



*Valdosta State University
Athletic Hall of Fame*

14th Annual Induction Ceremony and Luncheon

*Saturday, January 23, 2010
Noon*

*Ballroom
Student Union*

H/T/H



TODAY'S PROGRAM

Alumni Board

Welcome..... Herb Reinhard, Athletic Director

Invocation..... Trea Brinson, FCA Chaplin
HEAD TABLE FCA

LUNCH

HOF in attendance
President's Remarks..... Dr. Patrick J. Schloss

Presentation of the 14th Class..... Herb Reinhard

Formal Induction..... Dr. Patrick J. Schloss

Inductees' Remarks..... 2010 Class

Closing Remarks..... Herb Reinhard
Thank You

TICKETS
WEEKEND ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Women's Basketball vs. Alabama-Huntsville..... Today, 6:00 p.m.
Men's Basketball vs. Alabama-Huntsville..... Today, 8:00 p.m.
Baseball/Softball Blazer Blast..... Sunday, 1:00 p.m.

Hall of Fame inductees will be recognized at halftime of the basketball games.

HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE

Whit Chappell, John Hansen, Jennifer Head, Shawn Reed, Tom Odom,
Herb Reinhard, Steve Roberts, Tommy Thomas, Bobby Tucker

RAY McCully

THE 2010 HALL OF FAME CLASS

NICKY BALANIS, GOLF

As the Valdosta State golf coach from 1987 through 2000, Nicky Balanis led Valdosta State to Gulf South Conference championships in 1989, 1994, 1996, 1999 and 2000. He was named GSC Coach of the Year in each of those five seasons and led the Blazers to 10 NCAA Championship appearances. He coached 25 All-Americans and 30 All-GSC honorees and saw his team finish in the top 10 in the country on nine times, including a second-place finish in 1989.

RANDY FISHER, FOOTBALL

One of the Blazers' first stars on the gridiron, Randy Fisher was a four-year starter at wide receiver between 1986 and 1989. He became the first Blazer to earn Gulf South Conference Freshman-of-the-Year honors in 1986 and earned first team All-GSC honors in each of his four years with the Blazers, just one of three players in conference history to accomplish that feat. He earned All-America honors in 1989 and currently stands fourth in VSU history in receptions, third in receiving yards and fifth in touchdowns.

*2 - Tim Chao
Play of Year
Brimm
Baird*

BOBBY MCDONALD, BASEBALL

A star on the diamond between 1996 and 1999, Bobby McDonald earned All-America status as a sophomore in 1997 while earning All-Gulf South Conference honors in 1997, 1998 and 1999. He played in 195 games during his career, starting 175 of those contests, and still owns the VSU record with 44 career home runs. He slugged a school-record 23 home runs in 1997 and finished his career with a .383 batting average. McDonald scored 137 career runs while driving in 188.

DR. LAMAR PEARSON, BOOSTER

A long time supporter of Valdosta State University and the Valdosta State Athletics Department, Dr. Lamar Pearson has spent much of his life enriching the lives of students at VSU. He served as a professor in the Valdosta State history department for 40 years before retiring from the classroom in 2005, but not from his support of Blazer Athletics, as he is now in his 45th year supporting VSU athletics. In 2001, the Valdosta State Athletic Department named its Community Service award after him and his wife, Nancy. Dr. Pearson played baseball at Valdosta State during the 1950's and was president of the Letterman's Club as an underclassman.

KIM SOUTHALL, SOFTBALL

One of the school's first stars in softball, Kim Southall was a four-year letterwinner between 1991 and 1994. She finished her career with a .320 batting average and tallied 96 runs scored, 37 doubles and 19 triples during her career. Southall drove in 99 runs during her four years while earning All-Gulf South Conference honors in 1992, 1993 and 1994.

MICHAEL TERRY, MEN'S BASKETBALL

A star for the Valdosta State men's basketball team from 1964 through 1968, Michael Terry was a four-year starter and helped lead Valdosta State to conference championships in 1966, 1967 and 1968. He averaged 12.8 points as a freshman, 11.8 as a sophomore and a team-high 18.3 points a game as a senior while leading the Blazers to a spot in the NAIA national tournament. He is sixth on the VSU career scoring list with 1,599 points and played in a school record 116 games, all of which he started.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

1997 Class

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

1998 Class

Gary Colson Coach
 Gene Felts Baseball
Bobby Ritch Men's Basketball
 Shannon Williams Women's Basketball

1999 Class

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

2000 Class

Antonio Edwards Football
 Willie Oxford Men's 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 Men's Basketball
 Keith Moore Football
 Janice Washington Women's Basketball

2003 Class

Jeff Agerter Baseball
Sue Ann Christie Women's 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

2006 Class

Klaus Acker Men's Tennis
 Kevin Durkin Golf
Tommy Thomas Coach
 Dawn Wynn Women's Basketball

2007 Class

Sal Almadeo Baseball
Dusty Bonner Football
Steve Roberts Sports Information
 Nico Sablowski Men's Tennis
 Tracy Sprolden Kimethu Women's Basketball

2008 Class

Dr. Kurt Jacobson Team Physician
 C.J. Lofton Football
 Kathy Kennedy Matthews Women's Basketball
 Reggie Mosley Football
 Aparna Sreenivasan Women's Tennis

2009 Class

Tommy Clark Supporter
 James Dominey Men's Basketball
 Cathy McCurdy Guzay Women's Basketball
John Hansen Tennis
 Dallis Smith Football

2010 Class

Nicky Balanis Golf
 Randy Fisher Football
 Bobby McDonald Baseball
 Lamar Pearson Contributor
 Kim Southall Softball
 Michael Terry Men's Basketball