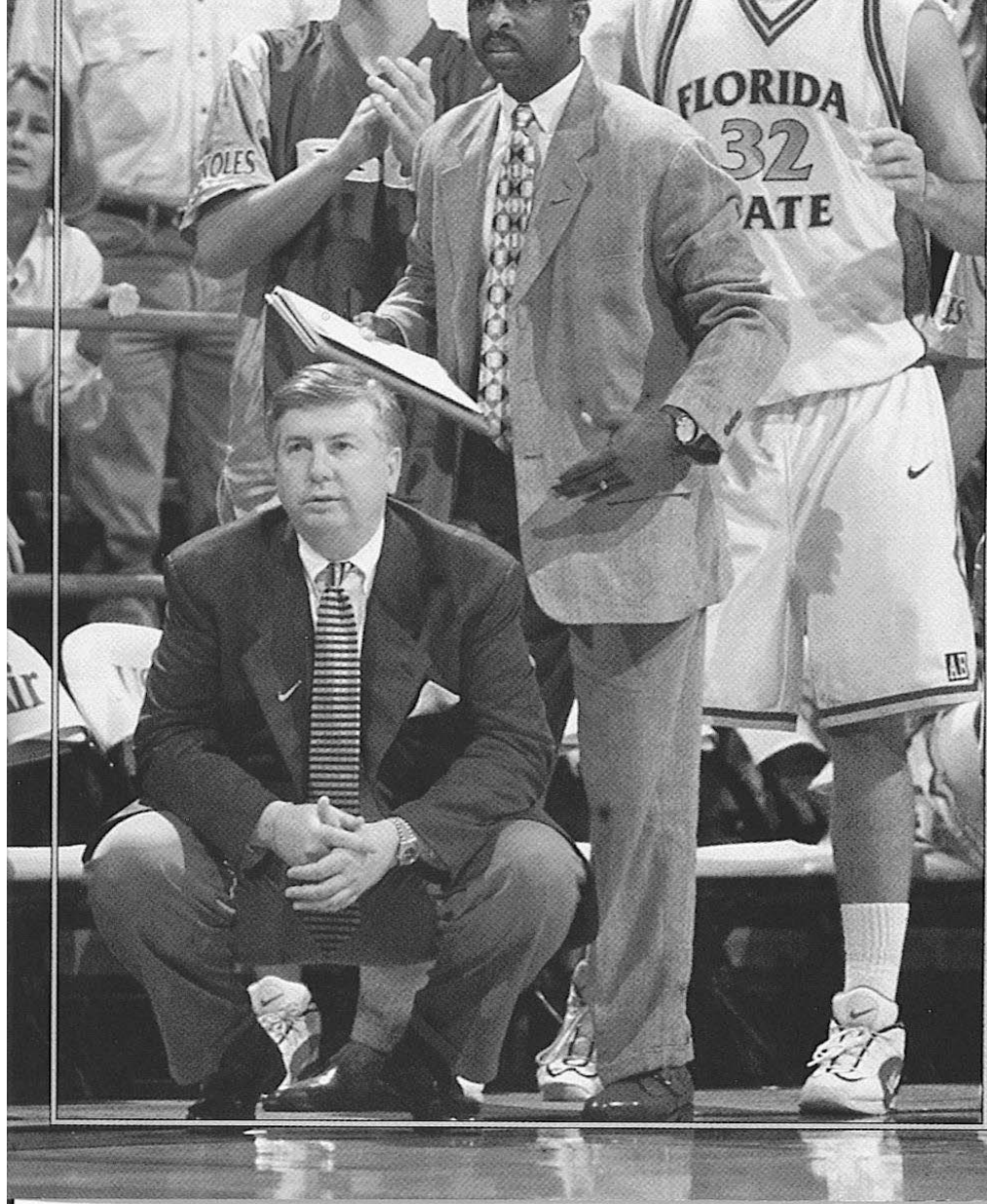


1996-97 SEMINOLE BASKETBALL

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*50 Years of
Seminole Basketball*

**1972:
The NCAA
Finals**



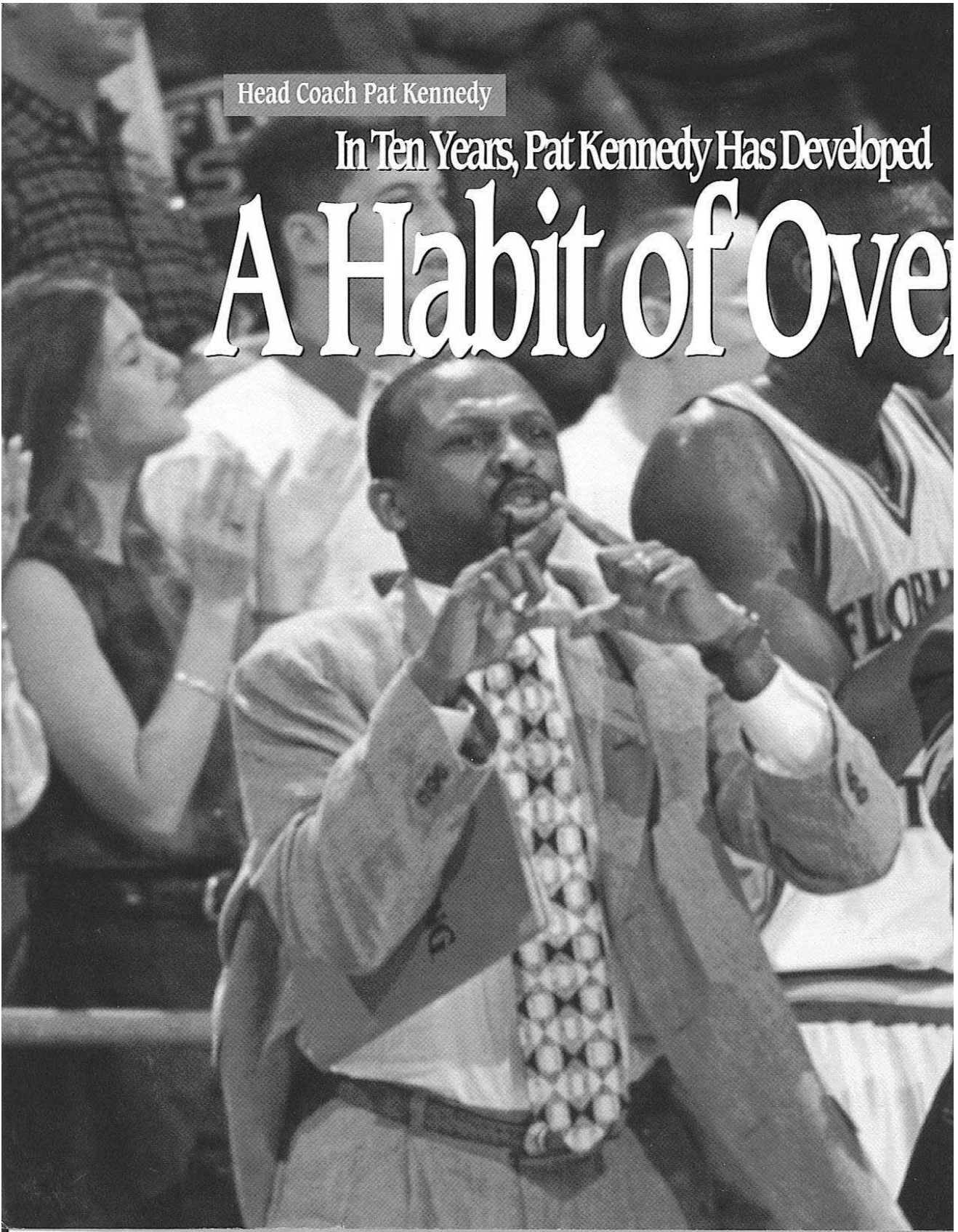
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ntering the 1971-72 season, Florida State head coach Hugh Durham had one primary goal for his players. Said Durham: "I want to get our players to play to their potential. If they do that, the wins will take of themselves." By any standard, Durham succeeded. That season, Florida State fielded its most successful team in school history, winning a program record 27 games against just six losses. The season culminated in a trip to the Final Four and a date with five-time defending national champion UCLA and legendary coach John Wooden. Along the way to the national championship game, Florida State knocked off perennial powers Minnesota, Kentucky and North Carolina. In the championship game, the Tribe fell just five points short of a national championship, going down 81-76 to the Bruins.

Head Coach Pat Kennedy

In Ten Years, Pat Kennedy Has Developed

A Habit of Over



coming Challenges

1996-97 SEMINOLE BASKETBALL

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he "Second 10 Years" is about to begin for Florida State head basketball coach Pat Kennedy and the Seminole program.

Kennedy's first 10 seasons at the helm in Tallahassee have come and gone and Seminole hoops followers have never had so much to cheer about than they have during the Kennedy era.

Florida State fans have witnessed a revival of sorts during the last 10 years when

Kennedy has served as the program's builder, guider and care-taker. During that span, Kennedy has rebuilt the Seminole program and put it on the national map.

A sign of the program's coming of age is revealed when looking at FSU's television schedule for the 1996-97 season. The Seminoles will have 19 games televised this season. Prior to

Kennedy's 1986 arrival, it was rare that the Seminoles made television appearances and even more rare that the nation's top high school players gave Florida State much recruiting attention.

The lack of exposure was not the only challenge staring Kennedy in the face when he took the FSU head coaching job.

Consider that in the 39 seasons of Seminole basketball prior to Kennedy's arrival in Tallahassee, Florida State had been to the NCAA Tournament just four times. The Florida State basketball program had never won a conference championship, regular season or postseason. Just three Florida State players had been selected in the first round of the National Basketball Association's draft. Only seven 20-win seasons dotted Florida State's basketball resume. Just one Florida State team had ever made it past the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

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One of the game's more demonstrative coaches (below) Kennedy isn't above using some histrionics to get his point across. Whether at home or on the road, fans can count on the FSU mentor spending the majority of the game on his feet working the officials and his players.

Since coming to Tallahassee Kennedy has proven he was right about Florida State. He has also proven he was right for Florida State. As he enters his second decade on the job, the program is ready for new challenges.



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Never one to back down from an obstacle, Kennedy met those challenges head-on and has rewritten Florida State's basketball history.

The challenge of building an NCAA Tournament caliber program: Florida State has become a regular in the event under Kennedy, advancing five times under his guidance.

The challenge of winning championships: Kennedy led his FSU troops to a Metro Conference regular season and postseason title.

The challenge of putting players into the NBA: Five Seminoles have been represented in the opening round of the draft, including four in the last four years.

The challenge of putting a consistent winner on the floor: Kennedy has led FSU to four 20-wins seasons and two more with 19 victories.

The challenge of competing on a national level with NCAA Tournament success: Under Kennedy, FSU advanced to within a game of the Final Four in 1993 after going to the Sweet 16 the previous year.

in at least one national high school All-America game as a prep senior.

Kennedy's most amazing feat as a coach may have been during the 1991-92 season, Florida State's first in the Atlantic Coast Conference. Many long-time league observers thought that FSU would serve as a doormat in the nation's toughest and most storied college basketball league. But Kennedy had a trick up his sleeve for those who doubted him and Florida State. The Seminoles took the league by storm that year, finishing second in the conference. Kennedy earned ACC Coach-of-the-Year honors that season after setting league records for most victories (11) and road wins (6) by a first year coach. Florida State ended the season by making a run to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament.

His 1992-93 team provided more of the same, again taking second place in the conference to eventual national champion North Carolina with 12 ACC wins, and also went a step further. The Seminoles went all the way to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament before

Ten years after Kennedy started at Florida State, and as he enters his second 10 years on the job, the program is ready for new challenges.

"When I first came to Florida State our goal was to become competitive nationally," said Kennedy. "We have done that. Now our goal is to be among the elite in the ACC every year. We now have the nucleus in place to do that."

The program is ready to do that because of his desire and determination, which have propelled him to the top of his profession.

Kennedy's up-tempo brand of basketball and his upbeat personality have captured the attention of the nation's top recruits. His recruiting classes over the past 10 seasons have consistently ranked among the nation's elite. Kennedy has signed three McDonald's All-Americans over the past three seasons

and seven Seminoles on the 1996-97 roster participated

losing to Kentucky in the Southeast Regional Championship game and falling just 40 minutes shy of the Final Four.

His penchant for rebuilding jobs did not begin with Florida State. Prior to his arrival at FSU, Kennedy was the head coach at Iona. He got the job at Iona at just 28 years of age after his close friend, the late Jim Valvano, departed for North Carolina State.

In six years at Iona, Kennedy led the Gaels to four 20-win seasons, two trips to the NCAA Tournament and two NIT berths. Then Florida State came calling.

"Somehow I knew the situation was right at Florida State," said Kennedy. "When I got here the atmosphere was even better than I thought it would be. I thought FSU was a sleeping giant."

Since that time, Kennedy has proven that he was right about Florida State. He has also proven he was right for Florida State.

Kennedy's success at FSU and his strive for perfection have not gone unnoticed. When coaching vacancies arose at Tennessee, UNLV, St. John's and Seton Hall in recent years, his name was mentioned on each school's short list. But each time, before those schools could court Kennedy out of Tallahassee, he showed how deep his Garnet & Gold blood runs by squelching rumors and stating his determination to put FSU among the basketball elite.

It was 10 years ago that Kennedy transplanted his family from a cozy situation at Iona in New York to Florida's capital city. Kennedy said he had a gut feeling

about FSU, citing the potential draw of the program. And when those other schools have come calling, he has shown his dedication to the Seminole program saying, "Pat Kennedy is the coach here and will be for a long time."

Entering his 17th season as a head coach, Kennedy has amassed a 306-179 (.604) career record. He became one of the youngest coaches in college basketball history to win 300 games in a career when last season, at the age of 43, the Seminoles beat Maryland Baltimore-County 80-56 on December 28, 1995. Kennedy has compiled eight 20-win seasons in his first 16 years. His FSU record stands at 182-119 (.630) and includes a 113-32 (.779) mark on the Seminoles' home floor in the Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center.

Kennedy's tenure at Florida State has meant more than wins. FSU drew more than 100,000 fans for the first time ever in Kennedy's first season and has repeated the feat in all but two seasons since. Florida State's 25-10 campaign in 1992-93 set new Seminole records for average (9,191) and total (137,863) attendance.

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 ever to witness a college game in the state. As 13,300 looked on, 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 a bid 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 but 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.

The 1988-89 season, however, was proof of the basketball rebirth in Tallahassee. Florida State entered the year ranked among the preseason Top 20 for only the second time in school history. The Seminoles remained in the polls throughout the entire regular season, reaching a peak at No. 7 after a landmark win over Louisville in Freedom Hall. Kennedy's third season resulted in the Seminoles' second regular season Metro Conference title, a 22-8 record, and a second consecutive trip to the NCAA Tournament. Back-to-back NCAA appearances had occurred just one other time in school history.

Six years ago, Florida State cleared its final hurdle in its last year in the Metro Conference. Never had the school won the tournament crown, but the Tribe ended that jinx with a stunning comeback win against Louisville that gave FSU its first ever Metro Conference Championship and an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament for the third time in four years.



The 1991-92 season showed Seminole fans what the program was capable of under Kennedy's leadership. In its first season in the prestigious Atlantic Coast Conference, Florida State surprised the nation with its ability to contend for the conference crown in its inaugural season. Kennedy's Seminoles won six ACC road games, including a stunning win at North Carolina in their league opener, and finished 11-5 overall; good enough for second place behind eventual national champion Duke. That team later advanced to the Sweet 16.

The 1993 team, the best yet under Kennedy and the second most successful in school history, would one-up the '92 squad. The Seminoles proved their lofty preseason predictions were correct, finishing just one win away from a trip to the Final Four after losing to Kentucky in the Southeast Regional final. FSU posted a 25-10 record and a second place finish in their second year in the ACC.

The last three seasons have proved to be rebuilding years for the Seminoles. For the first time in his coaching career, consecutive Pat Kennedy-led teams have finished with sub .500 records.

A native of Keyport, New Jersey, Kennedy attended Kings College in Wilkes-Barre, PA, on a basketball scholarship. After two years as a player, while boarding the team bus for a game at the Palestra in Philadelphia, his coach grabbed his arm and said, "Pat, 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.



Two keys to Kennedy's success have been his press relations and outstanding recruiting.

Always known as a good interview, Kennedy's relaxed and open style has allowed him to function well with the media.

When it comes to recruiting, he has developed a reputation for being able to take unrecognizable talent and bring out the best. Two of the better known cases are former Seminoles George McCloud and Bob Sura, both of whom are enjoying NBA careers. Kennedy is also able to attract the nation's top talent to Tallahassee. LaMarr Greer (pictured) is one of three McDonald's All-Americans on the 1996-97 Seminole roster.

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"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 athletes that from day one."

Animated he may be (above), but when it comes to the serious business of X's and O's, nobody does it better. Known as a master field tactician, Kennedy gets the most from his available talent through a keen awareness of the possibilities of every situation.

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 longtime friendship between the two was born. When North Carolina State lured Valvano 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 made a name for themselves. A 23-8 record in 1984 led to Kennedy's selection as the New York Metro Area 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 10 postseason appearances, seven of those in the NCAA Tournament, and six conference championships in 15 years of coaching. He became only the fourth Division I coach in

The confidence the selection committee displayed in Kennedy comes from its belief it 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, 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,

NCAA history to win 100 games in his first five years as a head coach.

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 wins over some of the nation's top programs and high graduation rates. Coach Kennedy's commitment to a well-rounded program and his desire to develop our players emotionally, academically and athletically," said then-FSU president, Dr. Bernard F. Slinger.

"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 one of his specialties. Kennedy's first class at Florida State was ranked among the five best in the country. His last three rank among the best-ever in school history. Each of his Florida State recruiting classes have been among the Top 25 in the nation. His Iona groups were on the list of Top 15 classes in the East for five straight years.

Off the court, and away from the recruiting trails, Kennedy is a man who has both a keen sense of public relations, a deep belief in becoming part of his community and a strong believer in the family. 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 many years. In 1984, he was named Special Olympics' Man of the Year. Pat and Jeannie are the proud parents of a son, Joey (13), and two daughters, Kimberly (9) and Kathryn (5).

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 and was a member of the NCAA Tournament Selection Committee for the Eastern Region. At present he is the Executive Director of the Pat Kennedy Day Camps, one of the largest of its type in the nation, and a consultant to the Nike Corporation.

The Kennedy Era

Prior to Pat Kennedy's arrival at Florida State, the Seminoles had received just four invitations to the NCAA Tournament in 39 years of playing basketball. Under Kennedy, FSU has become regulars in the postseason with six trips in 10 years, including five to the NCAA Tournament.

Year	School	Record	Pct.	Post Season
1980-81	Iona	15-14	.517	
1981-82	Iona	24-9	.727	NIT
1982-83	Iona	22-9	.710	NIT
1983-84	Iona	23-8	.742	NCAA
1984-85	Iona	26-5	.839	NCAA
1985-86	Iona	14-15	.482	
1986-87	Florida State	19-11	.633	NIT
1987-88	Florida State	19-11	.633	NCAA
1988-89	Florida State	22-8	.733	NCAA
1989-90	Florida State	16-15	.516	
1990-91	Florida State	21-11	.656	NCAA
1991-92	Florida State	22-10	.687	NCAA
1992-93	Florida State	25-10	.714	NCAA
1993-94	Florida State	13-14	.481	
1994-95	Florida State	12-15	.444	
1995-96	Florida State	13-14	.481	
Totals		306-179	.631	

Tom Carlson

Assistant Coach, Florida State '74

Entering his 11th season as a member of the Florida State basketball staff is assistant coach Tom Carlson. Long acknowledged as a talented bench tactician, the 47-year old Keansburg, NJ, native is responsible for the preparation and implementation of Florida State's game plans and scouting reports.

Having been a part of Pat Kennedy's coaching staff since Kennedy's arrival at FSU in 1986, Carlson can often be found out on the recruiting trail. Carlson joined Kennedy's staff after establishing a reputation as one of the state's top high school coaches.

Carlson's roots run deep in the capital city of Florida. From 1972-74, while still a student at Florida State, Carlson served as an assistant coach at Tallahassee's Rickards High School.

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 which 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.

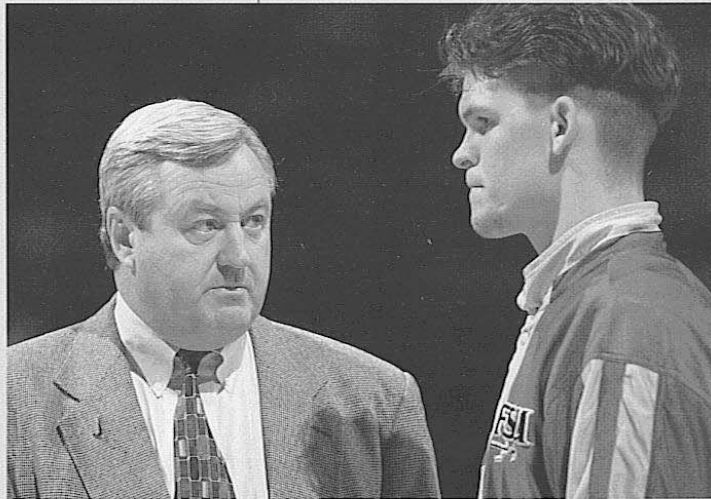
With a master's in sports management, Carlson took over the reigns at Maclay High School in 1976 and three years later led the team to the state high school championship. For his efforts, he was recognized as the Coach-of-the-Year by the Florida Athletic Coaches Association. Carlson was the Big Bend (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: Erika (20), Brandy (14) and Kayce (10).



The senior member of Pat Kennedy's coaching staff, Tom Carlson has been at Florida State since Kennedy's arrival in 1986.

The FSU Coaching Staff



Tom Carlson

Tom Carlson

Birthplace: Bronx, NY

Birthdate: May 14, 1948

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

Alma Mater (Year): Florida State (1975)

Previous Coaching Experience:

Rickards High (1972-74) – Assistant Coach

Florida State Graduate Assistant (1975)

Maclay High (1975-86) – Head Coach

Florida State (1986-present) – Assistant Coach

Family: Wife, Ann; Three daughters, Erika (20), Brandy (14) and Kayce (10).

The FSU Coaching Staff



Donnie Marsh

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Assistant Coach, Franklin & Marshall '79

Starting his second season on the Florida State basketball coaching staff is Donnie Marsh. After serving one season as Florida State's restricted-earnings coach, Marsh was promoted to full-time and is designated as FSU's recruiting coordinator.

Bringing a wealth of experience from the professional, college, and high school ranks, Marsh is responsible for on-court practice coaching, all tape and tape exchange work, assisting in the daily basketball office operation and all of Florida State's recruiting efforts.

In addition to his basketball duties, Marsh also serves as an instructor in the university's College of Education, teaching classes in Administration of Sport and Physical Education.

A two-time All-American at Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, PA, Marsh was named ECAC Player-of-the-Year following his senior season in 1979. Marsh concluded his stellar collegiate career by being selected by the Atlanta Hawks in



the third round of the NBA Draft.

Marsh joined the FSU staff after working in the Atlantic City (NJ) Public School district. From 1993-94 he served as the school district's athletic director before being elevated to Director of Co-Curricular and Extra-Curricular Programs in November of '94. Prior to that he was the head basketball coach at Division III Trenton State College from 1989-93, posting a 64-41 record.

After a stint in the NBA, Marsh went on to serve as Associate Director of Admissions at both Elizabethtown College and his alma mater, Franklin and Marshall. He also served as head baseball coach at Franklin and Marshall for six years.

Marsh completed his undergraduate work at Franklin and Marshall in 1979, receiving a bachelors degree in History with a certification in secondary education. In

December, he will complete work on his master's degree in Athletic Administration at FSU.

The 40-year old Washington, NC native and his wife, LaRoyce, have two children: a son Tyler (8) and daughter Sydnee (4).

Donnie Marsh

- Birthplace:** Washington, NC
- Birthdate:** March 21, 1956
- High School:** Atlantic City High School (1974), Atlantic City, NJ
- High School Honors:** All-Conference Senior Athlete of the Year, Baseball MVP (1974), Baseball Captain (1973-74), Basketball Captain (1974)
- Collegiate Playing Experience:** Franklin & Marshall (4 year starter, 3 year captain)
- Alma Mater (Year):** Franklin & Marshall (1979)
- Previous Coaching Experience:**
 - Franklin & Marshall (1980-84) - Assistant Coach
 - Elizabeth Town College (1988-89) - Assistant Coach
 - Trenton State College (1989-93) - Head Coach
- Family:** Wife, LaRoyce; Children, Tyler (8), Sydnee (4)

Above: Donnie Marsh, in his second season on Pat Kennedy's staff, serves as the Seminoles' recruiting coordinator and owns a wealth of basketball experience from the professional, college and high school ranks.

Jim Baxter

Assistant Coach, Indiana State '73

The newest member of the Florida State basketball coaching staff, Jim Baxter begins his first season at FSU in 1996-97. Baxter, who filled a vacancy when long-time Pat Kennedy assistant David Zimroth left for the University of South Florida, will serve as Florida State's third assistant coach in a restricted-earnings position.

Bringing a wide variety of experience from the high school and AAU levels to FSU, Baxter will be responsible for on-court practice coaching, tape exchange and scouting and assisting in the daily basketball office operation. He also oversees the team's pre-season workout programs and assists in on-campus recruiting.

Baxter came to Florida State after a successful seven-year stint as head coach at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. In his seven seasons at St. Thomas, Baxter compiled a 140-58 record, a winning percentage of .707. He guided the Raiders to five district titles, two regional championships and reached the state's final eight three times. Thirteen of his former St. Thomas players went on to play at various collegiate levels.

Baxter's AAU experience includes coaching stints with the Florida Gold Coast All Stars (1993), Team Florida (1989 and 1990) and Junior Team Florida (1987 and 1988).

A 1973 graduate of Indiana State University, Baxter received a bachelor of science degree while majoring in general science education. His coaching career began in 1973 as an assistant at ISU Laboratory High School in Terre Haute, Indiana. He got his first head coaching job in Palatka, Florida in 1978. Baxter was the head coach at Palatka High School for 11 seasons and his teams won two district titles and one regional championship.

The 45-year old native of Rockville, Indiana has four sons: Nate (21), Quinn (16), Creighton (14) and Kyle (12). Baxter married the former Michele Woods of Boca Raton, Florida on August 17 of this year.



FSU Head Coach Pat Kennedy and assistants Tom Carlson and Donnie Marsh will be joined on the bench by Jim Baxter in 1996-97. Baxter brings a wide variety of coaching experience from the high school and AAU levels to the Seminole program.

The FSU Coaching Staff



Jim Baxter

Jim Baxter

Birthplace: Clinton, IN

Birthdate: August 15, 1951

High School: Rockville High School (1969), Rockville, IN

Alma Mater (Year): Indiana State University (1973)

Previous Coaching Experience:

Indiana State University Laboratory High School (1973-75)

Palatka High School (1978-89)

St. Thomas Aquinas High School (1989-96)

Florida State (1996-Present)

Family: Wife, Michele; Four sons, Nate (21), Quinn (16), Creighton (14) and Kyle (12)

Basketball Staff



Sam Lunt



Gene Granger



Dave Van Halanger

Sam Lunt

Head Basketball Trainer, Miami '83

While Sam Lunt is in his 13th year of association with the Florida State athletic department, he begins his ninth 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 Florida State, 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 Fort Myers, Florida native 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 held in Tallahassee.

A certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association, Lunt has also worked as a volunteer trainer at the United States Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, CO 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, 35, is married to the former Agnes Bundick.

Gene Granger

Equipment Manager, Bethune-Cookman '71

A member of the Florida State athletic staff since 1971, Gene Granger begins his 18th year as head equipment manager for the Florida State basketball team.

A native of Dade City, Florida, Granger 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.

Granger, 51, and his wife, Alberta, are the parents of two children: Apryl (20) and Gene Jr. (16).

Dave Van Halanger

Strength Coach, West Virginia '76

Dave Van Halanger is in his 14th year as strength coach for the Florida State athletic department. As head strength coach, Van Halanger heads up the entire conditioning program for all 17 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 West Virginia coaching staff, serving as a football graduate assistant and head junior varsity coach.

A graduate of the West Virginia's 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 in 1975.

Van Halanger is currently serving a five-year term as the North Florida state director and a member of the National Board of Ethics for the National Strength and



A certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association, Sam Lunt begins his 13th year at Florida State and ninth season as the Seminoles' Head Basketball Trainer.

Conditioning Association. He teaches several classes on strength training and conditioning to students at FSU and to the Tallahassee community. Van Halanger also leads FSU's Fellowship of Christian Athletes group.

A native of Turtle Creek, Pennsylvania, Van Halanger and his wife, Michele, have three children - Danielle, Julie and Matthew.

Mark Meloney

Academic Advisor, Florida State '86

Mark Meloney is in his eighth year as the academic advisor for each of the student-athletes on Florida State's basketball team. Meloney's duties are to coordinate and monitor the tutorial process of the student-athletes. Included in his duties are roles in the advising, registration and adherence to the University's rules and regulations.

An FSU alumnus, the 36-year old Meloney 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. Meloney held the position for three years before taking his present position in 1989.

A native of Defuniak Springs, Florida, Meloney first enrolled at Buenavista College in Iowa, where he was a two-time letterwinner in both football and baseball.

Meloney, a member of the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletes, is married to the former Sarah Cawthon and they have a daughter, Montana.

Chrys Duncan

Executive Assistant

Chrys Duncan begins her fourth season as Pat Kennedy's executive assistant. She assumed her position in the basketball office after serving in different capacities at Florida State for the previous 11 years, most recently in research studies.

A native of nearby Marianna, Florida, Duncan earned a bachelor's degree from Florida State in human services and has completed some work towards a master's degree.

Duncan and her husband, Clay, have two sons, C.J. and Joe.

Misty Hatcher

Recruiting Secretary

Misty Hatcher is in her first season as the basketball office's full-time recruiting secretary. She assumes her new position after recently relocating to Tallahassee from Columbia, SC

Hatcher is no stranger to the recruiting process as her husband, Rick, coached baseball at the collegiate level for 10 years at Tennessee, Georgia Tech and most recently, South Carolina. He is now the director of the Tallahassee Sports Council.

A native of Ormond Beach, Florida, Hatcher attended Tallahassee Community College and the University of Tennessee and majored in business. The Hatchers have three children: daughters Kaylee (7) and Madison (4) and son Cayden (1).

Basketball Staff



Mark Meloney



Chrys Duncan



Misty Hatcher

BASKETBALL MANAGERS



Luke Fry



Tim Kregan

The Theme For Florida State Basketball



Teaching Values and Sharing Dreams

PROGRAM GOALS

Teaching Values

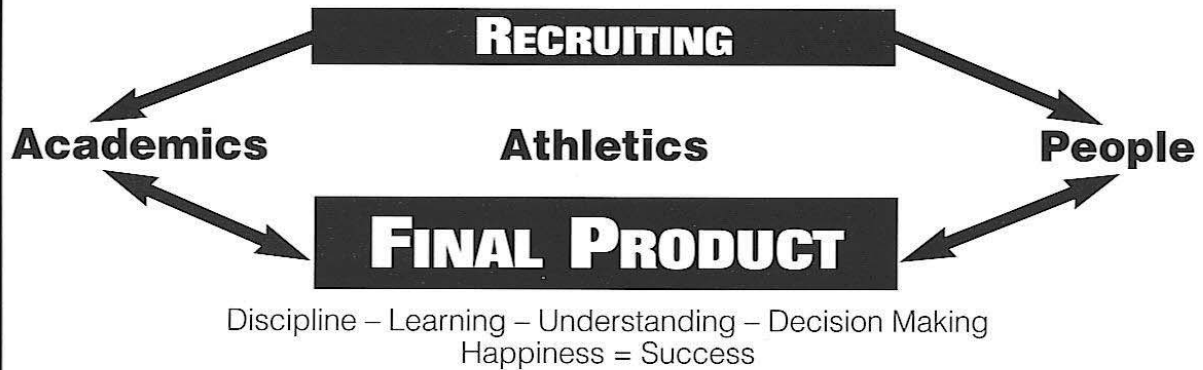
1. Discipline
2. Learning
3. Understanding
4. Decision Making

Sharing Dreams

1. 100% Graduation Rate
2. Sell Out Civic Center
3. Atlantic Coast Conference Championship
4. Return to Final Four
5. National Championship

The Final Product

The "Final Product" is a polished, classy All-American type student-athlete who brings pride and recognition to his university, his family and himself. The "Final Product" is a young man going out into the world who is sound academically with his degree, is strong athletically with the competitive edge and productive socially as a contributor to society.



PERSONAL GOALS

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Formula

- National Name Recognition
- Conference Affiliation of the Highest Level
- Facilities
 - Academic
 - Athletic
- Commitment
 - Philosophy
 - Monetary

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- Energy - Enthusiasm
- Intelligence - Confidence
- Faith - Patience
- Work Ethic - Persistence
- Discipline - Ambition
- Family

Systems

- Development of Recruiting
- Development of Student Athlete
 - Academically
 - Athletically
 - Socially
 - Career Planning
- Development of Staff and Support Groups