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2001-2002 TORERO SENIORS IN FRONT OF JENNY CRAIG PAVILION

TORERO SENIORS
USD TOREROS Host Saint Mary's Gaels & USF Dons

THE GAMES: The USD Toreros (12-11; 4-6 WCC) will close out their regular-season home schedule this week with games against Saint Mary's College (7-16; 2-8 WCC) on Thursday and the San Francisco Dons (12-11; 7-3 WCC) on Saturday. Both games tipoff at 7:05 pm.

TV/RADIO/WEBCAST: Both games will be broadcast on the radio at KCBQ 1170 AM (Jerry Gross, play-by-play, Jim Brogan, color), and the contests will also be webcast via the internet at www.usdtoreros.com and www.kcbq.com.

SERIES RECORD: USD will be looking for revenge when they play these two schools this week. Just two weeks ago San Francisco handed the Toreros a 87-71 setback, and the Saint Mary's Gaels hold the Toreros in the overall series 23-21, but USD has won 6-of-8.

TORERO COACH BRAD HOLLAND: Head coach Brad Holland (UCLA, 1979) is in his eighth season at the helm of the USD men's basketball program. He is coming off a 16-13 campaign where the Toreros finished fourth in the WCC with their 7-7 mark. In 1999-2000, Holland was chosen WCC Coach of the Year by his peers for the second straight season after he guided the Toreros to a 20-9 mark -- including wins over every WCC foe. In 1999-98 he guided the Toreros to an 18-9 mark and 2nd place finish in the WCC (9-5; tie for 2nd). Holland's USD career mark heading into Thursday's contest is 122-97, including two seasons at Cal State Fullerton, his overall coaching record is 145-128. Since the start of 1998-99 season, Holland is 65-42 (.610 winning percentage). Holland, who played four years of basketball at UCLA (1976-79), was the 14th player taken in the first round of the 1979 NBA draft by the Los Angeles Lakers. He was a member of the 1980 NBA Los Angeles Lakers championship team. Holland and his wife Leslie, who reside in Carlsbad, have three children: twin daughters Kristin and Lisa, sophomores at USD, and a son, Kyle.

TOREROS EARN SPLIT AT HOME: The Toreros returned to the Jenny Craig Pavilion on Feb. 7th and came away with an impressive 103-80 victory over Portland...junior guard Roy Morris (17 points, 6-7 FG) led six players in double digits...it marked the first time since 1993 that a USD team tallied triple digits in a contest...USD's solid play continued two nights later when they took on 9th-ranked Gonzaga and battled the Zags to a 77-76 loss...junior forward Matt Delzell made all six of his shots and scored a season-best 15 points...senior forward Sam Adamo followed up his 16 points/9 rebound effort against Portland with a 14 point/7 rebound total against Gonzaga.

TORERO TIDBITS: With 1,211 career points, senior guard Andre Laws sits at #9 all-time in USD scoring...he'll move up a couple of spots this week when he passes #8 Doug Harris (1,212) and #7 Kelvin Woods (1,216). Laws needs 24 points to move into the 6th spot past Russ Craven (1,234 points; 1959-63). Laws leads the team and ranks 4th in WCC scoring at 17.5 ppg. USD set a new

Jenny Craig Pavilion attendance figure last Saturday when 5,423 fans showed up for the showdown with Gonzaga. Junior center Jason Blair continues to rank second on the team in scoring (13.6 ppg) and first in rebounding (6.7); he ranks second in the WCC in field goal percentage (.543). The Toreros are 7-6 in home games this season. On Saturday USD will pay tribute to its four seniors playing their last regular-season games at the Jenny Craig Pavilion - Sam Adamo, Kevin Hanson, Andre Laws and Tom Lippold.

WCC STANDINGS (thru 2-10-02): Pepperdine Univ. (10-0; 17-6), Gonzaga University (9-1; 22-3), Univ. of San Francisco (7-3; 12-11), Santa Clara Univ. (5-5; 10-13), Univ. of San Diego (4-6; 12-11), Loyola Marymount Univ. (2-8; 9-13), Saint Mary's College (2-8; 7-6), Univ. of Portland (1-9; 5-19). WCC Preseason Coaches Poll results, first place votes in parenthesis: 1- Gonzaga (7) 49 points; 2- San Francisco (1) 37 points; 3- Santa Clara, 34 points; 4-Pepperdine, 33 points; 5- San Diego, 31 points; 6-Loyola Marymount, 20 points; 7- Portland, 15 points; 8- St. Mary's, 9 points.

SCOUTING THE OPPONENTS: The Saint Mary's Gaels saw their recent two-game WCC winning streak snapped last Saturday with a 67-58 loss at first place Pepperdine...their win streak included a 63-60 win over USD, followed by a 62-44 win at LMU...with a record of 7-16 overall and 2-8 in the WCC, the Gaels are paced by sophomore guard Paul Marigney (11.3 ppg) and sophomore forward Chase Poole (9.8 ppg)....the Saint Mary's coaching staff has Torero ties - head coach Randy Bennett was an assistant at USD between 1988-96, assistant Kyle Smith was an assistant at USD from 1992-2000, and assistant Lamont Smith played at USD (1994-99). The San Francisco Dons play at Santa Clara Thursday before heading south to San Diego. USF had won four of five entering the week and stood third in the WCC standings at 7-3. This past weekend USF lost 79-72 at Pepperdine, then won 80-67 against LMU. On the season the Dons are paced by junior forward Darrell Tucker (19.0 ppg; 10.1 rpg) and sophomore guard John Cox (12.5 ppg)-Tucker (23) and Cox (22) led the Dons past the Toreros on Friday, February 1st.

USD TO HOST WCC TOURNAMENT: For the second straight year, the West Coast Conference Basketball Championships, for both women and men, will be held in San Diego at USD's Jenny Craig Pavilion. The five-day, 14-game event will take place Feb. 28 to Mar. 4th. Once again, the men's championship game on March 4th will be televised by ESPN. Tickets are on sale now; visit the Jenny Craig Ticket Office for more information (260-7550).

UP NEXT: Following this week's home games, the Toreros close out their regular-season schedule on the road at Pepperdine (Feb. 22nd) and LMU (Feb. 23rd). Both games tipoff at 7:05 pm. The Pepperdine game will be televised by Fox Sports.

FOLLOW USD ATHLETICS ON THE WEB: Get all the current notes and statistics on San Diego basketball, as well as all USD athletic teams, via the internet at www.usdtoreros.com. Information on the WCC, and the seven other league schools, can be found at www.WCCSports.com.

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Assistants: Kyle Smith, Lamont Smith, Dan Shell

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Head Coach: Philip Mathews (6th season)
Assistants: Billy Reid, Justin Piergrossi, Paul Trevor
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**Head Coach:** Brad Holland (8th Season; UCLA, 1979)

**Assistant Coaches:**
- David Fizdale (4th Year; USD, 1996)
- Steve Flint (2nd Year; UCSD, 1984)
- Sam Scholl (1st Year; USD, 2001)

**Student Assistant:** James Borrego (1st Year)

**Team Managers:** John & Paul Brewer

*Players that sat out the 2000-2001 season; # will sit out 2001-2002 year*
They have three children—twins Kristin and Lisa, both second-year students at USD, and a son, Kyle.

The Holland Family (l-r): Brad, Leslie, Lisa, Kristin, Kyle
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ASSISTANT COACHES

DAVID FIZDALE 4th year

David Fizdale returns to coach Brad Holland's staff for the fourth straight season, but his first as the program's top assistant. Head of recruiting, Fizdale will be involved with all aspects of the basketball program. After graduating from USD in 1996, he worked for the Miami Heat of the National Basketball Association as the assistant video coordinator.

Prior to that position, Fizdale was a student assistant for the first half of the 1996-97 Torero season while he completed his degree in Communications. During the summer he helps with the USD Boys Summer Basketball Camps.

No stranger to USD basketball, Fizdale was a four-year player for the Toreros between 1992-96. A two-year captain and team Most Valuable Player his senior year, Fizdale was selected First Team All-West Coast Conference after leading the WCC in assists at 7.0 per contest. He set a new USD single season record for assists with 195 and also set a new USD career mark with 465. In addition to being the team MVP, he was also a two-time recipient of the Bugelli Leadership Award, and was selected the San Diego Hall of Champions Amateur Star of the Month (February, 1996).

He finished his USD career with 73 starts in 93 games and scored 745 points (8.0 points per game average).

STEVE FLINT 2nd year

Steve Flint begins his second year as assistant men's basketball coach at the University of San Diego. He will again work closely with the Toreros big men, as well as play a leading role in the team's recruiting efforts.

The 40-year-old Flint came to USD from Valparaiso University where he was an assistant coach for five straight seasons.

At Valparaiso, Flint was the primary coach for post players and was instrumental in VU's last six championship seasons in the Mid-Continent Conference and five straight NCAA Tournament appearances.

Involved with the Crusaders' recruiting, Flint helped assemble the team that became the Cinderella story of the 1999 NCAA Tournament, advancing to the Sweet Sixteen.

Prior to Valparaiso, Flint gained extensive experience as a coach and player. He served as the general manager of the Columbus (Ohio) Basketball Club from February - August, 1995. While in Columbus, Flint was also the co-director of the Krider Basketball Camp and the Adidas Summer Shootout.

A native of Hayfork, California in the northern part of the state, Flint was head coach of basketball and football at Hayfork HS from 1991-93. A 1984 draft choice of the Portland Trailblazers, Flint played for Jerry Tarkanian at UNLV from 1980-82 before earning a degree in Political Science from UC San Diego in 1984.

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ASSISTANT COACHES

SAM SCHOLL 2nd year

Sam Scholl begins his second season on the USD coaching staff as an assistant, but his first as a fulltime assistant to head coach Brad Holland. Scholl was the team's student assistant a year ago.

Scholl, the Toreros' lone senior on the team's 20-9 squad from 1999-2000, played guard for San Diego for two straight seasons. Prior to USD he played two seasons at Tacoma Community College in Tacoma, Washington.

From Gig Harbor, Washington, Sam recently completed his undergraduate degree in Sociology at the University of San Diego.

Besides assisting the coaching staff with all aspects of the day-to-day operations, Scholl helps run the USD boys basketball camps during the summer.

JAMES BORREGO 1st year

James Borrego begins his first season on the USD coaching staff as the program's student assistant coach. A second year graduate student who is working on his master’s degree in Leadership Studies in the School of Education, Borrego played for coach Holland the past three seasons.

Last year he was named to the WCC All-Academic Team while earning a 4.0 grade-point-average in his first year of graduate studies. He also earned the team's Miller Lite Student Athlete of the Year honor. He earned his undergraduate degree in English, and two seasons ago earned the team's Bugelli Leadership Award.

From Albuquerque, New Mexico, James and his wife, Megan, were married this past summer.

USD TORERO SUPPORT STAFF

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Team Manager

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Team Manager

Fabiana Dixon
Adm. Assistant

Simona Dixon
Adm. Assistant

2001-2002 USD COACHING STAFF (l-r):
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**FINAL 2000-2001 UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO BASKETBALL STATISTICS**

**Overall Record:** 16-13  
**WCC Record:** 7-7, 4th place  
**Home:** 7-6; **Away:** 8-7; **Neutral:** 1-0

#### Overall Statistics

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#### 2000-2001 Starting Lineups & Record (W-L)

- **F-Rigby, F-Lippold, C-Field, G-White, G-Laws (Nov. 18 to Dec. 28th; 7-3 record)**
- **F-Rigby, F-Lippold, C-Field, G-Laws, G-Morris (Dec. 30th to Jan. 2nd; 1-1 record)**
- **F-Rigby, Lippold, C-Field, G-White, G-Laws (Jan. 6th; 0-1 record)**
- **F-Greene, F-Adams, C-Field, G-White, G-Laws (Jan. 12th to Feb. 8th; 4-5 record)**
- **F-Delzell, F-Rigby, C-Field, G-White, G-Delzell (Feb. 10th to Feb. 22nd; 3-1 record)**
- **F-Rigby, F-Boardman, C-Field, G-White, G-Delzell (Feb. 24th to Mar. 4th; 1-2 record)**

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**WCC Championships**
- 1986-87 (13-1 WCC, 24-6)
- 1983-84 (9-3 WCC, 18-10)

**WCC Coach of the Year**
- Brad Holland, 1999-2000
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- Hank Egan, 1986-87
- Hank Egan, 1985-86
- Jim Brovelli, 1983-84

**WCC Player of the Year**
- Scott Thompson, 1986-87

**WCC Freshman of the Year**
- Brock Jacobsen, 1995-96
- Gylan Dottin, 1988-89
- John Sayers, 1987-88
- Scott Thompson, 1983-84

**First Team All-WCC**
- Brooks Barnhard, 1994
- Brian Bruso, 1997
- Gylan Dottin, 1993
- David Fizdale, 1996
- Doug Harris, 1993, 1995
- John Jerome, 1990
- Nils Madden, 1987
- Brian Miles, 1998
- Pete Murphy, 1986
- Anthony Reuss, 1984, 1985
- Scott Thompson, 1985, '86, '87
- Dana White, 2001
- Mike Whitmarsh, 1983, 1984
- Ryan Williams, 1999

**WCC Male Scholar Athlete of the Year**
- Steve Krallman, 1987

**CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-America**
- David Heppell, 1982

**WCC All-Tournament Team**
- Doug Harris, 1994
- Brooks Barnhard, 1994
- Kelvin Woods, 1991
- Scott Thompson, 1987

**WCC All-Academic Team**
- Brian Bruso, 93-94, 94-95, 95-96, 96-97
- James Borrego, '00-01
- Keith Colvin, 1990-91
- Matt Delzell, '"99-00, '00-01

**WCC Scholar-Athletes (Min. 3.0 g.p.a.)**
- James Borrego, '99-00, '00-01
- Brian Bruso, 93-94, 94-95, 95-96, 96-97
- Don Capener, 1981-82, 82-83
- Keith Colvin, 1989-90
- Mario Coronado, 1982-83, 83-84
- Matt Delzell, 1999-00, '00-01
- Joe Fish, 1983-84
- Sean Flannery, 1995-96, 96-97
- Jon Freeman, 1981-82
- David Heppell, 1980-81, 81-82
- Steve Krallman, 1983-84, 84-85
- Brad Levesque, 1980-81
- Nils Madden, 84-85, 85-86, 86-87
- Dave McIver, 1982-83
- Eric Musselman, 1983-84
- John Prunty, 81-82, 82-83, 83-84
- Anthony Reuss, 81-82, 82-83, 83-84
- Cameron Rigby, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00, 00-01
- John Sayers, 1987-88
- Brian Bruso, 1997-98
- Mike Whitmarsh, 1983-84
- Brooks Barnhard, 1993-94
- Joe Temple, 1993-94
- Gylan Dottin, 1992-93
- Kelvin Woods, 1990-91, 91-92

**Most Valuable Player**
- Dana White, 2000-01
- Andre Laws, 1999-00
- Ryan Williams, 1998-99
- Brian Miles, 1996-97
- Brian Bruso, 1996-97
- David Fizdale, 1995-96
- Doug Harris, 1994-95
- Brooks Barnhard, 1993-94
- Joe Temple, 1993-94
- Gylan Dottin, 1992-93
- Kelvin Woods, 1990-91, 91-92
- John Jerome, 1989-90
- Danny Means, 1987-88, 88-89
- Scott Thompson, 1985-86, 86-87
- Anthony Reuss, 1984-85
- Mike Whitmarsh, 1983-84

**Miller Lite Student Athlete of the Year**
- James Borrego, 2000-01
- Cameron Rigby, 97-98, 98-99, 99-00
- Matt Delzell, 1999-00
- Brian Bruso, 93-94, 94-95, 95-96, 96-97
- Sean Flannery, 1996-97
- Val Hill, 1992-93
- Kelvin Woods, 1989-90, 91-92

**Keith Colvin, 1990-91
Craig Cottrell, 1998-99
Mike Haupt, 1987-88

**Bugelli Leadership Award**
- Tyler Field, 2000-01
- James Borrego, 1999-00
- Ryan Williams, 1998-99
- Lamont Smith, 1998-99
- Brock Jacobsen, 1999-98
- Mike Courtney, 1996-97, 1997-98
- David Fizdale, 1994-95, 1995-96
- Michael Brown, 1991-92
- Wayman Strickland, 1990-91
- Anthony Thomas, 1989-90
- Kelvin Means, 1988-89
- Mike Haupt, 1987-88
- Eric Musselman, 1986-87
- Mario Coronado, 1985-86
- Chris Carr, 1984-85

**Zable Athletic Excellence Award**
- Tyler Field, 1999-00, '00-01
- Cameron Rigby, 1999-00
- Brock Jacobsen, 98-99
- Ryan Williams, 1997-98
- Brock Jacobsen, 1996-97
- Rocco Raffo, 1995-96
- Doug Harris, 1994-95
- Brooks Barnhard, 1993-94
- Geoff Probst, 1991-92, '92-93
- Michael Brown, 1990-91
- Pat Holbert, 1989-90
- Danny Means, 1987-88, 88-89
- Nils Madden, 1986-87
- Paul Leonard, 1986-87
- Scott Thompson, 1985-86
- Anthony Reuss, 1984-85

**Bully’s East Most Improved Player**
- Nick Greene, 2000-01
- Tom Lippold, 1999-00
- Sam Adamo, 1999-00
- Dana White, 1998-99
- Jeff Knoll, 1996-97, 97-98
- Andre Speech, 1995-96
- Ryan Williams, 1994-95

**Best Defensive Player**
- Dana White, 2000-01
- Matt Delzell, 1999-00
- Lamont Smith, 1998-99
- Noah Obasohan, 1997-98
- Lamont Smith, 1996-97
Standing The Test Of Time
Ten years ago, Duke and Kentucky participated in what is arguably the greatest college basketball game ever played.
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Game: Tennessee at Florida (men); Feb. 22, 2002; O’Connell Center
Inside Scoop: Luckily for Florida coach Billy Donovan, starting the year without the Ted Dupay and Kwame Brown won’t make or break bis season—the Gators are too Tennessee’s first-year coach Buzz Peterson, who an aggressive defensive scheme to trigger a running, pressing attack against the Gators.
By Matt Bonner, Brett Nelson and Justin Hamilton will pose other matchup problems for the Volunteers.

Game: Texas Tech at Oklahoma (women); Feb. 27, 2002; Lloyd Noble Center
Inside Scoop: Two of the nation’s best teams close out the Big 12 regular season in a must-watch matchup for those who appreciate stellar guards and forceful frontcourts. OU coach Sherri Coale’s coalition boasts one of the country’s best backcourts with Stacey Dales and LaNesha Cashfield. Tech, meanwhile, can hold their own with junior forward Plenette Pierson displaying her interior skills and sophomore Jia Perkins and senior Amber Tarr shooting the lights out on the perimeter.

Game: Iowa at Michigan State (men); Mar. 2, 2002; Breslin Center
Inside Scoop: The final game of the Big Ten regular season will be more for tournament seeding than anything else, as teams seek momentum towards a run in the Big Dance. Tom Izzo’s Spartans are no exception, contending all season despite losing four key components from 2001’s Final Four squad. Steve Alford’s Iowa Hawkeyes, led by seniors Reggie Evans and Luke Recker, blend youth and experience while MSU could electrify crowds with guards Marcus Taylor and freshmen sensations Kelvin Torbert and Alan Anderson.

Game: Kansas at Missouri (men); Mar. 3, 2002; Hearnes Center
Inside Scoop: Once again, we have another great momentum-maker as Kansas and Mizzou head into postseason play. The Jayhawks are solid—Nick Collison, Drew Gooden and McDonald’s All-American Wayne Simien patrol the frontcourt, with lightning-quick Kirk Hinrich, Jeff Boschee and Aaron Miles ruling the backcourt. Quin Snyder’s Jayhawks are just as balanced, boasting player of the year candidate Kareem Rush, Clarence Gilbert, Wesley Stokes and Arthur Johnson. Roy Williams and the crew have struggled at Missouri; even Gooden says it’s his most feared collegiate arena.
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The image of the final 2.1 seconds is etched in our collective memory. Grant Hill takes the ball from the ref on the baseline, rears back and throws a football pass 75 feet into the waiting grasp of Christian Laettner. Two Kentucky defenders fall away, leaving Duke's All-American room to make his move: one dribble... the quick feint to the right... the spin back to the left... the shot... the buzzer... the ball swishing cleanly through the net... the wild celebration.

But Duke's victory over Kentucky in the 1992 East Regional title game is so much more than that dramatic finish. It was a clash between two of college basketball's elite programs—one arriving at the top and the other returning there after a brief absence. It was a matchup between two dynamic coaches. It was a 45-minute display of basketball virtuosity that has rarely been duplicated, played at a pace that left watchers as breathless as the participants. And it was the final act for a quartet of remarkable young men who exemplify everything college athletics wants to be about.

Is there any wonder that even 10 years later, the 1992 Duke-Kentucky game is widely regarded as the greatest college basketball game ever played?

"I love the way it's been celebrated by both teams," Blue Devil coach Mike Krzyzewski said recently. "There was no loser. That has helped make that game even better because everybody came to that realization. The game is always bigger than anybody, but that game was a lot bigger than anybody."

It's hard to recapture what that 1992 matchup meant to the two programs.

Kentucky, long the gold standard in college basketball, had seen its program tarnished by scandal in the late '80s. Two years of probation, including a TV and tournament ban, left the Wildcats program in a state that was summed up by a Sports Illustrated cover that simply said, "Kentucky's Shame.

Rick Pitino, an energetic young miracle worker, was brought in to erase that shame. It took him three seasons to build the team that would take No. 1 Duke to the edge... and beyond.

But Duke was also looking for something in 1992. The Blue Devils had enjoyed basketball success in its history. Yet, the
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program had never really been top-rank material before Krzyzewski’s arrival in 1980. It was his incredible run—five Final Four appearances in six years between 1986 and 1991—that had finally allowed the Blue Devils to claim parity with the elite programs such as UCLA, Kansas, North Carolina … and Kentucky.

Duke’s bid for a second straight national championship in 1992 was vital to securing that place in the basketball world. The Blue Devils had spent the entire season ranked No. 1. Krzyzewski’s squad opened the NCAA playoffs with double-figure victories over Campbell, Iowa and Seton Hall.

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Kentucky’s path to the East Regional title game was almost as easy. The Wildcats earned a No. 2 seed by winning the SEC championship and knocked off Old Dominion, Iowa State and Massachusetts to earn the chance to play the top-seeded Blue Devils in the Philadelphia Spectrum.

Few observers expected Kentucky to offer Duke much of a challenge that March day, including the Blue Devils themselves.

“We were so confident,” Grant Hill recalled. “As soon as we learned we were playing them, we licked our chops.”

Why not? Duke was a team of veteran stars. Point guard Bobby Hurley, Hill and Laettner—all future NBA lottery picks—had started on the 1991 team that had defeated invincible UNLV in the semifinals, then beat Kansas for the title. Senior forward Brian Davis, junior guard Thomas Hill, sophomore forward Antonio Lang and freshman center Cherokee Parks (another future lottery pick) were all talented players.

Kentucky answered with exactly one legitimate college star. Sophomore forward Jamal Mashburn was the Cats’ only future lottery pick. The heart of the team rested in four unheralded seniors, who had elected to stay in Lexington and ride out the probation years. The Faithful Four, as some Kentucky fans called them—fowards John Pelphrey and Deron Feldhaus, guards Sean Wood and Richie Farmer—joked that they only stayed because they weren’t good enough to go anywhere else.

That was only a slight exaggeration. Even Pitino admitted that he wouldn’t have recruited them. But he used them to surround the gifted Mashburn and to run his system, built around constant fullcourt pressure and a heavy reliance on the three-point shot. That system, as much as anything, was why Duke was anxious to take on the Wildcats. The Blue Devils didn’t believe anybody could press them or run with them.

Kentucky would show them just how wrong they were.

It started early. The Wildcats forced Laettner into a turnover on Duke’s first possession and Pelphrey promptly hit a three-pointer. Kentucky had hit just 3-of-15 three-pointers in their semifinal victory over UMass, but the Cats hit their first three against Duke and jumped to a 20-12 lead.

It didn’t last long. The Blue Devils responded, as they had all season, nipping off a 15-2 run to recapture the lead. The first half was played at a furious pace as Kentucky’s press forced the tempo. Duke’s response was to attack with Hurley, who turned it over eight times, but also dished out 10 assists.

The Blue Devils shot an amazing 70 percent in the first half, yet led by just five at the break. That lead stretched to 12 when Hurley hit a three-pointer to give Duke a 67-55 edge
If not for Laettner, Woods’ miraculous shot would be the one remembered.

with just over 11 minutes to go. Kentucky appeared to be waiting in the face of Duke’s talent. Pitino may have been the only person in the Spectrum who still thought the Cats could win.

“I told them at that point, ‘Now is the time to make our run,’” Pitino said.

Not even Pitino could have imagined the next 30 seconds. Guard Dale Brown broke the Duke run with a backdoor layup and almost before the two points went up on the scoreboard, Feldhaus stole the inbound pass and fed Mashburn for a three-pointer. Duke turned it over again and Mashburn hit another.

It had taken the Wildcats less than 30 seconds to cut a 12-point deficit to five. It was at that moment that Duke-Kentucky became transcendent, a game for the ages. From that point, Duke played as well as it had all season and was matched shot for shot by Kentucky’s indomitable underdogs.

“It was like ‘Can you top this?’” Herb Sendek, a Kentucky assistant coach that day, said. “It was almost like that McDonald’s commercial with Michael Jordan and Larry Bird. As soon as one team had a run or made a great shot, you thought, ‘They can’t counter that’... and somebody did.”

There was one moment when the sublime surrendered to the ridiculous. With just under eight minutes left, Kentucky freshman Aminu Timberlake fell under the Duke basket after fouling Laettner. The Blue Devil center momentarily lost his cool and deliberately stepped on Timberlake’s chest.

“I thought he pushed me at the other end of the court,” Laettner said. “It was just a stupid reaction type thing.”

The force of Laettner’s blow—he called it a tap, Kentucky partisans have labeled it a stomp—is in dispute. Timberlake wasn’t hurt. Indeed, he jumped to his feet clapping as Laettner was assessed a technical foul, but not ejected for his gesture.

The incident failed to slow the momentum of the game’s final minutes. Duke tried to cling to its narrow lead, but with just over 30 seconds left Feldhaus rebounded a Pelphrey miss to knot the game at 93. It stayed that way when Hurley missed a runner in the final seconds of regulation.

In overtime, the tough little guard answered Pelphrey’s three-pointer with his fifth trifecta of the game, helping Duke go into the final 40 seconds tied at 98.

At that point, as incredible and as impossible as it seems, the level of play went up another notch. The lead would change hands five times in the final 32 seconds.

It started with Laettner’s double-clutch 15-footer from the left side—a carbon copy of the buzzer-beater he hit to beat Connecticut in the 1990 East Regional title game. But Mashburn followed with a driving layup and three-point play to put Kentucky up one with 19.6 seconds left. Laettner answered by driving the lane and drawing Mashburn’s fifth foul. The Duke star hit both free throws with 14.1 seconds left and Duke was back on top, 102-101.

Pitino used his last timeout to set up a play that could score without Mashburn. His plan was for Farmer to inbound the ball to Woods, who would drive, then dish to one of his teammates who would be positioned around the three-point arch.

Only it didn’t happen that way.

Oh, Farmer made the inbound pass to Woods as planned and the veteran guard drove to the foul line as planned. But instead of passing to an open teammate, Woods threw up a wild, high arching shot, just over the fingertips of the 6-11 Laettner. The ball ricocheted hard off the backboard—right through the rim for the go-ahead field goal.

On the Kentucky radio network, color analyst Ralph Hacker screamed that Kentucky was going to the Final Four. But legendary play-by-play man Cawood Ledford pointed out that Duke still had 2.1 seconds left. Krzyzewski reminded his team of the same thing after calling timeout to set up a final play.

“The first thing he said to us was, ‘We’re going to win this game.’” Thomas Hill said.

Krzyzewski called for a desperation play that Duke had practiced often, but used just once before in a game—unsuccessfully. Earlier in the season at Wake Forest, Hill’s long pass curved from right to left, forcing Laettner to step out of bounds to catch it.

His job was made easier when Pitino elected to put two defenders on Laettner, leaving Hill uncovered to throw his pass. The strategy backfired when Laettner beat Pelphrey and Feldhaus to the ball just beyond the Duke foul line. The two defenders backed off and let him get his memorable shot off.

“We didn’t execute defensively,” Pitino said. “We were supposed to go for a steal, but not allow a layup or a foul. Unfortunately, he made the jump shot.”

It went in, just as every other shot the Duke senior took that day went in. Laettner finished a perfect 10-for-10 from the floor and a perfect 10-for-10 from the foul line.
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In the midst of the celebration, Duke’s Krzyzewski found time to make his way to the Kentucky radio crew, where he asked for the chance to speak to the network’s audience. He immediately put the game into context.

“I wanted to seek you guys out because all the Kentucky fans would be listening, just to say how much empathy we have as a staff and a team for these Kentucky kids,” Krzyzewski told the Kentucky listeners. “They were absolutely sensational.”

In the Kentucky locker room, Pitino was doing his best to console an inconsolable group of players. He showed them a copy of the infamous “Kentucky’s Shame” issue of Sports Illustrated and told them that they had erased that shame. It wouldn’t take long for the Kentucky players to realize just how much they had accomplished.

“It didn’t take that long at all,” Feldhaus said. “Right after the game, I think everybody realized we were part of something special. We know we had left it all out on the floor. The prior two years [on probation] we were building to that one chance. We gave them a scare. I think we surprised ourselves and our fans.”

The Kentucky fans showed their gratitude the next day, when the team returned to Lexington. Thousands greeted the players at the airport, almost as if they had won the national championship. There was a parade through campus and a celebration at Rupp Arena, where the jerseys of the four seniors—forever enshrined as The Unforgettables—were retired.

“They sort of symbolized all the good things about Kentucky basketball,” Pitino said.

They also laid the groundwork for Kentucky’s return to national prominence. Building on that memorable game with Duke, Pitino would recruit and sign the players who would lead Kentucky to four Final Fours and two national championships in the next six years.

Duke would go on to claim its second straight national title, beating Indiana and Michigan’s Fab Five in Minneapolis. But even that great accomplishment seemed almost anticlimactic after the “Miracle of Philadelphia.”

“It was bigger than anything else, including the national championship game,” Krzyzewski said. “It shows the magnitude of being in a game like that. We’ve had a number of really good things happen to us, but being a part of what a lot of people feel was the greatest game ever... you’ve got to be lucky, man.”

Duke and Kentucky were both lucky. So was every fan privileged to see the greatest game ever played.

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REMEMBERING THE FAB FIVE

It has been a decade since Michigan’s five starting freshmen shocked the basketball world

Mike Krzyzewski found out just how talented Michigan’s freshmen were long before his Duke basketball team ran into the Fab Five in the 1992 NCAA title game in Minneapolis.

Krzyzewski’s Blue Devils barely survived a December visit to Ann Arbor, when Chris Webber and his young classmates had their coming out party on national television. The 6-9 Detroit native, who almost went to Duke, poured in 27 points and added 12 rebounds, four blocked shots and three assists to force the No. 1 Blue Devils into overtime before falling 80-85.

“It’s a very talented team,” Krzyzewski said after that close call. “The only thing they lack is experience. They already have confidence.”

Michigan’s Fab Five would prove just how irrelevant experience is during the 1992 NCAA Tournament. Steve Fisher’s great recruiting class—Webber, Chicago center Juwan Howard, Detroit guard Jalen Rose, Texas swing man Jimmy King and unheralded forward Ray Jackson, another Texan—would form the first all-freshman starting five in NCAA Final Four history.

“I hope we set a precedent,” Webber said. “I know this is selfish, but I hope five freshmen never do it again. I want this to be special.”

Indeed, it was special. Even after the Fab Five lost to Duke in the 1993 national title game in New Orleans.

The Fab Five would never win a national championship or even a Big Ten title. But their legacy—and their baggy shorts—are still going strong even a decade after their arrival on the college basketball stage.
FROM THE START, ATHLETIC SHOES HAVE BEEN AN INTEGRAL PART OF BASKETBALL. BUT THE GAME CHANGED FROM PLODDING TO PULSE-POUNDING WHEN LUIGI ("LOU") PANZINI, INSPIRED BY HIS MOTHER’S HOME-COOKED PASTA, INTRODUCED THE CONCEPT OF LACES IN 1953.

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Gonzaga has laid the foundation for a mid-major program's success. Now, others are attempting to duplicate that plan  
By Joshua M. Shreckengost

Tucked away in scenic, quiet Spokane, Wash., she is Cinderella no longer. She's been to the ball a few times now and really didn't enjoy her "fairy-tale" status before, during and after the dance. Besides—she's been dropping them right and left during the big show for years—isn't she a contender to real royalty by now?

The answer is yes.
Yes, Gonzaga has transcended Cinderella status come Tournament time and is truly not overlooked by any coach on any team, no matter what the analysts tell you. Ask Tom Izzo at Michigan State which of last year’s games was easier: the 15-point Sweet 16 victory over the Bulldogs or MSU’s 7-point win over Temple to get to their third consecutive Final Four. He’ll probably just smile and tell you that both opponents played the Spartans very well. This is true, but the big boys do not wish to draw the Zags in March and that’s becoming known.

Gonzaga is unimpressed, however, and will continue to be sour until they are rewarded with something higher than a 12th seed when the brackets are drawn up. Can’t the NCAA hear head coach Mark Few’s sighs? Oh well, a couple of more upsets for the national TV audiences. Maybe next year.

Not to say that Gonzaga’s success and its ability to consistently duplicate that success year in and year out hasn’t spawned some admirers. Teams like Hofstra and Kent State are taking different approaches that focus on the “Gonzaga plan” of building a solid program: recruit locally, instill the will and maximize potential.

Make no mistake, much of Gonzaga’s drive and fire come from the man in charge, Mark Few, and tremendous head coaching has played a primary role in the emergence of programs like Hofstra and Kent State. But neither of those attributes are easily attained. Schools must first find a coach who can relate to the players, lure them away from larger, more prestigious suitors. Schools need a coach who can implement a winning strategy and mindset and be able to push players to achieve above and beyond their potential. Even after the right man for the job is found, the bottom line is still putting a winning product on the floor.

Building the Pride

“Jay [Wright] was our guy. He put Hofstra basketball on the map,” said Harry Royle, Hofstra’s director of athletics, after Wright left Hofstra to accept Villanova’s vacant head coaching spot in March, 2001. No small statement, but the numbers don’t lie.

Wright took over a lackluster, unknown program in 1993 and built it into a back-to-back America East conference champion by the end of last year. To do this, Wright relied heavily on recruiting the New York City game and bringing it to Long Island. Wright received a commitment from Speedy Claxton (now a Philadelphia 76er and the only player ever drafted out of Hofstra) after his junior year in high school, before the rest of the nation noticed, and put a talented supporting cast on the floor around him.

Wright is gone now, but no one at Hofstra feels shorted, slighted or worried about the upcoming season. Why? Wright’s primary recruiting force, former associate head coach and now successor, Tom Pecora, has been chosen to take the reins.

Pecora’s challenge will not be quite as daunting as Wright’s was, but there will be uphill battles. The Pride are moving into a new conference (Colonial Athletic Association) with a new coach after losing seven seniors including four starters from last year’s team and will be playing the 2001-02 season...
without a senior on the squad.

"We know this season will be a big challenge for us," Pecora said. "It will be much tougher to win on the road in the CAA because the league is so balanced and we're replacing so many people."

Changes and challenges aside, Hofstra has been impressive over the last two years. Besides having the fifth best record in the nation since January 1, 2000 (45-8), the Pride came very close to knocking off UCLA in last year's NCAA Tournament, leading late into the second half but eventually falling, 61-48. Pecora believes that Hofstra can continue to improve but warns that this will be a year of adjustments.

"We'll still be talented, but there's no substitute for experience, and a new conference and new people will make it tough to get back (to the Tournament)," said Pecora.

**No Flash in the Pan**

Continued success at a mid-major college brings casualties as well as victories. Losing seniors is something every team must deal with but mid-major schools are usually a stepping stone to the big-time for coaches who have built the program from the ground up.

Similar to the case of Jay Wright at Hofstra, Gary Waters left Kent State in April 2001 following five seasons and three straight 20-win seasons in Ohio to become the head coach at Rutgers. But the Golden Flashes did not promote from within as the Pride did. Instead they chose an assistant coach from a top-notch program with a national title on his resume. His name is Stan Heath, and the Kent State faithful believe he is just the man to build upon Waters' groundwork.

Heath, a former assistant at Michigan State, walks into a program not on the rise, but already near the top. His situation is very similar to Few's at Gonzaga, after the departure of Don Monson in 1999. What Heath will be expected to do is keep winning and keep the Golden Flashes in the thick of the MAC conference title hunt. Heath's recruiting, for this year's class at least, was already done for him and the class is heavy with talent from the Midwest. Michigan and Ohio products dominate the roster—four of the team's five seniors hail from these two states.

"Our strengths are in our backcourt and the leadership from our five seniors. With experience from last year's team returning, we should continue to excel in areas such as defense, free-throw shooting and field-goal percentage defense," Heath said.

As Kent State gears up for the season, with expectations high while gunning for that fourth consecutive 20-win season, Heath has challenged his players to get past the second round of the Tournament, a spot where they suffered a 23-point drubbing at the hands of Cincinnati last year.

"These kids understand what it takes to win and because of that, we have a chance to succeed this season, hopefully more so now than ever," said Heath.

Gonzaga is no longer Cinderella. She's legitimate royalty now. But on the edge of the dance floor stand many willing to take her old spot. Who will it be this year? Who will make that magical run from anonymity to acknowledgement? Only one thing is certain: we'll know for sure in March.
The Unusual Suspects

Keep an eye on these five unheralded stars as March Madness approaches

By Steven Javors

Sleeper teams, a.k.a. Cinderellas, strike in just about every postseason. However, little is known of the sleeper players that trigger these darlings' tournament successes.

It's hard to keep track of all the players on 326 Division I teams. A lucky few get to showcase their prowess in the national spotlight. Other players go about their business without constant exposure, but it doesn't make their accomplishments any less spectacular.

Basketball players for mid-major conferences have the deck stacked against them, unlike their brethren in the SEC or ACC, for example. National television deals and multi-million dollar athletic apparel sponsorships simply do not exist for them.

The following are five examples of players who deserve more recognition. Their names, and even their teams, may be unfamiliar now. But come March, we'll be glad to tell you, "We told you so!"

Jerry Green, U.C.-Irvine

No matter what the situation, Jerry Green puts the rock in the hole, plain and simple. The Anteaters were lucky to have Green back this year, after the junior declared for the NBA Draft after last season as an early entrant. While Jerry Green put off the NBA for the chance to lead U.C.-Irvine to the NCAA Tournament.

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Brandon Hunter, Ohio University

Brandon Hunter has all the tools to become the best player in the Mid-American Conference since Wally Szczerbiak. He has freakish physical gifts. The 6-6, 266-pounder has a 37-inch vertical leap, huge hands and quick feet, but mainly excels in the low post. He draws contact under the rim and possesses the strength to power the ball up and over the cylinder. With double-doubles coming regularly, look for Hunter to dominate on both ends of the floor as the Bobcats push for an NCAA bid in the ever-improving MAC.

Tarise Bryson, Illinois State

It would be improper to tag Tarise Bryson with any one defined position on the basketball court. As a junior last season, Bryson scored the most points in the country with 647 (22.3 ppg). The 6-1, 175-pounder is a multi-dimensional offensive player and excels in Illinois State's motion offense. Bryson displays an uncanny knack for finding open shots, but can also find teammates on the open floor. The explosive scorer could garner another Missouri Valley Conference's Player of the Year award on his to leading the Redbirds to the Big Dance.

Chris Monroe, George Washington

Chris Monroe exemplifies grit on the hardwood at all times. The kid battles for every loose ball and plays every possession like it could be the Colonials last. After SirValiant moved on, Monroe became the focal point of first-year coach Karl Hobbs' offense. As the Colonials gear up for the Atlantic-10 tourney, expect Monroe to get the lion's share of the shot opportunities. The solidly built 6-3, 225-pound guard was named to the Atlantic-10 third team in 2001.

Josh Davis, Wyoming

Josh Davis is Mr. Everything for the Cowboys. He played center his freshman year, power forward during his sophomore campaign (after an injury to Ugo Udzezue) and has finally situated himself at the small forward position as a senior, where he is most effective. Davis was the only unanimous preseason all-conference selection for 2001-02 after being named the Mountain West's Player of the Year last season. He led the MWC in rebounding and placed ninth in scoring (13.5 ppg.). If Davis can duplicate his MVP season, look for head coach Steve McLain's 'Boys to crash the NCAA Tournament come March.

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With the United States’ boycott of the 1980 Olympic Games, three recent Hall of Fame inductees never got the opportunity to live a dream. 

By Debbie Becker

What Might Have Been

For Holly Warlick, induction into the Women’s Basketball Hall of Fame brought a time to reflect not only on her illustrious career but also to remember a lost opportunity that pains her to this day.

Warlick, now in her 16th season as an assistant to Tennessee head coach Pat Summitt, was one of 10 Hall of Fame inductees in 2001. She was joined by two of her 1980 Olympic teammates, Rosie Walker and LaTaunya Pollard, in an emotional ceremony in Knoxville, Tenn.

“The biggest thing for me when I look back is realizing how many people made sacrifices for me,” says Warlick. “Those people, my family, friends, coaches, gave just as much as I did. You realize how important they are in your career. It’s a great night to share the honor with them.”

Friends and family surprised Warlick with a special induction gift, a yellow Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Among those in the audience that night was the woman who coached the 1980 Olympic team that included Warlick, Walker and Pollard: LSU coach Sue Gunter.

“It was really, really special to see those kids go in. To me, they’ll always be kids,” says Gunter, now in her 38th season as a collegiate head coach. Gunter jokes that she sees Warlick “way too often” when the SEC teams bang heads throughout the season. She remembers Warlick as a fiery competitor on that Olympic team.

“Holly was the consummate point guard. She had leadership and the ability to bring out the best in her teammates,” says Gunter. “We always teased Holly because she wasn’t the best shooter in the world. But she was an outstanding ballhandler and excellent on defense. She commanded respect from her teammates. They were better when Holly was on the floor.”

Warlick joined the Tennessee program as a walk-on in 1976 and earned All-America honors four years later. She was point guard on teams that never won fewer than 27 games each season and reached the AIAW Final Four three out of her four years. Warlick also played on the first Tennessee team to be ranked No. 1.

A scholarship track athlete by her senior year, Warlick became the first Tennessee athlete, male or female, to have her jersey retired (No. 22 on the basketball court).

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Warlick, who lives with her Dalmatians—K.T., Jackson and Indigo—in rural west Knoxville. "Pat Summitt gave me the opportunity, gave me a chance. She helped me become a strong leader. She taught me that if you play hard, good things will happen.

"I’m grateful to Tennessee for making the commitment to women’s basketball when a lot of schools didn’t. That’s why we have such a strong tradition. We had a part in shaping women’s basketball history."

Like Warlick, the early Tennessee teams were overachievers.

"We got the most of our ability," says Warlick. "We never went into a game, regardless of who we played, feeling like we couldn’t win. There was never a time we felt we didn’t have a chance."

The 1980 Olympic team included some of the great names in women’s basketball history, including Pollard, Walker, Anne Donovan, Lynette Woodard, Carol Blazejowski and Nancy Lieberman. Pollard, now a mother of three in Spring, Texas, was a prolific scorer at Long Beach State with 3,001 career points for a 23.5 points-per-game career average. She was the Wade Trophy winner in 1983 and a three-time Kodak All-American.

"LaTaunya was a tremendous shooter," recalls Warlick. "If the three-point line was there then, she would have broken a ton of records. We relied on her offensive ability and athleticism."

Asked of her lasting memory of Pollard, Gunter says simply: "Great shooter, great shooter, great shooter. She made the game look effortless."

Warlick played two years at Panola Junior College before transferring to Stephen F. Austin, where she was coached by Gunter. Walker led Panola to two National Junior College Athletic Association titles in 1977 and ’78. She was a two-time All-American at SFA where she set 10 records, including individual single-season points scored (912).

After her career at SFA, Walker played professionally for the Nebraska Wranglers in the Women’s Professional Basketball League. She averaged 16.0 points and 14.4 rebounds per game while shooting 69.5 percent from the floor. Today she’s a high school teacher in Center, Texas.

"Rosie was one of the most physical post players I ever had the opportunity to play with," says Warlick, who joined Walker on the Wranglers championship team. "I knew 90 percent of the time I threw the ball inside to her, she was going to score. She really helped my assist average."

"When you went to war, you wanted Rosie beside you," Gunter says of Walker’s powerful presence. "She was only 6-1, but had no trouble going against players 6-5, 6-6.

"Rosie was a scary player. When she decided to go to the hole, she was going to finish what she started. I never, never saw Rosie Walker intimidated."

No matter how talented, these women failed to realize their Olympic dream when President Jimmy Carter boycotted the 1980 Moscow Olympics because of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

"We were extremely prepared to try to beat the Soviet Union in their own country," says Gunter. "And we had a shot. Whether we won a medal or not, we knew we would have given it a hell of an effort."

"It was a shame that those player did not get the opportunity to compete in the Olympics. They were truly great players that deserved that experience."

Warlick says she and her teammates were devastated by the boycott.

"It’s just a shame politics got involved with the Olympics," Warlick says. "It’s still a bitter subject for me. You train all your life, train four years with the international team, and then it’s gone. It’s hard to understand, but it’s a part of life. Those things happen and you move on.

"We had a great team and a nucleus that played with each other for four years. We were good in all aspects of the game. I had it made, I had Blazejowski on one wing, Lieberman on another, Rosie and Jill Rankin inside. I didn’t have to do much but bring the ball down the court and pass."

"There are times I wish I could have had that Olympic opportunity, but I don’t really live in the past."

Now, what the future may hold for Warlick is a head coaching position—should she choose to leave Tennessee, her home for most of her life.

"I want to be a head coach, but it has to be a good situation for me," says Warlick. "I’m not saying it has to be a team that’s in the top four in the country, but it has to be a program that has support. It would have to be a unique situation for me to leave here. But it’ll happen one day."

It thrills Warlick that she and two of her 1980 Olympic teammates are a permanent part of women’s basketball history.

"When young girls come to visit the Hall of Fame, they can see what we’ve done in the past, what we continue to strive for," says Warlick. "It’s special to know that women are getting opportunities now. We’ve come so far."

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First Time's a Charm

Despite playing on four Super Bowl runner-up teams with the Buffalo Bills, Pete Metzelaars celebrated championship glory on the hardwood at Wabash College

By Michael Carey

You would think that someone who played in four Super Bowls would have a tough time coming up with his most memorable moment in sports. Pete Metzelaars doesn't really have a problem coming up with one.

It happened 20 years ago in Wabash, Indiana.

Prior to playing 16 years in the National Football League, most of it with the Buffalo Bills, Metzelaars spent four years at Wabash College, a small Division III school.

Metzelaars' professional football career included many great achievements. He set an NFL all-time record for the most games ever played by a tight end, was an alternate on two Pro Bowl teams, had a streak of 169 straight games played from 1984-95 and caught a touchdown pass in Super Bowl XXVI.

But ask Metzelaars what his most memorable moment was in sports, and the 1982 Division III National Championship he won ranks highest. Oh yeah, that was in basketball, not on the gridiron.

"He came here to play basketball and football together," long-time Wabash basketball coach Mac Petty said. "He didn't want to go to a larger school. I think he came in to be the person he was and to compete and enjoy.

"His idea was to play two sports, go on to law school and go from there."

And there's the thing. In four years, it's amazing how your body can change. When he was a senior at Portage (Michigan) Central High School, Metzelaars was a 6-5, 190-pound quarterback.

By the time he was a senior at Wabash, Metzelaars was a massive 6-7, 250 pounds—a great size for a tight end at any level—and a monster of a center for a Division III basketball team.

Nearly 20 years after Wabash stunned everyone and won the Division III National Championship, Metzelaars fondly recalls that year. The Little Giants had lost six starters over the previous two years and not much was expected of the team. Sure, Wabash was a successful program—they had gone 20-6 and 19-6 the previous two seasons—but when you lose six key players over a two-year span, it's hard for any team to recover.

Pete Metzelaars proudly holds the No. 10 jersey he wore 20 years ago in leading Wabash College to the 1982 Division III national championship.

Petty, however, knew he had something special in Metzelaars.

"He gave the other guys a sense of ease," Petty said. "They played within themselves. They felt comfortable to play. He gave the team a sense of confidence. I've had a couple of other guys like that, but he does stand out.

"I told my wife before the year that I wasn't sure what to expect, but once football was over, he came out with that confidence."

It was the confidence Metzelaars always had, and it carried over to basketball his senior year. He knew the Little Giants were solid at shooting guard, with his good friend Mike Holcomb manning the spot. And he knew his other teammates, guys like point guard Teddy Parker, small forward Merlin Nice and power forward Kerry Seward were decent players, but no one knew how any of them would do as a team.
Wabash started the 1982 season off with five wins in its first six games, but it wasn’t until they had a three-game losing streak that they realized how good they could be. The Little Giants took a three-game road trip, playing Division I school Louisiana Tech (which had Karl “The Mailman” Malone as a redshirt), the University of Texas-San Antonio and D-II’s Texas A&I. Wabash lost all three: 75-62 to La. Tech, 76-67 to UT-San Antonio and 63-59 to Texas A&I in overtime.

Metzelaars averaged 23.7 points in those three games. On the flight back, the team knew they could compete.

Petty says that Metzelaars turned to him at one point on their way back and said, “Coach, I think we’re going to win them all from here on out.”

“Coming out of that, it gave us the hope and idea that if we could play with those teams with the guys we had,” Petty recalled, “that we could play with anyone left on our schedule.”

Really, no one else could play with Wabash, as the Little Giants reeled off 19 straight wins, the final one being an 83-63 rout of Potsdam State in the 1982 NCAA Division III national title game, during which Metzelaars scored 45 points and grabbed 13 rebounds.


He was named the NCAA Division III Player of the Year and set a record for field-goal percentage, leading the nation as a senior by hitting 75.3 percent of his shots (271 of 360). His career field-goal percentage of 72.4 (784 of 1,063) is still a national record.

Metzelaars never had any intention of playing basketball professionally, or football for that matter.

“When you go to an 850-student school,” Metzelaars says, “your ideas and dreams of playing professionally are long-gone.”

And that’s one of the reasons, he says, that the 1982 Wabash team was so special. No one expected anything of the Little Giants. The team jumped on the wide shoulders of its star—sort of like a modern-day Hoosiers—and rode it all the way to a national title.

“It was just a group that clicked together,” Metzelaars says. “Everyone expected me to play well, and they knew Mike could, but other than it, it was like, ‘What are these guys gonna do?’”

All they did was win. For Metzelaars, it was his only championship. And that’s another thing that makes it special for him. He played 16 years in the NFL and made it to the Super Bowl four times. Those four times, however, he was on the losing end. And that doesn’t leave a great taste in your mouth.

But 20 years ago, Metzelaars had the feeling every athlete wants, being the only team in its Division to finish its season with a championship victory.

“It was maybe the most fulfilling experience as an athlete I’ve ever had, seeing a team come together,” Metzelaars says. “I think we came close to it in Buffalo a few times, but to be in a situation where the total is greater than the sum of the parts is the ultimate for a team. It was pretty fulfilling.”

Michael Carey is the assistant director of media relations at St. John’s University and is a regular contributor to College Hoops Illustrated.
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A high RPI ranking has become the most vital statistic needed for a team to receive a tournament bid

By Chris Weber

Like the pretty girl who finds herself sitting by the phone on a Friday night hoping someone will call, Dana Altman sat patiently last offseason, waiting.

But Altman is no high school beauty. As the men's head basketball coach at Creighton University, he is the overseer of a program that has advanced to the NCAA Tournament the past three years out of the Missouri Valley Conference.

Last season, Creighton was running roughshod over a tough non-league schedule that included wins against Providence, Tulsa and Georgia State.

But there he was by the phone, trying to complete the Bluejays' 2001-02 schedule. In the end, like the girl whose good looks intimidate potential suitors, the phone remained silent, leaving Altman with no choice but to dial up Western Kentucky, also dateless after a 2001 Tournament appearance, for an unusual non-conference home-and-home series.

"We have a hard time getting people to play us," said Altman. "It's not our facility. We have a 10,000-seat arena and Omaha [Nebraska] is easy to get to. People just don't want to play us because there's a chance they could lose."

For successful mid-major programs like Creighton, such a quandary can be chalked up to, in part, a numbers game known as the Ratings Percentage Index, or RPI.

But what exactly is it?

The RPI is derived from three component factors: Division I winning percentage (worth 25 percent), schedule strength (50 percent) and opponent's schedule strength (25 percent). Games against non-Division I opponents are thrown out.

But the NCAA selection committee does not divulge to the public how it interprets the RPI, maintaining secrecy that CIA protocol looks like an Internet chat room by comparison.

Regardless of how the NCAA looks at the RPI, its impact has clearly seeped into the art of scheduling. With no distinction made by the index between home and road victories, the Dukes, Stanford and Michigan States of the world are leaving their mid-major brethren boxed out. Bluejays at Duke? Welcome to Durham, N.C. Blue Devils at Creighton? No way.

"The bigger schools have seen that playing at home really improves their chances of winning and having a higher RPI number," said Altman, whose team finished with an RPI ranking of 23 last season. "They'll play 12 non-conference games, with 10 of them at home every year."

So what's a mid-major to do? According to Mike DeCourcy, senior college basketball writer for The Sporting News, there is an alternative to schedule prostitution.

DeCourcy emphasizes playing in "exempt" tournaments such as the preseason NIT, Great Alaska Shootout and Maui Invitational to enhance a team's RPI. Although these tournaments require travel to neutral sites, they provide the chance to play quality competition while counting just once against the maximum NCAA allotment of 27 games.

"Gonzaga has been successful by being able to compete with, and on occasion, beat a Pac-10 team like Washington or Washington State. That helps their RPI," DeCourcy said.

As the Creighton-Western Kentucky series illustrates, if all else fails, mid-majors can always square off against each other. "It's an area these schools have neglected and a direction they are starting to move into," DeCourcy said.

In the end, however, there is little doubt the advent of the RPI has favored the high-profile schools. Witness NCAA Tournament entry Georgia, which finished 2000-01 with a paltry 16-14 mark (No. 27 in the RPI).

The Bulldogs, who played the toughest schedule in the country, also posted 13 wins against top 100 teams, eight versus top 50. In short, they were an RPI dream.

With the NCAA Tournament's financial windfall ever blossoming, the RPI has taken on unprecedented significance, leaving coaches little margin for error, not only in who they schedule, but where they do and when.

Chris Weber is a freelance writer in Pittsburgh, Pa.

Strategy Session

It's an RPI world. Here are some tips on how to survive...

1. Get great players: David Robinson (Navy), Lionel Simmons (LaSalle) and Wally Szczerbiak (Miami, Ohio) didn't play at Division I powerhouse, but their teams were no strangers to the postseason.

2. Be schedule savvy: Taking on middleweights Oregon State or North Carolina State from premier conferences like the Pac-10 and ACC makes a lot more sense than lacing 'em up against heavyweights Stanford or Duke.

3. Pack your bags: If you can't bring them to you, at least get them on a neutral court. We hear Alaska is wonderful this time of year.
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The University is counting on the Jenny Craig Pavilion to attract more fans to the campus and more top athletes to its Division I sports programs.

For the second straight year, the pavilion will be the site of 2002 WCC Tournament, to be held February 28 to March 4 for all eight women’s and men’s WCC teams.

"The Jenny Craig Pavilion makes a statement to the athletic community and to the community at large about the quality of our athletic programs and their importance within the university," stated Tom Iannacone, USD Director of Athletics. "The pavilion is a championship venue for men's and women's basketball and volleyball, and has already begun to improve recruiting and attract higher quality opponents. In addition, it is an excellent venue for television. These things will help to increase the competitiveness of all our programs."

The pavilion, which is home to both USD basketball teams, and the volleyball team, seats twice the number of fans as the university's old Sports Center. Unlike basketball venues that have the scoreboard suspended over the center of the court, forcing some spectators to crane their necks to check the score, the Jenny Craig Pavilion was designed with large scoreboards and video screens on the north and south walls, and smaller scoreboards on the east and west sides.

While the pavilion provides a first-rate venue for USD athletes, it also will serve as USD’s front porch, living room and backyard. Home to a 3,800 square-foot fitness center, sports medicine clinic, media room, the Chet and Marguerite Pagni Family Athletic Hall of Fame, and a reception area with sweeping views of the campus, the arena will draw more educational, social and cultural events. After seeing other local universities open new arenas in recent years, the 6,943 students at this private Catholic university are thrilled to also have their own venue.
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Traveling

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Illegal dribble

3-second violation

5-second violation

Shot-clock violation

FOULS

Blocking

Holding

Hack/hit on arm

Pushing or charging

Hand check

Player-control foul

Double foul

FOULS

Technical foul

Intentional foul

INFOGRAPHIC

Directional signal

Throw-in, free throw or designated spot

Visible counts

Beacon substitution

Ball dead-clock stopped

Not closely guarded

Shot clock reset

WOMEN ONLY

Last-second shot

SHOOTING

No score

Goal counts or is awarded

Point(s) awarded

3-point field goal

Attempt

Bonus free throw

Withheld whistle on a lane violation by defensive team

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Note: Bird-dogging should be performed only by the trailing defensive player.

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A Message From
President Hayes

As the president of the University of San Diego, this is my seventh Torero season. I am proud of the USD basketball team and pleased that the university supports the program in every way possible, including emphasis on scholarship assistance, academic excellence, and promotion of intercollegiate athletics.

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I am looking forward to the coming season and hope that you will join me in supporting our team. It's an exciting schedule and promises to be a great year.

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TOM IANNACONE
Director of Athletics

Tom Iannacone begins his fourteenth year as Director of Athletics at the University of San Diego. He was named Director of Athletics on September 1, 1988 after holding the same position the previous four years at St. Francis College of Pennsylvania.

At USD, Iannacone directs an Athletic Department that includes sixteen NCAA Division I intercollegiate varsity teams, eight men’s and eight women’s, plus intramurals and recreation.

In the last thirteen years behind his direction and leadership, Torero Athletics has enjoyed successes both on and off the playing field. His accomplishments at USD include improvements in the major areas of personnel, scholarship assistance, facilities, promotions and marketing, fund raising, drug education, academic support, and a university approved plan for scholarship support and sports sponsorship. In addition, he was instrumental in USD gaining membership to the Pioneer Football League, which began play in 1993. He has served on the IA Athletic Directors Association Executive Committee; and is past Chairman of the West Coast Conference Athletics Directors Committee.

During Iannacone’s tenure, all athletic facilities have seen vast improvements, with numerous projects currently underway. The Jenny Craig Pavilion, a new 5,100-seat multi-purpose facility, opened its doors last season and is now home for USD basketball and volleyball, along with benefiting the entire university community. Torero Stadium, where football, and men’s and women’s soccer compete, is also home to the WUSA San Diego Spirit, has also benefitted recently with expanded seating to 6,000, new lighting and sound system, additional press box facilities, and a new grass turf. Improvements at the Sports Center include complete renovations of both the north and south wings that added offices for administrators and coaches; additional sports facilities, an athletic department conference room; and an academic support room. Cunningham Baseball Stadium recently went under demolition and reconstruction, and the Softball Complex has already benefitted with new dugouts, scoreboard, batting cages and additional seating and also was demolished and reconstructed, also gaining a new scoreboard. Additionally, the Canyon Field received lighting and a complete renovation for intercollegiate practices and intramural use. The Sports Center was also renovated with new lighting and scoreboards, a new dance floor and new main entrance. The weight training room will also undergo a complete renovation this coming year.

On the playing fields, USD has sent thirty teams to NCAA Tournaments since Iannacone’s arrival in the Fall of 1988. Additionally, the school has captured twelve conference championships; twenty-nine NCAA All-Americans; eighteen CoSIDA/GTE Academic All-Americans; twenty-seven conference Coaches of the Year; twenty conference Players of the Year; and four West Coast Conference Scholar-Athletes of the Year. Besides having the 1999 NCAA National Champion in women’s tennis (Zuzana Lesenarova), the Torero athletic program came out on top of the WCC schools in terms of overall strength in 1999 (based on an unofficial scoring system produced by USD each season). For the first time, the 1998-99 combined men’s and women’s athletics programs at USD ranked first in the standings. Since 1988 the university has been the host site for NCAA Tournament events for women’s volleyball, men’s and women’s soccer, and women’s tennis. This past year USD hosted the WCC Basketball Championships, and will do so again in 2002.

Prior to USD, Iannacone built an impressive list of credentials at St. Francis College as Director of Athletics between 1984-87. His major contributions included the expansion of sports offerings and scholarships for both men’s and women, improved budgets, renovation of athletic facilities, the hiring of additional staff, and the establishment of a master plan for the future and continual development of athletics. He served on several committees, most notably the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Infractions committee and the Northeast Conference committee on conference development.

He served as assistant Director of Athletics at Fordham University between 1977-84. Along with his administrative duties, he was assistant football coach for the Rams. Between 1975-78, he acted as offensive coordinator and backfield coach as Fordham captured 19 victories in their final 24 games during this span. The ’77 squad was and remains the highest scoring team in Fordham history, averaging 34 points per game. In 1983 he was presented the prestigious Jack Coffey Award by the Alumni Association for his outstanding contributions to Fordham athletics. He also served on various Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference committees.


Tom and his wife, Cynthia, have three children; Tom Jr., Jennifer and Eric. All three are graduates of the University of San Diego.
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT STAFF

Dan Young
Associate Director of Athletics

Dan Young has been a member of the USD Athletics Department since the fall of 1985. Young oversees football, baseball, men’s basketball, women’s tennis, and women’s soccer. In addition, he is the department liaison to USD’s Financial Aid Office.

Young received his Bachelor’s (Sociology, 1980) and Master’s (Social Work, 1986) degrees from the University of Wisconsin, where he was a nose guard on the Badgers’ football team.

Dan and his wife Virginia, a USD alumnus, are the parents of three sons, John, Tom and Mike.

Wendy Guthrie
Associate Director of Athletics/ Senior Woman Administrator

Wendy enters her sixth year on the USD staff as the Associate Director of Athletics and Senior Woman Administrator.

Guthrie is a 1991 graduate of Whittier College (B.A. in Business Administration) where she competed on the cross country team all four years. Besides being a two-time team captain, she was honored each season as team MVP and was a four-time All-SCIAC selection.

She earned her Master’s in Physical Education with a concentration in Athletic Administration at Springfield College in Massachusetts. After Springfield, she held the position of Assistant Director of Athletics/SWA at St. Francis College in Pennsylvania for one year. Wendy gained experience working with the Colorado Sports Council and the US Olympic Committee at the 1994 US Olympic Festival in St. Louis, Missouri, and was the Director of Awards Ceremonies at the 1995 Olympic Festival in Denver. She also served in corporate hospitality at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta.

Carolyn Greer
Head Athletic Trainer

Carolyn Greer enters her twenty-fourth year as the Head Certified Athletic Trainer for the University of San Diego athletic department. She is assisted by Suzi Higgins and Paul Signorelli.

A 1975 graduate of San Diego State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Education, Carolyn went on to earn her Master’s in Sports Medicine in 1978. Over the years she has taught classes in Sports Medicine and had numerous articles published in a variety of journals. She oversees sixteen intercollegiate teams and approximately 390 USD student-athletes on a yearly basis. The Sports Medicine staff provides injury prevention, immediate care, and rehabilitation for USD’s intercollegiate athletes.

Carolyn, and her husband Jeff, reside in the Pacific Beach area of San Diego with their two boys, David and Jason.

Brian Fogarty, Associate AD for Athletic Development

Brian Fogarty enters his sixth year as USD’s Associate Director of Athletics for Athletic Development. He took over this post after spending thirteen years as USD’s head football coach. He directed USD’s football program to eleven seasons of .500 or better records and guided their move from the Division III ranks to the NCAA I-AA level in 1993.

His primary responsibilities are with fund raising, overseeing the Torero Athletic Association (TAA), and marketing and promotions for the athletic department. He oversaw the recently completed capital campaign for the Jenny Craig Pavilion, which opened its doors this past season. Brian, who resides in the Scripps Ranch area of San Diego, has four children: Bridget (a USD graduate), Joe, Colleen (a sophomore at USD), and Megan.

Renee Wiebe, Assistant AD for Marketing and Promotions

Renee Wiebe is in her fifth year as Assistant Director of Athletics for Marketing and Promotions. She handles Corporate Sponsorships, coordinates game-day promotions and special events; oversees community outreach programs like the Inter-City Games; and is involved with annual fund raising events for the Sports Banquet, and Salute To Women’s Athletics.

Her previous experience in athletics was at the University of Northern Iowa where she was Marketing and Promotions Director from 1993-95. Prior to that she was Promotions Assistant at the University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida.

She earned her Bachelor of Journalism-Broadcast Sequence from the University of Missouri-Columbia in May, 1991. She went on to earn her Masters of Education with an emphasis in Sports Administration from Wichita State University in August, 1993.

Ted Gosen
Sports Information Director

Ted Gosen is in his 20th year serving as San Diego’s Director of Sports Information. He oversees publicity and publications for all USD Athletics teams, in addition to hosting media at USD home events. He is assisted by Nick Markovich.

In 1981 Ted received his Master’s of Science degree in Sports Administration from St. Thomas University in Miami, Florida. A 1979 graduate of San Jose State University, he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration. In addition to his SID duties, Ted is a member of the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA); assists the USD Hall of Fame Committee; is athletics editor for ‘Voices,’ a university publication that is published six times a year; and teaches a bowling class through the USD recreation department. This past year he chaired the ‘Local Organizing Committee’ for the CoSIDA convention that was held in San Diego in July.

Ted and his wife Terri, a 1983 USD graduate, reside in Poway with their four daughters: Katie, Colleen, Claire and Erin.
ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT STAFF

John Martin
Director of Athletic Facilities

John Martin has been a member of the USD athletic staff since 1975. He was the school's first head women's volleyball coach, a post he held through the 1989 season, and also oversaw the Recreation Department. As volleyball coach, he directed the Toreros to three postseason appearances, including a fourth place finish at the 1976 AIAW Nationals.

As Director of Athletic Facilities, Martin oversees all the scheduling, field maintenance and purchasing. The past few years he was the department's key liaison during the construction of the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

A graduate of San Diego State University (B.A. & M.A. in History), John resides in Encinitas with his wife Jane. They have two children: Eliza, a 2001 graduate of USD, and son, Patrick, a freshman at USD.

Joel Morgan
Asst. Director of Athletic Facilities

Joel is in his second year at USD in the position of Assistant Director of Athletic Facilities. Prior to USD he served as a Graduate Assistant at Gonzaga University for two years where he earned his Master of Arts Degree in Athletic Administration. Joel has participated in event management duties for such contests as the NCAA Wrestling Championships, NCAA Men's Gymnastic Championships, and Big Ten Tennis Championships. Joel also obtained experience as an administrator for the 1999 NCAA Elite Eight and 2000 Sweet Sixteen Men's Basketball Tournaments.

Joel obtained his Bachelor of Science degree in Sports Management from the University of Iowa in 1997. Joel and his wife, Erin, reside in Mission Valley.

Mike Matoso
Compliance Coordinator

Mike Matoso is in his second season as USD's Compliance Coordinator, and third year with the USD staff. Two seasons ago he was the department's Academic Support Coordinator.

Prior to USD, he spent three years as the Academic Counselor at USC where he was involved with the football, baseball, women's soccer, swimming and volleyball programs. Prior to USC, Mike served as the Academic Advisor for all 18 Intercollegiate programs for Cal Poly San Luis Obispo for two years. He earned both his B.S. degree in Physical Education (1993) and M.A. in Education, Counseling (1994) from Cal Poly. He was also a starting pitcher for the Mustangs baseball team that finished 2nd in the Division II College World Series. Mike and his wife, Kelly, reside in Carlsbad with their daughter, Abigail.

Dean Aresco
Strength & Conditioning Coach

Dean Aresco is in his first season as USD’s Strength and Conditioning Coach.

He comes to USD via Towson State University where he was their head coach the past three seasons.

Additional professional experiences include stints at the University of Connecticut as a Graduate Assistant, and at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in San Diego as the Interim Strength and Conditioning Coordinator.

He earned his B.S. in Exercise Physiology in 1998 from the University of Connecticut, and is close to completing his M.A. degree there in the same field. A NSCA Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist, he also holds memberships with NSCA, the U.S. Weightlifting Federation, and the American College of Sports Medicine.

Carl Reed
Director of Jenny Craig Pavilion

Carl Reed begins his second year at USD as Director of the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Reed came to USD from Cal Berkeley where he held the title of Assistant Sports Events Manager for two years. A graduate of Saint Mary's College (B.A. in Politics, '96; M.A. in Sports Administration, '99), Reed also held athletic department positions at Saint Mary's College and with the West Coast Conference.

Reed oversees the management and marketing of the building to help bring in outside events like concerts, trade-shows, etc. Carl resides in La Mesa.

Chandra Kohler
JCP Asst. Director/Events Manager

Chandra Kohler begins her second year at USD in the position of Events Manager for the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Kohler came to USD from the University of Denver where she was the Assistant Director of Facilities and Operations for the Diane L. Ritchie Center. She earned her master's degree from Bowling Green State University in Sports Administration and her bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University in Sports Medicine.

Chandra and her husband, Mike, reside in El Cajon.

Rachel Guerra
Athletic Ticket Manager

Rachel Guerra begins her first year as USD's Athletic Ticket Manager at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Guerra comes to USD from the San Diego Padres organization where she worked in the ticket office since 1998. Prior to working with the Padres organization, she worked at ABC Entertainment in Century City as Coordinator of Accounting Services, and at KUSI-TV 51 in San Diego as a Feed Editor.

She earned her B.A. degree in Speech Communications from Cal State University at Fullerton in 1995.

Jimmy Goins,
JCP Fitness Center Director/Asst Strength & Conditioning Coach

Jimmy Goins begins his first year at USD where he will be the Jenny Craig Pavilion Fitness Center Director, along with being the Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach.

Prior to USD, Goins was the Head Strength and Conditioning Coach for the Cincinnati Reds AA team, the Chattanooga Lookouts. He also gained experience at the University of Tennessee where he was a Graduate Assistant Coach and Sport Nutritionist, and at Louisiana State University as the Undergraduate Strength Coach.

He earned his B.S. degree in Kinesiology from LSU (1998), then later earned a master's degree in Sport Management and M.S. minor in Nutrition from Tennessee (2000). He is a member of the National Strength Coaches Association, and is a certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist.

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