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Chad Morris Era Kicks off with SMU Football’s Spring Game

Chad Morris kicked off his coaching career at SMU with the April 18th Spring Game held at Ford Stadium. The Blue Team defeated the Red team 80-55 based on a modified scoring system with nearly 5,000 fans in attendance.

Junior quarterback Matt Davis was an offensive standout, completing two touchdown passes to redshirt freshman Courtland Sutton. Other notable individual successes included 69 rushing yards by junior Prescott Line and seven solo tackles by redshirt freshman linebacker Kyran Mitchell, including two tackles for a loss. The defense racked up eight sacks overall.

The energy at the game was high. Fans enjoyed a family activity zone before the game that featured bounce houses, food trucks, photos with Peruna, and autographs from former Mustangs now in the NFL. Head Basketball Coach Larry Brown and the conference champion Men’s Basketball team made an appearance during the first quarter, during which Coach Brown was presented with an SMU Football jersey by Coach Morris.

“The spring game went really well. A lot of fans came to support us and the atmosphere was fun. It gave us a lot of momentum going into summer workouts,” said sophomore offensive lineman Daniel McCarty.

The 2015 Football Season features home games against Big XII foe Baylor, local rival UNT, and FCS opponent James Madison University, along with four conference contests against East Carolina, Temple, Tulsa, and Tulane. Season tickets start at only $99. Call the SMU ticket office at 214-768-GAME or click here.

Current season ticket holders interested in adding or upgrading seats should contact the Mustang Club at 214-768-2582.

We look forward to welcoming you to Ford Stadium this fall! #PonyUpTempo

 Mustang Moment

Junior women’s tennis player Hristina Dishkova was named to the All-American Athletic Conference team on April 30th. Dishkova, a German native, compiled a 22-15 record this season playing in the No. 1 singles spot for the Mustangs. She and doubles partner Holly Verner set a new school record after racking up 26 victories this season.

Verner and Dishkova advanced as far as the semifinals in the ITA Texas Regional last fall, narrowly missing a bid to the ITA National Indoor Championship.

Congratulations, Hristina!
Mustangs, another school year has nearly concluded and we celebrate the Class of 2015, while starting our preparations for next year!

It’s been an exciting year on the Hilltop. Our men’s basketball team captured their first conference title and earned their first NCAA tournament bid since 1993. In addition, the women’s swimming and diving team clinched an American Athletic Conference title while the men’s swimming team and the men’s and women’s golf teams both earned runner-up finishes. We’ve had individual standouts earning All-Conference and All-America honors this season from multiple sports. Bryson Dechambeau of the men’s golf team and Nic Moore of the men’s basketball team were both named AAC Player of the Year in their respective sports.

This spring, Coach Morris and his staff have brought new energy to the football program. Our first spring game in eight seasons was a resounding success as we welcomed a crowd of 5,000+ to campus for Founder’s Day Weekend and a preview of the season ahead. We hope to welcome all of you to campus in the fall for the beginning of a new era in SMU Football. It is truly a special time to be a Mustang.

I’d like to invite you to be a part of this period in SMU history by renewing your Mustang Club gift before May 31. For those who have already given, a huge THANK YOU! Mustang Club gifts remain essential to providing a world-class educational and athletic experience for our 424 SMU student-athletes. Your gifts cover academic support, medical and travel expenses, equipment, life skills programming so much more.

To show our gratitude for your generosity, we’re inviting all Mustang Club donors to join us at Ford Stadium on June 4th at 7:00 pm for a cookout so that we may thank you for your support. Join our coaches, staff, and student-athletes for a fun evening with your family. You can RSVP here by June 1st.

Thank you for all you do for SMU! Pony Up and Go Mustangs!

SMU Women’s Swimming and Diving Claims First American Athletic Conference Title

The SMU women’s swimming and diving team posted three wins on the final night of the American Athletic Conference Championship in Greensboro, NC, en route to a first-place finish at the event. It is the 16th title for the program in the past 19 seasons, and their first in The American in the conference’s two seasons of competition. Head Coach Steve Collins was also honored as the women’s AAC Coach of the Year, after last earning the honor in 2012.

SMU had an impressive showing at the event, starting off with a win in the 200 medley relay and a silver medal in the 800 yard freestyle relay on the first night of competition. Senior Isabella Arcila set a new meet record in the 50-yard freestyle, and posted a new school record in the leadoff leg of the 200 freestyle relay en route to another Mustang victory. On the third night of competition, the Mustangs won five events and set two meet records (Tara-Lynn Nicholas in the 100-yard breaststroke and Arcila in the 100-yard backstroke).

The Mustangs earned 24 All-Conference honors, including all five relay events. Swimmers earning All-Conference nods include Isabella Arcila, Ursa Bezan, Erica Donadon, Marne Erasmus, Nathalie Lindborg, Alexandra Manasso, Kirsty McLauchlan, Tara-Lynn Nicholas, Rachel Nicol, Adrienn Santa, Tiffany Sudarma, Anna Volchkov, and diver Madeleine Wainman.

Five swimmers qualified for competition at the NCAA Championships back in Greensboro on March 19-21. Diver Wainman also qualified for the Zone D Diving Championship in Iowa. Isabella Arcila, Rachel Nicol, Marne Erasmus, and Tara-Lynn Nicholas all earned individual All-America accolades at the NCAAs, and the 400-yd medley relay team of Arcila, Nicholas, Erasmus, and Nathalie Lindborg earned a nod for their 13-place finish on night one of the meet.

Keep up to date with Mustang swimming & diving throughout the year! Be sure to like the Mustangs on Facebook (SMUSwimDiveW) and follow them on Twitter (@SMUSwimmingW) for updates on international competition this summer!

Congratulations, Mustangs!
Celebrate the achievements of SMU student-athletes this quarter!

Equestrian
Sylvia de Toledo—NCEA All-American Second Team, NCEA All-Academic First Team, NCEA Honor Roll
Gregg Hindle—NCEA All-Academic Second Team, NCEA Honor Roll
Courtney Line—NCEA All-Academic First Team, NCEA Honor Roll
Melissa Major—NCEA Honor Roll
Hannah McCain—NCEA All-Academic Honorable Mention, NCEA Honor Roll
Schaefer Raposa—NCEA All-American Honorable Mention, NCEA All-Academic First Team, NCEA Honor Roll, United Equestrian Rider of the Month (March), Pin Oak Collegiate Invitational Champion
Emma Roberts—NCEA All-Academic First Team, NCEA Honor Roll
Kendall Skreden—NCEA Honor Roll
Jaclyn White—NCEA All-Academic Honorable Mention, NCEA Honor Roll

Football:
Hayden Greenbauer—named NFF Gridiron Club of Dallas Collegiate Scholar-Athlete

Men’s Basketball:
Nic Moore—AP All-America Honorable Mention; NABC All-District 25 1st Team Selection; AAC Player of the Year; 1st Team AAC
Yanick Moreira—NABC All-District 25 2nd Team Selection; 2nd Team All-AAC; AAC Most Improved Player of the Year
Markus Kennedy—NABC All-District 25 2nd Team Selection; Conference Tournament Most Outstanding Player; 2nd Team All-AAC; AAC Sixth Man of the Year
Team—American Athletic Conference Championship; American Athletic Conference Tournament Championship

Men’s Golf:
Bryson DeChambeau—AAC Player of the Year; Individual Runner Up at AAC Championship; named to Ben Hogan Award watch list
Team—Selected to NCAA Regionals in Indiana; Co-Champions, The Goodwin (Mar. 28)

Men’s Swimming & Diving:
David Bunn—AAC tournament bronze medalist (platform); All-Conference selection
Devin Burnett—Honorable Mention All-America; Qualifier for NCAA Championship in 1M, 3M, and Platform Diving; AAC Most Outstanding Diver; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (1M, 3M, platform)
Zigo Cerkovnik—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold (400yd medley relay, 400yd free relay), silver medalist (200yd breast)
Matthew Colke—All-Conference selection
Hayden Hodges—AAC Tournament silver medalist (platform)
Tyler Rauth—AAC Tournament gold (400yd medley relay, 400yd free relay, 200yd fly), silver medalist (100yd fly)
Eastman Holloway—All-Conference selection
Bartosz Krzyzaniak—All-Conference selection
Christian Schreiber—Named as an alternate for 200yd free, NCAA Championship; AAC Most Outstanding Swimmer; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (400yd medley relay, 400yd free relay, 100yd free, 200yd free, 500yd free)
Sam Straughan—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (400yd medley relay, 400yd free relay, 100yd backstroke, 200yd backstroke)
Tucker Wells—All-Conference Selection
Coach Jim Stillson—AAC Diving Coach of the Year
Team—CSCAA Scholar All-America Team

Men’s Tennis:
Markus Kerner—AAC Player of the Week (Mar. 10)

Rowing:
Varsity 8+ crew—AAC Boat of the Week (April 7)

Track & Field:
Holly Archer—AAC Tournament silver (distance medley relay), bronze (mile)

Rayann Chin—AAC Tournament gold (weight throw), bronze medalist (shot put)
Shahira Ehiemua—AAC Tournament silver medalist (distance medley relay)
Tochi Njemchi—AAC Tournament silver medalist (shot put)
Stephanie Kalu—AAC Tournament silver medalist (60M)
Isabella Marten—AAC Field Performer of the Week (Mar. 31); AAC Tournament bronze medalist (triple jump)
Aguus Sjostrum—AAC Tournament silver medalist (distance medley relay)
Karoline Skatteboe—AAC Tournament silver medalist (distance medley relay)

Women’s Basketball
Alicia Froling—AAC All-Freshman Team

Women’s Golf:
Team—Selected to NCAA Regionals in Utah
Jenny Haglund—Individual Runner-up at AAC Championship; AAC Golfer of the Week (Mar. 19)

Women’s Swimming & Diving:
Isabella Arcila—All-American (100yd freestyle relay), silver medalist (100yd breast; 400yd medley relay); Qualifier, NCAA Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (200yd backstroke, 400yd freestyle relay, 50yd free; 200yd freestyle relay, 200yd medley relay)
Ursa Bezan—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver medalist (800yd freestyle relay)
Erica Donadon—All-Conference selection
Marne Erasmus—All-American (100yd fly; 400yd medley relay); Qualifier, NCAA Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (400yd freestyle relay, 200yd freestyle relay, 200yd medley relay)
Alexandra Manasso—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver medalist (800yd freestyle relay)
Kristy McAulachlan—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver (200yd IM, 800yd freestyle relay), bronze medalist (200yd breast)
Tara-Lynn Nicholas—All-American (100yd breast; 400yd medley relay); Qualifier, NCAA Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (200yd breast, 400yd freestyle relay, 200yd medley relay), silver medalist (200yd breast)
Rachel Nicoll—All-American (100yd breast); Qualifier, NCAA Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (200yd breast, 200yd IM)
Nathalie Lindborg—All-American (400yd medley relay); Qualifier, NCAA Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament gold medalist (400yd freestyle relay, 200yd freestyle relay, 200yd medley relay), silver medalist (100yd free; 50yd free); AAC Diver of the Week (1/13)
Adrienn Santa—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver medalist (800yd freestyle relay)
Tiffany Sudarma—All-Conference selection
Madeline Wainman—Qualifier, NCAA Zone D Diving Championship; All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver medalist (platform dive)
Anna Volchkov—All-Conference selection; AAC Tournament silver medalist (200yd backstroke)
Coach Steve Collins—AAC Coach of the Year
Team—American Athletic Conference Championship; CSCAA Scholar All-America Team

Women’s Tennis
Hristina Dishkova—AAC All-Conference Selection; AAC Player of the Week (3/24)

What better way to celebrate 100 Years of SMU Athletics than with the complete history of SMU Athletics? Purchase In Honor of the Mustangs: The Centennial History of SMU Athletics today! Available through SMU’s DeGolyer Library, this limited edition publication includes a comprehensive history of SMU Athletics, authored by official SMU centennial historian Darwin Payne. Purchases may be made online or by contacting the SMU Lettermen’s Association at lettermen@smu.edu or (214) 768-4000. Don’t miss out on this incredible history of the SMU Mustangs!
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Thank you for your support!

SMU Women’s Golf Team Posts Runner-Up Finish at the 2015 AAC Tournament

The SMU Women’s Golf team finished second at the American Athletic Conference Championship this year. The tournament was held on April 19-21 at the Hammock Beach Gold and Spa Resort in Palm Coast, Florida. The Mustangs posted the lowest team score for the final two days of the tournament and finished 12-over on the 54-hole course. The team ended just behind UCF, who finished 4-over for the event to claim the AAC title.

Junior Jenny Haglund, the 2014 Individual AAC Champion, fell short of the repeat title after missing a putt in the title playoff against Monifa Sealy of UCF, but still went home with the Runner-Up trophy. Junior Alexandra Rossi also snagged a top-10 finish after placing 8th overall. Rossi carded a 77 on her final round, including five birdies, bringing her birdie total to 12 for the event.

Head Coach Jeanne Sutherland expressed her pride in the team and their ability to play under pressure. The team performed well in the NCAA Regionals at Entrada at Snow Canyon Country Club in St. George, Utah, which concluded on May 9th. Lindsey McCurdy finished 24th overall, the highest finish for the Mustangs. Jenny Haglund carded a 2-over 73 for the low score of the final round. The Mustangs ended their season with a 10th place finish at the regional event.

Quarterly Compliance Note
Brought to You by the SMU Office of Compliance

Practice and Benefits Incidental to Participation before Initial Full-Time Collegiate Enrollment

A prospective student-athlete may practice and receive benefits incidental to participation (e.g., room and board) before initial full-time collegiate enrollment, regardless of the prospective student-athlete’s academic certification status, as certified by the NCAA Eligibility Center, provided the institution reasonably believes the prospective student-athlete will meet minimum initial-eligibility requirements for practice before initial full-time collegiate enrollment (e.g., via an additional core-course unit and/or standardized test).

Once the institution reasonably believes the prospective student-athlete will not or cannot meet minimum initial-eligibility requirements for practice, the prospective student-athlete must stop participating in practice and may no longer receive benefits incidental to participation.

However, once the institution receives notice that a complete initial-eligibility waiver application (including all required documentation) has been received by the Eligibility Center, the prospective student-athlete may: (1) practice until a decision has been issued; and (2) receive benefits incidental to participation until a decision has been issued or the first day of classes, whichever occurs first.

Want to learn more about the NCAA Compliance Rules and what the Office of Compliance does for the Athletics Department? Visit [http://www.smumustangs.com/compliance/](http://www.smumustangs.com/compliance/) for educational information for boosters, parents, coaches, and others and follow @SMUCompliance on Twitter for daily tips.

Questions for our compliance office? E-mail kconder@smu.edu, call us at 214-768-4051, or visit Loyd Suite 304. Thank you for “Asking Before You Act.”

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SMU Student Athletes Honored at Annual Banquet—Axene, Manuel Awarded Athletic Director’s S.P.I.R.I.T. Award

The SMU Athletics department hosted its annual Pony Awards Banquet on April 27th. This event honors SMU’s most outstanding student-athletes for their accomplishments throughout the year.

Senior Hanna Axene of the women’s rowing team and senior Ryan Manuel of the men’s basketball team were both awarded the Athletic Director’s S.P.I.R.I.T. Award, the most prestigious award bestowed upon a student-athlete by SMU. S.P.I.R.I.T. stands for service, passion, integrity, respect, innovation, and teamwork (the core values of SMU Athletics), and is given annually to the male and female student-athlete who best embody these values.

Axene has been a leader on the SMU rowing team, and has excelled both in competition and in the classroom. As a member of the student-athlete executive board, Axene has represented the Athletics Department and the rowing team with integrity, making her an outstanding candidate for SMU’s NCAA Woman of the Year nomination.

SMU men’s basketball team captain Manuel guided the team through both regular season and tournament titles in the American Athletic Conference. His leadership as captain as well as his performance in the classroom makes Manuel a deserving candidate of the S.P.I.R.I.T. Award.

Men’s basketball junior Nic Moore, and women’s swimming senior Isabella Arcila were named Male and Female Student-Athlete of the Year, respectively. Moore was the linchpin of the basketball team, earning an All-American Honorable Mention nod and AAC Player of the Year honors after leading the Mustangs in scoring, assists, and steals. Arcila has earned All-America honors every year during her tenure on the Hilltop and racked up six victories at the 2015 AAC Swimming & Diving Championships.

Top Newcomer on the Hilltop honors went to track and field’s Isabella Marten and men’s swimming’s Christian Scherubl. The Scholar Baller Academic Momentum Award went to Shahira Ehiemua (track and field) and KC Nlemchi (football).

Senior volleyball player Carla Armstrong and senior football player Stephen Nelson received the Sportsmanship award. The two recipients have both demonstrated teamwork and loyalty throughout their four years in their respective sports.

The Red and Blue award, given to the student-athletes who show the greatest dedication and passion for their team, was given to swimming’s Elizabeth Krane and Pablo Lara. Lara was a repeat honoree, having won the same award the previous year.

Avery Acker (volleyball) and Cameron Smith (football) received the Meyer Brothers Award for exemplary athletics, academics, and service to the community. Acker is an accounting major with minors in biological sciences and chemistry, who also earned All-America, All-Region, and All-Conference honors as a standout on the volleyball team. Smith is an economics major and played in 11 games on the defensive line this season.

The Perseverance Award went to Shelby Redman (women’s soccer) and Damian Rosales (men’s soccer). Redman was honored for her perseverance in overcoming injuries to become a team captain and an all-conference selection, while Rosales was recognized for his hard work in the classroom, which earned him a scholarship for his senior season.

Chantelle Conley (rowing) and Cameron Smith earned the FCA Faithful Service Award for their dedication and service to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddle at SMU.

Highest team GPA was awarded to the men’s golf team and the women’s swimming team, while women’s golf was recognized for their most improved GPA. The 2014-2015 Mustang Cup, which recognizes the team that best reflects the Mustang Way, went to the women’s swimming and diving team. Points for the Mustang Cup award are given throughout the year for participation in Life Skills programs and SAAC events as well as for athletic and academic recognitions.

Caroline Young (volleyball) was recognized for earning the Presidential Award of Excellence, given each year to three graduating seniors by the University. Caroline led the Mustangs in kills each of the last three seasons, is a two-time All-America selection, and was named SMU’s representative for the 2014-15 AAC Female Student-Athlete of the Year. She has maintained a 3.53 GPA as a dual major.

SMU Diving Coach Jim Stillson to be Honored by ISHOF Named 2015 Recipient of Paragon Award

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. -- SMU diving coach Jim Stillson is to be honored with the Paragon Award in Competitive Diving from the International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF), the organization announced.

The Paragon Awards are presented annually to individuals or organizations for outstanding contributions to competitive swimming, water polo, competitive diving, aquatic safety, synchronized swimming and recreational swimming. This year's awards will be presented on Friday, June 20 at a ceremony in Santa Clara, California.

"The annual Paragon Awards bring some of the most interesting and fascinating people each year to the Hall of Fame," said ISHOF President/CEO Bruce Wigo. "These are the unsung heroes who make competitive and recreational aquatics possible, who save lives, who promote water safety and further aquatic education."

Stillson is in his 31st year as the head coach for the SMU men's and women's diving teams. Under Stillson, divers have earned 88 All-America honors and the men's and women's teams have won a combined 32 conference titles. Stillson has also coached 10 USA Diving National Champions and four Olympians, including 1992 Silver Medalist Scott Donie.

For more information on the Paragon Awards and the Hall of Fame, visit the ISHOF website.
Men’s Golf Takes Second Place at The American Athletic Conference Championship

The Men’s golf team claimed the runner-up spot at the American Athletic Conference Championship at Black Diamond Ranch in Lecanto, Florida on April 27th. The team started the day in fourth place but was able to use a record breaking round to leap into second, beating out UCF and Houston and coming in behind USF, which carded a team score of 27-under. SMU finished 14-under for the weekend.

The Mustangs set a new event record after posting a team score of 273 (-15) on Monday. Junior Bryson DeChambeau, who claimed the individual AAC title in 2014, set a tournament record with an 8-under finish during the final round. Sophomore Andrew Buchanan (-1), junior Austin Smotherman (-4), and sophomore Alex Higgs (-2) also finished under-par on the day. Buchanan (T5) and Smotherman (T10) finished in the top 10 for the weekend.

DeChambeau placed second individually, as he carded an impressive nine birdies and one bogey in the final 13 holes. He ended just two strokes off the leader, matching the lowest score of his collegiate career.

First place went to No. 18 team USF. The rest of the top 5 included UCF, Houston, and Memphis.

Next up for the Mustangs is the NCAA Regional Tournament in Noblesville, Indiana on May 14-16. The Mustangs have been selected as a five-seed for the tournament at The Sagamore Club. This is the team’s sixth-straight NCAA postseason appearance.

Student-Athletes Honored at SMU Awards Convocation

SMU Recognized 13 student-athletes, representing 11 of 17 varsity sports, during its annual Honors Convocation and Awards Extravaganza this April.

Three student-athletes were honored at the Awards Extravaganza, with volleyball senior Caroline Young receiving the Presidential Award of Excellence Scholar-Athlete Award. Chantelle Conley, rowing, and Cameron Smith, football, earned Sheri Mooney Memorial Scholarship Awards from the Office of the Chaplain.

Join us in congratulating the student-athletes recognized at this year’s Honors Convocation:

**Football:**
- Andrew McCleneghen - University Honors Program

**Men’s Tennis:**
- Nate Lammons - University Honors Program

**Women’s Golf:**
- Alex Celli - Tau Sigma

**Volleyball:**
- Avery Acker - Beta Gamma Sigma

**Men’s Soccer:**
- John Lujano - Mortar Board

**Women's Soccer:**
- Katie Anne Head - Mortar Board

**Men's Swimming:**
- Nicholas Hook - Tau Beta Pi

**Ramom Melo** - The Civil and Environmental Engineering Award for Excellence in Design

**Women’s Swimming and Diving:**
- Rachel Balke - University Honors Program

**Elizabeth Krane** - Beta Gamma Sigma, Alpha Chi, Robert Stewart Hyer Society

**Natalie Schauwecker** - University Honors Program, Outstanding Accounting Major

**Cross Country/Track & Field:**
- Karoline Skatteboe - Omega Rho

Contact us at (214) 768-2582 or mustangs@smu.edu with your comments, questions, and suggestions!
SMU Hall of Fame Class of 2015 Honored on May 1st

SMU and SMU Athletics, in conjunction with the SMU Lettermen’s Association, inducted six new members to the SMU Athletics Hall of Fame at the annual Hall of Fame banquet and induction ceremony, which took place on Friday, May 1, at the Hilton Anatole. The 2015 inductees included Jerry Ball (football) Ryan Berube (swimming), Schellas Hyndman (coach—men’s soccer), Dennis Ralston (coach—men’s tennis), Jennifer Santrock (women’s tennis), and the late Bill Forester (football).

Jerry Ball was a defensive lineman at SMU from 1983-86, earning All-Southwest Conference honors three years in a row from 1984-86. Ball, who was a Playboy All-American in 1986, ranks fourth all-time at SMU in sacks. Ball played 13 seasons in the NFL and was a four-time Pro Bowl selection. He was elected to the Texas High School Football Hall of Fame in 2015.

Ryan Berube ranks as one of the most successful and accomplished swimmers ever to compete for SMU. Berube swam at SMU from 1993-96, earning All-America honors each season. The six-time SWC champion was named NCAA Swimmer of the Year in 1996, and also won a gold medal as a member of the U.S. relay team in the 4x200 freestyle at the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta.

Schellas Hyndman helped guide the SMU men’s soccer program to new heights as its head coach from 1984-2008. The Mustangs won nine regular season conference titles and six conference tournament championships during his tenure. Hyndman coached 20 Mustangs to All-America honors, including 10 first-team selections. Hyndman himself received eight league coach of the year awards and five regional coach of the year awards.

Dennis Ralston was head coach of the SMU men’s tennis team from 1981-89 and then again from 1991-93, leading the Mustangs to five conference championships and 209 wins. Ralston, who was named NCAA Coach of the Year in 1983, led SMU to six straight top-six national finishes.

Jennifer Santrock was a standout on the SMU women’s tennis team from 1986-89, and was named SWC Tennis Female Athlete of the Decade for the 1980s by the Southwest Conference. The four-time All-American advanced to the 1989 NCAA singles championship final and was named Volvo/ITCA National Senior Player of the Year. Santrock also advanced to the NCAA singles semifinals as a sophomore in 1987.

Bill Forester was a key player on SMU’s football team from 1950-52, earning All-SWC honors as a defensive tackle in 1951 and as a linebacker in 1952. The Green Bay Packers drafted Forester in the third round of the 1953 NFL Draft and he went on to spend 11 seasons there, earning four Pro Bowl selections. Forester was inducted to the Packers Hall of Fame in 1974, and was later inducted into the Woodrow Wilson High School (Dallas, Texas) Hall of Fame in 1999.

Former Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Hayden Fry was also honored with the first inaugural Legends Award at the Hall of Fame event. The Legends Award, presented by the SMU Lettermen’s Association and the Department of Athletics, recognizes an individual who has made extraordinary contributions to the success and legacy of the SMU Athletics Program. During Coach Fry’s 11 seasons on the Hilltop, he led SMU to three bowl appearances, the 1963 Sun Bowl, 1966 Cotton Bowl, and the 1968 Bluebonnet Bowl. Under Fry’s leadership, SMU won its first Southwest Conference Title in 18 years in 1966. In addition, Coach Fry transformed the landscape of college football in the Southwest Conference by recruiting Jerry LeVias, the first African-American scholarship student-athlete in the conference, in 1965. "The impact of Coach Fry’s historic decision to welcome Jerry LeVias as a scholarship student-athlete was transformative," said SMU Athletics Hall of Fame Committee Chair Jim Johnston, "it was this event in particular which led the Lettermen’s Association and Athletics Department to honor Coach Fry with this award."

The evening featured videos highlighting each inductee's achievements and heartfelt remarks from the honorees. It was attended by more than 500 teammates, coaches, family and friends.