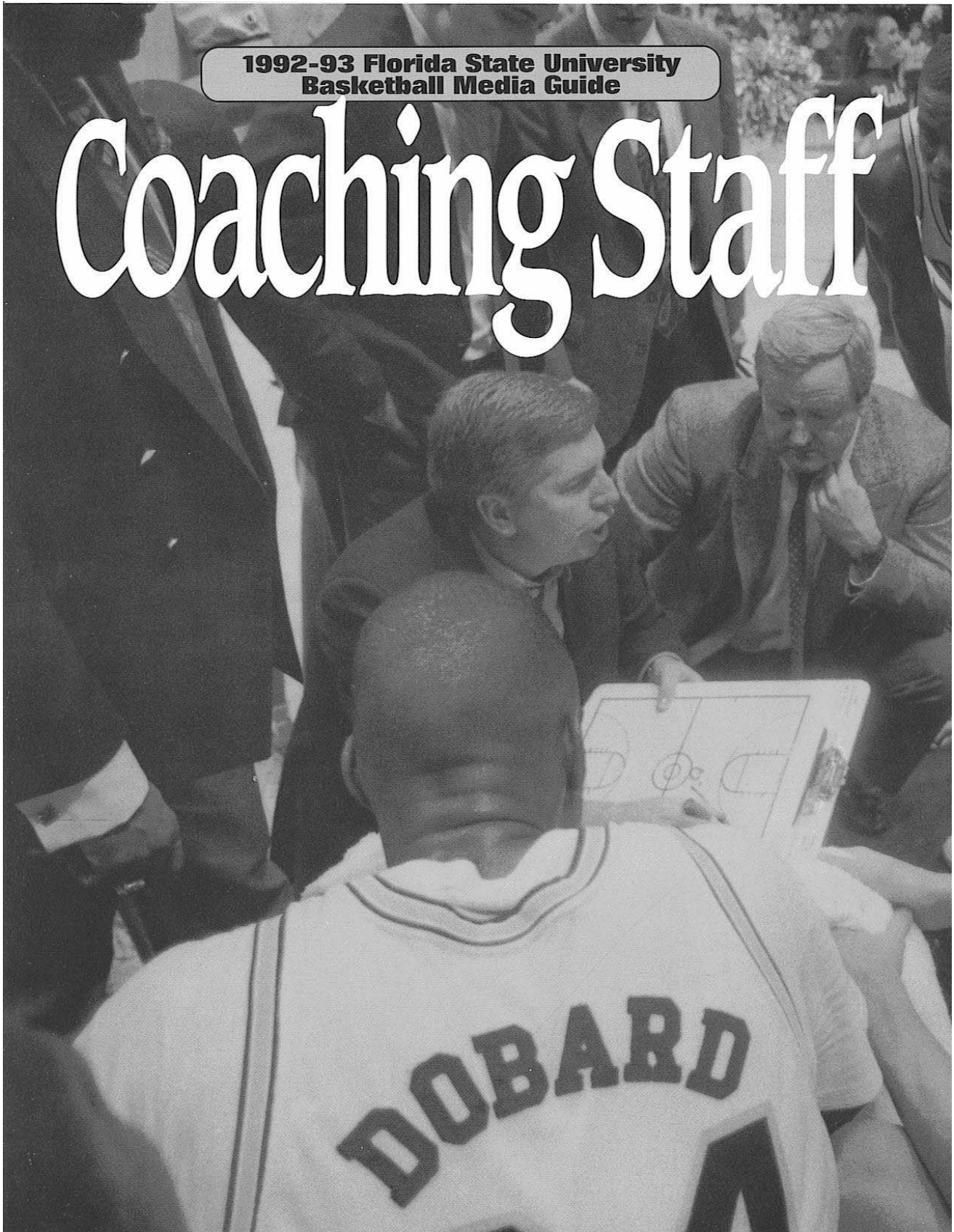


1992-93 Florida State University
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Coaching Staff



**Seminole
Head Coach
Pat Kennedy**



An animated courtside coach (opposite page), Kennedy has seen his squad advance and keep progressing in the NCAA tournament – as far as the Sweet Sixteen last year. But the FSU mentor has his sights set higher than that.

Building on Unprecedented Success

As far as the seventh-year coach of the Seminoles is concerned, the best is yet to come.

Florida State head coach Pat Kennedy is a man driven by an insatiable appetite to succeed. He demands a great deal of himself and his program and expects the hard work to pay great dividends. For the past six seasons, Kennedy's ability to lead the Seminole program has resulted in unprecedented success.

For four out of the last five seasons, Kennedy has led his Seminoles into the NCAA Tournament. Last season's advance to the Sweet 16 marked the second most successful season ever for a Florida State team.

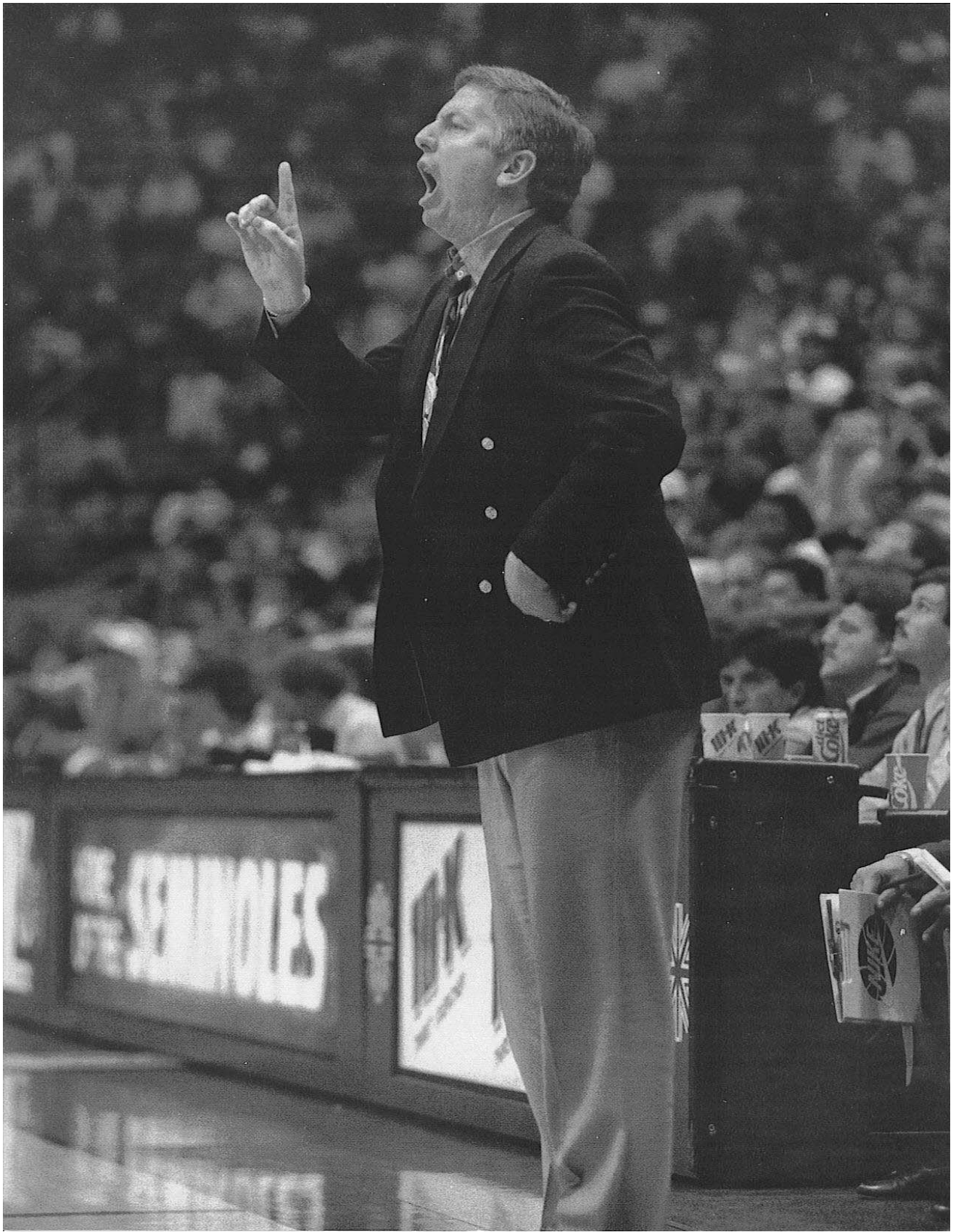
He culminated his first season in the Atlantic Coast Conference with a record for number of road

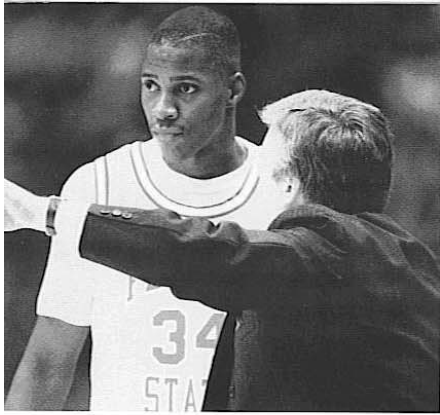
wins for a first year coach (six) and total number of conference wins for a rookie ACC coach (11). The Seminoles finished second in the tradition-rich ACC and Pat Kennedy was the landslide winner in the voting for the conference's Coach of the Year.

And still, the best may still be in the future for Florida State and its highly successful coach.

Kennedy has parlayed the on-court success of his Seminole teams into recruiting classes worthy of national headlines. He has nine national television dates mixed into the Atlantic Coast Conference schedule that will bring unprecedented exposure to the Florida State program. His 1992-93 Seminoles appear to be headed for the highest preseason ranking of an FSU squad in 20 years.

"Our program has come a long way in seven years," admits Kennedy. "We have achieved a great deal and have molded the program into a consistent NCAA Tournament team which was our top priority when we arrived. What is most exciting





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is that we are competing at the very top level of college basketball and still feel we can achieve more. I'm as excited about the future of Florida State basketball as the day I came here, and what is even more encouraging, is that our players and fans seem as hungry as ever."

If Seminole fans are hungry - and they are - Kennedy needs to look no farther than the mirror to find the reason for their appetite. He spent his first six seasons at Florida State whipping a football-crazy Tallahassee into basketball shape. He used an exciting brand of basketball, a top-notch national schedule, and highly acclaimed recruiting classes to move the Seminole program into the nation's limelight. Once there, took full advantage with his own charismatic style and the Seminoles' coast-to-coast popularity.

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Perhaps CBS play-by-play announcer Sean McDonough said it best just prior to FSU's second round game in the 1991 NCAA Tournament. "It's almost unfair for Florida State," said McDonough. "Already a national football and baseball power, Pat Kennedy has led the Seminoles into the upper echelon of the basketball world with the move to the ACC. They've got all that and they live in Florida too. Come on!"

Seven years ago, Kennedy transplanted his family from a cozy situation at Iona College in New York to Florida's capital city because of the potential he saw in the Seminole program. While

the Tribe had done little since losing the national championship to UCLA in 1972, Kennedy had a gut feeling about FSU.

"Somehow I knew that the situation was right at Florida State," said Kennedy. "When I got here, the atmosphere was even better than I thought it would be. And since then, I have had attractive offers to leave and, again, I just felt that this was the right place. Good things were about to happen. And it just turns out my instincts have been right."

Keen instincts have gotten the 40-year-old Kennedy a long way in a short period of time, but it is his desire and determination that have propelled him to the top of his profession.

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A more dramatic beginning could not have been written for the Kennedy era at Florida State as he opened the 1986-87 season against rival Florida in front of the largest crowd to ever witness a college game in the state. 13,300 looked on as Kennedy shouted, cheered, screamed, stomped, encouraged and inspired his underdog Seminole squad to a delirious 80-76 win over the nationally-ranked Gators. Kennedy has not looked back since.

His first season was a 19-11 effort, culminating in an invitation to the National Invitational Tournament (NIT). The post-season appearance was FSU's first since the 1984 season and only the second in the 1980s.

With just one starter and three players who had ever donned the garnet and gold, Kennedy's 1987-88 team won 19 games, finished second in the Metro Conference and went to the NCAA Tournament. All this after opening the season to predictions of a sub .500 season and conference cellar-dweller status.

But the 1988-89 season was proof of the basketball rebirth in Tallahassee.

Florida State entered the 1988-89 season ranked among the preseason top 20 for only the

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The Pat Kennedy Record

As A Coach

- 221-116 record ranks 34th nationally for winningest active coaches
- In 12 years of coaching, Kennedy has led teams to 6 NCAA and 3 NIT Tournaments
- Led FSU to regular season Metro Conference crown
- Led Iona to four conference championships (regular season) in six years
- Only fourth coach in NCAA Division I history to win 100 games in first five years
- Took FSU to back-to-back NCAA tournaments for the second time in school history
- Led FSU to school's first-ever Metro Tournament championship
- Has averaged 20.2 wins per season as a head coach
- Has had several basketball articles published in newspapers and journals
- Runs one of the top summer camps in the nation
- Has appeared as guest speaker and instructor at clinics and camps across the nation
- Coached six players who have reached the NBA, including first round draft pick George McCloud

As A Recruiter

- First FSU recruiting class ranked among top five in the nation by most basketball magazines
- First Iona recruiting class ranked #1 in *Eastern Basketball* magazine
- Recruiting class ranked top 15 by *Eastern Basketball* five consecutive years at Iona
- Successfully recruited many high school

All-Americans, including FSU signees Douglas Edwards, Tharon Mayes, David White, Aubry Boyd and JC All-Americans Tony Dawson and Sam Cassell

As An Educator

- 34 of 35 Iona signees graduated
- 95% graduating rate at Iona cited by *USA Today* as one of top rates in the nation
- Former players now work in law firms, with major corporations, Big 8 Accounting firms
- Five former players went on to earn their MBAs

As An Administrator

- Six years experience as associate athletic director
- Served as president of MAAC Coaches Association since league's inception
- Was voting member of NCAA Tournament Selection Committee
- Member of Nike, MacGregor and Medalist speaker bureau
- Consultant to Nike Corporation

As A Person

- Recognized for work and support for Harlem Week in New York
- Actively involved in Special Olympic Program, serving as chairman for state of Florida
- 1984 Special Olympics Man of the Year award winner
- Has given numerous free clinics for children and handicapped groups
- Actively involved in community organizations, serving as guest speaker to many groups
- Devoted family man

While the latest addition to the Kennedy clan is not in the family portrait (above), Kathryn Blaney is sure to be involved as the rest of her family in the Tallahassee area. Pat and Jeannie are heavily involved in numerous charities, including serving as state chairman for the Special Olympics.

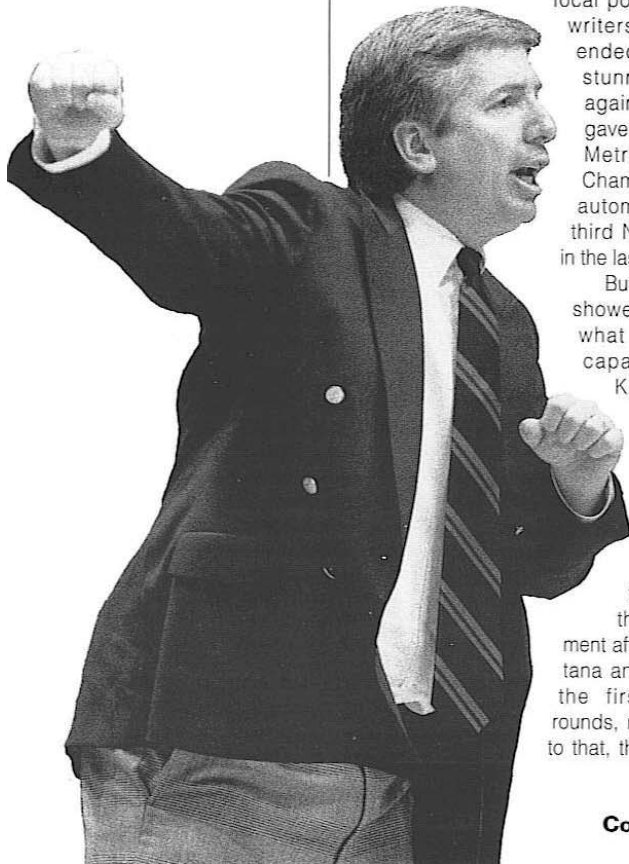
Below: One thing that makes Kennedy's teams so dangerous is their lack of predictability in playing style from year to year. Kennedy is an acknowledged master at tailoring his team's style to the available talent.





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Perhaps the most convincing measure of how far Kennedy has brought FSU's basketball program comes from the preseason TV schedule. The Seminoles are already booked for ten national television dates, which means that FSU will play a record ten of its 26 regular-season games on national television.



second time in school history. The Seminoles remained in the nation's elite poll throughout the entire regular season reaching a top ranking of seventh in the country after a landmark win over Louisville in Freedom Hall. Kennedy's third effort as FSU coach also resulted in the school's second ever regular season Metro Conference title, a 22-8 record, and a second consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament. The back-to-back NCAA appearances occurred just one other time in school history.

Two years ago, the Seminoles cleared the final hurdle in the last year of their association with the Metro Conference. Never had the school won the tournament crown and the issue had become a focal point to conference writers. But the Tribe ended that jinx with a stunning comeback against Louisville that gave FSU its first-ever Metro Tournament Championship and an automatic bid to their third NCAA tournament in the last four years.

But last season really showed Seminole fans what the program is capable of under Kennedy's leadership.

The Tribe enjoyed its second most successful basketball season ever, reaching the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament after defeating Montana and Georgetown in the first and second rounds, respectively. Prior to that, the Seminoles sur-

prised the nation with their ability to move into the ACC and contend for the conference crown in their first year. Florida State finished second in the ACC with an 11-5 record and allowed only Duke to defeat them twice in the season.

Kennedy has the loyalty of Seminole basketball fans who had grown complacent. Florida State drew over 100,000 fans for the first time ever during Kennedy's first season and each year another attendance record falls.

The Tribe's entrance into the ACC seems to have solved any attendance problems in Tallahassee. When season tickets went on sale for this season there was a run like never before in Seminole basketball history and ticket sales are well beyond a record pace. The question now around FSU is how can I get a basketball ticket?

Kennedy is driven to obsession in accomplishing his coaching goals. Month after month, Kennedy can be found criss-crossing the South for speaking engagements, recruiting visits, charity appearances and booster meetings. No one works harder to make Florida State basketball a national name than Kennedy, and his attitude for hard work and not missing a beat, has made him one of the most successful coaches in the nation.

A native of Keyport, NJ, Kennedy attended Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, PA, on a basketball scholarship. After two years as a player, Kennedy was boarding the team bus for a game at the Palestra in Philadelphia, when his coach grabbed his arm and stopped him. "Pat," he said, "I'd like for you to scout our next opponent tonight. Here's a ticket and directions."

With that, Kennedy's career changed completely. He became head junior varsity coach, finishing the year with a 17-4 record. He was elevated to the school's top varsity assistant coach as a senior.

After graduating in 1975, Kennedy was named assistant coach at Lehigh University. In 1977, Iona head coach Jim Valvano asked Kennedy to join his staff and a long-time friendship between the two was born. When North Carolina State lured Valvano

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away from the New Rochelle, NY school after the 1979-80 season, Iona wasted little time in naming Kennedy to the post.

While at Iona, Kennedy's teams defeated some of the nation's top programs and coaches including Eldon Miller's Ohio State team, Jerry Tarkanian's UNLV Rebels and Bobby Cremin's Georgia Tech squad.

A 23-8 record in 1984 led to Kennedy's selection as the New York Metro Area Coach of the Year as well as Mid-Atlantic Conference Coach of the Year. He followed the year with a 26-5 record and was the recipient of the Heineken Award which recognized excellence in college coaching. Kennedy followed Valvano, Lou Carneseca and Dean Smith as winners of the prestigious award.

Overall, the Kennedy record shows nine post-season appearances, six of those in the NCAA tournament, and six conference championships in ten years of coaching. Kennedy became only the fourth Division I coach in NCAA history to win 100 games in his first five years of coaching.

A high level of achievement, both in academic and athletic arenas made Kennedy an easy choice when Florida State began looking for a head coach following the 1985-86 season. "We were impressed with Coach Kennedy's commitment to a well-rounded program and his desire to develop our players emotionally, academically and athletically," said FSU president Dr. Bernard F. Sliger upon presenting the Seminole's fifth head coach.

The confidence the selection committee displayed in Kennedy comes from its belief it had hired not only an outstanding coach, but a man who understands education should come first to the student athlete.

Kennedy's academic commitment is strong. Over 95 percent of his recruits at Iona graduated – a fact recognized by *USA Today* newspaper, which cited Iona College and Kennedy's program for one of the most outstanding graduation rates in all of college athletics. His "no-bend" philosophy on academics has carried over to Florida State where he is raising the graduation rate and the scholastic health

of his student-athletes.

Kennedy-coached student-athletes have enjoyed great success after their basketball careers were finished. Investment counselors on Wall Street, several law school students and numerous business leaders in Fortune 500 companies found their start in Kennedy's basketball programs. "A lot of coaches may pay lip service to academics and its importance," Kennedy said, "but our staff does something about it. If a guy wants to play basketball for us, he better also want to go to class and get a degree. Because that's what he should be here for. We tell our recruits that from day one."

Recruiting talented student athletes is a specialty of Kennedy's. His first class at Florida State was ranked among the five best in the country and the last five years have been among the top 25. His Iona groups were on the list of top 15 classes in the East for five straight years and the 1980 class was ranked as best in the East by *Eastern Basketball* magazine.

Off the court and away from the recruiting trails, Kennedy is a man who has both a keen sense of public relations and a deep belief in becoming a part of his community. In addition to his youth camps, Kennedy serves as the state's honorary chairman for the Special Olympics, a cause he and his wife Jeannie have championed for several years. In 1984, he was named Special Olympics Man of the Year.

Kennedy also possesses a strong background in administration, serving five years in the dual role of head basketball coach and associate athletic director at Iona. He was president of the MAAC Coaches' Association since the league's inception and was a member of the NCAA Tournament Selection Committee for the Eastern region. The Executive Director of the Pat Kennedy Day Camps, one of the largest of its type in the nation, Kennedy is also a consultant to the Nike corporation.

Coach, educator, administrator, recruiter, community leader and family man; Pat Kennedy provides solid leadership for the Florida State basketball program.

"He's part salesman, part politician, part psychologist, part promoter and all basketball coach"
- Hubert Mizell, St. Petersburg Times



The head of Florida State's recruiting efforts for the past six seasons, Zimroth has seen the last five FSU classes ranked among the nation's top 20. While "Coach Z's" primary role is in recruiting, he also serves as the NCAA compliance liason on the basketball staff and works with the post players during practice sessions.

David Zimroth

Assistant Coach, Florida State '78

Florida State head coach Pat Kennedy looked for a man six years ago to direct his recruiting that could bring in the caliber of player to take the Seminoles to the next level. After five recruiting classes ranked among the nation's top 20, a Metro Conference regular season and tournament championship, and three NCAA Tournament appearances, Zimroth has been the answer to the Seminoles' recruiting efforts.



David Zimroth

A product of the state of Florida, Zimroth has coached at every level in his home state. His contact system within the state is extremely strong and in 1988 he landed "Mr. Basketball" Doug Edwards to go along with the previous two runners-up for the title. He also has had great success throughout the south-east.

After graduation, he returned to his alma mater, North Miami Beach High, where he coached for a year before accepting a position at Miami-Dade North Junior College for two seasons. Zimroth left the junior college ranks in 1981 to join Hugh Durham's staff at the University of Georgia. His next

stop was back at Miami-Dade North where he served another two seasons. During his four years at the junior college level, Miami-Dade won 116 games and lost just 15. He recruited three players who were selected in the first five rounds of the NBA Draft.

In 1984, Zimroth was named head coach at Miami Beach High where he stayed for two years before coming to Florida State.

Zimroth has worked an impressive number of clinics conducted by some of the top coaches in the collegiate game. Jim Valvano's N.C. State camps and those led by Durham headline and impressive list.

Graduated in 1974 from North Miami Beach High, Zimroth scored over 1800 points in his high school playing career. He received a basketball scholarship to Miami-Dade North Community College where he earned his Associate of Arts degree in 1976. Zimroth then transferred to FSU, graduating with a bachelor's in health education and minor in coaching in 1978. He has also completed work towards a master degree.

Zimroth is 36 and is married to the former Mary Elizabeth Koch of Strongsville, Ohio.

Zimroth File

Birthplace: Brooklyn, NY

Birthdate: March 3, 1956

High School: N. Miami Beach High (1974)

High School Honors: All-State, All-Dade County, scored over 1,800 career points.

**Collegiate Playing Experience: Biscayne College
Miami Dade North Junior College**

Alma Mater (Year): Florida State (1978)

Previous Coaching Experience: N. Miami Beach High (1978-79)

Miami Dade North J.C. (1979-81)

University of Georgia (1981-82)

Miami Dade North J.C. (1982-84)

Miami Beach High (1984-86)

Florida State (1986-present)

Family: Married the former Mary Elizabeth Koch last summer.

In addition to handling the many administrative duties involved with Florida State's team travel, Kenny Williamson serves the basketball staff in several roles. Heavily involved in the recruiting and game preparation, Williamson is one of FSU's most involved coaches in practice. A motivator and perfectionist, most of Williamson's practice time is spent tutoring the FSU guards.



Kenny Williamson

Assistant Coach, CCNY '76

Kenny Williamson begins his fourth season at Florida State after joining the Seminoles prior to the 1989-90 season. While it is his fourth year at FSU it is his 10th year of association with Pat Kennedy. The two worked together at Iona with Williamson serving as Kennedy's associate head coach for four of his seven seasons with the Gaels.

A former academic advisor at St. John's University, Williamson was an assistant coach at Columbia before joining the Iona staff. After leaving the New Rochelle, NY school the 44-year old Williamson served as an assistant at Louisville and worked with the Golden State Warriors of the National Basketball Association.

With close ties to the NBA as well as college basketball on several different levels, Williamson is among the most recognized and respected assistant coaches in the country.

Williamson's excellent reputation is well earned as recruiting classes at Iona were regularly listed among the best in the East. The Gaels enjoyed unprecedented success during Kennedy and Williamson's time there and both developed recruiting bases in the basketball-rich northeast.

Williamson is on the board of directors of the Black Coaches Association and is a former president of the organization. He is committed to the BCA as well as several other organizations within

the coaching profession. Recognized as one of the more articulate voices of academic responsibility in athletics, Williamson's commitment to the complete student-athlete is well documented.

Williamson has also made his mark on the AAU front coaching the United States Junior National team (high school level) throughout a tour of Russia in 1977.

The New York native is also a Vietnam Veteran having served in combat in DaNang in 1969.

Williamson is married to the former L'Tanya Wheeler.



Kenny Williamson

Williamson File

Birthplace: New York, NY

Birthdate: August 19, 1947

High School: Benjamin Franklin H.S. (1965)

High School Honors: Runner-up, New York City Champions (1964)

Collegiate Playing Experience: University of Delaware (1966)

Alma Mater (Year): CCNY (1976)

Previous Coaching Experience:

St. John's University (1976-78)

Columbia University (1978-79)

Iona College (1979-86)

University of Louisville (1986-87)

Golden State Warriors (1987-88)

Family: Wife: L'Tanya



Along with a number of duties within the FSU athletic and physical education departments, Tom Carlson is heavily involved in both the on-floor coaching of the Seminoles and the all-important opponents scouting. Carlson coordinates FSU's extensive pre-game preparation and is instrumental in assisting Kennedy in coordinating the scouting material.

Tom Carlson

Assistant Coach, Florida State '74

One of the most popular members of Florida State's athletic staff, Tom Carlson enters his seventh season as an assistant coach with the Seminole basketball program.

Carlson established a reputation as one of the state's top high school coaches while serving as head coach at Maclay High School in Tallahassee for 11 years. He joined Pat Kennedy's FSU staff prior to the 1986-87 season.

A native of West Keansburg, New Jersey, the 43-year old Carlson's roots run deep in the capital city. From 1972-74, while still a student at Florida State, Carlson served as an assistant coach at Tallahassee's Richards High.

He received his undergraduate degree in physical education from FSU in 1974 and enrolled in graduate school the following year. He served as a graduate assistant coach on Hugh Durham's 1974-75 FSU squad that finished the year with an 18-8 record. Carlson performed nearly every job in the department that season with responsibilities in scouting and conditioning as well as serving as head junior

varsity coach and as a teacher in the University's physical education department.

With a master's in physical education, Carlson took over the reins at Maclay in 1976 and three years later led the team to the state high school basketball championship. For his efforts, he was recognized as the Coach of the Year by the Florida Athletic Coaches Association. Carlson was the Big Bend (Tallahassee Area) Coach of the year in 1979 and 1982 and he led the Junior Team Florida (AAU) to the state championship in 1985. He posted a 245-89 career record as a high school coach and also coached the golf team and served on the faculty at Maclay.

Carlson has also been a regular on the Seminole basketball camp scene having served on the staff every year since 1973.

An honor student at Florida State, Carlson served as a member and officer in the honor society for physical education majors and was vice president of the men's physical education major's club. He is currently a member of the Florida Coaches Association and the National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC).

Carlson and his wife Ann have three daughters; Ericka (16), Brandy (10) and Kayce (7).



Tom Carlson

Carlson File

Birthplace: Bronx, NY

High School: Raritan Township High School (1966), Hazlet, NJ

Alma Mater (Year): Florida State (1975)

Previous Coaching Experience:

1970-72 FSU Graduate Assistant

1972-74 Richards High Ast. Coach

1974-86 Maclay High Head Coach

1986-present FSU Ast. Coach

Family: Wife - Ann, Three daughters: Erika, Brandy, and Kayce.

Sam Lunt

Head Basketball Trainer, Miami ' 83

While Sam Lunt is beginning his ninth year of association with the Florida State athletic department, he begins his fifth as head basketball trainer.

Lunt originally came to FSU in 1983 as a graduate assistant after receiving his bachelor's degree in athletic training from the University of Miami. While at UM, he worked as a student trainer in the Hurricane athletic department and served as an assistant trainer with the NFL's Miami Dolphins in the summer of 1982.

As a graduate assistant at FSU, Lunt worked with the Seminole football team while earning his master's in sports psychology. He then moved on to the Jacksonville Bulls of the USFL for the 1985 spring season, but returned to the college ranks that summer when he was named assistant trainer at Louisville.

The Ft. Myers, Florida resident returned to FSU in 1986 and his duties included assisting head trainer Randy Oravetz with the Seminole football team as well as working with all men's teams. Lunt then became head basketball trainer and oversees all spring sports.

Involved in athletics at both the national and international level, Lunt worked closely with FSU team physicians in planning and coordinating the medical coverage for the 1991 AAU Junior Olympics.

Lunt has also worked as a volunteer trainer at the United States Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, at the 1987 U.S. Olympic Festival and as the trainer for the U.S. track team at the 1989 World University games in Duisburg, Germany.

Lunt, 31, is a certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

Gene Granger

**Equipment Manager,
Bethune-Cookman '71**

A member of the Florida State athletic staff since 1971, Gene Granger begins his 14th year as head equipment manager for the Florida State bas-

ketball team. Granger's numerous duties include the ordering and daily distribution of all athletic equipment and uniforms. In addition, he serves as equipment manager for the baseball, track and tennis teams at Florida State.

A native of Dade City, Florida, Gene attended Bethune-Cookman College where he played varsity baseball from 1969 through 1971. After college, he joined the Seminole athletic staff as an assistant manager for five years before being named to the head equipment manager position in 1977.

Gene, 46, and his wife Alberta are the parents of two children; Apryl (16) and Gene Jr. (11).

Dave Van Halanger

Strength Coach, West Virginia '76

Former state director for the National Strength and Conditioning Association, Dave Van Halanger is in his tenth year as strength coach for the Florida State athletic department. As head strength coach, Van Halanger heads up the entire conditioning program for all 16 varsity sports at FSU.

Van Halanger arrived at Florida State in 1983, after serving in a similar capacity at West Virginia University from 1980 through June 1983. Prior to that, he was a member of the WVU coaching staff - serving as head junior varsity coach in 1979.

A graduate of the WVU School of Physical Education, Van Halanger played and lettered four years in football under current Seminole head coach Bobby Bowden. An All-East and honorable mention All-American selection his senior season, Van Halanger was a co-captain of the Mountaineer team that won the Peach Bowl.

Currently a member of the National Board of Ethics for the National Football Coaches Association, Dave and his wife Michelle are the parents of two daughters; Julie (11) and Danielle (6), and a boy Matthew (3).

Nick Menacof

Academic Support Coordinator

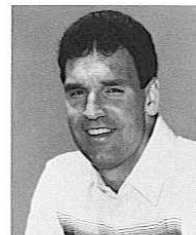
Nick Menacof is in his third year as the Academic Support Coordinator at Florida State with the direct responsibility of coordinating study hall and



Sam Lunt



Gene Granger



Dave Van Halanger



Nick Menacof



Mark Meleney



Mary O'Neal



Caroline Scott



Bill Vizzini, Manager

tutorial assignments for the student-athletes of each of FSU's 16 men's and women's sports.

The Brookeville, Indiana native was not new to Tallahassee upon taking over his present position. Menacof lettered in both basketball and track while at student at Florida State and received his bachelor's degree from FSU in 1960. He furthered his studies at the University of Tennessee where he earned a master's in Administrative Supervision.

Although in only his third year on the Academic Support Staff, Menacof has been involved with FSU athletics for over eight years. He has been the public address announcer for the past eight years at Seminole football, basketball and baseball games. Last season, Menacof moved from his public address post to work with Gene Deckerhoff as the color commentator for basketball games on the Seminole Radio Network.

Menacof also serves on the Board of Directors of the Varsity F Club, where he is also past president. He has also been a high school football and basketball official in the Tallahassee area for the past eight years.

Menacof, 56, has three children. They are Clint 27, Nikki 24 and Cody 23.

Mark Meleney

Academic Advisor

Mark Meleney is in his fourth year as the Academic Advisor for each of the student-athletes on Florida State's football, baseball and men's basketball teams. Meleney's duties are to coordinate and monitor the academic progress of the student-athletes. Included in his duties are roles in the advising, registration and adherence to the Universities rules and regulations.

An FSU alumnus, the 32-year old Meleney earned his bachelor's degree in management and finance in 1986. Upon graduation, he took a position in the FSU Registrar's Office as the Student Affairs Coordinator. Meleney held the position for three years before taking his present position in 1989.

A native of DeFuniak Springs, Florida, Meleney first enrolled at Buenavista College in Orlando. He completed his Associate of Arts degree while at

Buenavista where he was a two-time letterwinner in both football and baseball.

Meleney, a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletes, is married to the former Sarah Cawthon.

Mary O'Neal

Basketball Secretary

Mary O'Neal is in her sixth year as Florida State basketball coach Pat Kennedy's secretary. In that capacity, O'Neal handles Kennedy's complicated day-to-day schedule as well as the normal office routine of a major basketball program.

Ironically, O'Neal was born and raised in New Rochelle, NY (home of Iona University) and attended the same high school (St. Gabriel's) as Jeannie Kennedy. After Mary and her husband Bob traveled extensively while he was in the Air Force, they settled back at Iona from 1969-73. After a stint at Indiana University, Bob O'Neal accepted the position of Director of the Career Center at FSU until his recent retirement.

While at Iona, Mary was the supervisor of the first IBM Word Processing Center in a higher education setting.

The O'Neals have three children, all of whom graduated from Indiana University, and six grandchildren.

Caroline Scott

Basketball Secretary

Carolina Scott begins her first season in the basketball office after joining the athletic department in July of 1992.

A native of New Orleans, LA Scott made the move to athletics after working in the Statistics Office at Florida State the previous year. Prior to her move to FSU, Scott lived in San Francisco, CA where she survived the earthquake on 10-17-90.

Scott graduated from Our Lady's Academy in Bay St. Louis, MS and is just shy of an accounting major from Pearl River Junior College.

Scott's husband Jeffery is in his second year of Law School at Florida State. They have a daughter Elizabeth Brittain who is in the second grade.