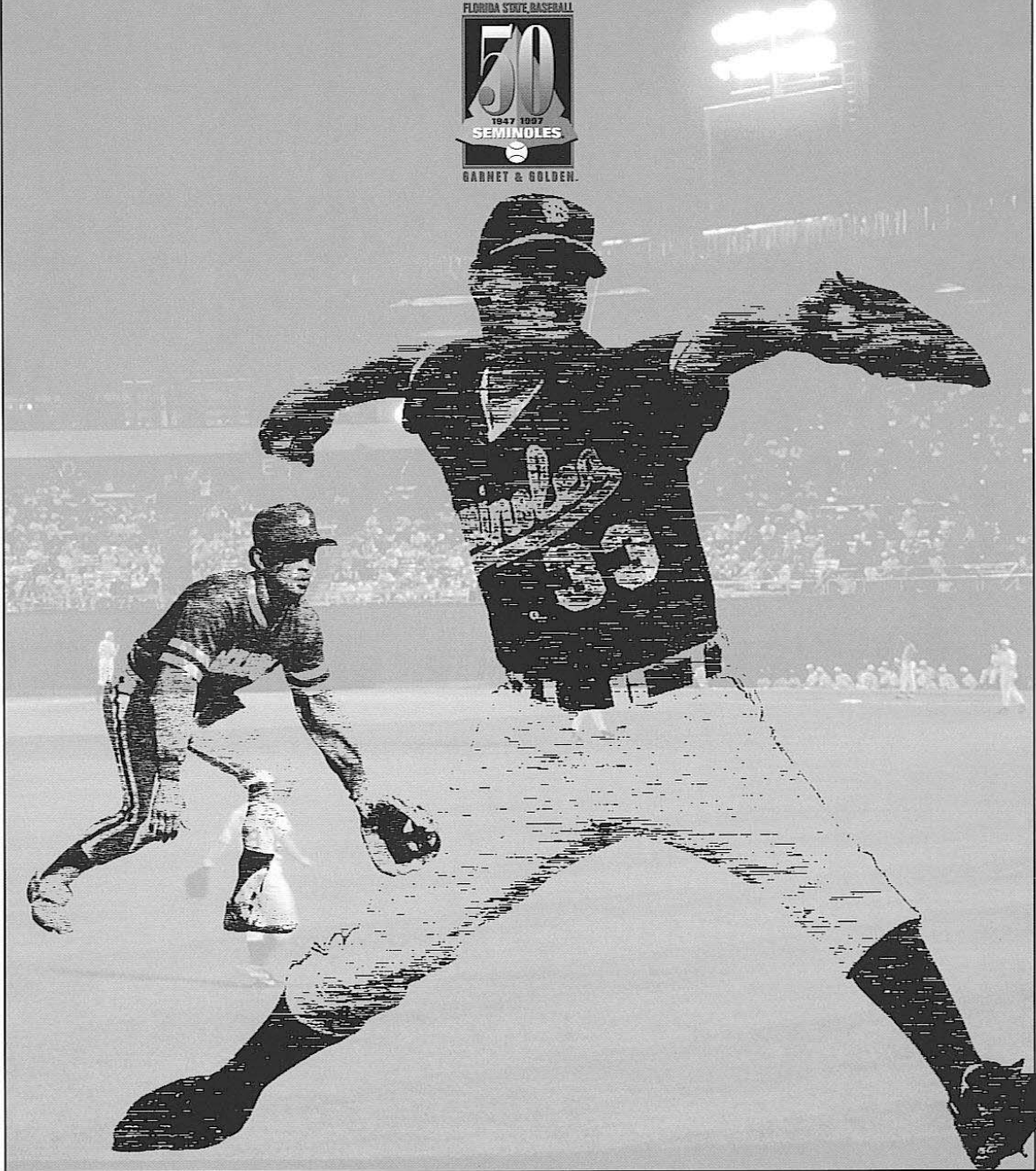


THE UNIVERSITY

FLORIDA STATE BASEBALL

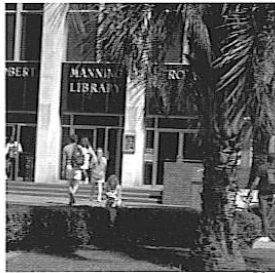


THIS IS FLORIDA STATE

Florida State University, which will mark its golden anniversary as a coeducational graduate research institution in 1997, has joined the nation's elite in both academics and athletics.

Located on the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida and building rapidly on the framework of a highly regarded liberal arts college for women, the University has emerged over the past 49 years as an institution of national and international esteem. Its stature is evidenced by a number of additions to its record of excellence in the 1990s:

- In 1994, Florida State was classified a "Research University I" by the Carnegie Foundation, placing it among the nation's top research universities.
- In 1994, the college referral service, "Who's Who Among American High School Students," placed FSU among its top 10 — with such universities as Harvard, Duke, Stanford, North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Michigan-Ann Arbor and Yale — of most frequent choices of more than 100,000 of the nation's best and brightest high school students who asked that a specific college be notified of their recognition in "Who's Who."
- Vice President of the United States Al Gore spoke at the dedication of the National High Magnetic Field Laboratory at Florida State in 1994. The National Science Foundation established the \$100 million magnet lab at FSU, which is partnered in research with the Los Alamos National Laboratory and the University of Florida, in 1990. A Nobel laureate in physics and a top Russian physicist were among the first scholars drawn to the facility. The world's largest magnet — two stories high and capable of generating 45 tesla or 1 million times the Earth's magnetic field — was installed in 1995 at the NHMFL, located in the off-campus research complex, Innovation Park. In 1996, the NSF renewed and increased by 50 per-



cent the NHMFL's funding for another five years.

- FSU created the first multipurpose student identification/banking card. The Card Application Technology Center is a national leader in "smart card" systems.
- At the forefront of supercomputing since obtaining its first high speed computer in 1985, FSU took yet another step in ultrafast and parallel computing in 1990 when it acquired two supercomputers, the Thinking Machine Corp. Connection Machine and the Cray Y-MP.
- In fall 1994, the first tenants moved into the east side of the \$100 million University Center, a classroom-and-office facility at Doak Campbell Stadium; the stadium's south end zone was also enclosed and the adjacent Moore Athletic Center expanded. When the west side is completed in 1996, University Center will provide 550,000 square feet of much needed academic space and a centralized location for student services.
- One of the first academic areas to make its home in University Center, was the FSU School of Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts. Offering training for one of Florida's fastest growing industries, FSU conferred its first master's degree in film in 1991 and it's first bachelor's in film in 1993. The film school's students have already produced national and international award-winning films.
- The Center for Civic Education and Service was established in 1994 aimed at promoting community involvement and civic responsibility as integral elements of a liberal arts education at FSU. The center supports such service-learning programs as Project Amistades, which provides educational services to migrant farmworkers. Through ServScript, student's service may be recorded on their official academic transcript.
- In 1990, Florida

State ranked second in popularity nationwide among high school seniors, based on the number of students who request that their Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores be sent to an institution. FSU was the only institution listed among the top 10 choices of both black and white college-bound students.

- FSU's high-tech program in structural biology in 1991 received the University's largest single foundation grant, \$4 million.
- Capping more than a decade of national prominence in intercollegiate athletics, Florida State's athletic teams, nicknamed "Seminoles," joined the Atlantic Coast Conference as its ninth member in 1990. The FSU football team won the 1993 National Championship and its quarterback, Charlie Ward, won the University's first Heisman Trophy.
- To better understand the world's cultural diversity, FSU undergraduate students are required to complete at least two courses that focus on diverse traditions beyond Western civilization. The multicultural study requirement, in effect since 1991, complements a long-established liberal studies program at Florida State.
- The Dr. Bobby E. Leach Center, a state-of-the-art student recreation facility, with a pool, saunas, basketball and racquet-sport courts, was completed in 1991.
- The Appleton Museum of Art in Ocala, its vast art collection and an eminent scholar chair were donated to FSU and Central Florida Community College in 1990.
- FSU ranked 20th in the nation for 1990-91 in the number of black Ph.D. students it graduates. Over the five years, 1986 to 1990, FSU ranked eighth nationally by granting doctorates to 70 African-Americans.
- FSU acquired the Asolo Performing Arts Center in Sarasota, home to the graduate theater program, the FSU/Asolo Conservatory of Professional Actor Training.

As this list of highlights attests, Florida State is excelling in the 1990's with exceptional strength, energy and vision for the future. Under the leadership of the University's 12th president, Talbot "Sandy" D'Alenbert, who took office in January 1994, FSU will continue to build on the foundation of its history of excellence in scholarship, research and service.

A senior member of the 10-member State University System, FSU was founded as an institution of higher learning in 1851 by legislative act and began in Tallahassee with its first students in 1857.

Today, FSU's operating budget is \$452.5 million. Faculty and administrators generate more than \$99.9 million annually in external funding to supplement state-sponsored research. Three direct-support organizations serve to bolster the University; FSU Foundation, which raises millions in private gifts to support academics, Seminole Boosters and FSU Alumni Association.

The main campus is spread over 450.6 acres in Tallahassee; FSU, which has one of the smallest campuses in the SUS, has been actively acquiring land in the 1990s after years of being landlocked at 847 acres. FSU owns 1,303 acres in Leon, Bay, Franklin and Sarasota counties.

Within the state, the University maintains facilities at its 25-acre campus in Panama City, its Marine Laboratory on the Gulf of Mexico, the Appleton Museum in Ocala and the Asolo Performing Arts Center in Sarasota. The Center for Professional Development and Public Service,



housed in the Augustus B. Turnbull III Florida State Conference Center on the edge of the campus, provides extensive credit and non-credit continuing education programs statewide.

For years FSU has reached far beyond Florida through international programs in Switzerland, France, Panama, Costa Rica and the Caribbean. FSU's study centers in Florence, Italy and London, England are considered by many to be the nation's best in Europe.

Florida State offers 283 graduate and undergraduate degree programs through its eight colleges —

Arts and Sciences; Business; Communication; Education; Engineering (operated jointly with Florida A&M University, a historically black institution); Human Sciences; Law; and Social Sciences (which also incorporates the Reubin Askew School of Public Administration and Policy) — and eight schools — Criminology and Criminal Justice; Library and Information Studies; Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts; Music; Nursing; Social Work; Theatre; and Visual Arts and Dance.

With 1,671 members, the FSU faculty has five National Academy of Sciences members and eight American Academy of Arts and Sciences members, and has included five Nobel laureates. It is backed by 2,990 administrative/professional and support staff.

Library holdings at Florida State include 2.1 million book titles, 18,296 serials and 4.4 million microforms. The main library facility, the Robert M. Strozier Library, is linked by computer to other state university and national research libraries. The Paul A.M. Dirac Science Center Library is located at the heart of the University's science research complex. FSU also maintains extensive music, library science and law libraries.

On the top floor of the Dirac Library is the headquarters of the Supercomputer Computations Research Institute, a multidisciplinary, multinational program established in 1984 that brings together some 50 scientists, engineers and technicians.

Also providing research opportunities is the tandem Van de Graff Superconducting Accelerator Laboratory, which houses two powerful atom smashers and has been ranked among the top four nuclear research centers in the nation by the National Science Foundation.

Graduate students, who number more than 5,856, pursue advanced degrees in fields as diverse as business administration and theoretical particle physics. A majority of research done at FSU is the direct result of student effort, culminating in numerous books, monographs and journal articles relating to the whole spectrum of intellectual interests and the practical needs of society.

FSU, a residential campus, places a high priority on its 30,268 students and their needs and interests (of the student population: 45 percent are male; 55 percent are female; 18.5 percent are minorities; and 2.4 percent are foreign students). The University Honors Program, Disabled Student Services, International Student Center, Student Government, Flying High Circus and intramural sports are among more than 200 organizations and activities in which students can participate.

Situated in the heart of the state's thriving capital city, Florida State's main campus blends Gothic and modern styles of architecture with the oaks, pines, dogwoods, palms and azaleas of North Florida.

Florida State continues to progress and grow from its pre-Civil War foundation as the Seminary West of the Suwannee, through the early 20th century as the academically respected Florida State College for Women, returning to coeducational status as a university in 1947, to its modern development as an acclaimed research institution, a top-ranked competitor in intercollegiate athletics and as a standard-setter in the basic sciences and the performing arts.

In all areas of its mission — excellence in teaching, research and public service — Florida State University is advancing boldly toward the 21st century.

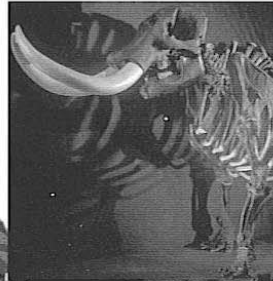
THIS IS TALLAHASSEE

Near, but far from the glaring strips of neon amusement, and the castles and crowds of Disney, lies another magical place in the Sunshine State — one of pow-wows, plantations, politics and great pride. Often described as “The Other Florida” with its deep-rooted history, rolling hills, canopy roads of moss-draped oaks, cool climate and Southern-style hospitality; it is a Florida few have seen. It is Tallahassee — Florida with a Southern accent.

Best known as Florida’s capital, Tallahassee is an intimate neo-metropolitan city where the power of state government, the academic and the artistic are complemented by subtle, old-fashioned charm. It is the perfect two- or three-day diversion for the more than 41 million annual visitors to Florida and 13 million residents.

Tallahassee touts a menagerie of sights including one of the world’s deepest freshwater springs, site of America’s first Christmas, a wildlife habitat, Capitol buildings, fascinating museums of history, sprawling plantations, highly acclaimed fishing and hunting adventures and nearby beaches.

Spirited area

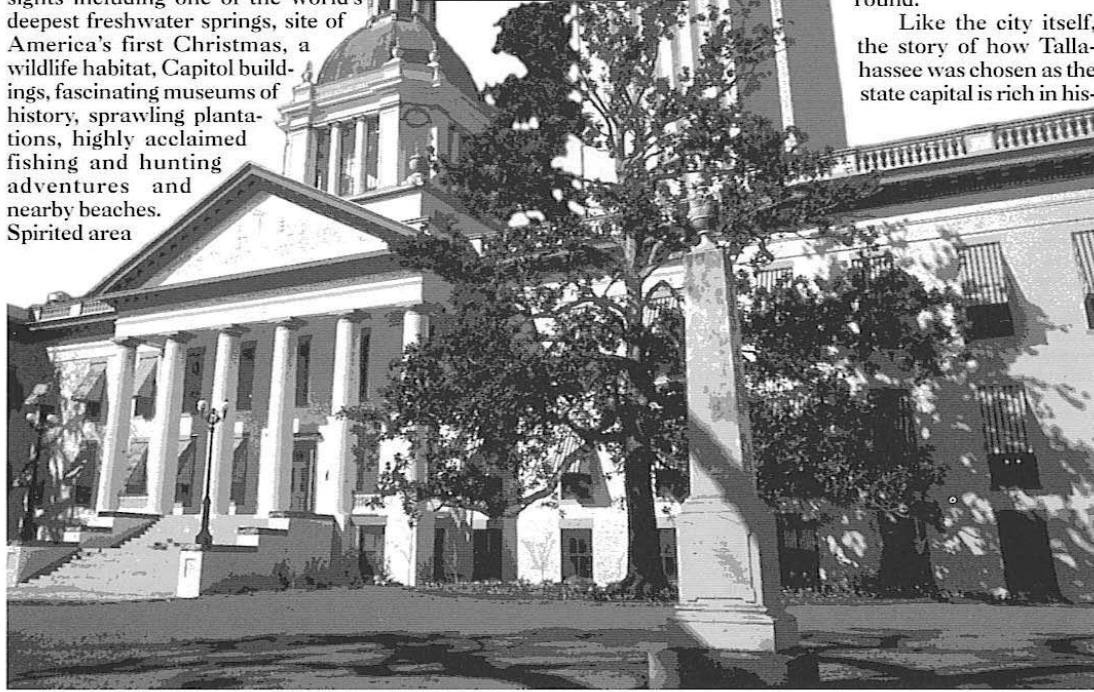


festivals range from celebrations of Tallahassee’s spectacular spring and swamp stomps to genuine rattlesnake roundups and seafood festivals.

With the Gulf of Mexico just 20 miles south and the Georgia border only 14 miles north, Tallahassee rests between the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains and the juncture of Florida’s panhandle and peninsula. Nearer in miles to Atlanta than to Miami, Tallahassee more closely resembles its Southern neighbors than Florida in topography, climate and lifestyle.

Accentuating Tallahassee’s Southern persona are lush rolling hills, likened to the seven hills of Rome, and five “official” canopy roads of patriarch oaks. The fertile, rich soil and four distinct, yet pleasant, seasons breed floral brilliance and natural vitality year-round.

Like the city itself, the story of how Tallahassee was chosen as the state capital is rich in his-



tory. In 1823, two explorers set out — one on horseback from St. Augustine and the other by boat from Pensacola — to find a permanent, central location for the Legislature to convene. The two met at a beautiful site that the Creek and Seminole Indians called “tallahassee” — derived from the words “talwa” meaning town and “ahasee” meaning old. The rendezvous point remains Florida’s capital.

The “old town” has undergone many changes, but one thing remains the same — it is still a government town fiercely proud and dedicated to preserving its heritage. The Capitol buildings, both old and new, epitomize Tallahassee’s perseverance.

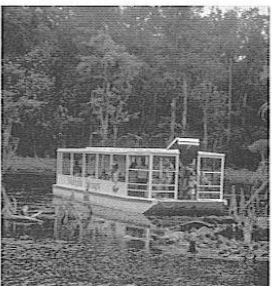
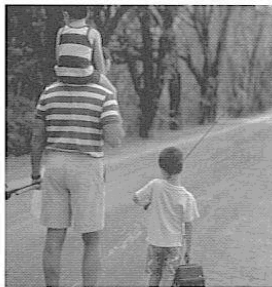
The 22nd floor of the New Capitol provides a panoramic scope of a sophisticated Southern city awash in a sea of flowering azaleas, snowy dogwoods, towering pines, fragrant magnolias, and hundreds of shimmering lakes, springs, swamps, rivers and sink holes. Special legislative viewing galleries are open during the legislative session.

Below, in the shade of giant live oaks, proudly stands the Old Capitol, originally constructed in 1845 and restored to its 1902 splendor complete with red-and-white candy-striped awnings, a dome adorned with stained glass, antique furnishings and political memorabilia.

Across from the Old Capitol are the 40-foot twin granite towers of the Vietnam Veteran’s Memorial, and the blue stone Union Bank, Florida’s oldest surviving financial institution. The nostalgic Old Town Trolley, a replica turn-of-the-century street car, carries passengers through restored Adams Street Commons to numerous other historical downtown shops for free — unheard of even 100 years ago.

Minutes from downtown lies the Governor’s Mansion, which resembles the home of Florida’s military hero Andrew Jackson; and the 52-acre natural animal habitat and 1880s farm of the Tallahassee Museum of History and Natural Science, which provide the rare chance to walk and talk with native Florida animals.

Tallahassee remains firmly linked with the past as evidenced by the unearthed 1539 winter encampment of Spanish Hernando de Soto, the site of the first Christmas celebration in America. Visitors travel back through time as they stand in the shadow of a



giant 12,000-year-old American Mastodon at the Museum of Florida History or explore other historical spots including The Knott House that Rhymes, The Columns, San Luis Mission, Lake Jackson State Archaeological Site, Natural Bridge Battlefield, First Presbyterian Church, Brokaw-McDougall House, Goodwood Plantation and Adams Street Commons.

Nearby, alligators lazing in the sunshine and anhinga “snake birds” perched on twisted cypress branches are seen at Wakulla Springs, one of the world’s deepest freshwater springs and site of many underwater scenes in the “Tarzan” movies with Johnny Weissmuller and Maureen O’Sullivan. Safaris aboard glass-bottomed and jungle cruise boats whisk visitors within arm’s length of “The Other Florida.”

Outdoor enthusiasts enjoy adventures including boating and fishing on area lakes, rivers, ponds and the Gulf — just 30 minutes away. Lakes Seminole, Jackson and Talquin are renowned in the bass fishing world for yielding the “big ones,” and dense forests offer an abundance of prize-winning game. Local wildlife areas such as the Florida National Scenic Trail, St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge and Apalachicola National Forest are among many spots for camping, picnicking, swimming, biking and exploring.

Appealing to the strokes of different folks, Tallahassee also features 99 holes of golf on six courses and a proliferation of tennis centers. Sideline athletes cheer the nationally-ranked Florida State Seminoles, Florida A&M Rattlers and the Tallahassee Tiger Sharks, of the East Coast Hockey League. And always a sure bet are the nearby greyhound races.

A sport of sorts, shopping at two regional malls and many specialty centers offer many “playing options” — from popular chains to curiosity and antique shops.

Cultural interests are sparked by widely-acclaimed museums and galleries and elaborate entertainment at the 14,000-seat Tallahassee-Leon County Civic Center.

Tallahassee is a collaboration of power-play politics and classical character splashed with a twist of Southern beauty and charm. Tallahassee is Florida with a Southern accent.

ATHLETIC ADMINISTRATION

TALBOT "SANDY"
D'ALEMBERTE
PRESIDENT

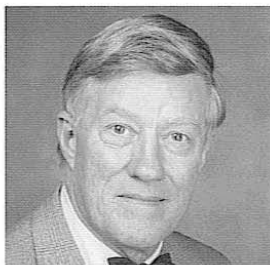
President Talbot "Sandy" D'Alemberte was appointed president on Nov. 29, 1993, by the Florida Board of Regents, took office on Jan. 3, 1994, and was officially installed as president at a December 17, 1994, investiture.

D'Alemberte served as the fourth dean of the FSU College of Law from 1984 to 1989 and continues to teach as a member of the University faculty.

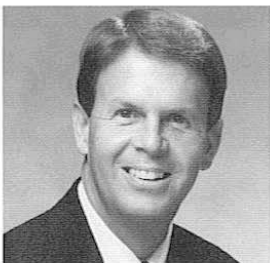
In a special "Profiles in Power" section, the April 15, 1985, edition of the *National Law Journal* listed D'Alemberte as one of the 100 most powerful lawyers in the United States. He was the only law school dean listed and one of only ten members of law school faculties.

He is an active member of many legal and higher educational committees and boards, including numerous American Bar Association committees, state and regional bar associations, the American College of Trial Lawyers, the Lawyers' Committee on Civil Rights Under Law, the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund, the Florida Council of 100, the Business-Higher Education Forum, the Campus Compact, the Mildred and Claude Pepper Foundation Board of Directors, and several FSU committees and boards including the FSU Foundation, the FSU Alumni Association, the Collins Center for Public Policy, the Caribbean Law Institute and the Seminole Boosters, Inc.

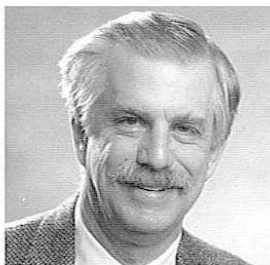
D'Alemberte practiced law with the Steel, Hector & Davis law firm in Miami and Tallahassee where he first



TALBOT "SANDY"
D'ALEMBERTE



DAVE HART



CHARLES W.
EHRHARDT

began his legal career in 1962 and was named partner in 1965.

D'Alemberte was the 1991-92 president of the American Bar Association and the 1982-84 president of the American Judicature Society. He represented Dade County in the Florida House of Representatives from 1966 to 1972 and chaired several legislative committees. After leaving the Florida Legislature he chaired the Florida Constitution Revision Commission in 1977-78 and the Florid Commission on Ethics in 1974-75.

D'Alemberte's book, *The Florida Constitution*, was published by Greenwood Press in 1991. He co-edited the 1990 four-volume work, *Florida Civil Trial Guide*, and has authored over twenty published articles.

The numerous awards D'Alemberte has won include the 1996 National Council of Jewish Women's Hannah G. Soloman Award for women's issues advocacy, the 1993 Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers "Perry Nichols" Award, the 1993 Florida Academy of Criminal Defense Lawyers Annual Criminal Justice Award, the 1990 Jurisprudence Award from the Anti-defamation League of South Florida, the 1986 National Sigma Delta Chi First Amendment Award, the 1987 Florida Bar Foundation Medal of Honor, the 1984 Florida Civil Liberties Union "Nelson Poynter" Award, an American Academy of Television Arts and Sciences "Emmy" in 1985 for his work in open government, particularly in the opening of court proceedings to electronic journalists, and, most recently, the 1996 American Judicature Society's Justice Award for his efforts to improve the administration of justice in the United States.

D'Alemberte holds honorary degrees from Cleveland State University, Hofstra University, Nova Southeastern University, Stetson University, the Universities of the South (Sewanee), of Bridgeport, and of Denver.

Born June 1, 1933, in Tallahassee, D'Alemberte was educated in public schools in Tallahassee and Chattahoochee, Florida. In 1955, he earned his bachelor of arts degree with honors in political science from the University of the South in Sewanee, Ten-

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nessee and also attended summer school at FSU and the University of Virginia. After military service as a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, D'Alemberte studied on a Rotary Foundation Fellowship at the London School of Economics and Political Science. In 1962, he received his juris doctorate with honors from the University of Florida, where he was named to the Order of the Coif and served as president of the Student Bar Association and articles editor of the *University of Florida Law Review*.

He is the father of two grown children, Gabrielle Lyn, a graduate of the University of Denver Law School, and Joshua Talbot, a graduate of his father's alma mater, the University of the South, and a public school teacher in Homestead, Florida. D'Alemberte is married to Patsy Palmer, former children's policy coordinator in Florida Governor Lawton Chiles' office. She has been a journalist, legislative aide and White House staff member; she holds a degree from the University of Missouri in journalism and a master's degree from the Harvard Divinity School. D'Alemberte's personal interests include racquetball, tennis, sailing, reading, and flying.

DAVE HART, JR.

DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

Dave Hart, Jr., became Florida State's 10th athletics director after a national search selected the former East Carolina athletics director in February, 1995. Hart, 46, has gained national recognition for his skills in the areas of athletics management, public relations, marketing and fundraising. He brought to Florida State an outstanding reputation as one of the country's most respected athletics directors after leading the ECU program since 1987.

ECU athletics enjoyed an enhanced image and reputation under Hart's leadership and he structured several programs of significance within the Department. The most notable is ECU's comprehensive Student Development Program for all student-athletes.

While at East Carolina, the athletic department made great strides in revenue growth and facility enhancement. The athletics budget doubled during Hart's tenure and he initiated programs that tripled the budget for women's ath-

letics. He planned and managed growth in the Pirates' athletic facilities totaling nearly \$30 million.

Hart served on several prestigious committees during his tenure at East Carolina. He was appointed in January, 1993, to the NCAA Council. He also served on the NCAA's Special Events/Post Season Bowls Committee and chaired Colonial Athletic Association committees on marketing and gender equity. He currently serves as Chairman for the Missions and Values Committee of the I-A Athletics Directors' Association in conjunction with the NCAA Foundation and is a member of the National Association of Collegiate Athletics Directors' Executive Committee.

A popular speaker at the national level and the author of a number of articles for national publications, Hart has made numerous speaking presentations to conventions and seminars on program management, marketing, fund-raising and personnel transition. For the past eight years he has been an instructor at the National Association of College Directors of Athletics' Management Institute.

Just the 10th athletic director in FSU history, Hart officially began his duties at FSU on March 20, 1995, succeeding Wayne Hogan who served as interim athletic director following Bob Goin's departure after five years at the helm.

During his first year at FSU, Hart has restructured the administrative staff, negotiated four major contracts totaling more than 19 million dollars, overseen the planning of a women's soccer/softball complex which is a priority within the development of a broad athletics facilities master plan, initiated plans for an expansive Life Skills program for all student-athletes and set a stated departmental goal for comprehensive excellence through the pursuit of improvement toward the Sears Directors' Cup, which is emblematic of total program success in intercollegiate athletics.

A 1971 graduate of Alabama, Hart played basketball for the Crimson Tide and earned a master's degree in 1972 while serving as a graduate assistant basketball coach. He coached and taught at the high school level for 10 years before joining the Pirates' athletics program.

Hart met his wife, the former Pam Humble, while at Alabama and they have three children — Rick (24), Jamie (22) and Kelly (19).

CHARLES W.

EHRHARDT

FACULTY ATHLETIC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

As the Chairman of the FSU Athletic Committee, Professor of Law Charles Ehrhardt is an important link for Florida State with the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

He is a member of the NCAA President's Commission Liaison Committee, the NCAA Special Committee which reviewed the Association's Enforcement and Infractions process, and the NCAA Eligibility Committee.

During his tenure as the athletic committee chair, Ehrhardt twice served as president of the Metro Conference and at one time was the chair of the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association. He currently serves as the president of the Atlantic Coast Conference.

This is Ehrhardt's second stint on FSU's Athletic Committee. A professor of Law at Florida State since 1967, he first served as a member of the committee from 1969-71. He was reappointed to the board in 1983 and succeeded Dr. James Jones as chairman in 1984, thus becoming Florida State's representative to the NCAA.

A highly-respected expert in the field of Evidence, Ehrhardt is the Ladd Professor of Evidence in the Florida State College of Law. He wrote the Florida Evidence Code, passed by the state legislature in 1976, which deals with the admissibility of evidence in court trials. Ehrhardt has written a book on evidence, which is now in its third edition.

Ehrhardt is in demand as a lecturer and speaker. He works with lawyers and judges nationwide as a private consultant on evidence matters. He currently teaches in the areas of torts, evidence, trial advocacy and sports law. He has been honored four times as th outstanding professor in FSU's College of Law and was the recipient of a University Teaching Award in 1989.

A native of Elkader, Iowa, Ehrhardt received a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University in 1962. He went on to the University of Iowa, where he earned his law degree two years later. He became an Assistant United States Attorney in Iowa before coming to Tallahassee.

Ehrhardt and his wife, the former Judy Sutton, have three children.

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

The Tradition

Consistency. It's the mark of true excellence in any endeavor.

However, in today's intercollegiate athletics, competition has become so balanced and so competitive that it is virtually impossible to maintain a high level of consistency.

Yet the Atlantic Coast Conference has defied the odds. Now in its 43rd year of competition, the ACC has long enjoyed the reputation as one of the strongest and most competitive intercollegiate conferences in the nation. And that is not mere conjecture, the numbers support it.

Since the league's inception in 1953, Atlantic Coast Conference schools have captured 56 NCAA and AIAW championships, including 27 in men's competition and 29 in women's. In addition, 96 men and 24 women have earned the coveted title of NCAA champion.

The ACC has placed at least four teams into the NCAA Baseball Tournament five years in a row and in six of the past seven seasons. Over the past three years the ACC is 43-26 (.623) in NCAA Tourney play with an NCAA-best six College World Series participants.

Over the past five years, 18 of the 22 ACC teams in the NCAA Tournament have won at least two games with 10 of the 22 winning a minimum of one game.

In 1996, the ACC posted a 228-77 (.748) mark against non-conference foes, marking the fifth straight season league teams have won more than 70 percent of their games against outside competition. Since 1990, the ACC is 1,514-564-11 (.727) in non-league play.

Over the past couple of years, the ACC has increasingly gained national recognition for the talent level of its players. An NCAA-high five ACC players were selected in the first round of the 1996 Major League Baseball draft.

The Schools

CLEMSON

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

DUKE

Joined the SC in December, 1928; charter member of the ACC in 1953.

FLORIDA STATE

Charter member of the Dixie Conference in 1948, joined the Metro Conference in July, 1976; joined the ACC September 15, 1990.

GEORGIA TECH

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of SC in 1921, charter member of the SEC in 1932, joined the ACC in July, 1979.

MARYLAND

Charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

NORTH CAROLINA

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

N.C. STATE

Charter member of the SC in 1921, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

VIRGINIA

Charter member of the SIAA in 1894, charter member of the SC in 1921, resigned from SC in December 1936, joined the ACC in December, 1953.

WAKE FOREST

Joined the SC in February, 1936, charter member of the ACC in 1953.

More impressively, over the past three years an NCAA record 14 players from the ACC have been selected in the first round matching the total of the Southeastern (6), Pac-10 (4) and Southwest (4) conferences. Included were two number one overall picks — Florida State's Paul Wilson in 1994 and Clemson's Kris Benson a year ago.

The ACC also stands at the forefront of intercollegiate athletics in terms of academic accomplishments of its student athletes. Ten times over the past 16 years, an ACC member school has claimed the CFA Academic Achievement Award which is awarded to a CFA member institution with the highest graduation rate among members of its football team.

1995-96 In Review

The 1995-96 academic year concluded with the league pocketing two more national team titles and seven individual NCAA crowns. In all, the ACC has won 23 national team titles the last six years.

The ACC's 1995-96 national champions were North Carolina in field hockey and Maryland in women's lacrosse. The league also had four teams participate in national title games — Duke in men's soccer, Virginia in men's lacrosse, North Carolina in women's lacrosse and Maryland in field hockey. Overall, the ACC posted a 64-48-1 (.571) mark in NCAA Tournament play.

In addition, seven ACC schools — North Carolina (6), Virginia (21), Florida State (23), Clemson (27), N.C. State (32), Maryland (34) and Duke (39), were ranked in the Top 40 of the Sears Directors' Cup, an all-sports award honoring the Division in school with the best performance by women's and men's athletic teams during the 1995-96 academic year.

The ACC placed at least one team

in the Top 10 nationally in 13 of the 23 sports sponsored by the league. Other records of note during the 1995-96 season include 83 teams competing at NCAA Championships, four bowl teams and 20 Top 10 showings.

Six ACC teams, in six different sports, representing three of the nine member institutions, earned at No. 1 ranking during the course of the past academic year.

The ACC Academic Honor Roll record was broken for the 10th-straight year as 1,185 student-athletes were recognized for their work in the classroom.

The Championships

With the addition of women's lacrosse, the ACC will conduct championship competition in 24 sports during the 1996-97 academic year — 12 for men and 12 for women.

The 12 sports for men include football, cross country, soccer, basketball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, wrestling, baseball, tennis, golf and lacrosse. Fencing, which was started in 1971, was discontinued in 1981.

Championships for women are conducted in cross country, volleyball, field hockey, soccer, basketball, swimming, indoor and outdoor track, tennis, golf, lacrosse and softball.

A History

The Atlantic Coast Conference was founded on May 8, 1953, at the Sedgefield Inn near Greensboro, N.C. with seven charter members — Clemson, Duke, Maryland, North Carolina, North Carolina State, South Carolina and Wake Forest — drawing up the conference by-laws.

On December 4, 1953, conference officials met again at Sedgefield and officially admitted the University of Virginia. The first, and only, withdrawal of a school from the ACC came on June 30, 1971 when the University of South Carolina tendered its resignation.

The conference operated with seven members until April 3, 1978, when Georgia Tech was admitted. The Atlanta school had withdrawn from the Southeastern Conference in January of 1964.

The conference expanded to nine members on July 1, 1991, with the addition of Florida State University.

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| 1992 1st Team Chris Roberts, P | 1995 1st Team ... Jonathan Johnson, P |
| 2nd Team Roger Bailey, P | 2nd Team Mickey Lopez, 2B |
| | Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B |
| | Phil Olson, P |
| 1993 2nd Team Paul Wilson, P | David Yocum, P |
| | Mike Schmitz, DH |
| | <i>Rookie of the Year</i> |
| | Jonathan Johnson, P |
| 1994 1st Team Paul Wilson, P | 1996 1st Team ... Brooks Badeaux, SS |
| | J.D. Drew, CF |
| | Jeremy Morris, LF |
| | Scott Zech, 2B |
| 2nd Team Link Jarrett, SS | 2nd Team Chuck Howell, RP |
| | <i>Coach of the Year</i> |
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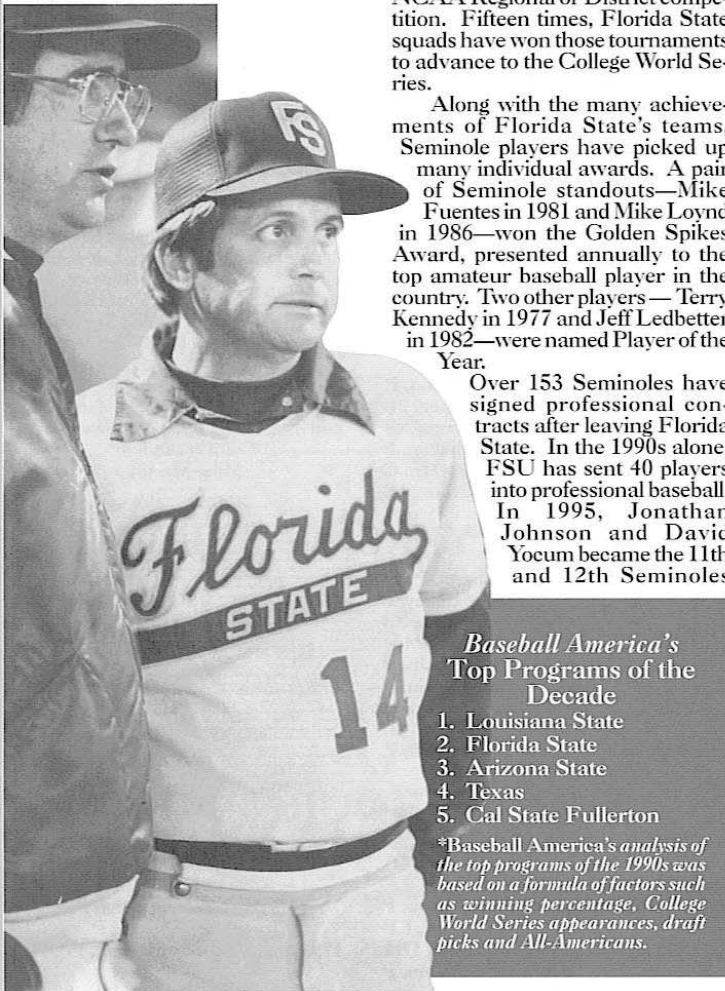
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| 1992 Chris Roberts, P (2) | Charlie Cruz, P |
| | Chuck Howell, P |
| | Jonathan Johnson, P |
| 1993 Roger Bailey, P | Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B |
| | David Yocum, P (2) |
| | 1996 Zach Diaz, P |
| 1994 Paul Wilson, P (3) | J.D. Drew, CF (3) |
| | Scooby Morgan, P/DH |
| | Jeremy Morris, LF (2) |
| 1995 Mike Martin, Jr., P | |

ACC ALL-TOURNAMENT

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|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1992 Chris Roberts, P | Mickey Lopez, 2B |
| 1993 Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B | Doug Mientkiewicz, 1B |
| 1994 Randy Hodges, RF | Jeremy Morris, LF |
| | 1995 ACC Tournament MVP |
| | Paul Wilson, P |
| | Jonathan Johnson, P |
| 1995 Adam Faurot, DH | 1996 Scooby Morgan, P/DH |
| | Jonathan Johnson, P |

SEMINOLE BASEBALL: A WINNING TRADITION

Baseball is definitely Tallahassee's favorite pastime, and nobody does it better than Florida State. With fans who pile into Dick Howser Stadium by the thousands each week during baseball season, you could say the proof is in the pudding. The reason they come is tradition, a winning tradition that is the essence of the Florida State baseball program.



But tradition doesn't last too long without people. People have made Seminole baseball a winning tradition.

In 49 seasons of intercollegiate play, through six decades and eight head coaches, Florida State has never had a losing season. The Tribe has made 19 consecutive trips to NCAA Regional competition, the second longest current streak in Division I baseball. Since 1948, 34 of FSU's 49 teams have advanced to NCAA Regional or District competition. Fifteen times, Florida State squads have won those tournaments to advance to the College World Series.

Along with the many achievements of Florida State's teams, Seminole players have picked up many individual awards. A pair of Seminole standouts—Mike Fuentes in 1981 and Mike Loynd in 1986—won the Golden Spikes Award, presented annually to the top amateur baseball player in the country. Two other players—Terry Kennedy in 1977 and Jeff Ledbetter in 1982—were named Player of the Year.

Over 153 Seminoles have signed professional contracts after leaving Florida State. In the 1990s alone, FSU has sent 40 players into professional baseball. In 1995, Jonathan Johnson and David Yocum became the 11th and 12th Seminoles

Baseball America's Top Programs of the Decade

1. Louisiana State
2. Florida State
3. Arizona State
4. Texas
5. Cal State Fullerton

**Baseball America's analysis of the top programs of the 1990s was based on a formula of factors such as winning percentage, College World Series appearances, draft picks and All-Americans.*

chosen in the first round of the major league baseball draft.

The 36-man list of Florida State stars who went on to play in the major leagues ranges from past major leaguers Ken Suarez, Woody Woodward, Jim Lyttle, John Grubb and Juan Bonilla, to current pros Paul Sorrento, Luis Alicea, Deion Sanders, Eduardo Perez and Paul Wilson. Every year, more former Seminoles are working their way up the professional ladder and into the limelight of professional baseball.

Undoubtedly, Florida State's winning tradition has been fueled by its fans. Over 72,382 people packed Dick Howser Stadium last year, an average of 2,010 per game.

Florida State enjoys the support of the entire University and the Tallahassee communities. And no matter where the Seminoles travel, they can expect the same rousing cheers they receive in their home stadium. Florida State baseball fans are the most loyal and knowledgeable fans in college baseball.

With that type of fan interest, Florida State baseball attracts extensive media coverage around the state and country. FSU baseball is first page news in Tallahassee, and 10 major newspapers in Florida cover the Seminoles on a daily basis. National baseball publications keep weekly tabs on the squad as well.

And if fans can't travel to watch their Seminoles play, what better way to find out about the action than on the radio. Florida State boasts the most extensive radio package in college baseball. Every game, home and away, will be broadcast live across the Tallahassee area this season.

Media coverage of the Seminoles extends to the television screen. In the past eight seasons, over 95 games have been broadcast on cable networks across the Southeast and the country. Already, 14 games have been scheduled for broadcast in 1996, including four of Florida State's games against intrastate rivals Florida and Miami.

Local television stations offer extensive coverage of the team, beginning in January with preseason

practices and continuing through tournament time. "Seminole Uprising" and "The Mike Martin Show", a pair of half-hour shows focusing on Seminole baseball, air twice weekly on statewide cable and on local television.

While the Florida State baseball winning tradition began long ago under the first Seminole coaches, there is no question that tradition has reached unprecedented heights under current head coach Mike Martin. In his 17 seasons at the helm, Martin has led Florida State to nine College World Series appearances, including seven in the last 10 years. All 17 of his teams have appeared in NCAA Regionals, and 15 of those 17 teams won at least 50 games. FSU teams coached by Mike Martin have won nearly 75 percent of their games. His career record of 919-313-3 makes Martin the second winningest active coach in Division I baseball.

Athletics and academics go hand in hand at Florida State University, and that is evidenced by the opportunities afforded to each and every student-athlete who attends FSU. The Florida State coaching staff and administration stress the pursuit of excellence in both baseball and academics. To help balance the two, all FSU student-athletes work with the academic support staff, which provides tutorial assistance, career development, scheduled study hall sessions, and computer facilities. One of the Seminole assistant coaches works closely with the academic support staff to monitor class attendance and resolve any con-

'97 Batgirls

The Florida State Batgirls continue a great tradition of FSU Baseball. Enthusiasm, vitality, and eagerness establish the batgirls as an integral part of the baseball program. The Batgirls represent Florida State University with pride and all their energy through various activities. During the fall, they aid in Alumni and Homecoming events, and support the Dick Howser Center with their efforts at the Garnet and Gold Game. When the season opens, the batgirls are busy helping and encouraging the Seminole baseball team, along with assisting the visiting teams and the spirited fans. They also provide support to the coaches, umpires and the athletic department. Traveling to away games and making spirit banners add yet another touch of zeal that this squad possesses. Every year, the Florida State Batgirls become more well-known, and it is because of their involvement with continuing the tradition of such a successful baseball program.

flicts which may arise with scheduling, travel, etc. during the season.

Facilities don't necessarily make a winning tradition. Tradition in Florida State baseball has made the facilities great. Dick Howser Stadium is, simply put, one of the finest college baseball stadiums in the nation. The setting, with pine trees lining the rightfield wall, a 2,500-seat concrete grandstand and bleacher seats along both lines, is beautiful. The playing field itself is meticulously groomed year-round.

Located behind the Seminole dugout is a five-year-old lockerroom and clubhouse facility. The spacious, carpeted rooms include a large player room, an office with video equipment where players and coaches review videos, and a training area/weight room.

The Moore Athletic Center, adjacent to Dick Howser Stadium, houses the Seminole weight room and training complex, in addition to the baseball coaches' offices. In the state-of-the-art weight room, FSU baseball players have the opportunity to condition themselves under the direction of strength coach Dave Van Halanger and his assistants, who run an off-season program for Seminole athletes. In the training room, athletes receive the finest care from the professional training staff, led by head trainer Randy Oravetz.

In the past 49 years, thousands of coaches, fans and administrators have contributed to the winning tradition of Seminole baseball. But it is the players who have built that tradition, one person at a time, one season at a time.



(L-R) FIRSTROW: Emily Brazier, Dionne Skelton, Jennifer Marx, Kelli Cherry, Stacey Durante, Cynthia Alcoba, Jaime Barzaniti; SECONDROW: Lourdes Ramirez, Brooke Arenovski, Amanda Vinson, Melissa Warren, Lainey Giddings, Amber Mangham, Rikki Priest; THIRDROW: Chelsea Trinka, Lauren Murray, Colleen Johnston, Marlo Cervi, Laurene Booth, Angela Salvatori, Shannon Gillen, Leslie Potmesil, Jodi O'Brien, Anne-Marie DiCenzo, Rebekah Guidas

DICK HOWSER STADIUM

Few collegiate baseball facilities rival the Seminoles' beautiful Dick Howser Stadium. Located on the campus of Florida State University, the stadium has provided over one million fans with the feeling of having "the best seat in the house" to watch the finest in college baseball action. Additions and improvements to the stadium since its 1983 opening have made it one of the best ballparks in the country.

The Seminole Baseball "Tradition Room" underneath the third base stands holds an attractive showcase which tells the story of the great players, award-winners and tremendous teams of the past. Trophies and plaques depicting Florida State's baseball success through the years adorn the walls. It also provides a comfortable lounge area adjacent to

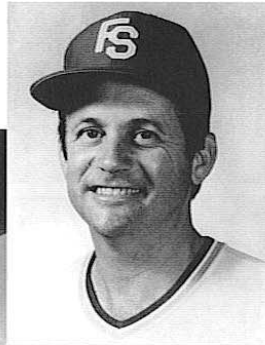
| TOP CROWDS | | | |
|------------|---------------|---------|-------|
| NO. | OPPONENT | DATE | ATTEN |
| 1. | Miami | 4/11/86 | 6,145 |
| 2. | Miami | 4/13/91 | 6,039 |
| 3. | Miami | 4/12/91 | 6,032 |
| 4. | Miami | 4/11/92 | 5,945 |
| 5. | Miami | 4/14/90 | 5,877 |
| 6. | Miami | 4/14/91 | 5,740 |
| 7. | Miami | 4/08/94 | 5,524 |
| 8. | Florida | 3/05/94 | 5,486 |
| 9. | Florida | 3/09/91 | 5,450 |
| 10. | Florida | 3/10/90 | 5,434 |
| 11. | Memphis State | 4/21/85 | 5,423 |
| 12. | Arizona State | 2/09/91 | 5,413 |
| 13. | Miami | 4/11/87 | 5,405 |
| 14. | Miami | 4/13/90 | 5,385 |
| 15. | Miami | 4/09/94 | 5,375 |

the FSU clubhouse, complete with VCR and big-screen television, where Florida State players can relax before and after games.

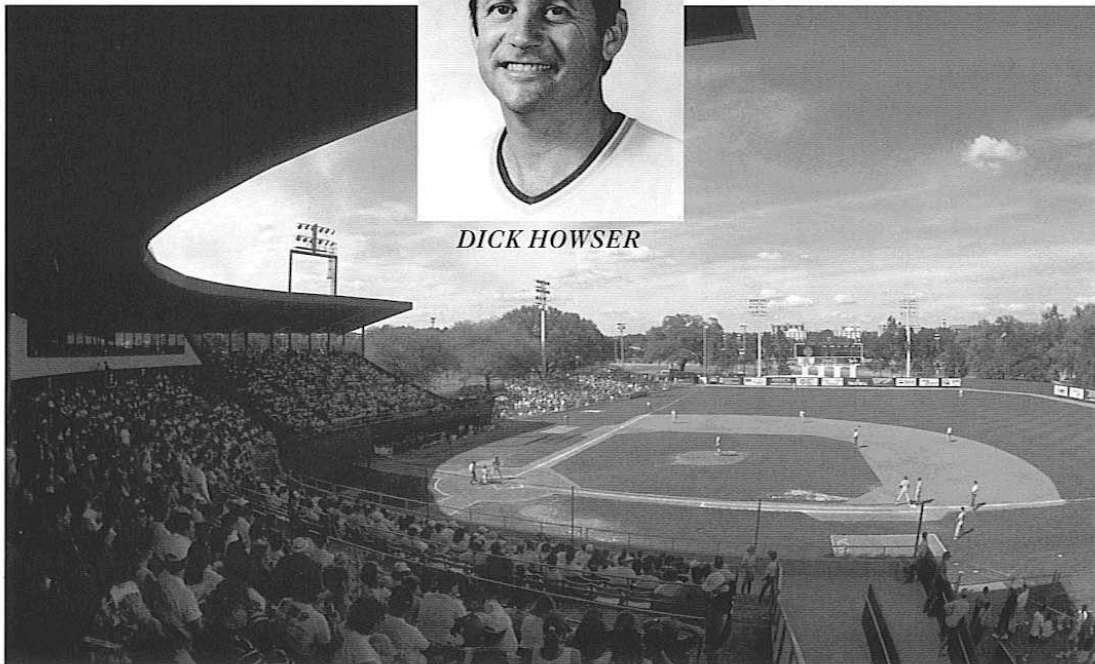
Florida State's players and coaches enjoy the convenience and luxury of a clubhouse and lockerroom located behind the Seminole dugout. The main lockerroom area is fully-carpeted and contains personalized lockers for each player, a separate lockerroom for the Seminole coaches, a video area where FSU players and coaches do videotape analysis, and a coaches' office. A built-in stereo

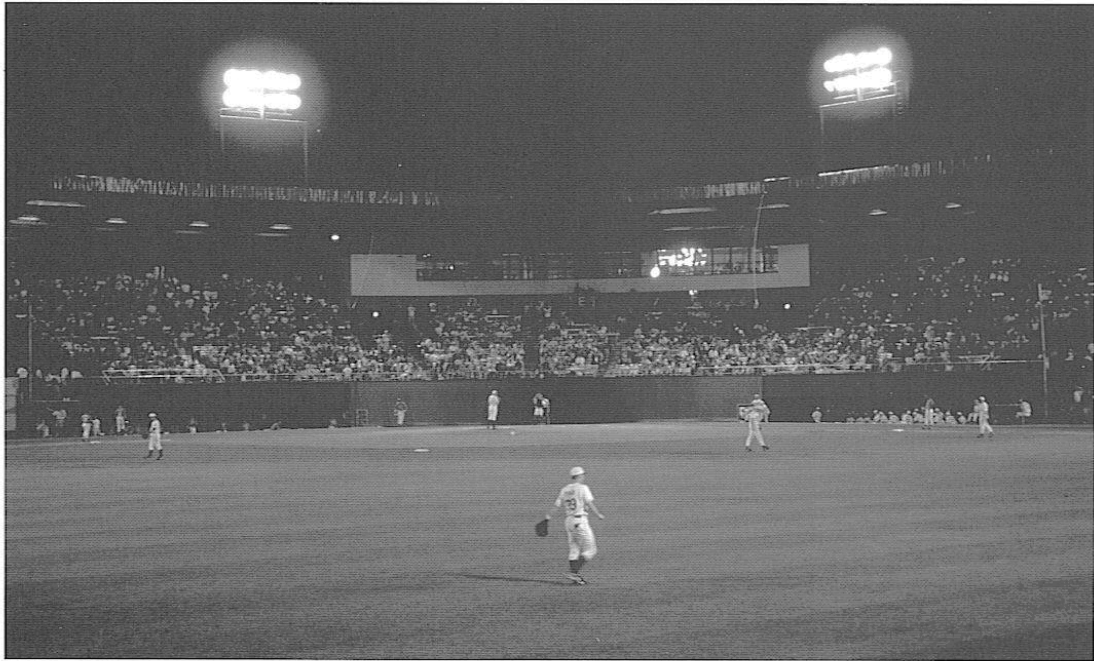
system blares the players' latest favorites. Adjacent is a room which doubles as a weight and training area, complete with lifting machines.

There are on-going efforts to keep



DICK HOWSER





Dick Howser Stadium one of the top facilities in college baseball. Truly a "player's ballpark," the stadium has had many upgrades: the addition of a screen to the top of the right field wall, the addition of a roof to the grandstand and a state-of-the-art electronic scoreboard, complete with message center.

Dick Howser Stadium, named after the late Kansas City Royals and Florida State manager who was also Florida State's first-ever baseball All-American, is a showcase befitting one of the top collegiate teams in the nation. From the beautifully-manicured playing surface to the chairback seats and modern press box, Howser Stadium is one of the best places in the country to watch a game.

In 1994, the one-millionth fan walked through the gates of Howser Stadium in only its 12th season of operation. For the seventh consecutive year the Seminoles averaged over 2,000 fans a game.

With a listed capacity of 5,000 in Dick Howser Stadium, Florida State

continues to set attendance records. Every year, over 5,000 fans witness the home team take on the University of Miami.

Florida State annually ranks in the top 10 nationally in attendance.

Florida State fans are simply the best and most knowledgeable in college baseball. Although they live and die with "their" Seminoles, the FSU faithful are known nationwide for their sportsmanship and appreciation of good baseball — by both teams, as well as their sometimes "creative" brand of support. They, along with the stadium and a professional game operation, are a large reason Dick Howser Stadium has been the site of 12 NCAA Regional tournaments in the 14 years since its opening in 1983.

The stadium was dedicated in honor of Dick Howser in March of 1988 prior to an exhibition game between Florida State and the Kansas City Royals, two of Howser's former teams. As part of the stadium dedication, Kansas City all-stars George Brett and Bo Jack-

STADIUM QUICK FACTS

| | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Capacity | 5,000 |
| Dimensions | 320' right - 400' center - 340' left |
| Height of Wall | 10' |
| Height of Right Field Screen | 30' |
| Playing Surface..... | Natural Grass (Bermuda) |
| Opening Day | March 28, 1983 |
| First Game Result | FSU 5, LSU 15 |
| First FSU Win..... | FSU 10, LSU 5 (3/29/83) |
| First Day Crowd | 1,305 |
| First Run..... | Tommy Zoeller (FSU) |
| First Hit | Zoeller, single to left |
| First RBI..... | Danny Dowell (FSU), single to score Zoeller |
| First Batter | John Morse (LSU) |
| First Putout..... | Rick Figueredo (FSU), 5-3 putout on Morse |
| First Assist | Mark Barineau (FSU) on Morse grounder |
| First Double ... | Ronnie Corbett (LSU), sixth inning |
| First Triple ... | Ronnie Corbett (LSU), eighth inning |
| First Home Run | Rick Figueredo (FSU), fifth inning |
| FSU in Dick Howser Stadium | 496-100-1 |
| Percentage | .832 |

son helped unveil a new \$150,000 matrix scoreboard and a bronze bust of Howser. Both items were permanent additions to the facility.

Old Seminole Field was christened Seminole Stadium March 28, 1983, after over one million dollars of renovations were completed on the park. Wooden bleachers were replaced with a two-tier concrete grandstand seating 2,500. Modern concession areas and restrooms, and a press box complete with separate booths for radio and television broadcasts were also added.

The lower level seating is arranged like box seats, while the upper level has metal bleachers with chair backs. All 2,500 grandstand seats annually sell out. Additional seating down both lines provides 2,500 more seats. Nearly 1,000 seats are available for overflow crowds and the park was designed to allow for future expansion.

The playing surface dimensions measure 320 feet to rightfield, 400 feet to center and 340 feet to left. Prior to the 1986 season, a screen was added to the top of the right field wall; it rises from the 10-foot high wall, increasing in five-foot increments from 20 feet in the power alley to 30 feet in rightfield — giving a unique effect.

A matrix board which provides line-ups, statistics and messages throughout the game, a high quality public address system, modern concession stands and vendors circulating the stands give Howser Stadium a "big league" look.

The playing field itself is also often compared to that of a major league park. Long-time FSU grounds chief Robert Barrett and his crew oversee the everyday upkeep of the playing surface and surroundings, spending hours on the field year-round. The hours of hard work put in by Barrett and his ground crew are often taken for granted, but they

SEASON HOME ATTENDANCE TOTALS

(Since opening of stadium in 1983)

| YEAR | DATES | TOTAL | AVERAGE |
|-------------------|------------|------------------|--------------|
| 1983 [^] | 30* | 57,575 | 1,919 |
| 1984 | 51* | 72,518 | 1,422 |
| 1985 | 58* | 103,552 | 1,785 |
| 1986 | 45* | 118,897 | 2,642 |
| 1987 | 43* | 86,209 | 2,005 |
| 1988 | 46* | 86,628 | 1,884 |
| 1989 | 46* | 87,240 | 1,896 |
| 1990 | 40 | 106,081 | 2,652 |
| 1991 | 40* | 109,549 | 2,739 |
| 1992 | 41* | 90,278 | 2,202 |
| 1993 | 40* | 80,757 | 2,019 |
| 1994 | 42* | 106,352 | 2,532 |
| 1995 | 35* | 85,137 | 2,432 |
| 1996 | 36 | 72,382 | 2,010 |
| TOTAL | 593 | 1,263,155 | 2,130 |

[^] Stadium opened in middle of 1983 season.

* Includes NCAA Regional games.

Bold indicates FSU single-season record

1996 TOTALS

(Includes Tournaments)

| | DATES | TOTAL | AVERAGE |
|--------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|
| Home* | 36 | 72,382 | 2,010 |
| Away | 18 | 32,034 | 1,780 |
| Neutral | 15 | 83,574 | 5,571 |
| TOTAL | 69 | 187,990 | 2,724 |

give Dick Howser Stadium a playing field unsurpassed by any collegiate team in the nation.

The beautiful home of Florida State's baseball Seminoles, from the Tradition Room, clubhouse area and lockerroom to the top-notch playing field, chairback seats and overall family atmosphere, is indeed a fitting tribute to one of FSU's greatest alumni, Dick Howser.

BASEBALL TRADITION ROOM

The latest addition to Dick Howser Stadium is the Seminole Baseball Tradition Room. A beautiful area adjacent to the FSU clubhouse and lockerroom. This room, located underneath the stadium, holds an array of FSU baseball memorabilia and trophies which tell the story of Florida State baseball success.

Separate wall displays, attractively backlit, are devoted to Florida State All-Americans, former Seminoles in the pros, and FSU's 15 College World Series teams. Another wall is lined with FSU's most recent tournament and conference championship trophies, as well as replicas of the Golden Spikes Awards of Mike Loynd and Mike Fuentes.

Another corner contains a VCR and large-screen television where players can enjoy the latest videos. Couches line the room to provide a comfortable area for relaxed viewing.

The Seminole Baseball Tradition Room, built thanks to the generous donations of Florida State former players, friends and alumni, gives Seminole players an area in which to relax before and after games and practices, and serves as a showcase for the great tradition which is Florida State baseball.

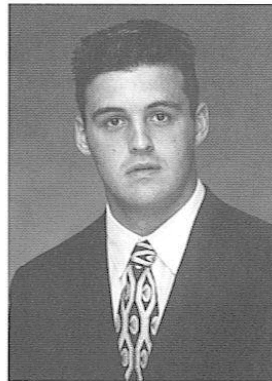


STRENGTH & CONDITIONING

Strength training and conditioning is an important part of any athlete's performance on the field. At Florida State, this aspect of a student-athlete's training is taken very seriously.

Strength and conditioning coach Steve Tamborra enters his second season as a member of the FSU baseball staff. He is a graduate of Florida State, receiving his bachelor's degree in Nutrition & Fitness and master's degree in Athletic Administration. Tamborra is a member of the National Strength and Conditioning Association and is a Certified Strength & Conditioning Specialist. He is also certified through the American College of Sports Medicine.

The FSU baseball program's philosophy for strength training is consistency with added variety. The dedicated Seminoles perform a 13-week off-season workout in the Moore Athletic Center weight room. The workout is specific to develop the needs and goals of each individual athlete. It consists of stretching, weight training, speed drills, plyometrics and aerobic



STEVE TAMBORRA
Strength &
Conditioning Coach

conditioning. The off-season workout's aim is to increase the players' speed, strength and durability. In addition to increasing an athlete's performance, the workout is also designed to decrease the incidence of injury.

The Moore Athletic Center weight room is a complete facility with a new rubberized floor surface and a mirrored area which includes exercise systems by Cybex Eagle as well as free weight equipment. A variety of exercise bicycles, rowing machines and Stairmasters incorporate both strength and conditioning and cardiovascular endurance. The facility encompasses over 7,000 square feet.

During the season, the Seminoles continue their training in Dick Howser Stadium's weight room. The team performs an in-season maintenance lift that is essential in keeping in top condition. The Howser weight room is conveniently located adjacent to the Seminoles' clubhouse. It is complete with Cybex equipment, free weights and a variety of cardiovascular machines.

The weight room at Dick Howser Stadium.



STUDENT SERVICES & ACADEMIC SUPPORT

ATHLETIC ACADEMIC SUPPORT MISSION STATEMENT

The Primary focus of the Athletic Academic Unit is to provide an environment which facilitates the academic success of the student-athlete. Student success is encouraged through competent academic counseling, study skills development, personal counseling, tutorial assistance, and numerous other support services.

MARK MELENEY

*Acting Director of Athletic
Academic Support*

Since October of 1996, Mark Meloney has been the Acting Director of the Athletic Director Academic Support Program. He brings to the position eleven years of advising experience at the Athletic Academic Support program. Over the past four years, Mark has played an integral role in the development of a comprehensive program of student athlete support, which in 1996 won an "Award of Excellence" from Athletic Management Magazine. In addition to his duties directing the Academic Support Program, Meloney evaluates all recruits for their academic potential, monitors academic progress and eligibility for student-athletes, and serves as a liaison to the academic community.



MARK MELENEY



AMY WHITE

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Baseball Academic Counselor

Amy White is in her second year with the FSU Athletic Academic Support Staff. She is Academic Counselor responsible for the academic advising of the Men's Baseball and Women's Volleyball teams. She is responsible for coordinating support services for these student-athletes, monitoring their academic progress, and counseling them on academic issues such as course and major selection, study habits and eligibility requirements. She also assists in the recruitment process for these student athletes. In addition to her counseling duties, Amy is the Academic Honors, Awards, and Scholarship Coordinator, as well as the coordinator of the Annual Golden Torch Gala, a black-tie event which recognized the student-athletes' academic achievements. Amy also serves as the Sports Psychology Consultant for the entire student-athlete population.

AN OVERVIEW OF AN ACADEMIC SUPPORT PROGRAM ON THE RISE

Academic, personal, and professional support are essential to college success. At Florida State University, we have developed an award-winning support program by building an environment which facilitates the academic success of student-athletes and enables them to reach their full potential. Each year over 450 student athletes take advantage of the competent academic advising,

study skills development, personal counseling, tutorial assistance and numerous other services provided by the Academic Support Program.

ORIENTATION

The goal of our orientation program is to make freshmen and transfer student-athletes' transition to Florida State University as smooth as possible. Student-athletes attend the University Orientation to learn about University policies, procedures, and campus life, and to get acquainted with University administration and faculty. Student-athletes then attend the Athletic Academic Support Orientation which is designed to cover a variety of topics specific to student-athletes. Before classes begin, student-athletes meet with their academic counselor to discuss potential majors and select classes. In addition, NCAA and ACC rules are outlined by the Athletic Compliance office. After classes begin, academic tutors provide individualized instruction on study skills and time management.

TUTORIAL PROGRAM

The FSU Athletic Department has made a commitment to providing its student-athletes with one of the finest and most comprehensive tutorial programs in the nation. The tutorial program is just one of several key support programs that are available to all student-athletes as they progress toward their ultimate goal of obtaining a college degree.

The academic support program has a cadre of 80 to 90 tutors each semester who are committed to providing a proactive and individualized approach to ensure academic success. The tutors are usually seniors or graduate level students who have outstanding academic backgrounds. Through an orientation and training session provided each semester by the Tutorial Coordinator, tutors acquaint themselves with the purposes, objectives and responsibilities involved in tutoring student-athletes.

MENTOR PROGRAM

Academic mentors are role models who have demonstrated the ability to teach and give guidance in areas of academic developmental skills. They are also seniors or graduate level students with outstanding academic credentials.

Each semester, mentors begin the process by discussing with their assigned student-athletes and assisting them in identifying their academic responsibilities for the entire semester. A calendar is developed, which becomes a visual blueprint for the student-athlete to keep up with his or her assignments and due dates.

Mentors are also responsible for providing assistance in the development of skills such as note taking, test preparation, and communication with faculty. In essence, mentors become an extension of the academic counselor as they keep the academic performance of their student-athletes under close observation and report to me academic counselor each week.

STUDY HALL

In an effort to ensure academic success of the student-athletes, professionally supervised study sessions for each athletic team are required. The main focus of the study hall program is to help students develop consistent and appropriate study patterns by providing a structured setting to work on class assignments, and to provide tutorial

assistance before academic problems arise.

Although the criteria for mandatory study hall is left to the discretion of the academic counselor for their respective sport, typically, all freshmen, first-year transfers, and underclassmen who have not achieved a satisfactory cumulative GPA are required to attend study hall. Additionally, each coach is regularly notified of any absences, tardiness, or inappropriate use of time.

ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

Florida State University student-athletes have achieved great success in obtaining recognition for academic excellence. More than \$90,000 in post-graduate award monies have been granted to FSU's student-athletes over the past three years, as well as a number of other academic honors or awards.

Florida State had 132 student-athletes on the 1996 ACC Honor Roll and boasted an ACC Weaver James Post-Graduate Scholarship winner and numerous GTE District Academic All-Americans. The athletic department is committed to recognizing the academic success of all student-athletes. The Academic Support Program holds a Golden Torch Gala, an academic awards banquet each fall to recognize the ACC Honor Roll athletes, and the members of each of the 17 teams with the highest GPAs for the previous academic year. Combining a strong GPA with athletic accomplishments and community service create a student-athlete capable of attaining unlimited academic honors, awards, and post-graduate opportunities.

**1996
ACADEMIC
HONOR ROLL**

1996 Golden Torch
Award
Zach Diaz

Fall 1996 3.5 Club
Zach Diaz

Fall 1996 3.0 Club
Randy Choate
J.D. Drew
Chuck Howell
Scott Hudson

FSU MARKETING & PROMOTIONS

Along with a nationally known baseball program and a top-notch facility, Florida State also heads the list when it comes to baseball marketing and promotions. Always in the forefront of baseball promotions, the FSU Sports Marketing Department has been recognized as a national leader in the field.

And for good reason. Fans of all ages cannot help but to have fun at the ballpark when there is an assortment of contests, giveaways and promotions to participate in, as well as exciting Seminole baseball action to be seen. Each game brings a variety of amusing and interesting activities as the Dick Howser Stadium crowd roots for their favorite team.

Whether playing a contest of chance or a game of skill, Florida State fans have plenty to see and do at the ballpark. Upon entering the stadium, fans are encouraged to sign up for contest ranging from catching water balloons in the outfield to looking for money under a base.

An annual favorite, "Youth Day" was recognized by *Collegiate Baseball* as the best promotion in college baseball in 1994. Once a season, area youth league ballplayers attend a selected game in their team jersey and gain free admittance. The youngsters huddle up by position along the leftfield foul line, and as the Seminole player playing their position



Local little leaguers enjoy Youth Day at Dick Howser Stadium.

is announced, all the youth leaguers playing that same position follow their FSU player onto the field, where they stay for the playing of the National Anthem. The Dick Howser Stadium playing field is filled with hundreds of future Seminoles for this must-see spectacle.

Another crowd favorite, especially with college students, is "25 Cent Hot Dog Day." At one game each year, the stadium concession stands sell hot dogs for a mere 25 cents. Other annual special promotions include: Scout Day, St. Patty's Day, an Easter egg hunt, Mother's Day, Dollar Day and Fan Appreciation Day. In 1995, Florida State started a new tradition as they held a Mardi Gras celebration in the stadium in which even the players and coaches participated.

In addition, corporate sponsors of Seminole baseball each have a special "Day at the Ballpark" to promote their products with special giveaways and promotions.

If your birthday falls during the baseball season, what better way to celebrate than with a "Birthday at the Ballpark." For a special price, the birthday person can reserve a block of 12 tickets to a game, receive a custom-made birthday cake along with public address and scoreboard wishes.

The 1997 Seminole baseball schedule features numerous season-long promotions and special single-game fanfares. So make a point to experience collegiate baseball the Seminole way.

