

National Champions 1979



Valdosta State College
BASEBALL 1980

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General Information

Name	Valdosta State College
Location	Valdosta, Georgia
Founded	1906
Enrollment	5000
President	Dr. Hugh C. Bailey
Colors	Flame Red and Black
Nickname	Blazers
Home Facility	Blazer Field
Conference	South Atlantic
National Affiliation	NCAA, Division II
1979 Record	Overall: 47-14-1; SAC 8-4



Dr. Hugh Bailey — President

Valdosta State baseball's No. 1 fan is Dr. Hugh C. Bailey, who became VSC's sixth president in July 1978. Since arriving on the VSC scene, Dr. Bailey, his wife Joannie and their two daughters Debra and Laura, have continuously amazed the Valdosta area with their energy, stamina and concern for the total community.

Dr. Bailey's interest in the Blazer athletic program is evident in every sport. If he's in town, he never misses an athletic event, and his persistence and hard work were instrumental in the refurbishing of the new Blazer Field and the realization of an impossible dream — lights for night baseball.

Dr. Bailey has been very much involved in the physical education complex project which will also soon be a reality. Construction on the long-awaited complex begins this spring with a completion date in the fall of 1981.

An Alabama native, 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.



Bill Grant, Athletic Director

Valdosta native Bill Grant joined the VSC faculty in 1959 as assistant professor of physical education and baseball coach. A talented high school quarterback, he earned a football scholarship to the University of Georgia where he received his BS degree. Following a stint in the Air Force, he attended George Peabody College and earned his MA degree.

He coached VSC's baseball team for eight seasons and directed the then Rebels to the school's first conference championship in 1965. In 1968 he relinquished his head coaching duties to Thomas and in 1970 was appointed athletic director.



F. D. Toth, Physical Education and Athletics Department Head

The Valdosta State athletic department received a tremendous boost in 1977 when Dr. F. D. Toth assumed the position of head of the physical education and athletics department. The Jenkins, Ky., native, who was an athlete at both Jenkins High and Easter Kentucky University, helps to direct one of the most cohesive and productive college athletic administrations in the nation.

Last season, VSC was fifth in the nation in total men's NCAA Division II programs while offering only five of the 13 sports for which championships were contested. Since Toth assumed his current position, the Blazers have won a remarkable 25 conference and post-season championships in all sports.

Toth, after service in the U.S. Marine Corps, received his BS degree from ECU, his master's degree from the University of Cincinnati and his PhD degree from the University of Missouri.



Memo To The Media

What can Valdosta State's baseball Blazers do for an encore? 1979 was the greatest year in the first quarter century of VSC baseball as the Blazers fought their way to the NCAA Division II national championship.

Last year's dream come true is recapped on the following pages, but more importantly everything you'll need to know about the 1980 defending national champs is included in this yearbook.

Sports information director Steve Roberts can be contacted at 912-247-3317 (office) or 912-244-6560 (home). All members of the media are welcome at all VSC baseball games as guests of the athletic department. We will do everything possible to provide all the accommodations necessary.

Front Cover

VSC captains Terry Reynolds, Andy Micacchione and Mike Raines are pictured in front of the college library with the rotating national championship trophy, which is spending the year with the 1979 NCAA Division II World Series winners.

VSC Blazers Coaching Staff



Tommy Thomas, Head Coach

Tommy Thomas, the fourth and by far the most successful baseball coach in Valdosta State history, begins his 13th season at the helm of the Blazer program. In the preceding dozen years, Thomas has compiled an impressive 397-187 (.680 winning percentage) record and has received a multitude of individual awards and honors.

Last season, naturally, is his most memorable because he directed the Blazers to a national championship. As a result, the 39-year-old Valdosta native was named National Coach of the Year for NCAA Division II by the American Association of Baseball Coaches of America.

Ten of the last 12 Thomas-coached teams have reached post-season play and five teams have gone to national tournaments. Thomas was named coach of the year in NAIA Area V in 1969 and again in NCAA's South Region in 1974, 1977 and 1979.

Thomas, an outstanding player at Valdosta State with a .316 career batting average, received the BS degree from VSC in 1962 and the MST degree from Georgia Southern College in 1967.



Dave Waples, Assistant Coach

Dave Waples returns to the VSC baseball program on a full-time basis following a two-year absence that was spent developing a nationally-ranked cross country team at the college. His 1978 runners finished third in the NCAA Division II national championships. The sport has been discontinued, giving the personable Ohio native time to reassume his baseball duties.

Before coming South, Waples led his West Liberty State (W. Va.) team to a two-year 43-13 mark, including West Virginia Conference and NAIA district championships. He spent two years at the University of New Mexico as an assistant football coach and a year at West Virginia University as assistant baseball coach.

He earned the BA degree from West Liberty State in 1963, an MEd from Temple University in 1964 and the EdD from West Virginia in 1972.



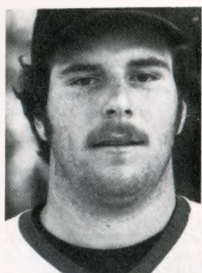
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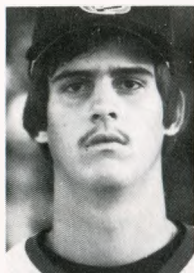
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First Base



Theron Cooper
Pitcher



Frank DeGennaro
Left Field



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First Base



Wayne Fugett
Pitcher



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Jay McDonough
Outfielder



Kip McLeod
Pitcher

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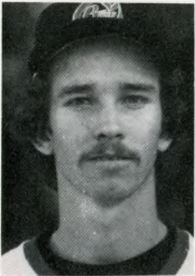
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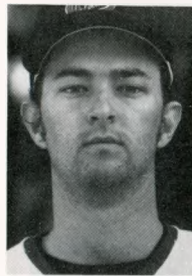
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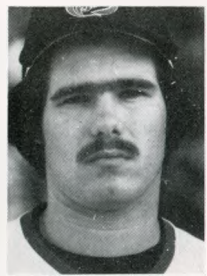
Joe Mederos
Short Stop



Andy Micacchione
Third Base



Rick Mitchell
Pitcher



Carl Owen
Catcher



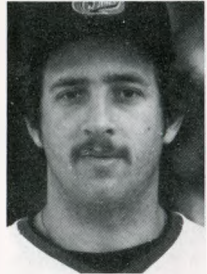
Mark Powell
Infielder



David Raffensberger
Pitcher



Mike Raines
Pitcher



Terry Reynolds
Center Field

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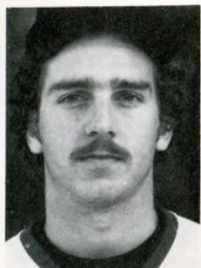


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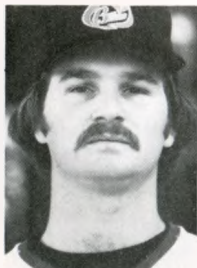
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Chuck Rigoni
Outfielder



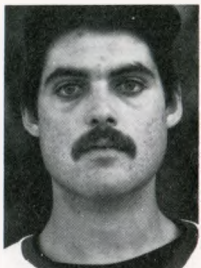
Jeff Rinard
Pitcher



David Rogers
Second Base



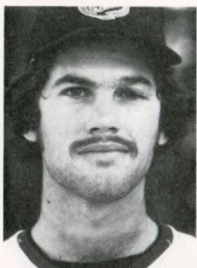
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Right Field



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Catcher

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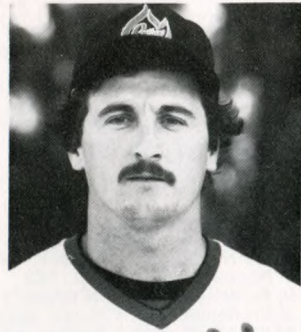
Meet the Blazers



John Vunovich
First Base



Jimmy Wall
Pitcher



Tim Carroll
Pitching Coach

Merritt Island, Fla., native Tim Carroll will assist Thomas and Waples with this year's club, directing a major portion of his effort toward the Blazer pitching staff. Carroll was a steady performer on the mound for the 1978 and 1979 teams before a knee injury halted his career midway through last season.

Carroll was captain of the mound staff while a player and commands the respect of the current pitching staff. He is completing degree requirements for a major in physical education.



Bill Register
Trainer



Joe Ferrera
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1979 in Review

VSC 0, Clemson 5 (Kelley, 0-1)
 VSC 2, Clemson 6 (Mitchell, 0-1)
 VSC 13, Rose-Hulman (Kelley, 1-1)
 VSC 8, West Virginia 0 (Mitchell, 1-1)
 VSC 2, Florida State 0 (Wall, 1-0)
 VSC 13, West Virginia 2 (McLeod, 1-0)
 VSC 14, Florida State 12 (Scott, 1-0)
 VSC 0, Florida State 6 (Kelley, 1-2)
 VSC 16, Rose-Hulman 5 (Raines, 1-0)
 VSC 8, Rose-Hulman 5 (Gorey, 1-0)
 VSC 3, St. Francis 0 (Wall, 2-0)
 VSC 5, St. Francis 0 (Mitchell, 2-1)
 VSC 2, St. Francis 1 (Kelley, 2-2)
 VSC 1, St. Francis 4 (McLeod, 1-1)
 VSC 11, Morris Harvey 10 (Carroll, 1-0)
 VSC 12, Morris Harvey 1 (Wall, 3-0)
 VSC 9, III. Benedictine 2 (Mitchell, 3-1)
 VSC 2, III. Benedictine 1 (Scott, 2-0)
 VSC 10, III. Benedictine 8 (Kelley, 3-2)
 VSC 7, III. Benedictine 3 (Gorey, 2-0)
 VSC 11, Jacksonville 3 (Wall, 4-0)
 VSC 10, Albany State 3 (Scott, 3-0)
 VSC 19, Albany State 5 (Mitchell, 4-1)
 VSC 8, St. Xavier 4 (Kelley, 4-2)
 VSC 9, St. Xavier 1 (Gorey, 3-0)
 VSC 12, St. Xavier 10 (Carroll, 2-0)
 VSC 8, St. Xavier 4 (Raines, 2-0)
 VSC 12, Armstrong State 0 (Scott, 4-0)
 VSC 3, Armstrong State 2 (Kelley, 5-2)
 VSC 3, Armstrong State 0 (Mitchell, 5-1)
 VSC 0, Georgia Southern 21 (Raines, 2-1)
 VSC 9, Georgia Southern 3 (Gorey, 4-0)
 VSC 5, West Georgia 1 (Scott, 5-0)
 VSC 14, West Georgia 2 (Wall, 5-0)
 VSC 3, West Georgia 0 (Mitchell, 6-1)
 VSC 1, Jacksonville 6 (Gorey, 4-1)

VSC 5, Quincy 2 (Kelley, 6-2)
 VSC 7, Flagler 3 (Scott, 6-0)
 VSC 9, Albany State 3 (Mitchell, 7-1)
 VSC 2, Albany State 1 (Wall, 6-0)
 VSC 4, Ga. Southwestern 3 (Gorey, 5-1)
 VSC 6, Columbus 7 (McLeod, 1-2)
 VSC 7, Columbus 10 (Wall, 6-1)
 VSC 2, Columbus 6 (Mitchell, 7-2)
 VSC 2, Flagler 0 (Gorey, 6-1)
 VSC 14, Florida State 14 (TIE)
 VSC 0, Augusta 1 (Mitchell, 7-3)
 VSC 18, Augusta 4 (Scott, 7-0)
 VSC 15, Augusta 4 (Gorey, 7-1)
 VSC 7, Ga. Southwestern 4 (Raines, 3-1)
 VSC 1, Mercer 5 (Wall, 6-2)
 VSC 8, Mercer 11 (Kelley, 6-3)
 VSC 2, Florida 11 (Mitchell, 7-4)

SOUTH ATLANTIC REGIONAL

At Valdosta

VSC 6, Rollins 5 (Wall, 7-2)
 VSC 8, Columbus 4 (Mitchell, 8-4)
 VSC 3, Columbus 2 (Gorey, 8-1)

NCAA DIVISION II WORLD SERIES

At Springfield, Ill.

VSC 15, Jacksonville State 4 (Scott, 8-0)
 VSC 3, New Haven 4 (Wall, 7-3)
 VSC 6, California Poly State (Pomona) 3 (Gorey, 9-1)
 VSC 11, Florida Southern 3 (Raines, 4-1)
 VSC 8, LeMoyne 3 (Kelley, 7-3)
 VSC 3, Florida Southern 2 (Wall, 8-3)

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Valdosta State College 1979 Final Baseball Statistics

Record: W-47 L-14 T-1 (H 30-5-1; A 12-8; N 5-1)

NAME	G	AB*	R	H	BI	Avg.	2B	3B	HR	BB	K	SB	E	Avg.
Sal Amadeo, of	62	222	59	69	35	.311	6	1	6	38	17	45	6	.960
Terry Reynolds, of	62	227	52	70	34	.308	10	7	2	27	37	26	4	.966
Frank Gonzalez, 2b	62	187	54	57	55	.305	15	0	12	65	25	24	14	.955
Frank DeGennaro, of-dh	49	164	35	50	43	.305	10	3	1	22	20	7	3	.900
David Rogers, dh	36	99	17	30	18	.303	5	1	1	15	11	4	9	.904
Mark Brown, 1b	58	183	40	52	29	.284	4	2	0	31	17	6	7	.984
Bart Shuman, 1b	61	206	27	57	25	.277	10	5	1	21	8	1	39	.867
Pepe Sanchez, of	52	194	41	52	32	.268	11	0	5	19	14	5	1	.984
Andy Micacchione, 3b	52	159	37	42	32	.264	10	1	5	32	13	0	15	.883
Carl Owen, c	33	106	24	28	18	.264	6	2	5	10	19	0	4	.981
Tim Harris, c	36	118	25	31	20	.263	3	0	2	16	6	2	5	.979

* - Minimum of one (1) at bat per game team has played

OTHERS

Ken Smith, 1b	12	40	8	10	4	.250	2	0	1	4	6	3	2	.929
Jimmy Wall, dh	6	13	0	3	1	.231	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	.000
David Slacks, of	23	22	10	5	1	.227	1	0	1	9	5	8	1	.889
Chuck Rigoni, of	14	18	2	4	2	.222	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	.800
Pat Kelley, p	1	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
David Raffensberger, p	1	0	1	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
VSC	62	1965	440	560	351	.285	93	22	42	311	200	133	131	.943
OPPONENTS	62	1927	255	446	199	.231	54	20	19	273	371	44	167	.922

PITCHING

NAME	G	IP*	H	R	ER	BB	K	W	L	ERA	S	CS	CG
Rick Gorey	13	79.2	66	30	19	33	53	9	1	2.15	0	11	5
Jimmy Wall	14	98	70	32	25	49	33	8	3	2.30	0	11	7
Pat Kelley	13	67.1	71	36	21	23	40	7	3	2.81	1	7	4
Kelly Scott	15	86.2	66	39	29	34	93	8	0	3.01	1	11	5
Rick Mitchell	15	82.2	69	40	32	59	72	8	4	3.48	1	14	8
Mike Raines	9	42	41	33	30	26	31	4	1	6.43	0	6	2

* - Minimum of 40 innings pitched

OTHERS

Theron Cooper	2	1.2	2	3	0	4	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0
Kip McLeod	8	14.2	13	7	4	7	16	1	2	2.45	0	0	0
David Raffensberger	7	17.1	20	15	8	17	17	0	0	4.15	1	2	0
Tim Carroll	7	13	12	11	9	9	12	2	0	6.23	1	0	0
Ronnie Lundell	6	6	9	8	8	11	3	0	0	12.00	0	0	0
Bud Manning	1	2	6	3	3	1	1	0	0	13.50	0	0	0
VSC	62	512.2	446	255	191	273	371	47	14	3.35	5	62	31
OPPONENTS	62	490	560	430	304	311	200	14	47	5.58	1	62	23



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Kneeling, L-R: Joe Mederos, Frank DeGennaro, Jeff Rinard, Chuck Rigoni, Pepe Sanchez, Mark Powell, Kelly Scott, Andy Miccachione, Tom Roszell, Eliseo Torres, John Keigher, Mark Brown. Standing, L-R: Joe Ferrara, Mitch Ferguson, Terry Reynolds, David Rogers, Jay McDonough, Mickey Taylor, Mike Raines, Kip McLeod, Rick Mitchell, Theron Cooper, Carl Owen, John Vunovich, Wayne Fugett, David Raffensberger, Jimmy Wall, Bill Register.

1980 Blazer Roster

NO.	NAME	POS.	B-T	HT.	WT.	AGE	CLASS	HOMETOWN
35	Theron Cooper	P	R-R	6-4	174	19	Soph.	Macon, Ga.
46	Wayne Fugett	P	R-R	6-0	195	18	Fr.	Valdosta, Ga.
21	Kip McLeod	P	R-R	6-3	195	21	Sr.	Valdosta, Ga.
54	Rick Mitchell	P	R-R	6-4	211	20	Jr.	Sarasota, Ga.
22	David Raffensberger	P	L-L	6-0	165	20	Jr.	Fort Pierce, Fla.
24	Mike Raines	P	R-R	6-2	182	21	Sr.	Shellman, Ga.
44	Jeff Rinard	P	L-L	5-10	156	20	Soph.	Argos, Ind.
49	Kelly Scott	P	R-R	5-10	153	21	Sr.	Key West, Fla.
17	Jimmy Wall	P	R-L	6-0	174	22	Sr.	Jacksonville, Fla.
12	Carl Owen	C	R-R	6-1	206	21	Sr.	Ludowici, Ga.
9	Eliseo Torres	C	R-R	5-10	172	20	Jr.	San Lorenzo, P.R.
30	Mark Brown	1B	L-R	5-11	187	22	Sr.	Lake City, Fla.
41	Mitch Ferguson	1B	L-R	6-1	213	19	Soph.	Winder, Ga.
4	Joe Mederos	SS	R-R	6-0	153	21	Jr.	Tampa, Fla.
5	Andy Micacchione	3B	R-R	5-8	161	21	Sr.	Marietta, Ga.
13	Mark Powell	INF	R-R	5-11	170	20	Soph.	Valdosta, Ga.
1	David Rogers	2B	R-R	6-0	183	22	Sr.	Orlando, Fla.
34	Mickey Taylor	INF	R-R	6-1	181	21	Jr.	Boston, Ga.
26	John Vunovich	1B	L-L	6-1	191	21	Jr.	Pueblo, Colo.
23	Frank DeGennaro	LF	R-R	5-10	182	22	Sr.	Orange, Conn.
39	John Keigher	OF	L-R	6-1	176	19	Fr.	Joliet, Ill.
33	Jay McDonough	OF	R-L	6-1	169	21	Jr.	Flagler Beach, Fla.
7	Terry Reynolds	CF	R-R	6-0	180	22	Sr.	Enterprise, Ala.
19	Chuck Rigoni	OF	R-R	5-10	162	20	Jr.	Perry, Fla.
27	Tom Roszell	OF	L-R	5-10	170	21	Jr.	Harrison, Ohio
29	Pepe Sanchez	RF	R-R	6-0	177	21	Sr.	Miami, Fla.
3	Tommy Thomas	Head Coach (Valdosta State, '62)						
37	Dave Waples	Assistant Coach (West Liberty State, '63)						
43	Tim Carroll	Student Assistant (Merritt Island, Fla.)						

1980 Outlook

Although Coach Tommy Thomas returns a majority of the team that won last year's NCAA Division II national championship, he lost the entire middle of his defense in catcher Tim Harris (.263), keystone combination Bart Shuman (.277) and All-America Frank Gonzalez (.305), All-America center fielder Sal Amadeo (.311), and two top pitchers — Rick Gorey (9-1, 2.15 ERA) and Pat Kelley (7-3, 2.81).

The Blazers do return World Series hero Andy Micacchione (.264) at third base, outfielders Frank DeGennaro (.305; World Series MVP), Terry Reynolds (.308), and Pepe Sanchez (.268), along with first baseman Mark Brown (.284), and catcher Carl Owen (.264). Last year's designated hitter, David Rogers (.303), will move to second base, with junior college transfer Joe Mederos (Indian River, Fla.) at shortstop.

Returning hurlers Kelly Scott (8-0, 3.01), All-America Jimmy Wall (8-3, 2.30), Rick Mitchell (8-4, 3.48), and Mike Raines (4-1, 6.43), are backed by freshman Wayne Fugett and redshirt Jeff Rinard. Senior Kip McLeod (1-2, 2.45) returns to lead a bullpen crew that also includes David Rafensberger (0-0, 4.15) and Theron Cooper (0-0, 0.00).

Thomas counts on a host of JC transfers to battle for starting infield spots, including John Vunovich (Cochise, Ariz.) at first, Mickey Taylor (ABAC, Ga.) at second, and catcher Seo Torres (ABAC). Big Mitch Ferguson (Greenville, S.C.) is a definite DH candidate, while versatile redshirt Mark Powell could start at either second or short.

The Blazers have ample outfield help in returnee Chuck Rigoni (.222), JC transfers Tom Roszell (Cumberland, Tenn.) and speed merchant Jay McDonough (St. John's River, Fla.), along with highly touted freshman John Keigher.

Scouting the Opponents

The Blazers' 56-game schedule is another tough one, highlighted by Clemson (40-15 in 1979), Florida (40-20), Florida State (43-17) and Georgia Southern (46-15), all of whom played in NCAA Regionals last year. Other Division I foes include Austin Peay (23-14), Western Kentucky (31-22), Jacksonville (28-24), Mercer (38-16), and Delaware State (10-28).

For VSC to successfully defend the South Atlantic Conference title, 1979 NCAA Regional foes, Columbus (37-20) and West Georgia (33-13) must be negotiated. Armstrong State (13-25) and Augusta (15-18) are stronger this year than last, when only four games separated the champion Blazers from last place.

NAIA World Series participant St. Xavier (44-28) heads a list of non-conference foes which includes conference champions Georgia Southwestern (29-21) and Illinois Benedictine (22-27). Albany State (11-18), DePauw (16-10), Charleston (13-17), Rose-Hulman (10-16), Lenoir-Rhyne (13-22), Christian Brothers (25-14), and Flagler (19-11) will all visit "new" Blazer Field with the obvious intent of knocking off the defending National Champs.

Through the Years

Walter Cottingham, 12-25 — .324; Gary Colson, 10-11 — .476; Bill Grant, 93-83 — .528; Tommy Thomas, 397-187 — .680; TOTALS: 512-306 — .626

YEAR	W-L	PCT.	COACH
1955	6-5	.545	Cottingham
1956	2-8	.200	Cottingham
1957	2-7	.222	Cottingham
1958	2-5	.286	Cottingham
1959	10-11	.476	Colson
1960	15-5	.750	Grant
1961	8-15	.348	Grant
1962	9-9	.500	Grant
1963	4-8	.333	Grant
1964	10-10	.500	Grant
1965	18-11	.621	Grant
1966	15-9	.625	Grant
1967	14-16	.467	Grant
1968	15-9	.625	Thomas
1969	27-10	.730	Thomas
1970	25-16	.610	Thomas
1971	24-18	.571	Thomas
1972	28-15	.651	Thomas
1973	43-14	.754	Thomas
1974	38-13	.745	Thomas
1975	36-17	.679	Thomas
1976	28-25	.528	Thomas
1977	47-16	.746	Thomas
1978	39-20	.661	Thomas
1979	47-14	.770	Thomas

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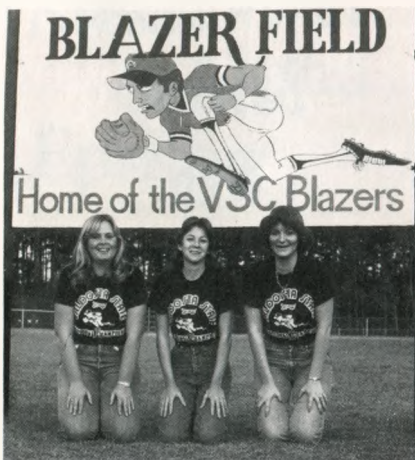
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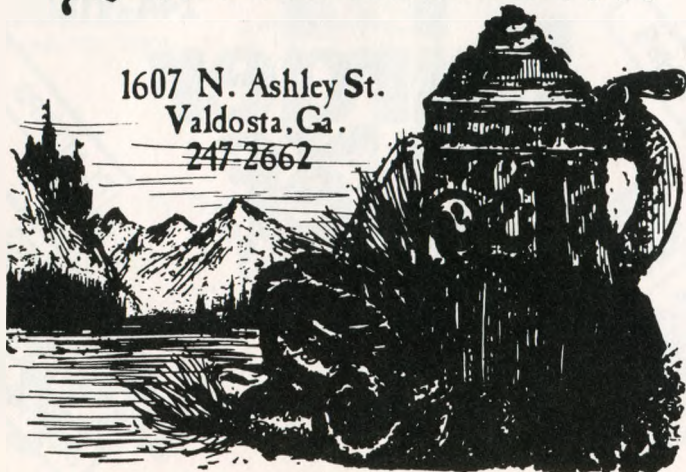
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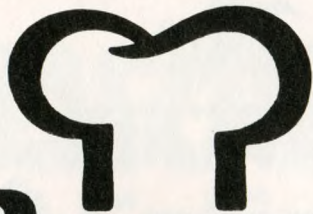
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Albany State	9-2	Florida State	4-16
Armstrong State	32-8	Ft. Valley State	3-0
Ashland	2-1	Furman	1-1
Auburn	1-1	Georgetown	1-0
Augusta	16-3	Georgia	3-2
Belmont Abbey	0-2	Georgia College	2-0
Berry	23-6	Georgia Southern	9-19
Birmingham So.	2-2	Georgia SW	21-5
Bowling Green	2-4	Georgia State	5-0
California	0-1	Georgia Tech	4-1
CP-Pomona	1-0	Grand Canyon	1-0
Central Arkansas	1-1	High Point	2-1
Charleston	19-3	Howard	0-1
Cincinnati	0-1	Ill. Benedictine	14-3
Citadel	2-0	Jacksonville	11-16
Clemson	1-3	Jacksonville State	1-0
Columbus	27-19	Kentucky	2-0
David Lipscomb	6-9	Lake Forest	1-0
Delta State	0-1	LeMoyne	2-0
DePauw	10-0	Lewis	6-5
Duke	1-0	Livingston	0-1
Eastern Conn.	0-1	Macalester	2-0
Eastern Illinois	1-0	Malone	3-0
Eastern Kentucky	1-0	Maine	0-1
Eckerd	6-3	Marian	3-0
Erskine	17-11	Mercer	16-14
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New Orleans	0-1	Taylor	1-0
North Central	1-1	Tennessee	4-0
North Georgia	3-11	Tennessee Tech	0-2
Ohio	3-2	UC-Riverside	0-2
Oglethorpe	11-7	UMo-St. Louis	1-0
Oral Roberts	1-0	USF-St. Pete	3-0
Oregon State	0-1	UWis-Parkside	0-1
Ouachita Baptist	2-1	Vanderbilt	1-5
Otterbein	4-1	Washington (Mo.)	1-0
Pembroke State	4-3	Washington & Lee	2-0
Phillips	0-1	Washington State	0-1
Piedmont	25-11	West Georgia	26-23
PU-Calumet	2-0	W. Liberty State	2-0
Quincy	1-0	West Virginia	3-0
Rollins	4-2	Westmar	2-0
Rose-Hulman	10-0	W. Carolina	1-0
St. Francis	8-3	Western Kentucky	3-0
St. Leo	4-4	Wright State	0-1
St. Louis U.	2-0		
St. Xavier	8-2		
Shippensburg St.	1-0		
Shorter	19-2		
SIU-Edwardsville	2-1		
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Southern Tech	16-1		
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Most RBI's	— 7.	Buck Ethredge, '60; Craig Viers, '77
Most 2B's	— 3.	Sam Bowen, '74
Most 3B's	— 2.	six players tied
Most HR's	— 3.	Gene Felts, '72
Most HR's:		
Inning	— 2.	Bill Tyler, '76; Sal Amadeo, '78
Most SB's	— 6.	Claude Speck, '67
Most IP	— 15.	Dan Chadwick, '73
Most SO's	— 17.	Sam Bowen, '73
Perfect Game	—	Leroy Purdy, '70
No Hitter	—	Eddie Fisher, '69; Steve Sorgius, '70; Dan Darden, '74

Individual — Season

Most AB's	— 227.	three players tied
Most Runs	— 72.	Skip Fite, '77
Most Hits	— 83.	Skip Fite, '77
Most Consecutive Hits	— 8.	Jerome Register, '74
Most RBI's	— 72.	Cecil Whitehead, '78
Best B.A.	— .404.	Cecil Whitehead, '78
Most 2B's	— 16.	David DeMerseman, '77
Most 3B's	— 8.	Dan Darden, '75
Most HR's	— 22.	Cecil Whitehead, '78
Most SB's	— 45.	Sal Amadeo, '79
Most APP's	— 22.	Chuck Beale, '77
Most IP	— 118.	Pat Arnett, '75
Most Consecutive S.I.	— 29.	Jimmy Wall, '77
Most SO's	— 101.	Eddie Fisher, '69
Most Wins	— 11.	Eddie Fisher, '69; Bill Petty, '74
Best ERA	— 0.78.	Mike Perry, '64
Best Hit Streak	— 20.	Craig Cortney, '69

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Best Slug % — .839.	Cecil Whitehead, '78
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Individual — Career	
Most AB's — 751.	Craig Viers, '75-78
Most Runs — 183.	Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Most Hits — 238.	Gene Felts, '71-74
Most RBI's — 151.	Craig Viers, '75-78
Best B.A. — .369.	Cecil Whitehead, '76-78
Most 2B's — 41.	Craig Viers, '75-78
Most 3B's — 18.	Gene Felts & Craig Viers
Most HR's — 32.	Cecil Whitehead, '76-78
Most SB's — 91.	Sal Amadeo, '77-79
Best Slug % — .643.	Cecil Whitehead, '76-78
Most App's — 52.	Bill Petty, '74-77
Most IP — 338.	Bill Petty, '74-77
Most SO's — 229.	Eddie Fisher, '66-69
Most Wins — 31.	Bill Petty, '74-77
Best Win % — .824.	Rick Gorey, '78-79
Best ERA — 1.48.	Eddie Fisher, '66-69
Most Shutouts — 7.	Bill Petty, '74-77
Most Saves — 11.	Chuck Beale, '76-77
Team — Game	
Most Runs — 23.	vs Westmar, '75
Most Inning — 13.	vs Jacksonville State, '79
Most Hits — 23.	vs Piedmont, '72; vs Southern Tech, '74
Most RBI's — 20.	vs Westmar, '75
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Most 3B's — 4.	vs Oglethorpe, '65; vs Ouachita Baptist, '70
Most HR's — 4.	vs Florida State, '78; vs Augusta, '78; vs Rose-Hulman, '79
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MARCH

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2 Lenoir-Rhyne (N.C.) 1:30 (2)	3 Rose-Hulman 3:00	4	5 Rose-Hulman 3:00	6 Rose-Hulman 3:00	7 Rose-Hulman 3:00	8
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