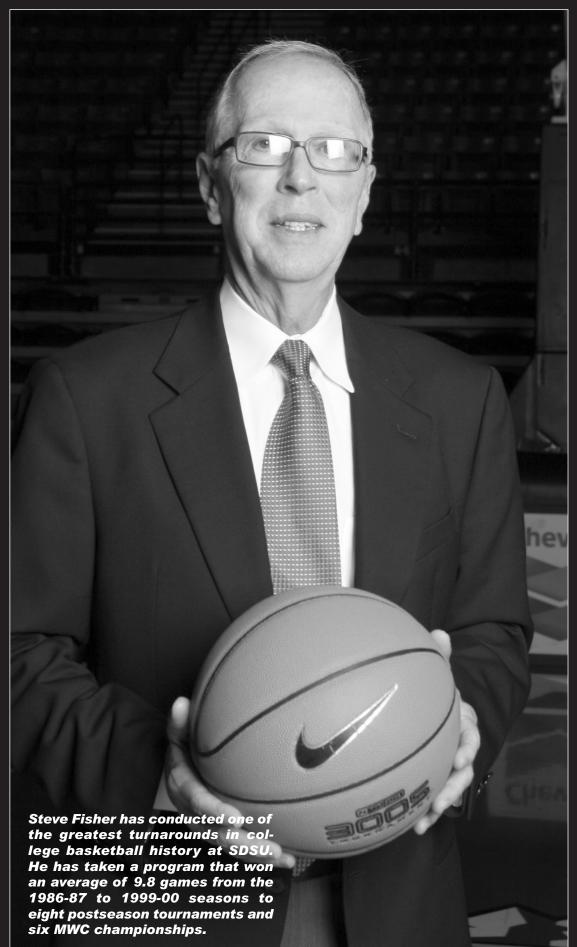
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### **STEVE FISHER**



"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, Big Ten Network



" 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)

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### **Current Mountain West Institutions**

^ - Boise State joined MW July 2011

"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 postseason appearances."



– Fran Fraschilla, ESPN

### NUMBER OF HEAD COACHES IN MOUNTAIN WEST ERA

San Diego State	1
Boise State (since July 2011)	
Brigham Young	
TCU	
Colorado State	
New Mexico	
Wyoming	
Air Force	
UNLV	
Utah	
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## FISHER'S MEN IN THE PROS

### Kawhi Leonard

2011 NBA Draft 1st Round, 15th pick Indiana Pacers

> "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



### Juwan Howard

Washington '95-01; Dallas `01-02, '08; Denver '02-03, '09; Orlando `04; Houston '05-07; Charlotte `09; Portland '10; Miami `11

### Chris Webber

Golden St. '94, `08; Washington `01; Sacramento `99-05; Philadelphia '05-07; Detroit `07



Brandon Heath

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**Marcus Slaughter** 

### Fisher's Aztecs in the Professional Ranks

### **Player**

David Abramowitz Mohamed Abukar Ryan Amoroso Tony Bland Evan Burns Mohamed Camara Mehdi Cheriet Marcelo Correa Kelvin Davis Myron Epps Al Faux D.J. Gay Jerome Habel **Brandon Heath** Randy Holcomb **Michael Holper** Kawhi Leonard Mike Mackell Chris Manker **Deandre Moore** Aerick Sanders John Sharper Marcus Slaughter Brandon Smith Kyle Spain Malcolm Thomas Lorrenzo Wade **Richie Williams** 

### Last Organization/Country

Mexico Switzerland Italy Lebanon D-League – Sioux Falls IBL - Las Vegas France Syria ABA - Connecticut ABA – South Valley Austria Slovenia Mexico Bulgaria Japan Philippines NBA – San Antonio Spurs PBL – Rochester Iceland Mexico France Israel Germany Finland Belgium South Korea Mexico Germany

### Fisher's NBA Draft Picks

Includes players selected while an assistant coach

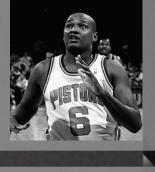
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1984	Dan Pelekoudas Tim McCormick Eric Turner	(9
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1987	Antoine Joubert	Rc
1988	Gary Grant	
1989	Glen Rice	AND AND AND
1990	Sean Higgins Terry Mills Rumeal Robinson Loy Vaught	Milv C
1993	Eric Riley Chris Webber	
1994	Juwan Howard Jalen Rose	Mi
1995	Jimmy King	
1997	Maurice Taylor	
1998	Robert Traylor Maceo Baston	L.A. Ya
2002	Randy Holcomb	
2011	Kawhi Leonard	

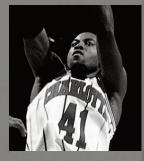
### Terry Mills

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

### Glen Rice

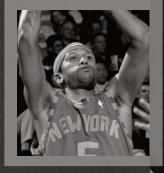
Miami '90-95; Charlotte '96-98; L.A. Lakers '99-00; New York '01; Houston `02-03; L.A. Clippers '04





### Jalen Rose

Denver '95-96; Indiana `97-02; Chicago '02-04; Toronto `04-06; New York '06; Phoenix `07



### Gary Grant

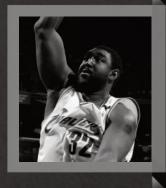
.A. Clippers '89-95; New York `96; Miami '97; Portland `98-01



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

### Maurice Taylor

L.A. Clippers '98-00; Houston `01, '05; New York `05-06; Sacramento '07





## **VIEJAS ARENA**

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

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- 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."

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- Steve Lappa<mark>s, CBS Sports Network</mark>



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"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, Big Ten Network

"Welcome to The Show, the nonsensical, whimsical, illogical student section at San Diego State, where no costume is deemed too strange."

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- Dana O'Neil (ESPN.com)

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## **AZTEC FACILITIES**

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### Aztec Hall of Fame

### Peterson Gym

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SDSU Softball Stadium

Tony Gwynn Stadium

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### SDSU Sports Deck

### **Aztec Tennis Center**

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Aztec Aquaplex

Qualcomm Stadium

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## NATIONAL ATTENTION



San Diego State will have a minimum of 19 games available on national TV this season.













## SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY



SDSU students can choose from 84 undergraduate majors, 76 master's programs and 18 doctoral degree programs.



2010-11 graduating seniors with head coach Steve Fisher (from left to right); Brian Carlwell, Mehdi Cheriet, Tim Shelton and D.J. Gay.



Mehdi Cheriet was honored at the 17th Annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet in April 2011. (pictured - Men's Basketball's Director of Player Development Dave Velasquez and Academic Advisor Kristie Smedrsud)

### **Did You Know?**

 SDSU is the largest institution of higher learning in the San Diego region and one of the largest in California.

• San Diego State has achieved the prestigious designation of "Research University" with high research activity granted by the Carnegie Foundation.

• For the past four years, SDSU has been ranked the No. 1 Research University for those with 14 or fewer Ph.D. programs according to Academic Analytic's faculty-scholarly productivity index.

Since 2000, SDSU faculty and staff have attracted more than
 \$1 billion in grants and contracts for research and program administration.

• Founded in service, SDSU is in an ongoing partnership with San Diego City Schools, the San Diego Education Association, teachers and parents with the City Heights Educational Collaborative It is funded with an \$18 million grant from Price Charities, and the Collaborative is improving instruction for students and professional development for teachers in three inner-city schools managed by the university.

• Over the past decade, the university has completed facilities totaling more than \$430 million in value.

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### 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

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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 seventh-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**

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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 Co-Regular Season and Tournament Champions, & NCAA Sweet 16

> Steve Fisher Naismith Coach of the Year

### Track & Field

### 2010-11 Aztec Athletics Highlights

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- Eight athletic programs advanced to postseason play men's basketball (NCAA Sweet 16), football (Poinsettia Bowl champions), men's golf (16th place), women's golf, softball (17th place) swimming & diving, indoor track & field and outdoor track & field.
- Nine San Diego State athletic teams spent time in the national polls in 2010-11, including men's basketball and men's golf, which were both ranked in the top five.
- San Diego State's combined football and men's basketball record in 2010-11 was 43-7. That is the second-best winning percentage
  nationally behind only Ohio State.
- Four SDSU coaches were named conference coach of the year in 2010-11 Ryan Donovan (men's golf), Steve Fisher (men's basketball), Brady Hoke (football) and Mike Shrader (swimming & diving).
- Fisher earned national coach of the year honors from multiple outlets for the second time in his career and Donovan was a finalist for national coach of the year.
- Swimming & diving finished the season with a perfect 19-0 record, winning both the MWC regular season and tournament championships.
- Men's Golf won its first-ever Mountain West Conference Championship crown.
- Three San Diego State teams finished in the top 20 nationally in 2010-11 (men's basketball, men's golf and softball).
- A school-record 256 SDSU student-athletes were named scholar-athletes in 2010-11. It is the sixth consecutive year the number of scholar-athletes has increased.



Freshman Allison Reaser, MWC Heptathlon Champion, USA Junior Championships Heptathlon Champion

Vincent Brown Third-Round NFL Draft Pick First-Team All-MWC Kawhi Leonard First-Round NBA Draft Pick All-American

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Mountain West Regular Season and Tournament Champions

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### Women's Golf - NCAA Regionals



Junior Malin Enarsson, All-America Scholar



CHAMPIONSHIP

Sophomore Alessia Knight, All-America Scholar



Softball - NCAA Regionals

Junior Bailey Micetich, All-American and all-MWC

Men's Golf - NCAA Championship



Head Coach Ryan Donovan, MWC Coach of the Year



Junior J.J. Spaun, team all-MWC



CHAMPION MENS

Freshman Todd All-American, first- Baek, All-American

### Mountain West Champions

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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 13th 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 12 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 nonautomatic-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 Mountain West will be 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 three MW institutions (Air Force, newest member Boise State 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 TCU.

#### 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, longstanding 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. Effective July 1, 2011, Boise State became the newest member. Fresno State and Nevada will join the Mountain West effective July 1, 2012. Also on July 1, 2012, Hawai'i will become a football-only member of the Conference.

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 2011 season, the MW has four contracted bowl affiliations - the MAACO Bowl Las Vegas, San Diego Country Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl, AdvoCare V100 Independence 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.

#### 2010-11 in Review

Three men's basketball teams represented the Mountain West in the 2011 NCAA Tournament, marking the 11th time in the last 12 years the Conference has sent multiple teams to the Big Dance. Regular season co-champion San Diego State captured the MW Tournament title to earn the league's automatic bid, while MW co-regular-season champion BYU was joined by UNLV in receiving at-large invitations. San Diego State and BYU advanced to the Sweet Sixteen, the first time the league had multiple teams make the round. The 2010-11 season marked the second straight year the Mountain West had two teams ranked in the final Top-25 polls. Overall, the league had three different teams ranked in the national Top-25 polls at some point during the season for the second straight year. A league record 1.32 million fans came through the turnstiles, ranking the Mountain West sixth in the nation in attendance.

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The Mountain West provides a first-class athletic and academic experience for more than 7,000 student-athletes each year. Over the past 12 years, 35 MW student-athletes have earned NCAA Postgraduate Scholarships, and since the league's inception in 1999, an additional 24 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).

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 17 representatives; two student-athletes from each member institution and one faculty athletics representative. The committee reviews and reacts to legislation and to other topics referred by the MW constituent groups or committees related to the student-athlete experience.













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