

THE STAFF



► Head Coach
Jeff Capel

OKLAHOMA
BASKETBALL

JEFF CAPEL



► HEAD COACH

Fourth Year at Oklahoma
69-33 Record (.676)

Seventh Year Overall
148-74 Record (.667)

3 NCAA Tournaments (2004, '08, '09)

1 NIT Appearance (2005)

1 Colonial Athletic Association
Tournament Title (2004)

► COACHING HISTORY

Old Dominion, assistant coach, 2001

VCU, assistant coach, 2002

VCU, head coach, 2003-06

USA Men's World University Games
Team (gold medal), summer 2005

Oklahoma, head coach, 2007-

► EDUCATION

South View High School
(Hope Mills, N.C.), '93

B.A. degree (history), Duke, '97

► PLAYING HISTORY

Four-year starter at Duke (1994-97)

Started in 1994 national title game

Two-year professional career in CBA
and France

► FAMILY

Wife: Kanika (married in 2003)

Daughters: Cameron (born in April
2007) and Sydney (born in May 2009)

► PERSONAL

Born Feb. 12, 1975, in Fayetteville, N.C.

Oklahoma caught most college basketball insiders — if not all of them — by surprise when it named then-31-year-old Jeff Capel its 13th men's basketball head coach on April 11, 2006. In three short seasons, Capel has made the OU decision makers who selected him look like geniuses.

After serving four years as head coach at Virginia Commonwealth, Capel arrived in Norman ready to launch the Oklahoma program back into the national limelight, and he has done just that. In fact, Capel's swift rebuilding project has netted him the most wins (69) and best winning percentage (.676) of any coach in OU history after three years at the helm.

The Sooners' last two campaigns have been particularly impressive, with seven-win improvements occurring both seasons. Oklahoma posted a 23-12 record in 2007-08 and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. It followed with a 30-6 mark in 2008-09 and made the program's first Elite Eight showing since 2003.

Last year's 30-win season was just the sixth ever for the school. Capel watched his squad bolt to a 25-1 start and reach the No. 2 spot in the national rankings — the program's highest perch in 19 seasons.

The Sooners' on-court exploits have been buoyed by Capel's remarkable achievement on the recruiting trail. The energetic mentor with Tobacco Road lineage has signed four McDonald's All-Americans in the last three years. OU featured four such players in its history prior to his arrival.

Capel's success at Oklahoma should come as no surprise based on his performance at VCU, where he recorded a 79-41 (.658) overall record and a 50-22 (.694) mark in Colonial Athletic Association play. His Rams boasted a 47-11 overall home record for a staunch .811 winning percentage.

In 2003-04, VCU's CAA Tournament championship game victory over George Mason catapulted the Rams to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1996. VCU lost in the first round to Wake Forest, but not before putting a major scare into Chris Paul's fourth-seeded Demon Deacons, 79-78. Capel's 2004-05 squad, which finished 19-13, competed in the National Invitation Tournament, marking just the third time in VCU history that it made consecutive postseason appearances.

The Rams won at least 18 games each of Capel's four seasons at VCU with the 2003-04 squad registering a Capel-era-best 23-8 record. His first team finished 18-10 in 2002-03 as Capel tied a school record for wins by a first-year head coach. In 2005-06, VCU finished 19-10 overall and 11-7 in league play.

In August 2005, Capel served as an assistant coach on the gold-medal-winning USA Men's World University Games Team that finished 8-0 in Turkey. Villanova's Jay Wright was the head coach while Seton Hall's Bobby Gonzalez served as the other assistant. The squad featured, among others, Midwest City (Okla.) High School and Duke University standout Shelden Williams.

Capel began his coaching career as an assistant at Old Dominion University in 2000 before moving to VCU as an assistant for the 2001-02 season. In 2002, he became the youngest NCAA Division I head coach at age 27.

A four-year starter for Hall-of-Fame coach Mike Krzyzewski at Duke from the 1993-94 through 1996-97 campaigns, Capel earned Atlantic Coast Conference honors each of his seasons in Durham. The guard, who wore No. 5, averaged 12.4 points, 3.0 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 1.7 3-pointers during his career. He ranks 22nd in career scoring at Duke (1,601 points), 16th in minutes played (3,774), sixth in 3-pointers (220), seventh in 3-point attempts (553), seventh in 3-point field goal percentage (.398) and 11th in assists (433).



Capel started 28 games as a freshman for a Duke squad that lost to Arkansas in the 1994 national championship game, 76-72. He led the Blue Devils in scoring as a junior (16.6 ppg) and helped Duke to a No. 8 final AP ranking as a senior. He averaged 26.5 points over Duke's two NCAA Tournament games his final year, the same season he was named an Academic All-ACC selection.

Responsible for one of the most memorable shots in college basketball history, Capel nailed a running, buzzer-beating 30-footer to force double-overtime against rival North Carolina in a 1995 home game. The contest ranked No. 1 on the list of 25 Greatest Moments in ESPN Basketball History and the play was nominated for an ESPY award.

Following graduation in 1997, Capel played professionally for two years. He spent the 1997-98 season playing for the Continental Basketball Association's Grand Rapids Hoops. In 1999-00, he played in France before returning to Grand Rapids.

A standout prep performer, Capel was named the 1993 North Carolina High School Player of the Year after averaging 23.8 points, 5.1 rebounds and 7.7 assists for 31-1 state champion Fayetteville South View. He set school career records for points (2,066), rebounds (668) and assists (663).

Capel boasts a strong basketball pedigree. His father, Jeff Capel Jr., was an eight-year Division I head coach at Old Dominion (seven years) and North Carolina A&T (one year), and currently serves as an assistant coach for the NBA's Charlotte Bobcats franchise.

Capel's younger brother, Jason, was a four-year starter at North Carolina who averaged 12.1 points during the 1998-99 through 2001-02 seasons. Jason Capel helped the Tar Heels to the 2000 Final Four and is in his first year as an assistant coach at Appalachian State.

Capel, who graduated from Duke with a bachelor of arts degree in history, and his wife, Kanika, wed in 2003 and are the parents of daughters Cameron and Sydney.

JEFF CAPEL

THE WORD ON CAPEL

"Jeff Capel has been called one of the best young coaches in the country. We need to drop the adjective 'young,' because Jeff is one of the best coaches in the country, period. He took over during a difficult transition at Oklahoma and built things back up his way, and his way has proven to be a winning way. His players believe in him, and the results have been positive. The scary thing is, as good as Jeff is now, he's getting better. I would love to play for a coach like Jeff Capel."

— *Jay Bilas, ESPN Basketball Analyst*

"It's hard to recall a coach who has made a greater impact on a program in a shorter period of time. Coach Capel has proven himself to be one of the best recruiters in the game, and he has shown an impressive ability to develop and coach his talent. He hasn't just built this program for short-term success. He is laying the foundation for Oklahoma to be one of the truly premier programs in America for a long time."

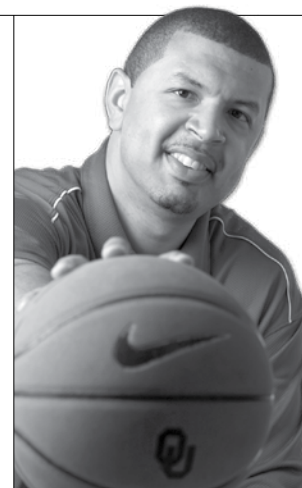
— *Seth Davis, CBS Analyst and Sports Illustrated Columnist*

"After three years at OU, the only item remaining on the Capel to-do list is the Final Four, and that's a matter of when, not if. From his ability to dominate recruiting locally and nationally, to getting his players drafted at the No. 1 spot, to earning what should have been (if not for a Blake Griffin concussion) a No. 1 seed in the NCAA tournament, Capel has met and exceeded every essential desire of any Sooner fan. After getting to know Jeff and his family, it is obvious that his appeal transcends parents and players alike."

— *Doug Gottlieb, ESPN Basketball Analyst*

"When Jeff Capel arrived at Oklahoma, he was considered by many to be a rising star in the coaching profession. It's clear based on his accomplishments as the Sooners' coach that he is simply a star. He is the complete package as a coach, recruiter, motivator and leader."

— *Fran Fraschilla, ESPN Basketball Analyst*



► PERSONALITY PROFILE

Interests/Hobbies

Music, movies, playing with my daughters, hanging with my family

Favorite Food

Macaroni and cheese

Favorite Place to Eat

My mom's house

Favorite TV Channels

ESPN, VH1 and Cartoon Network

Best Advice My Parents Gave Me

"What doesn't kill you will only make you stronger."

Favorite Movie

"Goodfellas," "Training Day" and "The Five Heartbeats"

Favorite Sports Movie

"Remember the Titans"

Favorite NBA Team

Lakers

Player I Pretended to Be as a Kid

Magic Johnson

Nobody Knows How Much I...

want to host "Saturday Night Live"

Favorite TV Show

"Martin"

Favorite College Class

American History with Dean Wilson

Most Impressive Person I've Met

My grandfather, Felton Capel, Sr.

Best Non-Athletic Talent

Memorizing things

People Wouldn't Believe Me If I Told Them I...

could still play

I Wish I Was Better at...

fixing things

Favorite Music Artist

Jay-Z

Number of Songs on My iPod

About 4,500

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JEFF CAPEL'S YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	School	Overall		Conference			Conference Tournament	Postseason
		W	L	W	L	Place		
2002-03	Virginia Commonwealth	18	10	12	6	2nd	1-1	
2003-04	Virginia Commonwealth	23	8	14	4	1st	3-0	NCAA (0-1)
2004-05	Virginia Commonwealth	19	13	13	5	2nd	2-1	NIT (0-1)
2005-06	Virginia Commonwealth	19	10	11	7	6th	1-1	
2006-07	Oklahoma	16	15	6	10	T7th	1-1	
2007-08	Oklahoma	23	12	9	7	T4th	1-1	NCAA (1-1)
2008-09	Oklahoma	30	6	13	3	2nd	0-1	NCAA (3-1)
Total (6 years)		148	74	78	42		9-6	4-4

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► Jeff and Kanika Capel, with daughters Cameron (right) and Sydney



CHOICE WORDS

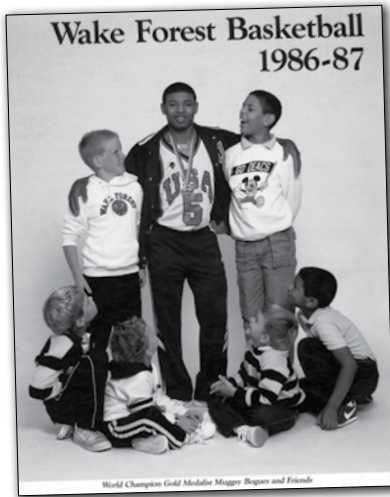
How members of the 2009-10 OU basketball team describe Jeff Capel in one word.

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| "Competitive" | Orlando Allen |
| "Real" | Tony Crocker |
| "Winner" | Cade Davis |
| "Cool" | Andrew Fitzgerald |
| "Passionate" | T.J. Franklin |
| "Cool" | Tiny Gallon |
| "Driven" | Beau Gerber |
| "Serious" | Kyle Hardrick |
| "Winner" | Barry Honoré |
| "Business" | Tommy Mason-Griffin |
| "Passionate" | Steven Pledger |
| "Inspiring" | Ryan Randolph |
| "Understanding" | Willie Warren |
| "Honest" | Ray Willis |
| "Motivator" | Ryan Wright |

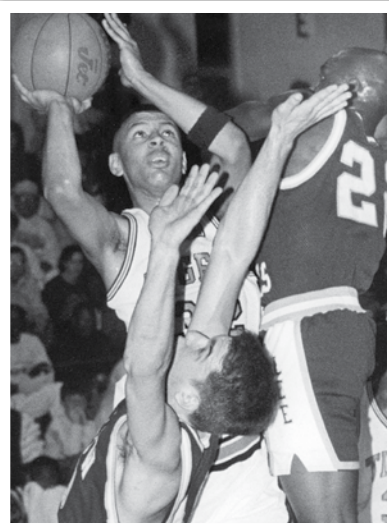


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JEFF CAPEL'S BASKETBALL PHOTO TIMELINE



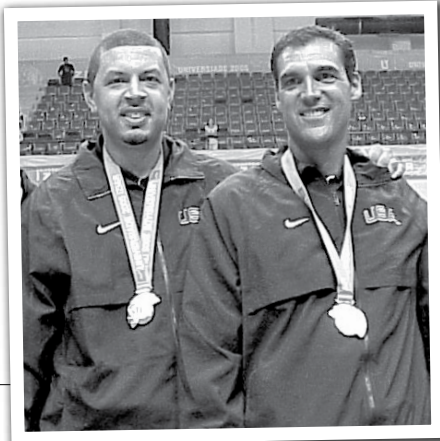
▶ At the age of 11, Jeff Capel was already gracing a major college media guide cover. Pictured standing on the right, he appeared on the front of the 1986-87 Wake Forest publication alongside first-team All-ACC guard Tyrone "Muggsy" Bogues.



▶ A standout prep player at South View High School near Fayetteville, N.C., Capel was the 1993 North Carolina Player of the Year, averaging 23.8 points and 7.7 assists for the 31-1 state champion Tigers.



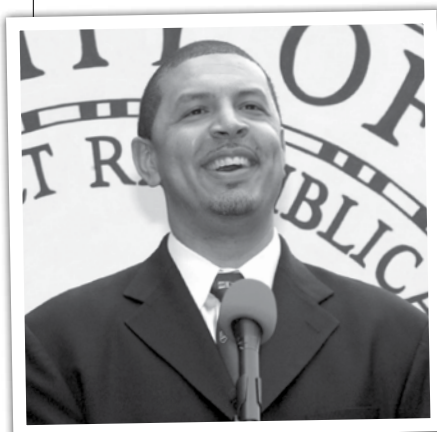
▶ A four-year starter at Duke, Capel is pictured above as a freshman in the 1994 national championship game against Arkansas. Capel ranks 22nd at Duke in career scoring (1,601 points), 16th in minutes played (3,744), sixth in 3-pointers (220), seventh in 3-point field goal percentage (.398) and 10th in assists (433).



▶ Pictured with Villanova's Jay Wright, Capel served as an assistant coach on the gold-medal-winning USA Men's World University Games Team that finished 8-0 in Turkey during the summer of 2005.



▶ At the age of 29 and in his second year as a collegiate head coach, Capel directed his VCU team to a near upset of Chris Paul and No. 4 seed Wake Forest in the 2004 NCAA Tournament. The Rams lost, 79-78. Capel compiled a 79-41 (.658) record at VCU, including a 50-22 (.694) mark in the Colonial Athletic Association.



▶ Capel was introduced as the 13th head coach in University of Oklahoma history on April 11, 2006, during a media conference at Memorial Union.



▶ In his third season at OU, Capel coached the Sooners to a 30-6 record and all the way to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament. Oklahoma went 13-3 in the Big 12.

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BEN BETTS



▶ ASSISTANT COACH

Fourth Year at Oklahoma

▶ COACHING HISTORY

South Carolina State, assistant coach, 1991-97

South Carolina State, interim head coach, February-October 1995

College of Charleston, assistant coach, 1998-2002

VCU, assistant coach, 2003

South Carolina State, head coach, 2004-06

Oklahoma, assistant coach, 2007-

▶ HEAD COACHING ACHIEVEMENTS

51-39 (.567) record in three years

2003-04 MEAC regular season champions at South Carolina State

▶ EDUCATION

Amherst County (Va.) High School, '86

B.S. degree (physical education), Roanoke College, '90

M.S. degree (rehabilitation counseling), South Carolina State, '97

▶ PLAYING HISTORY

Four-year letterwinner as a guard at Roanoke College (1987-90)

▶ PERSONAL

Born Aug. 5, 1968, in Lynchburg, Va.

After serving as the head coach at South Carolina State for three years, Ben Betts resigned his position in May 2006 to be reunited with Jeff Capel and is now in his fourth year as an Oklahoma assistant coach.

An assistant under Capel at VCU during the 2002-03 season when the Rams went 18-10 overall and 12-6 in the Colonial Athletic Association, Betts, 41, guided his three South Carolina State teams to a combined 51-39 (.567) overall record and a 36-18 (.667) Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference mark.

Betts, whose three SCSU squads all made conference tournament semifinals appearances, coached his first team to an 18-11 record and the 2004 MEAC regular season title. The Bulldogs posted a 19-12 record in 2004-05 and notched a 20-point win over Big Ten member Penn State and a 10-point victory over the ACC's Miami (Fla.). They finished 14-16 in 2005-06.

Prior to his one-year stint at VCU, Betts spent five seasons (1998-2002) as an assistant coach at College of Charleston under John Kresse where he helped the Cougars to a 119-31 (.793) record and a 64-16 (.800) conference mark. College of Charleston made NCAA Tournament appearances in 1998 and 1999 and won conference or division crowns each of his five years there. A win over third-ranked North Carolina highlighted a 1998-99 campaign that saw the Cougars go 28-3 overall and 16-0 in the Southern Conference. They finished the year ranked No. 16 in the AP poll.

Before his College of Charleston term, Betts spent seven seasons (1991-97) as an assistant at South Carolina State under head coach Cy Alexander. Included was a stint as interim head coach in 1995 (February to October).

During his initial tenure at SCSU, the Bulldogs posted five winning seasons, including a 22-8 record in 1995-96 when the squad tied for the MEAC regular season title, won the conference tournament and advanced to the NCAA Tournament.

Betts, a Madison Heights, Va., native, graduated with a bachelor of science degree in physical education from Roanoke College in 1990. As a player, he was a four-year letterwinner at Roanoke and led the Maroons to the NCAA Division III playoffs in the 1986-87 season.

Betts earned a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling from South Carolina State in 1997.



BETTS' HEAD COACHING CAREER

Year	School	Record	Conf. Tourney
2003-04*	South Carolina State	18-11	Semifinals
2004-05	South Carolina State	19-12	Semifinals
2005-06	South Carolina State	14-16	Semifinals

Totals 51-39 (.567)

* MEAC regular season champions



MARK CLINE

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► ASSISTANT COACH

Fourth Year at Oklahoma

► COACHING HISTORY

Fayetteville State, assistant coach, 1990-93

North Carolina AT&T, assistant coach, 1994

Old Dominion, assistant coach, 1995-99

Virginia Tech, assistant/associate head coach, 2000-03

VCU, assistant coach, 2004-06

Oklahoma, assistant coach, 2007-

► EDUCATION

Williamson (W.Va.) High School, '83

B.A. degree (sociology), Wake Forest, '88

► PLAYING HISTORY

Three-year starter as a forward at Wake Forest (1984-87)

► FAMILY

Wife (Nancy) and daughter (Layla)

► PERSONAL

Born June 9, 1964, in Williamson, W.Va.

In his fourth year at Oklahoma, Mark Cline was Jeff Capel's first hire upon arriving at OU. Cline served as an assistant coach for Virginia Commonwealth under Capel. The Williamson, W.Va., native helped VCU compile a 61-31 (.663) record from the 2003-04 through 2005-06 seasons that included a 2004 NCAA Tournament trip.

Cline's relationship with the Capel family dates back to his days as an assistant coach at Fayetteville State where he served under Capel's father, Jeff Capel, Jr., for four seasons (1990-93). Cline helped convert the Broncos from a team that finished at the bottom of the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association's Southern Division to one of the top programs in the league. He also served as the men's golf head coach at Fayetteville State and was twice named CIAA Golf Coach of the Year.

He transitioned with Capel, Jr., to North Carolina A&T for the 1993-94 season, a year that saw the Aggies claim the Mid-Eastern Athletic Association championship and make an NCAA Tournament appearance. Cline followed Capel, Jr., to Old Dominion where he spent five seasons with the Monarchs. He helped ODU reach the NCAA Tournament in 1995 and 1997. In 1999, the Monarchs tied a school record with 25 wins and were rewarded with an NIT bid.

After his stint at Old Dominion, Cline served four years (1999-2003) as an assistant and associate head coach at Virginia Tech.

Cline, 45, enjoyed an outstanding playing career at Wake Forest, from the 1983-84 through 1986-87 seasons (the same span as Tyrone "Muggsy" Bogues), and was a three-year starter. He finished his career with 1,202 points to rank 17th on Wake's all-time list. He averaged double figures over his final three seasons and served as a co-captain the last two. The Demon Deacons advanced to the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight his freshman season.

The two-time West Virginia High School Player of the Year who earned McDonald's, Parade and Street & Smith's high school All-America honors, shot .414 from 3-point range during his collegiate career.

Cline, who graduated from Wake Forest in 1988, has a wife, Nancy, and a 7-year-old daughter, Layla.



► Mark and Nancy Cline, and daughter Layla



ORONDE TALIAFERRO



▶ ASSISTANT COACH

Third Year at Oklahoma

▶ COACHING HISTORY

Detroit Mumford High School, assistant head coach/junior varsity head coach, 1996

Detroit Central High School, head coach, 1997-2001

Kent State, assistant coach, 2002

Arkansas, assistant coach, 2003-07

Oklahoma, assistant coach, 2008-

▶ COACHING HONORS

Detroit Public School League Southeast Division Coach of the Year, 1997 and 2001

Detroit News and *Detroit Free Press* Michigan High School Coach of the Year, 1998

▶ EDUCATION

Detroit Mumford High School, '90

B.A. degree (psychology), Wayne State, '94

▶ PLAYING HISTORY

Three-year letterwinner as a guard at Wayne State (1992-94)

▶ FAMILY

Wife (Kim) and daughters (Errin, Kaela and Lynzey)

▶ PERSONAL

Born Jan. 11, 1972, in Detroit, Mich.

In his third season on the Oklahoma staff, Oronde Taliaferro, was hired by Jeff Capel on May 1, 2007. Taliaferro came to OU after spending the previous five seasons as an assistant coach at Arkansas.

Taliaferro helped the Razorbacks make NCAA Tournament appearances each of his last two years in Fayetteville, going 21-14 overall in 2006-07 and 22-10 in 2005-06. Arkansas' recruiting coordinator, he was labeled as one of the nation's top 25 recruiters by Rivals.com.

Taliaferro served the 2001-02 season as an assistant coach at Kent State and helped the Golden Flashes post a 30-6 record, win Mid-American Conference regular season and tournament titles, and advance to the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight.

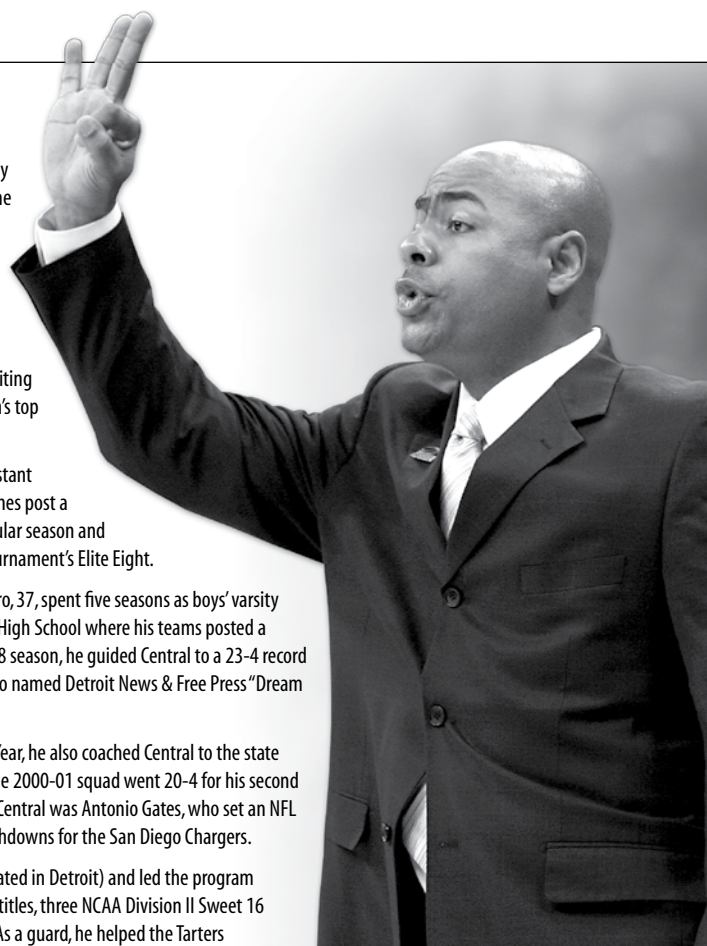
Prior to his one-year stint at Kent State, Taliaferro, 37, spent five seasons as boys' varsity head coach in his hometown at Detroit Central High School where his teams posted a combined record of 105-21. During the 1997-98 season, he guided Central to a 23-4 record and the Class A state championship. He was also named *Detroit News & Free Press* "Dream Team" Coach of the Year.

A two-time Public School League Coach of the Year, he also coached Central to the state semifinals in his first season (1996-97) while the 2000-01 squad went 20-4 for his second 20-win season in five years. One of his stars at Central was Antonio Gates, who set an NFL record for tight ends in 2004 by scoring 13 touchdowns for the San Diego Chargers.

Taliaferro attended Wayne State University (located in Detroit) and led the program to three Great Lakes Intercollegiate Conference titles, three NCAA Division II Sweet 16 appearances and a combined record of 71-20. As a guard, he helped the Tartars reach the Final Four in 1993 and set a school record for victories in 1993-94 (25-5).

Taliaferro prepped at Detroit Mumford High School where he was an honorable mention all-city selection as a senior after helping his team reach the city playoffs for the first time in 24 years.

He and his wife, Kim, have three daughters: Errin, Kaela and Lynzey.



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▶ Oronde and Kim Taliaferro, with daughters Kaela (left), Lynzey (middle) and Errin (right)

BRYAN GOODMAN



► DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS

Fourth Year at Oklahoma

► COACHING HISTORY

Barat College, assistant coach, 1997-98

Susquehanna University, assistant coach, 1999-2000

Bucknell, assistant coach, 2001-06

► EDUCATION

Choctaw (Okla.) High School, '91

B.S. degree (interdisciplinary social science), Barat College, '96

M.A. degree (world history), DePaul, '98

► PLAYING HISTORY

Three-year letterwinner as a point guard at Barat College (1994-96)

► FAMILY

Wife (Amy), daughter (Grace) and sons (Clark and Reece)

► PERSONAL

Born July 12, 1972, in Ankara, Turkey

Bryan Goodman, a Choctaw (Okla.) High School graduate who spent six years as an assistant coach at Bucknell, is in his fourth year as OU's director of basketball operations.

Responsible for a wide array of administrative tasks, Goodman is the basketball program's chief liaison to the athletics department's compliance, development, licensing, marketing and promotions offices. He also monitors the academic progress of the team, organizes team travel and oversees the budget and summer camps.

Goodman, 37, helped Bucknell to a 105-76 (.580) overall record during his tenure, including a 52-30 (.634) Patriot League mark. The Bison posted combined 50-15 (.769) overall and 24-4 (.857) conference records in his final two years, advancing to the second round of the NCAA Tournament each season.

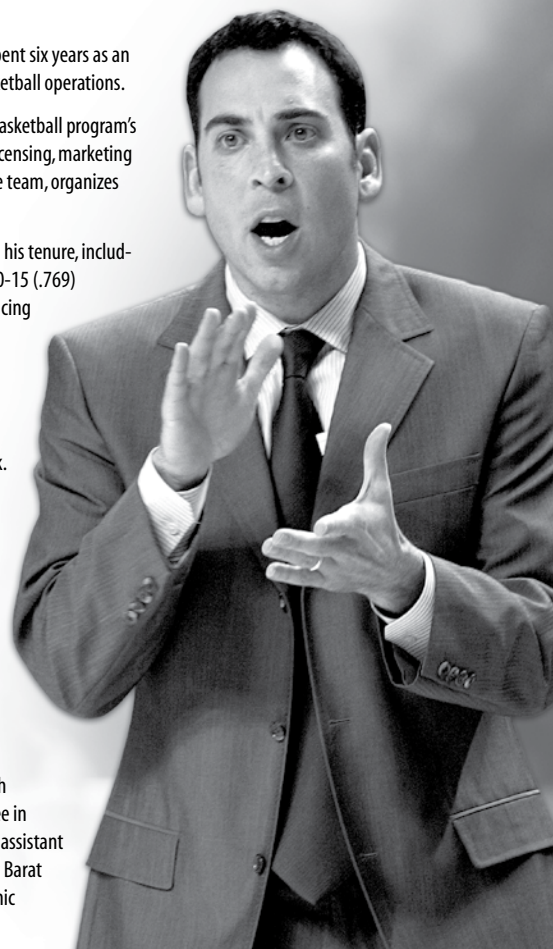
In 2005, No. 14 seed Bucknell downed No. 3 seed Kansas, 64-63, inside Oklahoma City's Ford Center. In March 2006, the ninth-seeded Bison eliminated No. 8 seed Arkansas, 59-55, in Dallas. They finished the 2005-06 season with a 27-5 overall record and a 14-0 conference mark.

Goodman got acquainted with Oklahoma head coach Jeff Capel (then the head coach at Virginia Commonwealth) in August 2005 in Turkey. Goodman, who has family in Turkey, was serving as a liaison for USA Basketball during the World University Games there. Capel was an assistant coach for the U.S. squad that went a perfect 8-0 and claimed the gold medal.

Prior to joining the Bison's staff, Goodman worked for two seasons at Susquehanna University in Pennsylvania, about 12 miles south of Bucknell's campus.

Goodman graduated from Barat College in Lake Forest, Ill., in 1996 with a degree in interdisciplinary social science. He earned a master's degree in history from DePaul University in 1998 before returning to Barat as an assistant coach for two years. Goodman lettered three times as a point guard at Barat and served as a team captain his final two seasons. He was an Academic All-American as a senior.

Goodman, who was born in Ankara, Turkey, and his wife, Amy, have three children — Grace, Reece and Clark — all born in January 2006.



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► Bryan and Amy Goodman, with sons Clark (left) and Reece, and daughter Grace

JOZSEF SZENDREI



► STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH

First Year at Oklahoma

► COACHING HISTORY

Texas Tech University, assistant strength and conditioning coach (football), 2007-08

Oklahoma, assistant strength and conditioning coach, 2009-

► EDUCATION

Tumwater (Wash.) High School, '98

Associate's degree (business administration), Northeastern (Colo.) Junior College, '00

B.A. degree (international business), Oklahoma, '03

► PLAYING HISTORY

Two-year letterwinner at Northeastern (Colo.) Junior College (1999-00)

Two-year letterwinner as a center at Oklahoma (2002-03)

Three-year professional career in Switzerland, Hungary and Spain

Played during 2006-07 season for Arkansas Aeros of American Basketball Association

► FAMILY

Wife (Natasha) and son (Jozsef Milan)

► PERSONAL

Born June 19, 1979, in Szolnok, Magyarország, Hungary

A member of OU's 2002 Final Four team who went on to play professionally in Europe following college, Jozsef Szendrei joined the Sooners' staff as strength and conditioning coach in June.

Szendrei, 30, was an OU center for the 2000-01 through 2002-03 seasons and returned to his alma mater after spending the past two years at Texas Tech as an assistant strength and conditioning coach for the Red Raiders football team. Texas Tech finished seventh in the Bowl Championship Series standings last year.

Known for his work ethic and spirit while a player at Oklahoma, Szendrei was a member of OU teams that claimed Big 12 Tournament titles in 2001, 2002 and 2003. The transfer from Northeastern (Colo.) Junior College was granted a medical hardship in 2000-01 and averaged 1.4 points and 2.5 rebounds over the 2001-02 and 2002-03 seasons for OU squads that went a combined 58-12 and advanced to the NCAA Tournament's Final Four and Elite Eight, respectively.

After graduating from OU in 2003 with a degree in international business (he minored in marketing), Szendrei continued his playing career for three years in Switzerland, Hungary and Spain. He returned to the U.S. to play for former OU assistant coach Bob Hoffman and the Arkansas Aeros of the American Basketball Association, and then entered the strength and conditioning field.

Nicknamed "Yo-Yo," Szendrei is a native of Szolnok, Hungary, and spent most of his childhood in Budapest. He came to the United States as an academic exchange student in August 1996 and attended Tumwater High School in Tumwater, Wash., for two years. He was a first-team all-state pick as a senior when he led his team to a 27-4 record.

The 6-9 Szendrei earned an associate's degree in business administration from Northeastern in 2000. As a sophomore, he claimed first-team All-Region 9 recognition after averaging 15.3 points and 14.5 rebounds per contest.

Szendrei and his wife, Natasha, a former OU student athletics trainer (2000-04) who received her Masters in athletic training from the Texas Tech Health Sciences Center in 2008, welcomed their first child, Jozsef Milan, in February.



► Jozsef and Natasha Szendrei, with son Jozsef Milan

BASKETBALL SUPPORT STAFF

**ALEX BROWN**

Athletics Trainer
23rd Year at OU

Now in his 23rd season as the Oklahoma men's basketball trainer, Alex Brown is a key member of the Sooners staff. One of the most animated trainers in the business, Brown has used his care and knowledge of players' needs to help reduce major injuries and treat players when injuries occur.

Brown also has responsibilities as the athletics trainer for the men's and women's golf teams at OU, and worked with the Sooner football program for seven years.

Prior to his arrival in Norman, Brown served as head athletics trainer at East Central University in Ada. He also taught classes and was the head golf and assistant track coach.

A certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association and the Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure advisory committee on athletics training, Brown has won several awards for his training abilities and has served on numerous advisory commissions on sports medicine. In 1997, the NATA presented him with the 25-Year Award.

Interested in all sports, Brown has served as a member of the medical staff at two U.S. Olympic Festivals and as trainer for the basketball tryouts for the 1990 World University Games and Goodwill Games. He also spent three weeks as the trainer for the U.S. men's basketball team which won the bronze medal in the 1991 Pan American Games in Havana, Cuba, and was the official trainer for the gold-medal U.S. team at the 1993 FIBA World Championships in Valladolid, Spain. In 1994, Brown traveled with the U.S. World Cup soccer team to Trinidad and Jamaica for two international matches.

Brown, who hails from Durham, N.C., is a golf enthusiast and has six holes-in-one to his credit. The Appalachian State University alum earned a bachelor's degree in 1979 and a master's degree in 1980. He has two daughters (Evelyn, 24, and Erica, 22).

**DR. BROCK SCHNEBEL**

Team Physician
14th Year at OU

Brock Schnebel is in his 14th season working with the Oklahoma men's basketball team and 10th as team physician. Certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery, he practices at McBride Clinic in Oklahoma City and also with the University of Oklahoma Department of Orthopaedics Division of Sports Medicine.

Highly experienced in the field of sports medicine, Schnebel served as the head physician for the 2000 United States Olympic Team in Sydney, Australia. He also served as the 1998 U.S. Goodwill Games team doctor and was on the medical staff for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta. Schnebel also traveled with USA Basketball's Junior World Games Team (coached by former OU head coach Kelvin Sampson) to Greece in the summer of 1995.

A native of Topeka, Kan., Schnebel was valedictorian at Alva (Okla.) High School and Northwestern Oklahoma State University. He earned graduate of distinction honors from the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine in 1981, where he was also a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Society. He completed his internship at the University of Oklahoma Department of Surgery and his residency at the University of Oklahoma Department of Orthopaedic Surgery.

Schnebel, who serves as orthopaedic consultant for each of OU's varsity sports teams, is the author of numerous professional articles on sports medicine.

He and his wife, Kelli, are the parents of three daughters (Jessica, Bailey and Addison) and a son (Chase).

**DIONNE PHELPS**

Video Coordinator
Fourth Year at OU

In his fourth season on the Oklahoma staff as video coordinator is college coaching veteran Dionne Phelps. An assistant coach at UT San Antonio the previous three seasons, including the 2005-06 season as associate head coach, Phelps boasts 16 years of collegiate coaching experience on his résumé.

Hired at UTSA in September 2003, Phelps assisted then-head coach Tim Carter in recruiting, scouting and game preparation while working with the Roadrunners' frontcourt players. During Phelps' tenure, UTSA won the 2004 Southland Conference regular season and conference tournament titles and played Stanford in the first round of the NCAA Tournament.

Prior to joining UTSA's staff, Phelps served as assistant coach at Texas State for four seasons in San Marcos. He also earned a year of Big 12 coaching experience at Baylor during the 1998-99 season under Harry Miller after spending eight seasons as an assistant at Texas Lutheran. While at Texas Lutheran, Phelps helped the Bulldogs to a pair of Heartland Conference regular season championships.

Phelps also played collegiately at Texas Lutheran and was inducted into the Bulldog Athletic Hall of Honors in 2002 following a career that saw him earn 1988 Big State All-Conference and all-district accolades as well as 1989 Heart of Texas All-Conference recognition. He graduated in 1989 with a bachelor of arts degree in physical education.

A San Antonio native who is a 1985 graduate of Judson High School in Converse, Texas, Phelps also earned a master's degree in education from Texas State in 1996.

He and his wife, Lisa, have a 17-year-old daughter (Aaliyah Gordon) and a 6-year-old son (Garrison). The family resides in Norman.



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KELLEN SAMPSON

Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach
Second Year at OU

In his second year working with the Oklahoma men's basketball program, Kellen Sampson was named assistant strength and conditioning coach this past summer after serving the 2008-09 season as a graduate assistant manager.

Sampson works closely with the team's head strength and conditioning coach, Jozsef Szendrei, in implementing OU's off-season workout program.

Sampson, who spent the 2007-08 season at Indiana University as a Hoosiers graduate assistant, also has duties as film exchange coordinator at OU. Additionally, he assists with all mail correspondence and coordinates all official recruiting visit weekends.

An OU graduate, Sampson played for the Sooners from the 2003-04 through 2006-07 seasons. A three-year letterwinner, he finished his career with a .444 3-point field goal mark and was a three-time winner of the team's Tight White (scout team) Award. He also earned the Hollis Price/Roy Marler Most Inspirational and the Brent Price Connection to the Community Awards as a senior.

Sampson, 24, earned his B.A. degree in communication in December 2006 and received his master's degree in intercollegiate athletics administration in May 2009 (both from OU). He resides in Norman.



JON DENIO

Equipment Director
Sixth Year at OU

In his sixth year at Oklahoma and fourth with the men's basketball program is equipment director Jon Denio. Denio also assists with the operation of Lloyd Noble Center and is the building's liaison with the men's and women's basketball teams.

Denio, who oversees all ordering, issuing, inventory and maintenance of athletics equipment for the OU men's basketball and men's and women's tennis teams, also supervises the men's basketball student managers. Additionally, he is a member of the Nike Basketball Footwear Advisory Board, a shoe testing program.

The 29-year-old Denio started at OU in 2004 as a graduate assistant equipment manager. Among his duties working with the OU football team were assisting in bowl gift and award purchasing, issuance and team equipment travel for the 2005 Orange and 2005 Holiday Bowls. He also worked with the softball and wrestling programs.

Prior to his arrival in Norman, Denio worked two seasons as an assistant equipment manager for the Washington Redskins, in charge of on-field setup and maintenance, and player footwear. He also spent four years as a student equipment manager working with the football team at the University of Missouri. Denio spent the 1999 and 2000 summers as a college intern with the New York Jets equipment department and was responsible for setting up practice, prepping for travel and handling laundry.

Denio, who is from Mexico, Mo., earned a degree from Missouri in personal finance in 2002. He is engaged to Brooke Holt and resides in Norman.



MIKE HOUCK

Communications Director
15th Year at OU

Responsible for coordinating publicity for the Oklahoma men's basketball team, Mike Houck is in his 15th year at OU — all as the basketball program's communications director. He is also in his ninth season as the team's radio color analyst for the Sooner Sports Network.

Houck began working with OU men's basketball as an intern during the 1995-96 season under former head coach Kelvin Sampson. In July 1996, Houck was promoted to assistant director of media relations. He received another promotion to associate director status in July 2000.

In addition to his role as the men's basketball contact, Houck has worked with the sports of football, women's golf, soccer, softball and men's and women's gymnastics during his OU tenure. He has served as the local media coordinator for the Women's College World Series, played at Oklahoma City's ASA Hall of Fame Stadium, each of the last 11 years and 12 of the last 14.

Additionally, Houck served as the athletics department's contact for SoonerSports.com, OU's official athletics Web site, for four years. In the summer of 2001, he was the inaugural recipient of the Will Hancock Award, a national honor for excellence in official athletics Web site management and direction. The award was presented by FANsOnly (now CSTV) in memory of late Oklahoma State University men's basketball media relations contact Will Hancock.

The 37-year-old Houck, from West Bend, Wis., earned a bachelor of arts degree in journalism (public relations and advertising) from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1994. He and his wife, Tara, married in 2007 and live in Norman.

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RENEE FORNEY
Coach Capel's Administrative Assistant
 16th Year at OU

A key member of the Sooner basketball program, Renee Forney begins her 16th year with the Sooners and her 13th as the head coach's administrative assistant.

Forney manages the daily operations of the basketball office and is in charge of all correspondence, communications, travel arrangements, speaking engagements and special projects for Coach Capel. She also coordinates travel arrangements for assistant coaches, lodging for prospects and recruiting activities.

Forney, who is heavily involved with Capel's summer basketball camps, also helps prepare practice plans and scouting reports during the season.

Additionally, Forney schedules OU coaches and players for visits to Norman-area elementary schools as part of the popular Sooner Reading Program.

A native of Beach, N.D., Forney and her husband, Jim, who have been OU Tip In Club members and season ticket holders since 1981, have a son (Ben, an OU graduate), a daughter (Jenna, an OU student) and two granddaughters (Courtney and Elizabeth, both born to Jenna and her husband, Lance).



AMY MILLER
Office Secretary
 Second Year at OU

In her seventh year working for the men's basketball program and second as a full-time staff member, Amy Miller has a wide variety of responsibilities as office secretary.

Miller's chief duties include handling all correspondence and communications for the assistant coaching staff. She also prepares staff travel expense reports and assists with summer camp activities, special events and community projects — including the popular Sooner Reading Program.

A native of Edmond, Okla., Miller attended Edmond Memorial High School before graduating from the University of Oklahoma in May 2008. A member of Delta Delta Delta sorority, she earned a bachelor's degree in fine arts while also working as a men's basketball office student assistant for five years.

Miller is working towards a master's degree in intercollegiate athletics administration and enjoys running, painting and traveling to New York City in her spare time.



C.B. ELDER
Academic Advisor
 16th Year at OU

Starting his 16th year as academic counselor for the OU athletics department, C.B. Elder advises student-athletes and assists them in developing a strategy for academic success and progress toward graduation.

Elder, who works with student-athletes in the sports of men's basketball, baseball, men's golf and men's track and field and cross country, is an active member of the National Academic Advising Association and the National Association of Academic Advisors for Athletics. Elder previously served as an academic counselor at OU's University College from 1989-94. He was also director of housing at Texas Wesleyan College from 1985-88 and coordinator of OU's intramural sports from 1979-84.

A native of Farmington, Mo., Elder received a bachelor's degree from Missouri in 1977 before earning a master's degree in education from OU in 1985. He is married to his wife, Lina.



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DEREK LANAHAN
Graduate Manager



MICHAEL NEAL
Graduate Manager



LANDON HUGHEY
Student Manager



JOE LESZCZYŃSKI
Student Manager



JOHN CRIST
Student Manager



BLAINE WENSLER
Student Manager



MATT WOODSON
Student Manager



MATT DEVER
Student Manager



JOSH KEIFFER
Student Manager



JUSTIN MATHIS
Student Manager



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SALMOND**
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Graduate Assistant



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Graduate Assistant

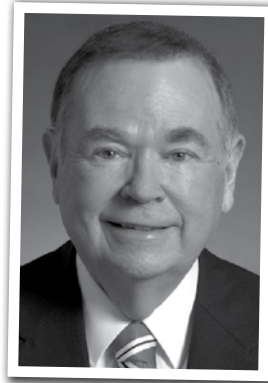
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DAVID L. BOREN

UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

16th Year at OU

David L. Boren, who has served Oklahoma as governor and U.S. senator, became the thirteenth president of the University of Oklahoma in November 1994. He is the first person in state history to have served in all three positions.



Boren is widely respected for his academic credentials, his longtime support of education, and for his distinguished political career as a reformer of the American political system. A graduate of Yale University in 1963, Boren majored in American history, graduated in the top one percent of his class and was elected Phi Beta Kappa. He was selected as a Rhodes Scholar and earned a master's degree in politics, philosophy and economics from Oxford University, England, in 1965.

In 1968, he received a law degree from the University of Oklahoma College of Law, where he was on the Law Review, elected to the Order of the Coif, and won the Bledsoe Prize as the outstanding graduate by a vote of the faculty.

As Oklahoma's governor from 1974 through 1978, Boren promoted key educational initiatives that have had an enduring impact on Oklahoma. Established during his tenure were the Oklahoma Arts Institute, the Scholar-Leadership Enrichment Program and the Oklahoma Physicians Manpower Training Program, which provides scholarships for medical students and medical personnel who commit to practice in underserved rural areas. Also, the first state funding for Gifted and Talented classes was provided in 1976.

One of Boren's most far-reaching projects in promoting quality education at all levels is the Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence, which he founded in 1985. The foundation recognizes outstanding public school students and teachers and helps establish private local foundations to help give academic endowment grants to local public schools. As a senator, he was the author of the National Security Education Act in 1992, which provides scholarships for study abroad and for learning additional languages, as well as legislation to restore the tax deductibility of gifts of appreciated property to universities in 1993.

Boren, also a former state legislator, spent nearly three decades in elective politics before becoming the president of the University of Oklahoma. Boren was the youngest governor in the nation when he served from 1974 to 1978. Known as a reformer, Boren campaigned with a broom as his symbol. During his term, he instituted many progressive programs, including conflict-of-interest rules, campaign-financing disclosure, stronger open meeting laws for public bodies, more competitive bidding on state government contracts, and reform of the state's prison system, including expanded education programs for first-time offenders and the largest expansion of the work-release program in state history.

During his time in the U.S. Senate from 1979 to 1994, Boren served on the Senate Finance and Agriculture Committees and was the longest-serving chairman of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. From his days as a state legislator and governor of Oklahoma to Washington, Boren carried a commitment to reform, leading numerous efforts to make government work better for American citizens. As chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, he strengthened oversight of secret government programs and reformed the procedures for Presidential notice of such programs to Congress.

For more than 10 years, he led the fight for congressional campaign finance reform and for legislation discouraging administration and congressional staff from cashing in on government experience and contacts by becoming lobbyists. In addition, he introduced legislation seeking to limit gifts and travel subsidies that government workers, including members of Congress, can receive from lobbyists. Boren also chaired the special 1992-93 Joint Committee on the Organization of Congress, which produced proposals to make Congress more efficient and responsive by streamlining congressional bureaucracy, reducing staff sizes and reforming procedures to end legislative gridlock.

Boren left the U.S. Senate in 1994 with an approval rating of 91 percent after being reelected with 83 percent of the vote in 1990, the highest percentage in the nation in a U.S. Senate contest in that election year.

Boren served from 1988 to 1997 as a member of the Yale University Board of Trustees. His

university experience also includes four years on the faculty of Oklahoma Baptist University, where he was chairman of the Department of Political Science and chairman of the Division of Social Sciences. In 1993, the American Association of University Professors presented Boren with the Henry Vost Award as Education Advocate of the Year.

Under Boren's leadership, the University of Oklahoma has developed and emerged as a "pacesetter university in American public higher education," with 20 major new programs initiated since his inauguration. They include establishment of the Honors College, the Charles M. Russell Center for the Study of Art of the American West, a new expository writing program for freshmen modeled on the program at Harvard, an interdisciplinary religious studies program, the Artist-in-Residence Program, the International Programs Center, and the Faculty-in-Residence Program putting faculty family apartments in student residence halls. The Retired Professors Program has been started, bringing 50 retired full professors back to the University to teach freshmen.

The number of new facilities started or completed on the campus during the Boren years has matched the explosion in new programs. Since 1994, almost \$1 billion in construction projects have been completed or are under way on OU's three campuses. Among the largest of the recent projects are the \$18.7 million renovation and expansion of historic Holmberg Hall, home of music and dance programs; the \$67 million National Weather Center; the \$19 million addition to the Michael F. Price College of Business; the \$17 million Gaylord Hall for journalism and mass communication; the \$27 million Stephenson Research and Technology Center; and the \$83.5 million stadium project. The Health Sciences Center has a new Student Union, and the new \$24 million Stanton L. Young Biomedical Research Center.

Presidential Travel Scholarships, students from 111 countries on campus, more reciprocal international exchange agreements than any other university and the new International Programs Center are all making OU more international.

In 1995, Boren launched the "Reach for Excellence" fundraising campaign with a five-year goal of \$200 million, which was twice as large as any fundraising drive in Oklahoma history. The drive exceeded \$500 million, raising OU into the top 15 public universities in the U.S. in private endowment per capita. Since 1994, endowed professorships have more than quadrupled and the OU donor base has grown to more than 107,000 friends and alumni.

Above all, the Boren years have been marked by an emphasis on putting students first. There is not a university president in the country that is more committed to students as his number one priority. He teaches a freshman-level course in political science each semester and is one of the few presidents of major universities to teach.

Boren is married to Molly Shi Boren, a former judge and English teacher. Mrs. Boren is President Emeritus of the Oklahoma Arts Institute, which provides education programs in nine arts disciplines for high school students from across the state who are gifted in the arts. She has two degrees from OU, a master's degree in English and a Juris Doctorate from the OU College of Law. A native of Seminole, Boren has two children, Carrie Christine Boren, an Episcopal minister, and David Daniel Boren, a member of the United States Congress from Oklahoma. Devoting much of his life to public service, Boren drew from the example of his parents, the late Congressman Lyle H. Boren and Christine Boren.



► David and Molly Shi Boren

JOE CASTIGLIONE

VICE PRESIDENT FOR INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS PROGRAMS AND DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS

12th Year at OU



Principle-Centered Leader ... Visionary
 ... Passionate Advocate for Student-Athletes ...
 Establishes Standards of Excellence & Cultural
 Values ... Builder of Championship Programs

The success of the University of Oklahoma Athletics Department is known throughout the world of intercollegiate athletics. The last decade may stand as one of the most successful in school history and leading that effort is Joe Castiglione, the Sooner AD since 1998.

Castiglione's Sooner team has worked to create a place where competitive dreams come true and academic goals are reached with regularity. Excellence is the norm at OU, and the Sooners' sports programs, student-athletes, coaches and staff are committed to that standard.

For Castiglione, though, it's not just about the championships and trophies. The victories that he celebrates with his Sooners include graduation rates that continue to climb, record-setting grade point averages and academic honors. The true measure of achievement for Castiglione and, by extension, the department's coaches and staff, is measured in the success of the student-athletes in relation to the department's mission statement **"Inspiring champions today ... Preparing leaders for tomorrow."**

With the support of OU President David L. Boren and OU's seven-member Board of Regents, Castiglione has gone about creating a climate that creates lofty goals, high standards and a commitment to ethical behavior that is second to none.

Since arriving at OU in 1998 after an outstanding career at Missouri, Castiglione has seen the Sooners finish in the top 30 of the Learfield Director's Cup in nine of the last 11 years. Through his insistence that daily and long-term decisions be made in a financially responsible manner, the department has closed the books in the black in each of the last 11 years. In 2009, the department increased its direct support of the academic mission of the University by increasing its annual commitment to \$4 million dollars. Through direct and indirect support, OU Athletics, under Castiglione's leadership, provides more than \$7 million to OU Academics.

The 11th director of athletics in University of Oklahoma history, Castiglione is quick to give full credit to the student-athletes and coaches, the staff, OU President David L. Boren, the OU Board of Regents, the donors and the fans for the success experienced during his tenure. It was that commitment to a team approach emphasis that was one of the many qualities that the search committee recognized when they recommended Castiglione to university administration in 1998.

In recognition of the performance of OU's teams on the field and in the classroom, of the fiscal stability created during his tenure, the dramatic increases in donor giving, facility construction and renovations, and the cutting-edge programs that the department has begun during his tenure, Castiglione was named Athletic Director of the Year in May 2009 by the Sports Business Journal.

That award was one of several earned by Castiglione and the department. The 2007 PRISM Award winner, presented by the School of Sports Management at the University of Massachusetts, OU was just the second Division I winner and all of the programs recognized by the selection panel were started under Castiglione's leadership with the full support of university administration.

His peers have honored him for the department's achievements as well. In October 2004, the Bobby Dodd Foundation named him Athletics Director of the Year. In 2003, he was inducted into the National Association of Collegiate Marketing Administrators Hall of Fame. In June 2001, he received the General Robert R. Neyland Athletic Director Award for lifetime achievement from the All-American Football Foundation. The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) named him Central Region AD of the Year in 2000.

The achievement that may bring him the most pride, though, came in May 2007 when he completed his master's of education degree from OU. To understand the need for education and lifelong learning, OU's student-athletes just have to look at their AD who started and completed his master's degree while running the department and maintaining his priorities to his family. He quickly put his experience to use as an adjunct professor in the College of Education, teaching a graduate class in Marketing & Development.

In his tenure, OU has celebrated seven national team championships and more than 40 conference team titles; record numbers of graduating student-athletes and record-setting grade point averages for Sooner teams; dramatically increased donor giving; huge increases in ticket sales for all sports; major facility improvements, and development and construction of new facilities.

Castiglione was instrumental in the athletics department's major campaign, Great Expectations: The Campaign For Sooner Sports. The campaign ended in November of 2003 with more than \$125 million raised. The figure has grown to almost \$200 million since then as funds continue to be raised for facility improvements and scholarship endowments. The largest fund-raising effort in OU athletics history includes projects that impact each of OU's nearly 500 student-athletes and has become a national model for intercollegiate athletics.

Hired on April 30, 1998, Castiglione joined the Sooner family after serving as athletics director at Missouri. In his 17-year career with the Tigers, Castiglione, who was named director of athletics at Missouri on Dec. 15, 1993, was credited with rebuilding sports pro-



► Joe and Kristen Castiglione, with sons Jonathan (left) and Joseph

JOE CASTIGLIONE



grams, hiring outstanding coaches, implementing an innovative master plan for facilities, inspiring record-setting increases in fund-raising and balancing the budget in each of his five years as athletics director.

A 1979 Maryland graduate, Castiglione received the University's Distinguished Alumnus Award in April 2007. He began his career as the sports promotions director at Rice. He then worked a year as director of athletic fund-raising at Georgetown before being hired in 1981 at Missouri as director of communications and marketing.

His commitment to the success of student-athletes has gone beyond the Norman campus and he has served at national and conference level. He chairs the NCAA's Football Academic Progress Rate (APR) Working Group and is currently serving on the Gatorade Collegiate Advisory Board and the National Football Foundation and College Football Hall of Fame Board of Directors. He served two terms as chair of the Big 12 Board of Athletics Directors and is a past president of both the Division I-A Athletic Directors Association and NACDA. He served a four-year term on the NCAA Championship/Competition Cabinet and the NCAA Baseball Committee and is a past member of the NCAA Football Special Events Certification Committee. He recently served on the NCAA Diversity Leadership Strategic Planning Committee and the NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Discussion Group. A member of the Phi Delta Theta Foundation Board of Trustees, he is a highly requested speaker at annual conventions and continuing education institutes.

A native of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., Castiglione is married to the former Kristen Bartel, a 1990 graduate of the University of Missouri. They are the parents of two sons, Joseph Robert, Jr. and Jonathan Edmund.

CONNIE DILLON

Faculty Athletics Representative



As Faculty Athletics Representative for the University of Oklahoma, Connie Dillon supports the department's commitment to student-athletes and its role in shaping Big 12 and NCAA policies, having served on the Athletics Council for many years.

Dillon, a professor and director of the Research Center for Continuing Professional and Higher Education at the University of Oklahoma since July 1998, was named to the position of Faculty Athletics Representative in the summer of 2005 following the retirement of long-time representative Dan Gibbens. Dillon, whose career at OU began initially in 1977, received her master's degree in public administration from OU in 1975 and earned her Ph.D. in educational technology from OU in 1980.

She has worked for the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress, the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education and has held academic positions at Montana State University and the University of Oklahoma. She also served as the director of media services and telecommunications at Cameron University.

Since returning to OU in 1988, Dillon has served as chair of both the Norman campus Faculty Senate and the OU Athletics Council. She served in the Faculty Senate for eight years and has been a member of the Athletics Council and NCAA certification committees since 1992. She has received the UOSA Outstanding Professor Award and served on many search committees for academic and athletic appointments.

As Faculty Athletics Representative, Dillon has served on the NCAA Division I Management Council and Governance Committee. She currently represents the Big 12 Conference on the Division I Championships/Sports Management Cabinet and serves as Chair of the Big 12 Conference Academic Performance Task Force.

Dillon is a well-published author in the field of distance learning and received the Elizabeth Powell Award for excellence in research in educational telecommunications. She has served on a number of scholarly juries, panels, and professional committees

A native Oklahoman, she and her husband, Dave, have one daughter, Jenny, age 21.



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