



The Service Line

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Congratulations, Ashley

Outside hitter Ashley Schatzle was named the Big Ten Player of the Week on October 22, after she helped lead the Spartans to a pair of wins over Michigan and Iowa. The honor is the first such of her career, and marks the first Spartan player of the week honoree since the 2003 campaign. "This award is very well deserved," Spartan head coach Cathy George said. "I think Ashley had a phenomenal week and has consistently improved her play throughout the season."



Ashley Schatzle

SideOut Club Events

Fri, Nov. 3—Chalk talk—6:00 (1 hour before match at 7:00)

Sat, Nov. 4—Alumnae Event—Indoor Tailgate Party beginning at 6:00 at Jenison, for a menu of grilled chicken, hamburgers and the traditional sides. SideOut Club members are invited.

Sat, Nov. 4—The match will begin at 7:30 (note change in time).

Sat., Nov. 18—Chalk talk—6:00 (1 hour before match at 7:00)

Wed. Nov. 22 — Jam Jenison

Information about other athletic events—from the editor

We are moving quickly into the last month of regular season play, and have an exciting home series following two long weekends away. There are some challenges for us as MSU maintains its busy athletic season, but please don't let parking challenges deter you from supporting the team. The following is to help you plan accordingly – I look forward to seeing everyone at the matches.

- Friday, Nov 3, 7:00 – also hockey
- Saturday, Nov 4, 7:30 – football at 3:30
- Friday, Nov 17, 7:00 - no conflicts, no excuses.....
- Nov 18, 7:00 - also hockey
- Nov 22, 7:00 - also Women's Basketball

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Position Profile—Libero

Note: Thanks to Mike Gawlik for providing the information.

The **libero** (Pronounced LEE-BRO and not LEE-BEAR-O) is our defensive leader. From what I am told, and I am not language scholar, but libero derives from the same word as liberty... which is exactly what the libero player has; liberty to enter and exit the game at will, without being charged a substitution. Nicole Colaluca, our libero, is very talented. When looking for a libero, we look for someone that has outstanding passing, defensive, and serving skills and is a dependable player day



Nicole Colaluca



Nicole Colaluca

in and day out. Some important rules to know about the libero: 1) The libero cannot play front row. 2) The libero traditionally plays defense for BOTH Middles, but does not have to. 3) The libero may not set a player when she is in front of the 10 foot line... 4) The libero must stay off the floor for 1 entire play before they re-enter for another player. 5) Once you designate a libero for the game, they are the only player that can play that position until the next game... however, a coach may choose NOT to use the libero position... As you can tell, this can be confusing for the scorekeepers and referees and therefore, the libero wears a different jersey.

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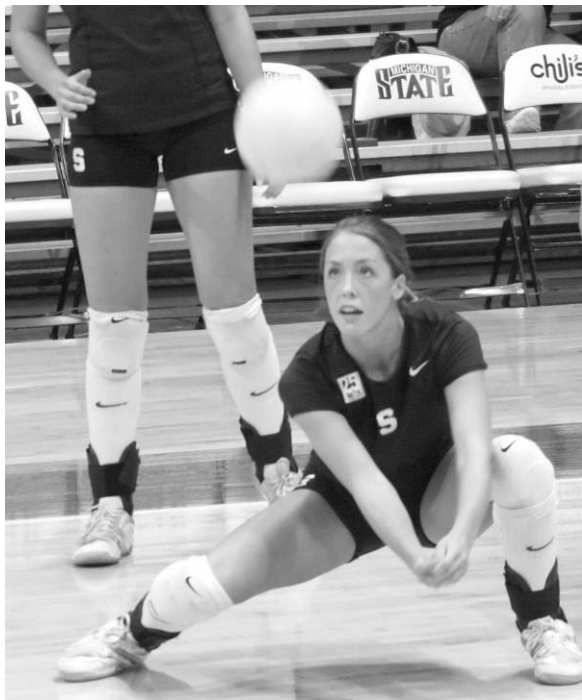
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Player Profile—Sarah Harris

Sarah Harris is an advertising major and wants to work for ESPN someday. But until then, she will gain experience as a setter and defensive specialist, coming to MSU from Troy Athens High School. Sarah also participated in tennis and softball while in high school, but it was her volleyball work that garnered her 2005-2006 Player of the Year by the Oakland Press. Sarah started playing in seventh grade at the encouragement of her gym teacher and because her friends were playing.



She is excited for the independence college brings, but she will also miss the personal interest her teachers and coaches took in her. She considered offers from some smaller school, but her heart was set on MSU. Her father played soccer for the Spartans in the late 70's and she wanted to follow his foot steps. She's happy she is close enough for her family including her younger brother, can watch some of the matches.

Thank you, Chris Wolf

The SideOut Club's web site was recently acknowledged at MSU's Booster Club meeting as an excellent booster club web site. Thanks, Chris, for maintaining this.

Courtside Seats

Remember to enter the drawing held at every game for two courtside seats for the next game. Only SideOut Club members are eligible, so take advantage of this membership benefit. Submit your name at the table next to the merchandise area.

Player Profile—Emily Fahrner

Emily is another multi-talented athlete who has chosen to focus on volleyball. She has been playing since fourth grade and started with her parents through the local community education program. But she is also an accomplished soccer player and lettered in that every year at Bedford High School in Temperance, Michigan. She did receive first team all-state accolades in both her junior and senior years playing volleyball however as a defensive specialist. She's a kinesiology major.



Emily enjoys reading and is a big Harry Potter fan. She also likes mysteries. It's also easy to tell Emily has strong relationships with her two older brothers, one in the Marines and one, a Univ of Michigan graduate. Emily also looked at U of M and Grand Valley for the academics, but was happy to have the chance to play volleyball at MSU. She misses her friends from high school and they're scattered at other area colleges, but she doesn't miss "being treated like a kid" in high school. Through October 22, Emily has seen action in 26 games this year.

Jam Jenison!!!

Start your Thanksgiving holiday early – be part of the crowd that “Jams Jenison” on Wednesday evening, November 22 when we take on Michigan. Get there early to get your t-shirt. This will also be High School night, and is the final home game of the season.

Help Wanted

SideOut Club members, your help is needed to help us achieve our goal in providing some additional revenue to the volleyball program. Each game, we need help selling raffle tickets, assisting at the merchandise table and greeting people at the SideOut Club Information Table. Please go to the merchandise table at the next game and sign up for a shift or two. Thanks!

From the Tailgate Party.....Debbie Johnson

Pumpkin Trifle

3-4 cups crumbled spice cake or gingerbread
 1 16 oz. can pumpkin
 1 t. cinnamon
 ¼ t. ginger
 ¼ t. nutmeg
 ¼ t. allspice
 2 ½ c. cold milk
 4 pkg. instant butterscotch pudding mix
 12 oz. Cool Whip

Set aside one-fourth of cake crumbs for garnish. Divide remaining crumbs into four portions. Sprinkle first portion into bottom of trifle bowl. In large mixing bowl, combine pumpkin, spices, milk and pudding mix. Mix until smooth. Spoon one-half into trifle bowl. Sprinkle with second portion of crumbs. Spoon half of the Cool Whip into bowl; sprinkle with third portion of crumbs. Spoon in remaining pumpkin mixture, then last portion of crumbs. Top with remaining Cool Whip and sprinkle garnish of crumbs on top lightly. Chill at least 2 hours. Makes 12 – 15 servings.

Note: Betty Crocker has an excellent boxed Gingerbread mix that is easy and makes enough for this recipe with some leftover. This recipe can also be made lighter and still tastes delicious. (Use skim milk, no fat/ no sugar pudding and fat free Cool Whip.)

Alumnae Event

We welcome back all alumnae for the Saturday, November 4 match against Purdue. SideOut Club Members are invited to the indoor Tailgate Party beginning at 6:00 at Jenison, for a menu of grilled chicken, hamburgers and the traditional sides. The match will begin at 7:30.

Chalk Talks

The last two chalk talks of the season are Friday, November 3 and Saturday, November 18. They begin an hour before the game and are located in a classroom on the second floor.

Did you Know? Origins Of Volleyball

In 1895, William G. Morgan, an instructor at the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in Holyoke, Mass., decided to blend elements of basketball, baseball, tennis, and handball to create a game for his classes of businessmen which would demand less physical contact than basketball. He created the game of Volleyball (at that time called mintonette). Morgan borrowed the net from tennis, and raised it 6 feet 6 inches above the floor, just above the average man's head.

During a demonstration game, someone remarked to Morgan that the players seemed to be volleying the ball back and forth over the net, and perhaps "volleyball" would be a more descriptive name for the sport.

From: <http://www.Volleyball.ORG>

FALL SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Opponent-Big Ten	Time/Result
Fri	09/22/2005	PURDUE	L,2-3
Sat	09/23/2006	INDIANA	W,3-1
Fri	09/29/2006	@Wisconsin	L,0-3
Sun	10/01/2006	@Minnesota	L,2-3
Fri	10/06/2006	ILLINOIS	W,3-0
Sat	10/07/2006	NORTHWESTERN	L,2-3
Wed	10/11/2006	@Michigan	W,3-0
Sat	10/14/2006	IOWA	W,3-0
Fri	10/20/2006	@Ohio State	L,0-3
Sat	10/21/2006	@Penn State	L,0-3
Fri	10/27/2006	@Northwestern	W,3-0
Sat	10/28/2006	@Illinois	W,3-0
Fri	11/03/2006	MINNESOTA	7:00 PM
Sat	11/04/2006	WISCONSIN	7:00 PM
Fri	11/10/2006	@Indiana	8:00 PM
Sat	11/11/2006	@Purdue	8:00 PM
Fri	11/17/2006	PENN STATE	7:00 PM
Sat	11/18/2006	OHIO STATE	7:00 PM
Wed	11/22/2006	MICHIGAN	7:00 PM
Fri	11/24/2006	@Iowa	8:00 PM

Non-Conference Schedule

8/25-8/26—Ball State Nike/Active Ankle Weekend, Muncie IN
 8/25 MSU vs IPFW—W,3-1
 8/26 MSU vs Xavier—W, 3-0
 8/26 MSU vs Ball State—W,3-0

9/1-9/2—MSU Invitational—home
 9/1 MSU vs Eastern Michigan—W,3-0
 9/2 MSU vs Miami (Florida)—W,3-0
 9/2 MSU vs Villanova—W,3-0

9/8-9/9 @ Columbus, Ohio
 MSU vs Arizona State—L,0-3
 MSU vs Tennessee Tech—W,3-0

9/12 (Tues) - Oakland—home—W,3-0
 9/16 (Sat) - Toledo—home—W,3-0

NOTE: In the schedule, home games are in bold capital letters. All home games are at Jenison Fieldhouse.



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