

Valdosta State University Athletic Hall of Fame

18th Annual Induction Ceremony and Luncheon

Saturday, February 1, 2014 Noon

> Ballroom Student Union

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Welcome	Herb Reinhard, Athletic Director
Invocation	Shane Godwin, FCA Chaplin
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Opening Remarks	Dr. William J. McKinney, President
Presentation of the 18th Class	Herb Reinhard
Formal Induction	Dr. William J. McKinney
Inductees' Remarks	2014 Class
Closing Remarks	Herb Reinhard

HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE

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



ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

1	997 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
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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 Champion	ship 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	Coach
Cathy McCurdy Guzay	Women's Basketball
John Hansen	Coach
Dallis Smith	Football

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

2010 Class

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

2011 Class

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

2012 Class

Eddie Fisher	Baseball	
Owen Harris	Contributor	
Tommy Johnson	Baseball/Men's Basketball	
Eva Petschnig	Women's Tennis	
Christoph Schneider	Men's Tennis	
Antonio Speed	Football	
2006 National Champio	onship Men's Tennis Team	

2013 Class

Annika Biro	Women's Tennis
Jon Good	Golf
Andre Hampton	Football
Jerry and Kay Jennett	Contributors
Jim Madaleno	Athletic Training
Robert Morgan	Baseball
Don Reason	Men's Basketball

2014 Class

Alex Acosta	Softball
Kenny Alston	Men's Basketball
Wayne Fugett	Baseball
Shirley McCully	Contributor
Jay Penny	Men's Tennis
Sherard Reynolds	Football
Bobby Tucker	Administrator
Tevis Upton	Golf
Deidre Williams	Women's Basketball

THE 2014 HALL OF FAME CLASS

ALEX ACOSTA, SOFTBALL

A member of the 2007 and 2008 Blazer softball teams, Alex Acosta earned All-America honors both seasons she played for VSU. Alex led Valdosta State with a .360 batting average and had 12 home runs as well as 61 RBI and scored 43 runs while earning GSC East Player of the Year honors in 2007. She was also the GSC East Player of the Year as a senior in 2008 during which she batted .376 with 13 home runs, 64 RBI and 52 runs scored. On her career, Alex batted .369 and had 25 home runs, 125 runs batted in and 95 runs scored and earned Academic All-America honors both years.

KENNY ALSTON, MEN'S BASKETBALL

A star for the Blazers from 1971 through 1975, Kenny Alston played in 77 career games and scored 1,446 career points, the 10th-most in school history. He averaged 18.8 points and 11.1 rebounds per game for his career. Kenny averaged 15.7 points and 11.7 rebounds as a freshman, 15.4 points and 11.5 rebounds as a sophomore, 23.5 points and 8.2 rebounds as a junior and 24.6 points and 10.9 rebounds as a senior and owned a career field goal percentage of 52.3 percent. His 18.8 career points per game ranks third-best all-time at Valdosta State.

WAYNE FUGETT, BASEBALL

A four-year letterwinner and two-time All-America, Wayne Fugett starred for the Blazers from 1980 through 1983. Wayne finished his career with a .335 career batting average. He batted .379 with 13 doubles, a triple and 10 home runs as well as 46 runs scored and 57 driven in while earning All-America honors as a senior in 1983. Wayne also earned All-American status as a junior in 1982 after batting .340 with 13 doubles, two triples and 15 home runs to go along with 55 runs scored and 67 RBI.

SHIRLEY MCCULLY, CONTRIBUTOR

Shirley McCully first became a fan of Valdosta State during the 1960's when her husband, VSU Athletics Hall of Fame member Ray McCully, played basketball for the Valdosta State College Rebels. The couple returned to Valdosta in 1984, at which time they became adamant supporters of all Blazer Athletic teams. Their generosity has touched an untold number of VSU student-athletes. Shirley's ever-present smile can be seen at a number of events, both home and on the road. The induction of Shirly McCully gives Valdosta State its first pair of married honorees.

JAY PENNY, MEN'S TENNIS

One of the first great tennis players at Valdosta State, Jay Penny played for the men's tennis team from 1978 through 1980. He was the No. 1 player on a pair of Blazer teams that won South Atlantic Conference championships and earned All-American honors in 1980. Jay reached the quarterfinals of the 1980 national tournament and the round of 16 of the 1979 national tournament.

SHERARD REYNOLDS, FOOTBALL

The only VSU football player to be named an All-American three times in a four-year career, Sherard Reynolds played for Valdosta State from 2005 through 2008. He played wide receiver as a freshman and was named to the All-Gulf South Conference team before moving to safety the following year. Sherard was named an All-American in each of his last three seasons, during which he tallied 243 tackles. He is second all-time in VSU history with 14 interceptions and broke up 18 passes on his career. Sherard was also a threat in punt returns as he is second all-time in punt return yardage at 13.8 yards per return. In four years, he returned 68 punts for 937 yards and holds the VSU single season record for punt return yardage

with 16.5 yards per return in 2006. Reynolds is also sixth on that list with 13.3 yards per return in 2007 and owns both the first and second highest single-game punt return marks in school history, having tallied 168 yards against Arkansas Tech and 154 versus Southern Arkansas, both during the 2006 season. He also owns two of the school's Top 10 longest punt returns of all time as well as the eighth-best single season kickoff return average. He ranks 10th all-time in VSU history in career kickoff return yardage and also ranks among the Top 10 in single season passes broken-up, standing fifth with 12 in 2007, and in interceptions in a season, as he is third with seven in 2007.

BOBBY TUCKER, ADMINISTRATOR

Bobby has served many roles in his time with Valdosta State, which began as a student manager/athletic trainer from 1970 through 1975. He returned to VSU as a men's assistant basketball coach in 1978 and served in the role until 1986, when he began a 20-year run as an Athletic Trainer and professor for the school. In 1990, Bobby took on the job of Faculty Athletic Representative for the Athletic Department before also becoming the Department's Compliance Director in 2006, all while continuing to teach for the University and serve as an athletic advisor. Bobby retired from the University this past year, but continues to help out in the Athletic Department as an advisor.

TEVIS UPTON, GOLF

A member of the golf team in 1997 through 1999, Tevis earned All-America honors in both 1998 and 1999. He played 68 rounds as a Blazer and saw his score count in 53 of those rounds, or in 78 percent of his total rounds played. Tevis owned a career stroke average of 75.2 and registered 10 top 10 career finishes and 13 rounds of par or better. Tevis led Valdosta State to a fourth-place finish in the NCAA Championship as a senior in 1999 and a sixth-place showing as a junior in 1998. His top career finish came in the 1999 Florida A&M Springtime Invitational as he won the event with a one-over 145 for the two rounds played. He averaged 75.4 strokes per round his senior season after averaging 74.3 per round as a junior. Upon graduating from Valdosta State, Tevis went on to a have a successful amateur career.

DEIDRE WILLIAMS, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Deidre Williams starred for the Lady Blazers from 1992 through 1996, during which she played in all 106 VSU games and made 30 starts. She earned All-America honors and first team All-Gulf South Conference as a senior in 1995-96 after averaging 19.7 points and 8.8 rebounds per game, a season in which she led the nation in field goal percentage and set a VSU record as she made 219-of-288 field goal attempts, or 76.0 percent of her shots. On her career, Deidre averaged 11.2 points and 6.9 rebounds per game and finished her four-year career 13th in career points at Valdosta State with 1,188. She holds the VSU career field goal percentage record at 67.6 percent as well as the Lady Blazer single game field goal percentage record, having made all 10 of her shots in a game during her senior season. Deidre averaged 10.2 points and 6.1 rebounds a game as a junior, 6.1 points and 5.7 rebounds as a sophomore and 8.2 points and 6.8 rebounds as a freshman.

WEEKEND ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

Baseball vs. Truett-McConnell	Today, 3:00 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Lee	Today, 6:00 p.m.
Men's Raskethall vs. Lee	Today 8:00 nm

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

Men's Tennis vs. USC-AikenTomorrow, Noon

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Bobby Tucker Alexa Acosta Diedre Williams Jay Penny Kenny Alston Sherard Reynolds Shirley McCully Tevis Upton Wayne Fugett

1978 - 2013Contributor 2007 - 2008Softball Women's Basketball 1992 - 1996 Men's Tennis 1978 – 1980 Men's Basketball 1971 - 1975 2005 - 2008Football 1986 – Present Booster Golf 1996 – 1999 – Baseball 1980 - 1983

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