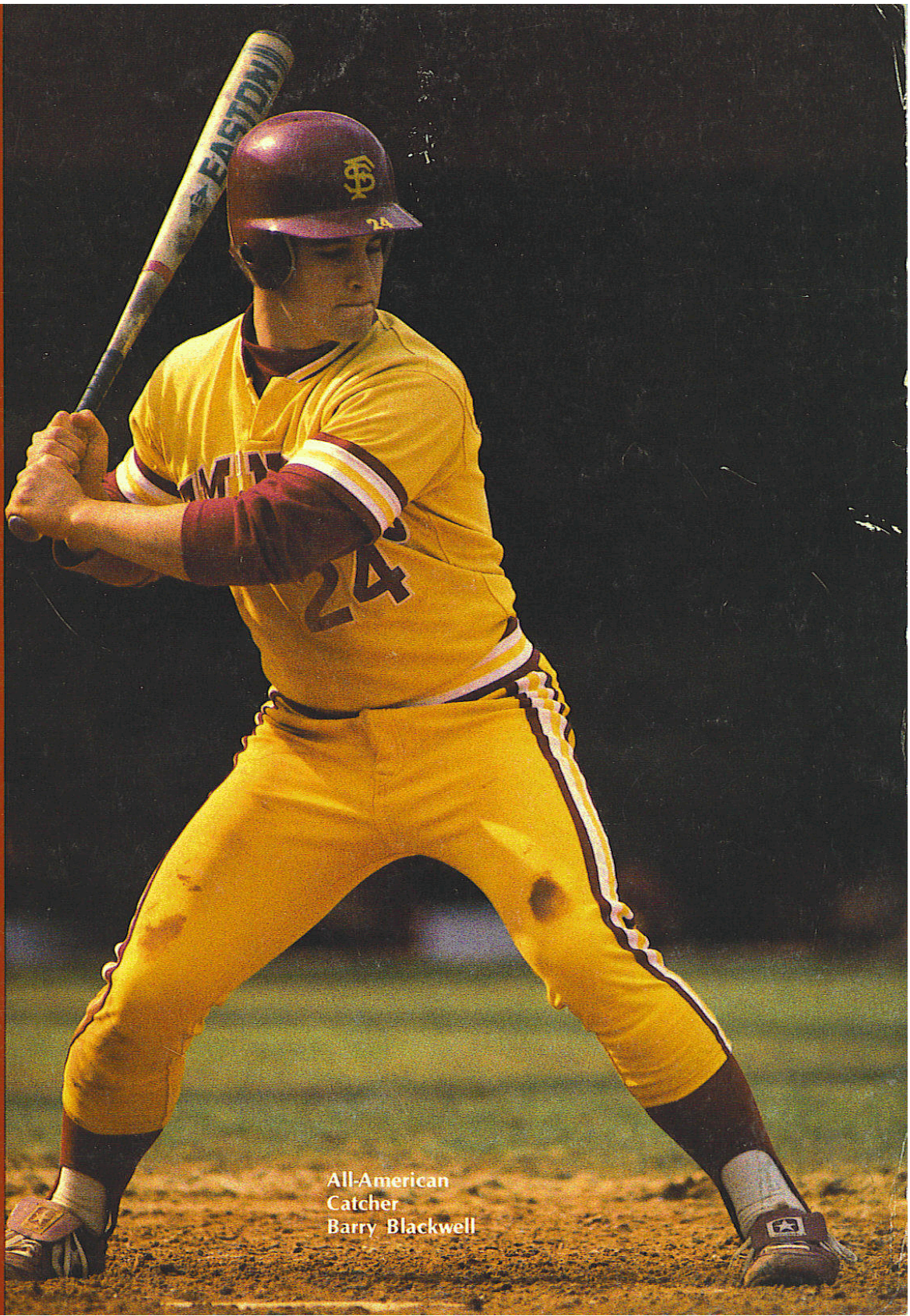


# Seminole Baseball '88



All-American  
Catcher  
Barry Blackwell

# FOLLOW THE SEMINOLES

## 1988 Seminole Baseball Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
Feb 12	Grambling	Home	3:30 P.M.	April 1	vs. Minnesota*	MetroDome	7:00 P.M. (CDT)
13	Grambling	Home	3:30 P.M.	2	vs. Iowa (7 innings)*	MetroDome	12:00 P.M. (CDT)
14	Grambling	Home	1:00 P.M.	3	vs. Washington State*	MetroDome	12:00 P.M. (CDT)
21	Louisiana State* (ESPN) (Boardwalk and Baseball)	Orlando, FL	7:00 P.M.	3	vs. Maine*	MetroDome	6:00 P.M. (CDT)
26	Southern Miss	Home	3:30 P.M.	April 5-6	Diamond Club Classic	Mobile, Ala.	
27	Southern Miss	Home	2:00 P.M.	5	vs. Old Dominion*	USA Field	5:00 P.M. (CDT)
28	Southern Miss	Home	2:00 P.M.	5	Alabama vs. South Alabama*	USA Field	8:00 P.M. (CDT)
29	Richmond	Home	3:30 P.M.	6	Consolation Game (1st Day Losers)	USA Field	4:00 P.M. (CDT)
March 1	Richmond	Home	3:30 P.M.	6	Championship Game (1st Day Winners)*	USA Field	7:00 P.M. (CDT)
2	Richmond	Home	3:30 P.M.	8	Miami* (TV)	Home	7:00 P.M.
3	Kansas City Royals (Exhibition)*	Home	12:30 P.M.	9	Miami* (TV)	Home	7:00 P.M.
4	Ball State (2)	Home	1:30 P.M.	10	Miami* (TV)	Home	2:00 P.M.
5	South Florida* (TV)	Home	1:00 P.M.	13	Florida* (TV)	Home	5:30 P.M.
6	South Florida* (TV)	Home	2:00 P.M.	15	Valdosta State	Valdosta, Ga.	7:00 P.M.
8	South Florida*	Tampa, FL	7:00 P.M.	16	Memphis State (2)*	Home	5:00 P.M.
9	South Florida*	Tampa, FL	3:00 P.M.	17	Memphis State*	Home	1:00 P.M.
11	Samford	Home	7:00 P.M.	20	Florida*	Gainesville, FL	5:30 P.M.
12	Samford	Home	7:00 P.M.	22	South Alabama*	Home	7:00 P.M.
13	Samford	Home	2:00 P.M.	23	Georgia Tech*	Home	7:00 P.M.
15	Lamar* (TV)	Home	7:00 P.M.	24	Georgia Tech*	Home	2:00 P.M.
17	Alabama (Birmingham*)	Home	7:00 P.M.	30	Central Florida*	Home	7:00 P.M.
18	Southern Miss	Hattiesburg, MS	7:00 P.M. (CST)	May 1	Central Florida* (TV)	Home	2:00 P.M.
19	Southern Miss	Hattiesburg, MS	7:00 P.M. (CST)	3	Central Florida (TV)	Orlando, FL	7:00 P.M.
20	Southern Miss	Hattiesburg, MS	2:00 P.M. (CST)	4	Florida Interna- tional	Miami FL	7:00 P.M.
21	Baptist College	Home	7:00 P.M.	6	Miami*	Miami, FL	7:30 P.M.
22	Baptist College	Home	7:00 P.M.	7	Miami*	Miami, FL	7:30 P.M.
23	Baptist College	Home	7:00 P.M.	8	Miami*	Miami, FL	2:00 P.M.
26	Florida Interna- tional U* (TV)	Home	7:00 P.M.	10	Jacksonville (TV)	Jacksonville, FL	7:00 P.M.
27	Florida Interna- tional U* (TV)	Home	2:00 P.M.	13	Memphis State	Memphis TN	1:00 P.M.
29	Jacksonville* (TV)	Home	7:00 P.M.	14	Memphis State*	Memphis, TN	1:00 P.M.
30	Mercer	Home	7:00 P.M.	15	Memphis State*	Memphis, TN	1:00 P.M.
31	Mercer	Home	3:30 P.M.	18-22	Metro Conference Tournament*	TALLAHASSEE, FL	
April 1-3	Pillsbury's Best Tournament	Minneapolis, MN	(Round Robin)				

\*Indicates WTNT Radio Broadcast  
(TV) Indicates Sunshine Network Telecast

## SEMINOLES ON THE AIR ...

### RADIO



Meadows



Yordon

More than 40 Florida State baseball games can be heard live in 1988 as WTNT-FM (94.9) will once again follow the Seminoles home and away. The powerful 100,000-watt station gives the Seminoles one of the most extensive college baseball packages in the nation. This will be the eighth consecutive year that WTNT has been the official Florida State baseball station.

Highlights of this year's package include six games with arch-rival Miami, complete coverage of the Seminoles' two regular-season tournaments in Minneapolis and Mobile, four games with South Florida, two with Florida and nine regular season Metro Conference games. Once again, WTNT will broadcast the Metro Conference Tournament games and follow the Seminoles throughout the post-season.

Veteran announcer Rod Meadows will handle the play-by-play duties for the eighth year in a row. This year he'll be joined at the mike by longtime broadcast personality Gary Yordon.

### TELEVISION

Sunshine Network, Florida's new sports cable network which launches to an estimated 1.8 million homes the first week of March, 1988, will feature Florida State Seminole baseball throughout the spring college season.

Sunshine Network is a prime-time channel that begins programming early in the evening on weekdays and early afternoon on weekends.

The network's 1.8 million homes makes it the second largest regional sports network in the country only behind Madison Square Garden.

Six-time Florida Sportscaster of the Year Gene Deckerhoff and FSU Sports Information Director Wayne Hogan will call the action. Deckerhoff has been the voice of the Seminoles in football and basketball for better than 10 years. Hogan is a former play-by-play announcer with Triple A affiliates of the Houston Astros and the Los Angeles Dodgers.



Deckerhoff



Hogan

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

### FLORIDA STATE FACTS

LOCATION .....	Tallahassee, Florida
ENROLLMENT .....	24,000
FOUNDED .....	1857
COLORS .....	Garnet and Gold
NICKNAME .....	Seminoles
CONFERENCE .....	Metro
AFFILIATION .....	NCAA Division I
PRESIDENT .....	Dr. Bernard F. Slinger
FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE .....	Dr. Charles Ehrhardt

### ATHLETIC STAFF (904-644-1060)

DIRECTOR .....	CW. "Hootie" Ingram
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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR .....	Claude Thigpen
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR .....	Charles Hurst
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR .....	Dr. Jan Stocker
BUSINESS MANAGER .....	Joe Labat
TICKETS/PROMOTIONS .....	John Sheffield
MARKETING .....	Terry Hume

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HEAD COACH .....	Mike Martin
YEAR AT FSU .....	Ninth
RECORD AT FSU .....	488-153-2 (.745)
CAREER RECORD .....	Same
ASSISTANT COACHES .....	Rod Delmonico Chip Baker Mike McLeod Steve Winterling Frank Martello
TRAINER .....	Frank Ambrose
EQUIPMENT MANAGER .....	Guy Gallagher

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## Third Straight Omaha Trip at "Steak"

Sometimes the measure of a great baseball program can be gauged by who has the longest list of restaurants in Omaha, Nebraska.

Florida State's baseball staff not only has the complete list, but many of the maitre d's know them by name.

Well, it may not be that good yet, but if Florida State's 1988 team can make its third straight trip to the College World Series, they'll have a part interest in Johnny's Steakhouse and a reserved table at Casios.

It's a little too premature to start heating up the grill, though, says eighth year head coach Mike Martin.

For the second year in a row, Martin and his staff have to do a major reconstruction job. Many thought the losses of 1986 would be too much to overcome in 1987 to remain a national championship contender. That question crops up again in 1988.

The Seminoles begin 1988 without their top two pitchers from a year ago. Subtract Richie Lewis, Chris Pollack and Ed Porcelli and you've snatched away 31 of the team's 55 victories. And as if that's not a deep enough cut, the Tribe must replace two of its offensive leaders as well.

He combines all the skills Luis had, plus power. Did anyone in college baseball have the kind of numbers Alicea did as a sophomore—a .346 batting average, 16 home runs and 39 stolen bases?

Barry Blackwell returns for his senior season and will take over the catching chores he split with Fulton last year. An ex-

### SEMINOLE ALL-AMERICANS



**Edwin Alicea**  
Junior Second Baseman  
.346 BA, 16 HR's, 48 RBI  
39 Stolen Bases in 1987



**Barry Blackwell**  
Senior Catcher  
.335 BA, 11 HR's, 56 RBI  
11 runners thrown out in 1987

All-American catcher Ed Fulton and steady first baseman Jose Marzan accounted for 35 home runs and 135 runs batted in between them. And the team's best defensive shortstop in years, Rafael Bournigal, left for the professional ranks after his junior season.

"When you look at what we lost from last year's team you wonder if we're going to have enough people to field a team," says Martin, whose 448-153-2 record is seventh best among all active coaches. "I just hope the recruiting we've done in the last year shows up on the field like it has in print."

Martin is referring to a recruiting class that was ranked second best in the nation by Collegiate Baseball. Only defending national champion Stanford brought in a better crop.

And it's not like the Seminoles were left completely destitute either. Florida State returns a shoo-in All-American in second baseman Edwin Alicea. The junior is the younger brother of former Seminole Luis Alicea, a first-round draft pick of the St. Louis Cardinals in 1986. Many think Edwin is a more complete player than his brother.

### PRE-SEASON COLLEGE BASEBALL POLLS

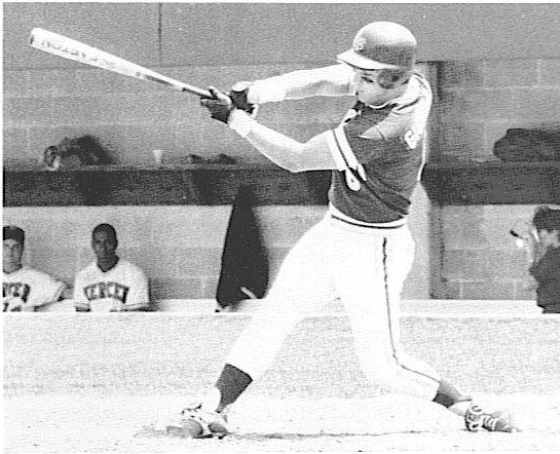
#### Baseball America

1. Oklahoma State
2. Stanford
3. Michigan
4. Arkansas
5. Texas
6. Texas A&M
7. Miami, Fla.
8. New Orleans
9. Arizona State
10. Mississippi State
11. LSU
12. Wichita State
13. FLORIDA STATE
14. Oklahoma
15. Loyola Marymount
16. UCLA
17. Cal State-Fullerton
18. Auburn
19. Washington State
20. Brigham Young
21. Virginia Tech
22. Cal-Berkley
23. Georgia Tech
24. N.C. State
25. Pepperdine

#### Collegiate Baseball

1. Oklahoma State
2. Stanford
3. FLORIDA STATE
4. Texas
5. Michigan
6. Mississippi State
7. Pepperdine
8. Miami, Fla.
9. Arkansas
10. Cal State-Fullerton
11. Oral Roberts
12. Oklahoma
13. Loyola Marymount
14. Georgia Tech
15. Texas A&M
16. Arizona State
17. Brigham Young
18. U.C. Santa Barbara
19. Wichita State
20. LSU
21. UCLA
22. Hawaii
23. Kentucky
24. San Diego State
25. Minnesota





cellent receiver with a cannon arm, Blackwell had his best year yet as a junior with a .335 batting average, 11 homers and 56 rbi. Martin would have chosen no other player to be at the plate in the clutch as two of his long balls came in the team's last at-bat in 1987 to win or tie games.

Also returning to the every-day lineup will be senior Don Erickson—moving from third base to shortstop—and senior left-fielder Marc Giordano, a pleasant surprise in 1987. Giordano actually led the team in hitting with a .382 average in 58 games. He became a critical ingredient down the stretch last year, belting 10 home runs and chipping in 35 key rbi. Erickson is a good glove man and hopes to improve on a .261 batting average.

"We have enough experienced guys in the lineup to keep things together," Martin said. "But we're going to ask an awful lot out of our newcomers if we're going to be successful."

#### PITCHING HOPES



**Rod Byerly**  
Senior Lefthander  
9-4, 3.37 ERA  
96 K's, 18 BB in 1987



**Jerry Nielsen**  
Senior Lefthander  
10-2, 3.42 ERA  
103 K's, 54 BB in 1987

Martin should be happy with his look up the middle. Blackwell behind the plate and the Erickson-Alicea combo give the team a solid foundation. Junior college transfer Ty Colston seems destined to take things over in center field. His blazing speed (6.5 in the 60) allowed him to swipe 35 bases and hit .404 at Sacramento (Ca.) Junior College last year.

The rest of the outfield could be awesome. Martin is still awaiting decisions by football/baseball types Deion Sanders

and Ronald Lewis on their impending returns to hardball. Both are speedsters who played better than 60 games each in the 1987 outfield. With those two flanking Colston, it would give FSU one of the fastest outfields in college baseball. Senior Greg Clayborne has been a part-time starter in the outfield throughout his career and will provide another solid performer with good speed.

Newcomer Brad Parker appears headed for the everyday first base duties. A local product (Leon High School), Parker may have the tools to step into the lineup as a true freshman. Third base may be the only defensive position up in the air. With Erickson's switch to short, a battle royal is on between newcomers Clyde Keller, a pitcher by trade, and John Marc Tamayo, a transfer from Miami. A number of options are open here and early spring performance will clear things up considerably.

The trend of building Seminole baseball with pitching, speed and defense has not changed. Chief recruiter Rod Delmonico may have gone completely off the charts with his crop of young arms who should carry the Tribe in 1988. Two strong lefties are still around from last year's staff. Senior Jerry Nielsen (10-2, 3.42) will have a spot on the rotation and classmate Rod Byerly (9-4, 3.37) may very well end up as the Tribe's stopper out of the bullpen.

The credentials of the new pitchers seem unending. Keller, the aforementioned third base candidate, was 18-0 with a 1.08 ERA at Sacramento City Junior College. And talk about a one-two punch, Keller's JC teammate Bret Davis is also a Seminole. Davis was 16-0 at Sac City and was a second-team JC All-American.

Righthander Ricky Kimball sports an 88 MPH fastball and was a high school All-American last year in Atlanta and has had some experience in international play since his graduation. He was a fifth-round draft choice of the New York Mets.

Jerry Santos is another righthanded high school whiz, entering FSU after an impressive career at Columbus High School in Miami. Drafted by the Baltimore Orioles, he posted a 1.63 ERA as a senior. David Sorokowski attended Miami Southridge High School where the righthander went 12-1 with an 0.68 ERA.

All in all, the 1988 Seminoles have about as many question marks as did its 1987 predecessor. If things come together as they did a year ago, though, it might well be making some additions to that Omaha Restaurant guide.

#### THE HITTERS



**MARC GIORDANO**  
Senior Outfielder  
.382 batting average  
led the team in 1987



**TY COLSTON**  
Junior Outfielder  
Hit .404 and stole  
32 bases in 1987

# Kansas City Royals to Visit Tallahassee



## Seminoles to Dedicate Dick Howser Stadium

The Kansas City Royals will visit Tallahassee for an exhibition game in March and join Florida State University for the official dedication of Dick Howser Stadium.

Kansas City will make its first visit to Tallahassee on March 3, 1988 for a 12:30 game against the Seminoles. Official dedication ceremonies will precede the game. The Royals finished second in the American League Western Division, two games behind the Minnesota Twins with an 83-79 record in 1987.

Howser, who managed the Royals to the 1985 World Championship, was an All-American player and later baseball coach for the Seminoles. The Florida Legislature passed a bill naming the FSU baseball complex "Dick Howser Stadium" last April. Howser passed away after a battle with brain cancer on June 17. The name of the stadium was officially changed on April 21 when Governor Bob Martinez signed the bill.

"I think this shows the kind of feelings that the Seminoles and Royals have for Dick and his family," said FSU Athletic Director C.W. "Hootie" Ingram. "The Kansas City Royals are a class organization and they wanted to be here for this special occasion to honor his memory."

Howser maintained a residence in Tallahassee throughout his college and professional career. A native of West Palm Beach, Fla., Howser was Florida State's first baseball All-American as a shortstop in 1957 and '58. After beginning his pro career with the Kansas City A's (he was chosen the 1961 Rookie of the Year by the Sporting News), Howser then spent 15 years as a player and coach with the New York Yankees.

In 1979, he returned to Tallahassee as the head baseball coach at Florida State. He managed the Seminoles to a 43-17-1 record that season and earned a spot in the NCAA tournament. In the fall of that year, George Steinbrenner called Howser back into service with the Yankees—this time as their field manager. His one season in that job produced a division championship and 103 victories—a record for a first-year manager.

Howser became the Kansas City manager in 1981. During the '80's he established himself as one of baseball's best managers. He gained respect from the baseball world not only as a great manager, but as a man with class and dignity. He managed the Royals to the World Championship in 1985 when his club overcame 3-1 deficits in both the League Championship Series and the World Series.

Howser's brain tumor was discovered shortly after he managed the American League All-Star team to a victory in 1986. Throughout his lifetime, he always remained closed to FSU.

"In all my years in college athletics I have never been around a more dedicated alumnus than Dick Howser," Ingram said. "He truly loved Tallahassee and Florida State."

Howser is buried at Tallahassee's Memory Gardens.

The March 3 appearance by the Royals will be the third by a major league club at FSU. The New York Yankees and the Atlanta Braves have each visited Tallahassee twice. The Yankees were the last to appear—playing the Seminoles here in 1985.

## A PROGRAM OF TRADITION AND SUCCESS

Few teams have managed to maintain the success that Florida State baseball teams have enjoyed since 1948.

But this is no surprise to the people associated with college baseball, as the Seminoles have annually lived up to their billing as the "Best of College Baseball."

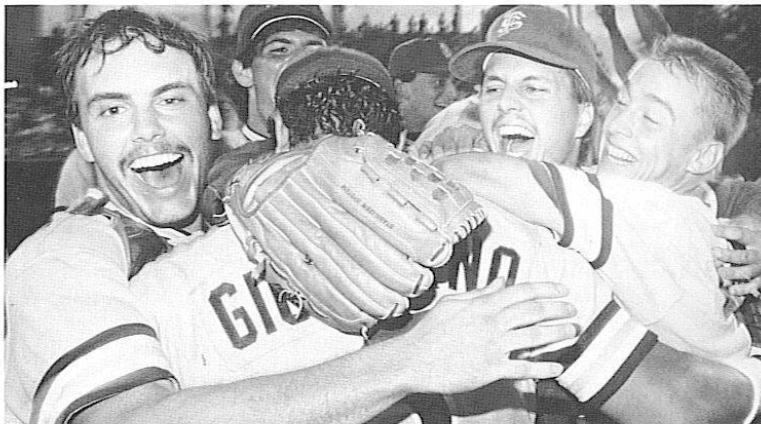
Florida State's most recent appearance in the College World Series in 1987 marked the ninth time the Seminoles have qualified for the prestigious "Final Eight." Consider that only five other teams have played in that many College World Series'.

Added to that is the fact that FSU has played in a near record 25 NCAA tournaments—easily ranking Florida State in the top five for most regional/district tournament appearances. Despite having to qualify through tough Metro Conference competition, the Seminoles have made the NCAA Tournament field every year since 1978—a string of ten consecutive post-season appearances.

A tribute to FSU's overall success has been the school's record since the beginning. Although Florida State's schedule is usually ranked in the top 10 in terms of difficulty by the NCAA computer, the Seminoles have compiled an overall mark of 1351-524-7—which translates into an all-time winning percentage of .718. Florida State has never experienced a losing season and has dipped below the .600 winning percentage mark just once since 1954. FSU's 70 wins in NCAA Tournaments and College World Series play also ranks the Tribe in the top five nationally.

Many Florida State players go on to play professional ball. With six players being selected in last June's professional draft, the Seminoles have increased their number of professional signings to more than 100 since 1966.

FSU players are given the opportunity to practice and play year around. Following a 60-game regular season spring schedule, the Seminoles participate in the Metro Conference Tournament. Post-season play in the NCAA Regional Tournament usually follows.



*The 1987 baseball team celebrated a regional win that sent it to the College World Series for the second straight year.*

In the summer, players often elect to stay in Tallahassee and play for Jerry's Caterers—a summer league team of Florida State players and recruits that participate in a 30 to 35 game schedule.

In the fall, Florida State plays in a full complement of practice games that end on homecoming weekend with the annual Alumni game.

All told, a Florida State player will have an opportunity to play in at least 100 games per year.

An opportunity to play baseball year around does not mean FSU is not concerned with academic life. The Seminole academic department employs two full-time academic advisors and a host of part-time assistants whose sole purpose is to help the student-athlete obtain a marketable degree.

Facilities at Florida State are second to none. Dick Howser Stadium was built in 1984 at a cost of \$1 million. It has been praised as the finest facility of its type in the nation. Lights make night baseball a Tallahassee favorite.

The new \$3.9 million Moore Athletic Center serves as the hub of Seminole Athletics. Coaches offices, two weight rooms, and a baseball locker room are all part of the facility that is located within short walking distance of the Stadium.

A training program under the able direction of Randy Oravetz insures that

each athlete receives the finest medical and athletic training care available. At least one athletic trainer is present at each Seminole game and practice; while team doctors Doug Henderson and Tom Haney check in daily.

If playing before large crowds is important to the prospective student athlete, FSU is the answer. In regular season attendance, FSU ranked fourth in the nation. Counting the NCAA Regional Tournament in Tallahassee, over 118,000 fans flocked to Seminole Stadium to see their team play. Overall, including World Series play, almost a quarter of a million people saw the Seminoles play in 1987.

Media attention is also high. FSU baseball is page one news in Tallahassee and is covered on a regular basis by 10 major newspapers in Florida whose circulation tops the 1.3 million mark. Over 100 members of the working media requested credentials to the NCAA Atlantic Region last season. Added to that is a radio package that broadcasts 50 games a year to the Tallahassee market on WTNT Radio. National exposure is also high. Last season, four ball games featuring Florida State were seen nationally on ESPN. This year 15 FSU games will be televised live into 1.8 million homes via the Sunshine Network. EPSN will telecast the FSU-LSU game on February 21.

# HEAD COACH MIKE MARTIN

## 22 Years in Garnet and Gold

Just what can Mike Martin do for an encore? So successful has the personable Florida State head coach been, that 50-win seasons, Metro titles and NCAA appearances seem almost commonplace. Now, he's even become a household name in Omaha.

Beginning his ninth season as the Seminole head man, Martin is climbing the ladder of the nation's very best baseball coaches. And the fact that he is where he is takes first priority. Nobody, you see, loves Florida State any more. It was a love affair that began in 1966 when Martin first set foot on the FSU campus as a junior college transfer and outstanding centerfield prospect.

It has continued through his playing career at FSU, a stint in minor league baseball, years of involvement with youth camps and high schools in Tallahassee, as an FSU assistant coach and now as the leader of the Seminole baseball program. It was almost as if the marriage was meant to be, even way back when.

Martin, who will turn 44 on the opening day of the 1988 season, has merely put together a sparkling 448-153-2 (.745) record since he took over the program from the late Dick Howser in 1980. Like Howser before him and Woody Woodward before Howser, Martin has carried on the quest to produce winners, both on and off the field. Martin is an integral part of the deep tradition that is Florida State baseball. Under Woodward, Howser and now Martin, it is no wonder that Florida State continues to prosper as one of the best college programs ever assembled.

What Martin has done in eight seasons is almost unbelievable. Florida State has never failed to win 50 games under him. Prior to his arrival, no Seminole team had ever reached that mark. His 50 wins per year have continued, even after the NCAA-shortened college season to 60 regular-season contests.

Every year under Martin the Seminoles have participated in an NCAA post-season tournament—eight straight years. That run, which followed appearances in 1978 and '79, gives FSU

a 10-year reign. The longest previous string of NCAA appearances was four in a row, ironically during Martin's playing days (1965-68). Only Miami has currently appeared in more consecutive regional tournaments.

Only seven teams in America have made more College World Series trips than Florida State's nine. Martin has had a role in better than half of those—five—as a player, assistant coach and head coach.

During Martin's tenure, 15 different players earned All-America status, 32 were named to the All-Metro team, 35 signed professional contracts and two won the prestigious Golden Spikes Award.

Martin's career record—448-153-2—good for a career winning percentage of .745. Among division one coaches with five or more years experience, Martin's winning percentage is seventh

best in the nation. His 448 career wins is first among coaches with eight years of experience or less. Martin's average of 56.1 wins per season tops all division one coaches.

After the 1986 and 1987 seasons, Martin was named Florida Diamond Club Coach of the Year; as well as Atlantic District Coach of the Year. Those two honors add to a long list of other awards—including numerous Metro Conference Coach of the Year Awards. He also serves on the NCAA Championship Advisory Committee and is a voting member of several polls.

When FSU selected Martin on November 27, 1979 to become the eighth Florida State head coach, it selected a man that possessed a wealth of baseball experience. For four years prior to taking the head job, Martin was an assistant to former head coaches Woodward (1975-78) and Howser (1979).



Head Coach Mike Martin



Prior to becoming an assistant at FSU, Martin spent several years coaching the prep and college ranks. His tenure included several years as baseball and basketball coach at the junior high level, one season as head basketball coach at Tallahassee Community College and four years as basketball coach at Amos P. Godby High.

Prior to entering the coaching profession, Martin was a standout baseball player at Wingate Junior College, before finishing his college career at Florida State. A two-time junior college All-American at Wingate, Martin went on to earn All-District honors as an outfielder at FSU. Following three years of professional ball in the New York Met and Detroit Tiger organizations, Martin returned to coach and teach in Tallahassee.

A popular speaker, Martin has delivered keynote addresses at several state and national meetings, including gatherings of the Florida High School Coaches Association, Atlanta Braves Instructional Clinics, and Seminole Booster Clubs throughout the southeast.

A 1966 graduate of Florida State, Martin earned his master's degree from Florida A&M in 1971. Mike and his wife Carol have three children, Mary Beth (18), Mike Jr. (15), and Melanie (12).

#### COACHING RECORD

Year	School	W-LT	Pct.
1980	Florida State	51-12-0	.809
1981	Florida State	56-23-0	.709
1982	Florida State	56-17-1	.764
1983	Florida State	55-18-1	.750
1984	Florida State	55-29-0	.655
1985	Florida State	59-23-0	.720
1986	Florida State	61-13-0	.824
1987	Florida State	55-18-0	.753
<b>8-Year Totals</b>		<b>448-153-2</b>	<b>.745</b>

#### WINNINGEST COACHES

	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Cliff Gustafson, U. Texas	989	212	1	.8232
Gary Ward, Oklahoma State	507	159	1	.7608
Gene Stephenson, Wichita State	557	184	2	.7510
Joe Arnold, U. Florida	461	153	1	.7504
Bob Morgan, Indiana U.	479	160	3	.7484
Mike Martin, Florida State	448	153	2	.7446
Larry Geraciotti, George Washington	282	97	0	.7440
Ron Fraser, Miami (Fla.)	1,107	366	8	.7340
Jim Brock, Arizona State	788	303	0	.7222
June Raines, U. South Carolina	440	171	1	.7197
Bud Middaugh, U. Michigan	724	284	1	.7180
Mike Sheppard, Seton Hall	508	202	5	.7139
Steve Traylor, Duke	268	107	2	.7135
Mark Newman, Old Dominion	271	110	2	.7101
Les Murakami, U. Hawaii	620	259	2	.7048
Chuck 'Bobo' Brayton, Washington St.	889	371	7	.7044
Joe Russi, St. John's (N.Y.)	405	173	1	.7003
Horace Turbeville, Winthrop College	491	211	1	.6991
Chuck Hartman, Virginia Tech	834	359	2	.6987
Enos Semore, U. Oklahoma	762	330	1	.6976

## Diamond Club Honors "11" Again

The Florida Diamond Club has honored FSU baseball coach Mike Martin as its 1987 Coach of the Year for the second consecutive time.

Martin guided the Seminoles to a 55-18 record and their second consecutive trip to the College World Series. He was honored at a banquet held at the Tampa Hilton Hotel on November 7.

"This is a great honor for me, but it is truly a testimony to our 1987 ballclub," said Martin. "We had six new faces in the lineup and managed to fight our way back to the World Series. The kids showed a lot of class and I'll certainly share this award with all of them as well as my coaching staff."

This is the third time in Martin's tenure at FSU that he has been selected

for the honor. He won the award initially in his first season—1980—also a year that culminated in a College World Series trip.

Martin is one of college baseball's winningest coaches. In eight seasons at FSU, he has compiled a 448-153-2 record for a winning percentage of .745. His teams have won 50 games or more in each of his eight seasons. Never before his arrival had an FSU won as many as 50 games in a single season.

Also in 1987, Martin kept a string of eight consecutive NCAA appearances in tact and his Seminoles won the Metro Conference title for the seventh time since his arrival.

Martin continued his excellent record of turning out professional prospects. Six players off the 1987 club

went on to some level of pro baseball. Two more Seminoles were named All-Americans, bringing that total to 15 under Martin.

Recently, Martin's 1987 recruiting year (15 newcomers for '88) was rated the second-best in the nation by Collegiate Baseball Magazine.

A native of Charlotte, N.C., Martin was an All-District outfielder at FSU, graduating in 1966. He played professional baseball briefly with the New York Mets and Detroit Tiger organizations before returning to teach and coach in Tallahassee.

Martin has won numerous Metro Conference Coach of the Year Awards, was the 1986 Atlantic District Coach of the Year and serves on the NCAA Championship Advisory Committee.

# ASSISTANT COACHES



## ROD DELMONICO

Recruiting/First Base Coach

Rod Delmonico begins his fifth season on the Florida State staff and his fourth as full-time assistant to Seminole head coach Mike Martin. As assistant coach, Delmonico coaches the outfielders, serves as first base coach and handles travel arrangements for the Tribe.

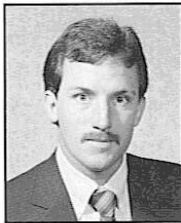
Delmonico also heads up the Florida State recruiting efforts, which have resulted in a top 10 ranking in each of the last four years-including a number one ranking in 1984 and number 2 rankings in 1986 and 1987.

Delmonico came to FSU from Clemson University, where he served as a graduate assistant coach for two years. Prior to that, Delmonico was a standout athlete at Liberty Baptist College, where he lettered in baseball and soccer.

A 1981 graduate of Liberty Baptist, Delmonico earned a degree in physical education before completing a master's degree in administration at Clemson.

In addition to his coaching duties, Delmonico is a noted author of several articles geared toward high school athletics. He is a regular columnist in Scholastic Magazine and has been published in numerous other magazines.

He just completed work on a video, "The Dick Howser Workout," which he filmed with the late coach in 1986. It is currently on the market. The 30-year-old Delmonico is married to the former Barbara Vanaman. They are proud parents of their first child, Anthony.



## CHIP BAKER

Third Base Coach

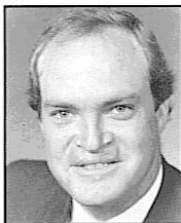
Chip Baker is in his fourth year at Florida State. As an assistant coach, Baker serves as Seminole's third base coach as well as head coach of FSU's summer team — Jerry's Gators.

A former assistant at Georgia Tech and Virginia Tech, Baker is one of college baseball's premier catching instructors. He handles the task of purchasing equipment and also administrative duties that are required to put the Seminoles on the field. He is also the travel coordinator when the 'Noles are on the road.

Baker works closely with FSU's summer camps and serves as director of the highly successful Seminole Select School. A popular speaker, he has spoken to numerous Seminole Booster Clubs and various civic organization in the state.

A 1980 graduate of High Point College, Baker led panthers to four conference championships. He also participated in the 1979 NAIA World Series. After completing his degree in Physical Education at High Point College, Baker went on to earn a master's at Virginia Tech in Motor Behavior.

Baker is also an assistant professor in the Movement Science and Physical Education Department. The 30-year-old Baker is single.



## MIKE McLEOD

Pitching Coach

A former FSU standout, Mike McLeod begins his seventh year on the Seminole coaching staff. A former player with both college and professional experience, McLeod brings a wealth of experience to his position as both a student and teacher of the game.

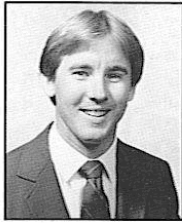
A 1977 FSU graduate, McLeod is in charge of the Seminole pitching staff and serves as bullpen coach during all Florida State games.

In addition to his FSU experience, McLeod was an instructor for the New York Yankee farm team in Paintsville, KY for four summers and worked in the Montreal organization in 1986 and 1987.

McLeod earned All-American honors at Middle Georgia Junior College in 1974, before transferring to Florida State. In two years with the Seminoles, McLeod won 13 games. Among his college achievements are three no-hitters, including the last

by a Florida State pitcher-a 23-0 decision over Olivet in 1977.

Following graduation, McLeod played three years of baseball in the Yankee organization. Mike and his wife Rose have two children, Garrett (6) and Jenny (4).



## STEVE WINTERLING

Academics/Assistant Coach

Steve Winterling is in his third year on the FSU baseball staff. As assistant coach, Winterling handles several on-the-field coaching duties, as well as serving as coordinator for baseball team academics.

A native of Jacksonville, Winterling came to FSU from Englewood Senior High School where he was an assistant coach for three years. Prior to that he coached four seasons at Florida College, where he was an assistant for three years and head coach for one.

A 1981 graduate of South Florida with a degree in physical education, Winterling later came to FSU and completed his masters degree in physical education in 1986.

Winterling lettered two years in baseball at Florida College before moving on to South Florida to complete his studies. A member of the American Baseball Coaches Association for nine years, Winterling also scouted for the New York Yankees in 1984. Winterling has worked on the staff of several prestigious summer camps.

The 29-year old Winterling is single.



## FRANK MARTELLO

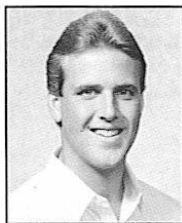
Graduate Assistant

Frank Martello will begin his coaching career at Florida State this season as a graduate assistant on Mike Martin's staff while pursuing his master's degree in athletic administration at FSU.

Although a native of Utica, NY, Martello has spent the past few years in the state of Florida. He played at the collegiate level for the Jacksonville Dolphins, a long-time opponent of the Seminoles. During his time there, he earned a spot on the Sun Belt Conference academic honor roll three seasons while completing a bachelor's degree in physical education. Last season, Martello served as a senior assistant coach on the Dolphin staff.

Martello has served as a volunteer coach for American Legion baseball in Utica and has worked at the Utica College summer baseball camp. He will also be assisting this summer at the Mike Martin baseball camps.

## Support Staff



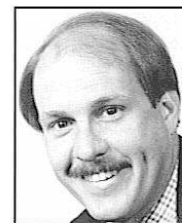
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