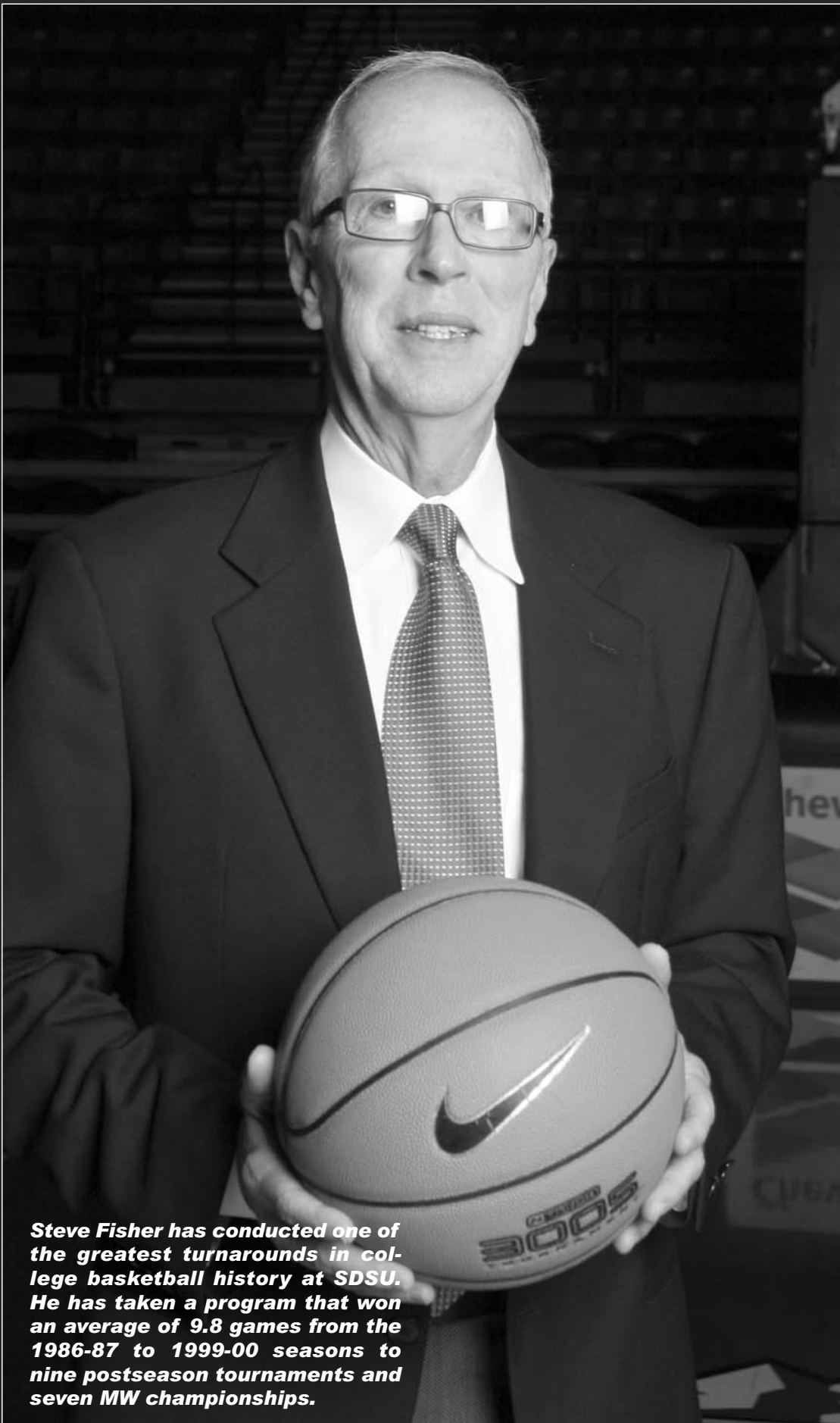


# This Is San Diego State



THREE STRAIGHT NCAA APPEARANCES ► BACK-TO-BACK MOUNTAIN WEST REGULAR-SEASON CHAMPIONS



***Steve Fisher has conducted one of the greatest turnarounds in college basketball history at SDSU. He has taken a program that won an average of 9.8 games from the 1986-87 to 1999-00 seasons to nine postseason tournaments and seven MW championships.***

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# STEVE FISHER

"Consistency is the key with Steve Fisher. He consistently brings in great players, consistently wins big games. His players respect his national championship, but just as importantly, relate to his teaching."

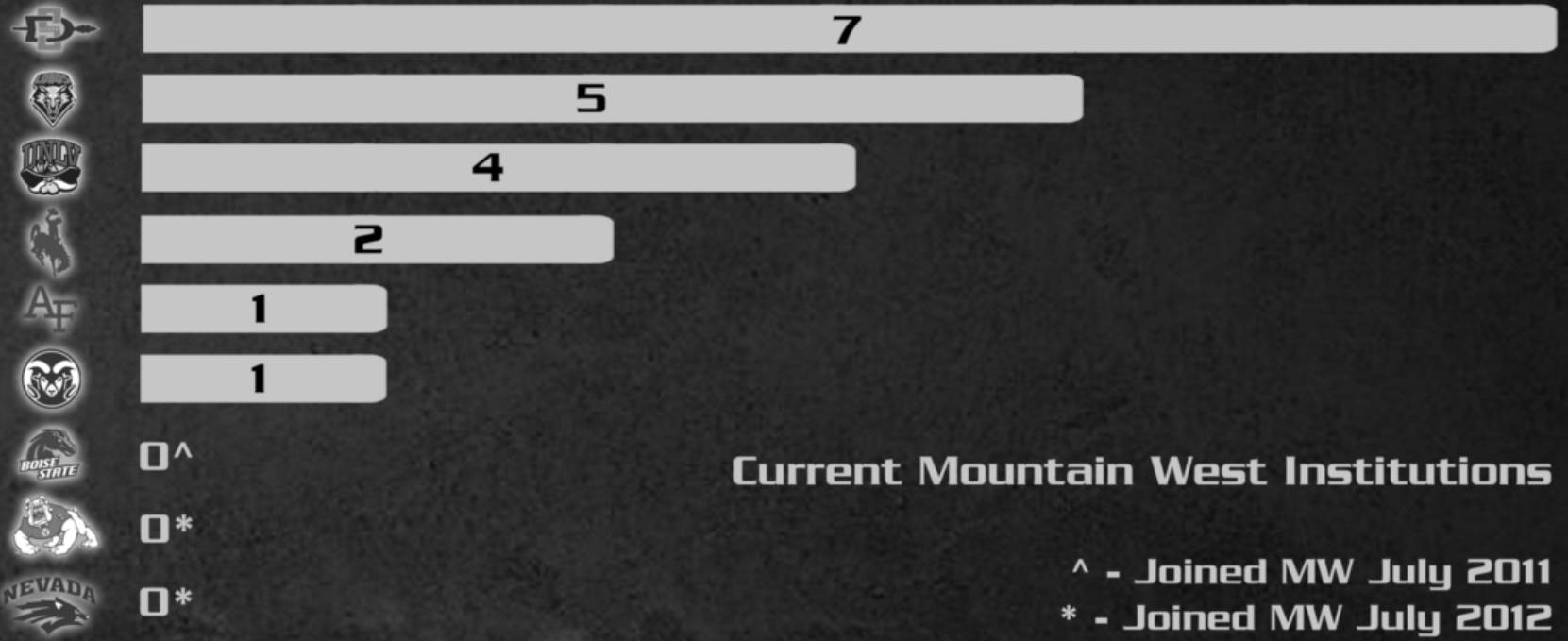
—Tom Hart, ESPN



" Steve Fisher is in the process of coaching SDSU during its Golden Era. Someday people will look back to these days as the best in the history of the basketball program. The job he has done is nothing short of amazing. Every year he establishes some new accomplishment for the program."

— Steve Lappas, CBS Sports Network

# ALL-TIME MW CHAMPIONS (Regular Season and Tournament)



## Current Mountain West Institutions

<sup>^</sup> - Joined MW July 2011

<sup>\*</sup> - Joined MW July 2012



"Some people may forget what an incredible job of rebuilding Steve Fisher did when he first got to San Diego State. The best evidence of that is now. When you think of Aztec basketball, you think of a winning program with quality players and post-season appearances."

– Fran Fraschilla, ESPN



## NUMBER OF HEAD COACHES SINCE 1999-2000 (MW SCHOOLS)

San Diego State.....	1
Boise State.....	3
Nevada.....	3
New Mexico.....	3
Wyoming.....	3
Colorado State.....	4
Fresno State.....	4
Air Force.....	6
UNLV.....	6

# FISHER'S MEN IN THE PROS



## Kawhi Leonard

2011 NBA Draft | 1st Round, 15th pick | Indiana Pacers  
2012 NBA All-Rookie First Team

"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



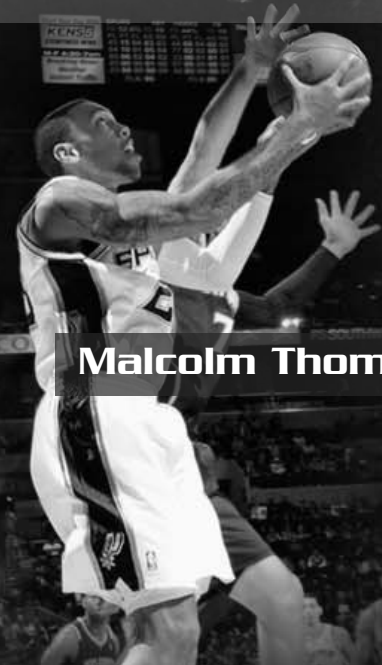
**Chris Webber**  
15-Year NBA Veteran



**Marcus Slaughter**



**Brandon Heath**



**Malcolm Thomas**

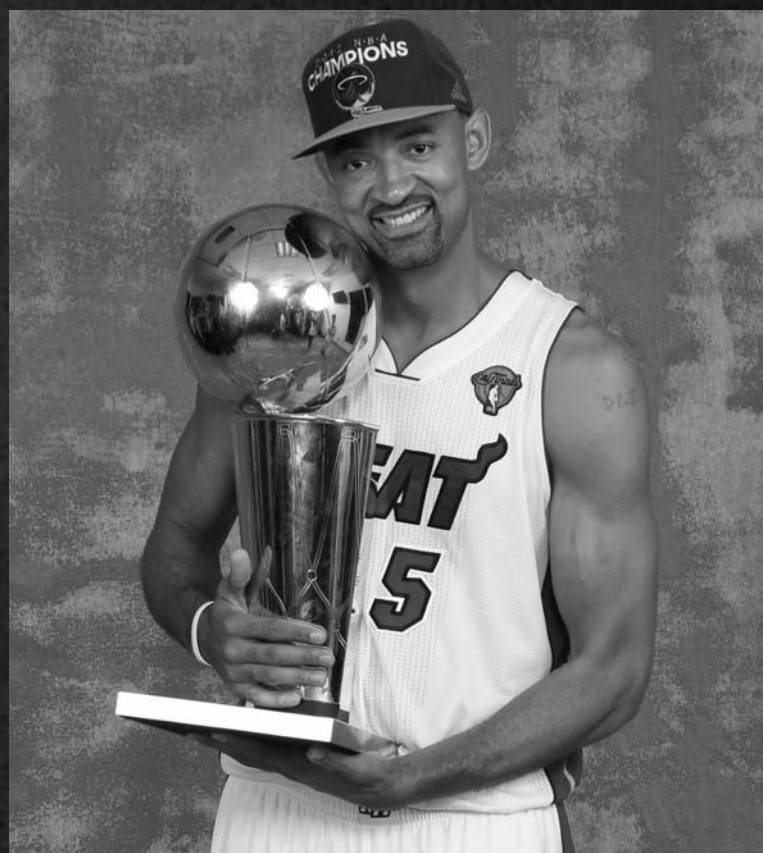
## Fisher's Aztecs in the Professional Ranks

Player	Last Organization/Country
David Abramowitz	Mexico
Mohamed Abukar	Bulgaria
Ryan Amoroso	Italy
Tony Bland	Lebanon
Evan Burns	D-League – Sioux Falls
Mohamed Camara	IBL – Las Vegas
Brian Carlwell	Argentina
Mehdi Cheriet	France
Marcelo Correa	Syria
Kelvin Davis	ABA – Connecticut
Myron Epps	ABA – South Valley
Al Faux	Austria
D.J. Gay	Italy
Jerome Habel	Mexico
Brandon Heath	Bulgaria
Randy Holcomb	Japan
Michael Holper	Philippines
Kawhi Leonard	NBA – San Antonio Spurs
Mike Mackell	PBL – Rochester
Chris Manker	Iceland
Deandre Moore	Mexico
Aerick Sanders	France
John Sharper	Switzerland
Marcus Slaughter	Spain
Brandon Smith	Finland
Kyle Spain	Belgium
Malcolm Thomas	Israel
Lorenzo Wade	Mexico
Richie Williams	Germany

## Fisher's NBA Draft Picks

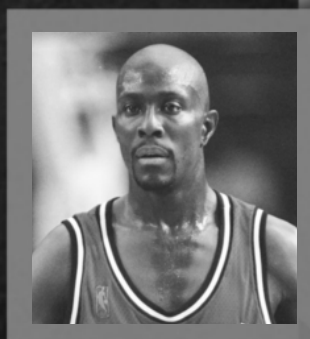
Includes players selected while an assistant coach

Year	Player
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 Robinson
	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
2011	Kawhi Leonard



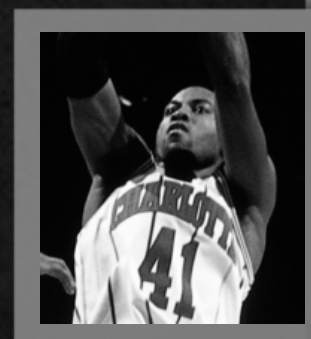
**Juwan Howard**

2012 NBA Champion | 18-Year NBA Veteran



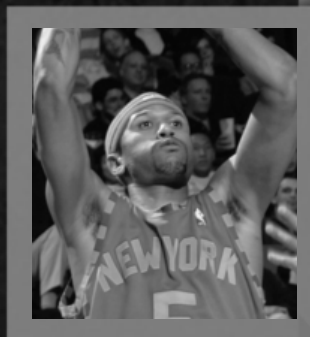
**Gary Grant**

13-Year NBA Veteran



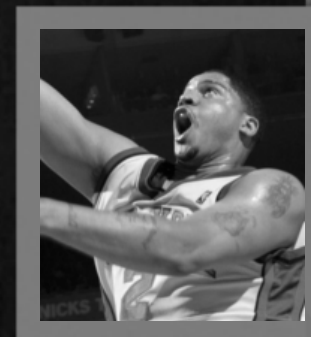
**Glen Rice**

15-Year NBA Veteran



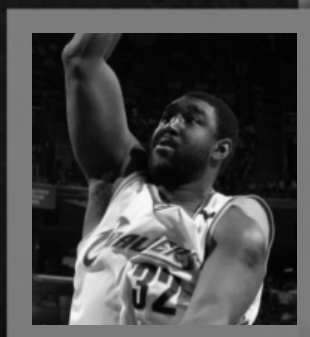
**Jalen Rose**

13-Year NBA Veteran



**Maurice Taylor**

9-Year NBA Veteran



**Robert Traylor**

7-Year NBA Veteran



**Loy Vaught**

11-Year NBA Veteran

# VIEJAS ARENA

"Tickets to The Show are harder to come by than those for a red-carpet Hollywood premiere."

- Dana O'Neil, ESPN.com

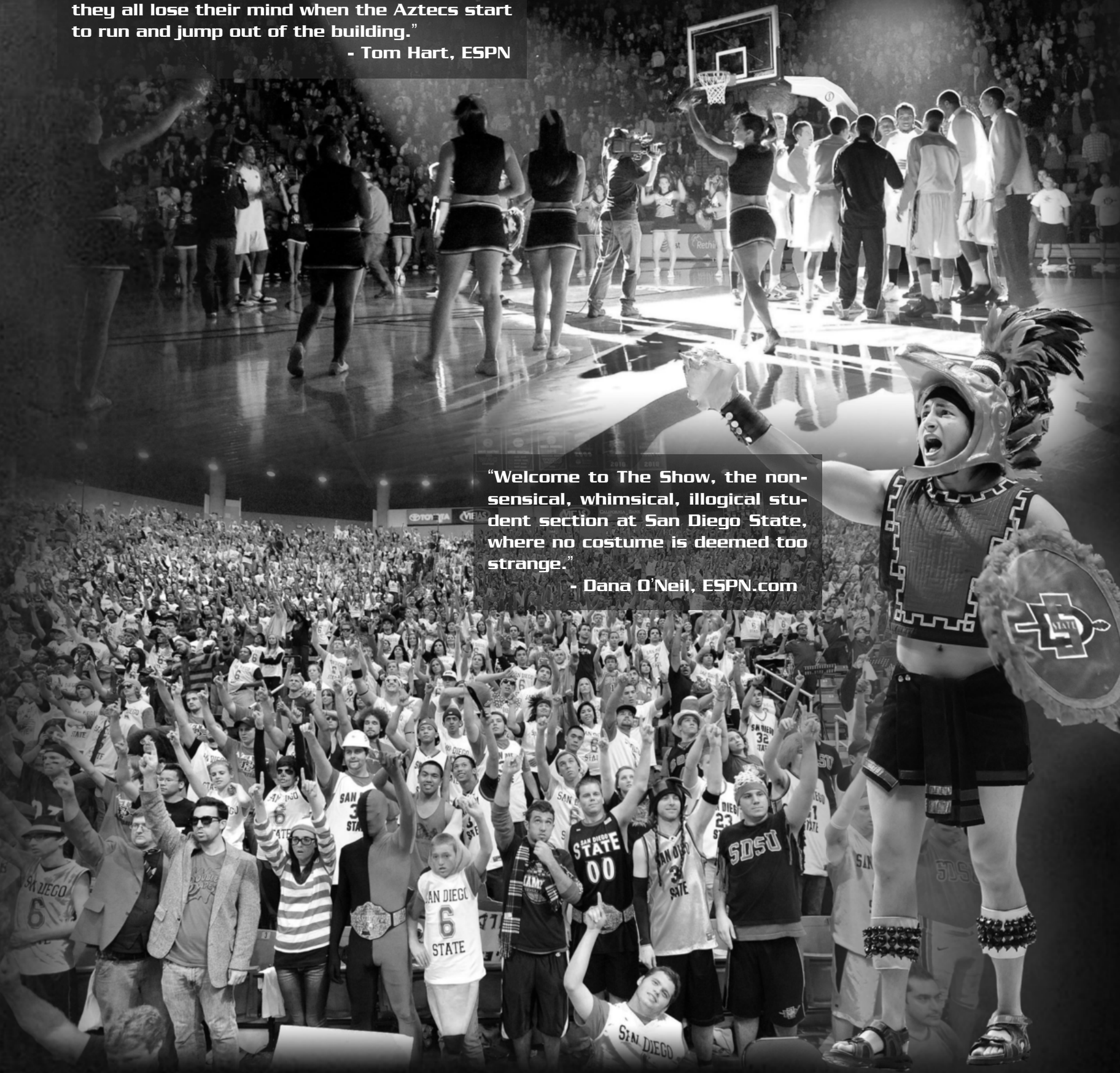


"Viejas Arena is one tough place to play as a visitor. You feel like you are surrounded from above when that place rocks."

- Steve Lappas, CBS Sports Network



**“The most creative student section in the MWC is the foundation of a great atmosphere at Viejas Arena. Bananas, gorillas, little bananas - they all lose their mind when the Aztecs start to run and jump out of the building.”**  
- Tom Hart, ESPN



**“Welcome to The Show, the nonsensical, whimsical, illogical student section at San Diego State, where no costume is deemed too strange.”**  
- Dana O’Neil, ESPN.com

# AZTEC FACILITIES

FOWLER ATHLETICS CENTER



Aztec Hall of Fame



Peterson Gym

SDSU Softball Stadium

Tony Gwynn Stadium



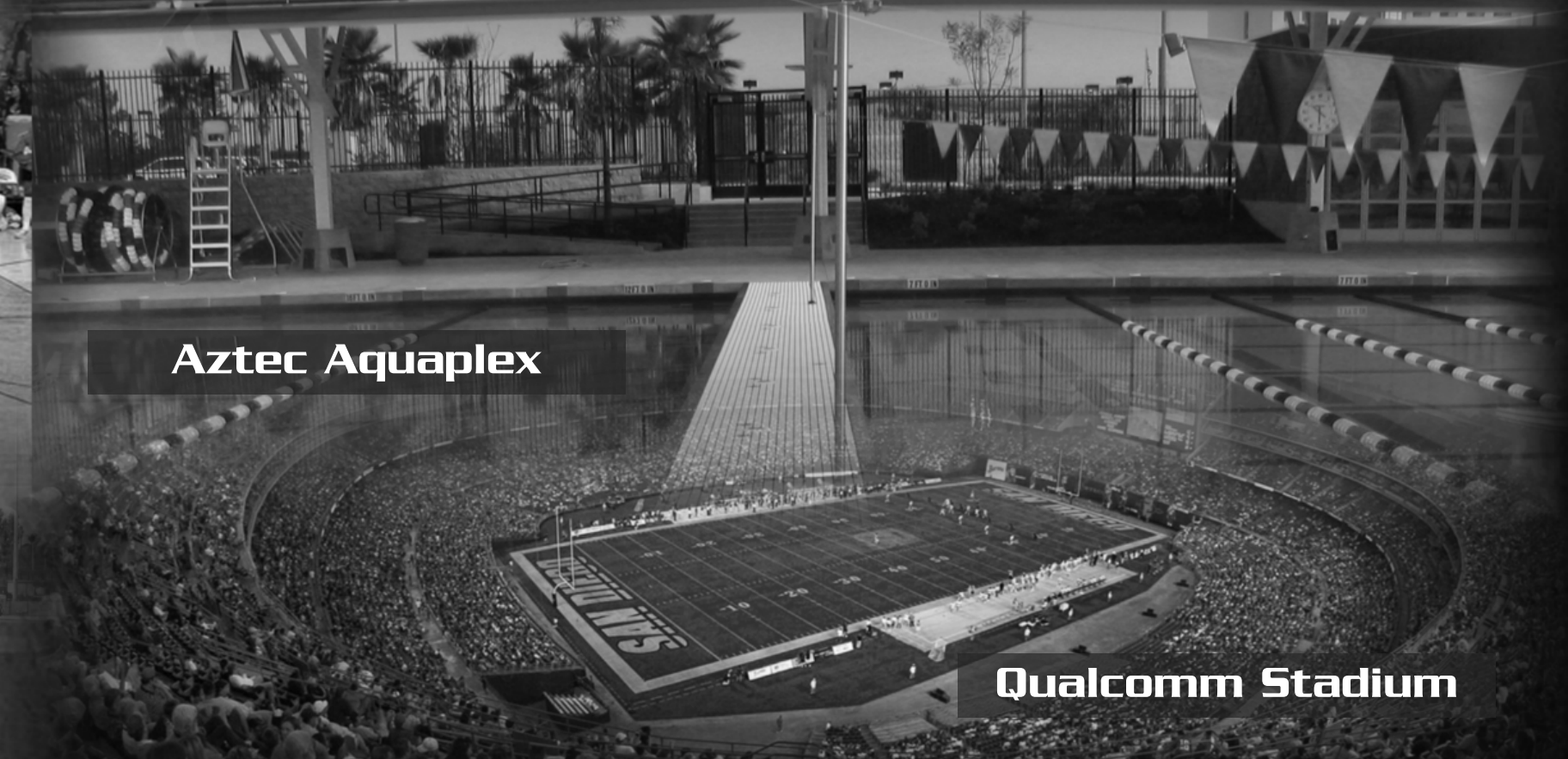


**Viejas Arena**



**SDSU Sports Deck**

**Aztec Tennis Center**



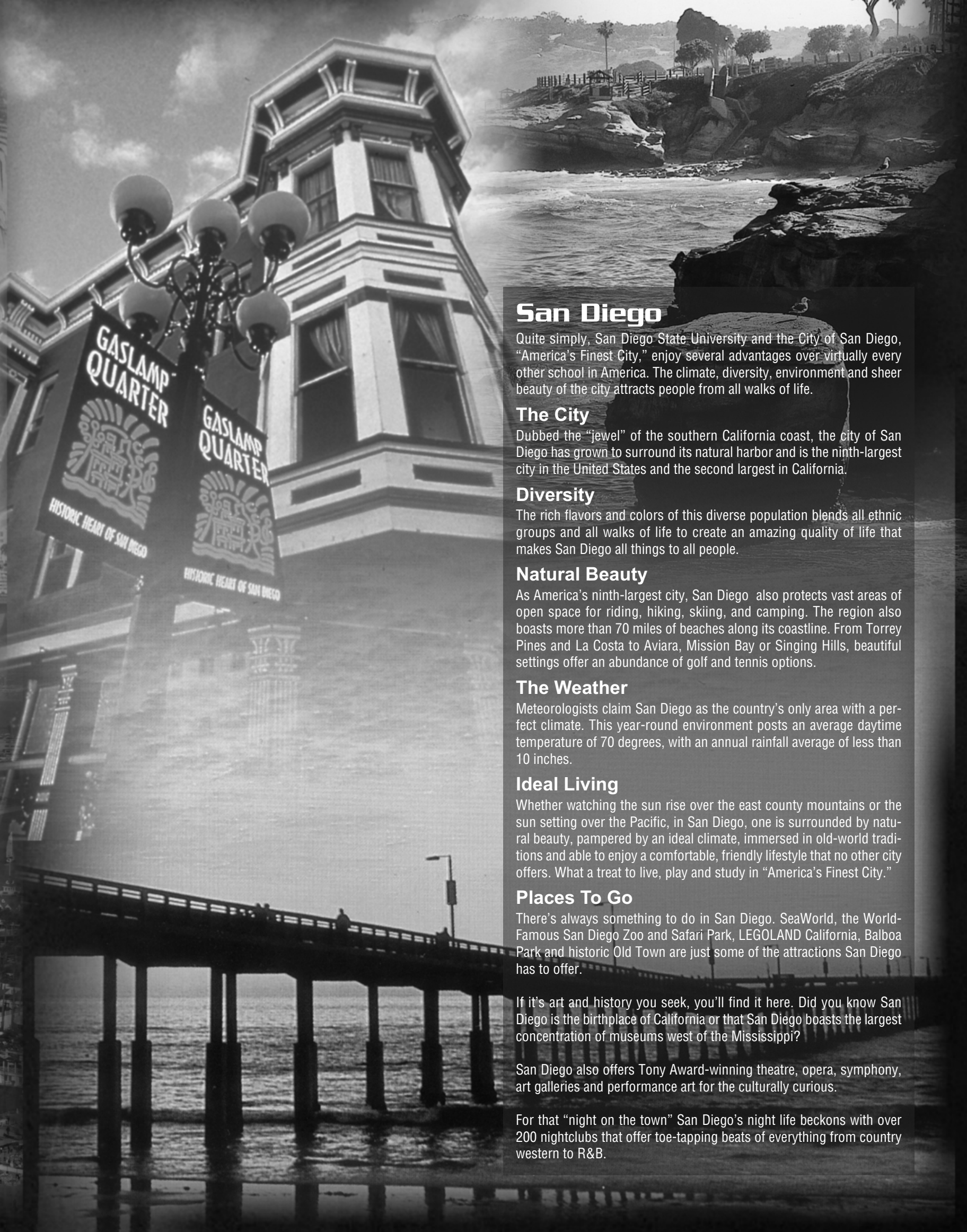
**Aztec Aquaplex**

**Qualcomm Stadium**

# SAN DIEGO

America's Finest City





## San Diego

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 ninth-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 ninth-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 Safari 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.

# AZTEC EXCELLENCE



**Mountain West Champions**

## 2011-12 Mountain West Coaches of the Year



**Beth Burns**  
Women's Basketball



**Ryan Donovan**  
Men's Golf



**Steve Fisher**  
Men's Basketball



**Peter Mattera**  
Women's Tennis

## Track & Field



Senior Whitney Ashley,  
2012 NCAA discus champion and All-American.

## A Season To Remember

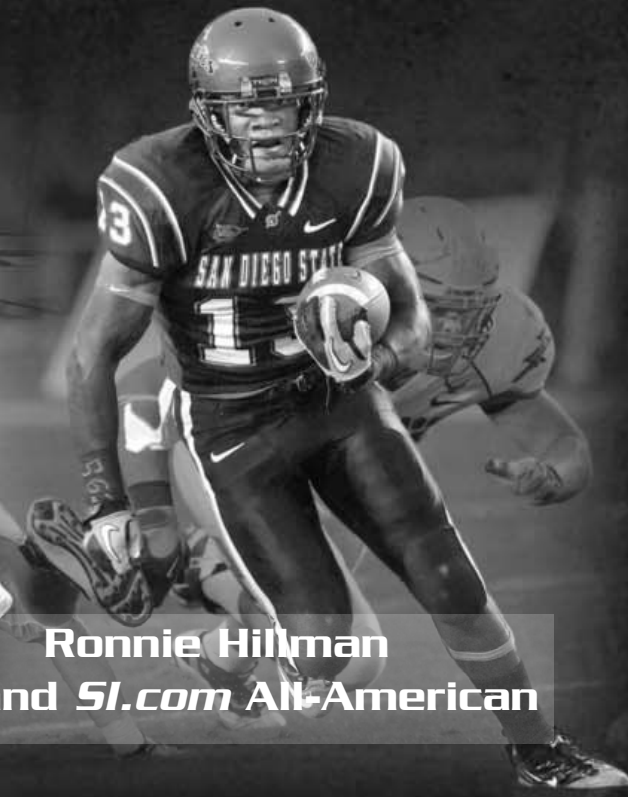
San Diego State enjoyed its most successful all-around season in 2011-12. A school-record nine teams qualified for postseason play, with men's golf and outdoor track and field finishing in the top 10.

In addition, Whitney Ashley claimed the national title in the discus at the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships.

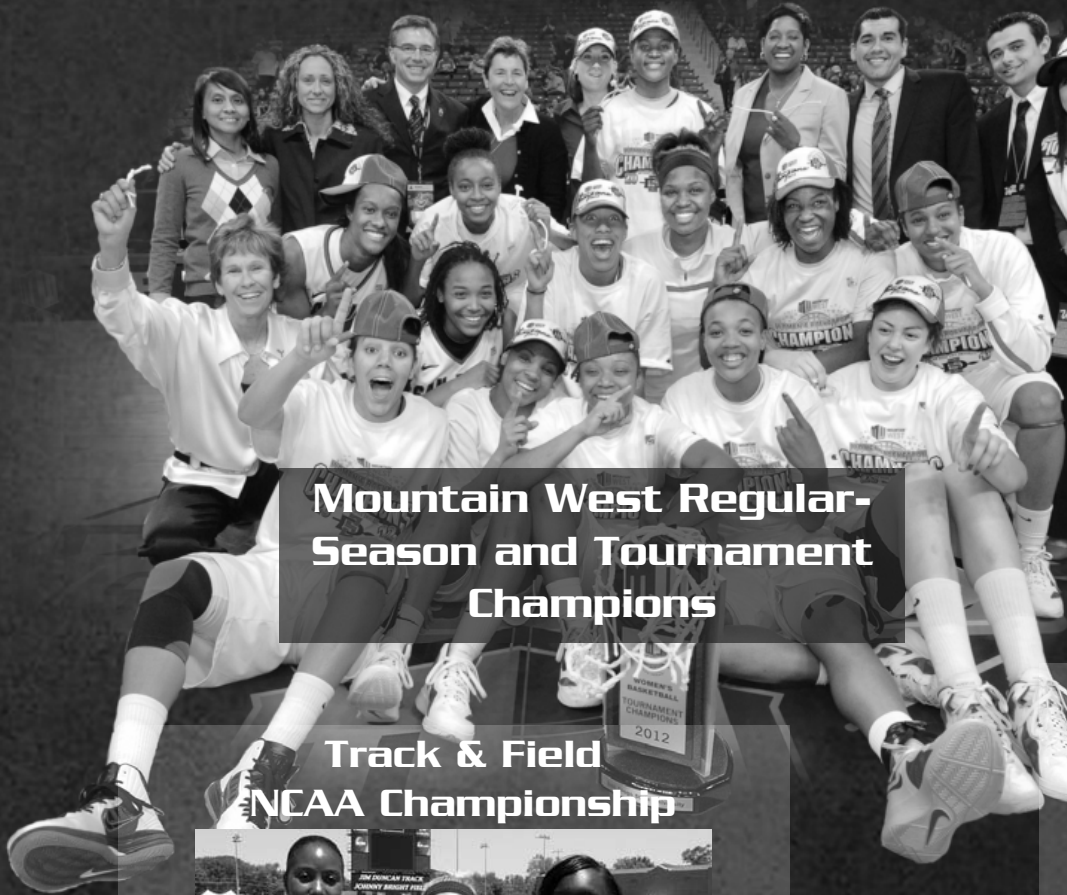
Men's Golf	5th
Outdoor Track & Field	9th
Softball	17th
Men's Basketball	33rd
Women's Basketball	33rd
Football	44th
Swimming	45th
Indoor Track & Field	48th
Women's Golf	58th



**Mountain West  
Regular-Season Champions**



**Ronnie Hillman**  
*AP and SI.com All-American*



**Mountain West Regular-Season and Tournament Champions**



**Courtney Clements  
AP All-American  
MW Player of the Year**

**Track & Field  
NCAA Championship**



Shanika Thomas - 2012 NCAA triple jump (runner-up)  
Allison Reaser - 2012 NCAA heptathlon (sixth-place)  
Whitney Ashley - 2012 discus throw (champion)

**Softball - NCAA Regionals**



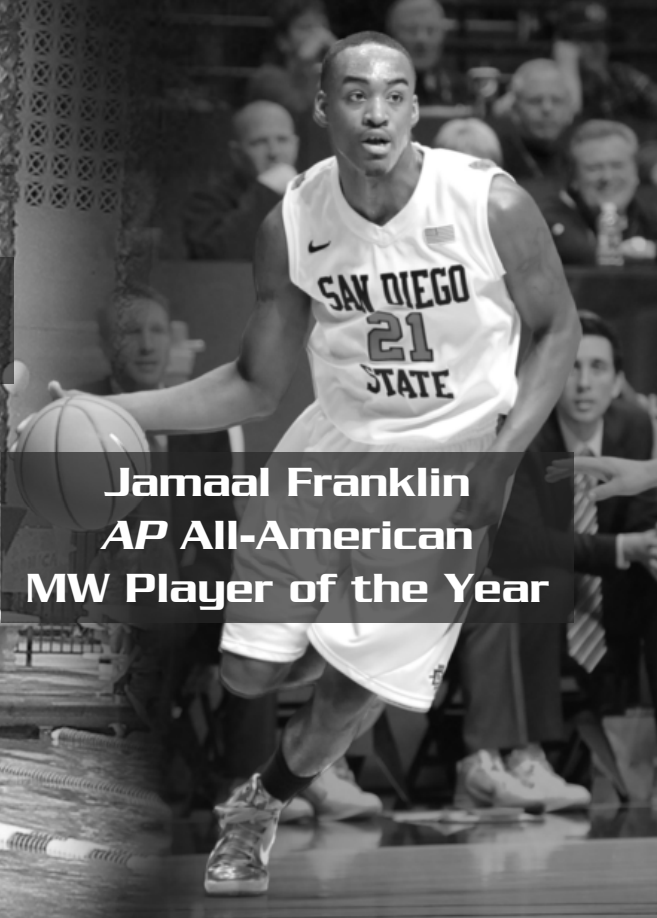
Sophomore Hayley Miles, NFCA All-American, Easton All-American & MW Co-Player of the Year



**Christine Wong  
MW Golfer of the Year**



**Kristen Meier  
All-MW Diver**



**Jamaal Franklin  
AP All-American  
MW Player of the Year**



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## This is the Mountain West

From its inception in 1999, the Mountain West has been committed to excellence in intercollegiate athletics, while promoting the academic missions of its member institutions. Progressive in its approach, the MW continues to cultivate opportunities for student-athletes to compete at the highest level, while fostering academic achievement and sportsmanship. Now in its 14th year, the MW 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 Mountain West has marked several achievements over its first 13 years of existence, most notably becoming the first to establish a sports television network dedicated solely to an intercollegiate athletic conference (The Mtn.). The Mountain West also was the first to experiment with the coaches' challenge in the college football instant replay system, and was the first non-automatic-qualifying BCS conference to participate in four BCS bowl games, winning three. Additionally, the Mountain West was the first conference to have a member institution with No. 1 overall picks in both the NFL and NBA drafts in the same year (Utah's Alex Smith and Andrew Bogut, respectively in 2005). With San Diego State's Stephen Strasburg claiming the No. 1 pick in the 2009 MLB Draft, the Mountain West is one of two conferences to have the No. 1 selection in each of the NFL, NBA and MLB drafts since the MW was founded in 1999. In 2011-12, the MW was among the first conferences to implement a league-wide state-of-the-art basketball instant replay system.

The Mountain West is noted for its geographic diversity. Some of the most beautiful terrain and landscapes in the nation can be found within Mountain West boundaries, including the majestic Rocky Mountain range, which borders four MW institutions (Air Force, Boise State, Colorado State and New Mexico). The high plains of Wyoming (elevation 7,220 feet – the highest Division I campus in the nation) contrast with the desert cities of Las Vegas and Reno, home to UNLV and Nevada, while Fresno State and San Diego State add a West coast influence with their locations in Central and Southern California. The inclusion of the Hawai'i football program extends the Mountain West footprint to the beautiful islands in the Pacific Ocean.

## History

The Mountain West was conceived on May 26, 1998, when the presidents of eight institutions – Air Force, BYU, 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 a former 16-team 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. Three of the MW's eight original members have been conference rivals since the 1960s (New Mexico, Wyoming and Colorado State), while San Diego State (1978) and Air Force (1980) were longtime members as well. UNLV and TCU entered the fold in 1996 and the Rebels continued as one of the original eight institutions that formed the MW in 1999. TCU re-joined the group with its first year of competition in the Mountain West in 2005-06. With conference realignment sweeping the nation in recent years, the MW has been proactive in addressing membership changes. Boise State University joined the Mountain West in 2011-12, followed by Fresno State and the University of Nevada on July 1, 2012. Also on July 1, 2012, the University of Hawai'i became a football-only member of the Conference. On May 4, 2012, the Mountain West announced the additions of San Jose State University and Utah State University as full-time members effective July 1, 2013.

When the Mountain West 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 MW 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. Commissioner Craig Thompson also arranged a third bowl tie-in each of the first three seasons (1999 Motor City, 2000 Silicon Valley, 2001 New Orleans) before securing a four-year deal with the Emerald Bowl in San Francisco in 2002. Entering the 2012 season, the MW has four contracted bowl affiliations – the MAACO Bowl Las Vegas, San Diego Country Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl, Bell Helicopter Armed Forces Bowl and Gildan New Mexico Bowl.

An innovator in the postseason bowl structure, the MW engineered many "firsts," as league teams have participated in five inaugural bowl games (2000 Silicon Valley, 2001 New Orleans, 2002 San Francisco (Emerald), 2005 Poinsettia, 2006 New Mexico), 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.

## 2011-12 in Review

For the second time in three years, the Mountain West was represented by four men's basketball teams in the NCAA tournament, marking the 12th time in the last 13 years the Conference has sent multiple teams to the Big Dance. Regular season co-champion New Mexico captured the MW Tournament title to earn the league's automatic bid, while MW regular-season co-champion San Diego State was joined by Colorado State and UNLV in receiving at-large invitations. The 2011-12 season marked the third straight year the Mountain West had at least two teams ranked in the final AP poll and one in the Coaches' poll. Overall, the league had three different teams ranked in the national top 25 polls at some point during the season for the third straight year.

## Opportunity

The Mountain West provides a first-class athletic and academic experience for more than 7,000 student-athletes each year. Over the past 13 years, 38 Mountain West student-athletes have earned NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships, and since the league's inception in 1999, an additional 26 student-athletes have been named MW Scholar-Athlete of the Year and awarded league-sponsored postgraduate scholarships. Three student-athletes have earned distinction as Rhodes Scholars (Jessica Mellinger, Wyoming and Delavane Diaz and Brittany Morreale, Air Force).

Conference student-athletes are also given a voice regarding pertinent issues within the MW and NCAA governance structure through representation on the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC). The Mountain West SAAC consists of 19 representatives; two student-athletes from each full member institution and one faculty athletics representative. The committee reviews and reacts to legislation and to other topics referred by the Conference constituent groups or committees related to the student-athlete experience.



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