



Lady Blazers
Basketball
1984-85





1984-85 Lady Blazer Roster

By Number

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Head Coach

Charles Cooper

His philosophy is simple when it comes to coaching women's basketball. Become fundamentally sound, especially on defense, and work hard every day to improve as a coach and as a player.

Charles Cooper has parlayed that philosophy into unparalleled success on both the high school and college levels. He is beginning his fourth year as head coach at Valdosta State and is coming off a tremendous season in which his team broke several school and individual records.

His third team put a 30-3 overall record in the books, the best ever in VSC's proud women's basketball history. Following an early season loss to Division I Kentucky, the Lady Blazers ran off 21 consecutive wins and were ranked No. 1 in the nation for two weeks before losing at Central Florida.

The team showed its great character by rallying to beat an outstanding North Alabama team on successive weekends for the Gulf South Conference championship and the NCAA South Regional title respectively.

The 1983-84 Lady Blazers then blitzed Army in the NCAA Quarterfinal game to earn a spot in the Final Four at Springfield, Mass. where the season ended with a loss to eventual national champion Central Missouri State in the semifinals.

"In retrospect, it was an exciting and rewarding season," Cooper said. "The players deserved all the good things that happened to them along the way because they worked extremely hard. Most of those players had been together for two or three years and had made steady progress each year. They came very close to bringing home all the bacon."

Cooper did inherit a very solid nucleus when he took over a struggling program in 1981. His first team compiled a 16-8 record, playing 15 games against Division I competition and playing 16 games on the road. That club finished with a No. 10 national ranking which set the stage for big things to follow.

His 1982-83 squad rolled to a 27-4 record, won the Gulf South Conference championship and the South Regional title before losing in the Quarterfinal game. Last year's club picked up where its predecessor left off and came within an eyelash of winning the national championship.

"We've made solid progress, and that's what we want to continue doing," Cooper said. "We're going to have to take a different approach this year because our physical makeup is so much different. We don't have the size advantage we've enjoyed in the past. We can still be successful, but I think we'll have to work even harder."

Cooper took the VSC job in the summer of 1981 following nine remarkable years as head coach at Lowndes High School in Valdosta. His record at LHS cannot be matched by any other coach in the country. His teams won 227, lost



only 25 and captured four straight AAAA state championships by winning 119 consecutive games.

The winning streak reached 124 before being snapped during the 1980-81 season.

Cooper knew that high school record would do him little good at the college level. He took over a program which had put back-to-back losing seasons together after being a big winner in its first five years. He knew his primary job was to turn the program back in the right direction, and he wasted no time doing just that.

While Cooper sees the college game as different from high school, there are many things he does the same.

"We concentrate on the fundamentals, particularly defense. We believe every team is going to have an off night shooting the ball, but you can play good defense every night."

The 52-year-old Morven native began his coaching career at Morven High School, then moved to nearby Brooks County High School in Quitman where he coached boys basketball for seven years.

A two-year stint at Suwannee High School in Live Oak, Fla., preceded his hiring at Lowndes where he coached boys basketball for four years before taking over the girls program in 1972.

His coaching honors would fill this brochure. Suffice it to say he was state AAAA coach of the year four straight years and is a member of the Valdosta-Lowndes County Sports Hall of Fame.

He, like the institution at which he coaches, is a winner.

Assistant Coach

Cathy Guzey

After a one-year "retirement", Cathy Guzey is back for her fifth season as assistant coach of the Lady Blazers. The former Cathy McCurdy, she was a four-year starter at Valdosta State, and her assist records may never be broken.

Guzey played for Cooper at Lowndes and he considers her to be invaluable to his program at VSC.

"As a player she was a coach on the floor, both when she played for me and when she played here at VSC," Cooper said. "I gave her a lot of responsibility when she was my assistant the first two years and she'll get even more this year. She has the respect of everyone on the team and in the department, and I depend on her very much."

During her four-year career at Valdosta State, the Lady Blazers won 98 of 120 games and Guzey handed out 728 assists, an average of more than six per game. She also scored 741 points in the four years.

She has received bachelor's and master's degrees from VSC.



Athletic Trainer

Jim Madaleno

The entire Valdosta State athletic program benefitted when the College inaugurated football in 1982 because it brought a full time athletic trainer on board for the first time. Before football, the various sports had to rely on students or coaches to handle the important training chores. Now Valdosta State has Jim Madaleno, a fully certified athletic trainer who has proven himself invaluable to the total athletic program.

Madaleno came to VSC in time for spring practice in 1982 and has since instituted an excellent training program. He maintains and staffs two fully equipped training rooms, one in the football fieldhouse and another in the physical education complex. He has recruited a very capable staff of student trainers and teaches a course in athletic training as part of the physical education curriculum.

Last year he wrote a proposal to add the athletic training major to the PE curriculum which was approved and will be implemented.

Before coming to VSC, Madaleno was an assistant trainer at Florida State University, working primarily with football. The Dearborn, Michigan native graduated from Michigan State University where he was a student trainer for four years.

He received a graduate assistantship to Florida State and earned his master's degree in movement science in 1981. Madaleno, 26, is single.



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A Forward Glance

After winning 30 of 33 games and reaching the Final Four in NCAA Division II women's basketball, what can Valdosta State Lady Blazers do for an encore?

The answer is to get back to the national finals and this time bring home the championship. And that is the ultimate goal for fourth year head coach Charles Cooper and his Lady Blazers, but Cooper prefers to reach that ambitious goal one step at a time.

"Realistically many, many things must fall into place for us to challenge for the national championship," Cooper said. "That is certainly one of our goals, but we have a great deal of work to do. We won't get there on our reputation."

Valdosta State's reputation in women's basketball circles is extremely impressive. Cooper's three teams have compiled an overall record of 73-15, including 27-4 and 30-3 campaigns the last two years. However, two players who were instrumental in those big years are gone and won't be easily replaced.

All-American Janice Washington, a 6-0 power forward, and 6-5 center Pam Johnson, who led last year's club in scoring and rebounding, have departed, and Cooper spent much of his recruiting time looking for replacements.

He found one seasoned post player in the Georgia junior college league and signed an outstanding pivot off an area high school team. Beverly Johnson, the Atlanta Tipoff Club's Juco Player of the Year, averaged 18 points and 10 rebounds a game for Emmanuel Junior College while Mabelle Petrey averaged 15 points and 10 rebounds for Central of Thomasville High School. Johnson is 5-10 and Petrey is 5-11.

The Lady Blazers' other recruit is 5-6 point guard Pam Hand who played for LaGrange High School's state AAAA champions last year, averaging 15 points a game.

Valdosta State returns three starters off last year's club plus two other players who saw a lot of playing time. Gina Bozeman, a 5-6 senior guard, is back for her third season. She averaged 11.4 points a game and handed out 105 assists a year ago.

Debbie Roberson Cato, who was married in the off-season, played excellent basketball toward the end of last season and finished with an 8-point average. Cato is a 5-10 junior forward.

Cindy Cooper, a 5-10 senior, is back for her third year at the point. She averaged

5 points a game and led the team with 184 assists last season.

Sophomores Bridgett Moore, a 5-10 forward, and Candace Fincher, a 5-11 pivot, saw extensive duty. Moore averaged 7 points a game while Fincher scored 5.6 points and grabbed 4.4 rebounds per outing.

Juniors Kim Hamm, a 5-5 guard, Kajuan-sa Cornelius, a 5-8 forward, and sophomore Lisa Leland, a 5-6 guard, return to add depth to the cast.

"This team will certainly be different from the last few years because we don't have the size that we've had," Cooper said. "I think we'll have more quickness, and we'll need that quickness because we'll have to be better defensively."

Valdosta State intimidated opponents on defense in the past. Pam Johnson blocked 160 shots last year. That weapon is gone and adjustments must be made.

"This basketball team faces a good challenge, and I think we have the kind of players that will respond," Cooper said. "I know we have excellent leadership from our two seniors. They both lead by example. Bozeman is the most dedicated basketball player I've ever coached, and Cooper is an extremely hard worker.

"If the recruits' work habits are good, and I think they are, we'll be in good shape. But we have a lot of work to get done before Nov. 20."

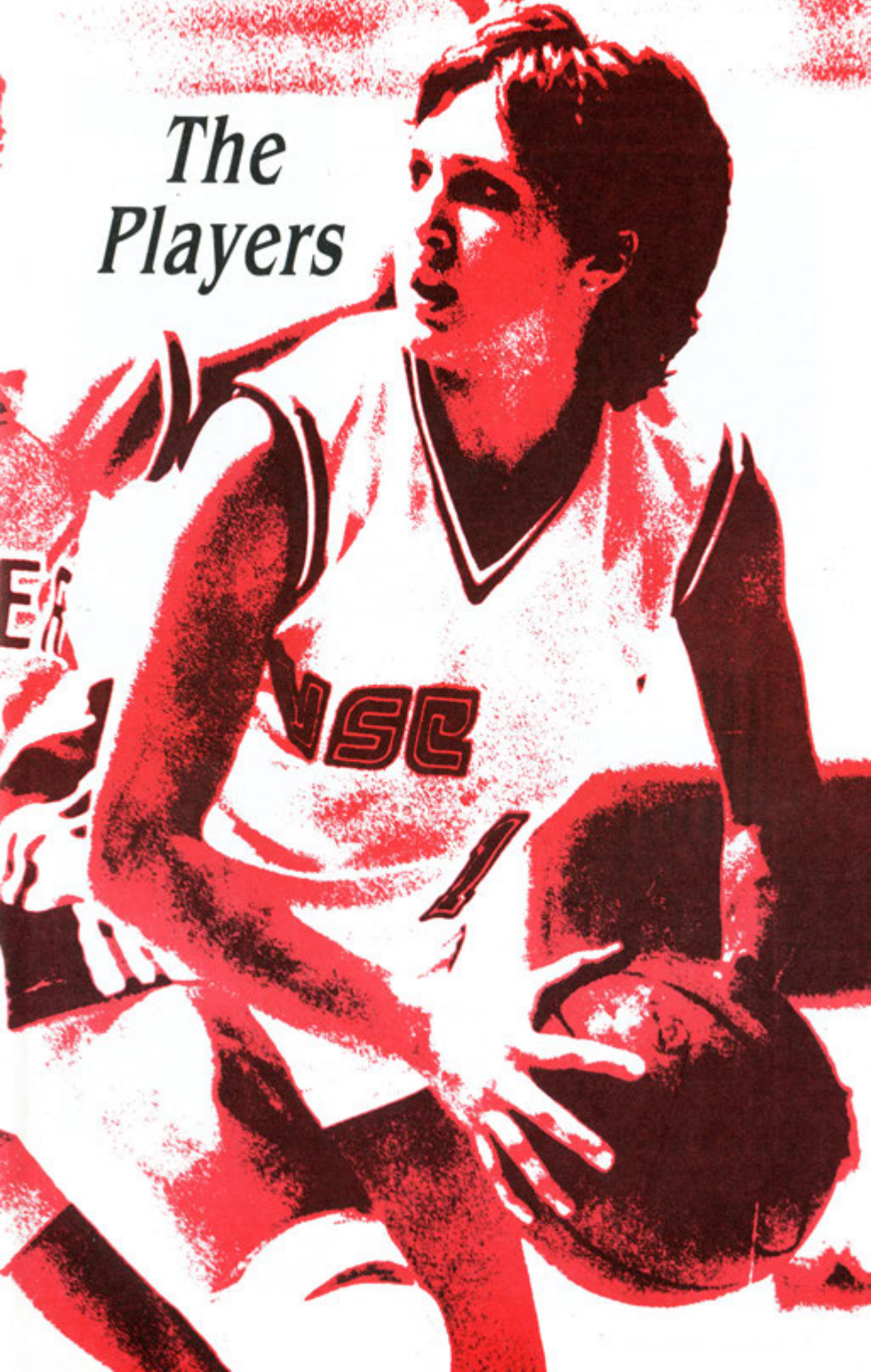
Nov. 20 is the season opener against Georgia Southern and one of 12 home games on the 24 game schedule, which for the first time includes 10 games with fellow Gulf South Conference schools. The season-ending conference tournament will be hosted by the Lady Blazers in early March.

One other tourney is on the slate, a visit to Chattanooga for the Leader Lady Moc Invitational on Feb. 1-2.

"The regular season conference race adds a new dimension to our schedule," Cooper said. "We'll be playing for seeding in the conference tournament, and the tournament winner gets an automatic bid to post-season play."

The automatic bid is a first for women's basketball in the Gulf South and was made possible after West Georgia joined the league, giving it six Division II women's basketball members. Other league schools are powerful North Alabama, Livingston, Troy State and Jacksonville State.

*The
Players*



Gina Bozeman



25

5-6 Wing
Senior
Sylvester, Ga.

Cooper Says:

"Gina leads by example and her hard work, hustle and desire are unparalleled. She is an excellent outside shooter, is very competitive and a team player. With her experience and leadership ability, she should have an outstanding senior season."



Cindy Cooper

12

5-9 Point
Senior
Valdosta, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Since Cindy is a senior this year, I expect her experience and leadership ability to be a very positive factor on this year's team. She works extremely hard and has a very good attitude. Cindy has started at point guard the last two years and is an outstanding passer and team player whose strong suit is defense."

Debbie Cato



22

5-10 Wing
Junior
Pearson, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Debbie is a fundamentally sound player, an excellent scorer and is very aggressive. She believes in the team concept and has unlimited potential. Debbie works very hard and is very coachable. She has the experience and confidence to have an outstanding year."



Kajuansa Cornelius

11

5-8 Wing
Junior
Adel, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"K. C. is an excellent shooter and above average passer. She needs to become mentally tougher as well as more aggressive and play with more intensity. With the experience she gained last year, she should be a definite asset to the team this season."

Kim Hamm



5

5-6 Point
Junior
Sylvester, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Kim is an excellent passer and always gives 100 percent. She is a team player and is one of the most coachable players and hardest workers that I have ever coached. If she will use her speed and quickness more and gain more confidence, she should see more playing time this year."



Beverly Johnson

15

5-10 Pivot
Junior
Danielsville, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Beverly had an outstanding junior college record and was one of the most highly recruited players in Georgia. She was voted the most outstanding player in Georgia's junior colleges last year. She is very quick and is an excellent inside player. As soon as she learns our system, she should be a very positive factor on this year's team."

Candace Fincher



42

5-10 Pivot
Sophomore
LaGrange, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Candace is a very strong rebounder and an excellent player around the basket. She works extremely hard and has an excellent attitude. Candace gained valuable experience as a freshman and I'm expecting a great season from her."



Lisa Leland

21

5-6 Wing
Sophomore
Nashville, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Lisa has outstanding speed and quickness and is a very good shooter. She works extremely hard and should be more consistent this year. Lisa is a smart player and should contribute on a regular basis this year."



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- *Record: 30-3 (Best Ever).*
- *Third in nation in scoring offense, averaging 82.2 ppg.*
- *Third in nation in won-loss percentage (.909)*
- *Third in nation in field goal percentage (.501).*
- *Tenth in nation in free throw percentage (.713).*



3-84

Good Year. . .

HIGHLIGHTS

- Eleventh in nation in scoring margin (15.7).
- Janice Washington led nation in field goal percentage (.630) and was second in scoring (23.4).
- Washington was a consensus choice on two All-American teams and was a member of the all-tournament team in the national finals.

Bridgett Moore



35

5-10 Wing
Sophomore
Alapaha, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Bridgett had an outstanding freshman year. She is an excellent scorer, works extremely hard and is a team player. Bridgett is a smart player with good court sense. She has the potential to be one of the best players ever to play at Valdosta State."



Pam Hand

32

5-6 Point
Freshman
Sylvester, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Pam had an outstanding high school record and was one of the most highly recruited players in Georgia. She is fundamentally sound and has great speed and quickness. Pam has unlimited potential and should be ready to play as a freshman."

Machelle Petrey



30

5-11 Pivot
Freshman
Thomasville, Ga.



Cooper Says:

"Machelle has the ability to become an outstanding college player. She is a smart player with good court sense. Machelle is a good inside scorer. She obviously needs experience but should be ready to play as a freshman. She works hard and has a very good attitude."

Final 1983-84 Statistics

Record: W-30 L-3 (Home, 14-0; Away, 12-2; Neutral, 4-1)

	G	FG-FGA	PCT.	FT-FTA	PCT.	REB	AVG	F	PTS	AVG	A	TO	BLK	S
Washington	33	308-489	.630	155-198	.783	363	11.0	94	771	23.4	15	100	8	42
Johnson	33	249-522	.477	96-153	.627	350	10.6	107	594	18.0	5	50	160	31
Bozeman	33	145-336	.432	77-92	.837	77	2.3	70	377	11.4	105	89	4	29
Roberson	33	97-234	.415	53-78	.679	132	4.0	89	247	7.9	71	56	4	31
Moore	33	99-200	.495	33-48	.688	89	2.7	66	231	7.0	46	47	11	37
Fincher	31	48-76	.632	79-107	.738	136	4.4	78	175	5.6	3	38	4	21
Cooper	33	58-137	.423	48-72	.667	97	2.9	75	164	5.0	184	114	8	70
Cornelius	19	17-46	.370	8-15	.533	32	1.7	21	42	2.2	14	20	1	8
Leland	18	14-32	.438	8-13	.615	21	1.2	7	35	1.9	7	20	0	2
Hamm	19	11-20	.550	6-15	.400	11	0.6	12	28	1.5	27	14	0	5
Others	4	17-37	.459	15-20	.750	23	5.8	12	49	12.3	2	15	1	10
Team Rebounds.....						197								
VALDOSTA STATE	33	1063-2121	.501	578-811	.713	1531	46.4	630	2714	82.2	480	572	201	287
OPPONENTS	33	895-2372	.377	407-653	.623	1310	39.7	701	2197	66.6	363	549	57	274

Deadball Rebounds: VSC 87, Opponents 86

The Record Book

Scoring Leaders

Season	Player	Games	Points	Avg.
1983-84	Janice Washington	33	771	23.4
	Pam Johnson	33	594	18.0
1982-83	Pam Johnson	31	574	18.5
	Sherri France	31	517	16.7
1981-82	Pam Stone	27	403	14.9
	Sherri France	23	381	16.6
1980-81	Pam Stone	27	403	14.9
	Vicki Smith	16	164	10.3
1979-80	Susan Taylor	32	790	24.7
	LeAnn Harrell	31	409	13.2
1978-79	Susan Taylor	35	868	24.8
	Carol Chason	35	709	20.3
1977-78	Susan Taylor	31	728	23.5
	Carol Chason	31	579	18.7
1976-77	Susan Taylor	30	632	21.1
	Sue Ann Christie	31	609	19.6
1975-76	Sue Ann Christie	24	432	18.0
	Carol Chason	24	380	15.8
1974-75	Sue Ann Christie	23	457	19.9
	Bessie Bloom	23	278	12.1

3000 Point Club

Name	Games	Points	Avg.	Years
Susan Taylor	128	3018	23.6	1976-80

2000 Point Club

Name	Games	Points	Avg.	Years
Carol Chason	121	2265	18.7	1975-79

1000 Point Club

Name	Games	Points	Avg.	Years
Sue Ann Christie	109	1978	18.1	1974-78
Janice Washington	112	1774	15.8	1980-84
Coretta Bloom	120	1659	13.8	1975-79
Pam Johnson	82	1351	16.5	1981-84
Sherri France	80	1114	13.9	1980-83

Through The Years

Year	Won	Lost	Pct.	Coach
1975	18	5	.783	Lyndal Worth
1976	20	4	.833	Lyndal Worth
1977	26	6	.813	Lyndal Worth
1978	27	4	.871	Lyndal Worth
1979	27	8	.771	Lyndal Worth
1980	14	18	.438	Lyndal Worth
1981	10	17	.374	Lyndal Worth
1982	16	8	.667	Charles Cooper
1983	27	4	.871	Charles Cooper
1984	30	3	.909	Charles Cooper
TOTAL	215	77	.736	

Team History

1974-75	18-5
1975-76	20-4 GAIW Division I Runner-up
1976-77	26-6 GAIW Division I champion, 3rd place AIAW South Regional, 5th place NWIT National
1977-78	27-4 GAIW Division I champion, AIAW South Regional champion, 3rd place AIAW South Sectional
1978-79	27-8 GAIW Division I runner-up, AIAW South Regional champion, 3rd place AIAW South Sectional
1979-80	14-18
1980-81	10-17
1981-82	16-8
1982-83	27-4 Gulf South Conference champion, NCAA Division II South Regional champion.
1983-84	30-3 Gulf South Conference champion, NCAA Division II South Regional champion, NCAA Division II Quarterfinal winner, Final Four participant in NCAA National Tournament, losing in semifinals.

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Team In A Game

Most Points Scored — 115 vs. Georgia Southern, 1979; vs. Florida, 1977

Most Field Goals Scored — 53 vs. Ft. Valley State, 1975

Most Free Throws Scored — 36 vs. Ft. Valley State, 1978

Most Rebounds — 72 vs. Ft. Valley State, 1978
Largest Combined Score — 212 points vs. Ft. Valley State, 1979 (VSC, 113-99)

Fewest Points Allowed — 28 vs. Tennessee Temple, 1975

Largest Victory Margin — 78 vs. Flagler, 1983 (111-33)

Largest Defeat Margin — 43 vs. Louisiana Tech, 1982 (54-97)

Team In A Season

Most Points Scored — 3174 in 1979

Highest Game Average — 90.7 in 1979

Field Goals Made — 1259 in 1979

Field Goals Attempted — 2523 in 1979

Field Goal Percentage — .512 in 1983

Free Throws Made — 656 in 1979

Free Throws Attempted — 920 in 1979

Free Throw Percentage — .727 in 1983

Rebound Average — 49.9 in 1978

Longest Winning Streak — 21 games in 1984

Longest Losing Streak — 6 games in 1981

Most Times Scoring 100 Points — 11 in 1978 and 1979

Most Games Won — 30 in 1984

Best Winning Percentage — .909 in 1984

Individual In A Single Game

Most Points Scored — 46 by Pam Johnson vs. Livingston, 1983

Most Field Goals — 21 by Pam Johnson vs. Livingston, 1983

Most Free Throws — 13 by Carol Chason vs. Belmont, 1978; Sue Ann Christie vs. Mississippi College, 1977; Janice Washington vs. Union, 1983; Washington vs. Georgia Southern, 1984.

Most Rebounds — 23 by Janice Washington vs. Fort Valley State, 1984

Most Assists — 16 by Cathy McCurdy vs. Ft. Valley State, 1979

Individual In A Season

Most Points Scored — 868 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Highest Scoring Average — 24.8 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Most Field Goals Scored — 350 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Most Field Goals Attempted — 687 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Best Field Goal Percentage — .630 by Janice Washington, 1984

Most Free Throws Made — 185 by Carol Chason, 1979

Most Free Throws Attempted — 238 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Best Free Throw Percentage — .864 by Jeri Roche, 1977

Most Rebounds — 403 by Susan Taylor, 1979

Most Consecutive Free Throws — 17 by Carol Chason, 1977

Most Assists — 290 by Cathy McCurdy, 1979

Individual In A Career

Most Points Scored — 3018 by Susan Taylor, 1976-80

Highest Scoring Average — 23.6 by Susan Taylor, 1976-80

Most Field Goals Scored — 1249 by Susan Taylor, 1976-80

Best Field Goal Percentage — .602 by Janice Washington, 1980-84 (689-1144)

Most Free Throws Made — 501 by Carol Chason, 1975-79

Best Free Throw Percentage — .820 by Jeri Roche, 1976-79 (100-122)

Most Games Played — 128 by Susan Taylor, 1976-80

Most Games Started — 128 by Susan Taylor, 1976-80

All-Time Scores

1974-75 (18-5)

VSC	
51 Savannah State	47
56 Mercer	96
77 Georgia College	67
51 Mercer	53
61 Ft. Valley State	55
65 Georgia	62
57 Florida	47
53 Florida State	42
74 Georgia	73
113 Tift	52
85 Albany State	45
69 Savannah State	57
71 Ft. Valley State	78
61 Albany State	50
65 Tennessee Temple	28
56 Ft. Valley State	53
57 Savannah State	43
49 Florida State	32
49 Ft. Valley State	53
65 Florida	60
54 Florida State	50
83 Tift	56
60 Ft. Valley State	79

1975-76 (20-4)

VSC	
71 Florida	68
81 Georgia Southern	70
60 Mercer	76
80 Georgia State	67
89 Florida	59
54 Savannah State	52
109 Tift	52
84 Georgia	61
93 Albany State	70
99 Florida State	44
106 Ft. Valley State	71
70 Georgia College	28
84 Savannah State	72
81 Albany State	71
81 Georgia	69
73 Georgia Southern	69
57 Ft. Valley State	54
79 Mercer	82
62 Georgia College	34
101 Florida State	50
75 Albany State	56
84 Georgia Southern	53
74 Mercer	77
76 Talladega	78

1976-77 (26-6)

VSC	
79 Florida	65
59 Savannah State	49
101 Georgia	65
78 Mercer	73
92 Georgia Southern	58
104 Florida State	65
64 Memphis State	58
81 Blue Mountain	63
54 Mississippi	68

- Talladega (forfeit)	-
94 Georgia	68
69 Ft. Valley State	79
93 Berry	72
70 Savannah State	71
83 Mississippi College	69
85 Ft. Valley State	70
115 Florida	62
90 Albany State	68
82 Mercer	78
78 Berry	80
92 Florida State	60
95 Georgia Southern	69
97 Albany State	74
97 Ft. Valley State	68
102 Albany State	83
82 Savannah State	77
99 Auburn	56
100 Mississippi College	104
99 Alabama	85
71 Old Dominion	77
106 Indiana State	78
84 Belmont	64

1977-78 (27-4)

VSC	
84 Florida	65
74 Alabama	72
94 Florida State	57
73 Mercer	70
105 Albany State	87
107 Mississippi College	89
63 Pittsburgh	65
78 Mississippi Gulf Coast	67
68 Mississippi	62
90 Savannah State	61
100 Memphis State	84
92 Albany State	73
92 Savannah State	82
108 Florida	59
100 Georgia Southern	76
103 Ft. Valley State	82
70 Mississippi College	69
61 Delta State	73
86 Georgia Southern	71
87 Berry	74
67 Tennessee Tech	81
88 Belmont	75
108 Mercer	65
110 Georgia	70
107 Georgia Southern	80
110 Ft. Valley State	76
104 Florida State	59
79 Delta State	77
65 Mississippi	58
75 Southern Connecticut	82
83 Tennessee	80

1978-79 (27-8)

VSC	
85 Long Beach State	74
103 Missouri	81

70 Wayland Baptist	81
80 Louisiana State	101
115 Georgia Southern	88
102 Mississippi College	78
95 Belmont	75
107 Tennessee Tech	99
88 Mississippi State	81
93 Tennessee Tech	84
85 Louisiana Tech	82
65 Stephen F. Austin	79
79 Mercer	80
77 Ft. Valley State	74
96 Mississippi College	81
106 Delta State	95
73 Albany State	65
113 Ft. Valley State	99
73 Tennessee	93
101 Albany State	78
89 Berry	78
89 Memphis State	91
96 Alabama	87
100 Louisiana State	81
98 South Carolina	91
90 Georgia Southern	84
78 Mercer	75
105 Georgia	62
99 Albany State	76
81 Mercer	90
80 Alabama	68
87 Mississippi	79
106 Mercer	73
66 Maryland	73
104 Kansas State	92

1979-80 (14-18)

VSC	
87 UT-Chattanooga	85
75 Louisiana State	85
69 Clemson	81
82 Nebraska	74
81 Albany State	83
71 Mississippi Univ. for Women	73
67 Mississippi College	86
59 Georgia Southern	73
113 Georgia Tech	84
84 Queens	81
75 Missouri	83
87 UT-Chattanooga	82
68 Mississippi	62
74 Alabama	65
65 Mississippi College	60
65 Tennessee	72
93 Mercer	107
82 Georgia Tech	65
67 Georgia State	65
56 South Carolina	88
69 Georgia	65
57 Old Dominion	89
102 Penn State	94
87 Albany State	70
90 Mercer	104
74 Georgia State	78
73 Georgia Southern	87
88 Southeast Louisiana	91

Record Versus All Opponents

96	Georgia	99
74	Georgia	65
68	Mercer	86
63	Georgia State	79

1980-81 (10-17)

VSC		
95	South Alabama	80
83	Albany State	59
62	Florida State	58
84	Tennessee	99
68	Baylor	89
63	Minnesota	76
58	Mississippi	74
60	Southern	
	Mississippi	73
69	Central Missouri	70
85	Miss. U. for Women	83
51	South Alabama	64
71	Georgia State	85
70	Mississippi College	60
60	Georgia	64
59	Florida	67
69	Georgia Southern	71
68	Georgia Tech	61
65	Mercer	78
67	Georgia Southern	68
80	Troy State	77
69	Georgia	104
81	Albany State	112
96	Mercer	89
79	Florida	64
82	Georgia State	86
99	Georgia Tech	68
77	Albany State	87

1981-82 (16-8)

VSC		
94	Albany State	59
83	Georgia	82
69	Florida State	82
75	Georgia Southern	63
80	Troy State	64
76	Albany State	54
54	Louisiana Tech	97
78	Brigham Young	96
89	McNeese State	63
79	Mississippi College	65
72	Georgia State	70
85	Georgia	
	Southwestern	54
57	Mercer	59
71	Bethune-Cookman	76
108	Morris Brown	82
77	Western Kentucky	80
96	Temple	89
76	Troy State	63
72	Georgia State	68
64	Georgia Southern	73
85	Florida	83
95	Georgia	
	Southwestern	72
67	Mercer	68
2	Bethune-Cookman*	0

1982-83 (27-4)

VSC		
90	Albany State	61
93	Union	87
65	Central College	46
71	Central Florida	68
70	Georgia Southern	63
77	Florida	78
85	Albany State	61
69	Belhaven	42
75	Miss. U. for Women	69
90	Flagler	46
73	Tuskegee Institute	82
65	West Georgia	62
59	Fort Valley State	55
104	Siena Heights	30
85	Mercer	68
85	Livingston	37
111	Flagler	33
76	Troy State	58
73	Mercer	79
110	Tuskegee Institute	88
88	Georgia Southern	78
99	Fort Valley State	67
94	West Georgia	78
106	Kennesaw	46
87	Livingston	49
91	Troy State	90
95	Livingston	61
59	Troy State	54
85	Delta State	83
106	Tuskegee Institute	81
65	Virginia Union	75

1983-84 (30-3)

VSC		
81	Albany State	72
74	Wisconsin	73
68	Kentucky	89
76	Florida Southern	54
71	Albany State	69
66	Florida Southern	55
107	Rollins	48
79	Florida International	73
91	David Lipscomb	73
70	Georgia Southern	66
80	Oklahoma City	71
70	McNeese State	66
73	Central Florida	56
76	Tuskegee Institute	45
79	Georgia Southern	63
87	Fort Valley State	80
95	West Georgia	63
108	Jacksonville State	66
78	Central Florida	74
86	Troy State	69
90	Florida International	68
77	Tuskegee Institute	71
98	Fort Valley State	61
86	West Georgia	73
74	Central Florida	81
101	Jacksonville State	45
91	Miss. U. for Women	53
79	Troy State	67
79	Troy State	68
71	North Alabama	70
81	North Alabama	76
92	Army	65
70	Ctrl. Missouri State	74

	Won	Lost
Alabama	5	0
Albany State	21	3
Army	1	0
Auburn	1	0
Baylor	0	1
Belhaven	1	0
Belmont (Tenn.)	3	0
Berry	3	1
Bethune-Cookman	1	1
Blue Mountain (Miss.)	1	0
Brigham Young	0	1
Central (Iowa)	1	0
Central Florida	2	1
Central Missouri	0	2
Clemson	0	1
David Lipscomb	1	0
Delta State	3	1
Flagler	2	0
Florida	10	2
Florida International	2	0
Florida Southern	2	0
Florida State	10	1
Fort Valley State	14	4
Georgia	11	3
Georgia College	3	0
Georgia Southern	15	5
Georgia Southwestern	2	0
Georgia State	4	4
Georgia Tech	4	0
Indiana State	1	0
Jacksonville State	2	0
Kansas State	1	0
Kennesaw	1	0
Kentucky	0	1
Livingston	3	0
Long Beach State	1	0
Louisiana State	1	2
Louisiana Tech	1	1
Maryland	0	1
McNeese State	2	0
Memphis State	2	1
Mercer	8	14
Minnesota	0	1
Mississippi	4	2
Mississippi College	8	2
Mississippi Gulf Coast	1	0
Mississippi State	1	0
Mississippi U. for Women	3	1
Missouri	1	1
Morris Brown	1	0
Nebraska	1	0
North Alabama	2	0
Old Dominion	0	2
Oklahoma City	1	0
Penn State	1	0
Pittsburgh	0	1
Queens	0	1
Rollins	1	0
Savannah State	9	1
Siena Heights	1	0
South Alabama	1	1
South Carolina	1	1
Southeast Louisiana	0	1
Southern Connecticut	0	1
Southern Mississippi	0	1
Stephen F. Austin	0	1
Tallahadega (Ala.)	1	1
Temple	1	0
Tennessee	1	3
Tennessee Tech	2	1
Tennessee Temple	2	0
TII	3	0
Troy State	9	0
Tuskegee Institute	4	1
Union (Tenn.)	1	0
U-T Chattanooga	2	0
Virginia Union	0	1
Wayland Baptist (Texas)	0	1
West Georgia	4	0
Western Kentucky	0	1
Wisconsin	1	0

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Valdosta State College

Valdosta State College, which first opened its doors to students January 2, 1913 as the South Georgia State Normal College for young ladies, is a multi-purpose unit of the University System of Georgia.

The beautiful, south Georgia college offers undergraduate degree work leading to the Associate of Applied Science, the Associate of Arts, the Bachelor of Arts in 13 major programs, the Bachelor of Science in 8 major programs, the Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing, the Bachelor of Science in Education in 10 major programs, the Bachelor of Business Administration in 7 major programs, the Bachelor of Fine Arts in 5 major programs and the Bachelor of Music in 2 major programs.

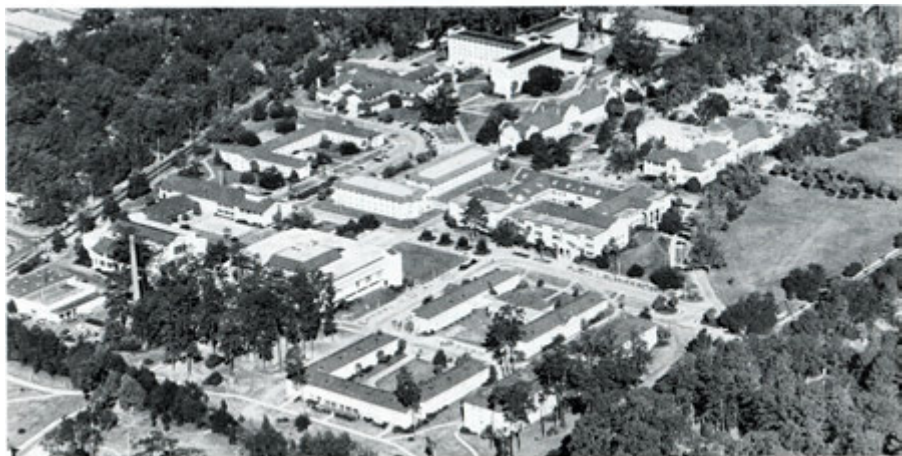
Graduate degrees offered are the Master of Education in 8 major programs, the Master of Arts with majors in English, history and mathematics, the Master of Science with majors in psychology and sociology, the Master of Business Administration, Master of Public Administration, Master of

Science in Nursing, the Master of Music Education and the Education Specialist in 5 major programs.

New baccalaureate and graduate degree programs are added from time to time to meet the needs of the population served by the college.

A special act of the Georgia Legislature established the institution of higher learning in 1906. It was not until 1911, however, that the state appropriated \$30,000 for one building and equipment. The city of Valdosta, enthused over the idea of having a college, gave a campus of 60 acres and \$50,000 in money. In 1912, the future of the institution was assured when the Legislature granted it adequate annual appropriation for maintenance.

In 1922, the school's name was changed to Georgia State Womens College and a four-year program leading to the bachelor's degree was authorized. In 1950, the Board of Regents made the college coeducational and also changed the name to Valdosta State College.



President

Hugh C. Bailey

Valdosta State athletics was the beneficiary of unparalleled support when Dr. Hugh C. Bailey became the college's sixth president on July 1, 1978.

The 55-year-old Berry, Ala., native has been instrumental in the tremendous advances VSC has made in the last four years in its total athletic program. His latest contribution has been the enthusiasm with which he has supported the introduction of football to the campus.

Dr. Bailey came to VSC from Francis Marion College in Florence, S.C., where he was vice president for academic affairs and dean of the college. He went to Francis Marion from Samford University in Birmingham where he joined the faculty of the Department of History and Political Science in 1953. He was at Samford for 22 years, the last five as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

He earned the A.B. degree from Samford in 1950 and his master's and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Alabama in 1951 and 1954 respectively.

He is a member of numerous civic and professional organizations and has published more than 25 articles in various professional journals. He is also the author of six books.

Dr. Bailey is married to the former Ahleida Joan Seever of Mobile, Ala., and has two daughters, Debra Jane and Laura Joan.



VSC Athletic Director

Tom Wonderling

Tom H. Wonderling assumed the athletic director's duties September 1, just in time for the opening of Valdosta State's third football season. He brings an outstanding record in athletic administration, having served as athletic director at three other colleges.

Wonderling, 42, came to VSC from Western Michigan University, a Division I member of the Mid-American Conference, where the 19 varsity sports consistently finished in the top half of their respective league races in the three years he directed the program.

He has many plans for the Valdosta State athletic program, but he intends to "get a feel" for the college community as well as the community in general before implementing changes or new programs.

"Valdosta State's reputation as an outstanding academic and athletic institution was one of the main points that interested me in the athletic director's job," Wonderling said. "I plan to thoroughly assess the situation here, and then we'll all work together to make a good program better.

"Our ultimate goal is for the total program to be the best Division II program in the country."

A 1967 graduate of Otterbein College, Wonderling holds a master's degree from Xavier University and a specialist in education degree from Bowling Green State University.

He has authored articles dealing with athletic administration and coaching in professional publications including *Athletic Administration*, *Coach & Athlete* and *Athletic Journal*.

Wonderling and his wife Virginia have three children, Cindy Jo, 13, Thomas Kyle, 10, and Chad Wesley, born in September.



★ ★ ★ VSC All-Americans ★ ★ ★

Carol Chason

1975-1979



- ★ Scored 2265 points in 4 years
- ★ Career scoring average of 18.7
- ★ Season field goal percentage of .572
- ★ Career field goal percentage .527
- ★ Most free throws in a season, 185
- ★ Most free throws in a career, 501
- ★ Most consecutive free throws, 17

Susan Taylor

1976-1980



- ★ Scored 3018 points in 4 years
- ★ Career scoring average of 23.6
- ★ Most field goals in a season, 350
- ★ Most field goals in a career, 1249
- ★ Best rebound average in a season, 12.6
- ★ Most rebounds in a season, 403
- ★ Most games started, 128



Janice Washington

1980-1984

- ★ Led nation in field goal percentage in senior season, .630
- ★ Second leading scorer in nation in senior season, 23.4
- ★ Best field goal percentage in a season, .630
- ★ Best field goal percentage in a career, .602
- ★ Most rebounds in a single game, 23



Game Information

TIME OF GAME: Home game starting times vary. First game of a double-header begins at 6 p.m. EST. Single home games begin at 7:30 p.m.

PLACE OF GAME: The new physical education complex (capacity 3000) is located on the west end of the VSC campus. Ample dressing room facilities are available.

TEAM COLORS: Valdosta State wears white with red numerals at home, and red with black numerals on the road. The home uniforms are trimmed in black, and the road uniforms are trimmed in white. Players' numbers are the same on both sets of uniforms.

TIMING AND SCORING: Official time is on the scoreboard clocks located in the four corners of the gymnasium. Valdosta State provides timer, scorer and 30-second clock operator. There is room at the scorer's table for the visitor's timer and/or scorer. The news media also sit at the scorer's table which is located on the south side of the court.

PUBLICITY: Send all requests to Steve Roberts, Sports Information Director,

Valdosta State College, Valdosta, GA 31698.

PLAYING COURT: The floor runs east and west with dimensions of 94 feet by 50 feet.

PLAYERS' BENCHES: Benches are located on the south side of the court on either side of the scorer's table. Visitors sit on the east side of the scorer's table, VSC sits on the west side.

STATISTICS: Both teams will be supplied shooting and rebound statistics at halftime of each game. Complete statistics, including box score, will be supplied to both teams, press, radio, television and scouts following the game.

PROGRAMS: A program containing complete rosters and numbers, name, position, height, class and hometown is available to fans at no charge.

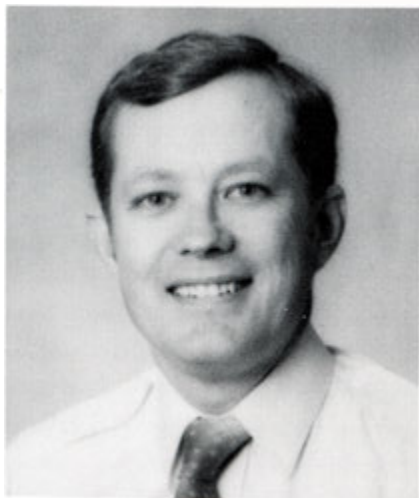
MEDICAL ATTENTION: Valdosta State's trainer will be on-hand for all games; a doctor will always be in attendance.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact Steve Roberts, Sports Information Director; Charles Cooper, Head Coach; Cathy Guzey, Assistant Coach; or Tom H. Wonderling, Athletic Director.

VSC ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT PHONE NUMBER (912) 333-5890.

HOME PHONE NUMBERS: Steve Roberts, 244-6560; Charles Cooper, 242-2236; Cathy Guzey, 244-3111

Memo to the Media



Sports Information Director

Steve Roberts

All members of the media are welcome to all Valdosta State College basketball games as guests of the VSC Athletic Department. We will do everything possible to provide all the accommodations in press row. If there is ever any other information needed, please do not hesitate to call me, Steve Roberts, Sports Information Director, at home. That number is (912) 244-6560.



The 1984-1985 Schedule

NOVEMBER

20, Tuesday	Georgia Southern	Valdosta	7:30 pm
26, Monday	Tuskegee Institute	Valdosta	7:30 pm
30, Friday	Fort Valley State	Fort Valley	7:30 pm

DECEMBER

7, Friday	Georgia College	Valdosta	7:30 pm
8, Saturday	Jacksonville State #	Valdosta	6 pm
10, Monday	West Georgia #	Valdosta	6 pm
12, Wednesday	Florida Southern	Lakeland, FL	7:30 pm
17, Monday	Florida International	Miami, FL	7:30 pm

JANUARY

7, Monday	Livingston #	Livingston, AL	5:15 pm
12, Saturday	Jacksonville State #	Jacksonville, AL	5:15 pm
14, Monday	West Georgia #	Carrollton	5:15 pm
18, Friday	Florida International	Valdosta	7:30 pm
21, Monday	Livingston #	Valdosta	6 pm
25, Friday	Fort Valley State	Valdosta	7:30 pm
26, Saturday	Rollins	Valdosta	7:30 pm
28, Monday	North Alabama #	Florence, AL	5:15 pm

FEBRUARY

1-2	UT-CHATTANOOGA	Chattanooga, TN	
Friday, Saturday	TOURNAMENT (Mercer, Berry, VSC, UT-C)		
4, Monday	North Alabama #	Valdosta	6 pm
7, Thursday	Georgia Southern	Statesboro	7:30 pm
9, Saturday	Tuskegee Institute	Tuskegee Inst., AL	7:30 pm
11, Monday	Troy State #	Troy, AL	5:15 pm
16, Saturday	Florida Southern	Valdosta	7:30 pm
21, Thursday	Troy State #	Valdosta	6 pm

MARCH

1-2	Gulf South Conference Tournament	Valdosta	
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