberts
Graduate Assistant SID	Julie Lapomarda
Trainer	Jim Madaleno
Field Maintenance	Larry Lampert

## Baseball Staff

Head Coach	Tommy Thomas
Assistant Coach	Pete Meyer
Graduate Assistant	Mike Lee
Student Assistants	Shannon Jernigan, Bryan Shover, Kenny Yanzetich
Student Trainers	Chauncey Keith, Chris Demaline
Scorekeeper	Bobbie Guillebeau
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## 1996 SCOUTING REPORT

Most of the offensive talent which led Valdosta State to its first Gulf South Conference baseball championship, the South Central Region title and a third place finish in the Division II world series in 1995 returns with a determination to push the 1996 Blazers all the way to the national crown.

For that to be a possibility, the returnees will need the help of a basically new pitching rotation along with some key additions to the everyday lineup. The mix of the old and the new presents an interesting challenge to Blazer coach Tommy Thomas, who enters his 29th season, and his staff.

The national pollsters are impressed enough to pick VSU third in the country in the preseason Top 30, the highest ranking ever for the baseball Blazers. Thomas is appreciative of the ranking but knows it comes largely on the merits of the 1995 club. His 1996 edition must go out and earn that respect on the field.

"The ranking is nice, and I think it is based largely on the potential offense we have returning," Thomas said. "On the flip side, we return only one of our top four pitchers, and while we think we had a strong recruiting year in that area, we won't know until the staff is tested under the fire of regular season competition."

Thomas know it will take a complete package to take on the powers of the

South, South Atlantic and South Central regions which dot the 1996 schedule. Valdosta State is again situated in the South Central, which houses all 15 Gulf South Conference schools. VSU and the seven other eastern division members, North Alabama, West Georgia, Lincoln Memorial, West Alabama, West Florida and newcomers Alabama-Huntsville and Montevallo, will play a three-game series in the regular season. The top two teams will advance to a four-team double elimination tournament with the two best from the west. The west winner will host the three day tourney the weekend of April 26.

To face the challenge, Thomas will send out a veteran starting lineup which features six familiar faces. Three junior college recruits are expected to fill the other two positions and the designated hitter spot. Senior righthander Shane Shook, co-ace of last year's very good staff, will be joined by four righthanders who were successful at the JUCO level to form the nucleus of the 1996 staff.

"I expect our pitching to be more than adequate," Thomas, whose first 1996 win will be his 945th overall, said. "I'm counting on our offense to be productive to the point it takes some pressure off our pitching. I expect us to be a different kind of team than a year ago."



### Pitching

Shook, a control specialist with great off-speed pitches, is without a doubt the cornerstone of the 10-man staff. He went 7-3 with a team best 2.49 ERA and threw a couple of shutouts. Opponents hit .240 against him.

A quartet of junior college transfers will battle for the other top starting spots. Valdosta native Greg Denley, who came out of the pen for national champion Middle Georgia, will challenge as will Mark Watson from Hillsborough CC and Rick Hagan and Tom Disney, both from Tallahassee CC. Watson won 22 games in two seasons while Hagan was 6-1 with a 1.90 ERA last year. Disney was 2-0 in 1995 after winning 11 games in 1994. Denley was 2-0 for MGC.

Two senior veterans from last year's staff will be counted on to pitch important innings in 1996. Mike Hall has started 15 games in his VSU career and will be a spot starter and also work in relief. Southpaw submariner Gary Fassl will come out of the pen.

Three freshmen round out the staff, led by Ben Jackson who was 10-2 with a 1.44 ERA at nearby Thomas County Central, earning Region 1-AAA most valuable player honors. Bobby McDonald pitched for baseball rich Parkview High School but primarily made his mark in the





outfield where he hit .370 with eight home runs on the way to Gwinnett County player of the year honors. Walkon lefthander Adam Miller, who impressed the coaching staff in the fall, rounds out the staff.

## Catching

Thomas is much more comfortable with the catching position heading into this season than he was a year ago when depth was a severe problem. One of VSU's top 1996 recruits is Tom Valdez, a 6-4, 230 pounder from Pasco-Hernando CC who possesses excellent defensive skills and a powerful throwing arm. Valdez will be backed up by sophomore Luis Lowe who also has a strong defensive reputation.

## Infield

Everyone is back, making the inner defense a definite strength on the 1996 club. Paul Bagley, who led last year's team with 53 RBI, returns to first base. "Bags" collected 26 extra base hits including 13 home runs while hitting

.295.

Back at second base is Joyous LaRosa, who enjoyed a solid all-round season a year ago, hitting .275 and collecting 16 extra base hits.

Franky Carrasquillo, who hit a second best .322 last season, will again play shortstop, teaming with LaRosa to form one of the best keystone combinations in the country. He banged out 19 extra base hits and stole a team high 25 bases last season.

Third baseman Jeff Roesler, who was limited to 36 starts because of a series of injuries last year, will again hold down the hot corner. Completely healthy in the fall, Roesler was outstanding in the field and at the plate.

Infield depth is extremely solid with the return of junior Tony Roy, who can play second, short or third, and sophomore first baseman Sam Shaw. Further depth will be provided by speedster Jeff Barnett and walkon Albert Sagnella.

## Outfield

Veteran excellence also will be roaming the Blazer outfield where two returning starters will be joined by a prized JUCO recruit. Darren Bush, a .304 hitter who was the MVP in the South Central

Regional last year, returns to center field. Bush has great speed (he stole 19 bases) and a great arm (he led the outfielders with nine assists).

Kenny Edwards, who shook off a terrible early season batting slump to finish at .289, will be back in left field. Edwards finished 1995 with a flourish and was the only Blazer named to the all-national tournament team.

The new rightfielder will be Jamie Coons, who comes in from national junior college runnerup Indian River CC, is expected to be one of this year's most productive hitters. He was a first team all-state selection after hitting .425 last season.

McDonald will get his shot from time to time in the outfield as well.

## Designated Hitter

David Robinson, another top recruit from Santa Fe CC, is a strong possibility to fill the DH spot after he recovers from a foot injury suffered in the off-season. Robinson, who plays in the outfield, hit .315 with three homers and 25 RBI a year ago.

## The Schedule

The 52-game slate, which begins with a two-game series at home against Rollins on February 17-18, is enhanced by the eastern division conference schedule, which has fewer games but two more opponents. In addition to Rollins, the Blazers will play defending national champion Florida Southern, Tampa, St. Leo, Eckerd and North Florida from the powerful Sunshine State Conference.

National runnerup Georgia College, Kennesaw State, Columbus, Armstrong State and Augusta from the highly-respected Peach Belt Conference are also on the schedule.

A highlight of the spring will be an April 2 exhibition against the Macon Braves, Atlanta's Class A farm club, at beautiful Billy Grant Field, which will undergo extensive renovation during and after the season.



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# VSU COACHING STAFF

## TOMMY THOMAS HEAD COACH

Entering his 29th season as the outstanding head coach of Valdosta State's Blazer baseball team, Tommy Thomas has enjoyed success gained by very few. In 28 seasons, Thomas-led teams have compiled an overall record of 944-537, a .637 winning percentage. In 1994 he became only the third NCAA Division II coach to win 900 games, and his 944 wins are the most among active Division II coaches.

Twenty of his 28 teams have reached post-season play, and eight teams, including the 1995 club, have made it to the national tournament with the 1979 team winning the national championship. As a result, Thomas has been the recipient of numerous individual awards and honors. Following the national title year, he was named National Coach of the Year for NCAA Division II by the American Baseball Coaches Association. On seven occasions he has been named regional coach of the year, once in the NAIA Area V (1969) and five times in the NCAA South Atlantic region (1974, 1977, 1979, 1983 and 1985) and once in the South Central region (1995).

The 55-year-old Valdosta native received the BS degree from Valdosta State, where he was a four-year letterman in baseball from 1959-62, ending his career with a .316 batting average. Thomas, who is single, earned the MST degree from Georgia Southern in 1967.



## Division II's Winningest Coaches

	Years	Wins
1. Tommy Thomas, Valdosta State . . . . .	28 . . . . .	944
2. Frank Vieira, New Haven . . . . .	33 . . . . .	855
3. Jack Smitheran, UC Riverside . . . . .	26 . . . . .	811
4. Gary Grob, Winona State . . . . .	28 . . . . .	779
5. Jack Rose, Denver . . . . .	35 . . . . .	756
6. Irish O'Reilly, Lewis . . . . .	17 . . . . .	708
7. Phil Swimley, UC Davis . . . . .	30 . . . . .	701
8. Joe Roberts, Armstrong State . . . . .	16 . . . . .	692
9. Bill Aker, Northern Kentucky . . . . .	24 . . . . .	686
10. Ron Davis, Adelphi . . . . .	31 . . . . .	662




## Thomas Milestones

First Win . . . . .	7- 6 vs. David Lipscomb	1968
First Loss . . . . .	5-2 vs. David Lipscomb	1968
50th Win . . . . .	7-0 vs. Shorter	1970
50th Loss . . . . .	5-3 vs. Jacksonville	1971
100th Win . . . . .	14-2 vs. Florida State	1972
100th Loss . . . . .	11-3 vs. Florida	1975
150th Win . . . . .	2-1 vs. Columbus	1973
150th Loss: . . . . .	16-8 vs. West Georgia	1977
200th Win . . . . .	15-3 vs. Eckerd	1974
200th Loss . . . . .	3 - 0 vs. Louisville	1980
250th Win . . . . .	3 -1 vs. Erskine	1976
250th Loss . . . . .	11-3 vs. Jacksonville State	1983
300th Win . . . . .	13-5 vs. Augusta	1977
300th Loss . . . . .	10-6 vs. Tampa	1986
350th Win . . . . .	11-9 vs. Eastern Illinois	1978
350th Loss . . . . .	4-3 vs. Armstrong State	1988
400th Win . . . . .	1- 0 vs. Rose-Hulman	1980
400th Loss: . . . . .	10-6 vs. Tampa	1990
450th Win . . . . .	13-4 vs. Charleston	1981
450th Loss . . . . .	7- 4 vs. Flagler	1992
500th Win . . . . .	7-2 vs. Illinois Benedictine	1982
500th Loss . . . . .	5-3 vs. Jacksonville State	1994
550th Win . . . . .	11-5 vs. Augusta	1983
600th Win . . . . .	8 - 7 vs. Georgia Southwestern	1984
650th Win . . . . .	12- 6 vs. Mercer	1985
700th Win . . . . .	5-2 vs. Georgia College	1987
750th Win . . . . .	12-11 vs. Armstrong State	1988
800th Win . . . . .	7 - 0 vs. Kennesaw State	1991
850th Win . . . . .	5-2 vs. Augusta	1993
900th Win . . . . .	9-5 vs. Albany State	1994

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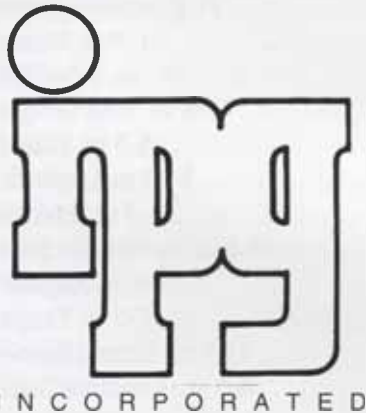
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## Pete Meyer ASSISTANT COACH

Pete Meyer, who was Thomas's graduate assistant for two seasons while working on his master of education degree, always hoped he could again be a part of the Blazer baseball program. His wish came true in the summer of 1993 when former assistant Bart Shuman stepped down, opening the door for the energetic Meyer to return to Valdosta State. He begins his third season as Blazer baseball's top assistant and chief recruiter.



Meyer, a native of Greencastle, Ind., and the son of DePauw University baseball coach Ed Meyer, spent three years as head baseball coach at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta. He went to Oglethorpe to help reinstate a baseball program which had been dormant for 15 years and compiled a two-year record of 40-29, including a perfect 16-0 conference record.

His two teams won the eastern division of the Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference, and he coached 10 all-conference players, three all region players, two academic all-south players and one pitcher of the year in the SCAC.

Meyer was a four-sport athlete at Greencastle High School, earning 10 varsity letters. He was an all-conference prep baseball player and continued his baseball career at College of Wooster where he was a four-year letterman and three-time all-conference selection. Three of the teams (1985-87) participated in the NCAA Division III national playoffs.

Meyer is married, and he and his wife Cindy, a certified public accountant who is the director of financial services in VSU's Office of Business and Finance, have two children, Mitch, 5 1/2, and Megan, 4.

## Mike Lee GRADUATE ASSISTANT

Mike Lee rejoined the Valdosta State baseball family last season as a graduate assistant following a year in the same capacity for the outstanding VSU softball program. Lee was the stopper out of the bullpen for two Blazer teams in 1991 and 1992 after transferring to VSU from Florida Community College in his hometown of Jacksonville.

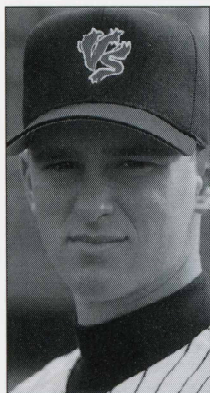


In his Blazer career he led the team with five saves and set a school record for most appearances as a senior with 25. A submarine righthander, Lee struck out 57 in 52 innings and compiled an ERA of 4.67.

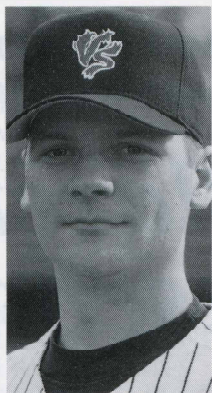
He will again work primarily with the Blazer pitching staff which last season shattered the school strikeout record, whiffing 488 opposing hitters (the old record set in 1986 was 412). He also would like to see the staff's ERA remain below 3.50. Lee will also help Meyer with recruiting and handle various administrative duties in the baseball office.

Lee, 26, is working toward a master of education degree in the field of educational leadership. He is married to the former Retha Cascone. The couple's first child, daughter Jessica Taylor, was born in July.

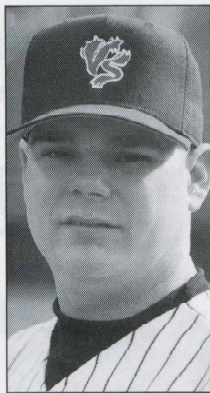
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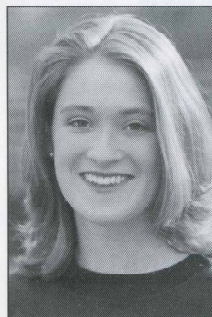
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16	Mark Watson	P
17	Mike Hall	P
19	Tony Roy	IF
21	Jeff Roesler	3B
22	Shane Shook	P
23	Gary Fassl	P
24	Darren Bush	CF
26	Paul Bagley	1B
27	Kenny Edwards	LF
29	Greg Denly	P
30	David Robinson	OF
33	Sam Shaw	1B
34	Rick Hagen	P
35	Adam Miller	P
41	Luis Lowe	C
43	Ben Jackson	P
44	Tom Valdez	C
49	Tom Disney	P
3	Tommy Thomas, head coach	
25	Pete Meyer, assistant coach	
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37	Bryan Shover, student assistant	
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Jamie Coons	12	RF
Greg Denly	29	P
Tom Disney	49	P
Kenny Edwards	27	LF
Gary Fassel	23	P
Rick Hagen	34	P
Mike Hall	17	P
Ben Jackson	43	P
Joyous LaRosa	13	2B
Luis Lowe	41	C
Bobby McDonald	7	OF/P
Adam Miller	35	P
David Robinson	30	OF
Jeff Roesler	21	3B
Tony Roy	19	IF
Albert Sagnella	9	IF
Sam Shaw	33	1B
Shane Shook	22	P
Tom Valdez	44	C
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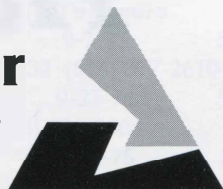


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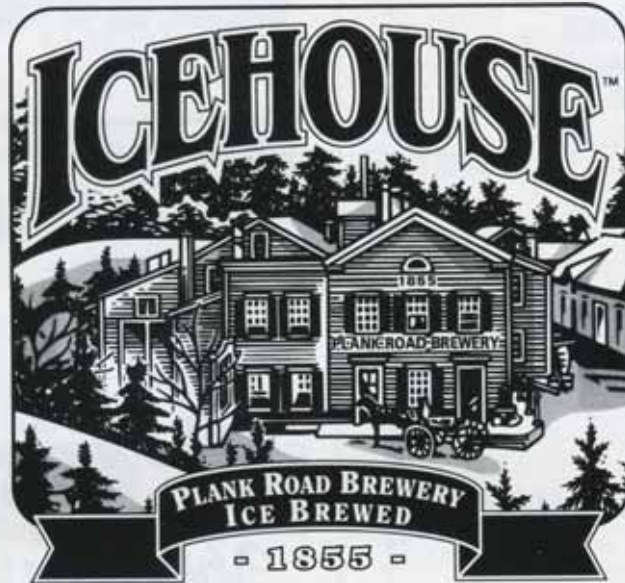
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17 Mike Hall Rte. 7, Box 549, Tifton, GA 31794 (912) 382-3431	R-R	9-12-73	6 1	205	Senior	Tifton, GA (Tift County)
43 Ben Jackson P.O. Box 1183, Thomasville, GA 31799 (912) 226-8384	R-L	1-12-77	6 1	185	Freshman	Thomasville, GA (Thomas Co. Central)
7 Bobby McDonald 4642 Hancock, Lilburn, GA 30297 (404) 921-8908	R-L	9-23-76	5 11	195	Freshman	Lilburn, GA (Parkview)
35 Adam Miller 1607 Roberson St., Dublin, GA 31021 (912) 272-6419	L-L	11-4-75	6 0	180	Freshman	Dublin, GA (Dublin)
22 Shane Shook Rte. 2, Box 123, Nicholls, GA 31554 (912) 384-4148	R-R	2-9-74	6 3	170	Senior	Douglas, GA (Coffee)
16 Mark Watson 1971 Castille Drive, Palm Harbor, FL 34683 (813) 784-3833	R-R	10-16-75	6 3	175	Junior	Palm Harbor, FL (Dunedin)
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41 Luis Lowe 606 Tulane Ave., Melbourne, FL 32901 (407) 729-0797	R-R	8-2-745	5 11	200	Sophomore	Melbourne, FL (Melbourne)
44 Tom Valdez 27071 Wakefield Drive, Brooksville, FL 34602 (904) 799-7514	R-R	1/25/75	6-4	230	Junior	Brooksville, FL (Hernando)
<b>INFIELDERS</b>						
26 Paul Bagley 8402 Cabin Hill Road, Louisville, KY 40291 (502) 239-2993	R-R	4-20-73	6 2	250	Senior	Louisville, KY (Louisville Male)
4 Jeff Barnett 1211 St. Andrews Drive, Douglas, GA 31533 (912) 384-0651	R-R	4/22/75	5 11	170	Sophomore	Douglas, GA (Coffee)
1 Franky Carrasquillo Avenue Diego Valazquez, D-7, El Congui, Talto, P.R. 00976 (809) 748-8722	R-R	5-4-74	5-11	165	Senior	Talto, P.R. (Antilles Military)
13 Joyous LaRosa 86 Venice East Blvd., Venice, FL 34293 (813) 493-9203	S-R	8-29-74	5 10	170	Senior	Venice, FL (Venice)
21 Jeff Roesler 5256 Ashford Court, Lilburn, GA 30247 (404) 381-6596	R-R	9-20-74	5 8	187	Senior	Lilburn, GA (Parkview)
19 Tony Roy 3386 Rollingbrook Way, Duluth, GA 30136 (404) 476-8638	R-R	10-20-73	5 10	170	Junior	Duluth, GA (Duluth)
9 Albert Sagnella 1439 Dinnerbell Lane, Dunedin, FL 34698 (813) 733-7091	R-R	9-10-74	5 10	170	Junior	Dunedin, FL (Dunedin)
33 Sam Shaw 410 Chestnut Ave., Lakeland, GA 31635 (912) 482-3517	R-R	7-29-75	6-0	180	Sophomore	Lakeland, GA (Lanier County)
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24 Darren Bush 1725 Amberlea Drive South, Dunedin, FL 34698 (813) 733-8510	L-R	1-12-74	6 0	185	Senior	Dunedin, FL (Dunedin)
12 Jamie Coons 5542 Hollins Lane, Burke, VA 22015 (703) 978-6079	R-R	10-16-74	6 0	185	Junior	Burke, VA (Edgewood)
27 Kenny Edwards 3829 Hawkeye Circle, Sarasota, FL 34232 (813) 377-2610	R-R	9-7-73	5 10	180	Senior	Sarasota, FL (Sarasota)
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# 29

Pitcher  
6-3 / 190  
Junior / Valdosta, GA



A Valdosta native who starred at Valdosta High before going to junior college powerhouse Middle Georgia...Worked primarily as the closer last season, finishing 2-0 for the Warriors, who won the national junior college championship...Coaching staff sees great potential as a starter...Has excellent stuff...A pitcher with professional potential.

Birthday: November 10, 1975  
Major: Biology

# Tom Disney

# 49

Pitcher  
6-4 / 225  
Junior / Chicago, Il



A transfer from Tallahassee CC expected to bolster a pitching staff which lost three top starters...Was 2-0 with a 3.50 ERA last season after winning 11 of 14 starts in 1994...Being counted on to step into the starting rotation in one of the top three spots...Throws extremely hard with a good slider type breaking pitch...One of the keys to this year's pitching staff.

Birthday: June 5, 1974  
Major: Criminal Justice

# Gary Fassel

# 23

Pitcher  
6-3 / 205  
Senior / Columbia, SC



Will play much the same role he filled in '95, coming out of the bullpen against left-handed hitters...Was 4-0 with one save out of the pen, posting a 4.70 ERA in 31 innings...Has worked on a submarine delivery in the off-season which makes him even more effective...Possesses an outstanding pickoff move...One of three pitchers returning from a year ago.

Birthday: January 31, 1974 Major: Business Management

# Rick Hagan

# 34

Pitcher  
6-2 / 225  
Junior / Waycross, GA



Another transfer from Tallahassee CC where he was the ace out of the bullpen, posting a 6-1 record with a sparkling 1.90 ERA...Originally recruited by VSU out of Ware County High School before taking the JUCO route...Versatile righthander who can start or relieve...Expected to be among the top five pitchers on this year's staff.

Birthday: June 16, 1974  
Major: Physical Education

### Fassel at Valdosta State

G	GS	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	W-L	ERA	S	WP	HB
12	4	0	30.2	35	21	16	18	21	4-0	4.70	1	10	0



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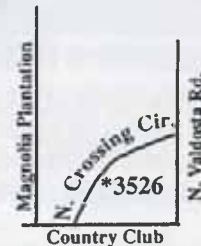
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# Mike Hall

# 17

Pitcher  
6-1 / 205  
Senior / Tifton, GA



One of a trio of returning pitchers who has made some important starts in his Valdosta State career...Enjoyed a brilliant high school career at nearby Tift County...Coaching staff believes he could be a mainstay on this year's staff...Has all the pitches and control has improved during off season...Senior leadership another important key.

Birthday: September 12, 1973 Major: Secondary Education

Hall At Valdosta State

G	GS	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	W-L	ERA	S	WP	HB
38	15	1	118.1	130	100	74	66	98	6-10	5.63	2	25	4

# Ben Jackson

# 43

Pitcher  
6-1 / 180  
Freshman / Thomasville, GA



A lefthander who is a very welcome addition to this year's staff...Recruited out of Thomas County Central High School where he was 10-2 with an impressive 1.44 ERA, being named Region 1-AAA's MVP...Expected to use his rookie season to gain experience, getting stints out of the Blazer pen. Staff impressed with his willingness to accept coaching.

Birthday: January 12, 1977  
Major: Undecided

# Adam Miller

# 35

Pitcher  
6-0 / 180  
Freshman / Dublin, GA



Walkon lefthander who player for former VSU reliever Chuck Beale at Dublin High School...Showed vast improvement over a walkon tryout a year ago and will be used in certain relief situations this season...Pitching from the left side is a definite advantage.

Birthday: November 4, 1975  
Major: Undecided

# Shane Shook

# 22

Pitcher  
6-3 / 170  
Senior / Douglas, GA



Returns for senior season campaign after putting up all-star numbers and making the all-conference team in '95...Was co-No. 1 on last year's staff with two-time all-America Bryan Shover, going 7-3 and leading team with a 2.49 ERA in 105 innings...Being counted on to be the No. 1 starter who will pitch the opener in each conference series...Excellent control, great off-speed pitches, extremely smart pitcher...The undisputed backbone of this year's staff...Superb in the classroom as well.

Birthday: February 9, 1974 Major: Accounting

Shook at Valdosta State

G	GS	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	W-L	ERA	S	WP	HB
15	14	5	105	94	37	29	29	73	7-3	2.49	0	10	9

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# VSU PLAYER PROFILES

## Mark Watson

# 16

Pitcher  
6-3 / 175  
Junior / Palm Harbor, FL



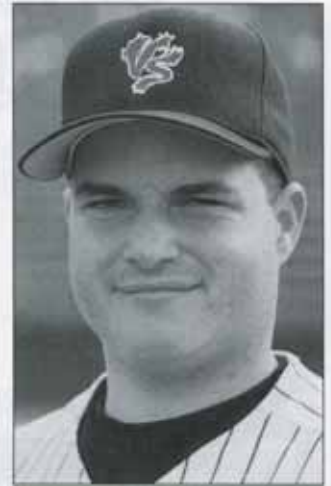
Transfer from Hillsboro CC who won 22 games in two seasons (12-3 as a freshman and 10-3 with a 2.40 ERA last year)...Control pitcher with a good fast ball who keeps the ball down and on the corners...Expected to move to the top of the starting rotation as the Blazers rebuild their pitching staff in 1996.

Birthday: October 16, 1975  
Major: Undecided

## Luis Lowe

# 41

Catcher  
5-11 / 200  
Sophomore / Melbourne, FL



Extremely valuable to this year's club as a reserve catcher...A walkon the coaching staff likes in a backup role to starter Valdez...Good arm and a good handler of the pitching staff..."We're fortunate to have a team player like Luis," Thomas said. "He means a lot to our depth."

Birthday: August 2, 1974  
Major: Physical Education

## Tom Valdez

# 44

Catcher  
6-4 / 230  
Junior / Brooksville, FL



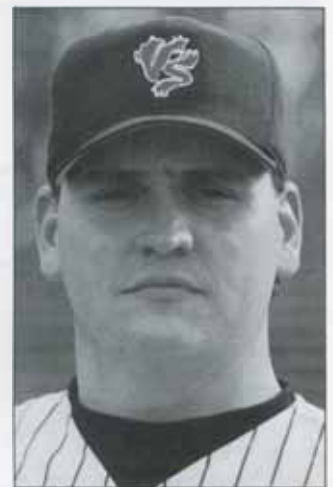
Transfer from Pasco-Hernando who has shown outstanding defensive skills behind the plate...Also adequate at the plate, hitting .300 last season, but his strong suit is handling pitchers and throwing out base runners...Expected to handle most of the day-to-day catching chores on this year's club.

Birthday: January 25, 1975  
Major: Early Childhood Education

## Paul Bagley

# 26

First Base  
6-2 / 250  
Senior / Louisville, KY



Will be counted on to be the most productive hitter on the club, much like he was last season when he led the team in RBI (53) and was second in home runs (13)...Coaching staff would like to see "Bags" challenge the school RBI record of 76 which has stood since 1986...Played JUCO ball at Middle Georgia... Despite his size he has very good speed and agility...Outstanding defensively...Will again hit in the middle of the lineup...Hits and throws from right side.

Birthday: April 20, 1973

Major: Finance

### Bagley at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	K	E	AVG
59	190	36	56	53	.295	13	0	13	28	57	13	.969

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# VSU PLAYER PROFILES

## Jeff Barnett

# 4

Infielder  
5-11 / 170  
Sophomore / Douglas, GA



Transfer from South Georgia in his hometown of Douglas...Sidelined by an arm infection last season...Major asset is great speed...Solid defensively and will be used in a reserve role at a couple of the infield positions...Punch type hitter who makes contact and can hit good pitching...Coaching staff views him as an excellent addition to team depth...Outstanding student.

Birthday: April 22, 1975  
Major: Biology

## Jeff Roesler

# 21

Third Base  
5-8 / 187  
Senior / Lilburn, GA



Suffered through an injury-plagued junior season after transferring from Gordon JC...Healthy in the fall, Roesler was one of team's best hitters, and coaches expect him to be much more of an offensive threat in '96...Showed marked improvement defensively at the hot corner as well. Great hustle and attitude.

Birthday: September 20, 1974 Major: Criminal Justice

### Roesler at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
43	116	17	23	8	.198	5	0	0	11	17	13	.812

## Franky Carrasquillo

# 1

Shortstop  
5-11 / 165  
Senior / Talto, Puerto Rico



Leading returning hitter from '95 who is the key to a veteran infield...Had 18 doubles and stole 25 bases last season while hitting .322 on the way to all-conference honors...Expected to be more consistent in the field where he makes the hard play look easy but struggled at times with the routine play a year ago...Will continue as the leadoff hitter because of speed and bat handling ability although coaches would like to see his on base percentage (.365) improve.

Birthday: May 4, 1974 Major: Biology

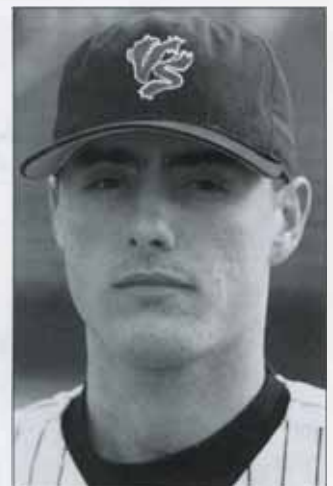
### Carrasquillo at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
60	236	49	76	28	.322	18	1	0	17	37	34	.873

## Joyous LaRosa

# 13

Second Base  
5-10 / 170  
Senior / Venice, FL

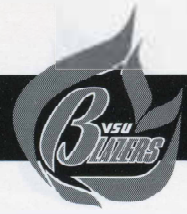


If LaRosa can clone the season he enjoyed a year ago, it will suit the coaching staff just fine...Did a solid job defensively at second base after transferring from Pasco-Hernando CC and was a productive hitter as well, banging out 16 extra base hits, including five home runs...Effectiveness is increased by hitting from both sides...Teams with Carrasquillo to form an excellent keystone combination.

Birthday: August 20, 1974 Major: Criminal Justice

### LaRosa at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
59	189	29	52	37	.275	10	1	5	27	27	10	.962



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# VSU PLAYER PROFILES

## Tony Roy 19

Infielder  
5-10 / 170  
Senior / Duluth, GA



Expected to play a bigger reserve role this season in the infield after gaining two years of experience...Fully recovered from a foot injury suffered just before fall practice...Despite missing fall work coaching staff believes he'll be a positive contributor to this year's club both offensively and defensively...Plays second, short and third.

Birthday: October 10, 1973 Major: Communication Arts

### Roy At Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG.	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
42	83	8	23	10	.277	2	0	0	9	15	8	.938

## Albert Sagnella 9

Infielder  
5-10 / 170  
Junior/ Dunedin, FL



Walkon from Hillsborough CC who will be used as a utility infielder, primarily at second base...Another team player coaching staff likes because of attitude and hustle...Impressed staff in the fall with his ability to hit good pitching in timely situations.

Birthday: September 10, 1974  
Major: Undecided

## Sam Shaw 33

First Base / DH  
5-10 / 180  
Freshman / Lakeland GA



Returns for second season after gaining experience with spot duty a year ago...Showed steady improvement in the fall at the plate...Coaching staff expects Shaw to improve as a contact hitter this season and play a bigger role...Outstanding prep player at nearby Lanier County High School.

Birthday: July 29, 1975 Major: Undecided

### Shaw at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
13	24	3	5	3	.208	0	0	0	1	10	2	.923

## Darren Bush 24

Third Base  
6-0 / 185  
Senior / Dunedin, FL



Sparkplug on last year's team after transferring from Hillsborough CC...Showed versatility by handling catching chores early in the season when starter was recovering from an injury...Returned to center field where he was outstanding defensively, leading outfielders with nine assists...Catalyst in regional tournament, earning MVP honors with eight hits in three games...Solid across the board stats in '95 including 14 extra base hits, 19 stolen bases and only 21 strikeouts in 214 at bats.

Birthday: January 12, 1974 Major: Early Childhood Education

### Bush at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
63	214	42	65	33	.304	9	2	3	31	21	4	.973

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Gene, Pat, Daniel and	Walter Peacock	Paul Bagley
Kimberly Pope	Truman and Maryann	Hal and Kay Smith
Ralph, Denise, Jason and	Dixon	
Justin Hogan	Duke Hellinger	
Jimmy Hayes and Family	Kellie L. Smith	
John Jordon	John and Agnes Struzick	
SV & E Industries	Soap Creek Restaurant	
Sharon McTurk	of Lincolnton, GA	

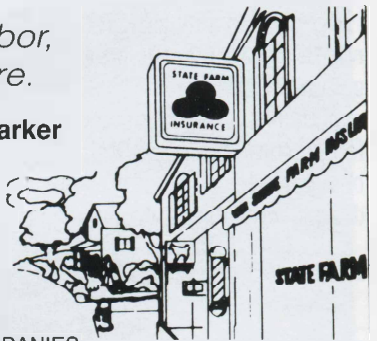


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# VSU PLAYER PROFILES

## Jamie Coons

# 12

Right Field  
6-0 / 185  
Junior / Burke, VA



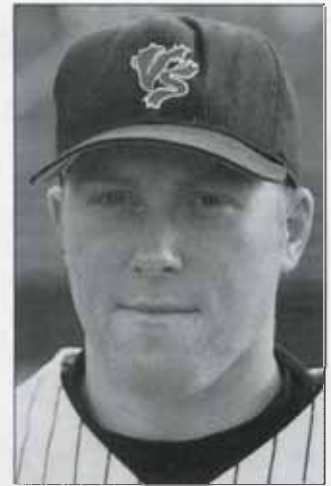
A top recruit from Indian River CC where he led team with a .426 average hitting cleanup and being named first team all-state for the national runnerup...Expected to hit either in the three or five hole before or after Bagley...Will be the newcomer to an otherwise veteran Blazer outfield and will play right where he has displayed an outstanding arm...Being counted on to provide great production in the middle of the lineup.

Birthday: October 16, 1974  
Major: Undecided

## Bobby McDonald

# 7

Outfield/Pitcher  
5-11 / 195  
Freshman / Lilburn, GA



A top freshman recruit out of baseball rich Parkview High School in Lilburn...Joins former prep teammate Jeff Roesler and is expected to make his mark both in the outfield and on the mound...A lefthander, McDonald hit .370 with eight home runs and was named to the North all-star squad as well as earning Gwinnett County player of the year honors...Will back up VSU's veteran outfield and see some action out of the Blazer pen.

Birthday: September 23, 1976  
Major: Undecided

## Kenny Edwards

# 27

Left Field  
5-10 / 180  
Senior / Sarasota, FL



One of the best all-round performers from a year ago on the basis of hitting, hitting with power, fielding and running...Recovered from a terrible early season batting slump to end the year at .289 with 18 extra base hits...Was team's most productive player in national tournament, hitting .500 with six RBI and two home runs in four games and being named to the all-tournament team...Will hit in the two spot where he was very productive after mid-year.

Birthday: September 7, 1973      Major: Physical Education

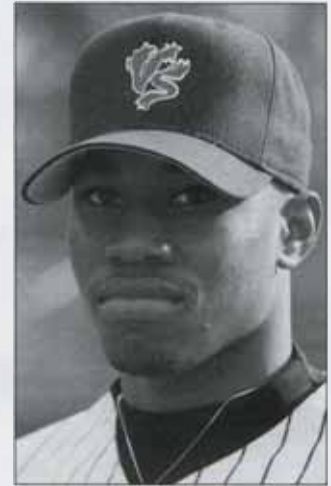
### Edwards at Valdosta State

G	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	SO	E	AVG
61	204	40	59	31	.289	13	1	4	34	30	3	.964

## David Robinson

# 30

Outfield / DH  
6-3 / 195  
Freshman / Lilburn, GA



A JUCO transfer from Santa Fe CC who will miss early season games recovering from a foot injury...When healthy will fill the designated hitter role and spot start in the outfield...Hit .315 with 25 RBI and three homers last season...His addition offensively gives the Blazers a potentially powerful attack.

Birthday: July 20, 1975  
Major: Undecided



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## Final Hitting Statistics

	AB	R	H	RBI	AVG	2B	3B	HR	BB	K	Slug%	OB%	SB-A
Gene Swift	215	56	77	44	.358	19	1	14	40	26	.651	.469	18-21
Franky Carrasquillo	236	49	76	28	.322	18	1	0	17	37	.407	.365	25-36
Darren Bush	214	42	65	33	.304	9	2	3	31	21	.407	.397	19-25
Paul Bagley	190	36	56	53	.295	13	0	13	28	57	.568	.397	7-9
Kenny Edwards	204	40	59	31	.289	13	1	4	34	30	.422	.388	9-13
Rob Lanier	177	35	49	22	.277	8	0	0	40	29	.322	.400	6-13
Joyous LaRosa	189	29	52	37	.275	10	1	5	27	27	.418	.373	3-5
Shannon Jernigan	182	18	39	20	.214	6	0	0	14	33	.247	.272	1-5
Steve Norris	93	21	26	10	.280	4	0	0	9	11	.323	.340	8-9
Billy Lillis	79	4	22	7	.278	4	0	0	14	15	.329	.389	0-1
Tony Roy	63	6	17	8	.270	1	0	0	6	6	.286	.342	4-4
Jay Shaw	24	3	5	3	.208	0	0	0	1	10	.208	.269	0-0
Jeff Roesler	116	17	23	8	.198	5	0	0	11	17	.241	.288	0-0
Brian Gibson	16	4	2	1	.125	0	0	0	0	4	.125	.167	2-3
others	6	2	2	1	.333	0	0	0	0	1	.333	.450	0-0
<b>VSU</b>	<b>2004</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>.284</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>.404</b>	<b>.374</b>	<b>102-144</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2026</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>.254</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>.334</b>	<b>.332</b>	<b>66-101</b>

## Final Pitching Statistics

	G	W	L	S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA	GS	CG
Shane Shook	15	7	3	0	105	94	37	29	29	73	2.49	14	5
Dwayne Cushman	20	9	4	2	107	106	55	35	36	101	2.94	14	7
Bryan Shover	17	10	5	0	100	85	42	35	22	104	3.15	15	9
Scott MacRae	23	7	3	3	91.2	96	49	35	42	88	3.44	8	3
Mike Hall	12	2	3	0	43.2	56	32	21	25	39	4.33	7	0
Gary Fassl	12	4	0	1	30.2	35	21	16	18	21	4.70	4	0
Paul Senkbeil	20	2	4	4	45.2	36	30	26	28	59	5.12	1	0
<b>VSU</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>514</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>3.43</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>516.1</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>275</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>4.79</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>18</b>

## Scoring

Score by Innings:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	XInn	Total	AvPG
<b>Valdosta State</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>4.3</b>



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## Final Fielding Statistics

	C	PO	A	E	PCT	DP	PB	SB	CS
Shane Shook	38	7	31	0	1.000	2	0	10	3
Shannon Jernigan	482	438	40	4	.992	6	4	56	21
Darren Bush	147	134	9	4	.973	2	1	4	2
Paul Bagley	426	380	33	13	.969	28	0	0	0
Rob Lanier	89	79	7	3	.966	0	0	0	0
Kenny Edwards	84	75	6	3	.964	1	0	0	0
Joyous LaRosa	264	105	149	10	.962	29	0	0	0
Billy Lillis	71	62	5	4	.944	6	0	0	0
Brian Gibson	34	28	4	2	.941	0	2	6	3
Tony Roy	71	18	48	5	.930	2	0	0	0
Sam Shaw	26	23	1	2	.923	0	0	0	0
Gene Swift	153	87	54	12	.922	9	0	0	0
Bryan Shover	36	13	20	3	.917	0	0	13	10
Gary Fassl	12	2	9	1	.917	0	0	6	1
Scott MacRae	23	4	17	2	.913	0	0	14	6
Dwayne Cushman	37	8	25	4	.892	0	0	10	8
Franky Carrasquillo	267	81	152	34	.873	23	0	0	0
Mike Hall	14	6	6	2	.857	2	0	10	3
Steve Norris	13	11	0	2	.846	0	0	0	0
Paul Senkbeil	18	4	11	3	.833	0	0	3	3
Jeff Roesler	69	15	41	13	.812	2	0	0	0
<b>VSU</b>	<b>2375</b>	<b>1581</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>.947</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>2294</b>	<b>1549</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>.948</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>42</b>



## The 1996 VSU Blazers

Sitting, L-R: Adam Miller, Jeff Roesler, Bobby McDonald, Jeff Barnett, Ben Jackson, Albert Sagnella, Joyous LaRosa, Mike Hall.  
 Kneeling, L-R: Franky Carrasquillo, Tony Roy, Luis Lowe, Jamie Coons, Sam Shaw, David Robinson, Kenny Edwards, Darren Bush.  
 Standing, L-R: Shane Shook, Rick Hagen, Paul Bagley, Greg Denly, Tom Valdez, Tom Disney, Mark Watson, Gary Fassl.



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## Game Summary (All Games)

Record: W-41 L-22 (H: 24-6 A: 14-12 N: 3-4) Gulf South: 14-9

Date	Opponent	Score	R H E	R H E	W	L	Pitcher	Att
2/11	Tampa	0-7	0-3-0	7-8 1	0	1	Cushman 0-1	212
2/12	Brewton-Parker	3-0	3-4-0	0-2-3	1	1	Shover 1-0	331
2/12	Brewton-Parker	10-1	10-11-2	1-3-3	2	1	Shook 1-0	373
2/18	West Georgia*	5-4	5-5-3	4-8 1	3	1	MacRae 1-0	136
2/18	West Georgia*	6-4	6-5-2	4-7 3	4	1	Shover 2-0	178
2/19	West Georgia*	5-2	5-7-2	2-9-2	5	1	Shook 2-0	154
2/21	St. Leo	17-12	17-17-2	12-17-2	6	1	Fassl 1-0	103
2/25	North Alabama*	3-4	3-5-5	4-6 2	6	2	Shover 2-1	270
2/25	North Alabama*	12-4	12-12-2	4-9-1	7	2	Cushman 1-1	368
2/26	North Alabama*	4-3	4-10-1	3-8-0	8	2	Senkbeil 1-0	346
3/1	St. Leo	7-2	7-11-1	2-10-2	9	2	MacRae 2-0	79
3/2	Georgia Southwestern	1-6	1-3-2	6-10-0	9	3	Hall 0-1	105
3/3	Albany State	9-4	9-16-5	4-4-2	10	3	Fassl 2-0	409
3/4	Shippensburg	12-2	12-12-2	2-6-2	11	3	Cushman 2-1	427
3/4	Lynn	5-4	5-8-4	4-6-2	12	3	Shook 3-0	552
3/5	Eckerd	3-2	3-9-2	2-6 2	13	3	MacRae 3-0	323
3/8	Florida Southern	6-7	6-12-3	7-10-2	13	4	Senkbeil 1-1	335
3/10	West Florida*	3-1	3-6-1	1-4 3	14	4	Shover 3-1	49
3/10	West Florida*	2-0	2-5-2	0-2 0	15	4	Cushman 3-1	47
3/11	West Florida*	1-2	1-8-2	2-4-1	15	5	Shook 3-1	32
3/15	North Florida	2-1	2-6-3	1-5 1	16	5	MacRae 4-0	173
3/18	Lincoln Memorial*	4-1	4-5-1	1-5 3	17	5	Shover 4-1	164
3/18	Lincoln Memorial*	4-13	4-7-3	13-16-5	17	6	Cushman 3-2	338
3/19	Lincoln Memorial*	4-3	4-8-3	3-10-2	18	6	Shook 4-1	380
3/23	Georgia Southwestern	7-3	7-10-2	3-6-2	19	6	Hall 1-1	251
3/24	Kennesaw State	4-1	4-9-1	1-3 0	20	6	MacRae 5-0	150
3/25	West Georgia*	3-0	3-7-1	0-1 2	21	6	Shover 5-1	150
3/25	West Georgia*	6-7	6-9-2	7-12-3	21	7	Hall 1-2	150
3/26	West Georgia*	7-0	7-9-1	0-3-2	22	7	Shook 5-1	150
3/27	Jacksonville State	9-8	9-12-2	8-9-3	23	7	Senkbeil 2-1	201
3/28	Jacksonville State	6-7	6-8-3	7-8 3	23	8	Cushman 3-3	183
3/30	Columbus	4-8	4-11-5	8-8-0	23	9	Senkbeil 2-2	231
4/1	North Alabama*	4-7	4-7-3	7-8 3	23	10	Shover 5-2	135
4/1	North Alabama*	8-4	8-9-3	4-7 0	24	10	MacRae 6-0	135
4/2	North Alabama*	3-4	3-6-1	4-7-2	24	11	Shook 5-2	225
4/4	North Florida	6-1	6-8-1	1-4 2	25	11	Cushman 4-3	185
4/7	Albany State	12-4	12-11-1	4-11-5	26	11	Hall 2-2	58
4/8	Georgia College	9-6	9-13-1	6-15-1	27	11	Shover 6-2	313
4/9	Georgia College	3-2	3-8-0	2-5-1	28	11	Shook 6-2	156
4/11	Armstrong State	10-2	10-7-0	2-4-4	29	11	Cushman 5-3	153
4/12	Thomas College	12-2	12-11-1	2-7-2	30	11	Fassl 3-0	214
4/14	West Florida*	10-0	10-9-1	0-3-6	31	11	Shover 7-2	254
4/14	West Florida*	4-9	4-5-3	9-9 2	31	12	MacRae 6-1	299
4/15	West Florida*	6-5	6-7-1	5-13-3	32	12	Cushman 6-3	252
4/17	Brewton-Parker	5-7	5-7-2	7-9 2	32	13	Senkbeil 2-3	102
4/17	Brewton-Parker	5-6	5-11-3	6-10-0	32	14	MacRae 6-2	102
4/18	Columbus	5-6	5-10-1	6-10-2	32	15	Cushman 6-4	341
4/22	Lincoln Memorial*	0-2	0-8-0	2-6 0	32	16	Shover 7-3	102
4/22	Lincoln Memorial*	5-6	5-12-3	6-16-2	32	17	Senkbeil 2-4	102
4/25	Columbus	4-3	4-12-0	3-10-0	33	17	MacRae 7-2	150
4/28	Delta State+	9-3	9-17-2	3-7-0	34	17	Shover 8-3	231
4/29	North Alabama+	2-0	2-6-0	0-3-1	35	17	Shook 7-2	318
4/30	North Alabama+	2-5	2-6-2	5-9-0	35	18	MacRae 7-3	618
4/30	North Alabama+	6-5	6-12-1	5-14-1	36	18	Cushman 7-4	618
5/2	Armstrong State	4-3	4-11-4	3-7-1	37	18	Fassl 4-0	480
5/4	Thomas College	3-7	3-4-5	7-13-0	37	19	Hall 2-3	35
5/19	Delta State#	1-8	1-5-3	8-14-2	37	20	Shover 8-4	286
5/19	North Alabama#	11-10	11-16-3	10-13-4	38	20	Cushman 8-4	610
5/21	North Alabama#	9-8	9-16-2	8-12-3	39	20	Shover 9-4	572
5/27	Ashland\$	9-3	9-11-0	3-6-3	40	20	Shover 10-4	2361
5/30	Florida Southern\$	5-9	5-13-1	9-15-2	40	21	Shook 7-3	1325
6/1	Bloomsburg\$	9-2	9-12-1	2-8-5	41	22	Cushman 9-4	537
6/1	Georgia College\$	7-9	7-10-4	9-14-2	41	22	Shover 10-5	1250

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# VSU BASEBALL HISTORY

## Coaches' Records

Walter Cottingham, 12-25, .324; Gary Colson, 10-11, .476; Billy Grant, 93-83, .528; Tommy Thomas, 944-537, .637.

Year	W-L	Coach	Year	W-L	Coach
1955	6-5	Cottingham	1976	28-25	Thomas
1956	2-8	Cottingham	1977	47-16	Thomas
1957	2-7	Cottingham	1978	39-20	Thomas
1958	2-5	Cottingham	1979	47-14	Thomas
1959	10-11	Colson	1980	45-11	Thomas
1960	15-5	Grant	1981	39-19	Thomas
1961	8-15	Grant	1982	49-22	Thomas
1962	9-9	Grant	1983	45-14	Thomas
1963	4-8	Grant	1984	33-23	Thomas
1964	10-10	Grant	1985	47-21	Thomas
1965	18-11	Grant	1986	43-17	Thomas
1966	15-9	Grant	1987	34-20	Thomas
1967	14-16	Grant	1988	26-26	Thomas
1968	15-9	Thomas	1989	22-31	Thomas
1969	27-10	Thomas	1990	18-31	Thomas
1970	25-16	Thomas	1991	21-23	Thomas
1971	24-18	Thomas	1992	29-25	Thomas
1972	28-15	Thomas	1993	30-20	Thomas
1973	43-14	Thomas	1994	25-25	Thomas
1974	38-13	Thomas	1995	41-22	Thomas
1975	36-17	Thomas	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1059-656</b>	<b>.617</b>



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## Individual – Game

Most ABs	7, 14 players tied
Most Runs	5, Steve Crawford, '68 David DeMersseman, '77; June Munford, '83 Mike White, '85
Most Hits	6, Mike Jones, '85
Most 2Bs	3, Sam Bowen, '74 Seo Torres, '80; June Munford, '83; Mike Cassala, '88; Darrien Teals, '88; Tom White, '91
Most 3Bs	2, 9 players tied
Most HRs	3, Gene Felts, '72
Most HRs: Inning	2, Billy Tyler, '76; Sal Amadeo, '78
Most TBs	13, Gene Felts, '72
Most RBIs	9, Rob Busch, '85
Most SBs	6, Claude Speck, '67
Most Put Outs	20, Kevin Spooner, '85
Most Assists	10, John Gordon, '86
Most Errors	4, 5 players tied
Most IP	15, Danny Chadwick, '73
Most Ks	18, Kelly Scott, '80
Perfect Game	Leroy Purdy, '70
No Hitters	Eddie Fisher, '69 Steve Sorgious, '70; Dan Darden, '74 Dwayne Cushman, '94

## Individual – Season

Best B.A.	433, Chuck Devane, '83
Best Slugging %	.839, Cecil Whitehead, '78
Most AB.	271, Mike Jones, '85
Most Runs	96, Andy Anthony, '85
Most Hits	114, Mike Jones, '85
Most 2Bs	23, Jojo Blaha, '86
Most 3Bs	8, Dan Darden, '75
Most HRs	22, Cecil Whitehead, '78
Most Consecutive Hits	9, Rob Bush, '85
Longest Hitting Streak	25, Rusty Brown, '90
Most Extra Base Hits	39, Jojo Blaha, '86 Kevin Spooner, '85
Most Total Bases	166, Mike Jones, '85
Most RBIs	76, Jojo Blaha, '85
Most BBs (drawn)	91, Richie Johnson, '82
Most SBs	46, Mike White, '85
Most Appearances	25, Mike Lee, '92
Most IP	127.1, Jeff Agerter, '83
Most Consecutive Shutout Innings	28.2, Jimmy Wall, '77
Most Ks	112, Bryan Shover, '93
Most Ks per 9 innings	12.7, Sam Bowen, '73
Most Wins	13, Jeff Agerter, '82
Most Decisions	17, Jeff Agerter, '82
Most Saves	8, Chuck Beale, '77
Best ERA	0.78, Mike Perry, '64
Most Shutouts	3, 9 players tied

## Individual – Career

Best B.A.	390, John Gordon, '86-87
Best Slugging %	.643, Cecil Whitehead, '76-78
Most ABs	751, Craig Viers, '75-78
Most Runs	183, Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Most Hits	248, Jojo Blaha, '84-87
Most 2Bs	52, Jojo Blaha, '84-87
Most 3Bs	18, Gene Felts, '71-74 Craig Viers, '75-78
Most HRs	43, Jojo Blaha, '84-87

Most TBs	445, Jojo Blaha, '84-87
Most RBIs	209, Jojo Blaha, '84-87
Most SBs	91, Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Most Appearances	70, Ted West, '85-88
Most IP	353, Jimmy Wall, '77-80
Most Ks	261, Bryan Shover, '92-A
Most Wins	31, Bill Petty, '74-77; Jimmy Wall, '77-80
Best Winning Percentage	.950, Kelly Scott, '79-80
Most Saves	11, Chuck Beale, '76-77
Best ERA	1.48, Eddie Fisher, '66-69
Most Shutouts	7, Bill Petty, '74-77

## Team – Game

Most Runs	23 vs. Westmar, '75; Fort Valley State, '85
Most Runs: Inning	13 vs. Jacksonville State, '79 Fort Valley State, '85
Most Hits	30 vs. Shippensburg, '85
Most RBIs	20 vs. 6 teams
Most 2Bs	8 vs. Columbus, '83; Wofford, '91; Columbus, '91
Most 3Bs	4 vs. Oglethorpe, '65 Ouachita Baptist, '70; Fort Valley State, '83
Most HRs	6 vs. Eckerd, '85
Most Runs Against	28 vs. Jacksonville State, '90
Most Runs: Both Teams	36 vs. Longwood (17-19), '82
Most Extra Base Hits	11 vs. Columbus, '83
Most TBs	39 vs. Fort Valley State, '83
Most Errors	9 vs. Florida Southern, '89
Most SBs	13 vs. Armstrong State, '68
Most DPs	5 vs. New Orleans, '74
Most Innings	17 vs. David Lipscomb, '68

## Team – Season

Most Games	71, 1982
Most Wins	49, 1982
Most Consecutive Wins	22, 1983
Best Winning Percentage	.804 (45-11), 1980
Most Losses	31, 1989, 1990
Best Batting Average	.343, 1985
Worst Batting Average	.216, 1957
Best Slugging Percentage	.566, 1985
Most ABs	2261, 1985
Most Runs	620, 1985
Most Runs Per Game	9.8, 1986
Most Times Shut Out	8, 1976
Fewest Runs Allowed Per Game	2.3, 1960
Most Hits	776, 1985
Most 2Bs	144, 1985
Most 3Bs	31, 1985
Most HRs	99, 1985
Most Extra Base Hits	274, 1985
Most Total Bases	1279, 1985
Most RBIs	545, 1985
Most Stolen Bases	179, 1985
Most Double Plays	67, 1985
Best Fielding Percentage	.964, 1965
Most Innings Pitched	577.1, 1982
Most Strikeouts	488, 1995
Most Walks	404, 1981
Best ERA	1.45, 1964
Worst ERA	7.36, 1990
Most Shutouts	12, 1973
Most Consecutive Shutouts	4, 1971





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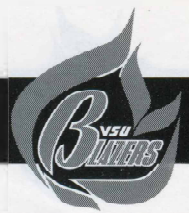
## VSU Vs All Opponents

Albany State.....	34-5
Armstrong State.....	53-22
Ashland.....	3-1
Auburn.....	1-1
Auburn-Montgomery.....	1-1
Augusta.....	32-11
Austin Peay State.....	2-1
Ball State.....	3-0
Belmont Abbey.....	0-2
Berry.....	23-6
Birmingham Southern.....	2-2
Bloomsburg.....	1-0
Bowling Green State.....	4-4
Brewton-Parker.....	18-10
California.....	0-1
Cal Poly-Pomona.....	1-2
California (PA).....	2-0
CSU-Northridge.....	1-2
Campbellsville.....	2-0
Central Arkansas.....	1-1
Central Florida.....	5-4
Central Missouri St.....	0-1
Charleston.....	43-3
Cincinnati.....	0-1
Citadel.....	2-0
Clemson.....	4-13
Columbus.....	58-46
David Lipscomb.....	6-9
Delta State.....	6-3
DePauw.....	16-1
Duke.....	2-0
East Stroudsburg.....	1-0
East Connecticut St.....	0-1
Eastern Illinois.....	1-0
Eastern Kentucky.....	3-0
Eastern Michigan.....	4-0
Eckerd.....	11-10
Edward Waters.....	1-1
Emory.....	1-0
Erskine.....	17-11
Evansville.....	1-0
Flagler.....	16-6
Florida.....	5-14
Florida A&M.....	22-9
Florida International.....	1-3
Florida Southern.....	9-33
Florida State.....	4-23
Fort Valley State.....	16-0
Furman.....	1-1
Georgetown.....	1-0
Georgia.....	5-4
Georgia College.....	17-6

Georgia Southern.....	15-25
Georgia Southwestern.....	37-11
Georgia State.....	7-2
Georgia Tech.....	4-1
Grand Canyon.....	1-0
High Point.....	2-1
Hope (MI).....	3-0
Howard.....	0-1
Illinois Benedictine.....	31-3
Jacksonville.....	22-26
Jacksonville State.....	14-28
Kennesaw State.....	11-6
Kentucky.....	2-0
Lake Forest (IL).....	1-0
Lamar.....	0-2
Lewis.....	6-5
Liberty.....	0-1
Lincoln Memorial.....	5-6
Longwood.....	2-2
Louisville.....	2-1
Lynn.....	1-0
Macalester.....	2-0
Malone.....	3-0
Maine.....	0-1
Mansfield.....	1-1
Marion.....	3-0
Mercer.....	24-19
Mercer-Atlanta.....	3-1
Miami (Ohio).....	0-2
Milligan.....	1-1
Millikin.....	1-1
Mississippi College.....	9-3
Missouri-St. Louis.....	2-1
Newberry.....	9-0
New Haven.....	0-3
New Orleans.....	0-1
Norfolk State.....	3-0
North Alabama.....	14-13
North Central (IL).....	1-1
North Florida.....	4-12
North Georgia.....	3-11
Northwestern.....	1-1
Oglethorpe.....	11-7
Ohio.....	3-1
Oral Roberts.....	1-0
Oregon State.....	0-1
Otterbein.....	4-1
Ouachita Baptist.....	2-1

Pembroke State.....	4-3
Phillips.....	0-1
Piedmont.....	25-11
Purdue-Calumet.....	2-0
Quincy.....	6-0
Rollins.....	4-2
Rose Hulman.....	22-0
St. Francis (IL).....	8-3
St. Leo.....	17-11
St. Louis.....	2-0
St. Mary's (MN).....	4-0
St. Thomas.....	1-1
St. Xavier.....	23-6
Shippensburg.....	8-1
Shorter.....	19-2
SIU Edwardsville.....	7-2
Slippery Rock.....	1-0
South Florida.....	2-2
SE Missouri State.....	2-0
Southern Tech.....	16-1
Stanford.....	0-1
Stetson.....	7-7
Tampa.....	5-12
Taylor.....	1-0
Tennessee.....	4-0
Tennessee Tech.....	0-2
Thomas College.....	1-1
Trinity (IL).....	7-0
Troy State.....	19-34
UC Riverside.....	0-2
USF-St. Petersburg.....	3-0
UT-Martin.....	2-0
UWis-Parkside.....	0-1
Vanderbilt.....	1-5
Wake Forest.....	1-0
Washington (MO).....	1-0
Washington & Lee.....	2-0
West Chester.....	2-1
Westfield State.....	6-3
West Alabama.....	7-8
West Florida.....	4-2
West Georgia.....	56-30
West Liberty State.....	2-0
West Virginia.....	3-0
Western Carolina.....	1-0
Western Kentucky.....	4-2
Westmar.....	2-0
William Carey.....	0-1
Wofford.....	4-0
Wright State.....	1-1

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Standing, L-R: Jennifer Jordan, Kendra Elliott, Bobbie Guillebeau, Rhonda Wise, Leilani Struzick.

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