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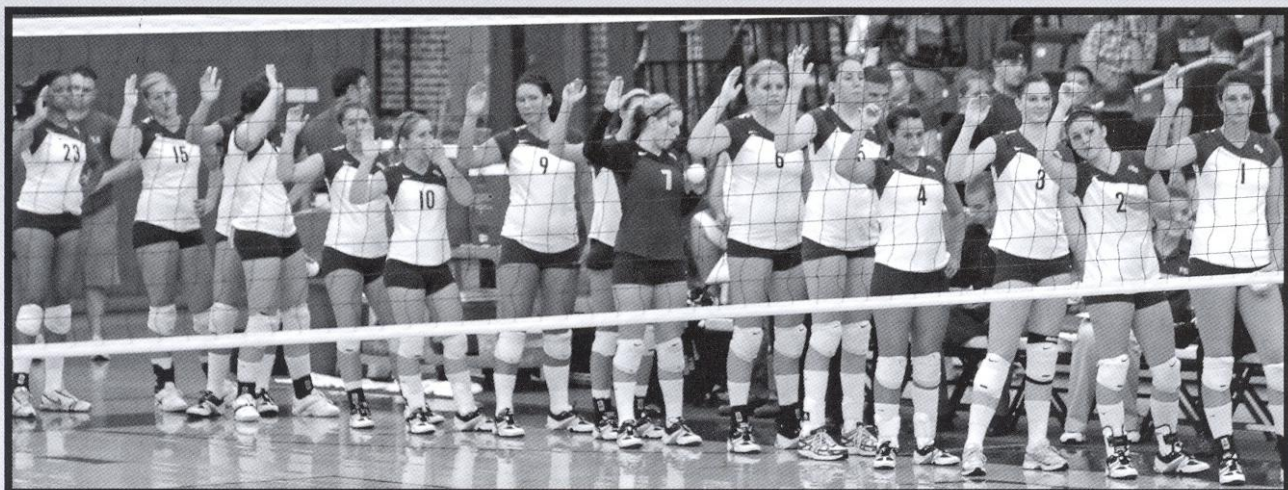
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# THIS IS FSU VOLLEYBALL

## COMMUNITY SERVICE & COMMUNITY SUPPORT

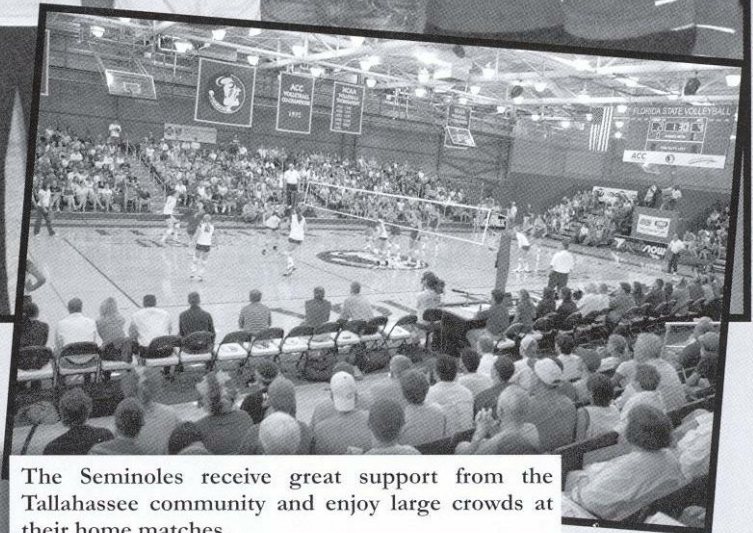
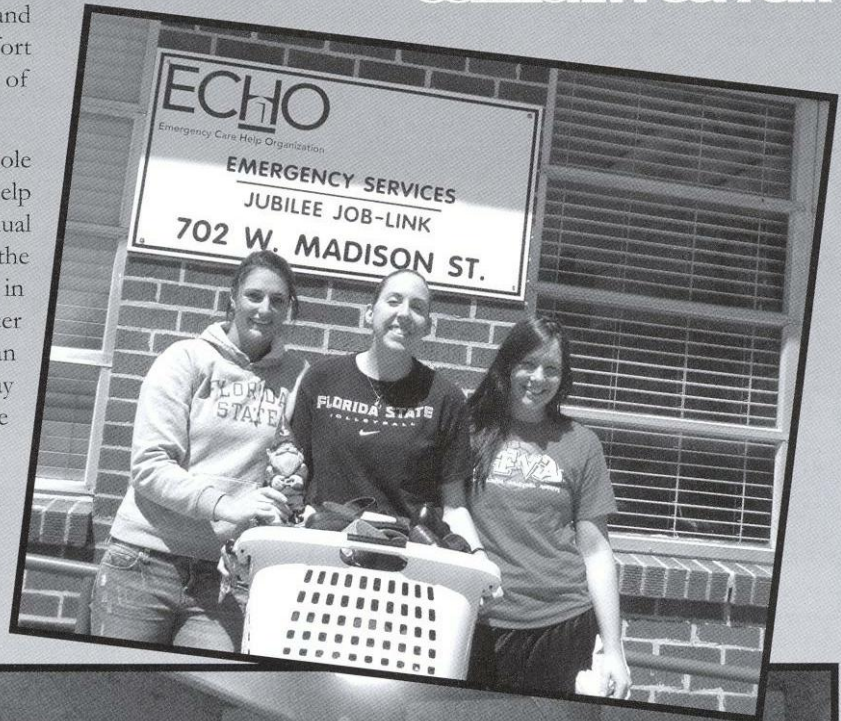
Giving back to the community is a priority for all of Florida State University's student-athletes and the Seminole volleyball team makes a strong effort throughout the year to perform countless hours of community service in the Big Bend area.

During the 2008-09 academic year, the Seminole women's athletics programs joined forces to help support a great cause as each team hosted individual "Paint it Pink" games. In support of the cause, the Florida State volleyball team raised nearly \$1,000 in online auctions and donations for Breast Cancer Research as the proceeds were donated to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure, as well as the WBCA Kay Yow Cancer Fund in honor of the late NC State head women's basketball coach.

The 2009 season's "Paint it Pink" match will take place on Oct. 25 against conference rival North Carolina.

### PAINT IT PINK

In 2008, the Seminoles raised nearly \$1,000 in online auctions and donations for Breast Cancer Research in their "Paint It Pink" efforts.



The Seminoles receive great support from the Tallahassee community and enjoy large crowds at their home matches.



**THIS IS FSU VOLLEYBALL SEMINOLE SPIRIT**

**THE SYMBOL: SEMINOLES**

Florida State played only two football games in 1947 before students demanded the school to acquire a symbol. While details conflict, most believe the account of a poll of the student body is accurate. The Florida Flambeau reported that Seminoles won by 110 votes over the Statesmen. The other top contenders (in order) were Rebels, Tarpons, Fighting Warriors and Crackers.

In the 1950s, a pair of students dressed in Native American costumes and joined the cheerleaders on the field, which eventually evolved into the majestic symbol of Osceola and Renegade that FSU now enjoys. Today, the Seminole Tribe participates in many campus activities. Florida State University is proud of its longstanding cooperative relationship with the Seminole Tribe of Florida. The Seminole people have suffered many hardships and injustices, but they have remained brave, dignified and proud. The Seminoles are unconquered. They symbolize what Florida State hopes will be the traits of all of its graduates, including student-athletes.

**GARNET AND GOLD**

Florida State's school colors of garnet and gold date back to the Florida State College championship football teams of 1904 and 1905. In those championship seasons, FSC donned purple and gold uniforms. When Florida State College became Florida Female College in 1905, the football team was forced to attend the University of Florida. The following year the FFC student body selected crimson as the official school color of 1905. The administration in 1905 took crimson and combined it with the recognizable purple of the championship football teams to achieve the color garnet. The now-famous garnet and gold colors were first used on an FSU uniform in a 14-6 football loss to Stetson on October 18, 1947.

The Net Set Club was established in the summer of 2001 to generate support for the Florida State volleyball team. The Committee of 30 gathered together with Seminole volleyball enthusiasts and athletic department staff members on June 27, 2001 to devise a plan and introduce the Net Set Club as the newest booster club at Florida State University.



The goal of the booster club is to help create a hostile environment at every Seminole home match and make Tully Gymnasium one of the toughest places to play in the country. Each fan is encouraged to join the Net Set Club and help other members promote Florida State volleyball around campus and in the community. In order to help build and maintain the Net Set Club, the volleyball program needs fans to join.

Membership fees begin at \$30 and more information can be found by visiting [www.seminole-boosters.fsu.edu](http://www.seminole-boosters.fsu.edu) and clicking on "Ways To Give" at the top and following the link to "Coaches Clubs."

**WAR CHANT**

Florida State's "war chant" appears to have begun with a random occurrence that took place during a 1984 football game against Auburn, but in the 1960's, the Marching Chiefs band would chant the melody of a popular FSU cheer. In a sense, that chant was the long-version of FSU's current "war chant." During a thrilling game with Auburn in 1984, the Marching Chiefs began to perform the dormant melody. Some students behind the band joined in and continued the "war chant" portion after the band had ceased. Most agree the chant came from the fraternity

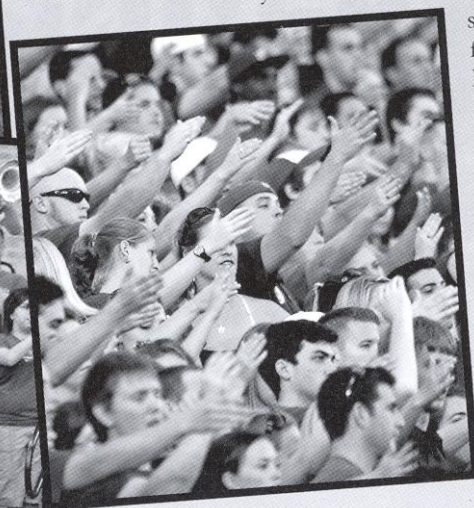
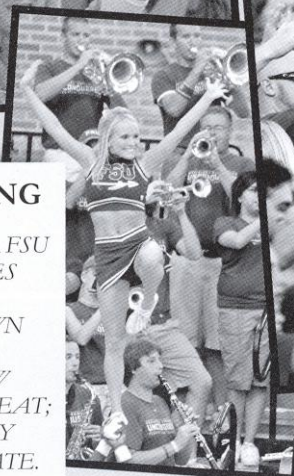
section, but many spirited Seminole fans added the hand motion to symbolize the brandishing of a tomahawk. The chant continued among the student body during the 1985 season, and by the 1986 season, it was a stadium-wide phenomenon. Of course, the Marching Chiefs refined the chant, plus

put their own special brand of accompaniment to the "war chant," for the sound we hear today.



**FLORIDA STATE FIGHT SONG**

YOU GOT TO FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT, FOR FSU  
 YOU GOT TO SCALP 'EM SEM-I-NOLES  
 YOU GOT TO WIN, WIN, WIN, WIN  
 WIN THIS GAME AND ROLL ON DOWN  
 AND MAKE THOSE GOALS.  
 FOR FSU IS ON THE WAR PATH NOW  
 AND AT THE BATTLE'S END SHE'S GREAT;  
 SO FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT TO VICTORY  
 OUR SEM-I-NOLES FROM FLORIDA STATE.





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Gametracker

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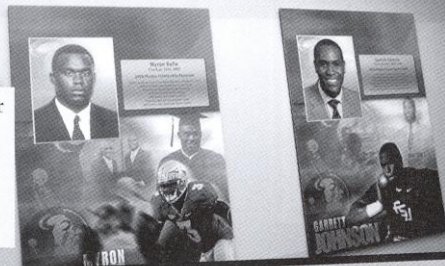




## STUDENT-ATHLETE SUCCESS

### FLORIDA STATE RHODES SCHOLARS

In the past four years, Florida State athletics has celebrated two Rhodes Scholars.



Taylor Wilson, FSU volleyball's 2008 Golden Torch recipient for the team's highest GPA, with Athletics Director Randy Spetman, head coach Chris Poole and Seminole Boosters president Andy Miller.

# Because at Florida State... Academics & Athletics Go Hand and Hand

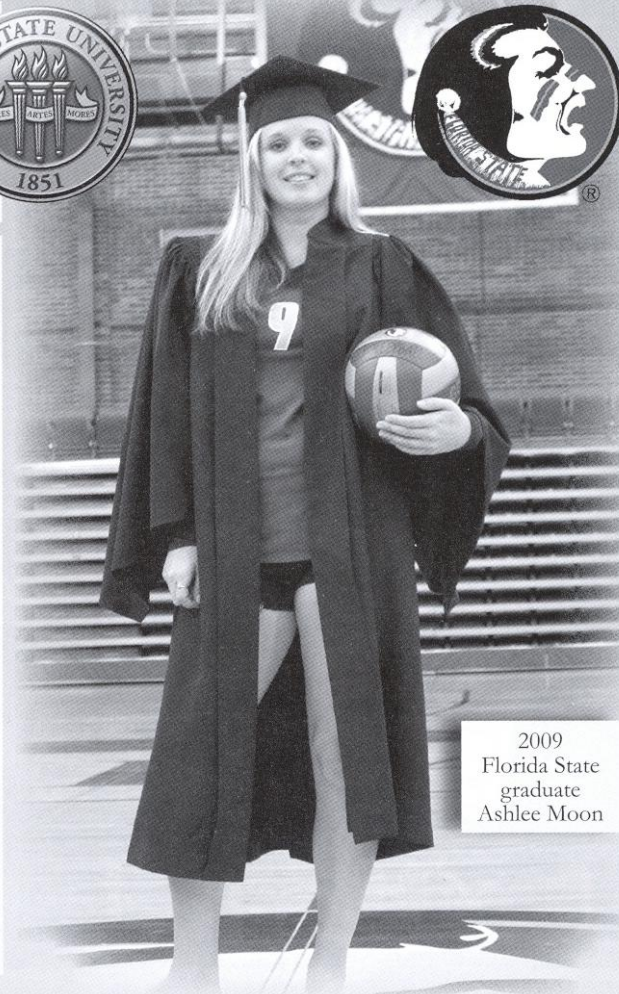
### FSU VOLLEYBALL TOUTS...

- One Academic All-American
- Eight District Academic All-Americans
- 17 ACC All-Academic Team honors since 1992
- 103 ACC Academic Honor Roll honors since 1992
- One ACC Postgraduate Scholarship recipient



### SEMINOLE ATHLETICS TOUTS...

- Football's Myron Rolle became the second Seminoles student-athlete in the past four years to earn the Rhodes Scholarship - one of the oldest and most prestigious awards for international study. It was the first time in nearly 25 years they awarded the scholarship to a prominent college football player.
- Over the past 15 years, more than 450,000 in Postgraduate Scholarship money has been granted to FSU student-athletes, as well as numerous other academic honors and awards.
- During the 2008-09 academic year, five Seminoles earned CoSIDA Academic All-American honors, 15 Seminole student-athletes were named District Academic All-Americans, 175 Seminole student-athletes were named to the ACC Academic Honor Roll, seven of Florida State's athletic teams had a 3.0 or better cumulative grade point average.
- In the spring 2009 semester, 202 Seminoles achieved a 3.0 GPA or better, 10 athletic teams had a 3.0 or better GPA and the average team semester GPA was a 2.8. Ten student-athletes made the spring 2009 President's List with a perfect 4.0 GPA while 62 student-athletes earned Dean's List status with a GPA of 3.5 or better.



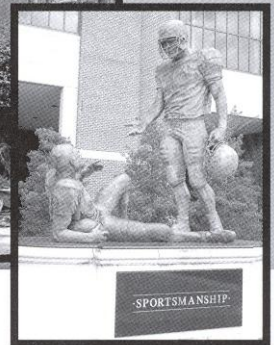
2009  
Florida State  
graduate  
Ashlee Moon



# THIS IS FLORIDA STATE A POWERHOUSE UNIVERSITY

## TOP NATIONAL RANKINGS

- Florida State consistently ranks in the top 10 universities nationally in physical sciences grants awarded by the National Science Foundation.
- U.S. News & World Report ranks Florida State in the nation's top 50 public universities.
- The Meteorology and Oceanography departments are ranked among the nation's top 10 by the National Research Council.
- Florida State's graduate program in nuclear physics was ranked eighth among public universities by U.S. News & World Report.
- The College of Business is ranked 8th among public universities by U.S. News & World Report. U.S. News also ranks the business school's Real Estate Program 11th in the country and its Risk Management/Insurance Program fourth.
- The College of Information's graduate program ranks in the top 10 nationally by U.S. News & World Report. The college's Children and Youth Services Program is first in the nation.
- The College of Law's Environmental Law Program is ranked 10th best in the nation by U.S. News & World Report, which also ranks the law school in the nation's top tier in terms of academic reputation.
- The College of Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts, recognized in 2004 by the Directors Guild of America for distinguished contributions to American culture, has won 24 College Television Awards in 17 years.
- The College of Music graduate program was named fifth best in the nation and its Opera Program third among public universities by U.S. News & World Report.



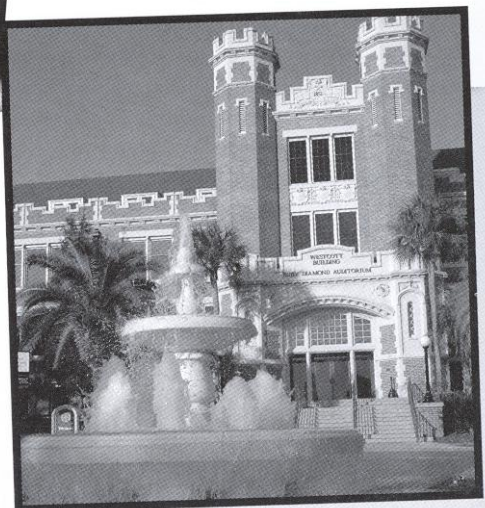
## NATIONALLY RENOWNED FACULTY

- Nobel Prize winner Sir Harold Kroto, of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, is a recipient of the Copley Medal, the highest award of the Royal Society in Britain.
- College of Music Professor Ellen Taaffe Zwilich, also a Florida State graduate, is the first woman to win the Pulitzer in music. She also is a four-time Grammy nominee, is the first woman to earn a doctorate in composition at the Julliard School and is the first-ever occupant of Carnegie Hall's Composer's Chair.
- Pulitzer Prize-winning author and Florida State English Professor Robert Olen Butler has won two National Magazine Awards in Fiction from the American Association of Magazine Editors.
- Academy Award winner Richard Portman, of the College of Motion Picture, Television and Recording Arts, has received 11 Academy Award nominations for sound work in feature films.
- Our Department of Dance faculty — one of the largest and most accomplished dance faculties in the country — includes legendary ballerina and 2006 Kennedy Honors recipient Suzanne Farrell.
- New York Times bestselling author Mark Winegardner, a Creative Writing professor, was selected by Random House and the Mario Puzo Estate to write the sequel to *The Godfather*.



## STRONG STUDENTS

- Florida State University has garnered three Rhodes Scholars in the past four years, including two student-athletes — track & field's Garrett Johnson (2005), Joe O'Shea (2007) and football's Myron Rolle (2008). Student have also received numerous other prestigious national scholarships and fellowships, including Truman Scholarships, Fulbright Fellowships, a Goldwater Scholarship, a Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship, a Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship, a Fulbright Hays Award and Rotary International Ambassador Scholarship.
- In 2008, the students entering as freshmen in the fall had an average SAT score of 1265 and an average ACT score of 28.
- Florida State graduates find employment with major employers including Ernst & Young, GEICO, Merrill Lynch, PricewaterhouseCoopers and Target.







# THIS IS TALLAHASSEE

Nearer to Atlanta than Miami, Tallahassee is “The Other Florida” in attitude, topography, climate and lifestyle.

## HISTORICALLY SPEAKING

- The first Christmas celebrated in the United States was in Tallahassee at the encampment of Spanish Explorer Hernando de Soto in 1539.
- Lights, Camera, Action ... Early “Tarzan” movies featuring Johnny Weissmuller and Maureen O’Sullivan were filmed at nearby Wakulla Springs. Also filmed, were “Creature from the Black Lagoon” and “Airport 77.”
- George Washington’s great grandniece, Catharine Daingerfield-Willis-Gray and Napoleon Bonparte’s nephew, Prince Achille Murat, provided the social event of the season when they were married in Tallahassee in 1826. The plantation home of widowed Princess Murat is on exhibit at the Tallahassee Museum.



## FACTS & FIGURES

- America’s largest concentration of original plantations — 300,000 acres, 71 plantations — exists between Tallahassee and Thomasville, Georgia, just 28 miles away.
- Nearly 60 percent of Tallahassee’s population is between the ages of 18-44.
- Average Low – High Temperatures in Tallahassee are 40 to 63 degrees in January and 72 to 91 degrees in July.
- There are over 150,000 people living in Tallahassee and over 300,000 in the metropolitan area.
- The capitol of the State of Florida has been located in Tallahassee since 1823.
- The Gulf of Mexico is just 20 miles south of Tallahassee and the Georgia border is just 14 miles to the north.

## WHAT TO DO

- With over 5,900 rooms in more than 58 hotels and motels, Tallahassee offers a blend of Southern-style inns, rustic campsites, family-owned economy lodges and impressive corporate hotels. There are also 13 bed & breakfasts and 13 inns in the Tallahassee area.
- From fast food to five-star, Tallahassee serves up an excellent selection of tantalizing restaurants. Tickling the taste buds are specialties ranging from homemade country sausage and melt-in-your-mouth steaks to wild game and succulent seafood fresh from the Gulf.
- Tallahassee lists 122 properties on the National Register of Historic Places. Tallahassee offers more than 28 museums, galleries, public art sculptures, monuments and historic sites. There are 306.5 miles of hiking/biking & walking trails in and around the Tallahassee area.
- There are eight public pools and 63 recreational parks in Tallahassee/Leon County -- incredible weather, lush gardens, lakes and more.

