**Coach Steve Silvey**

A veteran at the national and international level for over 25 years and coaching 28 collegiate national champion squads, and numerous All-Americans and 14 Olympic Medalists and 17 World Championships Medalists at several of the nation’s most prestigious programs.

At the international level, Coach Silvey served as the **Zambia Olympic Coach for Track and Field** in the 1992 and 1996 Olympiads, and produced its first ever Olympic medal in the sport of track and field with Samuel Matete in the 400 hurdles (silver medal). Silvey also served as the head coach for Zambia at the 1993 World Championships in Stuttgart, Germany as Samuel Matete again won the World Championship Silver Medal.

Among the 14 Olympic Medalists Silvey worked with, Samuel Matete (47.10) and Calvin Davis (47.91) won Silver and Bronze medals respectively in the 400 meter hurdles in Atlanta in 1996 while he has also coached 15 World Championship Medalists. Samuel Matete was also the 1991 World Champion in the 400 meter hurdles as well as silver medalist in 1993 and 1995.

Silvey has also coached and recruited Olympic sprinters Tim Montgomery (9.78), Brian Lewis (9.99), Olympic 4 x 400 relay gold medalists Lamont Smith (44.30) and Darnell Hall (44.34) Hall was also the 1995 World Indoor champion at 400 meters. Silvey also coached 2000 Olympian and 400 meter hurdler Eric Thomas (47.97) Montgomery set the World Record in 2003 for the 100 meters with his 9.78 clocking.

At the World Junior Championships level he coached one champion at Blinn College (Ralph Carrington, 1,600 meter relay) and recruited four at Texas A&M (Derrick Florence 100 meters; Stanley Kerr 200 meters; Percy Waddle 1,600 meters Relay, Andre Cason, 100 meters).

Silvey who was inducted as a coach into the National Junior College Hall of Fame (2005) has a unique quality of having won 19“Team” championships in the SEC, Big-12 and PAC-10 conferences. Individually, his resume boasts over 500 All-American awards, 26 World Championship Competitors and 34 Olympians.

Silvey served as Recruiting Coordinator and Assistant Track Coach for Texas Tech University from 2004 to 2007. While with the Red Raiders, Silvey Helped lead the 2005 men’s outdoor team to it’s first ever Big-12 Conference “Team” Championship. Silvey’s sprinters, hurdlers and relays scored over 100 of the 149.50 points that won the schools first ever Big-12 championship for the Red Raiders.

The 2007 men’s outdoor track team also finished as Big 12 Runner-up this past season. Silvey’s impact on ***Texas Tech University*** resulted in 9 new school records during his 3 years with the Red Raiders.

In 2007 alone Silvey coached senior Marlon Odom to 60M hurdle and 110M hurdle school records, Big 12 Titles, NCAA Regional Title and All-American accolades. He coached senior Bryan Scott in the 400 meter hurdles earning a Big 12 Title, NCAA Regional Crown and NCAA All-American status. Two of Silvey’s athletes Andréa Williams and Michael Mathieu also won silver medals as members of the Bahamas 4 x 400M relay at the 2007 World Championships in Japan and added a Pan-American Games Championship.

During the 2006 season, Silvey hurdlers tallied five All-American honors and set four school records. Shawon Harris earned All-American accolades in the 60 hurdles, 4 x 400 relay (Indoors) and the 400 meter hurdles. Odom and Scott each received the honor during the outdoor season, with Odom’s in the 110M hurdles and Scott in the 400M hurdles. Silvey also coached both Shawon Harris (400H) and Marlon Odom (110H) to NCAA Mid-West Regional Championships

During his first season in Lubbock, Silvey saw his athletes earn 12 indoor all-conference Honors, one indoor conference title(Andre Williams, 600Y), five indoor All-American plaques, 21 outdoor all-conference honors, three outdoor conference champions Tyree Gailes(200M) Marlon Odom(110H) and Bryan Scott (400H) and six outdoor NCAA All-American Honors.

Sprinter Tyree Gailes was the Big 12-conference runner-up in the 100 meters (10.36) In the 400 meters, his athletes took second, third, fourth and sixth place finishes accumulating 22 points for the team total. In the 400 meter hurdles he guided three of his athletes to top five finishes, totaling 23 points. His athletes set three indoor school records, one ATC record and four outdoor school records, as members of 2005 Big 12 Team Champions. Silvey’s athletes accounted for over 100 points on the way to 149.50 points and their first track and field “Team” title in school history.

Andre Williams also earned a bronze finish in the 400 meters (44.90) at the NCAA outdoor Championships Williams was also a member of the 4 x 400 meter relay team that clocked a school record breaking time of 3:01.89 a world best at the time.

While at the ***University of Oregon*** from 2001-2003 Silvey made a quick impact on a struggling program as during Silvey’s first year the Men’s team jumped from 5th place to 2nd place at the 2002 PAC-10 Outdoor championships. In Silvey’s final season with the Ducks, the Men’s Team claimed the 2003 PAC-10 Championship-an accomplishment not seen in 12 years. Silvey’s to solid recruiting classes also produced another PAC-10 Conference Championship in 2005 and a 3:00.81-1,600 meter for the Ducks.

In 2003 the Ducks lead by a heavy freshman recruiting class, sent six sprint and hurdle entries to the NCAA Championships along with a relay team., to go along with a pair of NCAA West Regional Champions and 9 top 9 finishes at the Pac-10 Championships Silvey Coached Sammie Parker to a fifth-place finish at the NCAA Final and was the NCAA Regional champion with a season best of 10.18. Parker also finished third in the 2003 NCAA Indoor Championships with an Oregon school record of 6.62 for the 60 meter dash. Also 18 year old freshman hurdler, Eric Mitchum became the PAC-10 runner-up with a time of 13.73 and was beaten only by eventual NCAA Champion Ryan Wilson of USC. In 2004 Eric Mitchum was the NCAA Outdoor Championships runner-up with an Oregon school record of 13.38.

During the 2002 season with the Ducks featured a pair of NCAA All-Americans -110 Meter hurdle school record holder Micah Harris (13.67) and 800 meter runner Simon Kimata. At the PAC-10 Championships Simon Kimata won the PAC-10 800 title and Brandon Holiday captured the PAC-10 400 Meter Hurdle Championship with his (50.73) clocking. Micah Harris was also the PAC-10 Runner-up in the 110 Hurdles.

At the 2002 NCAA level, Harris took seventh in the NCAA final (13.78) while Kimata added fifth place indoors (1:49.56) and ranked third-fastest outdoors among collegians at season end (1:46.65). In his season debut indoors, sprinter Sammie Parker finished fourth in the NCAA Championships in the 60 meter dash (6.66) after having posted a school record of 6.63 in the prelims.

Prior to his arrival in Eugene, Silvey built his reputation at two of the nations top track and field programs-The University of Arkansas and Blinn College-in which he was a part of 28 NCAA national team championships, including a stretch of 13 straight years before leaving the Razorbacks after the 2000 outdoor campaign.

As the Sprints/Hurdles/Relays mentor at the ***University of Arkansas*** from the fall of 1994 through the 2000 outdoor season, he was part of 13 NCAA indoor and outdoor track & field and cross country team titles and 17 SEC “TEAM” Championships. His athletes won 15 All-American honors (including one NCAA champion and three NCAA runner-up) and 13 outdoor track and field SEC individual titles.

The 2000 season was perhaps the finest by his athletes who posted one of the nations top times in the 4 x 100 relay (39.27), a collegiate record in the sprint medley relay (3:12.13), took second in the NCAA 4 x 400 Final (3:02.02), and won the prestigious Penn Relays. Shuttle relay in the fastest time in the world that season with (55.37) among his individuals, DeMarcus Brown was an All-American in the 110 hurdles and owned a collegiate best of 13.72-one of three Hogs that ran 13.75 or faster that year under his guidance-while All-American 400 Hurdler Samuel Glover owned a best of 49.08.

Also at the NCAA Level, he coached 800 meter Champion Brandon Rock (1:44.64) who made the 1996 U.S. Olympic Team, and a pair of national runner-up – 110 meter hurdler Kevin White (13.41) and 200 meter sprinter Derrick Thompson (20.31) Presently Silvey coached athlete’s still hold 5 University of Arkansas school track and field records.

Prior to arriving in Fayetteville, he coached was five time national coach of the year at ***Blinn College*** as his squads won 15 national Championships in seven years. At the Brenham, Texas institution, Silvey produced 164 All-Americans, 128 individuals’ national champions and 27 relay champions. His cross country program added a national championship 1993 and another in 1994 only 6 weeks after he departed for Arkansas, while his 1992 indoor and outdoor squads set the record for most points at the national Junior college championships indoors (288) and outdoors (263). Track and Field News rated his recruiting classes best in the nation from 1989-93 a first for a junior college.

Silvey’s 1992 and 1993 Blinn College teams were voted the “Outstanding Team” at the Texas Relays and the 1992 team also added the crown of “USA Men’s National Relay Ranking Champions” according to Track and Field News. In 1993 Silvey’s team was honored as the nations “Top Dual Meet” Track Team according to Track & Field News.

Prior to his stint at Blinn, Silvey served as men’s and women’s assistant track coach and recruiting coordinator at ***Texas A&M*** ***University*** from 1984 to 1987. Silvey helped position the Aggies rise to national prominence, as A&M finished among the top six NCAA men’s squads twice during his stay (sixth in 1986 and 1987). Silvey’s star-studded recruiting classes at Texas A&M included world class track athletes such as 200 meter Olympian Floyd Heard, 1993 World Championships 100 meter silver medalist Andre Cason, and Olympic shot put champions Randy Barnes (1996) and Mike Stulce (1992). Silvey’s Three star studded recruiting classes produced so much bang that in 1989 the Texas A&M University Aggies lost the NCAA Championship by a mere 2 points to LSU!

Silvey Also spent five years coaching on the high school level in Iowa, Houston, Texas and Louisiana. Silvey help produce two Texas Relays Champions in high jumper, Ken Carter (6-10) and sprinter, Tony Jones (10.32) while at Sam Houston High School in Houston. Jones was ranked the #1 High School 100 Meter sprinter in the Nation by Track and Field News in 1983.

A 1980 graduate of Truman State University (Kirksville, Mo) with a bachelor’s degree in environmental science education, he added a master’s degree from Texas A&M University in physical education in 1987.