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# GARNET AND GOLDEN FINALE

DONALD L. TUCKER CIVIC CENTER
SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019



#### **SEQUENCE OF EVENTS**

#### 4:00 PM DOORS OPEN 4:30 PM PROGRAM BEGINS

INTRODUCTION

Madison Fitzpatrick & Head Coach Brooke Niles, Beach Volleyball

WELCOME

John E. Thrasher, President, Florida State University

OPENING REMARKS

Vanessa Fuchs, Senior Associate Athletics
Director & Senior Woman Administrator

FEMINA PERFECTA AWARD Alicia Crew & Janet Stoner

INTRODUCTION OF A CHAMPION Madison Fitzpatrick & Head Coach Brooke Niles, Beach Volleyball

CHAMPIONS ACCEPTANCE
Darby Cottle Veazey

INTRODUCTION OF PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR Nylah Thompson

PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR ACCEPTANCE
Russ & Genie Morcom

CAMPAIGN GOAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Nylah Thompson

A THANK YOU TO OUR DONORS Tiana Jackson, Volleyball

#### FEMINA PERFECTA AWARD

Femina Perfecta, meaning "complete woman" is given to a member of each of the eleven women's teams. The recipient of this award exemplifies the motto on the University seal, which has three torches and the words VIRES, ARTES, and MORES, and the words under the torches on the Florida State College for Women seal FEMINA PERFECTA. This represents the goal of the college for all students. She will not necessarily be the most intellectual, fastest, strongest, top scorer, funniest, etc., but should be the one who is invaluable to the team and who will always make a difference.

#### CHAMPION BEYOND THE GAME

The Champion Beyond the Game award honors former women athletes who have excelled in life after college sports. We honor our "Champion" and learn how the lessons they learned from athletic competition helped them achieve success in life.

#### PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Philanthropist of the Year Award honors an extraordinary individual or group of individuals that have displayed great leadership and financial support to Women's Athletics at Florida State University. They demonstrate high levels of commitment and serve as a role model to encourage philanthropy in others in support of our women's programs.

### CHAMPION BEYOND THE GAME◆ DARBY COTTLE VEAZEY ◆

Darby Cottle Veazey, a member of the AIAW FSU slow-pitch softball team is a two-time All American. Darby is one of the only two female athletes to have their number retired at FSU. In her athletic career, Cottle Veazey earned some of the highest honors ever given to a female athlete at FSU including the Broderick Award for slow-pitch softball. She was later named the amateur softball player of the year for slow-pitch softball by the United States Olympic Committee. After graduating in 1983, she married her husband, Todd Veazey, and had two children, Carly and Chance. She has been the owner of a State Farm Insurance Agency since 1994 and has received the Production Award 21 times as well as the Quality Business award every year since 1994. Darby has been greatly involved locally by being a Community Coach for basketball and softball with the Tift County Rec Department. She is also a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Adult Chapter and provides support for student-athletes through school clubs.

## PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR AWARD ◆ RUSS & GENIE MORCOM ◆

Russ and Genie Morcom are longtime friends and supporters of Florida State University. They believe strongly in both athletics and academic programs and have made numerous contributions through the years including the lead gift for the Morcom Aquatic Center and most recently the Golf & Softball renovation projects. They are also strong supporters of almost all Coaches Clubs which directly impact a vast majority of our student athletes at FSU. In addition to their gifts, Russ served two consecutive terms as Chairman of Seminole Boosters, where he proved to be an inspirational leader. They are both true Seminole sports fans and serve as a constant symbol of encouragement to our student athletes.

#### FEMINA PERFECTA AWARD RECIPIENTS

#### NAUSIA WOOLFOLK

Basketball ♦ Junior

#### **BROOKE KUHLMAN**

Beach Volleyball ◆ Senior

#### MEGAN MOONEY

Cross Country ♦ Junior

#### **EDEN HESSINGER**

Diving ♦ Junior

#### **ASHLEY MANGAN**

Golf ◆ Junior

#### NATALIA KUIKKA

Soccer ◆ Senior

#### CALI HARROD

Softball ♦ Senior

#### PAIGE SCHENDELAAR-KEMP

Swimming ◆ Junior

#### ARIANA RAHMANPARAST

Tennis ♦ Senior

#### **CORTNEY JONES**

Track & Field ♦ Junior

#### **BRIANNE BURKERT**

Volleyball ◆ Senior