



VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME LUNCHEON

THE FORMAL INDUCTION CEREMONY

Saturday, February 11, 2006

Noon

MAGNOLIA ROOM

UNIVERSITY CENTER



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Welcome..... Herb Reinhard, Athletic Director

Invocation The Rev. Dan Darden, Mabel White Memorial Baptist Church

LUNCH

President's Remarks.....Dr. Ronald M. Zaccari

Presentation of the Tenth Class..... Herb Reinhard

Formal Induction.....Dr. Ronald M. Zaccari

Inductees' Remarks..... 2006 Class

Closing Remarks..... Herb Reinhard

HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE

Herb Reinhard, Chuck Dunmon, Mark Powell, Whit Chappell, Jennifer Head,
Bill England, John Hansen, Tommy Thomas, Steve Roberts

THE 2006 HALL OF FAME CLASS

KLAUS ACKER, MEN'S TENNIS

Klaus Acker was a two-year letterman from 1997-1998, playing No. 1 singles and No. 1 doubles throughout his impressive career. He played with three different doubles partners, compiling an overall record of 35-9. He rolled up a 33-10 record in singles, including a 20-6 mark his senior season when he was named Gulf South Conference player of the year. Both teams finished second in the conference tournament, and he led the 1997 squad to an appearance in the national tournament. He was an all-conference and all-America selection in 1997 and 1998.

KEVIN DURKIN, GOLF

Kevin Durkin was a top player on two golf teams which advanced to the national tournament, finishing sixth in 1998 and fourth in 1999. He posted 11 top 10 tournament finishes in his two-year career, leading the Blazers to the Gulf South Conference championship in 1999 and a second place finish in 1998. He was a two-time all-conference selection and was named second team all-America in 1998 and third team all-America in 1999. He is currently a professional on the Nationwide Tour and is playing this weekend in a tournament in Australia. He is the third golfer to be elected to the Hall, and his plaque will be accepted by Nicky Balanis, his VSU coach.

TOMMY THOMAS, BASEBALL COACH

For the first time since its inception, the Hall of Fame will add an inductee who is still on the job at Valdosta State. Tommy Thomas joined the athletic family in the fall of 1967 and became head baseball coach in 1968. He will be in the dugout later today for his 39th season, hopefully adding another victory to the total which has made him the winningest coach in Division II history. He has won 13 conference titles, eight regional crowns and his 1979 team won the university's first national championship. He has been named coach of the year at conference, region and national levels and in January was an American Baseball Coaches Association Hall of Fame inductee.

DAWN WYNN, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Dawn Wynn was a four-year starter, two-time all-conference and an all-America selection for the Lady Blazers during her outstanding career from 1991-95. She ranks 13th on the all-time scoring list with 1181 points in 106 games. She led the team in rebounding all four seasons, finishing her career with 904 rebounds. She had career shooting averages of just under 50 percent from the field and over 70 percent from the free throw line. Her senior season she led VSU to a 25-4 record, the Gulf South Conference eastern division championship and a runnerup finish in the Division II South Regional.



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WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Softball vs. Armstrong Atlantic State Today, 2 pm
 Baseball vs. Florida Gulf Coast Today, 3:30 pm
 Women's Basketball vs. West Georgia Today, 6 pm
 Men's Basketball vs. West Georgia Today, 8 pm
 Baseball vs. Georgia College & State Sunday, 2:30 pm

Hall of Fame inductees will be recognized
 at halftime of the men's basketball game.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

1997 Class

Eric Anderson	Men's Tennis
Sam Bowen	Baseball
Eddie Brown	Basketball
Chan Dixon	Women's Tennis
Joe Germano	Cross Country
Billy Grant	Coach, Administrator
Susan Taylor	Basketball
Jessie Tuggle	Football

1998 Class

Gary Colson	Coach
Gene Felts	Baseball
Bobby Ritch	Basketball
Shannon Williams	Basketball

1999 Class

Candace Fincher	Basketball
Jackie Harris	Basketball
Louise Howell	American Ball
Mike Perry	Basketball, Baseball
Nancy Irby	Women's Tennis
Cecil Whitehead	Baseball

2000 Class

Antonio Edwards	Football
Willie Oxford	Basketball
Kelly Scott	Baseball
Lyndal Worth	Coach

2001 Class

Briny Baird	Golf
JoJo Blaha	Baseball
Carol Chason	Women's Basketball
Chris Hatcher	Football

2002 Class

Mike Jones	Baseball
Ray McCully	Basketball
Keith Moore	Football
Janice Washington	Basketball

2003 Class

Jeff Agerter	Baseball
Sue Ann Christie	Basketball
Masa Oreskovic	Women's Tennis
Libby Parks	Softball

2004 Class

Lance Funderburk	Football
Daryl Greenan	Men's Tennis
Bridgett Moore	Basketball
Bryan Shover	Baseball

2005 Class

Tim Dominey	Basketball
Sachin Kirtane	Men's Tennis
David Yarmitzky	Golf
1979 National Championship Baseball Team	