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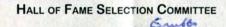
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Welcome	Herb Reinhard, Athletic Director
Invocation	 Trea Brinson, FCA Chaplin

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Opening Remarks	Dr. Louis Levy
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Formal Induction	Dr. Louis Levy
Inductees' Remarks	2012 Class
Closing Remarks	Herb Reinhard



Whit Chappell, John Hansen, Jennifer Head, Tom Odom, Shawn Reed

Herb Reinhard, Steve Roberts, Tommy Thomas, Bobby Tucker



#### THE 2012 HALL OF FAME CLASS

#### EDDIE FISHER, BASEBALL

One of the greatest pitchers in Valdosta State baseball history, Eddie was a stand out for the Blazers from 1966 through 1969. His greatest year came in 1969 when he pitched in 14 games and tallied an 11-0 record and had one save. Eddie registered a paltry 1.29 earned run average that season and recorded a no-hitter, just one of four in the history of the Blazer program. He pitched 97.2 innings that season and allowed just 57 hits and a miniscule 14 earned runs while striking out 101 batters. Eddie owned a 1.48 career earned run average, a figure that stands as the Valdosta State record 42 years after his playing days ended, and was twice named an NAIA All-American.

#### **OWEN HARRIS, CONTRIBUTOR**

One of Valdosta State's longest running athletic supporters, Owen Harris has been a big component in Valdosta State Athletics' success. He has provided resources that have allowed VSU to provide the opportunity for hundreds of student-athletes to reach their potential both on and off the court or field and in the classroom. TA'S, NO-hittur, 10-time ALL-AMER

#### TOMMY JOHNSON, BASEBALL/MEN'S BASKETBALL

A dual sport star in the 1960's, Tommy excelled in both baseball and basketball during his playing days at Valdosta State. He played both sports all four years with the school and was a two-year starter in basketball while starting all four seasons on the baseball diamond. Tommy was a valuable member of three Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference basketball and two SIAC baseball championship teams during the school's NAIA days and earned All-Conference honors in baseball in 1965 while being named the VSU Most Valuable Player. He batted .400 that season and went on to earn two degrees from Valdosta State while being a charter member of the Omicron Delta Kappa Society, an honorary academic society.

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# EVA PETSCHNIG, WOMEN'S TENNIS

A three-year member of the Valdosta State women's tennis team, Eva earned All-American honors in each of her three seasons with the Lady Blazers, becoming the first VSU women's tennis player to accomplish that feat. She played No. 1 in both singles and doubles all three seasons with Valdosta State and compiled a career record of 43-17 in doubles and 40-14 at singles. Eva was particularly dominant her senior season in 2005, during which she was 15-2 in both singles and doubles play. She directed the Lady Blazers to postseason play in each of her three seasons, including the school's first appearance in the national semifinals in 2005. Coarland

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#### ANTONIO SPEED, FOOTBALL

One of the most dominating defensive players in Valdosta State football history, Antonio was twice named the Gulf South Conference's Defensive Player of the Year, one of only four players in the history of the conference to repeat in that honor. He is just one of five Valdosta State players to be named the GSC's top defensive player and also earned All-America honors in 1998 after recording 103 tackles, including 21.0 tackles for loss, on the year. Antonio tallied 24 tackles in nine games as a freshman before registering 83 as a sophomore and 77 as a senior and finished his career with 287 career tackles, the seventh-highest total in school history. He also ranks in the top 10 in VSU history in tackles for loss and sacks.

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#### CHRISTOPH SCHNEIDER, MEN'S TENNIS

A three-time All-American with the Blazers, Christoph was a four-year member of the Valdosta State men's tennis squad. He compiled a career-record of 65 wins and 16 losses in singles play while going 65 and 30 in doubles during his career. Christoph played No. 1 in both singles and doubles as a senior during the 2006 season, during which he led the Blazers to the school's first national championship, and competed at No. 2 in both doubles and singles in his freshman, sophomore and junior seasons.

#### THE 2006 MEN'S TENNIS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM

After a near miss two seasons before, the 2006 men's tennis team capped off the Blazers rise to national prominence as the squad won its first national championship. The squad rolled through the early part of its schedule, winning its first 20 matches of the season en route to a 26-1 record on the year. The team capped off the season with a dominating 5-2 victory over Lynn in the national championship match, giving Valdosta State its third overall national title.

# WEEKEND ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

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# ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

#### 1997 Class

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Eric Anderson Sam Bowen Eddie Brown Chan Dixon Joe Germano Billy Grant Susan Taylor Jessie Tuggle

Men's Tennis Baseball Men's Basketball Women's Tennis Cross Country Coach. Administrator Women's Basketball Football Sugar JACKSON

#### 1998 Class

Gary Colson Gene Felts **Bobby Ritch** Shannon Williams

#### Coach Baseball Men's Basketball Women's Basketball

#### 1999 Class

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

#### 2000 Class

Football
Men's Basketball
Baseball
Coach

#### 2001 Class

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

#### 2002 Class

Mike Jones Ray McCully Men's Basketball Keith Moore **Janice Washington** Women's Basketball

#### 2003 Class

Jeff Agerter Sue Ann Christie Masa Oreskovic Libby Parks

Baseball Women's Basketball Women's Tennis Softball

Baseball

Football

#### 2004 Class

Lance Funderburk **Daryl Greenan Bridgett Moore** Bryan Shover

Football Men's Tennis Basketball Baseball

#### 2005 Class

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

#### 2006 Class

Klaus Acker Kevin Durkin Tommy Thomas Dawn Wynn

Men's Tennis Golf Coach 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 Randy Fisher Bobby McDonald Lamar Pearson Kim Southall Michael Terry

Golf Football Baseball Contributor Softball Men's Basketball

# 2011 Class

Jason Bulger Baseball Red Cross Contributor Jill Ferrell Women's Tennis Aaron Jenkins Football Baseball Jerome Register Eduardo Rincon Tennis 2004 National Championship Football Team