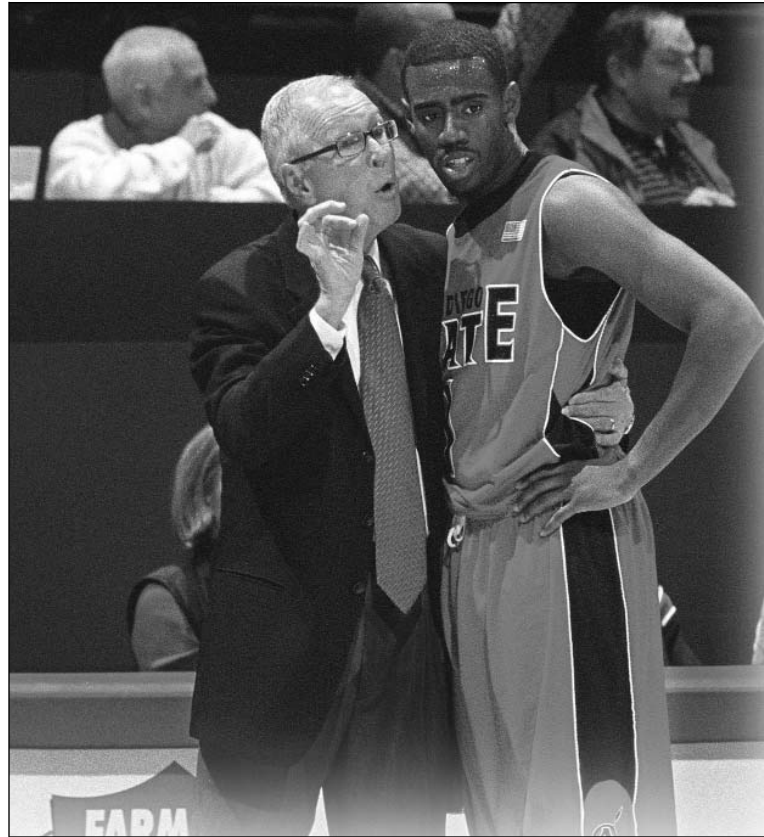


Steve Fisher has conducted one of the greatest turnarounds in college basketball history at San Diego State. He has taken a program that won an average of 9.8 games from the 1986-87 to 1999-00 seasons to three postseason appearances and has the Aztecs in a position to win the Mountain West Conference.

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Head Coach Steve Fisher



Sometimes there are no adjectives. Sometimes the phrases don't do justice. Sometimes you just stick with the basic facts and let them tell the story.

A five-win season followed by a 14-win season. A 14-win season followed by 21 wins, a conference championship and a trip to the NCAA Tournament. An NCAA Tournament appearance followed by a third-straight .500 or better season, a second consecutive trip to the postseason and the first Division I postseason victory in school history. A postseason victory culminating with a Division I school-record 24 victories, a conference regular season and tournament championship and an NCAA Tournament appearance for the fifth time in school history.

In seven short seasons, Steve Fisher has changed the outlook, fortunes and expectations of San Diego State basketball.

The Aztecs have been transformed from the ugly duckling that muddled through the first-ever Mountain West Conference campaign with an 0-14 record into a conference champion. It is a school that is now nationally recognized and regularly goes toe-to-toe with the West's best basketball programs on the court and in the recruiting wars. It may be the new program on the block but seniority rarely matters in the changing world of college athletics.

It is now Steve Fisher's program.

The hiring only dates back to March of 1999, so referring to the "Steve Fisher Era" at San Diego State might be considered a bit premature. But with the Aztecs success under the national championship coach, there is little doubt that San Diego State basketball has reached a new level.

Active National Championship Coaches

- Jim Boeheim, Syracuse
- Jim Calhoun, Connecticut
- Billy Donovan, Florida
- Steve Fisher, San Diego State
- Tom Izzo, Michigan State
- Bob Knight, Texas Tech
- Mike Krzyzewski, Duke
- Lute Olson, Arizona
- Rick Pitino, Louisville
- Tubby Smith, Kentucky
- Gary Williams, Maryland
- Roy Williams, North Carolina

Most Final Four Appearances/Active Coaches

- 1. Mike Krzyzewski, Duke 10
- 2. Bob Knight, Texas Tech 5
- Lute Olson, Arizona 5
- Rick Pitino, Louisville 5
- Roy Williams, North Carolina 5
- 6. Tom Izzo, Michigan State 4
- 7. ► Steve Fisher, SDSU 3
- Jim Boeheim, Syracuse 3
- Eddie Sutton, Oklahoma State 3

Highest NCAA Tournament Winning Percentage

- active coaches, minimum 20 games*
- 1. Mike Krzyzewski, Duke 79.0
 - 2. Rick Pitino, Louisville 75.6
 - 3. Tom Izzo, Michigan State 74.2
 - 4. Roy Williams, No. Carolina 72.4
 - 5. ► Steve Fisher, SDSU 71.4
 - 6. Jim Calhoun, Connecticut 70.9
 - 7. Tubby Smith, Kentucky 70.0
 - 8. Gary Williams, Maryland 66.7
 - 9. Bob Knight, Texas Tech 65.2
 - 10. Bill Self, Kansas 61.9

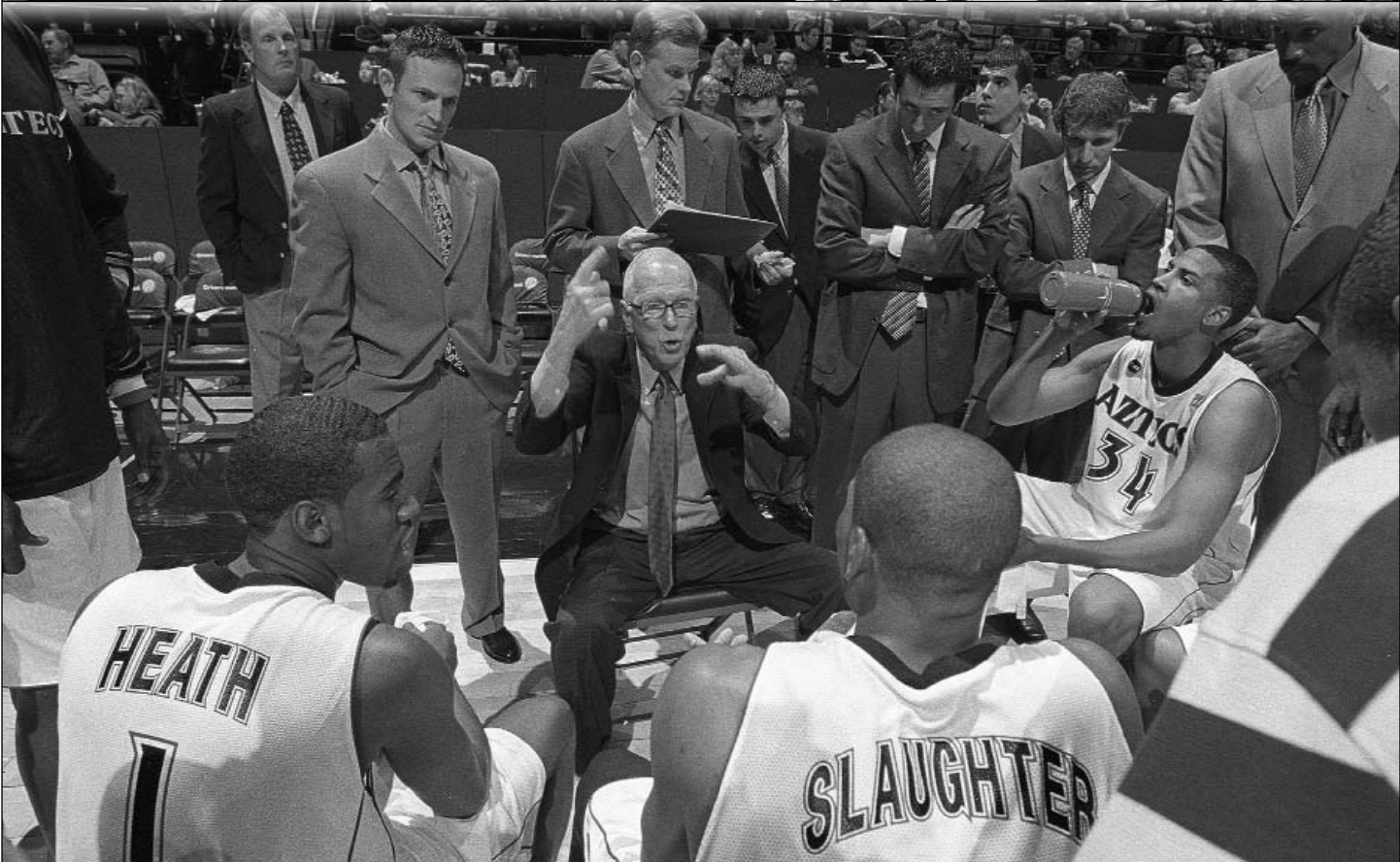
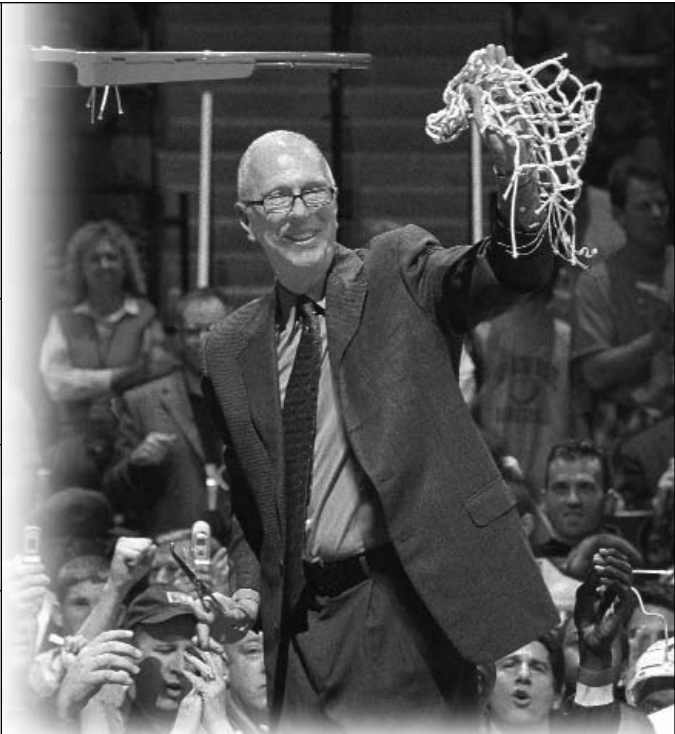
Most NBA Draft Picks

- Active Coaches, Since 1989*
- 1. Mike Krzyzewski, Duke 27
 - 2. Lute Olson, Arizona 25
 - 3. Jim Calhoun, Connecticut 21
 - 4. Roy Williams, No. Carolina 20
 - 5. ► Steve Fisher, SDSU 14
 - Rick Barnes, Texas 14
 - Gary Williams, Maryland 14
 - 8. Jim Boeheim, Syracuse 13
 - 9. Bob Huggins, Kansas State 11
 - Rick Pitino, Louisville 11

Coach listed with current school.



3	Steve Fisher has led the Aztecs to the postseason in three of the last five seasons, the best five-year stretch in school history.
5	Fisher ranks fifth among active Division I head coaches in highest NCAA Tournament winning percentage and most NBA Draft picks.
9	Steve Fisher has led nine teams during his 15-season career to the NCAA Tournament and 12 to postseason play.
24	During the 2005-06 campaign, Steve Fisher coached SDSU to a Division I school-record 24 victories.
289	In 15 seasons as head coach, Steve Fisher has amassed 289 victories.



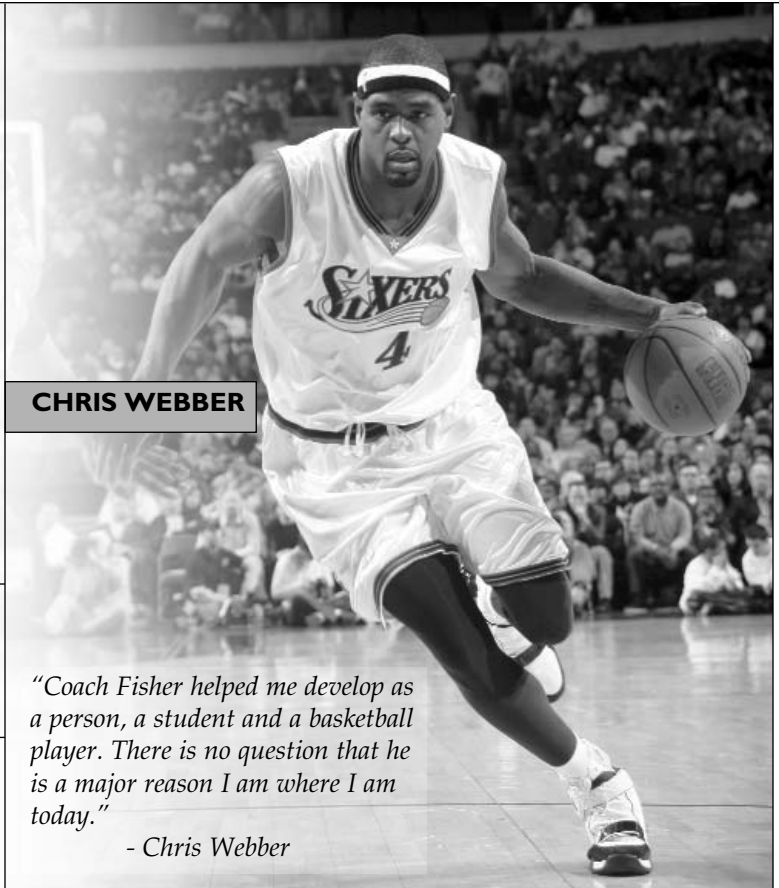
Fisher's Men in the NBA



A keen eye for talent coupled with the ability to develop raw athletic ability is one reason Steve Fisher's men play in the National Basketball Association.

Fisher has helped 24 student-athletes realize their professional dream of hearing their names called out and then making the walk to the podium on the world's biggest basketball stage - the NBA Draft.

In June 2002, San Diego State's Randy Holcomb became the 24th Fisher-coached player to be selected in the NBA Draft when the San Antonio Spurs made him their second-round selection.



CHRIS WEBBER

"Coach Fisher helped me develop as a person, a student and a basketball player. There is no question that he is a major reason I am where I am today."

- Chris Webber



GARY GRANT

L.A. Clippers '89-95; New York '96; Miami '97; Portland '98-01



GLEN RICE

Miami '90-95; Charlotte '96-98, L.A. Lakers '99-00; New York '01; Houston '02-03; L.A. Clippers '04

Glen Rice, one of the most prolific shooters in NBA history, won an NBA championship with the Los Angeles Lakers in 2000 and was named the 1997 NBA All-Star Game most valuable player.



TERRY MILLS

New Jersey '91, '92; Denver '91; Detroit '93-97, '00; Miami '98-99; Indiana '01



RUMEAL ROBINSON

Portland '96-97; Phoenix '97; L.A. Lakers '97



LOY VAUGHT

L.A. Clippers '91-98; Detroit '99-00; Washington '01; Dallas '01



CHRIS WEBBER

Golden State '94; Washington '95-98; Sacramento '99-05; Philadelphia '05-06



JUWAN HOWARD

Washington '95-01; Dallas '01-02; Denver '02-03; Orlando '04; Houston '05-06



JALEN ROSE

JUWAN HOWARD



Fisher's NBA Draft Picks

Includes players selected while an assistant coach

Year	Name
1982	Thad Gardner
1984	Dan Pelekoudas
	Tim McCormick
	Eric Turner
1986	Robert Henderson
	Richard Rellford
	Roy Tarpley
	Butch Wade
1987	Antoine Joubert
1988	Gary Grant
1989	Glen Rice
1990	Sean Higgins
	Terry Mills
	Rumeal Robison
	Loy Vaught
1993	Eric Riley
	Chris Webber
1994	Juwan Howard
	Jalen Rose
1995	Jimmy King
1997	Maurice Taylor
1998	Robert Traylor
	Maceo Baston
2002	Randy Holcomb



JALEN ROSE

Denver '95-96; Indiana '97-02; Chicago '02-04; Toronto '04-06; New York '06



JIMMY KING

Toronto '96; Denver '97



MAURICE TAYLOR

L.A. Clippers '98-00; Houston '01-05; New York '05-06



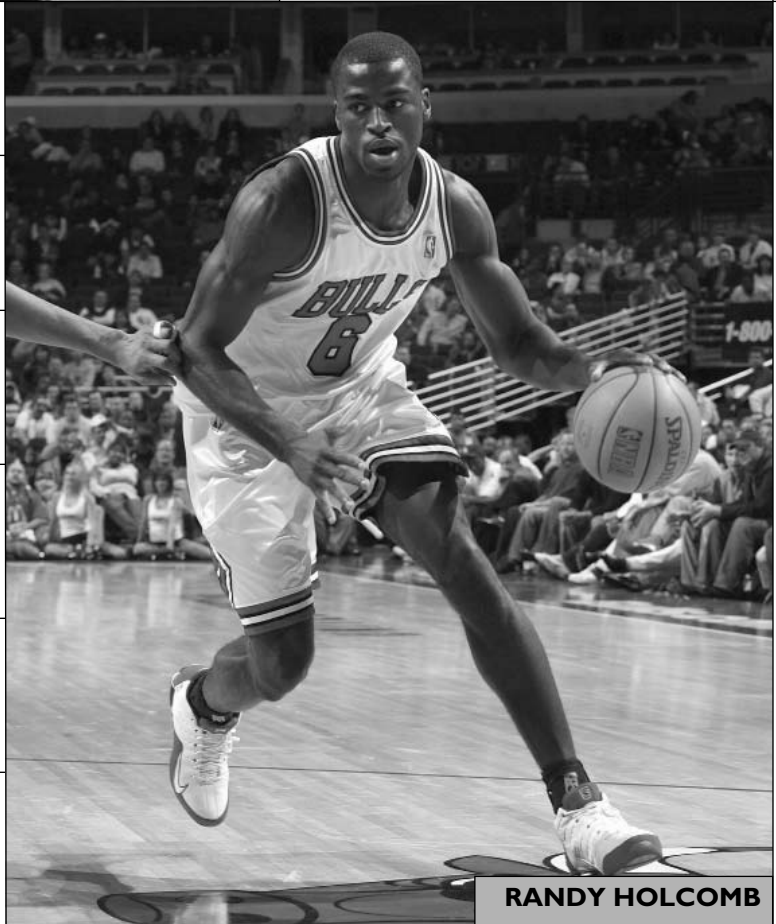
ROBERT TRAYLOR

Milwaukee '99-00; Cleveland '01, '05; Charlotte '02; New Orleans '03-04



RANDY HOLCOMB

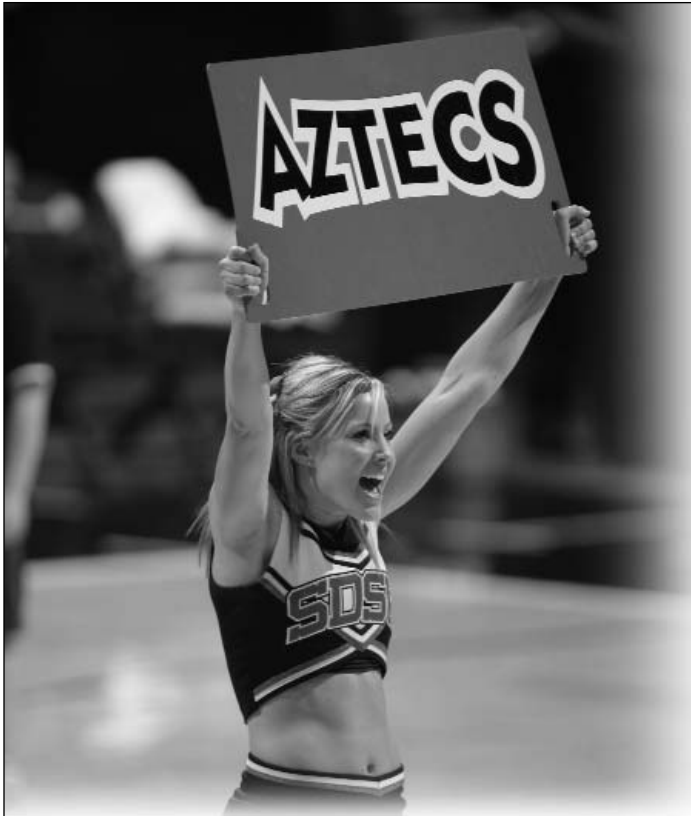
Chicago '06



RANDY HOLCOMB

Steve Fisher's men in the NBA have gone on to earn eight all-NBA selections, six all-rookie team honors, one Rookie of the Year award and one Sixth Man of the Year award.

Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl



The San Diego State basketball team has one of the finest on-campus basketball facilities in the country as its home court.

Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl enters its 10th season as the home court for the San Diego State men's and women's basketball programs. It is a 12,414-seat facility that combines state-of-the-art technology with a fan-friendly and close-to-the-floor seating configuration. National powerhouses such as Arizona, California, Iowa State, Oklahoma State, Providence, Texas Tech and Washington have all played against the Aztecs inside Cox Arena in recent years. The arena has already played host to the first and second rounds of the 2001 and 2006 NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, the 2001 NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament and the 2006 McDonald's Boys and Girls High School All-American game as well.

In addition, the facility is the premier concert venue in Southern California as Elton John, Billy Joel, Pearl Jam, Britney Spears, Creed and Incubus have all recently graced the arena's stage.

AZTEC NOTES

The four largest single-season home attendance averages have occurred during the past five seasons.

Five of the six largest home crowds and 12 of the 18 largest home crowds all-time have occurred during the Steve Fisher era.

San Diego State has posted an 66-29 record (69.5 percent) the last six seasons at Cox Arena, including an arena-best 13-2 record in 2005-06.





SDSU OPPONENTS



3

There have been three sellouts at Cox Arena, most recently, March 1, 2006, when the Aztecs defeated Wyoming to clinch the MWC crown outright.

4

Cox Arena has played host to four postseason events in its nine-year history (Two NCAA Tournaments; NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship; NIT).

13

The Aztecs set a Cox Arena record when they posted 13 victories during the 2005-06 season.

82

San Diego State has recorded 82 victories inside Cox Arena, 71 of which have come under Steve Fisher's direction.

9K

SDSU averaged 9,907 fans during the final seven home games of the 2005-06 season.



AZTEC PEP BAND

Game Night at Cox Arena



Game night inside Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl is a spectacle that every college basketball fan must see.

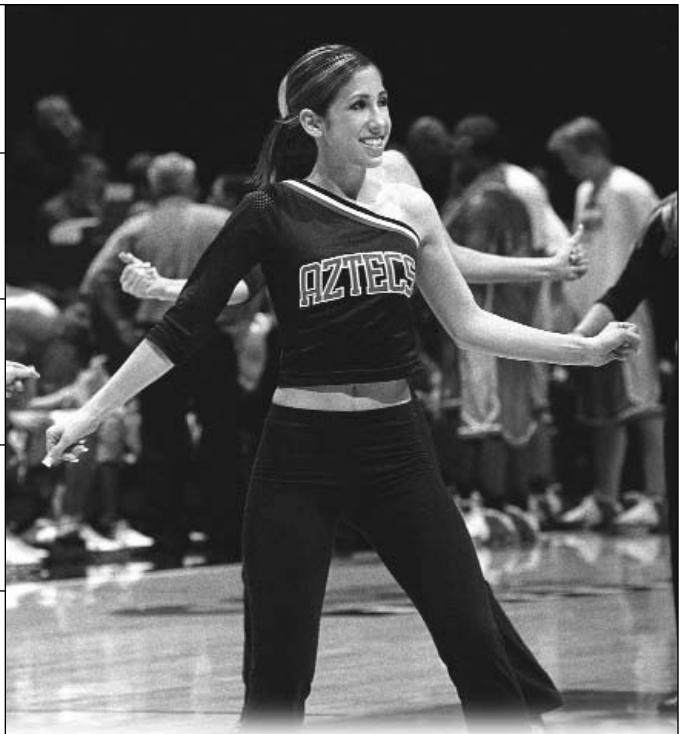
Whether it's the Aztec pep band blasting the SDSU Fight Song, the cheerleaders working the crowd into a frenzy, the dance team entertaining during timeouts, one thing is for sure: Cox Arena shakes with excitement every time San Diego State takes the floor.

From the booming introductions building to a crescendo at tip-off, to the raucous SDSU student section, to the storming of the court following another big Aztec victory, game nights at Cox Arena are special.

And no matter whether you are seated court-side, in the middle of the wild student section, or the at top of the arena, four video display boards make every seat seem like the front row.



5	The Aztecs drew over 9,000 fans on five different occasions during their banner 2005-06 season, including three crowds of more than 11,000 fans.
11	Richie Williams tied the Cox Arena record when he dished out 11 assists vs. South Dakota State in 2006.
17	Brandon Heath set a Cox Arena record when he connected on all 17 free throw attempts against UNLV in 2005.
84.8	In the last three seasons, SDSU has had 39 of 46 home games (84.8 percent) televised live.
100	SDSU drew over 100,000 fans for the third time in Cox Arena history and third time in the last four seasons.



FISHER FANATICS

Twenty of the top 30 all-time largest San Diego State home crowds have occurred inside Cox Arena.



Aztec Facilities

In addition to the Aztec Athletics Center housing the 15,000-square foot weight room, locker rooms and the Aztec Hall of Fame, San Diego State has some of the finest athletic facilities west of the Mississippi River.

On the south, the Aztec Athletic Center is buffered by the SDSU Sports Deck, where San Diego State's track and field team, along with both soccer squads compete.

On the north side, it is connected to Peterson Gym, the home of Aztec volleyball.

The west exit of the building opens onto three 120-yard practice fields. One of the fields is natural grass and two utilize field-turf, providing San Diego State daily options for its workouts.

All of SDSU's new facilities, including the athletics center, Cox Arena, Tony Gwynn Stadium and the Sports Deck, have opened since 1997.

In spring 2005, San Diego State opened its new 12-court tennis complex complete with state-of-the art Plexicushion surfacing and a tennis operations center. Also opening in 2005 was the softball team's new stadium adjacent to Tony Gwynn Stadium.

The buildings are not just sparkling new, but they are already postseason tested. Cox Arena, the 12,400-seat basketball facility, has twice served as a site for the NCAA Men's Basketball Division I Championship (first and second rounds) as well as the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball National Championship. In March 2006, Cox Arena also played host to the McDonald's High School All-American Basketball game.

The Sports Deck has already played host to the Mountain West Conference Track & Field Championships. Tony Gwynn Stadium was the site of the MWC baseball tournament in 2001 and the softball stadium hosted the 2005 Mountain West Conference softball championship.

Also under construction on campus is a new pool where the SDSU swimming and diving and water polo programs will compete. The Aztec Aquaplex will feature two pools, one for competition and another for recreation, and is set to open in 2007.

Besides all of the school's on-campus facilities, the football team plays at Qualcomm Stadium, home of the National Football League's San Diego Chargers, in Mission Valley. Qualcomm Stadium is the host of the Holiday and Poinsettia Bowls and was the home of Super Bowl XXXVII in 2003.

Tony Gwynn Stadium, the Aztec Athletics Center and the Aztec Tennis Center were constructed thanks to donations by San Diego Padres owners John and Becky Moores.



AZTEC ATHLETICS CENTER

COX ARENA AT AZTEC BOWL



AZTEC FOOTBALL PRACTICE FACILITY

National Attention

NATIONAL ATTENTION ◀ THIS IS SAN DIEGO STATE



In the nation's eighth largest city, San Diego State basketball is recognized at a national level. The media spotlight has always been on Montezuma Mesa and is even more so with the Aztecs coming off a conference championship and an NCAA Tournament appearance.

The Aztecs have always been an attractive option as SDSU has had 122 of 155 games (78.7 percent) carried live either locally, regionally or nationally the past five seasons.

This season will be no different as Versus, CSTV, The mtn. and Channel 4 San Diego will broadcast Aztec games locally, regionally and nationally.

Not only does San Diego State receive coverage locally and up and down the West Coast, it is common for national and out-of-market writers and broadcasters to cover SDSU basketball.



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ESPNEWS HEAT

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With much talent back, Brandon Heath and SDSU may celebrate

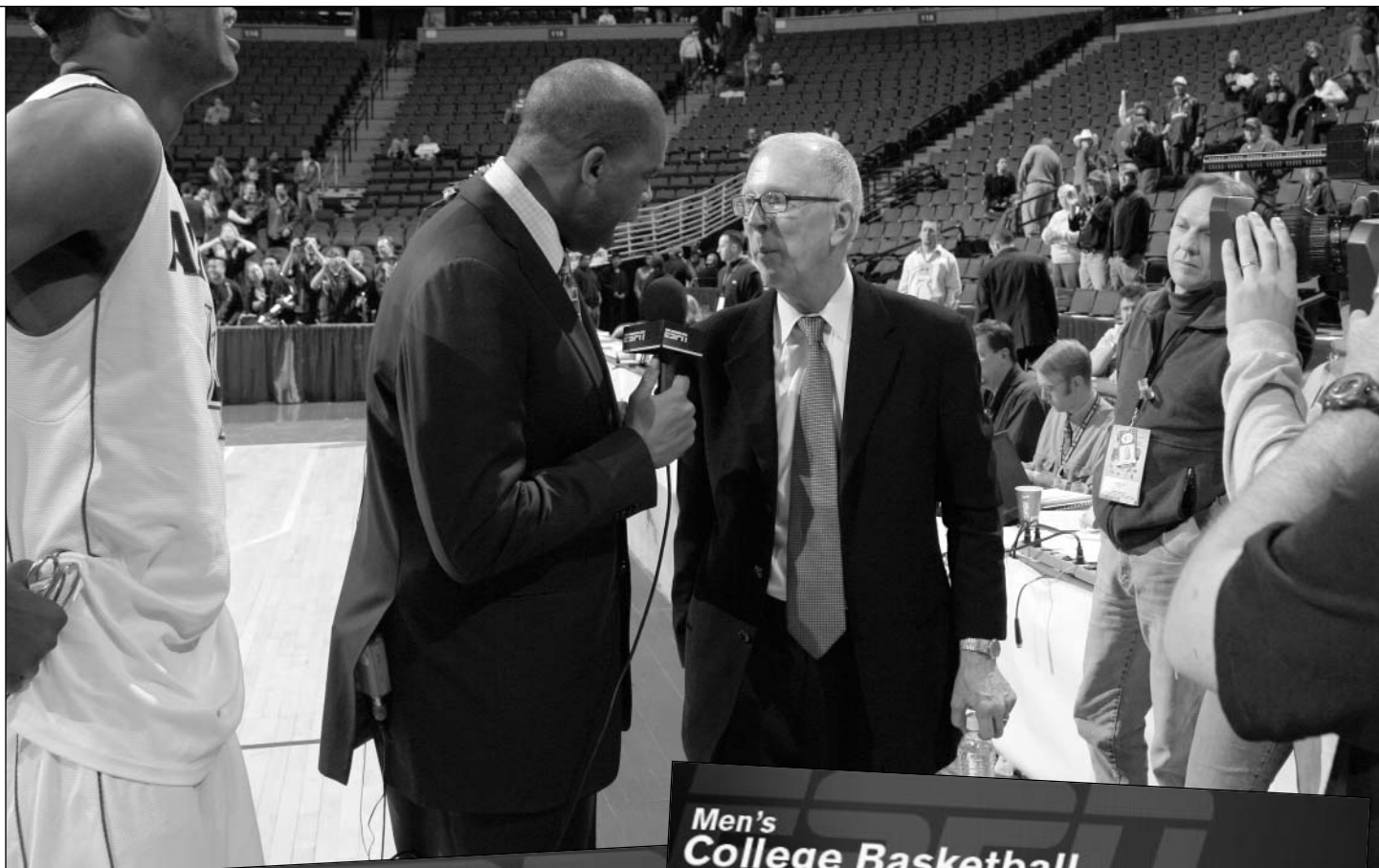
Proxy Statement

Lots of starters returning. Tons of talent arriving. A history of larges. The Mountain West has much reason to think it can mi the Missouri Valley's 2006 four-bid surge. **Summer Session**

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Steve Fisher's Aztecs have the talent. Do they have the teamwork?

Stand And Deliver

Utah lost Andrew Bogut. New Mexico lost Danny Granger. Air Force lost its coach (again). Can San Diego State step into the Mountain West vacuum and (finally) fulfill its potential? **Summer Session**

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- **Big West:** Is Fullerton poised to become a basketball school?

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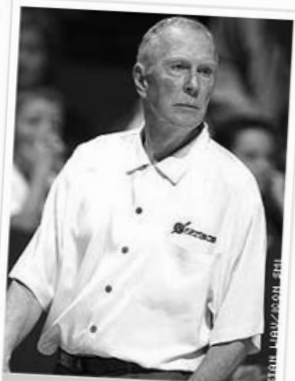
Time for an Aztec uprising

ESPN.com

Sum of its parts?

There is a Mountain West Conference basketball team that likely will enter the 2005-06 season with the following parts:

- The preseason conference Player of the Year.
- Another first-team all-league preseason selection.
- The league's top two returning scorers and its leaders in rebounds and steals.
- A newcomer-of-the-year candidate.
- A recruiting class ranked in the top 20 nationally by some services.
- Four returning starters and 82.8 percent of its scoring and rebounding from last year.
- A head coach who, when he has returned at least four starters during his career, has



SDSU's Fisher needs to get things pointed in the right direction.

Things to watch

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Aztecs in the Community

At San Diego State University, community outreach is an important component of campus life. Over the years, Aztec athletes have been involved in numerous programs, including Habitat For Humanity, Special Olympics, Shop-With-A-Jock and MS Walk (Water Walkers).

Visits to Children's Hospital, local elementary schools and the Ronald McDonald House are common events for SDSU student-athletes. Over the last five years, red and black jerseys from all sports have become familiar sights at local military bases and hospitals.

San Diego State University has a partnership with Encanto Elementary School in which the Aztec athletic department provides student-athlete tutors and mentors for the school. Tickets to SDSU athletic events are rewards for outstanding academic achievement by the elementary students.

Food drives, stuffed-animal drives and Christmas gift drives are annual features at San Diego State.

Every season for four consecutive weeks during the month of November, the Aztec swimming and diving team staffs a local shelter and soup kitchen.

In addition, the swimming and diving squad along with the crew team participate in Race for the Cure and Row for the Cure, respectively.

"The students are providing a community service," said Bre White, who is the coordinator of SDSU's community service activities. "However, I would say that the student-athletes may often gain the most from the experience."



SHOP-WITH-A-JOCK

ENCANTO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Aztec Academics

The dual role of student and athlete can be a daunting challenge for any person at the Division I level. Recognizing that academic challenge, the Student Athlete Academic Support Services (SAASS) program has been developed at San Diego State to assist all student-athletes in achieving academic excellence.

It is a source of pride within San Diego State athletics that the department has developed one of the most comprehensive academic support programs in the country.

The Staff

The SAASS staff includes a director, a learning specialist, four academic advisors, the department's director of compliance, an eligibility coordinator, a financial aid coordinator as well as a recruitment coordinator.

In addition to the full-time staff, the department employs more than 20 mentors and tutors.

Collectively, they operate a program that enhances each student's satisfactory progress toward graduation.

The Services

Throughout the academic year, advisors offer a variety of services to aid individuals in the development of their personal goals and the blueprint for pursuing those goals.

All new student-athletes are invited to an orientation that helps lay the foundation for future successes. Each advisor teaches a section of the University's Freshman Success course (General Studies 100), which deals with specific transition issues for student-athletes. Topics include time management, study skills and test taking. In addition, the course also introduces new students to services such as the Love Library, University Advising Center, Career Services, Health Services and the counseling center.

The Resources

In the fall of 2001, the academic unit joined the rest of the athletic department in moving into the new \$30 million, 130,000-square-foot Aztec Athletics Center. The academic staff is located on the third floor of the complex and includes a 40-station computer lab, individual study rooms and two lecture rooms.

The Commitment

San Diego State's annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet honors students with a grade-point average in excess of 3.2. In 2006, 206 student-athletes, more than one-third of the student-athlete body, were honored for their work in the classroom.

A new event was launched in 2005 with the inaugural Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) Awards. SDSU's student-athletes were treated to an awards banquet to recognize outstanding individual achievements throughout the athletic department.

Life Skills

To further increase the opportunities for success, San Diego State is part of the NCAA's CHAMPS/Life Skills Program. The curriculum of Aztec PRIDE (Promoting Responsibility, Integrity, Diversity, Education) offers a wide range of programs and activities that enhance the educational experience. Special emphasis is placed on the areas of personal development, community service and career development.

In conjunction with SAAC, the Life Skills Program represents SDSU's total commitment to enhancing the quality of each student's experience.



In 2004, four players took part in University commencement ceremonies, including Ben Wardrop (double major), Michael Marion (master's degree), Aerick Sanders and Karlo Kovacic (graduate honors magna cum laude).

15	Basketball's Chris Walton along with 14 others were given Malik Awards, which honor students with the highest semester GPAs, at the 2006 SAAC banquet.
91	This past year, 91 Big Red Awards were handed out at the SAAC awards. To be eligible, student-athletes must have a semester GPA of at least a 3.2.
100	The Monty Award was given out to 100 Aztec student-athletes for achieving a semester GPA of 3.5 or higher at the annual awards banquet.



AZTEC COMPUTER LAB

San Diego State University

Beginning its 110th academic year in fall 2006, San Diego State University can take pride in more than a century of achievement in education, research and service. With an enrollment of more than 35,000 students, SDSU has grown into the largest institution of higher education in the San Diego region and the fifth largest in California.

- San Diego State currently grants bachelor's degrees in 81 academic areas, master's degrees in 72 and doctoral degrees in 16.
- One in seven adults in San Diego holds a degree from SDSU.
- SDSU is No. 14 in the nation for bachelor's degrees conferred to ethnic minorities according to the June 2006 edition of *Diverse Issues in Higher Education*.
- The International Business Program at SDSU is the largest undergraduate international business program in the country, serving 700 students annually.
- SDSU is No. 9 in the nation and No. 4 in California for bachelor's degrees awarded to Hispanics according to the May 2006 issue of *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education*.
- SDSU is No. 22 in entrepreneurship among best graduate programs according to the April 2006 edition of *U.S. News & World Report*.
- The SDSU College of Business' Entrepreneurial Management Center is a Nasdaq Center of Excellence, which places it among the top eight such programs in the nation.



CHEMICAL SCIENCES LABORATORY

CENTENNIAL WALKWAY



Did You Know?

San Diego State has been designated a "Research University" with high research activity by the Carnegie Foundation. This designation places SDSU among the top 200 universities conducting research in the United States.

SDSU's undergraduate International Business program was ranked No. 9 in the nation in August 2005 by *U.S. News & World Report*.

San Diego State's Graduate School of Public Health is No. 1 in the continental U.S. for Hispanic graduates.

SDSU's College of Education ranked No. 57 in the nation in the *U.S. News & World Report's* 2006 rankings of best graduate schools.

San Diego State students volunteer more than three million hours annually in community service - which, if valued at minimum wage, would be a donation to the region worth more than \$20 million a year.

SDSU is the first U.S. university to offer an transnational triple degree program in International Business. In fact, SDSU has the only two such programs in the country. Undergraduates earn degrees from SDSU and universities in Mexico and Canada in the CaMexUs program, or degrees from SDSU, Mexico and Chile in the TransAmerica program.



America's Finest City

San Diego

AZTEC TERRITORY

Quite simply, San Diego State University and the City of San Diego, "America's Finest City," enjoy several advantages over virtually every other school in America. The climate, diversity, environment and sheer beauty of the city attracts people from all walks of life.

The City

Dubbed the "jewel" of the southern California coast, the city of San Diego has grown to surround its natural harbor and is the eighth largest city in the United States and the second largest in California.

Diversity

The rich flavors and colors of this diverse population blends all ethnic groups and all walks of life to create an amazing quality of life that makes San Diego all things to all people.

Natural Beauty

As America's eighth largest city, San Diego also protects vast areas of open space for riding, hiking, skiing, and camping. The region also boasts more than 70 miles of beaches along its coastline. From Torrey Pines and La Costa to Aviara, Mission Bay or Singing Hills, beautiful settings offer an abundance of golf and tennis options.

The Weather

Meteorologists claim San Diego as the country's only area with a perfect climate. This year-round environment posts an average daytime temperature of 70 degrees, with an annual rainfall average of less than 10 inches.

Ideal Living

Whether watching the sun rise over the east county mountains or the sun setting over the Pacific, in San Diego, one is surrounded by natural beauty, pampered by an ideal climate, immersed in old-world traditions and able to enjoy a comfortable, friendly lifestyle that no other city offers. What a treat to live, play and study in "America's Finest City."

Places To Go

There's always something to do in San Diego. SeaWorld, the World-Famous San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park, LEGOLAND California, Balboa Park and historic Old Town are just some of the attractions San Diego has to offer.

If it's art and history you seek, you'll find it here. Did you know San Diego is the birthplace of California or that San Diego boasts the largest concentration of museums west of the Mississippi?

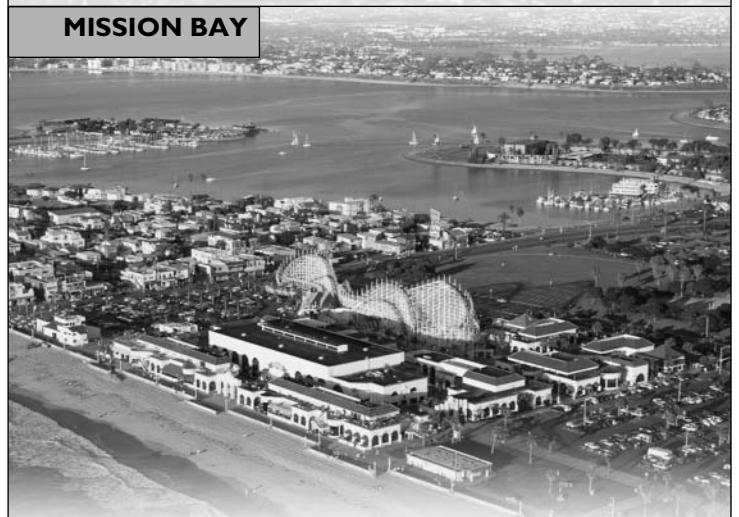
San Diego also offers Tony Award-winning theatre, opera, symphony, art galleries and performance art for the culturally curious.

For that "night on the town" San Diego's night life beckons with over 200 nightclubs that offer toe-tapping beats of everything from country western to R&B.

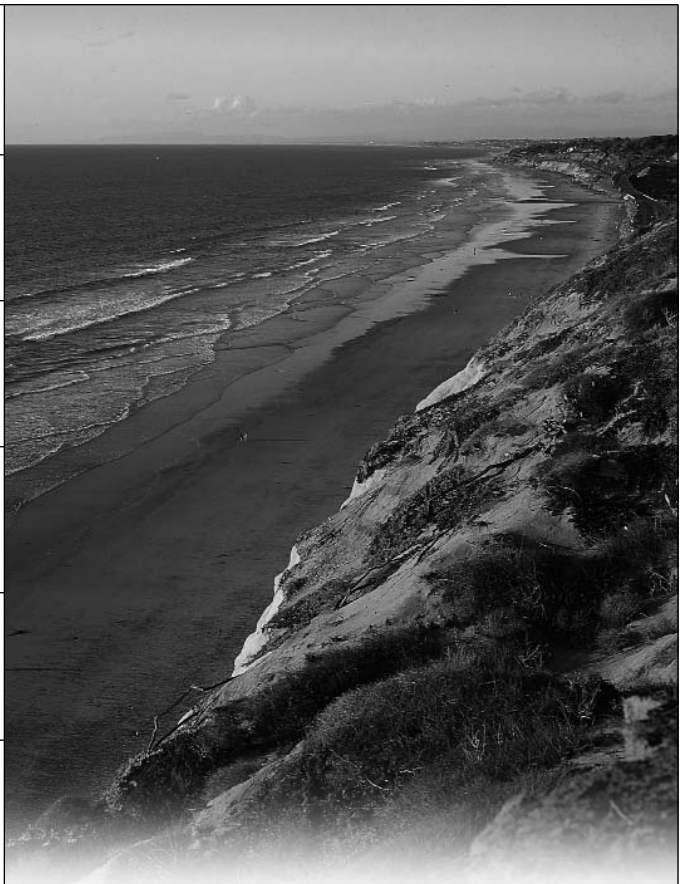
BALBOA PARK



MISSION BAY



1	The City of San Diego has a population of 1,266,753. and is the second largest city in California. More than 100 languages are spoken by San Diego residents.
3	With a San Diego County population of 3,017,204, the metropolitan area ranks as the 17th largest in the United States.
8	San Diego is the eighth largest city in America, but has maintained its small-town feel.
10	Many believe San Diego has America's perfect climate. With an average of 10 inches of rainfall per year, that claim is difficult to dispute.
35	San Diego has a youthful population as approximately 56 percent of the city's residents are under 35 years of age.
70	With an average of 10 inches of rainfall a year plus an average daytime temperature of 70 degrees, San Diego has the nation's perfect climate.



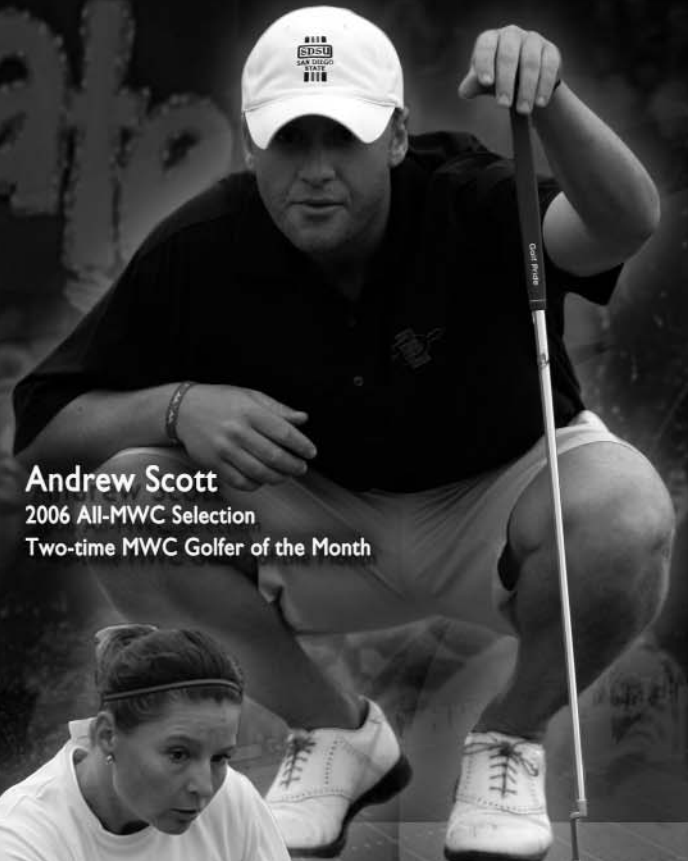
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Aztec Excellence



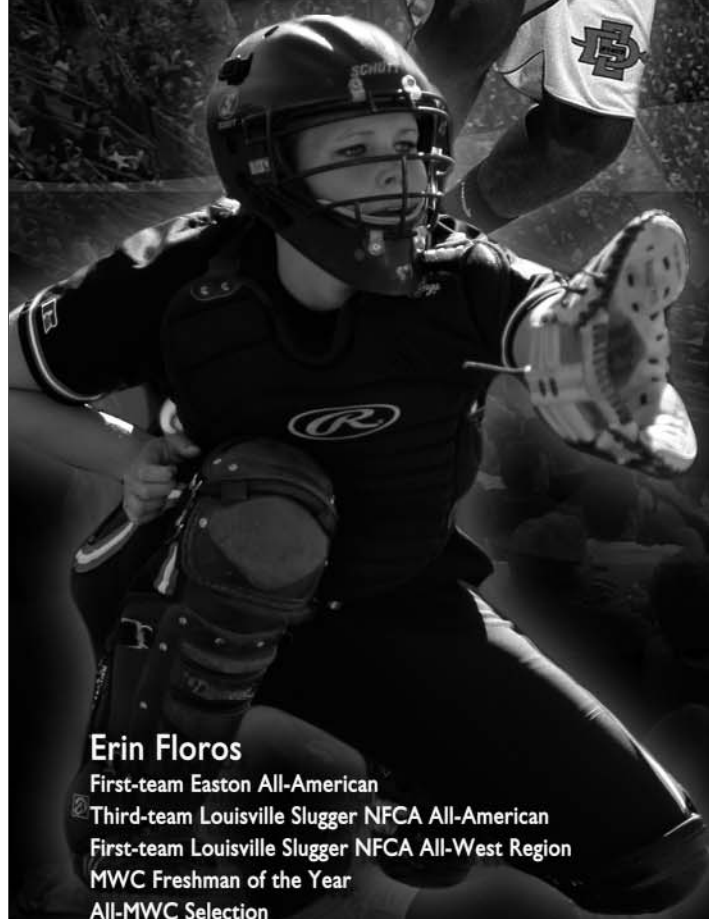
Brandon Heath

2006 AP Honorable Mention All-American
2006 MWC Player of the Year
2006 MWC All-Tournament Pick
2006 USBWA All-District Team
2006 NABC All-District 13 First Team
Three-time All-MWC Selection



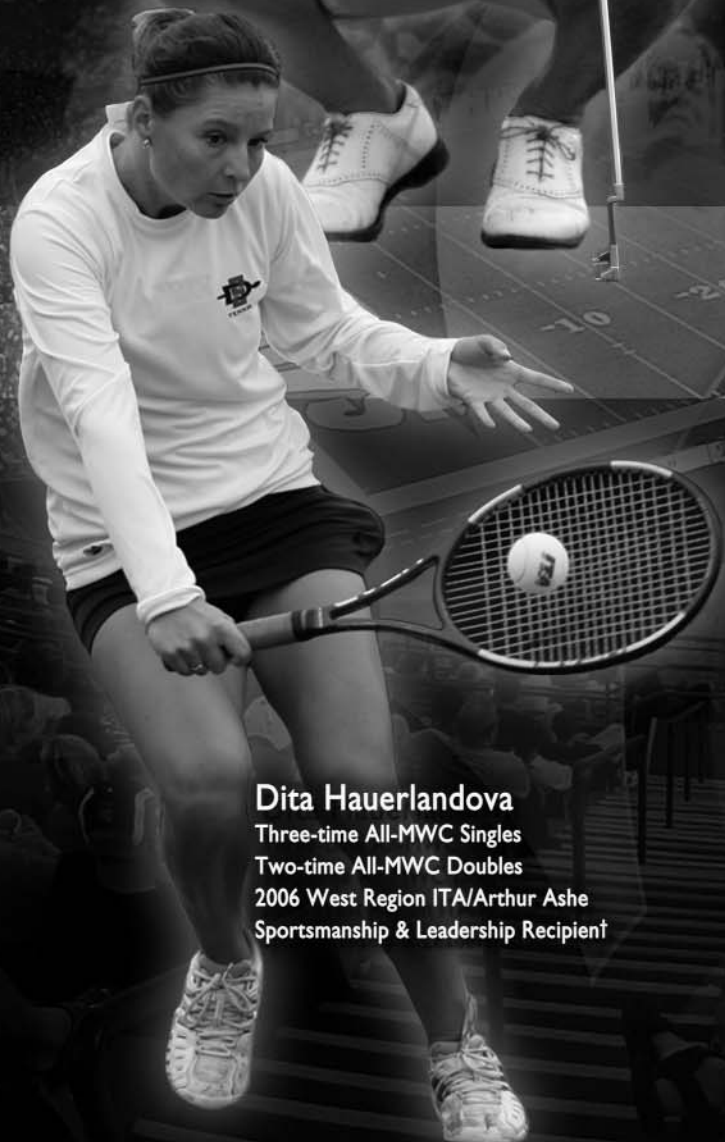
Andrew Scott

2006 All-MWC Selection
Two-time MWC Golfer of the Month



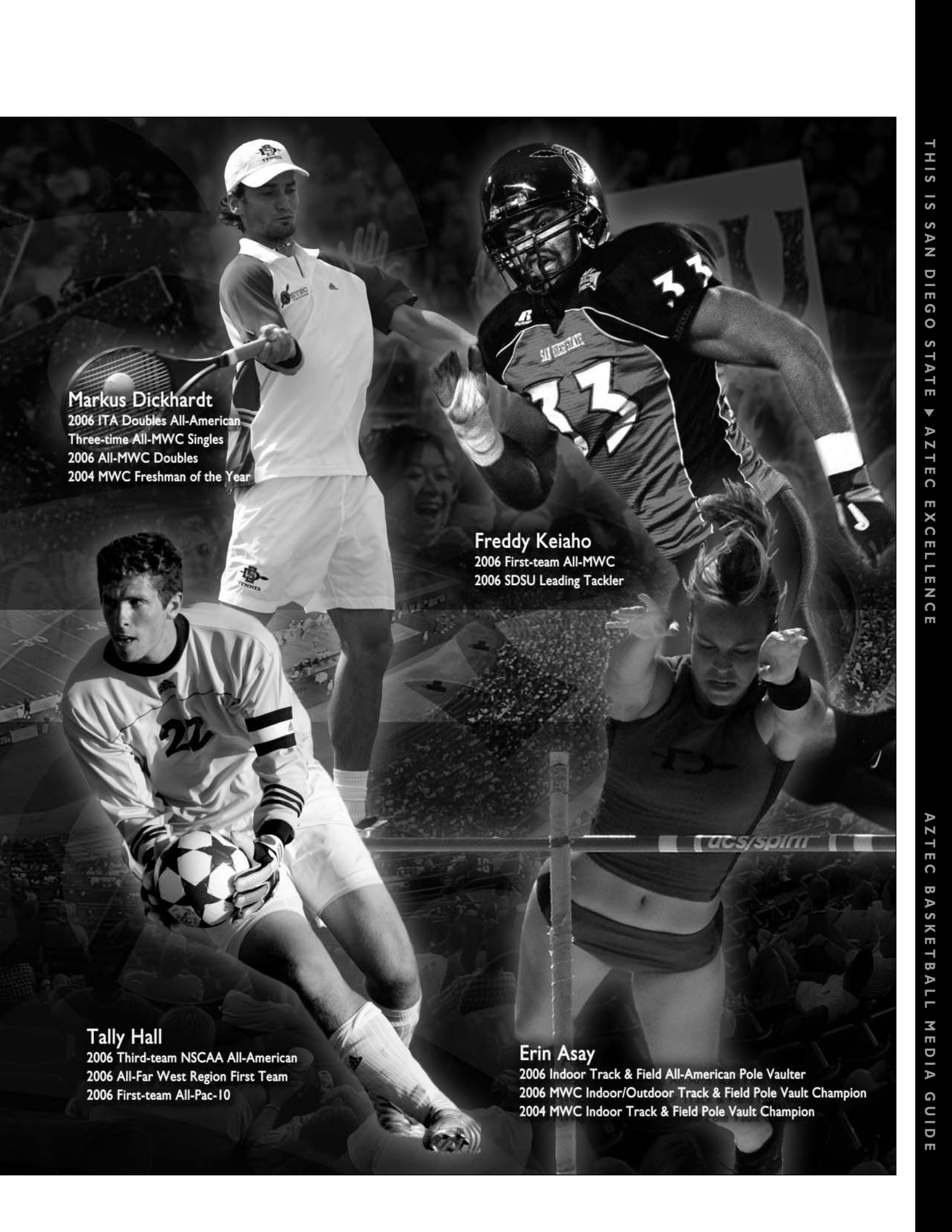
Erin Floros

First-team Easton All-American
Third-team Louisville Slugger NFCA All-American
First-team Louisville Slugger NFCA All-West Region
MWC Freshman of the Year
All-MWC Selection



Dita Hauerlandova

Three-time All-MWC Singles
Two-time All-MWC Doubles
2006 West Region ITA/Arthur Ashe
Sportsmanship & Leadership Recipient



Markus Dickhardt

2006 ITA Doubles All-American
Three-time All-MWC Singles
2006 All-MWC Doubles
2004 MWC Freshman of the Year

Freddy Keiaho

2006 First-team All-MWC
2006 SDSU Leading Tackler

Tally Hall

2006 Third-team NSCAA All-American
2006 All-Far West Region First Team
2006 First-team All-Pac-10

Erin Asay

2006 Indoor Track & Field All-American Pole Vaulter
2006 MWC Indoor/Outdoor Track & Field Pole Vault Champion
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This is the Mountain West

From its inception in 1999, the Mountain West Conference has been committed to excellence in intercollegiate athletics, while promoting the academic missions of its member institutions. Progressive in its approach, the MWC continues to cultivate opportunities for student-athletes to compete at the highest level, while fostering academic achievement and sportsmanship. The MWC has been assertive in its involvement with the NCAA governance structure and has taken a leadership role in the overall administration of intercollegiate athletics.

The MWC is noted for its geographic diversity. Some of the most beautiful terrain and landscapes in the nation can be found within Mountain West Conference boundaries, including the majestic Rocky Mountain range, which borders four MWC schools (Utah, BYU, Air Force and Colorado State). The high plains of Wyoming (elevation 7,220 feet – the highest Division I campus in the nation) contrast with the desert city of Las Vegas (the fastest growing metropolitan area in the West) and the Pacific Ocean locale of San Diego State. The southwestern flavor of New Mexico complements the western heritage and culture of Fort Worth, Texas, home of the MWC's newest member, TCU.

History

The MWC was conceived on May 26, 1998, when the presidents of eight institutions – Air Force, Brigham Young, Colorado State, New Mexico, San Diego State, UNLV, Utah and Wyoming – decided to form a new NCAA Division I-A intercollegiate athletic conference.

The split from the former 16-team Western Athletic Conference re-established continuity and stability among the membership within the new league and signaled the continuation of its tradition-rich, long-standing athletic rivalries. Five of the MWC's eight members have been conference rivals since the 1960s (Brigham Young, Utah, New Mexico, Wyoming, Colorado State), while San Diego State (1978) and Air Force (1980) were longtime members as well. UNLV entered the fold in 1996 and TCU began its first year of competition in 2005-06.

When the MWC officially began operations on July 1, 1999, the new league had in place a seven-year contract with ESPN, giving the broadcaster exclusive national television rights to MWC football and men's basketball; and three-year agreements to send the league's football champion to the Liberty Bowl and a second team to the Las Vegas Bowl. Thompson also arranged a third bowl tie-in each of the first three years (1999 Motor City, 2000 Silicon Valley, 2001 New Orleans) before securing a four-year deal with the Emerald Bowl in San Francisco in 2002. An innovator in the postseason bowl structure, the MWC engineered many "firsts," as league teams will have participated in four inaugural bowl games (2000 Silicon Valley, 2001 New Orleans, 2002 San Francisco (Emerald), 2005 Poinsettia Bowl), as well as placing the first non-automatic-qualifying BCS team into a BCS bowl game with Utah's appearance in the 2005 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

2005-06 in Review

The 2005-06 academic year concluded with several significant achievements for the MWC. League newcomer TCU would make an immediate impact in its first year in the MWC, winning conference titles in football, baseball and tennis. The Horned Frogs capped an 11-1 season with a victory over Iowa St. in the Houston Bowl and ranked No. 9 in the final USA Today top 25 poll. Overall, the MWC sent a record four teams to bowl games and posted a 2-2 mark in those contests. Seventeen football student-athletes earned all-America honors, while another dozen were selected in the 2006 NFL Draft.

Exposure

A new era begins in the fall of 2006 as College Sports Television (CSTV) becomes the official television partner for the Conference. The MWC forged a potential 14-year agreement with CSTV, giving the fastest-growing independent cable network exclusive rights to Mountain West Conference football and men's basketball, plus coverage for all other MWC sports. With a "fans first" focus, CSTV has assured that MWC constituents will see more MWC sports at more convenient times and in more media platforms than ever before.

The agreement incorporates all Conference-related media and marketing rights, including all television, national over-the-air and satellite radio, video-on-demand, and online and broadband rights. The multi-media partnership also includes The mtn., the first-ever regional sports network dedicated solely to an intercollegiate athletic conference.

The MWC has remained steadfast in its mission to promote the league's athletic events to national and regional television audiences. ESPN served as the league's inaugural official television partner, while in-house productions guaranteed coverage for several MWC Olympic sports. Through the league's first seven years, excluding institutional local packages, 778 football, volleyball, men's basketball and women's basketball events have aired on television, with 142 football games and over 115 men's basketball contests broadcast nationally. The MWC is the only conference to have televised all contests from its volleyball and women's basketball championships five of the past six years, while baseball, softball and women's soccer have had selected games from their respective championships televised in that span.

Achievement

The MWC has produced over 425 All-America selections among its 19 sponsored sports in the last seven years, including a league record 84 All-America honorees in 2004-05. Over 70 MWC student-athletes have also earned Academic All-America accolades in that span. The MWC has sent at least 30 teams to NCAA postseason events each of the past seven years.

Opportunity

The MWC provides a first-class athletic and academic experience for over 4,000 student-athletes each year. In the past four years, 12 MWC student-athletes have earned NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships, and since the league's inception in 1999, an additional 14 student-athletes were named MWC Student-Athlete of the Year and awarded league-sponsored postgraduate scholarships. Two student-athletes have earned distinction as Rhodes Scholars (Jessica Mellinger, Wyoming and Delavane Diaz, Air Force).



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