



20th Annual Induction Ceremony & Brunch

**Saturday
February 13, 2016 • 10AM
Ballroom • Student Union**

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Today's Program

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| Welcome | Herb Reinhard |
| Remarks from Alumni Association President | Col. Jeff Hooks |
| Invocation | Marty McGhin |

Brunch

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| Opening Remarks | Dr. Cecil Staton |
| Presentation of the 20th Class | Herb Reinhard |
| Formal Induction | Dr. Cecil Staton |
| Inductees' Remarks | 2016 Class |
| Closing Remarks..... | Herb Reinhard |

Hall of Fame Selection Committee

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



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

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

1999 Class

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

2000 Class

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|-----------------|------------------|
| Antonio Edwards | Football |
| Willie Oxford | Men's Basketball |
| Kelly Scott | Baseball |
| Lyndal Worth | Coach |

2001 Class

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

2002 Class

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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Mike Jones | Baseball |
| Ray McCully | Men's Basketball |
| Keith Moore | Football |
| Janice Washington | Women's Basketball |

2003 Class

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| Jeff Agerter | Baseball |
| Sue Ann Christie | Women's Basketball |
| Masa Oreskovic | Women's Tennis |
| Libby Parks | Softball |

2004 Class

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| Lance Funderburk | Football |
| Daryl Greenan | Men's Tennis |
| Bridgett Moore | Women's Basketball |
| Bryan Shover | Baseball |

2005 Class

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

2006 Class

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

2007 Class

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

2008 Class

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| 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

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| Tommy Clark | Supporter |
| James Dominey | Coach |
| Cathy McCurdy Guzey | Women's Basketball |
| John Hansen | Coach |
| Dallis Smith | Football |

2010 Class

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

2011 Class

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

2012 Class

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

2013 Class

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

2014 Class

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| 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 |

2015 Class

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| Joerg Ekkenga | Men's Tennis |
| Marlon Jones | Men's Basketball |
| Tom Odom | Contributor |
| Carley Paterson Kuhns | Women's Basketball |
| Bryan Phillips | Men's Basketball |
| Dr. F. D. Toth | Contributor |
| Brent Witcher | Golf |

2016 Class

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| Coretta Bloom | Women's Basketball |
| Brandon Decker | Baseball |
| Kristina Ely | Softball |
| Bob Hagan | Contributor |
| Leos Jelinek | Men's Tennis |
| Hal Mumme | Football |
| Dominique Ross | Football |
| 2007 National Championship Football Team | |

The 2016 Hall of Fame Class

Brandon Decker • Baseball – 2009-10

In just two years as a Blazer, Decker set a new mark for career batting average at .413 and for slugging percentage at .792. His outstanding hitting display in two short years included 27 doubles, five triples, and an on-base percentage of .532. In addition, Decker set a slew of single season records with 84 RBI's in 2009 and 44 extra base hits and 175 total bases in 2010. With 43 home runs and 163 career RBI's, it's no surprise that Decker became a two-time All-American and was drafted by Major League Baseball following his career as a Blazer.

Kristina Ely • Softball – 2007-08

As a two-time first team All-Gulf South Conference player, Ely posted a .327 career batting average. She hit 23 home runs in her career, 19 of which came in her 2008 season, which ranks as the 10th most in GSC history. Her performance in 2008 led to All-American honors and capped off a two-year career at Valdosta State that included 106 hits, 18 doubles, and four triples.

Robert "Bob" Hagan • Supporter – 1980 – Present

Robert "Bob" Hagan has been a supporter of VSU Athletics since 1980. A 1979 graduate of Valdosta State, Bob's financial support of VSU Athletics has impacted the lives of hundreds of Valdosta State student-athletes and helped them reach their potential both on the field or court and in the classroom. Bob was recently recognized for his support when the court in the Complex was named the "Robert W. Hagan Court" in his honor. Bob was also named the 2015 Distinguished Alumni Award recipient for the College of Arts and Sciences and was honored for this achievement during this past fall's homecoming weekend. In addition, he is also proudly serving as the District Governor for Rotary District 6900.

Leos Jelinek • Men's Tennis – 2007-09

As a Blazer from 2007 through 2009, Leos Jelinek helped the Blazers extend their reputation as one of the top teams at the Division II level. His efforts in 2009 helped earn him All-American honors. Jelinek led the Blazers to both the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Tournament in 2008 and an appearance in the NCAA South Region Finals in 2009.

Hal Mumme • Football – 1992-96

Hal Mumme served as the Head Coach for Blazer football from 1992 through 1996. During that time, he compiled a 40-17-1 record for the third-most wins in school history and directed the Blazers to the first two Gulf South Conference Championships in Valdosta State football history in 1994 and 1996. Coach Mumme's ability to bring out the best in student-athletes was reflected by the individual accomplishments of four All-Americans and 38 All-GSC honorees under his leadership.

Coretta Bloom • Women's Basketball – 1975-79

Coretta Bloom ranks 8th all-time in Valdosta State women's basketball history with 1,659 career points. She helped lead the Lady Blazers to the GAIAW Division I finals in both the 1975-76 and 1978-79 seasons. With an average of 13.8 points per game in her career, Bloom led her squad to a 100-22 record from 1975-79.

Dominique Ross • Football – 1992-94

Known as one of the best running backs in Valdosta State football history, Ross was named the Running Back of the Decade on the VSU Team of the Decade in the 1990's and ranks second all-time in rushing TD's at Valdosta State. He put together three straight seasons as Valdosta State's leading rusher with 734 yards in 1992, 1,030 yards in 1993, and 1,473 yards in 1994. This dominant ball carrier led the team in scoring in both 1992 and 1993.

2007 Blazer Football Team

This team, led by Head Coach David Dean in his first season at the helm, put together a historic season that included 13 wins against just one loss. The squad went 7-1 in Gulf South Conference Play, and put together a thrilling come-from behind win in the National Championship game to defeat NW Missouri State 25-20.

This Weekend's Athletic Schedule

Your ticket for today's brunch ceremony will admit you to both basketball games this afternoon

Women's Basketball vs. Christian Brothers..... Today, 2:00PM

Men's Basketball vs. Christian Brothers..... Today, 4:00PM

Hall of Fame Inductees will be recognized at halftime of the Men's game

