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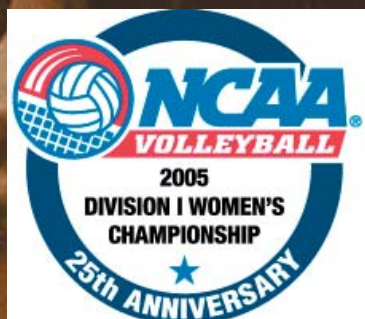


post-season guide

NCAA Regionals - Penn State Region

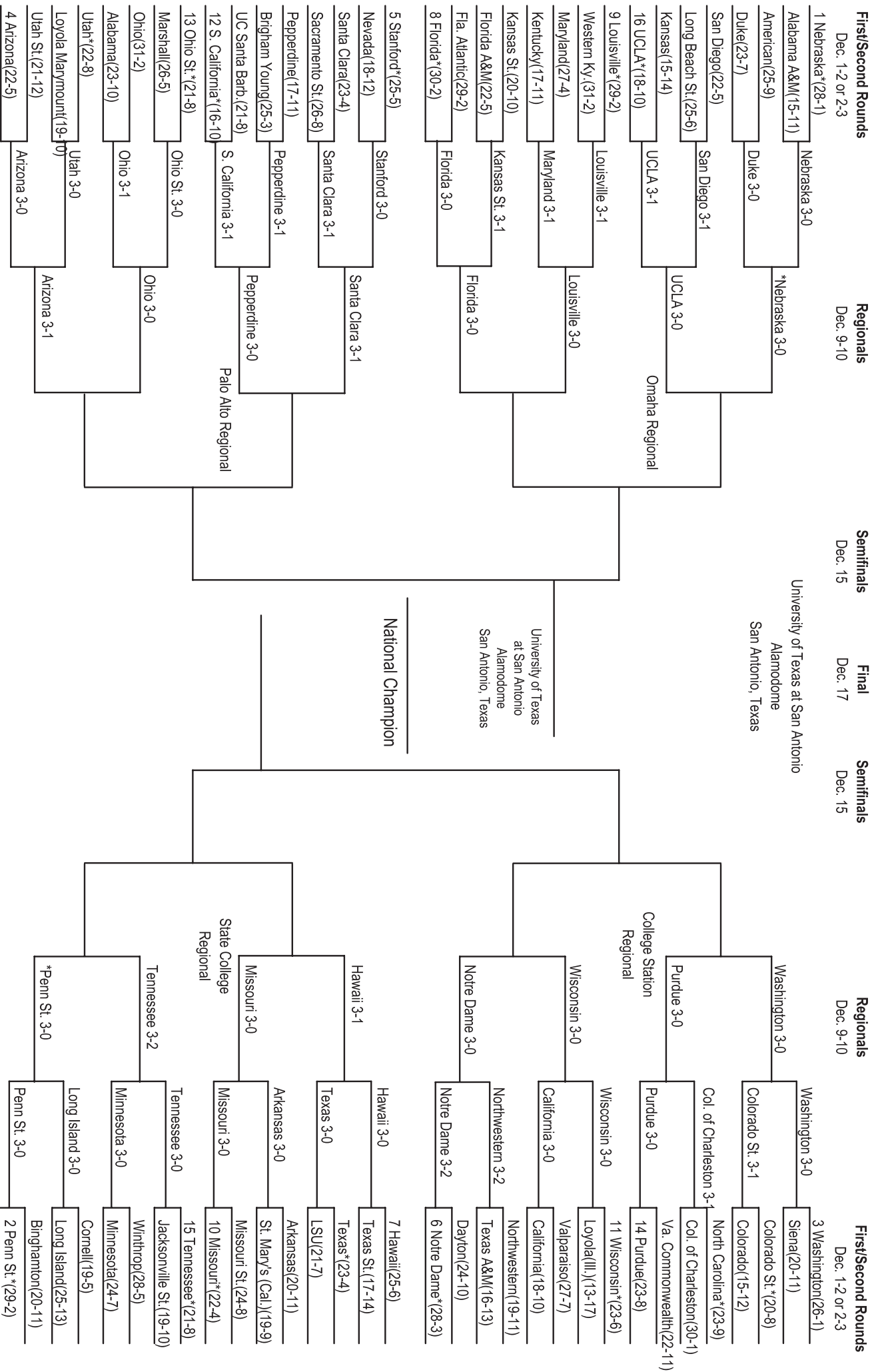
State College, Pa.
December 9-10, 2005

(10) Missouri, (7) Hawai'i,
(2) Penn State, (15) Tennessee





2005 Division I Women's Volleyball Championship



*First/Second round matches will be played on the campus of one of the participating institutions.

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NCAA Tournament, Regionals -- State College, Pa.



2005 MISSOURI SCHEDULE

Tiger Invitational (Columbia, Mo.)

Fri. Sep. 2 UTAH..... W, 3-0... 30-28, 30-22, 30-21
Sun. Sep. 4 #9 TENNESSEE. W, 3-0... 30-27, 30-23, 30-20

Tue. Sep. 6 UMKC..... W, 3-0... 30-13, 30-11, 30-13

Holiday Inn Classic (Bozeman, Mont.)

Fri. Sep. 9 at Montana St. W, 3-0... 30-16, 30-24, 30-19
Sat. Sep. 10 vs. #9 Wisconsin W, 3-0... 30-26, 30-26, 30-28
Sat. Sep. 10 vs. No. Colorado W, 3-0... 30-15, 30-18, 30-22

Wed. Sep. 14 IOWA STATE*... W, 3-0... 30-20, 30-24, 30-16

Fri. Sep. 16 at #15 Texas A&M*... W, 3-1... 29-31, 30-28, 30-24, 30-25

Wed. Sep. 21 at Colorado*... W, 3-0... 30-25, 30-24, 30-11

Sat. Sep. 24 #17 KANSAS ST.* W, 3-0... 30-19, 30-20, 30-26

Wed. Sep. 28 at Baylor*... W, 3-0... 30-28, 30-25, 30-24

Sat. Oct. 1 at Texas Tech*... W, 3-2... 28-30, 27-30, 30-23, 30-21, 15-12

Wed. Oct. 5 #1 NEBRASKA* L, 1-3... 26-30, 30-22, 23-30, 27-30

Wed. Oct. 12 at #18 Texas*... L, 0-3... 28-30, 27-30, 22-30

Sat. Oct. 15 KANSAS*... W, 3-0... 30-23, 30-21, 30-11

Wed. Oct. 19 OKLAHOMA*... W, 3-0... 30-24, 30-26, 30-22

Sat. Oct. 22 at Iowa State* W, 3-1... 30-23, 23-30, 30-12, 30-23

Wed. Oct. 26 at #24 K-State* W, 3-2... 28-30, 26-30, 30-23, 30-25, 15-11

Sat. Oct. 29 COLORADO*... L, 2-3... 30-20, 28-30, 30-23, 27-30, 12-15

Wed. Nov. 2 TEXAS TECH*... W, 3-0... 30-18, 30-18, 30-19

Sat. Nov. 5 at Oklahoma*... W, 3-0... 30-20, 30-21, 30-28

Wed. Nov. 9 BAYLOR*... W, 3-0... 30-23, 30-22, 30-23

Sun. Nov. 13 at #1 Nebraska* L, 2-3... 30-28, 30-27, 21-30, 24-30, 3-15

Sun. Nov. 20 #10 TEXAS*... W, 3-0... 30-28, 30-22, 30-28

Wed. Nov. 23 at Kansas*... W, 3-1... 30-25, 27-30, 30-16, 30-18

Sat. Nov. 26 TEXAS A&M*... W, 3-2... 25-30, 34-32, 28-30, 30-27, 15-7

NCAA Tournament - First/Second Rnds (Columbia, Mo.)

Fri. Dec. 2 MISSOURI ST. W, 3-0... 30-27, 30-18, 30-26

Sat. Dec. 3 ARKANSAS... W, 3-0... 30-25, 30-16, 30-11

NCAA Regionals (State College, Pa.)

Fri. Dec. 9 #6 HAWAII..... KCOU.....3:00pm

December 15-17 NCAA Championships, San Antonio, Texas

* Big 12 Conference match

All times central (unless listed).... KCOU - KCOU Radio, 88.1 FM, or online from mutigers.com or kcou.mu.org



#8 Missouri

24-4, Big 12: 16-4 (3rd)
No. 10 Seed

Head Coach: Wayne Kreklow, Drake '80

At Mizzou: 24-4 (.857), 1st Year*

Kreklovs at Mizzou: 133-50, (.727) 6th Year

Wayne's Overall: 291-33 (.898), 7th Year

What to know about the Tigers:

* Swept through the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament, knocking off Missouri State and Arkansas en route to team's first-ever sweet-sixteen appearance

* Hit a team tournament record and six-year team high .505 against Arkansas, adding 14 service aces

* Finished the Big 12 season winning four-straight and with a 16-4 record, placing third with a team record in conference wins

* Prior to 2005, the Tigers' highest-national ranking was 18th in Sept. 2003 ... now the Tigers have been in the top 10 for ten weeks

* A 24-4 overall record, is the highest winning percentage for a Mizzou team all-time



#6 Hawai'i

27-6, WAC: 16-0 (1st)
No. 7 Seed

Head Coach: Dave Shoji (UC-Santa Barb. '69)

At Hawaii & Overall : 895-156-1

(.851, NCAA Rec'd), 31 st Yr.



#2 Penn State

31-2, Big Ten: 20-0 (1st)
No. 2 Seed

Head Coach: Russ Rose (Nebraska '78)

At Penn State: 859-153, 27th Year

Overall: same



#17 Tennessee

23-8, SEC: 13-3
No. 15 Seed

Head Coach: Rob Patrick (Miami [Ohio] '89)

At Tennessee: 166-86, 9th Year

Overall: same

TALE OF THE TAPE

	MU	UH	PSU	UT
Overall Record	24-4	24-8	20-11	23-8
RPI (of 317 teams)	7	14	1	13
Kills/game	17.4	16.3	16.5	15.7
opponents	14.3	14.3	12.3	14.9
Hitting Pct.	.306	.284	.313	.251
opponents	.191	.168	.107	.181
Assists/game	16.2	15.2	15.3	14.4
Aces/game	1.8	1.4	1.4	1.3
opponents	0.8	0.8	0.7	1.1
Digs/game	15.9	16.3	15.8	16.6
Blocks/game	2.8	3.4	3.6	2.9
opponents	2.3	2.1	2.1	2.5

THE ALL-TIME SERIES

...a look at how each of the team's have fared against each other all-time

Hawaii
First meeting

Penn State

Penn State leads the all-time series with Mizzou 4-0 if the two teams do meet it will be the first time since 1997 ... Mizzou has never won a match, let alone a game, vs PSU.

Tennessee

The Tigers and Lady Vols first meet this season, on September 4 in the Tiger Invitational in Columbia ... the Tigers swept then-No. 9 Tennessee in the Hearn Center on that day

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MISSOURI TEAM ROSTER

*PROBABLE STARTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Class	Hometown (High School)	Notes of Note
1	Lei Wang	S	5-11	Fr.	Shanghai, China (Shanghai Sports School)	Member of Chinese Junior Nat'l Team for two years
2	Lindsey Hunter*	S	5-10	Sr.	Papillion, Neb. (Papillion-LaVista)	Just 20 assists away from scoring her 6,000th career assist ... only 16 in NCAA history has done so
3	Jessica Vander Kooil*	OH	6-2	Jr.	Hinton, Iowa (Hinton)	Scored 23 kills, a team season-high, adding 22 digs at No. 1 Nebraska ... the most kills by a Nebraska opponent this season
4	Amanda Hantouli	MB	6-2	Fr.	Omaha, Neb. (Omaha Burke)	Had four blocks and six kills in Black & Gold Match
5	Abbie Booth	DS	5-7	Jr.	Kansas City, Mo. (Notre Dame de Sion)	Scored a tied-career-high six service aces in second-round match with Arkansas
6	Shen Danru*	OH	5-11	RS Sr.	Shanghai, China (Shanghai Sports School)	Mizzou all-time record holder in kills, points, digs, aces, attacks, kills per game, and with three games vs Hawaii, add games played
7	Jilly Jaksich	DS	5-11	RS Fr.	Papillion, Neb. (Papillion-LaVista)	Had eight kills, eight digs, an a block at the Black & Gold Match
8	Lisa Boyd*	MB	6-2	RS Sr.	Farmington, Mo. (Farmington)	Threw down 10 kills on an errorless 14 attempts in Arkansas second-round match
9	Tatum Ailes*	L	5-6	So.	Bellevue, Neb. (Bellevue West)	Big 12 Libero of the Year ... led the Big 12 with 4.08 digs per game
10	Na Yang*	OH	6-3	So.	Shan Dong, China (Shan Dong Sports School)	Slammed 13 kills on an errorless 17 attempts in second-round match with Arkansas
11	Megan Wilson	OPP/S	6-2	Fr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln Christian)	Nat'l Christian H.S. Player of the Year in '04
12	Yi Zhang	OH	5-11	Fr.	Su Zhou, China (Jiang Su Nan Jing Sports School)	Member of three Chinese Junior National Teams
13	Nicole Wilson*	MB	6-3	Jr.	Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln Christian)	Has hit over .500 in 17 matches this season, .340 season average will be a Big 12 record
15	Melissa Allbery	MB	6-3	RS So.	Gretna, Neb. (Gretna)	Scored a kill and a block versus Arkansas

Head Coach: Wayne Kreklow (Drake '80), **Associate Head Coach:** Susan Kreklow (SMS '84), **Assistant Coaches:** Deng Yang, Chen Feng

Mizzou Volleyball 2005



MISSOURI QUICK FACTS

General Information

Location Columbia, Mo. (84,531)
 Founded 1839
 Enrollment 27,003
 Nickname Tigers
 Colors Old Gold & Black
 Affiliation NCAA Division I
 Conference Big 12
 Arena Hearnest Center (1972)
 Capacity 13,611
 UM President Dr. Elson S. Floyd
 MU Chancellor Dr. Brady J. Deaton
 Director of Athletics Michael Alden
 Assoc. AD/SWA Sarah Reesman

Coaching Staff

Head Coach Wayne Kreklow
 Alma Mater Drake, 1980
 Record at MU 24-4 (1st Year)
 Kreklow era at MU 133-50 (6th Year)
 Overall Record 291-33 (7th Year)
 Associate Head Coach Susan Kreklow
 Alma Mater Missouri State, 1984
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Team Information

2004 Record 20-9 (.690)
 2004 Big 12 Record 14-6 (.700)
 2004 Postseason NCAA Second Round
 2004 Final AVCA Rank 24th
 Starters Returning/Lost 6/1
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 8/1
 Newcomers 5

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Scouting No. 6 Hawaii ...

The Rainbow Wahine of Hawai'i had a rough start to the season, going 1-3 in their first four matches, but they did face top-seven teams in each of those matchups, including two matches with regional-host Penn State. Since, Hawaii has won 21-consecutive matches coming into the regional, going through WAC play undefeated (now extending their winning streak versus conference opponents to 107) and now stand with a 27-6 overall record.

Getting Here ...

First Round, def. Texas State, 30-25, 30-18, 30-23
 Second Round, def. No. 7 Texas, 19-30, 30-18, 30-21, 30-20

Vs. the Top 25 (3-5) ...

Aug 26, vs #1 Nebraska, L 0-3
 Aug 27, vs. #5 Penn State, L 0-3
 Sept 1, #7 USC, W 3-0
 Sept 2, #5 Penn State, L 2-3
 Sept 10, #10 UCLA, W 3-1
 Sept 16, #2 Washington, L 0-3
 Sept 17, #2 Washington, L 0-3
 Dec 3, at No. 7 Texas, W 3-1

Head coach Dave Shoji is the winningest coach in NCAA Division I history with a .857 winning percentage having gone 897-156-1 in his 31 years at Hawaii.

Hawaii is ninth in the nation in blocks per game with 3.44, as senior Victoria Prince passes Hawaii with 1.59 bpg, ranking 14th in the nation and first in the WAC. Prince is also seventh in the nation with a .408 hitting percentage. Junior setter Kanoe Kaman'o is sixth in the nation with 13.82 assists per game.

Scouting No. 2 Penn State ...

The Nittany Lions went through the '05 campaign with a 31-2 record, sweeping Big Ten play in going 20-0. Penn State has lost only one game since September 24. Penn State's only losses of the season has come to No. 3 Stanford and at No. 1 Nebraska. PSU has won 25-straight matches. Penn State also went through the gauntlet of Big Ten play, defeating eight conference foes that were ranked in the top 25.

Getting Here ...

First Round, def. Binghampton, 30-15, 30-8, 30-10
 Second Round, def. Long Island, 30-11, 30-27, 30-8

Vs. the Top 25 (11-2) ...

Aug 26, vs #3 Stanford, L 2-3
 Aug 27, vs #4 Hawaii, W 3-0
 Aug 31, vs #7 USC, W 3-1
 Sept 2, at #4 Hawaii, W 3-2
 Sept 11, at #1 Nebraska, L 0-3
 Sept 24, #19 Purdue, W 3-2
 Sept 28, at #18 Ohio State, W 3-0
 Oct 8, at #8 Wisconsin, W 3-0
 Oct 22, at #12 Minnesota, W 3-0
 Oct 28, #11 Wisconsin, W 3-1
 Nov 2, #19 Ohio State, W 3-0
 Nov 11, at #14 Purdue, W 3-0
 Nov 18, #19 Minnesota, W 3-0

Penn State is sixth in the nation in blocks per game (3.59) and hitting percentage (.313). Sophomore

Melissa Walbridge sets sixth in the nation in hitting percentage and was first in the Big Ten with a .415 average. FIVE Nittany Lions were named to the AVCA All-Midwest Region team including senior setter Sam Tortorello (13.33 apg), senior libero Kaleena Walters (4.90 dpg), sophomore middle hitter Walbridge, freshman middle hitter Chrisa Harmotto (1.50 bpg, .356 hitting), and freshman outside hitter Nicole Fawcett (4.50 kpg, .326 hitting). In addition, Fawcett was named as an AVCA Midwest Region Freshman of the Year.

Scouting No. 17 Tennessee ...

The Lady Vols of Tennessee have won 12 of their last 13 matches. Overall, Tennessee is 23-8 and went 13-3 in SEC play this season. UT carried a 13-0 home record this season, but are 7-6 away from Knoxville.

Getting here ...

First Round, def. Jacksonville State, 30-23, 30-13, 30-28
 Second Round, def. #17 Minnesota, 30-19, 24-30, 20-30, 30-27, 15-11

Vs. the Top 25 (3-3, won three straight) ...

Sept 4, at #21 Missouri, L 0-3
 Sept 28, at #6 Louisville, L 2-3
 Oct 7, at #5 Florida, L 0-3
 Oct 30, #4 Florida, W 3-2
 Nov 26, at #7 Notre Dame, W 3-2
 Dec 3, #17 Minnesota, W 3-2

More Storylines That You Can Shake A Stick At

What can happen, oh, what can happen in State College this weekend for the Tigers. It will be cold outside, no doubt about that, but here are some other things that could be worth watching (yes, other than the game itself)

- Lindsey Hunter with 5,980 assists, will likely reach the 6,000-career mark, becoming the 17th person in NCAA history to do so
- Shen Danru's third game will give her another record, she would reach 440 career games played ... Danru is already Mizzou's all-time leader in kills, kills per game, aces, digs, attacks, and points
- Nicole Wilson stands at 111 block assists for the season ... Christi Myers' school record from 2001 is 114
- Should Mizzou defeat Hawaii, it will be the highest-ranked team a Missouri volleyball squad has ever defeated ... winning at No. 8 Nebraska in 2003 is the team's current top-ranked win ... by the way, the win would put Mizzou at 4-2 against the top 10 this year and 7-3 against the top 25
- Read down for more!

All-Time Series

Hawaii

This will be Hawaii and Missouri's first meeting all-time

Penn State

Penn State leads the all-time series 4-0, the Tigers have never even won a game in the four matches, last playing in 1998.

Tennessee

The Tigers first meeting with the Lady Vols





MISSOURI RECORD BREAKDOWN THIS SEASON, STREAKS

Overall24-4, W5

Big 12 Conference.....	16-4, W3
Home matches.....	13-2, W6
Road matches.....	9-2, W1
Neutral site matches.....	2-0
Day matches.....	6-0
Night matches.....	18-4
In white jerseys.....	14-2
In black jerseys.....	10-2
After a win.....	20-3
After a loss.....	4-1
With a better hitting % than opp.....	23-1
With a worse hitting % than opp.....	1-3
With more kills than opp.....	23-1
With fewer kills than opp.....	1-3
With more blocks than opp.....	13-1
With fewer blocks than opp.....	11-2
With more digs than opp.....	16-3
With fewer digs than opp.....	6-1
With more aces than opp.....	21-2
With fewer aces than opp.....	1-2
vs. AVCA Top 25.....	6-3, W1
vs. Top 10.....	3-1, W1
vs. Top 5.....	0-2
vs. unranked teams.....	18-1, W7
vs. unranked teams - road.....	7-0, W12
Three-game matches.....	18-1
Four-game matches.....	3-1
Five-game matches.....	3-2
After winning game one.....	20-2
After winning games 1 & 2.....	18-1
After losing game one.....	3-2
After losing games 1 & 2.....	2-1
Total Game Record.....	77-21, W8
In Game 1s.....	22-6
In Game 2s.....	22-6
In Game 3s.....	24-4
In Game 4s.....	6-3
In Game 5s.....	3-2
On Sunday.....	2-1
On Monday.....	---
On Tuesday.....	1-0
On Wednesday.....	8-2
On Thursday.....	---
On Friday.....	4-0
On Saturday.....	9-1
In September.....	11-0
In October.....	5-3
In November.....	6-1
In December.....	2-0
On Television.....	1-3
On Mizzou Sports Network.....	0-1
On ESPNU.....	0-1
On CSTV.....	0-1
On Fox Sports Net.....	1-0
On "All-In-One" Travel Days.....	5-2
After eating at Olive Garden.....	1-0
After eating at Applebee's.....	4-0
After eating at Sophia's.....	11-2
After eating at Wendy's.....	1-0
After eating at TGI Friday's.....	1-1

happened this September. The Tigers swept Tennessee at home on September 4.

Three Tigers Named to AVCA All-Central Region Team

The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) announced their All-Region teams late Tuesday evening. Three Tigers, Lindsey Hunter, Jessica Vander Kooi, and Nicole Wilson, were named to the Central Region first-team, marking the first time a Mizzou squad had landed at least three on the list.

Hunter (Papillion, Neb.) was named to the All-Central Region squad for the third consecutive season. The Tiger senior has lead the Big 12 in assists per game in each of her four years at Mizzou, becoming the first Big 12 student-athlete to finish a season leading the same statistical category in every year of eligibility. Her 14.14 assists per game this season paced her to 13.70 for her career, likely putting her sixth all-time in NCAA history in the category.

Vander Kooi (Hinton, Iowa) has been selected to her first All-Region team after having one of the best all-around seasons an outside hitter can have. The 2003 AVCA Central Region Freshman of the Year is now averaging 3.50 kills per game on .274 hitting, adding 2.67 digs per game, 0.31 aces per game, and 1.00 blocks per game. Most notably, Vander Kooi was a driving force in the Tigers two-game-deficit comeback at then-No. 24 Kansas State on October 26th, scoring on three-consecutive blocks to seal the match for the Tigers and nearly scored a quadruple-double on the night, scoring on 14 kills, nine blocks, adding 21 digs and eight assists. Vander Kooi is also the only Tiger to score a 20-20 on the season, grabbing 23 kills and 22 digs at No. 1 Nebraska.

Wilson (Lincoln, Neb.) earned her first spot on an All-Region team with her outstanding middle-blocker play this season. Overall, Wilson had a .430 hitting percentage in 2005, which will break Mizzou's all-time season record and become one of the best 20 performances the nation has seen in the last five years. Her .430 hitting percentage for all games will also go down (more NCAA-Tournament play pending) as a new Big 12 record. Wilson, through the second-round of NCAA play, is third in the nation in hitting percentage. Wilson has also added 1.28 blocks per game this season.

The AVCA announces their All-America teams on Wednesday, December 14, with those student-athletes being honored on Friday, December 16 at the AVCA Convention in San Antonio in conjunction with the NCAA Volleyball Tournament Final Four.

Last Time Out ... Sweeping through Opening Rounds

Vs. Missouri State
Tied 17-17 in game three, the No. 10 Missouri Tigers didn't want to face a tough Missouri State team in the fourth game. By scoring 13 of the next 22 points, they didn't have to. The No. 10 Tigers outlasted the Missouri State Bears 30-26 in game three, and swept Friday night's first-round NCAA match at the Hearnes Center, 30-27, 30-18, 20-26.

With three kills apiece down the stretch,

sophomore Na Yang and senior Shen Danru pushed the Tigers into the second-round of the NCAA tournament. The Tigers (23-4) will face the Arkansas Lady Razorbacks (21-11), tomorrow night at the Hearnes Center.

Missouri State, who showed a tough determination against the Tigers, fell to 24-8 for the season. The Bears from Springfield, Mo. managed to bring a strong contingent of followers in maroon as the crowd of 6,294, provided a partially divided yet enthusiastic audience for the match.

Mizzou set a personal NCAA tournament record, holding the Bears to a .179 hitting percentage, surpassing the previous NCAA tournament record of .231 set against Arkansas on Dec. 3, 2004. The Tigers managed a .364 hitting percentage, including a .452 average in game two.

Junior Jessica Vander Kooi and Shen led the Tigers with 13 kills apiece. Junior Nicole Wilson had a team high .526 hitting percentage. Wilson also tallied five blocks, second only to senior Lisa Boyd who nearly notched a double-double, with nine kills and 8 blocks. Senior setter Lindsey Hunter had 44 assists to go along with her four kills.

Missouri State had strong statistical performances out of Katie Werges, and Erin O'Connor who each had 13 kills. Sabrina Apker added eight kills, and setter Ashley Warren had 44 assists and a service ace.

The energy to begin game one was apparent, as both teams came out with a certain intensity that showed they were ready to play. Just as the Bears began to growl, the Tigers growled louder. With the score tied 11-11, Wilson's game changing kill allowed Mizzou to get rolling. Following a Missouri State error and two kills by Vander Kooi, Mizzou took control, 14-11. Missouri State struck back with a 4-0 run, knocking the match at 16. From there, the Tigers rattled off a 6-1 run, taking control 22-17 and never giving back the lead, going on to win 30-26.

Down 11-10 in game two, Mizzou broke open the game with five straight points including a service ace by Booth. The Bears and Tigers would trade blows, battling back and forth in front of a raucous crowd, before Mizzou finally seized control of the game, wrestling away 11 of 15 points from the Bears, allowing Mizzou to coast to a 30-18, win.

Just as the Tigers began to smell blood, they went in for the kill. Beginning game three on an 8-3 run, the Tigers got excellent play from Jessica Vander Kooi, who added two kills, and Abbie Booth, who managed to slip a service ace seamlessly in between Missouri State defenders.

Sensing their tournament lives on the line, Missouri State rallied to a 9-4 scoring run, highlighted by a service ace from Warren and two kills from Sara Thomas. However, it wasn't enough, as Mizzou outlasted the Bears down the stretch. A block by seniors Hunter and Boyd sealed the victory and the date with the Lady Razorbacks in the second round.

Vs. Arkansas



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A LOOK AT THE CHARTS 2005 SEASON

CSTV/AVCA Top 25 Coaches' Poll

Date	Missouri	Hawaii	Penn St.	Tenn.
Preseason	21	4	5	9
Sept 5	14	7	4	16
Sept 12	10	6	4	16
Sept 19	8	9	4	--
Sept 26	7	11	4	--
Oct 3	7	11	4	--
Oct 10	7	11	4	--
Oct 17	10	11	3	--
Oct 24	8	10	3	--
Oct 31	13	9	3	--
Nov 7	12	9	3	--
Nov 14	11	9	2	25
Nov 21	10	8	2	--
Nov 28	10	17	2	23
Dec 5	8	6	2	17

MIZZOU AGAINST THE TOP 25

2005 Season: 6-3 2004 Season: 4-7 ...
Kreklows All-Time (2000-pres.): 15-27

Wins by Year (13 total)

6 - 2005
4 - 2004
2 - 2002
1 - 2003, 2001, 2000, 1999, 1982

Wins over the Top 10 All-Time

at #8 Nebraska (3-2) - Oct. 15, 2003
#9 Texas (H) (3-1) - Nov. 14, 2004
#9 Wisconsin (in Bozeman, Mont.) (3-0) - Sept. 10, 2005
#9 Tennessee (H) (3-0) - Sept. 4, 2005
#10 Texas (H) (3-0) - Nov. 20, 2005

On The Road vs. the Top-25

Wins All-Time Over Top-25 Teams on the Road
Oct. 26, 2005, (8) at #24 Kansas State, W 3-2
Sep. 16, 2005, (10) at #15 Texas A&M, W 3-1
Oct. 2, 2004, at #25 Colorado, W 3-0
Sep. 3, 2004, at #23 Wisconsin, W 3-1
Oct. 15, 2003, at #8 Nebraska, W 3-2

RichKern.com Projected RPI

(out of 317 D-I teams)
November 28 release

Team	Current	Last Week	Wk Chg
Missouri	7	8	1
Arkansas	31	30	-1
St. Mary's	35	35	unch
Missouri State	47	61	14
<u>Mizzou Opponents</u>			
Nebraska	2	2	unch
Wisconsin	12	9	-3
Tennessee	13	18	5
Texas	20	21	1
Kansas State	30	26	-4
Utah	23	31	8
Colorado	37	40	3
Texas A&M	53	49	-4
Kansas	63	51	-12
Iowa State	69	65	-4
Baylor	106	105	-1
Texas Tech	121	107	-14
Montana State	127	121	-6
Oklahoma	145	145	unch
No. Colorado	159	156	-3

The No. 10 Missouri Tigers held all the cards and all the aces Saturday night in second-round NCAA action against Arkansas. A season-high 14 service aces lifted the Tigers past the Lady Razorbacks, 30-25, 30-16, 30-11, in a three game sweep. The win advances Mizzou to the sweet-16 round for the first in the team's history.

The service aces set a personal NCAA tournament record for Mizzou (24-4) who moves on to face the winner of No.7 Hawaii and Texas in State College, Penn. Arkansas fell to 21-12 on the season.

Junior Abbie Booth set a Tiger NCAA tournament record with six service aces, tying her personal best for the regular season, set Sept. 14, against Iowa State. The team's 14 service aces, shatters the previous Mizzou NCAA tournament record of seven, set against, Arkansas on Dec. 12, 2004.

In addition to the aces, Mizzou also set a Tiger NCAA tournament match record for hitting percentage, .505. The Tigers held the Lady Razorbacks to a .226 hitting percentage.

Mizzou had nearly five players with double-digit kill totals. Sophomore Na Yang led the way with 13, and was followed by senior Shen Danru (11 kills), senior Lisa Boyd (10 kills,) junior Jessica Vander Kooi (10 kills, 2 service aces), and junior Nicole Wilson (9 kills, 1 service ace).

Senior setter Lindsey Hunter had 46 assists, and also tallied three kills and four service aces in the sweep. Sophomores Kele Brewer and Christiana Lawrence led Arkansas with 10 and eight kills consecutively. Despite the strong effort from the Lady Razorbacks, Mizzou's service aces and 57-team kills proved to be too much.

Tied 10-10 in game one, the Tigers scored five straight, relying on two service aces from Booth, as well as kills from Wilson and Vander Kooi, to pull ahead 15-10. The Lady Razorbacks made sure the lead wouldn't last long, responding with a 6-1 run highlighted by two Brewer kills to tie the score at 16. Mizzou answered, scoring 12 of the next 17 points, aided by two kills apiece from Na and Vander Kooi. Again, Arkansas refused to give up, notching four straight points in the face of defeat. Mizzou senior Shen Danru's kill shut the door on game one, 30-25.

As the momentum began to shift, the Tigers ran with it, leading almost all of game two, and forcing a 19-10 lead on the Lady Razorbacks on the strength of two service aces by Vander Kooi and a game high five kills by Boyd. Down the stretch of game two, the Lady Razorbacks could draw no closer than 10 points behind. Late game service aces from Hunter and Booth propelled the Tigers to 30-16 game two victory.

By the time Arkansas scored their first point of game three, Mizzou had already scored seven. Three early service aces from Booth paved the way for a 9-2 run to open the third game. This forced the Lady Razorbacks behind what would become an insurmountable deficit. An avalanche of Tiger kills and service aces, and a Mizzou NCAA tournament game record for hitting percentage (.640) allowed the Tigers to take game three in dominant fashion, 30-11.

A crowd of 2,490 came out to witness the Mizzou sweep. The Tigers will now take their show on the road, heading east to the campus of Penn State University for their match next Friday.

Three Tigers Named All-Big 12 ... Ailes is Big 12's Libero of the Year

The Big 12 Conference announced their post-season women's volleyball honorees last Monday. Missouri was well represented in the honors as three Tigers were named All-Big 12 with sophomore Tatum Ailes named Big 12 Libero of the Year. Senior Lindsey Hunter and junior Jessica Vander Kooi were placed on the first team with junior Nicole Wilson given honorable mention honors.

Ailes (Bellevue, Neb.) becomes the first non-Kansas State student-athlete to claim the Libero of the Year accolade. KSU players have swept the award since its inception in 2002. Ailes paced the league in conference-only digs with 4.08 per game to lead Missouri to its best conference record in Big 12 history (16-4) and the highest-winning percentage (22-4/.846) in school annals. She accounted for 302 of the Tigers' Big 12-leading 1,181 digs. In addition, Ailes is Mizzou's current all-time leader in digs per game (4.10). Ailes has also proven to be an emotional force on the floor for the Tigers and has battled with many bumps and bruises and pain throughout the season, being a rock for the Mizzou squad.

Sweeping the Top-10s

So, after not ever sweeping a top-10 team in the history of Mizzou Volleyball, this 2005 squad decided to change that. It started with the second match of the season, as a No. 21 Tiger team swept then-No. 9 Tennessee in Columbia on Sunday, September 4, immediately gaining attention on the national scene. So much attention in fact that the pollsters pushed the Tigers to a No. 14 ranking the next day. But, another top-10 opponent in then-No. 9 Wisconsin was on the week's docket, as the Tigers traveled to Bozeman, Mont., to take on the Badgers on that next Saturday. The Tigers swept Wisconsin and moved to the top 10 themselves for the first time in school history.

On November 20, No. 10 Texas came to town and the then-No. 11 Tigers took care of business in straight sets, and a result bounced back into the top 10.

In those three matches, some Tigers have emerged as immediate stars to the Tigers' hit parade. The Tigers averaged 19.2 kills per game in those sweeps on a .307 hitting percentage. A huge part of that was because of the immaculate setting by senior Lindsey Hunter who has averaged 16.56 assists per game in the team's sweeps. Offensively, Na Yang has averaged an insane 5.11 kills per game in those matches with a .323 hitting percentage to boot. Senior Lisa Boyd has averaged 1.33 blocks per game in those sweeps.

Milestones Achieved and Yet to Go

Done

* Lindsey Hunter played in the 400th game of her career versus Colorado on October 29
* Hunter eclipsed the 5,500-career assist mark versus Colorado on October 29





CAREER RECORD WATCH

through regular-season -- * active

Kills

1)	1632	Shen Danru (.217)*	2002-05
2)	1478	Yvette Buhlig (.283)	1988-90,92
3)	1476	Christi Myers (.321)	1999-02
9)	1021	Jessica Vander Kooi (.248)*	2003-05
13)	921	Lisa Boyd (.317)*	2002-05
21)	748	Nicole Wilson (.365)*	2003-05

Kills Per Game

1)	3.73	Shen Danru*	2002-05
2)	3.69	Yvette Buhlig	1988-90,92
3)	3.55	Lisa Morris	1999-02
6)	3.35	Na Yang*	2004-05
7)	3.24	Jessica Vander Kooi*	2003-05

Hitting Percentage

1)	.365	Nicole Wilson*	2003-05
2)	.321	Christi Myers	1999-02
3)	.317	Lisa Boyd*	2002-05
5)	.285	Na Yang*	2004-05
6)	.283	Lindsey Hunter*	2002-05

Total Attacks

1)	4396	Shen Danru*	2002-05
2)	3515	Yvette Buhlig	1988-90,92
3)	3247	Christi Myers	1999-02

Assists

1)	5980	Lindsey Hunter (436 games)	2002-05
2)	4954	Heather Gerber (415 games)	1997-00
3)	3812	Cindy Atteberry (416 games)	1990-93

Assists Per Game

1)	13.72	Lindsey Hunter*	2002-05
2)	11.94	Heather Gerber	1997-00

Service Aces

1)	180	Shen Danru* (431 games)	2002-05
2)	163	Yvette Buhlig (400 games)	1988-90,92
3)	135	Lindsey Hunter* (430 games)	2002-05

Aces Per Game

1)	0.48	Sharen Olmstead	1983-84
2)	0.45	Ritchie Ponquinette	1983-84
4)	0.42	Shen Danru*	2002-05

Digs

1)	1334	Shen Danru* (431 games)	2002-05
2)	1176	Naaron Branson (424 games)	1998-01
3)	1149	Yvette Buhlig (400 games)	1988-90,92
7)	1014	Lindsey Hunter* (436 games)	2002-05
12)	902	Jessica Vander Kooi* (315 gms)	2003-05
14)	921	Tatum Ailes* (201 games)	2004-05

Digs Per Game

1)	4.08	Tatum Ailes*	2004-05
2)	3.12	Amy Tuma	1987-88
3)	3.08	Shen Danru*	2002-05
8)	2.86	Jessica Vander Kooi*	2003-05

Total Blocks

1)	454	Christi Myers (427 games)	1999-02
2)	378	Shannon Brown (439 games)	1989-92
3)	311	Lisa Boyd* (357 games)	2002-05
4)	306	Nicole Wilson* (286 games)	2003-05
8)	265	Jessica Vander Kooi* (315 games)	2003-05
11)	235	Lindsey Hunter* (436 games)	2002-05

Blocks Per Game

1)	1.07	Nicole Wilson*	2003-05
2)	1.06	Christi Myers	1999-02
3)	0.89	Krista Johnson	1998-01
4)	0.87	Lisa Boyd*	2002-05
7)	0.84	Jessica Vander Kooi*	2003-05

Points Scored

1)	1913.5	Shen Danru*	2002-05
2)	1817	Christi Myers	1999-02
3)	1761.5	Yvette Buhlig	1988-90,92
8)	1250.5	Jessica Vander Kooi*	2003-05
13)	1116	Lisa Boyd*	2002-05
19)	1011	Nicole Wilson*	2003-05

Points Per Game

1)	4.40	Yvette Buhlig	1988-90,92
2)	4.38	Shen Danru*	2002-05
3)	4.26	Christi Myers	1999-02
5)	3.97	Jessica Vander Kooi*	2003-05

Mizzou's Big 12 Statistics

Record: 16-4 (Team Record) ... Home: 8-2, Away: 8-2

##	STATS SUMMARY	ATTACK					SET		SERVE			DIG		BLOCKING				Points				
		G	K	K/G	E	TA	Pct	A	A/G	SA	SE	SA/G	RE	DIG	D/G	BS	BA		Total	B/G	BE	BHE
2	Hunter, Lindsey	48	48	1.00	10	108	.352	644	13.42	15	40	0.31	0	131	2.73	1	27	28	0.58	14	6	77.5
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	48	162	3.38	51	420	.264	34	0.71	17	10	0.35	3	133	2.77	4	51	55	1.15	5	4	208.5
5	Booth, Abbie	48	1	0.02	0	1	0.000	14	0.29	18	20	0.38	8	91	1.90	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	19.0
6	Danru, Shen	48	120	2.50	63	370	.154	20	0.42	17	24	0.35	10	145	3.02	3	11	14	0.29	6	0	145.5
7	Jaksich, Jilly	1	0	0.00	0	0	0.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.0
8	Boyd, Lisa	48	124	2.58	27	278	.349	5	0.10	0	0	0.00	0	13	0.27	11	46	57	1.19	4	1	158.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	48	5	0.10	0	8	.625	23	0.48	7	8	0.15	7	206	4.29	0	0	0	0.00	1	0	12.0
10	Yang, Na	48	184	3.83	72	455	.246	4	0.08	0	0	0.00	0	39	0.81	4	33	37	0.77	3	0	204.5
13	Wilson, Nicole	48	159	3.31	36	301	.409	7	0.15	9	14	0.19	0	39	0.81	5	67	72	1.50	7	2	206.5
15	Allbery, Melissa	3	1	0.33	0	2	.500	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	2	2	0.67	0	0	2.0
TEAM																						
MISSOURI		48	804	16.75	259	1943	.280	751	15.65	83	116	1.73	37	797	16.60	28	237	146.5	3.05	40	13	1033.5
Opponents		48	704	14.67	328	1962	.192	648	13.50	37	95	0.77	83	752	15.67	9	200	109.0	2.27	24	14	850.0

TEAM STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS	MU	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SCORE-BY-GAME	ATTEND
ATTACK			* Sep 14	IOWA STATE	W	3-0	30-20, 30-24, 30-16	1289
Kills	804	704	* Sep 16	at #15 Texas A&M	W	3-1	29-31, 30-28, 30-24, 30-25	2455
Errors	259	328	* Sep 21	at Colorado	W	3-0	30-25, 30-24, 30-11	509
Total Attacks	1943	1962	* Sep 24	#17 KANSAS STATE	W	3-0	30-19, 30-20, 30-26	2498
Attack Pct.	.280	.192	* Sep 28	at Baylor	W	3-0	30-28, 30-25, 30-24	478
Kills/Game	16.8	14.7	* Oct 01	at Texas Tech	W	3-2	27-30, 28-30, 30-23, 30-21, 15-12	100
SET			* Oct 05	#1 NEBRASKA	L	1-3	26-30, 30-22, 23-30, 27-30	7298
Assists	751	648	* Oct 12	at #18 Texas	L	0-3	28-30, 27-30, 22-30	1797
Assists/Game	15.6	13.5	* Oct 15	KANSAS	W	3-0	30-23, 30-21, 30-11	3699
SERVE			* Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	W	3-0	30-24, 30-26, 30-22	1818
Aces	83	37	* 10-22-05	at Iowa State	W	1-1	30-23, 23-30, 30-12, 30-23	1050
Errors	116	95	* Oct 26	at #24 Kansas State	W	3-2	28-30, 26-30, 30-23, 30-25, 15-11	1451
Attempts	1332	1148	* Oct 29	COLORADO	L	2-3	30-20, 28-30, 30-23, 27-30, 12-15	2571
Serve Pct.	.913	.917	* Nov 02	TEXAS TECH			6:30 pm	
Aces/Game	1.7	0.8	* Nov 05	at Oklahoma			4:00 pm	
SERVE RECEPTIONS			* Nov 09	BAYLOR			6:30 pm	
Errors	37	83	* Nov 13	at Nebraska			5pm CSTV	
Errors/Game	0.8	1.7	* Nov 20	TEXAS			12:30pm	
Attempts	1041	1200	* Nov 23	at Kansas			7:00 pm	
Reception Pct.	.964	.931	* Nov 26	TEXAS A&M			6:30 pm	
DEFENSE								
Digs	797	752		A - Tiger Invitational (Columbia, Mo.)				
Digs/Game	16.6	15.7		B - Holiday Inn Classic (Bozeman, Mont.)				
BLOCKING				* - Big 12 Conference Games				
Block Solo	28	9						
Block Assist	237	200						
Total Blocks	146.5	109.0						
Blocks Per Game	3.1	2.3						
Block Errors	40	24						
BALL HANDLING ERRORS	13	14						
ATTENDANCE								
Total	19113	7840						
Dates/Avg Per Date	6/3186	7/1120						
Neutral site #/Avg	0/0							
Current win streak	0	-						
Home win streak	0	-						

* Hunter had her 100th-career 40-plus assist match at Oklahoma on November 5

* Hunter also had her 40th-career double-double with 47 assists and 12 digs at Oklahoma on November 5

* Hunter also became the seventh Tiger in Mizzou history to reach the 1,000 career-dig mark

* Jessica Vander Kooi became the eighth Tiger all-time to record 250 blocks in a career

* Lisa Boyd played in the 100th match of her career at No. 1 Nebraska on November 13

* Boyd became the third Tiger to reach the 300-career block mark at the regular-season finale with Texas A&M on November 26.

Plenty to be Thankful For ... An Early Lookback at 2005

Sure, we haven't completed the season, but this is a good time to set back and reflect a little on the season that has already unfolded with many, many storylines.

Team Streaks/Trends

* Mizzou went unscathed in non-conference play, winning all six matches in sweeps, going 18-0 in games, including in wins over then-No. 9 Tennessee and then-No. 9 Wisconsin.

* The Tigers won 21 consecutive games to start the season, the longest-such streak since 2000 (won 24 games consecutive)

* Mizzou also won 12 consecutive matches to begin the season (ending with a four-game loss to No. 1 Nebraska), marking the team's longest winning stretch and best season start since 1982.

* The Tigers set a new school record, winning six-consecutive conference matches (during the start of conference season)

* Mizzou also went on a five-match road winning streak during the season, tying the team's record set in 1982.

* Mizzou has currently went 6-3 against top 25 teams, capturing a new school record in wins over top-25 teams in a season (old record was 4 in 2004)

* For the fifth time in six years the Tigers reached the 20-win mark, capturing No. 20 in a sweep at home over then-No. 10 Texas on November 20.

* The Tigers in 22 wins have swept 16 matches in three games

* With 16 conference wins, the Tigers set a new school record in that category

* The team's current winning percentage will undoubtedly break the school's current all-time record ... making the 2005 Tigers, the winningest Mizzou squad all-time

Monumental Wins

* On September 4, the Tigers swept then-No. 9 Tennessee at home, recording their first sweep over a top-10 team in school history, winning only their second all-time over a top-10 team

* In Bozeman, Mont., the Tigers defeated then-No. 9 Wisconsin, marking the Tigers' second sweep over a top-10 team in a week's time

* On September 16, Mizzou defeated Texas A&M in College Station for the first time in school history, the first in 10 tries.

* Kansas State had won nine-consecutive matches



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MIZZOU HISTORY LESSON

Past Years' Final RKPI

Year	Missouri	No. Teams	Percentile
2005	7*	317	.97%
2004	24	315	.92%
2003	48	311	.84%
2002	42	313	.86%
2001	70	312	.77%
2000	29	306	.90%
1999	155	305	.49%
1998	135	297	.54%
1997	140	292	.52%
1996	159	285	.44%
1995	186	282	.34%

* Current, as of November 7

Biggest RKPI Gain From 1995 to 2004

Spots	School	Conference
212	St. Mary's	West Coast Conf.
208	Santa Clara	West Coast Conf.
199	Winthrop	Big South
192	Marquette	Big East
165	Wichita State	Missouri Valley
162	Missouri	Big 12
157	Long Island	Northeast Conf.
155	Tennessee	SEC
154	Creighton	Missouri Valley
152	Wisc.-Milwaukee	Horizon
148	Tulsa	Conference USA
148	Marshall	Conference USA

Mizzou's Best Season Win Percentages

Year	W	L	T	Pct.	Coach
2005	24	4		.857	W. Krecklow
1982	26	6		.813	English
2000	24	7		.774	S. Krecklow
2002	26	8		.765	S. Krecklow
1976	22	8	1	.726	Duren
1983	26	11		.703	English
2004	20	9		.690	S. Krecklow
1991	22	11		.667	Sherman

Missouri Attendance

Largest Crowds

Rk	Date	Opponent	Fans
1	Oct. 5, 2005	Nebraska	7,298
2	Dec. 2, 2005	Missouri St. (NCAA 1R)	6,294
3	Nov. 20, 2005	Texas	4,012
4	Oct. 15, 2005	Kansas	3,699
5	Nov. 27, 2005	Texas A&M	2,766
6	Oct. 9, 2004	Texas A&M	2,683
7	Oct. 29, 2005	Colorado	2,571
8	Dec. 3, 2005	Arkansas (NCAA 2R)	2,490
9	Sept. 24, 2005	Kansas State	2,438
10	Dec. 3, 2004	Arkansas (NCAA 1R)	2,437

Past Seasons' Totals

Year	Average	Change
2005	2672*	.83%
2004	1460	.3%
2003	1418	-.2%
2002	1450	.23%
2001	1175	.34%
2000	875	162%
1999	334	

800% increase from 1999 to 2005

over the Tigers coming into this season, and that streak was snapped on September 24 as Mizou won at home in a three-game sweep.

* For the first time since 1993, Mizou also defeated then-No. 24 K-State in Manhattan, winning in five games, coming back from a two-game deficit ... the match win was also only the Tigers fifth road win all-time versus a top-25 team ... the K-State match ended with junior Jessica Vander Kooi scoring on three consecutive blocks.

* On November 20, Mizou recorded their third sweep of the season and third all-time over a top-10 team with a three-game smashing over then-No. 10 Texas in front of 4,012 Tiger fans ... in addition, Texas has won 15-of-16 entering the match, and the Tigers stopped a nine-match Longhorn winning streak, but extended Mizou's home winning-streak over Texas at home to six.

The Close Calls

* On November 13, Mizou visited No. 1 Nebraska ... in front of the Huskers 67th-consecutive sellout, Missouri took games one and two, marking the first time in the all-time series that Tigers have went up 2-0 ... but, Nebraska won the last three games, winning only their second match all-time when coming back from two games behind

Team Statistical Dealings

* On September 21, the Tigers held host Colorado to zero blocks in a three-game sweep, conversely the Tigers recorded a season-high 18 blocks on the night ... in the same match, the Tigers went the entire third game with committing a hitting error, hitting a season-high .654 in the frame

* At home versus Baylor the Tigers hit a season high .486 in the match, conversely the Bears had a Tiger-opponent season-high percentage of .337

* In the sweep at home of Texas on November 20 the Tigers hit over .300 in each game

Crowding the Hearnes Center

* On October 5, 7,298 Tiger fans came to the Hearnes Center to watch the then-No. 7 Tigers take on No. 1 Nebraska.

* Mizou has also grew their average season attendance by 55% from 2004's 1,460 average ... the Tigers drew 4,012 fans in an November 20 match versus Texas, 3,699 fans in an October 15 match against Kansas, 2,571 fans in a October 29 match against Colorado, and 2,438 fans in a September 24 match against Kansas State

* Five of Mizou's top-six all-time crowds have now come from the 2005 season.

Other Firsts

* The October 5 match versus No. 1 Nebraska was the first all-time televised from the Hearnes Center ... the Missouri Sports Network aired the match on a tape-delay basis on local UPN station KZOU and televised the match live in Kansas City on MetroSports, who also produced the broadcast.

* For the first time in Mizou volleyball history, the team was ranked in the national top 10, starting on September 12 and remaining there for seven-consecutive weeks ... the team peaked at No. 7 in the country and was at that spot for three weeks (October 3, 10, 17 polls) ... the teams' previous all-time-high ranking before 2005 was 18th, occurring in 2003 ... the Tigers re-entered the top 10 after sweeping then-No. 10 Texas on November 22

* Also for the first time in Tiger volleyball history, the team ranked in the top 10 in attendance,

peaking on October 31 with a sixth-place national ranking.

* The team also reached the top five for the first time in school history in the RPI. Their previous high was the 2004 final index when the team placed 24th.

Records Broken

* Lindsey Hunter broke Mizou's all-time assist record previously held by Heather Gerber (4,954) on September 16 at then-No. 15 Texas A&M

* Hunter also became the first Tiger to jump over the 5,000-assist mark, doing so at Colorado on September 21.

* Shen Danru became the Tigers' all-time digs leader, topping Narron Branson (1,149) at Texas Tech on October 1.

* Danru jumped over Buhlig (163) on October 5 versus No. 1 Nebraska in the all-time service aces category.

* Danru became Mizou's all-time kills leader, jumping over Yvette Buhlig (1,478) on October 12 at then-No. 18 Texas

* Danru also became Mizou's all-time scorer over Christi Myers (1,814) at Oklahoma on November 5.

* Nicole Wilson became the current Tiger all-time leader in hitting percentage

* Wilson also became the current Tiger all-time leader in blocks per game (1.08 - as of November 22)

Individual Feats

* On September 5, Lindsey Hunter was named Big 12 Player of the Week for the first time in her career after recording a 100-assist week in sweeps over Utah and then-No. 9 Tennessee.

* Hunter was also named Tournament MVP for both the Tiger Invitational and the Holiday Inn Classic

* Hunter nearly record a triple-double twice in the season ... on October 22 at Iowa State she recorded 54 assists, 10 digs and eight kills ... on October 29 versus Colorado, tallied 59 assists, 13 digs, and eight kills.

* Jessica Vander Kooi has recorded three double-doubles over top-25 teams ... she nearly recorded a quadruple-double when playing at No. 24 Kansas State on October 26, recording 14 kills, 21 digs, eight assists, and nine blocks

* Vander Kooi racked up 23 kills (the team's season high) along with 22 digs in the five-game loss at No. 1 Nebraska ... her 23 were the most by a Husker opponent for the season ... marked the second 20-20 match all-time of Vander Kooi's career

* Abbie Booth began Big 12 play with 12 service aces in four three-game sweeps, averaging one per game.

* Shen Danru recorded 17 kills on .326 hitting, adding 19 digs and four blocks at Kansas State on October 26.

* Lisa Boyd - at Colorado on September 21, recorded 11 kills with only one error (.556) in road sweep, also tallying eight blocks in the match ... against No. 1 Nebraska on October 5, went 12-2-20 (.500) and recorded five blocks ... at Iowa State on October 22, nearly went errorless going 13-1-26 (.462), adding five blocks.

* Tatum Ailes - recorded 12 digs in each of the Tiger sweeps over then-No. 9 Wisconsin and then-No. 9 Tennessee ... had 41 serve receptions against No. 1 Nebraska, committing only one error, even after severely jamming elbow in game four





2005 MATCH HIGHS (ALL MATCHES) INDIVIDUAL MATCH HIGHS

ATTACK PERCENT (K-E-TA) *minimum 10 kills*
 .846 (11-0-13) N. Wilson vs. #17 K-State (9/24)*
 .765 (13-0-17) Na Yang vs Arkansas (12/3) NT 2R
 .714 (10-0-14) L. Boyd vs Arkansas (12/3) NT 2R
 .706 (13-1-17) N. Wilson vs. Kansas (10/15)
 .667 (13-1-18) Lisa Boyd vs Baylor (11/9)
 ^ School Record, * Big 12 Season Best

KILLS (K-E-TA)

28 (28-8-49) 5g Na Yang vs Texas A&M (11/26)
 23 (23-9-59) 5g J. Vander Kooi at #1 Nebraska (11/13)
 21 (21-5-43) 3g Na Yang vs #10 Texas (11/20)
 21 (21-8-46) 5g Na Yang at Texas Tech (10/1)
 21 (21-11-53) 5g Na Yang at #24 Kansas St (10/26)

TOTAL ATTEMPTS (K-E-TA)

59 (23-9-59) 4g Na Yang at #15 Texas A&M (9/16)

POINTS

28.5 5g Na Yang vs Texas A&M (11/26)
 25.0 5g J. Vander Kooi at #1 Nebraska (11/13)
 24.0 5g Nicole Wilson at Texas Tech (10/1)

ASSISTS (by game)

75 (5g) Lindsey Hunter vs Texas A&M (11/26)
 56 (4g) Lindsey Hunter at #15 Texas A&M (9/16)
 55 (3g) Lindsey Hunter vs #9 Tennessee (Sep 04)

DIGS

25 (5g) Tatum Ailes at #24 Kansas St (Oct 26)#
 24 (4g) Tatum Ailes at #15 Texas A&M (Sep 16)
 22 (5g) J. Vander Kooi at #1 Nebraska (11/13)
 # Fourth-best in Big 12 play this season

ACES

6 Booth, Abbie vs Iowa State (Sep 14)

BLOCKS (BS-BA)

9 (2-7) Wilson, Nicole vs No. Colorado (9/10)
 9 (2-7) J. Vander Kooi at #24 Kansas St (10/26)
 9 (0-9) Wilson, Nicole vs. #17 Kansas St. (9/24)
 9 (1-8) Wilson, N. at Iowa State (10/22)
 9 (1-8) Nicole Wilson vs Colorado (10/29)

TEAM MATCH HIGHS (H)/LOWS (L)

<u>Kills</u>	<u>Reception Errors</u>	<u>Opponent Blocks</u>
H: 91, vs Tx AM (11/26) (3g): 63, Tenn. (9/4) L: 49, four times	H: 8, vs Colo. (10/29) L: 0, three times	H: 18, twice at NU (11/13), vs CU L: 0, at Colorado (9/21)
	<u>Digs</u>	
<u>Hitting Errors</u>	H: 102, vs KSU (10/26) L: 31 vs Baylor (11/9)	<u>Attacks per Error Ratio</u>
H: 34, at NU (11/13) L: 7, at Colo. (9/21)		H: 17.1, at Colo (9/21) L: 5.8, vs Utah (9/2)
	<u>Block Solos</u>	
<u>Attacks</u>	H: 7, at Kan St. (10/26) L: 0, three times	<u>Unforced Errors</u>
H: 215, at TAM (9/16) L: 89, vs UMKC (9/6)		H: 49, vs Colo (10/29) L: 12, vs Baylor (11/9)
	<u>Block Errors</u>	
<u>Hitting Percentage</u>	H: 7, at NU (11/13) L: 0, three times	<u>Block Differential</u>
H: .505 vs Ark (12/3)@ L: .183 at NU (11/13)		H: +18, at Colo (9/21) L: -10, at NU (11/13)
	<u>Total Blocks</u>	
<u>Service Aces</u>	H: 20, vs Kan St (9/24) L: 4, at Texas (10/12)	<u>Hitting Differential</u>
H: 14, vs Tx AM (11/26) vs Ark (12/3)@ L: 0, at Okla. (11/5)		H: +517, UMKC (9/6) L: -.100, at Tex (10/12)
	<u>Opponent Kills</u>	
<u>Service Errors</u>	H: 85, vs Tx AM (11/26) L: 20, vs UMKC (9/6)	<u>Hitting Efficiency</u>
H: 17, vs Colo. (10/29) L: 2, vs Wisc. (9/10)		(kills/attacks) H: .588, vs Ark (12/3)@ L: .355, at NU (11/13)
	<u>Opponent Hitting Pct.</u>	@ - NCAA 2nd Rnd
	H: .378, vs TAM (11/26) L: -.056, vs UMKC (9/6)	

* Na Yang has scored a career-high 21 kills three times this season (October 1 at Texas Tech, October 26 at Kansas State, and November 20 versus Texas) ... has recorded career highs in blocks (6) versus Kansas on October 15 and October 29 versus Colorado.

* The Texas 21 kill total from Yang was only in three games (7.00 kpg), accompanied by a .372 hitting percentage

* Nicole Wilson was named Big 12 & National Player of the Week on September 26 after recording a week of errorless play in sweeps at Colorado and at home versus then-No. 17 Kansas State, hitting .719 over the stretch with 17 kills (3.83 kpg), 5.25 ppg, 2.83 bpg, and 0.67 dpg ... in the K-State match on September 24, Wilson record 11 kills on 13 attempts (also having nine blocks), recording a conference-season high hitting percentage of .846 ... went three matches in a row without committing an error in late September going 34-of-53 (.642) over the stretch

Awards & Honors

* Lindsey Hunter and Jessica Vander Kooi were named to the Preseason All-Big 12 Team

* Lindsey Hunter was named Big 12 Player of the Week on September 5.

* Nicole Wilson was named Big 12 Player of the Week followed by being named AVCA National Player of the Week on September 26th (details above)

* The following were named members of the Academic All-Big 12 Team: FIRST TEAM: Abbie Booth, Lisa Boyd, Shen Danru, Jessica Vander Kooi, and Na Yang; SECOND TEAM: Lindsey Hunter

The Comeback at K-State (October 26) ... A Vander Kooi Cooling

It was a volleyball match that resembled a Rocky movie on October 26, as the No. 8 Tigers won in Manhattan over No. 24 K-State for the first time since 1993, coming back, from two games down to win the match.

Not to mention game five, when each team went "punch"-for-"punch", like the Round 11 montage in Rocky IV, tying the score a match-high eight times in frame, ultimately tying for the last time at 11-11. That's when the "Eye of the Tiger", in this case, junior Jessica Vander Kooi stepped in. After throwing down a kill off a block, giving the Tigers a side-out and the 12-11 lead, Vander Kooi proceed to build a wall at the net that lasted the remainder of the match. Wildcat Sandy Werner, who had 16 kills up-to-that-point, tried to bust through the wall on three successive rallies, and was stopped each time by Vander Kooi in a block assist or solo block.

Here's point-by-point how the end of that match went:
 Score: 11-11

K-State serve (Rita Lilliom), kill by Vander Kooi (assist by Lindsey Hunter) ... score MU 12-11, MU side-out

MU serve (Nicole Wilson), block by Lisa Boyd and Jessica Vander Kooi (attack error by Sandy Werner) ... score MU 13-11

TIMEOUT K-STATE

MU serve (Nicole Wilson), solo block by Vander Kooi (attack error by Sandy Werner) ... score MU 14-11, Mizzou match point

MU serve (Nicole Wilson), block by Lisa Boyd and Vander Kooi (attack error by Sandy Werner) ... score MU 15-11 ... Mizzou wins match

Vander Kooi (Hinton, Iowa) grabbed her eighth double-double of the season, and her fourth over a ranked opponent, notching 14 kills and 21 digs, adding nine total blocks (three on the final three points alone) to tie a career-high in the category. Vander Kooi nearly had a quadruple-double as she also had eight assists on the evening.

Columbia, Lovin' The Volleyball ... Mizzou Sixth Nationally in Attendance

By the looks of the Hearn Center on October 5th versus Nebraska, with the Tiger crowd of 7,298 roaring to its loudest volume seen at a volleyball match, Columbia, Mo. - the middle-sized town in the middle of the middle-west, may well become a volleyball town in the near future. With a steady increase of average attendance since the Kreklows' arrival in 2000, the 2005 crowd average may well skyrocket. Earlier in the season, Mizzou hosted K-State and 2,438 fans watched that match, the then-second largest crowd in team history.

The 7,298 crowd nearly tripled Mizzou's previous attendance record of 2,638 set last year in a win over Texas A&M. In fact, Mizzou's total attendance through five home matches prior to the Nebraska match was around 6,208. The October 5 crowd overly doubled that figure.

In 2004, Mizzou reached its highest national-attendance ranking before '05, ranking 19th in the country with a 1,460 average.

The Monkey Off Thy Back

While wins over Texas A&M in College Station and an early-conference-season sweep over Kansas State may have seemed like normal occurrences in the Tigers' fast start to the season, they actually were victories that were a long-time coming. Mizzou had never won in College Station in nine previous tries before the Tigers four-game win over Texas A&M. Kansas State had the Tigers' number previous to their meeting on September 24, as K-State had won nine straight over Mizzou before the three-game Tiger sweep. Another monkey was thrown from the train when the Tigers defeated K-State for the second time this season in a five-game thriller in Manhattan. The win was the Tigers first in the "Little Apple" since 1993.

The stubborn monkey of the bunch is of the Cornhusker variety. Mizzou has lost 50 of the last 51 meetings with Nebraska dating back to 1982. Mizzou's lone win in the stretch came in 2003 when the Tigers stunned then-No. 8 NU in Lincoln, winning in a five-game thriller after losing games one and two.

If You're Goin' To Play (well, anywhere) ... You've Got to Have A Good SETTER on Hand
Hunter Becomes Mizzou's All-Time Assists Leader ... Also joins 5,000-assist club

At the end of game three in the Tigers' 3-1 win over No. 15 Texas A&M in College Station, Missouri setter Lindsey Hunter had exactly 44 assists on the night, putting her at 4,958 in her career. At that point, Hunter became Mizzou's all-time assist leader, passing Heather Gerber (1997-2000).



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THE LAST TIME IT HAPPENED ...

A Missouri Player ...

- Had 20 or more kills ...** 28, Na Yang vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)
- Had 25 or more kills ...** 28, Na Yang vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)
- Had 60 or more attempts ...** 62, Shen Danru vs. Arkansas - NCAA First Round (12/3/04)
- Had 70 or more assists ...** 75, Lindsey Hunter vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)
- Had 20 or more digs ...** 22, Jessica Vander Kooi at #1 Nebraska (11/13/05)
- Had 25 or more digs ...** 25, Tatum Ailes at #24 Kansas State (10/26/05)
- Had 10 or more total blocks ...** 11, Nicole Wilson at Kansas State (10/8/03)
- Had 6 or more aces ...** 6, Abbie Booth vs. Arkansas (12/3/05) - NCAA Second Round
- Scored 25 or more points ...** 28.5, Na Yang vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)

A Missouri Team ...

- Held an opponent to 10 points or less (30-pt. game) ...** 7, vs. SEMO - game 2 (9/21/04)
- Held an opponent to 5 points or less (30-pt. game) ...** 3, vs. Montana State - game 1 (8/29/03)
- Scored less than 15 points (30-pt. game) ...** 14, vs. Texas - game 3 (10/26/02)

- Had 80 kills in a match ...** 91 vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)
- Had 100 kills in a match ...** 102, vs. Illinois State (11/4/84)
- Had 200 attacks in a match ...** 205, at #24 Kansas State (10/26/05)
- Had a .400 or better hitting percentage in a match ...** .505, vs Arkansas (12/3/05) - NCAA Second Round
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- Had a .500 or better hitting percentage in a match ...** .505, vs Arkansas (12/3/05) - NCAA Second Round
- Had 75 digs in a match ...** 81, at #1 Nebraska (11/13/05)
- Had 100 digs in a match ...** 102, at #24 Kansas State (10/26/05)
- Had 10 aces in a match ...** 14 vs Texas A&M (11/26/05)
- Had 15 aces in a match ...** 15, vs. Iowa State (11/19/03)
- Held a team without a block** at Colorado (9/21/05)
- Went a game without committing a hitting error....** at Colorado (9/21/05) - game 3

vs. ranked teams ...

- Last win at home ... November 21, 2005 vs #10 Texas (3-0)
- Last win on road ... October 26, 2005 at #24 Kansas State (3-2)
- Last win, neutral ... September 10, 2005 vs. #9 Wisconsin (3-0)

vs. unranked teams ...

- Last loss at home ... October 29, 2005 vs Colorado (2-3)

Adding 47 assists in last the September 21 sweep of Colorado in Boulder, Hunter became the first Tiger in the 5,000-assist club, standing at 5,015.

Hunter's name will be prominent in the NCAA record book once the season is done, and one thing that Hunter is getting closer and closer to doing is cracking the top five all-time in NCAA history in assists per game. Here's a list of the current standings:

- Career Assists Per Game - NCAA Division I all-time*
- 1) Kelly Campbell, Colorado (96-99) ... 14.45 apg ... 431 games, 6,228 assists
 - 2) Erika Selsor, UCLA (98-01) ... 14.01 apg ... 445 games, 6,234 assists
 - 3) Roz Pelayo, Santa Clara (97-00) ... 14.01apg ... 409 games, 5,732 assists
 - 4) Emily Sallee, Ball State (97-00) ... 13.84 apg ... 463 games, 6,408 assists
 - 5) Kele Eveland, Georgia Tech (00-03) ... 13.83 apg ... 483 games, 6,464 assists
 - 6) Lindsey Hunter, Missouri (02-05) ... 13.72 apg ... 436 games, 5,980 assists

Takin' Care Of Business...

The Tigers lost game one at No. 15 Texas A&M 31-29 in mid-September, marking the first game-loss for Mizzou after seven-straight match sweeps. Winning 21 games straight, the Tigers swept through all seven non-conference opponents including then-No. 9 Tennessee and No. 9 Wisconsin. Mizzou's team-record for consecutive games won is 24, set in 2000. In this year's stretch was two sweeps over top-10 teams in Tennessee and Wisconsin, marking the first Tiger sweeps over top-10 teams.

It's Baby Time!

The Tiger volleyball family has a new member. Assistant coach Deng Yang delivered a 7 lb., 14 oz., baby boy on Wednesday (August 31st) at 5:15 p.m. Yang, and husband, Chen Feng, named the new Tiger, Logan Chen.

The Ol' Switcheroo

In their sixth season as coaches of the University of Missouri Women's Volleyball Team, Wayne and Susan Kreklow are swapping positions. After five seasons working as Associate Head Coach of the Missouri Women's volleyball team, Wayne Kreklow will take on the title of Head Coach while his wife Susan will assume the position of Associate Head Coach to the team. The Kreklow's have been very successful in their previous seasons at Missouri, turning the Missouri Women's Volleyball team into a force in the Big 12. Before coming to Missouri, the Kreklows were co-head coaches at Columbia College for both the men's and women's teams.

Since Missouri does not proclaim the Kreklows as co-head coaches, the NCAA will consider their win-loss records separately. Susan's win-loss record stands at 109-46 through five seasons. The .703 winning percentage is the best in school history for a coach's career. Prior to Missouri, Susan was head coach of Columbia College's women's team from 1990 to 1993 and co-head coach with Wayne from 1994 to 1999. As a women's coach, Susan accumulated a winning record of 565-132 (.811) over 15 seasons. Susan was also co-head coach with Wayne for Columbia College's men from

1997 to 1999, giving Susan an overall record of 618-156 (.798).

Wayne brings to Missouri a 267-29 (.902) women's head coaching record from his days with Susan at Columbia College which will stand as his NCAA-official coaches' record through six seasons. Added to a 53-24 (.688) record from coaching Columbia College's men's team, Wayne is 320-53 (.858) overall as a head coach. Prior to joining his wife at Columbia College in 1994 as co-head coach, Kreklow was an assistant coach at Missouri under Craig Sherman for five years.

The Kreklow Revolution

In their previous five seasons at Missouri, Wayne and Susan Kreklow have revolutionized Tiger Volleyball. In their first season at Missouri in 2000, the Tigers jumped from ranking ninth in the Big 12 to second and Susan Kreklow was named the 2000 Big 12 Coach of the Year. In 2002, the Tigers finished No. 20 in the USA Today/AVCA Coaches Poll, the highest year ending ranking in Missouri history. Through the Kreklows' leadership, Missouri has been to five consecutive NCAA tournaments, certainly a different look from the years of winning only four to five conference games a season.

Super Seniors

For three seasons, they have dominated the Big 12 conference with their abilities to hit, assist, and kill and as Lisa Boyd, Shen Danru, and Lindsey Hunter enter their final season at Missouri, they show no signs of slowing down on or off the court. Since coming to Missouri, Lisa Boyd has been a two-time Academic All-Big 12. In 2004, she was the Big 12 leader in hitting percentage and took over the Missouri record for hitting percentage with an astounding .384. Shen Danru has also left her mark on Missouri, being named, in each of her three seasons, to the Academic All-Big 12 and the All-Big 12 teams. She is not only the school record holder in career kills per game and attacks but last season moved into second on the all-time list of service aces. Not to be outdone by her senior counterparts, Lindsey Hunter has added her own touch to Missouri Volleyball as a two-time USA National A2 team member and a two-time All-Big 12 First Team selection. Hunter has led the Big 12 in \assists since joining the Tigers and in 2004, was named Academic All-Big 12. Already in 2005, Hunter has been named to the Preseason All-Big 12 team. No doubt the 2005 season holds many more accomplishments for the three super seniors as they prepare to say goodbye to the Tigers and as Missouri prepares to say goodbye to three of its volleyball legends.

Spanning the Globe

In 2001, Missouri added its first ever Eastern Hemisphere player with Shen Danru, a freshman out of Shanghai Sports School who had been part of China's Junior National Team in 1999. Since beginning her career at Missouri, Danru has set a new school record in career kills per game and attacks. Following in Danru's footsteps is Na Yang, a sophomore from Shan Dong, China who played with Danru on the 1998 Chinese World Teenage Championship Team. A promising player, Yang started in 12 games as a freshman and had double-doubles in kills and digs last year in four matches. In 2005, Missouri adds two more China natives to





MATCH-BY-MATCH RECAP

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.	Game-by-Game	Played Rank			Kill Leaders	Block Leaders	Missouri Summary													Opponents		
				MU	OPP	Att.			K	E	TA	Pct.	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	TB	BHE	K Pct.	TB	
Fri 9/2	UTAH, Tiger Inv.	W, 3-0	30-28, 30-22, 30-21	21	RV	948	Vander Kooi (13)	Danru/Boyd (4)	52	21	121	.256	51	7	9	6	45	1	12	2	7	1	35,116	9
Sun 9/4	TENNESSEE, Tiger Inv.	W, 3-0	30-27, 30-23, 30-20	21	9	1,008	Yang (15)	Boyd (4)	63	15	136	.353	59	4	7	3	51	1	12	1	7	3	41,239	6
Tue 9/6	UMKC	W, 3-0	30-13, 30-11, 30-13	14	--	522	Vander Kooi/Yang (13)	Vander Kooi (6)	49	8	89	.461	44	9	5	0	38	1	20	2	11	3	20,056	3
Fri 9/9	at Montana State^	W, 3-0	30-16, 30-24, 30-19	14	--	1,251	Yang (17)	Yang (3)	61	15	132	.348	55	3	11	1	47	2	6	1	5	0	32,136	5
Sat 9/10	vs. Wisconsin^	W, 3-0	30-26, 30-26, 30-28	14	9	225	Vander Kooi/Danru (12)	Boyd (7)	50	22	129	.217	45	5	2	2	45	6	14	0	13	3	51,173	7
Sat 9/10	vs. Northern Colorado^	W, 3-0	30-15, 30-18, 30-22	14	--	100	Yang (15)	Wilson (9)	57	11	123	.374	56	5	7	1	59	2	18	3	11	1	35,107	7
Wed 9/14	IOWA STATE*	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-24, 30-16	10	--	1,289	Danru/Wilson (12)	Hunter (4)	53	18	107	.327	50	11	6	0	39	0	12	2	6	2	34,131	7
Fri 9/16	at Texas A&M*	W, 3-1	29-31, 30-28, 30-24, 30-25	10	15	2,455	Yang (19)	Wilson (8)	77	25	215	.242	70	9	10	4	93	1	19	3	10	5	68,219	11.5
Wed 9/21	at Colorado*	W, 3-0	30-25, 30-24, 30-11	8	--	509	Vander Kooi (14)	three tied (8)	52	7	120	.375	50	4	8	1	52	2	32	0	18	0	44,127	0
Sat 9/24	KANSAS STATE*	W, 3-0	30-19, 30-20, 30-26	8	17	2,438	Vander Kooi/Wilson (11)	Wilson (9)	49	13	105	.343	45	8	5	4	42	2	20	1	20	1	41,152	8.5
Wed 9/28	at Baylor*	W, 3-0	30-28, 30-25, 30-24	7	--	478	Vander Kooi (15)	three tied (2)	60	18	147	.286	55	5	4	2	65	0	8	2	4	2	51,231	7
Sat 10/1	at Texas Tech*	W, 3-2	27-30, 28-30, 30-23, 30-21, 15-12	7	--	100	Yang (21)	Wilson (6)	82	26	188	.298	76	7	16	7	80	6	12	6	12	0	65,175	9.5
Wed 10/5	NEBRASKA*	L, 1-3	26-30, 30-22, 23-30, 27-30	7	1	7,298	Yang (18)	Wilson (7)	62	24	165	.230	58	5	9	2	80	1	23	4	12	5	76,266	12
Wed 10/12	at Texas*	L, 0-3	28-30, 27-30, 22-30	7	18	1,797	Yang (14)	Vander Kooi/Boyd (2)	49	22	128	.211	46	2	7	3	46	1	5	2	3	5	53,311	6
Sat 10/15	KANSAS*	W, 3-0	30-23, 30-21, 30-11	7	RV	3,699	Wilson (13)	three tied (6)	53	13	114	.351	44	9	8	2	44	0	26	3	13	1	31,085	4
Wed 10/19	OKLAHOMA*	W, 3-0	30-24, 30-26, 30-22	10	--	1,818	Vander Kooi/Yang (11)	Boyd (5)	50	17	126	.262	46	5	12	0	44	3	10	3	8	0	43,153	9.5
Sat 10/22	at Iowa State*	W, 3-1	30-23, 23-30, 30-12, 30-23	10	--	1,050	Yang (14)	Wilson (9)	67	17	152	.329	63	4	6	1	62	2	24	2	14	2	60,185	6
Wed 10/26	at Kansas State*	W, 3-2	28-30, 26-30, 30-23, 30-25, 15-11	8	24	1,451	Yang (21)	Vander Kooi (9)	74	31	205	.210	74	5	8	3	102	7	20	5	17	0	73,177	18
Sat 10/29	COLORADO*	L, 2-3	30-20, 28-30, 30-23, 27-30, 12-15	8	RV	2,571	Vander Kooi (19)	Wilson (9)	76	28	173	.277	72	9	17	8	46	3	26	6	16	0	65,214	10
Wed 11/2	TEXAS TECH*	W, 3-0	30-18, 30-18, 30-19	13	--	1,062	Danru (12)	Danru/Boyd (3)	49	13	102	.343	46	9	6	2	49	3	8	1	7	1	32,054	7
Sat 11/5	at Oklahoma*	W, 3-0	30-20, 30-21, 30-28	13	--	478	Vander Kooi (13)	Boyd (5)	52	12	121	.331	46	0	6	2	58	3	14	1	10	1	46,141	9
Wed 11/9	BAYLOR*	W, 3-0	30-23, 30-22, 30-23	12	--	1,837	Boyd/Yang (13)	Wilson (4)	62	9	109	.486	57	6	7	1	31	1	8	1	5	0	51,337	6
Sun 11/13	at Nebraska*	L, 2-3	30-28, 30-27, 21-30, 24-30, 3-15	12	1	4,158	Vander Kooi (23)	Wilson (5)	70	34	197	.183	58	2	6	5	81	1	14	7	8	5	80,260	18
Sun 11/20	TEXAS*	W, 3-0	30-28, 30-22, 30-28	11	10	4,012	Yang (21)	Hunter/Wilson (2)	60	15	129	.349	60	7	7	4	44	2	4	6	4	1	51,268	8.5
Wed 11/23	at Kansas*	W, 3-1	30-25, 27-30, 30-16, 30-18	10	--	1,300	Yang (17)	three tied (4)	65	19	153	.301	56	6	6	5	60	3	14	1	10	0	55,148	12
Sat 11/26	TEXAS A&M*	W, 3-2	25-30, 34-32, 28-30, 30-27, 15-7	10	--	2,766	Yang (28)	three tied (3)	91	28	209	.301	86	14	9	3	61	1	10	2	6	1	85,378	14
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	W, 3-0	30-27, 30-18, 30-26	10	--	6,294	V'Kooi/Danru (13)	Boyd (8)	60	13	129	.364	54	2	4	2	49	4	22	2	15	2	50,179	6
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	W, 3-0	30-25, 30-16, 30-11	10	--	2,490	Yang (13)	Vander Kooi (3)	57	8	97	.505	51	14	7	1	39	1	6	0	4	0	35,226	2

SEASON RECORD TRACKER

After 2005 NCAA Sub-Regionals

Category	Mizzou All-Time Top 3	2005 Team Leaders	Mizzou All-Time Rk	
Kills	Yvette Buhlig (1992)	Na Yang	396	t10th
	Shen Danru (2002)	J. Vander Kooi	343	25th
	Christi Myers (2002)	Nicole Wilson	309	31st
Kills/gm	Yvette Buhlig (1992)	Na Yang	4.04	5th
	min. 200 kills Lisa Morris (2005)	J. Vander Kooi	3.5	t15th
	Lisa Morris (2000)	Nicole Wilson	3.19	27th
Hitting %	Lisa Boyd (2004)	Nicole Wilson	.430	1st, B12 Record
	min. 400 att Christi Myers (2002)	Lisa Boyd	.364	6th
	Nicole Wilson (2004)	Na Yang	.308	13th
Attacks	Shen Danru (2003)	Na Yang	891	20th
	Shen Danru (2002)	J. Vander Kooi	844	27th
	Margaret Yanics (1988)	Shen Danru	798	37th
Assists	Lindsey Hunter (2002)	Lindsey Hunter	1391	6th
	Heather Gerber (1998)			
	Lindsey Hunter (2004)			
Assists/gm	Lindsey Hunter (2004)	Lindsey Hunter	14.19	2nd
	min. 500 ast Lindsey Hunter (2002)			
	Heather Gerber (2000)			
Aces	Shen Danru (2002)	Abbie Booth	38	t28th
	Yvette Buhlig (1990)	Lindsey Hunter	36	t34th
	Yvette Buhlig (1992)			
Aces/gm	Yvette Buhlig (1990)	Abbie Booth	0.39	22nd
	min. 25 aces Sharen Olmstead (1984)	Lindsey Hunter	0.37	29th
	Yvette Buhlig (1992)	J. Vander Kooi	0.31	50th
Blocks, totl	Christi Myers (2000)	Nicole Wilson	124	3rd
	Christi Myers (2001)	Lisa Boyd	108	6th
	Christi Myers (2002)	J. Vander Kooi	98	12th
Block assts	Christi Myers (2001)	Nicole Wilson	111	2nd
	Christi Myers (2002)	J. Vander Kooi	90	5th
	Christi Myers (2000)	Lisa Boyd	89	6th
Blocks/gm	Christi Myers (2000)	Nicole Wilson	1.28	3rd
	Dina Herzog (1984)	Lisa Boyd	1.11	6th
	Dianne Berg (1984)	J. Vander Kooi	1.00	8th
Digs	Tatum Ailes (2004)	Tatum Ailes	389	5th
	Margaret Yanics (1988)	Shen Danru	293	29th
	Shen Danru (2003)	J. Vander Kooi	262	50th
Digs/gm	Tatum Ailes (2004)	Tatum Ailes	3.97	2nd
	min. 100 digs Naaron Branson (2001)	Shen Danru	2.99	14th
	A. Tuma ('88)/Danru ('03)	J. Vander Kooi	2.67	40th
Points	Yvette Buhlig (1992)	Na Yang	427	21st
	Shen Danru (2002)	J. Vander Kooi	426	22nd
	Christi Myers (2002)	Nicole Wilson	405.5	26th
Points/gm	Yvette Buhlig (1992)	Na Yang	4.36	12th
	min. 50 gms Lisa Morris (2000)	J. Vander Kooi	4.35	13th
	Sharen Olmstead (1984)	Nicole Wilson	4.18	18th

TALLY BOARD

Lead Kill Count

Na Yang	16
Vander Kooi	11
Nicole Wilson	5
Shen Danru	4
Lisa Boyd	1

Lead Block Count

Nicole Wilson	13
Lisa Boyd	10
Na Yang	3
Shen Danru	2
Lindsey Hunter	2
Jessica Vander Kooi	2

TEAM SEASON RECORD TRACKER

Average Categories	'05	Rank
Kills per game (17.67,'04)	17.37	2nd
Hitting percentage (.289,'00)	.306	1st
Assists per game (16.12,'04)	16.20	1st
Aces per game (2.64,'92)	1.80	12th
Digs per game (17.57,'01)	15.86	8th
Blocks per game (3.19,'00)	2.75	2nd
Points per game (21.75,'04)	21.91	1st
Cumulative Categories	'05	Rank
Kills (2055,'02)	1702	7th
Attacks (4915,'02)	3919	20th
Assists (1881,'02)	1588	6th
Aces (309,'92)	176	18th
Digs (2125,'88)	1554	t17th
Block solos (132,'00)	60	t20th
Total blocks (322,'00)	269.5	8th
Points (2,568,'02)	2147.5	8th

() - school records, ranks are out of 23 seasons



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MISSOURI'S NCAA TOUR HISTORY THE MATCHES

2000

at Provo, Utah (BYU), December 1, First Round

Missouri (2) 15 6 15 14 9

Utah State (3) 5 15 3 16 15

Time: 2:05, Attend: 643

Kill Leader: Lisa Morris (19), Block Leader: Christi Myers (10)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Missouri	64	.239	4	53	18
Utah State	67	.166	5		15.5

2001

at Champaign, Ill. (Illinois), November 30, First Rnd.

Missouri (1) 30 38 25 27

Illinois (3) 26 40 30 30

Time: 2:05, Attend: 1555

Kill Leader: Christi Myers (22), Krista Johnson (5)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Missouri	82	.279	4	86	8
Illinois	69	.253	7		14

2002

at Cedar Falls, Iowa (UNI), December 6, First Round

Missouri (3) 25 30 31 40

Northwestern (1) 30 20 29 38

Time: 2:06, Attend: 2,051

Kill Leader: Mary Lauren Smith (28), Block Leader: Christi Myers (5)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Missouri	74	.287	4	56	8
Northwestern	69	.253	3		13

at Cedar Falls, Iowa (UNI), December 7, Second Rnd.

Missouri (2) 30 30 27 27 10

Northern Iowa 25 22 30 30 15

Time: 2:12, Attend: 1,934

Kill Leader: Shen Danru (23), Block Leader: Lindsey Noll (6)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Missouri	81	.255	3	65	9
Northern Iowa	71	.249	6		19.5

2003

at Los Angeles, Calif. (UCLA), December 5, First Rnd.

Missouri (2) 27 33 30 28 12

UC-Irvine (3) 30 31 25 30 15

Time: 2:20

Kill Leader: Vander Kooi (23), Block Leader: Boyd (7)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Missouri	75	.254	6	75	17
UC-Irvine	76	.227			12

2004

at Columbia, Mo., December 3, First Round

Arkansas (1) 28 21 30 26

Missouri (3) 30 30 25 30

Time: 1:55, Attend: 2,437

Kill Leader: Shen Danru (21), Block Leader: Vander Kooi/Boyd (6)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Arkansas	57	.185	3		14
Missouri	75	.231	7	70	12

at Columbia, Mo., December 4, Second Round

Louisville (3) 30 22 30 30

Missouri (1) 26 30 25 25

Time: 1:57, Attend: 1,813

Kill Leader: Lisa Boyd (20), Block Leader: Lisa Boyd (4)

	K	Hit	SA	Digs	TB
Louisville	72	.355	3		10.5
Missouri	77	.289	3	55	7

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Kills

28	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002
23	Jessica Vander Kooi	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003
23	Shen Danru	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002
23	Shen Danru	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002
22	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002
22	Christi Myers	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001
21	Shen Danru	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2004
21	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001
20	Naaron Branson	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001
20	Lisa Boyd	_____	Louisville	_____	Dec 4, 2004

Attacks

62	Shen Danru	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2004
56	Shen Danru	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002
55	Christi Myers	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001
54	Jessica Vander Kooi	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003
53	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002
51	Shen Danru	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003
50	Shen Danru	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002
50	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002

Hitting Percentage (min. 10 attempts)

.765	Na Yang	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2005	_____	13-0-17
.714	Lisa Boyd	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2005	_____	10-0-14
.667	Lindsey Noll	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002	_____	8-0-12
.538	Nicole Wilson	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2005	_____	9-2-13
.526	Nicole Wilson	_____	Missouri State	_____	Dec 2, 2005	_____	11-1-19
.500	Nicole Wilson	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2004	_____	

Assists

73	Christy Elder	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001
69	Lindsey Hunter	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002

Service Aces

6	Abbie Booth	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2005
5	Jessica Vander Kooi	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003

Digs

22	Shen Danru	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003
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Block Solos

4	Jessica Vander Kooi	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003	_____
3	Christi Myers	_____	vs Utah State	_____	Dec 1, 2000	_____

Total Blocks

10	Christi Myers	_____	vs Utah State	_____	Dec 1, 2000	_____	5g
8	Lisa Boyd	_____	Missouri State	_____	Dec 2, 2005	_____	3g
7	Krista Johnson	_____	vs Utah State	_____	Dec 1, 2000	_____	5g
7	Lisa Boyd	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003	_____	

Points

32.5	Jessica Vander Kooi	_____	vs UC-Irvine	_____	Dec 5, 2003	_____	23k, 5sa, 4bs, 1ba
30	Mary Lauren Smith	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002	_____	
25	Shen Danru	_____	vs Northwestern	_____	Dec 6, 2002	_____	
24.5	Shen Danru	_____	at Northern Iowa	_____	Dec 7, 2002	_____	
24	Shen Danru	_____	Arkansas	_____	Dec 3, 2004	_____	
24	Lisa Morris	_____	vs Utah State	_____	Dec 1, 2000	_____	5g
24	Christi Myers	_____	at Illinois	_____	Nov 30, 2001	_____	



MISSOURI'S NCAA TOUR HISTORY TEAM HIGHS (H)/LOWS (L) - MATCH

Kills		Hitting Differential	
H: 82	at Illinois 11/30/01	H: +.279	Arkansas 12/3/05
L: 57	Arkansas 12/3/05	L: -.066	Louisville 12/4/04
Hitting Errors		Hitting Efficiency (Kills/Attacks)	
H: 33	at Northern Iowa 12/7/02	H: .588	Arkansas 12/3/05
L: 8	Arkansas 12/3/05	L: .403	vs Utah State 12/1/00
Attacks		Hitting Percentage, Clinching Games	
H: 201	at Illinois 11/30/01	H: .640	Arkansas 12/3/05
L: 97	Arkansas 12/3/05	L: -.182	vs Utah State 12/1/00
Hitting Percentage		Team Points Scored (30-pt game era)	
H: .505	Arkansas 12/2/05	H: 130	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03
L: .231	Arkansas 12/3/04	L: 106	Louisville 12/4/04
Assists		Team Points Allowed (30-pt game era)	
H: 80	at Illinois 11/30/01	H: 131	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03
L: 51	Arkansas 12/3/05	L: 52	Arkansas 12/3/05
Service Aces		Combined Team Points (30-pt game era)	
H: 7	Arkansas 12/3/05	H: 261	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03
L: 2	Missouri State 12/2/05	L: 218	Louisville 12/4/04
Service Errors		Team Point Differential	
H: 16	vs Northwestern 12/6/02	H: +38	Arkansas 12/3/05
	at Illinois 11/30/01	L: -6	at Illinois 11/30/01
L: 4	Missouri State 12/2/05		Louisville 12/4/04
Reception Errors		Ties	
H: 7	at Illinois 11/30/01	50	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03
L: 1	Arkansas 12/3/05		
Digs		Lead Changes	
H: 86	at Illinois 11/30/01	31	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03
L: 39	Arkansas 12/3/05		
Block Solos			
H: 7	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03		
Block Errors			
H: 5	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03		
Total Blocks			
H: 18	vs Utah State 12/1/00		
L: 4	Arkansas 12/3/05		
Kills, Opponent			
H: 76	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03		
L: 35	Arkansas 12/4/05		
Hitting Percentage, Opponent			
H: .355	Louisville 12/4/04		
L: .166	vs Utah State 12/1/00		
Total Blocks, Opponent			
H: 19.5	at Northern Iowa 12/7/02		
L: 2	Arkansas 12/3/05		
Attacks per Error			
H: 12.1	Arkansas 12/3/05		
L: 5.7	at Northern Iowa 12/7/02		
Unforced Errors			
H: 47	vs UC-Irvine 12/5/03		
L: 14	Arkansas 12/3/05		
Blocking Differential			
H: +9	Missouri State 12/2/05		
L: -11	at Northern Iowa 12/7/02		

Double-Doubles (all 11 listed)

13k, 10b	Christi Myers	vs Utah State	Dec 1, 2000	5g
57a, 11d	Heather Gerber	vs Utah State	Dec 1, 2000	5g
20k, 18d	Naaron Branson	at Illinois	Nov 30, 2001	
23k, 11d	Shen Danru	vs Northwestern	Dec 6, 2002	
23k, 10d	Shen Danru	at Northern Iowa	Dec 7, 2002	
62a, 13d	Lindsey Hunter	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003	
23k, 18d	Jessica Vander Kooi	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003	
19k, 22d	Shen Danru	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003	
60a, 15d	Lindsey Hunter	Arkansas	Dec 3, 2004	
13k, 14d	Jessica Vander Kooi	Arkansas	Dec 3, 2004	
18k, 15d	Shen Danru	Louisville	Dec 4, 2004	

Kills, Opponent

31	Kelly Wing	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003
28	Lisa Argabright	at Illinois	Nov 30, 2001

Hitting Percentage, Opponent

.600	Sara Thomas	Missouri State	Dec 2, 2005	7-1-10
.560	Amanda Vazquez	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003	
.556	Anastasia Yartseva	Louisville	Dec 4, 2004	
.500	Jill Argabright	at Northern Iowa	Dec 7, 2002	

Service Aces, Opponent

6	Sue Webber	at Illinois	Nov 30, 2001
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Digs, Opponent

25	Kim Kester	at Northern Iowa	Dec 7, 2002
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Block Solo, Opponent

5	Terbie Taylor	vs UC-Irvine	Dec 5, 2003
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Total Blocks, Opponent

10	Erika Lange	vs Northwestern	Dec 6, 2002
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Kills		Attacks, Opponent	
26	vs Utah State - gm 1	Dec 1, 2000	63 at Illinois - gm 2
26	at Illinois - gm 2	Nov 30, 2001	Nov 30, 2001
Hitting Errors		Hitting Percentage, Opponent	
12	Arkansas - gm 3	Dec 3, 2004	.405 Louisville - gm 4
Attacks		Dec 4, 2004	
71	at Illinois - gm 2	Nov 30, 2001	Hitting Percentage Allowed, Opponent
Hitting Percentage		-.182 vs Utah State - gm 5	
.640	Arkansas - gm 3	Dec 3, 2005	Dec 1, 2000
(17-1-25)			Points Scored
Hitting Percentage Allowed		40 vs Northwestern - gm 4	
-.080	vs Utah State - gm 3	Dec 1, 2000	Dec 6, 2002
Kills, Opponent		Points Allowed	
22	Louisville - gm 4	Dec 4, 2004	40 at Illinois - gm 2
22	vs Northwestern - gm 4	Dec 6, 2002	Nov 30, 2001
22	Arkansas - gm 2	Dec 3, 2005	Least Points Scored (30-pt gm era, games 1-4)
21	vs Utah State - gm 4	Dec 1, 2000	25 four times
21	at Illinois - gm 2	Dec 1, 2000	Least Points Allowed (30-pt gm era, games 1-4)
Hitting Errors, Opponent		11 Arkansas - gm 3	
14	vs Utah State - gm 4	Dec 1, 2000	Dec 3, 2005



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Total Season Statistics

RECORD :	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL MATCHES	(24-4)	(13-2)	(9-2)	(2-0)
CONFERENCE	(16-4)	(8-2)	(8-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE	(8-0)	(5-0)	(1-0)	(2-0)

##	STATS SUMMARY	ATTACK					SET		SERVE			DIG			BLOCKING					Poin		
		G	K	K/G	E	TA	Pct	A	A/G	SA	SE	SA/G	RE	DIG	D/G	BS	BA	Total	B/G		BE	BHE
2	Hunter, Lindsey	98	92	0.94	21	202	.351	1391	14.19	36	72	0.37	0	236	2.41	1	49	50	0.51	23	19	153
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	98	343	3.50	112	844	.274	74	0.76	30	25	0.31	8	262	2.67	8	90	98	1.00	14	8	426
5	Booth, Abbie	98	2	0.02	2	4	.000	22	0.22	38	29	0.39	12	189	1.93	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	40
6	Danru, Shen	98	281	2.87	123	798	.198	27	0.28	30	46	0.31	16	293	2.99	10	30	40	0.41	10	2	336
7	Jaksich, Jilly	7	1	0.14	2	3	-.333	1	0.14	1	0	0.14	0	5	0.71	0	1	1	0.14	0	0	2
8	Boyd, Lisa	97	267	2.75	56	579	.364	14	0.14	0	0	0.00	0	30	0.31	19	89	108	1.11	5	1	330
9	Ailes, Tatum	98	5	0.05	0	9	.556	40	0.41	13	17	0.13	21	389	3.97	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	18
10	Yang, Na	98	396	4.04	122	891	.308	8	0.08	0	2	0.00	1	71	0.72	9	44	53	0.54	5	0	427
13	Wilson, Nicole	97	309	3.19	63	572	.430	11	0.11	28	23	0.29	2	76	0.78	13	111	124	1.28	11	4	405
14	Entzerth, Sarah	1	1	1.00	0	1	1.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	2	2.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1
15	Allberry, Melissa	8	5	0.62	2	16	.188	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	0	1	0.12	0	5	5	0.62	1	0	7
TEAM												15										
MISSOURI		98	1702	17.37	503	3919	.306	1588	16.20	176	215	1.80	75	1554	15.86	60	419	269.5	2.75	69	35	2147
Opponents		98	1403	14.32	663	3872	.191	1292	13.18	75	172	0.77	176	1470	15.00	34	390	229.0	2.34	42	41	1707

TEAM STATISTICS	MO	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SCORE-BY-GAME	ATTEND
ATTACK			A Sep 02	UTAH	W	3-0	30-28,30-22,30-21	948
Kills	1702	1403	A Sep 04	#9 TENNESSEE	W	3-0	30-27,30-23,30-20	1008
Errors	503	663	Sep 06	UMKC	W	3-0	30-13,30-11,30-13	522
Total Attacks	3919	3872	B Sep 09	at Montana State	W	3-0	30-16,30-24,30-19	1251
Attack Pct . . . . .	.306	.191	B Sep 10	vs #9 Wisconsin	W	3-0	30-26,30-26,30-28	225
Kills/Game	17.4	14.3	B Sep 10	vs Northern Colorado	W	3-0	30-15,30-18,30-22	100
SET			* Sep 14	IOWA STATE	W	3-0	30-20,30-24,30-16	1289
Assists	1588	1292	* Sep 16	at #15 Texas A&M	W	3-1	29-31,30-28,30-24,30-25	2455
Attempts	3283	3159	* Sep 21	at Colorado	W	3-0	30-25,30-24,30-11	509
Assist Pct . . . . .	.484	.409	* Sep 24	#17 KANSAS STATE	W	3-0	30-19,30-20,30-26	2438
Assists/Game	16.2	13.2	* Sep 28	at Baylor	W	3-0	30-28,30-25,30-24	478
SERVE			* Oct 01	at Texas Tech	W	3-2	27-30,28-30,30-23,30-21,15-12	100
Aces	176	75	* Oct 05	#1 NEBRASKA	L	1-3	26-30,30-22,23-30,27-30	7298
Errors	215	172	* Oct 12	at #18 Texas	L	0-3	28-30,27-30,22-30	1797
Attempts	2746	2280	* Oct 15	KANSAS	W	3-0	30-23,30-21,30-11	3699
Serve Pct . . . . .	.922	.925	* Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	W	3-0	30-24,30-26,30-22	1818
Aces/Game	1.8	0.8	* Oct 22	at Iowa State	W	3-1	30-23,23-30,30-12,30-23	1050
SERVE RECEPTIONS			* Oct 26	at #24 Kansas State	W	3-2	28-30,26-30,30-23,30-25,15-11	1451
Errors	75	176	* Oct 29	COLORADO	L	2-3	30-20,28-30,30-23,27-30,12-15	2571
Errors/Game	0.8	1.8	* Nov 02	TEXAS TECH	W	3-0	30-18,30-18,30-19	1062
Attempts	2083	2499	* Nov 05	at Oklahoma	W	3-0	30-20,30-21,30-28	478
Reception Pct . . . . .	.964	.930	* Nov 09	BAYLOR	W	3-0	30-23,30-22,30-23	1837
DEFENSE			* Nov 13	at #1 Nebraska	L	2-3	30-28,30-27,21-30,24-30,3-15	4158
Digs	1554	1470	* Nov 20	#10 TEXAS	W	3-0	30-28,30-22,30-28	4012
Digs/Game	15.9	15.0	* Nov 23	at Kansas	W	3-1	30-25,27-30,30-16,30-18	1300
BLOCKING			* Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	W	3-2	25-30,34-32,28-30,30-27,15-7	2766
Block Solo	60	34	X Dec 02	MISSOURI STATE	W	3-0	30-27,30-18,30-26	6294
Block Assist	419	390	X Dec 03	ARKANSAS	W	3-0	30-25,30-16,30-11	2490
Total Blocks	269.5	229.0						
Blocks Per Game	2.8	2.3						
Block Errors	69	42						
BALL HANDLING ERRORS	35	41						
ATTENDANCE								
Total	40052	15027						
Dates/Avg Per Date	15/2670	11/1366						
Neutral site #/Avg	2/162							
Current win streak	5	-						
Home win streak	6	-						

A - Tiger Invitational (Columbia, Mo.)
 B - Holiday Inn Classic (Bozeman, Mont.)
 X - NCAA First/Second Rounds (Columbia, Mo.)
 * - Big 12 Conference Games

its team in Lei Wang and Yi Zhang. Wang played twice with the Chinese Junior National team and attended Shanghai Sports School. Zhang was named MVP of the Chinese Youth Volleyball team in 2000 and in her first semester at Missouri in the winter of 2005 had a GPA over 3.7 and topped over 300 students to be at the top of her math section. For 10 days in May 2005, the Missouri Volleyball team visited China, playing matches against Bei Hang University and Beijing University.

in 2005, the team will welcome back six of those seven. 2004 was the first time senior Lindsey Hunter, juniors Jessica Vander Kooi, Abbie Booth and Nicole Wilson were named Academic All-Big 12 along with two and three-time honorees, seniors Lisa Boyd and Shen Danru. Boyd was an honoree in 2003, Danru in 2002 and 2003. In the winter semester of 2005, the Tigers set a new team record with a team term GPA of 3.29, beating out the previous semester's record of 3.27.

Yep, They're Smart Too
 In 2004, seven members of the Missouri Volleyball Team were Academic All-Big 12 Honorees and



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MATCH #1

Utah at #21 Missouri September 2, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-The No. 21 Missouri volleyball team opened its season in grand fashion Friday night, defeating Utah, 3-0, at the Hearnes Center in the first match of the Tiger Invitational. The Tigers' efficient sweep of the Utes led to the team's sixth-straight season-opening match win.

Missouri (1-0) took the match over Utah (2-1) from the Mountain West Conference 30-28, 30-22, and 30-21. Utah entered the contest receiving votes on the CSTV/AVCA Top 25 Coaches' Poll and are defending champions of their conference.

Sophomore Na Yang was one of three Tigers to record a double-digit kill total, ending the night with 11 kills on a .476 hitting percentage. Junior Jessica Vander Kooi accumulated 13 kills in addition to seven digs. Senior Shen Danru had 10 kills in the match. Overall, the Tigers out-hit the Utes .256 to .116.

Junior Abbie Booth had a match-high 10 digs with sophomore Tatum Ailes adding nine.

For the 80th game of her career senior Lindsey Hunter recorded over 40 assists (45).

Game one was the closest of the night as the Tigers had the Utes tied at 26 late in the game. After Vander Kooi landed her third kill of the game to make the score 27-26, junior Nicole Wilson recorded two consecutive service aces to give the Tigers a 29-26 advantage. Utah answered with two kills before Vander Kooi once again slammed home the point to give the Tigers the 30-28 game one victory.

In game two, the Tigers went on a 7-2 run that brought the score to 18-12, helped by a two-point double-block party, initiated by senior Lisa Boyd, grabbing two of her four match-total of blocks.

Junior Nicole Wilson stole the headlines in game three, hitting an errorless 4-for-5, grabbing a solo and assisting block, scoring 5½ team points.

Utah ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE SA SE	|SRV|DEF| RE|DIG|BS	BLOCK BA BE|BHE|	GEN POINTS	
		K	E	TA	TA							
5 BAIRD, Lori.....	3	5	3	16	.125	0	1 2	0 0	5 0	3 0	0 0	7.5
11 SALVO, Aerial.....	3	10	6	37	.108	2	3 3	0 4	0 2	0 0	0 0	14.0
12 KRUG, Shannon.....	3	1	3	4	-.500	24	1 1	0 4	0 0	0 0	1 1	2.0
15 'OONE, Emillie.....	3	8	1	16	.438	2	0 0	0 1	1 3	0 0	0 0	10.5
16 ROBISON, Kate.....	3	5	3	15	.133	1	0 0	0 2	4 0	2 0	0 0	6.0
17 WEBB, Whitney.....	3	0	2	4	-.500	1	0 0	1 1	8 0	1 0	0 0	0.5
4 SOMMERFELDT, Shelly.	3	4	4	14	.000	0	0 0	0 0	1 1	1 1	0 0	5.5
8 LOVELL, Kathryn.....	2	2	0	6	.333	0	0 0	0 1	1 1	0 0	0 0	3.0
9 LEICHLITER, Danielle	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1 0	1 1	8 0	0 0	0 0	1.0
TEAM.....									3			0.0
Totals.....	3	35	22	112	.116	30	6 6	7 35	3 12	1 1	1 1	50.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.0					
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS		
1	12	5	33	.212	1	2	3	2	1	
2	10	7	43	.070	Utah.....	(0)	28	22	21	2-1
3	13	10	36	.083	Missouri.....	(3)	30	30	30	1-0

Missouri ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE SA SE	|SRV|DEF| RE|DIG|BS	BLOCK BA BE|BHE|	GEN POINTS	
		K	E	TA	TA							
2 Hunter, Lindsey.....	3	2	2	5	.000	45	2 1	0 0	6 0	0 0	1 1	4.0
3 Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	13	6	31	.226	3	0 0	0 0	7 0	2 1	0 0	14.0
5 Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	1	1	-1.000	0	1 2	1 10	0 0	0 0	0 0	1.0
6 Danru, Shen.....	3	10	5	26	.192	1	2 3	0 8	0 4	0 0	0 0	14.0
8 Boyd, Lisa.....	3	7	5	20	.100	0	0 0	0 0	0 4	0 0	0 0	9.0
13 Wilson, Nicole.....	3	9	1	17	.471	2	2 1	1 3	1 2	0 0	0 0	13.0
9 Ailes, Tatum.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 2	2 9	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0
10 Yang, Na.....	3	11	1	21	.476	0	0 0	0 2	0 0	0 0	0 0	11.0
TEAM.....									2			0.0
Totals.....	3	52	21	121	.256	51	7 9	6 45	1 12	2 1	1 1	66.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS	
1	18	8	44	.227	1	2	3	2	1
2	21	8	48	.271	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)				
3	13	5	29	.276	Date: Sep 02, 2005	Attend: 948	Time: 1:35		
					Referees: Rick Welch, Kevin Dugan				

MATCH #2

#9 Tennessee at #21 Missouri September 4, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-Five Tigers posted double-digit kills Sunday afternoon as the No. 21 Missouri volleyball team dominantly swept the No. 9 Tennessee Lady Vols at the Hearnes Center, winning the championship match of the 2005 Tiger Invitational. The victory marks the fifth time in six seasons that Mizzou has opened the campaign with two consecutive victories.

The Tigers (2-0) made quick work of Tennessee (2-1), winning in one hour, 35 minutes with game scores of 30-27, 30-23, and 30-20.

Sophomore Na Yang led the Tiger attack with a match-high 15 kills, just two shy of her career high. She was joined in double-figures by senior Shen Danru (13), junior Jessica Vander Kooi (12) and senior Lisa Boyd and junior Nicole Wilson (10 each). Mizzou's 63 kills equalled the team's 2004 high for a three-game match.

Danru added 14 digs to notch her 54th career double-double, and Vander Kooi's 11 digs prompted her 30th double-double of her career. Sophomore libero Tatum Ailes also chipped in with 12 digs. Boyd tallied a team-high four blocks in the win.

Senior setter Lindsey Hunter dealt out 55 assists on the afternoon, giving her 100 for tournament (16.7 avg). The Papillion, Neb., native also contributed an ace and three block assists in the win.

Mizzou posted a .353 hitting percentage, including a .500 slugging average in the match's third game, while holding the Lady Vols to .239. For the tournament, Mizzou hit .307. The Lady Vols still managed a .239 match hitting percentage, as Yuliya Stoyanova led Tennessee with 14 kills.

In game two, Mizzou jumped out to a 19-13 lead, but a six-point Lady Vol run made the score 22-21 in favor of Tennessee. With Ailes at serve, the Tigers went on a 9-1 run to close the second frame. Yang again proved big in the Tiger run, notching three kills and a block assist in the sequence.

Hunter was named the 2005 Tiger Invitational Most Valuable Player, and was joined on the all-tournament team by three teammates - Vander Kooi, Wilson and Yang. Tennessee's Yulia Stoyanova and Amy Wilson rounded out the squad. Wilson led the tournament field with a .531 hitting average, placing only two errors on 32 attempts.

Tennessee ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE SA SE	|SRV|DEF| RE|DIG|BS	BLOCK BA BE|BHE|	GEN POINTS	
		K	E	TA	TA							
1 Yuliya Stoyanova....	3	14	3	33	.333	0	0 0	0 4	0 3	0 0	0 0	15.5
10 Kristen Andre.....	3	11	2	16	.562	0	0 2	0 4	0 1	0 0	0 0	11.5
14 Amy Morris.....	3	3	8	33	-.152	0	1 0	0 10	0 0	0 0	0 0	4.0
15 Kelsey Fautsch.....	3	2	1	10	.100	0	0 1	0 7	0 2	1 0	0 0	3.0
24 Sarah Blum.....	3	10	0	17	.588	0	0 0	0 1	0 5	0 0	0 0	12.5
55 Julie Knytych.....	3	1	0	3	.333	39	0 1	0 9	0 2	0 2	0 0	2.0
2 Jasmine Fullove.....	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0 1	0 2	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0
3 Chelsea Noble.....	2	0	0	0	.000	0	2 1	2 4	0 0	0 0	0 0	2.0
7 Annie Sadowski.....	3	0	0	1	.000	1	0 0	2 12	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0
Totals.....	3	41	14	113	.239	40	3 6	4 53	0 13	1 1	2 1	50.5

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.5					
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS		
1	17	3	42	.333	1	2	3	2	1	
2	10	5	39	.128	Tennessee.....	(0)	27	23	20	2-1
3	14	6	32	.250	Missouri.....	(3)	30	30	30	2-0

Missouri ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE SA SE	|SRV|DEF| RE|DIG|BS	BLOCK BA BE|BHE|	GEN POINTS	
		K	E	TA	TA							
2 Hunter, Lindsey.....	3	3	0	6	.500	55	1 2	0 5	0 3	0 3	0 3	5.5
3 Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	12	4	27	.296	2	1 2	0 11	1 1	1 0	0 0	14.5
5 Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	1	1	-1.000	1	1 0	0 4	0 0	0 0	0 0	1.0
6 Danru, Shen.....	3	13	2	32	.344	1	1 2	1 14	0 0	0 1	0 0	14.0
8 Boyd, Lisa.....	3	10	3	28	.250	0	0 0	0 2	0 4	0 0	0 0	12.0
13 Wilson, Nicole.....	3	10	1	15	.600	0	0 1	0 2	0 2	0 0	0 0	11.0
9 Ailes, Tatum.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0	1 12	0 0	0 0	0 0	0.0
10 Yang, Na.....	3	15	4	27	.407	0	0 0	1 1	0 2	0 0	0 0	16.0
Totals.....	3	63	15	136	.353	59	4 7	3 51	1 12	1 1	3 1	74.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS	
1	24	6	56	.321	1	2	3	2	1
2	19	7	44	.273	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)				
3	20	2	36	.500	Date: Sep 04, 2005	Attend: 1008	Time: 1:35		
					Referees: Mike Hamilton, Kevin Dugan				



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MATCH #5

#14 Missouri vs. #9 Wisconsin

September 10, 2005

BOZEMAN, Mont.--The No. 14 Missouri volleyball team swept No. 9 Wisconsin and Northern Colorado on Saturday to take the championship title of the Holiday Inn Classic hosted by Montana State University in Bozeman, Mont. Senior Lindsey Hunter was named tournament MVP after dishing out 15.9 assists per game through the tournament. The sweep of the Badgers was the Tigers second sweep of a nationally-ranked Top-10 team in a seven-day period. The Tigers head into conference play, undefeated, at 6-0, having not lost a game.

The Tigers defeated the Badgers (5-1), 30-26, 30-26, and 30-28. Statistically, the Tigers were led by Lisa Boyd with a match-high seven total blocks on the day, four of which came in game one alone. Jessica Vander Kooi and Shen Danru had 12 kills apiece. Vander Kooi added her third double-double of the season by also pulling in 11 digs. After another double-digit kill total in the Northern Colorado game, Vander Kooi and Sophomore Na Yang also scored in double-digits in kills with 10. Sophomore Tatum Ailes had 12 digs along with two service aces. Again, senior Lindsey Hunter called the shots, dishing out 41 assists. The Tiger team also had a season-high 13 total blocks in the game.

"I'm very pleased by how much consistency our kids showed throughout the match," said Head Coach Wayne Kreklow. "We served and blocked much better than we did last night, allowing us to get more opportunities to score than before. What I'm most pleased with is our ability to stay steady and to comeback whenever we need to. They put us in a certain situation in which we had an opportunity to capitalize on their errors. We made great plays, back-and-forth, across-the-net, and made plays when we really needed them, that was the difference."

Wisconsin entered the match in the same fashion as Mizzou, having swept their first four opponents of the season. The Badgers also entered the contest fifth in the nation in blocks and eighth in the country in hitting percentage. The main story of the match was a quick Tiger attack in game one. A game in which the Missouri turned the tide on Wisconsin, allowing them only one block on a .094 hitting average.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
2	Hunter, Lindsey	3	4	1	7	.429	41	1	1	0	5	0	1	0	1	5.5	
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	12	5	26	.269	2	0	1	1	11	1	4	0	1	15.0	
5	Booth, Abbie	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	
6	Danru, Shen	3	12	5	39	.179	1	0	0	1	4	0	2	0	1	13.0	
8	Boyd, Lisa	3	5	2	13	.231	1	0	0	0	1	2	5	0	0	9.5	
13	Wilson, Nicole	3	7	3	18	.222	0	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	11.0	
9	Ailes, Tatum	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	2.0	
10	Yang, Na	3	10	6	26	.154	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	12.0	
Totals		3	50	22	129	.217	45	5	2	2	45	6	14	0	3	68.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	18	4	43	.326
2	16	7	39	.231
3	16	11	47	.106

GAME SCORES					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 13.0				
1	2	3	TEAM RECORDS						
Missouri	(3)	30	30	30	5-0				
Wisconsin	(0)	26	26	28	4-1				

Wisconsin		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
5	Simpson, Jackie	3	1	0	6	.167	42	1	1	0	5	0	1	0	0	2.5	
7	Meierotto, Aubrey	3	8	7	22	.045	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	9.5	
10	Carlini, Maria	3	11	9	35	.057	0	0	2	1	7	0	1	1	0	11.5	
12	Reineke, Taylor	3	12	3	25	.360	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	14.0	
15	Jeffers, Audra	3	13	6	31	.226	0	0	0	1	6	0	2	0	0	14.0	
17	Shaw, Sheila	3	5	3	13	.154	1	1	3	0	2	0	3	0	0	7.5	
6	Berkley, Amanda	3	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	
8	Lorenzen, Katie	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	
11	Bladow, Amy	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
13	Wack, Jocelyn	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	1	2	12	0	0	0	0	1.0	
Totals		3	51	28	133	.173	48	2	7	5	45	0	14	1	0	60.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	17	12	53	.094
2	18	8	39	.256
3	16	8	41	.195

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 7.0				
Site:	Date:	Attend:	Time:	Referees:
Bozeman, MT (Shroyer Gym)	Sep 10, 2005	225	1:20	John Martin, Paula Martin

	1	2	3	Total
Tie scores	6	7	8	21
Lead changes	4	0	1	5

MATCH #8

#10 Missouri at #15 Texas A&M

September 16, 2005

COLLEGE STATION, Texas.--In a two hour, 20 minute, marathon of a volleyball match, the No. 10 Missouri women's team took down No. 15 Texas A&M, 3-1, in front of 2,455 Aggie fans. In front of one of the loudest crowds in America, Mizzou won their first match ever in College Station while the Tigers' Lindsey Hunter became Mizzou's all-time set assist leader. Three Tigers tallied double-doubles.

The Tigers (8-0, 2-0) defeated the Aggies (7-4, 0-2) by a line score of 29-31, 30-28, 30-24, and 30-25.

"I think we were very pleased by how girls kept persistent throughout the night," said Head Coach Wayne Kreklow. "A&M has a very tough volleyball team, and think our girls handled a tough crowd and the tough team well. In game four, the girls really had to earn that win. A&M battled to the end and we're very happy."

Sophomore Na Yang led the Tigers with 19 kills, a career-high. Junior Jessica Vander Kooi (Hinton, Iowa) scored season-highs with 18 kills along with 17 digs to score her fourth double-double and her third double-double against a top-15 team. Senior Shen Danru added 12 kills and a season-high 20 digs. Sophomore Tatum Ailes (Bellevue, Neb.) set a new career-high with 24 digs. Abbie Booth (Kansas City, Mo.) added 16 digs and three service aces. And, junior Nicole Wilson (Lincoln, Neb.) tallied eight total blocks.

In addition, Lindsey Hunter (Papillion, Neb.) became Missouri's all-time assist record holder on the night as well, tallying 56 total assists, grabbing 44 by the end of game three to surpass Heather Gerber.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
2	Hunter, Lindsey	4	6	1	13	.385	56	1	0	0	10	0	2	2	0	8.0	
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	4	18	5	46	.283	3	3	2	1	17	0	4	0	1	23.0	
5	Booth, Abbie	4	0	0	0	.000	1	3	2	0	16	0	0	0	0	3.0	
6	Danru, Shen	4	12	6	41	.146	5	0	3	2	20	0	1	0	0	12.5	
8	Boyd, Lisa	4	10	1	26	.346	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	11.0	
13	Wilson, Nicole	4	12	4	31	.258	0	0	2	0	3	1	7	1	0	16.5	
9	Ailes, Tatum	4	0	0	0	.000	5	2	1	1	24	0	0	0	0	2.0	
10	Yang, Na	4	19	8	58	.190	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	20.5	
Totals		4	77	25	215	.242	70	9	10	4	93	1	19	3	1	96.5	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	20	7	59	.220
2	17	10	55	.127
3	20	5	51	.294
4	20	3	50	.340

GAME SCORES					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 10.5				
1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS					
Missouri	(3)	29	30	30	8-0, 2-0 Big 12				
Texas A&M	(1)	31	28	24	25 7-4, 0-2 Big 12				

Texas A&M		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
2	Moore, Jen	4	0	0	1	.000	1	0	3	1	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	
6	Kelley, Kari	4	3	0	11	.273	49	0	2	0	19	0	1	0	1	3.5	
11	McCrocklin, Courtney	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	
14	Hahn, Christi	4	12	3	34	.265	0	1	1	0	1	0	3	1	0	14.5	
22	Jones, Laura	4	22	6	53	.302	1	1	0	2	23	0	1	0	0	23.5	
35	Felder, Kendra	4	7	2	28	.179	1	0	1	0	6	0	6	0	0	10.0	
1	Kainz, Meghan	1	1	0	2	.500	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
7	Stanton, Kelly	4	7	6	27	.037	3	2	0	0	2	1	6	0	0	13.0	
9	Clay, Holly	4	0	0	1	.000	1	0	0	3	24	0	0	0	0	0.0	
21	Burton, Cristin	3	6	4	27	.074	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	7.0	
27	Yon, Lindsey	2	10	3	17	.412	0	0	1	1	5	0	2	0	0	11.0	
Totals		4	68	24	201	.219	62	4	8	9	94	2	19	1	1	83.5	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	19	2	53	.321
2	14	8	48	.125
3	16	9	54	.130
4	19	5	46	.304

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 11.5				
Site:	Date:	Attend:	Time:	Referees:
College Station, TX (G. Rollie White Col.)	Sep 16, 2005	2455	2:20	Fred Buehler, Ron Stahl

	1	2	3	4	Total
Tie scores	7	12	1	8	28
Lead changes	3	8	1	2	14



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MATCH #9

#8 Missouri at Colorado

September 21, 2005

BOULDER, Colo.-The No. 8 Missouri women's volleyball team defeated Colorado (4-4, 0-3) in a 3-0 sweep Wednesday night in Boulder, Colo. Mizzou advances to 9-0 on the season and 3-0 to start Big 12 play, being one of only nine teams in the country to remain undefeated. The Tigers had 18 total blocks on the night, the most by an MU team in a match in three years. In addition, the Tigers hit an errorless .654 in the final frame.

The Tigers won in a sweep, 30-25, 30-24, and 30-11.

Three Tigers, senior Lindsey Hunter, senior Lisa Boyd, and junior Nicole Wilson, were part of eight blocks apiece to bring the Tigers to their three-year match high of 18 total blocks. Hunter created a new career high with her blocking; Wilson tied her old career best. In addition, Hunter added 47 assists as part of the Tigers 52 total kills, matching their NCAA-leading 18 kills per game average. Junior Jessica Vander Kooi was the team leader in kills with 14. Hunter's big defensive night was added to with a team-high and season-high 12 digs.

In game one, the two teams started out by mirroring each other, trading kill for kill for the first eight points to tie at 4-4. A Tiger block party ensued as junior Nicole Wilson was part of four blocks by the time the score was tied at 9-9. The score remained tied at 11 before Mizzou went on to a 4-0 run to start the separation. The teams would continue to trade scores for the remainder of the game and Mizzou's lead would not waiver between three and five points. In Mizzou's 30-25 game win, Wilson would go on to grab six of the Tigers eight total team blocks. The teams had a difficult time offensively in the opening frame, as the Tigers managed a .185 hitting percentage to the Buffs .053. Vander Kooi, however, did score six kills in the frame.

Colorado jumped off to a fast start to begin game two, grabbing an early 6-2 lead. The Tigers would manage to tie Colorado at 12-12 in the middle of a 4-0 run, marked by two solo blocks by Lindsey Hunter. Later, a 17-17 tie spurred the Tigers to score 10 of the next 13 points, rushing to a 27-20 lead before a CU timeout. In a more traditional hard-hitting game for Mizzou, the Tigers tabbed 21 total kills on .450 hitting in their 30-25 game win. The Tigers added five more team blocks to equal 13 by the end of game two.

MATCH #10

#17 Kansas State at #8 Missouri

September 24, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-It only took one hour, 20 minutes on Saturday for the No. 8 Missouri women's volleyball team to defeat No. 17 Kansas State in a three-game match that was dominated completely by the Tigers. In front of a roaring Tiger crowd of 2,438, the second-largest crowd in team history and the most to witness a regular-season match, Mizzou (10-0, 4-0) stunned Kansas State (11-2, 2-1), winning 30-19, 30-20, and 30-26.

Individually for the Tigers, juniors Jessica Vander Kooi and Nicole Wilson scored 11 team-high kills on the evening, with Wilson going errorless for the second-consecutive match, hitting 11-for-13 (.846). Mizzou again recorded a hefty amount of blocks on the night, scoring on 12, with nine coming from Wilson who tied a season-high. Missouri also scored eight points on service aces, three of which coming from senior Lindsey Hunter who had 40 assists, quarterbacking the team to 49 kills.

In what started out as Vander Kooi's show, Mizzou cruised in game one winning 30-19 off six kills from the junior. In nearly every instance of a Vander Kooi attack, the 'Cats virtually froze in-place and could not respond to the variety and tenacity of a Vander Kooi streamline. Vander Kooi also had two aces in the frame along with one of her six blocks on the evening.

Mizzou went up early in the first stanza leading 11-5 following a double-block by Na Yang and Nicole Wilson. The Tigers were up 20-15 before Mizzou scored seven of the next eight points to lead 27-16 after the two Vander Kooi aces. KSU responded with three kills from team-leader Agata Rezende (who ended up with a match-high 15 kills), but Mizzou prevailed, winning 30-19.

Game one absolutely stunned Kansas State, who entered the contest having won 21-out-of-22 of the team's last matches over Missouri. The Tiger hitting percentage of .429 in the frame included Vander Kooi's six kills, and errorless three-kill games by Wilson and senior Lisa Boyd. The team matched their NCAA-leading 18 kill average in the game and recorded only three errors.

Missouri ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	SET A	SERVE		SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN BHE	POINTS
		K	E	TA	SA			SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE				
2 Hunter, Lindsey.....	3	1	0	4	.250	47	0	4	0	12	1	7	0	0	0	5.5	
3 Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	14	4	31	.323	1	2	1	0	8	0	6	0	0	0	19.0	
6 Danru, Shen.....	3	6	1	24	.208	1	1	2	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	7.0	
8 Boyd, Lisa.....	3	11	1	18	.556	0	0	0	0	1	1	7	0	0	0	15.5	
10 Yang, Na.....	3	7	1	22	.273	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	8.5	
13 Wilson, Nicole.....	3	12	0	19	.632	0	0	0	0	2	0	8	0	0	0	16.0	
5 Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	1	1	8	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
9 Ailes, Tatum.....	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
15 Allbery, Melissa.....	1	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.5	
Totals.....	3	52	7	120	.375	50	4	8	1	52	2	32	0	0	0	74.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 18.0									
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS						
1	14	4	54	.185	Missouri.....	(3)	30	30	30	9-0	3-0	Big 12		
2	21	3	40	.450	Colorado.....	(0)	25	24	11	4-4	0-3	Big 12		
3	17	0	26	.654										

Colorado ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	SET A	SERVE		SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN BHE	POINTS
		K	E	TA	SA			SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE				
2 Nu'u, Ashley.....	3	2	0	9	.222	38	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	2.0	
4 Schaefer, Lauren....	3	9	0	19	.474	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9.0	
9 Griffin, Allie.....	3	16	5	36	.306	1	1	0	2	10	0	0	0	0	0	17.0	
10 Carr, Nicole.....	3	4	5	21	-.048	2	0	1	1	15	0	0	0	0	0	4.0	
11 Bossow, Lara.....	3	5	2	13	.231	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5.0	
12 Sutherland, Amber...	3	7	13	29	-.207	0	0	2	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	7.0	
6 Masumiya, Kelly.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
8 Buth, Alex.....	1	1	1	3	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
16 Vinal, Therese.....	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
77 Gibson, Mallori.....	1	0	1	4	-.250	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
Totals.....	3	44	27	134	.127	41	1	4	4	52	0	0	1	0	0	45.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 0.0									
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS						
1	16	13	57	.053	Site:	Boulder, CO	(Coors Events Center)							
2	18	7	44	.250	Date:	Sep 21, 2005	Attend:	509	Time:	1:30				
3	10	7	33	.091	Referees:									
					1 2 3 Total									
					Tie scores			11 7 0 18						
					Lead changes			6 3 0 9						

Kansas State ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	SET A	SERVE		SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN BHE	POINTS
		K	E	TA	SA			SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE				
2 Hamlin, Joy.....	3	2	4	12	-.167	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	3.5	
3 Rezende, Agata.....	3	15	6	35	.257	0	0	1	0	1	0	4	1	0	0	17.0	
6 Werner, Sandy.....	3	12	5	23	.304	0	2	1	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	14.5	
10 Jantsch, Jenny.....	3	1	1	12	.000	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
12 Kroeker, Megan.....	3	6	3	14	.214	0	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	8.5	
15 Spiegelberg, Stacey..	3	2	4	8	-.250	35	0	1	0	5	0	4	0	2	0	4.0	
5 Lastra, Angie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	3	13	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
7 Stanzel, Katie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
8 Perkins, Jamie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
13 Lilliom, Rita.....	2	3	1	8	.250	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	3.0	
TEAM.....									1	1						0.0	
Totals.....	3	41	24	112	.152	37	4	7	8	37	0	17	2	2	0	53.5	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 8.5									
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS						
1	12	7	33	.152	Kansas State.....	(0)	19	20	26	11-2	2-1	Big 12		
2	14	6	34	.235	Missouri.....	(3)	30	30	30	10-0	4-0	Big 12		
3	15	11	45	.089										

Missouri ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	SET A	SERVE		SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN BHE	POINTS
		K	E	TA	SA			SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE				
2 Hunter, Lindsey.....	3	1	1	5	.000	40	3	3	0	9	0	1	1	1	0	4.5	
3 Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	11	1	21	.476	3	2	0	0	5	0	6	0	0	0	16.0	
5 Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	2.0	
6 Danru, Shen.....	3	8	7	25	.040	0	1	0	1	8	0	1	0	0	0	9.5	
8 Boyd, Lisa.....	3	9	2	19	.368	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	10.5	
13 Wilson, Nicole.....	3	11	0	13	.846	0	0	2	0	2	0	9	0	0	0	15.5	
9 Ailes, Tatum.....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
10 Yang, Na.....	3	9	2	22	.318	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	11.0	
TEAM.....									1	1						0.0	
Totals.....	3	49	13	105	.343	45	8	5	4	42	2	20	1	1	0	69.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 12.0									
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES			TEAM RECORDS						
1	18	3	35	.429	Site:	Columbia, Mo.	(Hearnes Center)							
2	18	2	31	.516	Date:	Sep 24, 2005	Attend:	2438	Time:	1:20				
3	13	8	39	.128	Referees:									
					ID-350431									
					Second largest crowd in MU volleyball history.									
					1 2 3 Total									
					Tie scores			2 0 4 6						
					Lead changes			0 0 3 3						



Mizzou Volleyball 2005



MATCH #12

#7 Missouri (3) at Texas Tech (2)

October 3, 2005

LUBBOCK, Texas-For the seventh-ranked Missouri volleyball team, a second trip to the state of Texas in a three-day period was not the funniest venture of the season, as Mizzou (12-0, 6-0) won a 3-2 squeaker over Texas Tech (8-6, 2-3), Saturday in Lubbock, Texas. Sophomore Na Yang came out of the match with a new career-best of 21 kills, part of a five Tiger double-digit kill effort. Mizzou lost only their second and third games of the season, in their first five-game match of the season, but won 27-30, 28-30, 30-23, 30-21, 15-12.

Along with Yang's 21, junior Nicole Wilson tied a career high with 19 kills. Junior Jessica Vander Kooi scored her second-consecutive double-double with 13 kills and 13 digs. Seniors Shen Danru and Lisa Boyd had 12 kills apiece - Danru added 13 digs as well.

The Tigers had to overcome some major adversity, losing the first two games of the match, playing on the road. Maybe the underlying statistical element of the game was that Missouri either lived or died by the serve. Vander Kooi had four service aces on the day, tying a season-best, adding to her six-match service-ace streak, as Tatum Ailes, who had a team-high 18 digs on the day, added an ace as well to go mark her eighth-consecutive match with an ace. On the flip side, Mizzou also had many problems from behind the line, committing 16 service errors.

The Tigers gave up only their second-game loss of the season in the first frame, falling 30-27. The Tigers never had the lead in the stanza and was down by as much as five with Tech up 26-21, forcing Mizzou's second timeout. Mizzou went on a 5-2 run to close within two at 28-26, but could not withstand Tech's offensive toughness. Coming into the match, TTU was last in the conference in hitting percentage, averaging eight hitting errors a game.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
2	Hunter, Lindsey	5	4	2	11	.182	68	1	5	0	13	0	2	1	0	6.0	
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	5	13	3	35	.286	3	4	1	1	13	0	3	1	0	18.5	
5	Booth, Abbie	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0	5	0	11	0	0	0	0	0.0	
6	Danru, Shen	5	12	8	35	.114	2	0	3	2	13	0	0	0	0	12.0	
8	Boyd, Lisa	5	12	3	25	.360	0	0	0	3	3	2	0	0	0	16.0	
13	Wilson, Nicole	5	19	2	33	.515	0	1	2	0	3	2	4	2	0	24.0	
9	Ailes, Tatum	5	1	0	3	.333	2	1	0	0	18	0	0	1	0	2.0	
10	Yang, Na	5	21	8	46	.283	0	0	0	6	1	1	1	1	0	22.5	
TEAM											4					0.0	
Totals		5	82	26	188	.298	76	7	16	7	80	6	12	6	0	101.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	20	6	46	.304
2	16	7	43	.209
3	19	4	42	.357
4	17	6	35	.314
5	10	3	22	.318

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 12.0

GAME SCORES

	1	2	3	4	5	TEAM RECORDS
Missouri	(3)	27	28	30	30	15 12-0, 6-0 Big 12
Texas Tech	(2)	30	30	23	21	12 8-6, 2-3 Big 12

Texas Tech		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
1	Pauley, Janye	5	8	2	17	.353	1	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	9.5	
3	Turner, Kattie	5	0	0	1	.000	2	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0.0	
6	Sang, Philister	5	19	13	64	.094	2	0	1	0	13	0	3	2	0	20.5	
8	Lyons, Kiley	5	5	4	23	.043	0	2	1	2	13	0	2	1	0	8.0	
9	Florus, Brianna	5	8	3	22	.227	1	0	0	0	1	1	5	0	0	11.5	
11	Ziegler, Emily	5	5	5	15	.000	44	3	2	0	6	0	2	0	0	9.0	
2	Hicks, Holly	3	0	0	0	.000	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
4	Charlebois, Amy	5	18	5	45	.289	0	1	0	0	4	0	2	1	0	20.0	
10	Hiller, Amanda	5	1	0	1	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0	
14	Louis, Lindsey	2	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	1.0	
15	Batista, Desiree	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1	1	3	25	0	0	0	0	1.0	
TEAM											2					0.0	
Totals		5	65	32	189	.175	58	7	8	7	74	1	17	5	0	81.5	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	16	4	44	.273
2	17	8	39	.231
3	15	6	43	.209
4	11	9	42	.048
5	6	5	21	.048

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 9.5

Site: Lubbock, Texas (United Spirit Arena)
 Date: Oct 01, 2005 Attend: 100 Time: 2:25
 Referees: Carlos Rodriguez, Fred Buhtler
 ID-335753

MATCH #13

#1 Nebraska (3) at #7 Missouri (1)

October 5, 2005

LINCOLN, Neb.-It was a milestone night for the No. 7 Missouri women's volleyball team on Wednesday. Even though the Tigers (12-1, 6-1 Big 12) dropped a tough match to No. 1 Nebraska (13-0, 6-0), 3-1, Mizzou established itself as an up-and-coming national power as 7,298 fans packed the Hearnes Center, nearly tripling the old school record.

Mizzou dropped its first match of the season, 26-30, 30-22, 30-23, and 30-27.

Sophomore Na Yang led the Tigers with 18 kills. Sophomore Tatum Ailes recorded a match-high 20 digs, and junior Nicole Wilson grabbed seven of the Tigers total 12½ blocks. In addition, senior Shen Danru became Mizzou's all-time service aces leader with two consecutive points.

Mizzou's old attendance record was set last year with a match against Texas A&M in which 2,645 fans attended. Tonight's crowd nearly surpassed that total in three-fold, and maybe but Mizzou volleyball in the foreground of many Tiger fans.

Links to more notes and quotes are above.

The match's broadcast will be aired on KZOU tonight at 9 p.m. In addition, Fox Sports Midwest will re-air the match on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Tigers will take the weekend off before traveling to Austin, Texas, to take on No. 19 Texas. The match will be aired live on ESPN.

Nebraska		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
1	Griffin, Maggie	4	0	1	1	1.000	37	0	1	0	15	0	0	0	0	0.0	
3	Houghtelling, Chris	4	14	4	35	.286	3	0	4	1	6	0	3	0	0	15.5	
8	Elmer, Melissa	4	17	0	31	.548	1	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	20.0	
9	Pavan, Sarah	4	18	5	42	.310	0	1	4	1	11	0	2	0	0	20.0	
10	Larson, Jordan	4	15	8	40	.175	2	0	0	0	11	1	2	0	0	17.0	
26	Saleaumua, Jennifer	4	6	6	24	.000	1	0	0	2	16	0	3	0	0	7.5	
5	Schwartz, Rachel	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
7	Mancuso, Dani	1	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	0	1.5	
11	Stalls, Tracy	4	6	2	13	.308	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	7.5	
18	Busboom, Dani	4	0	0	0	.000	26	1	2	0	9	0	0	0	1	1.0	
TEAM											1					0.0	
Totals		4	76	26	188	.266	70	2	12	5	71	2	20	0	1	90.0	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	20	6	46	.304
2	14	12	49	.041
3	19	6	46	.283
4	23	2	47	.447

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 12.0

GAME SCORES

	1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS
Nebraska	(3)	30	22	30	30 14-0, 6-0 Big 12
Missouri	(1)	26	30	23	27 12-1, 6-1 Big 12

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE			SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS	
2	Hunter, Lindsey	4	1	1	7	.000	55	0	6	0	13	0	2	2	0	2.0	
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	4	9	2	34	.206	0	2	0	0	10	0	5	1	0	13.5	
6	Danru, Shen	4	9	9	35	.000	1	3	1	0	19	0	1	1	0	12.5	
8	Boyd, Lisa	4	12	2	20	.500	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	15.0	
10	Yang, Na	4	18	6	40	.300	1	0	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	20.0	
13	Wilson, Nicole	4	12	4	28	.286	1	0	2	0	4	0	7	0	0	15.5	
5	Booth, Abbie	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	0	0.0	
7	Jaksich, Jilly	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	
9	Ailes, Tatum	4	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	1	20	0	0	0	0	1.0	
Totals		4	62	24	165	.230	58	5	9	2	80	1	23	4	0	79.5	

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	15	7	45	.178
2	15	6	38	.237
3	13	5	41	.195
4	19	6	41	.317

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 12.5

Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)
 Date: Oct 05, 2005 Attend: 7298 Time: 2:11
 Referees: John Cline, Clark Radcliffe
 ID-350432
 Crowd is the largest in Missouri History
 Old Record ... 2,632





MATCH #14

#7 Missouri (0) at #18 Texas (3)

October 12, 2005

AUSTIN, Texas-A five-match road winning streak was snapped for the No. 7 Missouri women's volleyball team Wednesday night, as the Tigers (12-2, 6-2) succumbed to their first sweep of the year, losing 28-30, 27-30, and 22-30 to No. 17 Texas. The Longhorns (12-2, 7-1) take over sole possession of second place in the Big 12, as they win their sixth-straight match. Shen Danru became Mizou's all-time kill leader at Mizou with six this match to take her to 1,484 overall in her career.

Sophomore Na Yang led the Tigers with 14 kills, and junior Nicole Wilson added 13. Tatum Ailes and Shen Danru led the team with 10 digs.

Mizzou recorded a hitting percentage of .211 in the match, their lowest of the season.

Mizzou was up 13-10 early in game one after a four-point run that put the Tigers in the driver's seat. A three-kill run by Na Yang over a four-point stretch, gave the Missouri a 16-13 advantage. Texas scored on six of the next eight points to tie at 19-19. The teams would trade ties to advance the score to 27 all. Mizou would score on Shen Danru ace, but Texas answered with three straight points, ending on a double-block to take the game 30-28. Yang would score seven of Mizou's 17 kills in the first frame. Mizou outhit Texas .227-.200 in the game.

Solid hitting on both sides of the net was the story in game two. Texas would score on 22 kills in the second frame, hitting .409. Mizou was strong at .359 hitting. Mizou was the leader out of the gate once again, as Mizou went up 6-3 on a Tiger triple-block. Mizou was up 15-11 before Texas scored five-straight points to take their first lead of the frame at 16-15. Similar to game one, the teams tied several times, but at 27-27, once again Texas held strong. The Longhorns scored four-consecutive points, with three kills from Jen Christian to win 30-27.

In game three, the Tigers held the lead briefly at 3-2, but would never again in the 30-22 game loss. The Tigers made 11 hitting and three service errors, falling quickly to the continued, hard-hitting Longhorns. Texas would hit .333 in the frame to Mizou's season-low game hitting total of .067.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE	SRV	DEF	BLOCK			GEN		
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	3	0	0	1	.000	46	0	4	0	8	0	0	1	2	0.0
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	6	4	31	.065	0	0	0	9	1	1	0	1	1	7.5
6	Danru, Shen	3	6	5	23	.043	0	2	2	1	10	0	1	1	0	8.5
8	Boyd, Lisa	3	10	4	21	.286	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	11.0
10	Yang, Na	3	14	6	31	.258	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	14.5
13	Wilson, Nicole	3	13	3	21	.476	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.0
5	Booth, Abbie	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	1	4	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0.0
15	Allbery, Melissa	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM										1	1	1	1	1	1	0.0
Totals		3	49	22	128	.211	48	2	7	3	46	1	5	2	4	54.5

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 3.5					
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS	
1	17	7	44	.227	Missouri	(0)	28	27	22	12-2, 6-2 Big 12
2	18	4	39	.359	Texas	(3)	30	30	30	12-2, 7-1 Big 12
3	14	11	45	.067						

Texas		ATTACK					SET	SERVE	SRV	DEF	BLOCK			GEN		
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
3	Paolini, Lauren	3	6	0	16	.375	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6.5
4	Moriarty, Michelle	3	1	0	3	.333	47	1	2	0	4	0	1	0	0	2.5
12	Acevedo, Dariam	3	18	5	36	.361	0	0	2	1	9	0	3	1	0	19.5
13	Christian, Jen	3	9	6	27	.111	1	1	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	10.5
24	Armstrong, Leticia	3	11	2	20	.450	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	12.5
44	Magee, Brandy	3	8	2	19	.316	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	0	9.5
11	Hall, Kiley	3	0	0	1	.000	1	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
16	Jennings, Alyson	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	2	1	12	0	0	0	0	1.0
Totals		3	53	15	122	.311	50	3	8	2	39	0	12	2	0	62.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS
1	16	7	45	.200	Site: Austin, Texas (Gregory Gym)				
2	22	4	44	.409	Date: Oct 12, 2005	Attend: 1797	Time: 1:35		
3	15	4	33	.333	Referees: Richard Bleau, Jim Giacomazzi				

	1	2	3	Total
Tie scores	15	12	5	32
Lead changes	7	3	2	12

MATCH #17

#10 Missouri (3) at Iowa State (1)

October 22, 2005

AMES, Iowa-The No. 10 Missouri women's volleyball team (15-2, 9-2) defeated Iowa State in Big 12 play Saturday night in a four-game hit-fest, 30-23, 23-30, 30-12, and 30-23. Lindsey Hunter nearly recorded a triple-double, having 54 assists, 10 digs, and eight kills on errorless hitting. In addition, Mizou had four hitters in double digits in kills, and Jessica Vander Kooi had a 11 kill-14 dig double-double in her home state. Junior Nicole Wilson recorded nine of the Tigers' 14 team blocks.

Missouri played a very even keeled match, with hiccups coming only in game two. With an overall hitting percentage of .329, the Tigers only recorded seven combined hitting errors in games one, three, and four.

"I think the girls did a nice job of coming back in games three and four, after playing badly in game two," said Head Coach Wayne Kreklow. "Being able to focus and concentrate on the road helped us pick up our level of play in the latter part of the match. In games three and four, we served tougher, and I thought that helped contribute to our win."

Hunter (Papillion, Neb.) went errorless in attack errors on the night, recording a career-high eight kills off several setter dumps and joust wins. In addition, Hunter scored on two blocks and two service aces while digging 10 Cyclone attacks and spread 54 assists on the teams' 67 kills and .329 hitting.

Four Tigers recorded double digits in kills, sophomore Na Yang led with 14 kills, followed by senior Lisa Boyd with 13, junior Nicole Wilson with 12, and Vander Kooi with 11. Vander Kooi (Hinton, Iowa) recorded her seventh double-double of her career, adding 14 digs. Sophomore Tatum Ailes, who leads the Big 12 in digs, recorded 19 on the night, and had 15 serve receptions without an error. Wilson, with nine blocks and 12 kills nearly recorded her first double-double of her career.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE	SRV	DEF	BLOCK			GEN		
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	4	8	0	13	.615	54	2	3	0	10	0	2	1	1	1
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	4	11	5	33	.182	3	0	1	0	14	0	4	2	0	0
6	Danru, Shen	4	9	4	28	.179	2	2	0	1	8	0	1	0	0	0
8	Boyd, Lisa	4	13	1	26	.462	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	0	0	0
10	Yang, Na	4	14	4	30	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	5	0
13	Wilson, Nicole	4	12	3	22	.409	1	0	1	0	4	1	8	0	1	1
5	Booth, Abbie	4	0	0	0	.000	2	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
9	Ailes, Tatum	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		4	67	17	152	.329	63	4	6	1	62	2	24	3	2	1

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 14.0						
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS		
1	19	2	38	.447	Missouri	(3)	30	23	30	30	15-2, 9-2 Big 12
2	17	10	47	.149	Iowa State	(1)	23	30	12	23	13-9, 6-5 Big 12
3	17	1	30	.533							
4	14	4	37	.270							

Iowa State		ATTACK					SET	SERVE	SRV	DEF	BLOCK			GEN		
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
1	Cady, Laura	4	1	0	1	1.000	1	0	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
6	Craig, Amanda	4	3	0	13	.231	48	0	2	0	11	0	2	0	0	0
7	Boeve, Erin	4	13	4	32	.281	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0
8	Klein, Jessica	4	15	7	31	.258	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	1
13	Lorenzen, Nicole	4	13	7	38	.158	0	0	1	1	9	0	2	0	0	0
15	Jessen, Katie	4	13	9	39	.103	2	0	3	2	7	0	1	0	0	0
2	Churm, Katie	4	0	0	0	.000	2	0	1	1	15	0	0	0	0	0
3	Ferrie, Meghan	4	2	2	14	.000	1	0	0	0	5	0	1	1	0	0
4	Vos, Amy	4	0	0	0	.000	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
9	Bisenius, Mary	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		4	60	29	168	.185	54	1	10	4	61	0	12	2	1	1

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	TEAM RECORDS
1	20	7	43	.302	Site: Ames, Iowa (Hilton Coliseum)				
2	16	3	46	.283	Date: Oct 22, 2005	Attend: 1050	Time: 2:15		
3	8	10	41	-.049	Referees: Clark Radcliffe, Steve Schach				
4	16	9	38	.184	ID-340592				



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MATCH #18

#8 Missouri (3) at #24 Kansas State

October 26, 2005

MANHATTAN, Kan.-It took every ounce of energy possible on Wednesday night for the No. 8 Missouri women's volleyball team to beat the No. 24 Wildcats of Kansas State (15-7, 6-6), but did so down two games, to win 28-30, 26-30, 30-23, 30-25, 15-11. The Tigers (16-2, 10-2 Big 12) won their first match in Manhattan since 1993, also winning their team-record fifth win over a ranked opponent this year, and the fifth all-time against a ranked opponent on the road. The Tigers clinched the match in game five up 12-11 with three-consecutive blocks, all of which shared or alone by junior Jessica Vander Kooi.

For only the second time this season the Tigers have been pushed to a five-game match, and for the second time this season, had to come back from two games down to win. The other came on October 1 in a gut-clincher at Texas Tech.

Tonight's match will be aired on a tape-delay basis on Sunday, October 30, at 1:30 p.m., on Fox Sports Midwest.

Sophomore Na Yang led the Tigers in scoring with a tied career-high of 21 kills.

Next in line was senior Shen Danru (Shanghai, China) who exploded with 17 kills on .326 hitting (17-3-43), three service aces, 19 digs, and four blocks, tallying her 57th double-double of her career, playing in her 400th game as a Tiger in game five. Danru recored a team-high three kills in game five alone.

Vander Kooi (Hinton, Iowa) grabbed her eighth double-double of the season, and her fourth over a ranked opponent, notching 14 kills and 21 digs, adding nine total blocks (three on the final three points alone) to tie a career-high in the category.

Senior Lindsey Hunter (Papillion, Neb.) also scored a double-double with 60 assists and 12 digs, adding four kills on errorless hitting. For the 20th time of her career, Hunter hit the 60-assist mark. In addition, the Tigers had four Tigers with double-digit kill totals with 74 total kills on the night.

Sophomore Tatum Ailes (Bellevue, Neb.) notched a career-high of 25 digs, part of the conference season-high 102 digs by the Tiger team.

Missouri		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	5	4	0	12	.333	60	0	3	0	12	0	1	2	0	4.5
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	5	14	10	47	.085	8	0	1	1	21	2	7	0	0	19.5
6	Danru, Shen	5	17	3	43	.326	0	3	2	1	19	2	2	1	0	23.0
8	Boyd, Lisa	5	8	1	25	.280	0	0	0	0	1	3	4	1	0	13.0
10	Yang, Na	5	21	11	53	.189	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	21.5
13	Wilson, Nicole	5	10	6	25	.160	3	1	1	0	9	0	5	1	0	13.5
5	Booth, Abbie	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	1.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	25	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		5	74	31	205	.210	74	5	8	3	102	7	20	5	0	96.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 17.0												
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS				
1	16	7	39	.231	1 2 3 4 5					16-2, 10-2				
2	18	10	56	.143	Missouri..... (3) 28 26 30 30 15					16-2, 10-2				
3	14	8	48	.125	Kansas State..... (2) 30 30 23 25 11					15-7, 6-6				
4	19	5	40	.350										
5	7	1	22	.273										

Kansas State		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hamlin, Joy	5	13	4	33	.273	2	0	0	0	3	1	9	2	0	18.5
3	Rezende, Agata	5	22	4	54	.333	0	0	0	0	1	0	10	1	0	27.0
6	Werner, Sandy	5	16	9	50	.140	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	16.5
12	Kroeker, Megan	5	7	6	22	.045	0	0	1	1	4	1	7	0	0	11.5
13	Lilliom, Rita	5	10	7	46	.065	0	0	0	0	14	0	2	0	0	11.0
15	Speigelberg, Stacey	5	3	3	14	.000	62	2	1	0	12	0	3	1	0	6.5
5	Lastra, Angie	5	0	0	0	.000	2	0	2	1	25	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	Perkins, Jamie	5	2	0	4	.500	0	1	3	3	12	0	0	0	0	3.0
10	Jantsch, Jenny	5	0	0	3	.000	0	0	1	3	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	Rosenthal, Lauren	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		5	73	33	226	.177	66	3	12	5	82	2	32	4	0	94.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 18.0												
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS				
1	19	8	49	.224	Site: Manhattan, Kan. (Ahearn Field House)									
2	19	3	49	.327	Date: Oct 26, 2005 Attend: 1451 Time: 2:22									
3	11	13	52	-.038	Referees: Mary Blalock, Marcia Atterman									
4	14	4	48	.208										
5	10	5	28	.179										

	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Tie scores	7	5	1	3	8	24
Lead changes	2	2	1	1	1	7

MATCH #19

Colorado (3) at #8 Missouri (2)

October 29, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-Facing their second five-game match of the week, the No. 8 Missouri women's volleyball team could not shake the visiting Colorado Buffaloes (11-7, 7-6), who won their fifth-straight match. The Tigers (16-3, 10-3 Big 12) were led by junior Jessica Vander Kooi who scored on 19 kills in their 30-20, 28-30, 30-23, 27-30, 12-15 loss. The Tigers had nine service aces, but were stymied by a season-high 17 service errors.

Mizzou recorded 16 blocks on the night, led by junior Nicole Wilson who scored on nine blocks, tying a season-high for the fourth time this year.

Senior Lindsey Hunter produced her third-consecutive double-double, tallying 59 assists on a tied season-high 13 digs. Four Tigers scored double-digit kill totals. Along with Vander Kooi, who had a .515 hitting percentage (19-2-33), Na Yang scored on 17 kills and six blocks. Wilson added 13 kills and senior Lisa Boyd had 10 kills with five blocks.

For Colorado, Allie Griffin scored on 19 kills to lead the team. Lara Bossow had a team-high five aces for the "Buffs. Colorado has improved dramatically since the last time Mizzou played the team. As with their five-match winning streak, Colorado has defeated three top-25 teams after losing five-of-six to begin the Big 12 season.

Serving once again proved key in both Tiger success and demise. Mizzou scored on nine service aces, four by Abbie Booth, but recorded 17 service errors. Colorado used tough serving as well, which at times threw off the Tiger offense, as the Buffaloes had eight aces, but also had 10 errors behind the line.

Colorado		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Nu'u, Ashley	5	4	2	11	.182	57	1	0	0	3	0	3	1	0	6.5
4	Schaefer, Lauren	5	13	3	22	.455	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	15.5
9	Griffin, Allie	5	19	11	39	.205	2	0	0	3	8	0	4	2	0	21.0
10	Carr, Nicole	5	9	5	29	.138	1	0	1	1	5	0	2	0	0	10.0
11	Bossow, Lara	5	4	4	14	.000	1	5	1	0	2	0	5	0	0	11.5
12	Sutherland, Amber	5	16	7	39	.231	1	0	0	3	12	0	1	0	0	16.5
6	Masumiya, Kelly	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
8	Buth, Alex	5	0	0	0	.000	0	2	7	0	4	0	0	0	0	2.0
16	Vinal, Therese	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	2	16	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		5	65	32	154	.214	62	8	10	9	54	0	20	3	0	83.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 10.0												
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS				
1	14	9	33	.152	1 2 3 4 5					11-7, 7-6 Big 12				
2	15	7	39	.205	Colorado..... (3) 20 30 23 30 15					16-3, 10-3 Big 12				
3	13	6	33	.212	Missouri..... (2) 30 28 30 27 12									
4	13	7	34	.176										
5	10	3	15	.467										

Missouri		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF|			BLOCK			GEN
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	5	8	3	13	.385	59	1	7	0	13	0	1	0	0	9.5
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	5	19	2	33	.515	4	0	2	0	6	0	6	1	0	22.0
6	Danru, Shen	5	8	10	27	-.074	2	0	4	2	8	1	1	1	0	9.5
8	Boyd, Lisa	5	10	3	30	.233	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	2	0	12.5
10	Yang, Na	5	17	7	43	.233	1	0	0	0	4	1	5	1	0	20.5
13	Wilson, Nicole	5	13	3	26	.385	0	2	0	0	2	1	8	1	0	20.0
5	Booth, Abbie	5	0	0	0	.000	2	4	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	4.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	5	1	0	1	.000	3	2	1	1	11	0	0	0	0	3.0
TEAM											3					0.0
Totals		5	76	28	173	.277	72	9	17	8	46	3	26	6	0	101.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME		TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 16.0												
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS				
1	16	4	34	.353	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)									
2	15	9	52	.115	Date: Oct 29, 2005 Attend: 2571 Time: 2:09									
3	19	7	38	.316	Referees: Jim Beyer, Marty Prochko									
4	19	7	36	.333	ID-350436									
5	7	1	13	.462	Fourth-largest crowd in Mizzou volleyball history									

	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Tie scores	2	10	6	7	8	33
Lead changes	0	7	4	1	2	14



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MATCH #22

Baylor (0) at #12 Missouri (3)

November 9, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-The No. 12 Missouri women's volleyball team defeated the Baylor Bears (14-13, 5-10 Big 12) in a three-game sweep on Wednesday evening, 30-23, 30-22, 30-23 in the Hearnes Center. The Tigers (19-3, 13-3 Big 12) recorded a season-high .486 hitting percentage, winning their third straight match, in their third-straight sweep. The Tigers now get ready for a meeting with No. 1 Nebraska that will be aired live on CSTV Sunday at 5 p.m.

Baylor		ATTACK					SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK			GEN	
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
1	Huston, Emily	3	6	2	9	.444	42	0	0	0	5	1	1	1	1	6.5
10	Marcus, Heather	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	3	1	8	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	Odion, Stella	3	5	3	17	.118	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	5.0
21	LeBlanc, Nicole	3	8	2	20	.300	1	1	0	2	3	0	1	0	0	9.5
22	Chlebana, Maggie	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
49	Guilliard-Young, Des	3	12	3	18	.500	0	0	0	0	3	0	6	0	0	15.0
6	Sweeney, Deja	3	0	0	0	.000	5	0	2	2	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
15	Spriggs, Kelly	3	6	3	19	.158	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6.5
25	Hamerly, Melanie	3	14	3	20	.550	0	0	0	0	4	0	3	1	0	15.5
Totals		3	51	16	104	.337	48	1	5	6	34	0	12	2	1	58.0

Mizzou was paced by senior Lindsey Hunter who spread 52 assists (17.3 apg) as the Tigers had 62 kills (20.7 kpg) on a season-high .486 hitting average. Na Yang and Lisa Boyd led the team with 13 kills apiece, followed closely behind Jessica Vander Kooi with 12, Nicole Wilson with 11, and Shen Danru with 10. Tatum Ailes had match-high 13 digs.

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0											
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS						
1	15	6	30	.300	1 2 3					14-13, 5-10 Big 12						
2	18	4	33	.424	Baylor..... (0) 23 22 23					19-3, 13-3 Big 12						
3	18	6	41	.293	Missouri..... (3) 30 30 30											

The Tigers also scored on six service aces, three of which coming from Wilson.

Melanie Hammerly lead the Bears in kills with 14.

In game one, Missouri slowly started to pull away, scoring two points to each Baylor side-out. While up 18-15, Mizzou started to pull away, scoring on two-straight Wilson kills, a solo block by Wilson, and a Yang kill to take a 22-15 lead. Baylor responded with four-consecutive when down 23-16 to pull once again within three. However, Mizzou scored closed the book with a 7-3 run to win 30-23. As was the case all evening, the teams played stellar offensively. The Tigers outit the bears in the first game .483 to .300.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK			GEN	
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	3	3	2	7	.143	52	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	4.5
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	12	3	22	.409	3	1	0	1	4	0	2	1	0	14.0
6	Danru, Shen	3	10	2	21	.381	0	0	1	0	8	0	1	0	0	10.5
8	Boyd, Lisa	3	13	1	18	.667	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	13.5
10	Yang, Na	3	13	0	25	.520	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.0
13	Wilson, Nicole	3	11	1	16	.625	0	3	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	16.5
5	Booth, Abbie	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		3	62	9	109	.486	57	6	7	1	31	1	8	1	0	73.0

The Tigers hit a mind-boggling .600 in game two, spreading 23 kills on zero unforced errors, hitting into only two blocks. Mizzou used runs of three and four, served by Abbie Booth to take a 14-10 initial lead, forcing a BU timeout. The Bears responded with three-straight to come within one, but the Tigers came back with a 16-9 run to end the game, winning 30-22.

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 5.0											
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS						
1	19	5	29	.483	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)					Date: Nov 09, 2005 Attend: 1837 Time: 1:20						
2	23	2	35	.600	Referees: Marty Prochko, Dan Apol					ID-340877						
3	20	2	45	.400												

MATCH #23

#12 Missouri (2) at #1 Nebraska (3)

November 17, 2005

LINCOLN, Neb.-The No. 12 Missouri women's volleyball team nearly pulled off one of the largest upsets in the 2005 season, falling to No. 1 Nebraska in five games after winning the first two, 30-28, 30-27, 21-30, 24-30, 3-15. The Tigers (19-4, 13-4 Big 12) went up in the match 2-0, marking the first time the Tigers were ever faced with possibly sweeping the Huskers. The only unbeaten team left in the country, the No. 1 Huskers (25-0, 16-0) won their 49th-consecutive regular season match and their 31st-straight at home in front of 4,158 fans in Lincoln.

Missouri		ATTACK					SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK			GEN	
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
2	Hunter, Lindsey	5	5	1	9	.444	58	1	1	0	12	0	2	1	4	7.0
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	5	23	9	59	.237	7	1	0	1	22	0	2	3	1	25.0
6	Danru, Shen	5	9	3	34	.000	0	0	0	0	18	1	1	1	0	10.5
8	Boyd, Lisa	5	10	3	27	.259	1	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	11.0
10	Yang, Na	5	11	9	39	.051	0	0	2	0	3	0	2	0	0	12.0
13	Wilson, Nicole	5	12	3	29	.310	0	0	0	1	3	0	5	1	0	14.5
5	Booth, Abbie	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	3	16	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		5	70	34	197	.183	68	2	6	5	81	1	14	7	5	80.0

Junior Jessica Vander Kooi joined the 20-20 club for only the second time in her career, scoring a tied-career high 23 kills (UC-Irvine, NCAA First Round, 2003) adding a season-high 22 digs.

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 8.0											
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS						
1	19	4	45	.333	1 2 3 4 5					19-4, 13-4 Big 12						
2	20	9	52	.212	Missouri..... (2) 30 30 21 24 3					25-0, 16-0 Big 12						
3	16	10	44	.136	Nebraska..... (3) 28 27 30 30 15											
4	13	5	42	.190												
5	2	6	14	-.286												

Senior Lindsey Hunter spread 58 assists and added 12 digs to record her ninth double-double of the season. Four Tigers were in double-digits in kills with Nicole Wilson adding 12, Na Yang grabbing 11, and Lisa Boyd scoring on 10 kills. In addition, Wilson added a team-high five blocks.

Shen Danru scored on nine kills, adding 18 digs. Tatum Ailes notched 15 digs.

It was most definitely a tale of two halves. Mizzou shocked Nebraska and their crowd in the first two games, winning with great passing turning to great hitting while taking advantage of several, rare Husker mistakes. The Tigers opening two game win marked the first time all-time in the series that Nebraska had went down two games to Mizzou to start a match.

Nebraska		ATTACK					SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK			GEN	
##	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	POINTS
1	Griffin, Maggie	5	0	0	0	.000	33	0	1	0	11	0	0	0	2	0.0
3	Houghttelling, Chris	5	19	4	37	.405	2	0	1	0	9	1	3	0	0	21.5
8	Elmer, Melissa	5	12	2	30	.333	3	0	0	0	1	0	11	1	0	17.5
9	Pavan, Sarah	5	22	6	48	.333	1	2	0	1	6	0	6	0	0	27.0
10	Larson, Jordan	5	8	6	29	.069	0	3	1	0	12	1	3	1	0	13.5
26	Saleaumua, Jennifer	5	9	4	28	.179	1	0	0	1	23	0	4	1	0	11.0
5	Schwartz, Rachel	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
7	Mancuso, Dani	1	2	0	2	1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.0
11	Stalls, Tracy	5	8	4	18	.222	3	0	0	0	3	0	5	0	0	10.5
18	Busboom, Dani	5	0	3	4	-.750	30	0	1	0	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
Totals		5	80	29	196	.260	73	5	4	2	78	2	32	3	2	103.0

In ironic fashion, Nebraska took hold of the remainder of the match, coming back to win the next three games, just as Mizzou had done to them in Lincoln two years ago.

The Tigers game one win was Nebraska's first game loss in 31-consecutive home games and 28-games overall.

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 18.0											
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	GAME SCORES					TEAM RECORDS						
1	21	9	52	.231	Site: Lincoln, Neb. (NU Coliseum)					Date: Nov 13, 2005 Attend: 4158 Time: 2:21						
2	14	8	47	.128	Referees: Marsha Rupert, Glenn Sapp											
3	16	3	37	.351												
4	22	8	49	.286												
5	7	1	11	.545												

In game one, the Huskers jumped on the board with two-consecutive kills, but the Tigers responded. Off the serve of Lindsey Hunter, the Tigers scored on six-straight points to go up 6-2. After much back-and-forth scoring, the Tigers led 15-12 at the media timeout. Mizzou's Vander Kooi and Wilson teamed up with consecutive-block-ing points to lead by five at 17-12, all part of a 5-1 MU run that gave the Tigers a 19-13 advantage before a Nebraska timeout. Nebraska answered with four-straight

Tie scores	2	2	2	4	1	11
Lead changes	1	1	1	1	1	5



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MATCH #24

#10 Texas (0) at #11 Missouri (3)

November 20, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-In front of the second-largest crowd in Mizzou history of 4,012, sophomore Na Yang tied a career-high with 21 kills in 11th-ranked Missouri's three-game sweep (30-28, 30-22, 30-28) over No. 10 Texas (21-4, 15-3 Big 12) in women's volleyball on Sunday afternoon. The Tigers of Mizzou (20-4, 14-4) recorded their third sweep on the season and their third all-time over a top-10 school. The Tigers' hitting percentage of .349 and seven service aces paced the squad to their 20th win of the season, marking the team's fifth 20-win season in six years.

Mizzou's 14th Big 12 win also ties a team all-time high. Texas, who had won 15-of-their-last-16 prior to today, had their nine-match winning streak snapped as the Tigers won their sixth-straight over the Longhorns at home.

Senior Lindsey Hunter spread 53 assists on the day, as the Tigers hit .349 as a team, recording no less than a .300 hitting percentage in a frame. Senior Shen Danru was second on the team in kills on the afternoon, scoring with 14 kills, adding a service ace. Yang scored seven kills in each

The Tigers' tough serving put Mizzou in a great position to start each rally. The Tigers recorded seven service aces, three from Abbie Booth to throw Texas off of their quick offensive attack.

In game one, the teams traded scores several times, tying the score 18 separate times. At 20-20, Mizzou went on a 5-1 run, culminating on a Danru ace to force a Texas timeout. The Longhorns took the lead with the score at 28-27 after a 6-2 run, forcing a Mizzou timeout. The Tigers' Nicole Wilson scored on a kill, and forced a Texas hitting error to give the Tigers a 29-28 lead. Booth then put Texas away with an ace that dropped between to UT defenders to capture the Tigers' game one win.

The Tigers dominated game two, going up by eight early at 17-9 off the serving of Lindsey Hunter, the efficient hitting of Jessica Vander Kooi, and the defense of the Tiger back row. The Tigers held their lead throughout to take the 30-22 win. Mizzou hit .319 in the frame, holding Texas to .184.

Game three was an offensive battle, as both teams hit over .370. The Tigers were down 18-12 before a Vander Kooi six-point serving run that put the Tigers tied with Texas at 20-20. The Tigers battled to 28-28, with a Danru kill bring the Tigers the sweep.

Texas		ATTACK				SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK		GEN	POINTS		
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA		BE	BHE
4	Moriarty, Michelle..	3	1	0	3	.333	46	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	2	1.5
11	Hall, Kiley.....	3	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0.0
12	Acevedo, Dariam....	3	16	4	38	.316	0	0	1	4	5	0	2	0	0	17.0
13	Christian, Jen.....	3	9	5	24	.167	1	2	0	0	11	1	1	0	0	12.5
24	Armstrong, Leticia..	3	7	3	19	.211	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	8.5
44	Magee, Brandy.....	3	12	3	24	.375	0	2	0	0	6	0	4	0	0	16.0
3	Paolini, Lauren....	3	5	2	11	.273	1	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	0	7.0
16	Jennings, Alyson....	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	2	1	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
21	Schreiber, Heather..	1	0	1	2	-.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
33	Todd, Jennifer.....	1	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
TEAM.....											2					0.0
Totals.....		3	51	18	123	.268	48	4	3	7	47	1	15	0	2	63.5

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	18	8	42	.238
2	12	5	38	.184
3	21	5	43	.372

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 8.5

GAME SCORES

	1	2	3	TEAM RECORDS	
Texas.....	(0)	28	22	28	21-4, 15-3 Big 12
Missouri.....	(3)	30	30	30	20-4, 14-4 Big 12

Missouri		ATTACK				SET	SERVE		SRV/DEF		BLOCK		GEN	POINTS		
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA		BE	BHE
2	Hunter, Lindsey....	3	1	0	7	.143	53	1	2	0	7	0	2	2	1	3.0
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	8	4	19	.211	1	2	2	0	9	0	0	1	0	10.0
6	Danru, Shen.....	3	14	3	24	.458	0	1	2	0	8	1	0	0	0	16.0
8	Boyd, Lisa.....	3	8	1	20	.350	2	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	8.5
10	Yang, Na.....	3	21	5	43	.372	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	21.0
13	Wilson, Nicole.....	3	8	2	16	.375	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	2	0	9.5
5	Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	3.0
9	Ailes, Tatum.....	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....											2					0.0
Totals.....		3	60	15	129	.349	60	7	7	4	44	2	4	6	1	71.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME

Game	K	E	TA	Pct
1	19	6	41	.317
2	20	5	47	.319
3	21	4	41	.415

TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 4.0

Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)
 Date: Nov 20, 2005 Attend: 4012 Time: 1:33
 Referees: Mike Hamilton, Marty Prochko
 ID-350439
 Second-largest crowd in Mizzou history

	1	2	3	Total
Tie scores	18	2	9	29
Lead changes	5	0	4	9





MATCH #25

Texas A&M (2) at #10 Missouri (3)

November 26, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.—Just as the Thanksgiving weekend brought a topsy-turvy regular-season ending to the Big 12 football season, here comes the end of the Big 12 women's volleyball season that brought exactly the same. The No. 10 Missouri team survived a five-game, all-out battle on Saturday night in the Hearnes Center, 4 winning 25-30, 34-32, 28-30, 30-27, 15-7. The Tigers (22-4, 16-4) finish the Big 12 season third in the standings, after No. 11 Texas stunned undefeated, No. 1 Nebraska in another five-game skirmish to take second-place outright.

Texas A&M		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF			BLOCK			GEN	POINTS
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE		
2	Moore, Jen.....	5	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	1	0.0	
6	Kelley, Kari.....	5	4	1	6	.500	7	1	0	0	13	1	3	0	0	7.5	
14	Hahn, Christi.....	5	14	2	26	.462	1	1	3	1	11	0	5	1	0	17.5	
22	Jones, Laura.....	5	38	10	79	.354	1	0	1	2	13	3	3	0	0	42.5	
27	Yon, Lindsey.....	5	3	4	12	-.083	1	0	0	5	13	0	1	1	0	3.5	
35	Felder, Kendra.....	5	7	1	17	.353	1	1	1	0	7	0	5	0	0	10.5	
4	Bryant, Kelsey.....	5	19	2	30	.567	1	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	20.5	
4	Clay, Holly.....	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	2	9	0	0	0	0	0.0	
21	Burton, Cristin.....	1	0	0	2	.000	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	
TEAM.....											3					0.0	
Totals.....		5	85	20	172	.378	81	3	5	14	78	4	20	2	1	102.0	

Senior night for Tiger setter All-American Lindsey Hunter was maybe one of her best matches of her career, as she paced the Mizzou squad with a career-high 75 assists, adding eight digs and placing three important service aces. Hunter also scored on seven kills on errorless hitting. Hunter also eclipsed the career 1,000 dig-mark on the night, becoming only the seventh Tiger to do so.

TEAM	ATTACK	PER	GAME	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 14.0						
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	5	TEAM RECORDS
1	21	1	33	.606						
2	25	6	46	.413						Texas A&M..... (2) 30 32 30 27 7 16-13, 9-11 Big 12
3	15	8	38	.184						Missouri..... (3) 25 34 28 30 15 22-4, 16-4 Big 12
4	21	3	40	.450						
5	3	2	15	.067						

Sophomore Na Yang scored a new career-high with 28 kills on .408 hitting, bettering her old tally of 21. Yang was one of five Tigers to score double-digit kill totals. Shen Danru added 18 kills, also marking a double-double with 16 digs. Nicole Wilson scored 16 kills, Jessica Vander Kooi notched 12 kills, and Lisa Boyd marked 10 kills.

Missouri		ATTACK				SET	SERVE			SRV|DEF			BLOCK			GEN	POINTS
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE		
2	Hunter, Lindsey.....	5	7	0	10	.700	75	3	5	0	8	0	1	0	1	10.5	
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica.....	5	12	7	40	.125	4	1	0	0	8	0	3	0	0	14.5	
6	Danru, Shen.....	5	18	6	47	.255	2	3	2	1	16	0	0	1	0	21.0	
8	Boyd, Lisa.....	5	10	4	30	.200	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	12.0	
10	Yang, Na.....	5	28	8	49	.408	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	28.5	
13	Wilson, Nicole.....	5	16	3	33	.394	0	3	2	0	1	0	3	1	0	20.5	
5	Booth, Abbie.....	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	1.0	
7	Jaksich, Jilly.....	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.0	
9	Ailes, Tatum.....	5	0	0	0	.000	1	3	0	2	16	0	0	0	0	3.0	
Totals.....		5	91	28	209	.301	86	14	9	3	61	1	10	2	1	111.0	

Sophomore Tatum Ailes made a heroic effort, scooping 16 digs, adding three service aces. Ailes had to miss 11 points in the third game after colliding with Danru on the back row exacerbating a back spasm, but returned to finish the match.

The Tigers also scored on a season-high 14 service aces, with three coming from Hunter, Danru, Wilson, and Ailes.

TEAM	ATTACK	PER	GAME	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0						
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	4	5	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)
1	19	5	40	.350						Date: Nov 26, 2005 Attend: 2766 Time: 2:21
2	22	5	51	.333						Referees: Erik Fisga, Dave Spencer
3	18	10	48	.167						ID-350440
4	22	6	48	.333						Fourth-largest crowd in Mizzou history
5	10	2	22	.364						

The match featured a total of 42 ties and 19 lead changes over the five-game marathon. Twenty of those ties came in game four alone.

Boyd became only the third Tiger all-time to record 300 blocks in her career, notching a tied-team-high three on the evening.

Texas A&M (16-13, 9-11) will finish the Big 12 season tied with Iowa State in sixth place. The Aggies were led with 38 kills by national-kill leader Laura Jones.

	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Tie scores	7	9	4	20	2	42
Lead changes	2	3	1	12	1	19

In game one, A&M and Mizzou battled to 22-22 until Texas A&M scored eight on the next 11 rallies to take the first frame, 30-25. A&M scored 21 kills on one hitting error to notch a .606 hitting stripe.

In the second frame, Mizzou fought after being down five points at 26-21, taking the lead after an 8-2 run. The stretch, making the score 29-28, included a pin-point ace by Hunter in which she dropped the ball an inch off the left sideline, causing the Hearnes to go crazy. A&M regained the lead at 30-29 and again at 31-30, but the Tigers scored four of the next five to take the game 34-32 after a Hunter setter dump. The teams combined for 47 kills in the second game on nearly .400 combined hitting.

In game three, Mizzou squandered a 22-17 lead after A&M went on a 10-3 run, leading to a 28-25 Aggie advantage. Mizzou fought back to make the score 28-29, but lost the third stanza 30-28.

In game four, 20 ties kept the score close throughout, but at 25-25, Mizzou tore through with a four-point run, thanks to two kills by Boyd and an ace by Danru. Mizzou took the game 30-27.

In the game-five sprint, Mizzou went up 8-4 to force the changing benches. Mizzou scored seven to A&M's three to take the frame and match 15-7. A&M's Jones, who had 37 kills before the game, was held to only one kill in the stanza as the Aggies could only muster three total kills in the frame.



Mizzou Volleyball 2005



MATCH #26

NCAA First Round - Columbia, Mo.

Missouri State (0) at #10 Missouri (3)

December 2, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-Tied 17-17 in game three, the No. 10 Missouri Tigers didn't want to face a tough Missouri State team in the fourth game. By scoring 13 of the next 22 points, they didn't have to. The No. 10 Tigers outlasted the Missouri State Bears 30-26 in game three, and swept Friday night's first-round NCAA match at the Hearnes Center, 30-27, 30-18, 20-26.

With three kills apiece down the stretch, sophomore Na Yang and senior Shen Danru pushed the Tigers into the second-round of the NCAA tournament. The Tigers (23-4) will face the Arkansas Lady Razorbacks (21-11), tomorrow night at the Hearnes Center.

Missouri State, who showed a tough determination against the Tigers, fell to 24-8 for the season. The Bears from Springfield, Mo. managed to bring a strong contingent of followers in maroon as the crowd of 6,294, provided a partially divided yet enthusiastic audience for the match.

Mizzou set a personal NCAA tournament record, holding the Bears to a .179 hitting percentage, surpassing the previous NCAA tournament record of .231 set against Arkansas on Dec. 3, 2004. The Tigers managed a .364 hitting percentage, including a .452 average in game two.

Junior Jessica Vander Kooi and Shen led the Tigers with 13 kills apiece. Junior Nicole Wilson had a team high .526 hitting percentage. Wilson also tallied five blocks, second only to senior Lisa Boyd who nearly notched a double-double, with nine kills and 8 blocks. Senior setter Lindsey Hunter had 44 assists to go along with her four kills.

Missouri State had strong statistical performances out of Katie Werges, and Erin O'Connor who each had 13 kills. Sabrina Apker added eight kills, and setter Ashley Warren had 44 assists and a service ace.

The energy to begin game one was apparent, as both teams came out with a certain intensity that showed they were ready to play. Just as the Bears began to growl, the Tigers growled louder. With the score tied 11-11, Wilson's game changing kill allowed Mizzou to get rolling. Following a Missouri State error and two kills by Vander Kooi, Mizzou took control, 14-11. Missouri State struck back with a 4-0 run, knotting the match at 16. From there, the Tigers rattled off a 6-1 run, taking control 22-17 and never giving back the lead, going on to win 30-26.

Down 11-10 in game two, Mizzou broke open the game with five straight points including a service ace by Booth. The Bears and Tigers would trade blows, battling back and forth in front of a raucous crowd, before Mizzou finally seized control of the game, wrestling away 11 of 15 points from the Bears, allowing Mizzou to coast to a 30-18, win.

Just as the Tigers began to smell blood, they went in for the kill. Beginning game three on an 8-3 run, the Tigers got excellent play from Jessica Vander Kooi, who added two kills, and Abbie Booth, who managed to slip a service ace seamlessly in between Missouri State defenders.

Sensing their tournament lives on the line, Missouri State rallied to a 9-4 scoring run, highlighted by a service ace from Warren and two kills from Sara Thomas. However, it wasn't enough, as Mizzou outlasted the Bears down the stretch. A block by seniors Hunter and Boyd sealed the victory and the date with the Lady Razorbacks in the second round.

Missouri State		ATTACK			SET	SERVE	SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN	POINTS		
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA		BE	BHE
2	Warren, Ashley	3	2	3	8	.125	44	1	0	0	7	1	2	0	1	5.0
4	Apker, Sabrina	3	8	5	21	.143	0	0	1	0	4	0	3	0	0	9.5
6	O'Connor, Erin	3	13	6	33	.212	0	0	0	1	15	0	0	0	1	13.0
7	Kreimer, Katie	3	3	1	10	.200	1	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	3.0
12	Lansing, Sarah	3	3	2	11	.091	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	4.0
14	Vandepopulier, Nikki	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0.0
11	Thomas, Sara	3	7	1	10	.600	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	7.5
13	McAfee, Adeana	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	1.0
15	Werges, Katie	3	13	7	46	.130	2	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	14.0
21	Adams, Jamie	2	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
Totals		3	50	25	140	.179	48	2	1	2	49	1	10	1	2	58.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 6.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	TEAM RECORDS	
1	19	8	51	.216	MISSOURI STATE..... (0)			27 18 26 24-9	
2	16	10	41	.146	MISSOURI..... (3)			30 30 30 23-4	
3	15	7	48	.167					

Missouri		ATTACK			SET	SERVE	SRV/DEF			BLOCK			GEN	POINTS		
#	Name	GP	K	E	TA	PCT	A	SA	SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA		BE	BHE
2	Hunter, Lindsey	3	4	0	8	.500	44	0	2	0	7	0	2	1	0	5.0
3	Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	13	2	25	.440	6	0	0	0	7	1	3	0	1	15.5
6	Danru, Shen	3	13	5	33	.242	0	0	1	0	5	0	3	0	1	14.5
8	Boyd, Lisa	3	9	1	19	.421	1	0	0	0	2	2	6	0	0	14.0
10	Yang, Na	3	10	4	25	.240	1	0	0	0	4	1	3	1	0	12.5
13	Wilson, Nicole	3	11	1	19	.526	0	0	1	0	1	0	5	0	0	13.5
5	Booth, Abbie	3	0	0	0	.000	1	2	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	2.0
9	Ailes, Tatum	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1	13	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM											1					0.0
Totals		3	60	13	129	.364	54	2	4	2	49	4	22	2	2	77.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME					TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 15.0				
Game	K	E	TA	Pct	1	2	3	TEAM RECORDS	
1	22	4	52	.346	MISSOURI STATE..... (0)			27 18 26 24-9	
2	16	2	31	.452	MISSOURI..... (3)			30 30 30 23-4	
3	22	7	46	.326					

Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)
 Date: Dec 02, 2005 Attend: 6294 Time: 1:30
 Referees: Marty Prochko, Mike Hamilton
 NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament -
 First Round
 Second-largest crowd in Mizzou history
 Largest crowd of 2005 NCAA First Round Matches

	1	2	3	Total
Tie scores	11	6	2	19
Lead changes	5	3	1	9





MATCH #27

NCAA Second Round - Columbia, Mo.

Arkansas (0) at #10 Missouri (3)

December 3, 2005

COLUMBIA, Mo.-The No. 10 Missouri Tigers held all the cards and all the aces Saturday night in second-round NCAA action against Arkansas. A season-high 14 service aces lifted the Tigers past the Lady Razorbacks, 30-25, 30-16, 30-11, in a three game sweep. The win advances Mizzou to the sweet-16 round for the first in the team's history.

The service aces set a personal NCAA tournament record for Mizzou (24-4) who moves on to face the winner of No.7 Hawaii and Texas in State College, Penn. Arkansas fell to 21-12 on the season.

Junior Abbie Booth set a Tiger NCAA tournament record with six service aces, tying her personal best for the regular season, set Sept. 14, against Iowa State. The team's 14 service aces, shatters the previous Mizzou NCAA tournament record of seven, set against, Arkansas on Dec. 12, 2004.

In addition to the aces, Mizzou also set a Tiger NCAA tournament match record for hitting percentage, .505. The Tigers held the Lady Razorbacks to a .226 hitting percentage.

Mizzou had nearly five players with double-digit kill totals. Sophomore Na Yang led the way with 13, and was followed by senior Shen Danru (11 kills), senior Lisa Boyd (10 kills,) junior Jessica Vander Kooi (10 kills, 2 service aces), and junior Nicole Wilson (9 kills, 1 service ace).

Senior setter Lindsey Hunter had 46 assists, and also tallied three kills and four service aces in the sweep. Sophomores Kele Brewer and Christiana Lawrence led Arkansas with 10 and eight kills consecutively. Despite the strong effort from the Lady Razorbacks, Mizzou's service aces and 57-team kills proved to be too much.

Tied 10-10 in game one, the Tigers scored five straight, relying on two service aces from Booth, as well as kills from Wilson and Vander Kooi, to pull ahead 15-10. The Lady Razorbacks made sure the lead wouldn't last long, responding with a 6-1 run highlighted by two Brewer kills to tie the score at 16. Mizzou answered, scoring 12 of the next 17 points, aided by two kills apiece from Na and Vander Kooi. Again, Arkansas refused to give up, notching four straight points in the face of defeat. Mizzou senior Shen Danru's kill shut the door on game one, 30-25.

As the momentum began to shift, the Tigers ran with it, leading almost all of game two, and forcing a 19-10 lead on the Lady Razorbacks on the strength of two service aces by Vander Kooi and a game high five kills by Boyd. Down the stretch of game two, the Lady Razorbacks could draw no closer than 10 points behind. Late game service aces from Hunter and Booth propelled the Tigers to 30-16 game two victory.

By the time Arkansas scored their first point of game three, Mizzou had already scored seven. Three early service aces from Booth paved the way for a 9-2 run to open the third game. This forced the Lady Razorbacks behind what would become an insurmountable deficit. An avalanche of Tiger kills and service aces, and a Mizzou NCAA tournament game record for hitting percentage (.640) allowed the Tigers to take game three in dominant fashion, 30-11.

A crowd of 2,490 came out to witness the Mizzou sweep. The Tigers will now take their show on the road, heading east to the campus of Penn State University for their match next Friday. Currently a time for the match has yet to be determined.

Arkansas ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE		|SRV|DEF|		BLOCK			|GEN |POINTS
		K	E	TA	SA			SE	RE	DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE	
1 Denitza Koleva.....	3	4	2	13	.154	0	1	1	4	4	0	0	0	0	5.0
5 Nicole Martin.....	3	1	0	2	.500	18	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1.0
7 Christina Lawrence..	3	8	3	20	.250	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	8.5
12 Amy Allison.....	3	6	3	12	.250	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	7.0
13 Kele Brewer.....	3	10	3	28	.250	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	10.0
17 Karla Crose.....	3	2	0	9	.222	0	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	2.5
3 Iva Docekalova.....	3	0	0	0	.000	10	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	1	0.0
4 Jessica Dorrell.....	3	4	2	8	.250	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4.0
6 Kelli Cole.....	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
9 Ashley Miller.....	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	7	5	0	0	0	0	0.0
15 Kristin Seaton.....	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
24 Caira Daugherty.....	3	0	1	1-1	.000	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
TEAM.....									2						0.0
Totals.....	3	35	14	93	.226	29	1	2	14	28	1	2	1	3	38.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 2.0
Game K E TA Pct	Arkansas SCORES
1 19 7 45 .267	1 2 3
2 9 1 24 .333	Arkansas..... (0) 25 16 11 21-12
3 7 6 24 .042	Missouri..... (3) 30 30 30 24-4

Missouri ## Name	GP	ATTACK				PCT	|SET| A	SERVE		|SRV|DEF|		BLOCK			|GEN |POINTS
K	E	TA	SA	SE	RE			DIG	BS	BA	BE	BHE			
2 Hunter, Lindsey.....	3	3	1	6	.333	46	4	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	7.0
3 Vander Kooi, Jessica	3	10	3	21	.333	2	2	2	0	6	0	3	0	0	13.5
6 Danru, Shen.....	3	11	2	24	.375	0	0	2	0	5	1	0	0	0	12.0
8 Boyd, Lisa.....	3	10	0	14	.714	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	10.5
10 Yang, Na.....	3	13	0	17	.765	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13.0
13 Wilson, Nicole.....	3	9	2	13	.538	0	1	0	0	6	0	2	0	0	11.0
5 Booth, Abbie.....	3	0	0	0	.000	1	6	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	6.0
7 Jaksich, Jilly.....	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0.0
9 Ailes, Tatum.....	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	1.0
15 Allbery, Melissa.....	1	1	0	2	.500	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.0
TEAM.....									1						0.0
Totals.....	3	57	8	97	.505	51	14	7	1	39	1	6	0	0	75.0

TEAM ATTACK PER GAME	TOTAL TEAM BLOCKS: 4.0
Game K E TA Pct	Site: Columbia, Mo. (Hearnes Center)
1 18 5 40 .325	Date: Dec 03, 2005 Attend: 2490 Time: 1:24
2 22 2 32 .625	Referees: Marty Prochko, Mike Hamilton, Mark Nash
3 17 1 25 .640	NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament - Second Round
	Penn State Regional
	1 2 3 Total
Tie scores	6 4 0 10
Lead changes	2 1 0 3



Mizzou Volleyball 2005



LINDSEY HUNTER

S ... 5-10 ... Senior ... Papillion, Neb. ... Papillion-LaVista

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Career Highlights

2004 AVCA All-American, Second-Team ... Two-time AVCA All-Central Region ... Two-time USA National-A2 Team Member ... Four-Time All-Big 12 (Three-time first team) ... three-time Academic All-Big 12 ... the only person in Big 12 history to lead a statistical category for all four years of eligibility ...
 * SIXTH ALL-TIME IN NCAA HISTORY IN ASSISTS PER GAME ... Mizou's all-time leader in assists and assists per game ... first person in Mizou history to tally over 5,000 assists in her career

Season Highlights

- * Became Mizou's All-Time career assists leader with 56 at #15 Texas A&M
- * All-Big 12, First Team ... Big 12 Player of the Year nominee
- * Named Big 12 Player of the Week (September 5), after 100 assist two-match tournament sweep over Utah and No. 9 Tennessee
- * Tiger Invitational Tournament MVP ... Holiday Inn Classic Tournament MVP ... 2005 Preseason All-Big 12
- * Academic All-Big 12, Honorable Mention
- * Has played every point this season

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	0.92	.356	14.38	0.46	.834	--	2.16	0.50	1.63
Road	1.00	.370	13.81	0.21	.845	--	2.74	0.57	1.51
Mtch Won	0.96	.360	14.48	0.42	.860	--	2.35	0.56	1.67
Mtch Lost	0.82	.300	12.82	0.12	.753	--	2.71	0.29	1.09
vs Top 25	0.76	.299	14.06	0.24	.852	--	2.45	0.42	1.21
Big 12	0.99	.366	13.77	0.31	.832	--	2.55	0.58	1.59
B12-SH	1.12	.418	13.70	0.28	.827	--	2.33	0.47	1.64
Last 5	1.22	.525	14.89	0.56	--	--	2.00	0.50	2.03

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	0.83	0.94	0.90
Assists/gm	13.72 (1)	14.19	14.43
Aces/gm	0.31 (16)	0.37	0.26
Digs/gm	2.33 (18)	2.41	2.30
Blocks/gm	0.54 (19)	0.51	0.51
Points/gm	1.43 (50)	1.57	1.44

() - All-time rank at Mizou

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2002	34	120	78	40	213	.178	1690*	28	262	7	65
2003	30	115	101	33	255	.267	1413	44	279	4	67
2004	29	103	93	21	209	.344	1486	27	237	4	53
2005	28	98	92	21	202	.351	1391	36	236	1	50
TOTALS	121	436	364	115	879	.283	5980*	135	1014	16	235
MU Rk	t3rd	4th	34th	43rd	6th	1st	3rd	7th	32nd	11th	

*school record

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
2002 - Cedar Falls, Iowa														
Dec 6	vs. Northwestern	4	2	1	5	.200	64	0 3 0	6	0	2	1	2	3
Dec 7	at Northern Iowa	5	1	2	7	-.143	69	2 1 0	14	0	1	0	1	3.5
2003 - Los Angeles, Calif.														
Dec 5	vs. UC-Irvine	5	1	1	5	.000	62	0 3 0	13	0	1	1	1	3 1.5
2004 - Columbia, Mo.														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	3	1	5	.400	60	1 4 0	15	0	1	0	1	4.5
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	2	1	5	.200	62	0 3 0	7	1	2	0	3	4
2005 - Columbia, Mo.														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	4	0	8	.500	44	0 2 0	7	0	2	1	2	5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	3	1	6	.333	46	4 1 0	4	0	0	0	0	7
TOTALS		28	16	7	41	.220	407	7 17 0	66	1	9	3 10	5	28.5
Per-Game			.57				14.54	.25	2.36			.36		1.02

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 8 twice
 Attacks . . . 17 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-1-03)
 Hitting % . . .778 twice
 Assists . . . 75 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Aces 7 . . . MONTANA ST. (8-29-03)
 Solo Blocks . .2 . . . vs. NC State (9-13-02)
 Total Blocks .8 . . . at Colorado (9-21-05)
 Digs 17 KANSAS (10-1-03)
 Points11.5 . . . KANSAS (10-15-05)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Kills 8 twice
 Attacks . . . 13 three times
 Hitting % . . .778 . . . at Kansas (11-23-05)
 Assists . . . 75 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Aces 5 KANSAS (10-15-05)
 Solo Blocks . .1 . . . at Colorado (9-21-05)
 Total Blocks .8 . . . at Colorado (9-21-05)
 Digs 13 three times
 Points11.5 . . . KANSAS (10-15-05)

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	2	2	5	.000	45	2 1 0	6	0	0	1	0	4
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	3	0	6	.500	55	1 2 0	5	0	3	0	3	5.5
named Big 12 Player of the Week after tournament performance ... Tennessee was then ranked No. 9														
Sep 6	UMKC	3	1	0	2	.500	39	1 2 0	4	0	1	1	1	2.5
Sep 9	at Montana State	3	2	1	5	.200	51	1 3 0	8	0	0	1	0	3
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	4	1	7	.429	41	1 1 0	5	0	1	0	1	5.5
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	0	2	2	-1.000	51	3 2 0	8	0	0	2	0	3
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	4	0	6	.667	41	1 0 0	6	0	4	1	4	2 7
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	6	1	13	.385	56	1 0 0	10	0	2	2	2	8
became Mizou All-Time assists leader with team's first win ever in College Station														
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	1	0	4	.250	47	0 4 0	12	1	7	0	8	5.5
eclipsed career 5,000-assist mark ... totaled career-high eight blocks														
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	1	1	5	.000	40	3 3 0	9	0	1	1	1	4.5
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	5	2	11	.273	43	1 1 0	8	0	0	1	0	6
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	4	2	11	.182	68	1 5 0	13	0	2	1	2	6
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	1	1	7	.000	55	0 6 0	13	0	2	2	2	2
Oct 12	at Texas	3	0	0	1	.000	46	0 4 0	8	0	0	1	0	2
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	5	0	8	.625	35	5 2 0	9	0	3	1	3	11.5
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	1	0	4	.250	40	0 2 0	8	0	2	1	2	2
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	8	0	13	.615	54	2 3 0	10	0	2	1	2	11
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	4	0	12	.333	60	0 3 0	12	0	1	2	1	4.5
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	8	3	13	.385	59	1 7 0	13	0	1	0	1	9.5
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	2	0	7	.286	40	0 3 0	8	0	2	0	2	3
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	0	1	4	-.250	47	0 2 0	12	0	3	0	3	1.5
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	3	2	7	.143	52	1 3 0	1	0	1	0	1	4.5
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	5	1	9	.444	58	1 1 0	12	0	2	1	2	7
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	1	0	7	.143	53	1 2 0	7	0	2	2	2	3
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	7	0	9	.778	50	2 2 0	10	0	4	0	4	11
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	7	0	10	.700	75	3 5 0	8	0	1	0	1	110.5
Dec 2	MISSOURI ST.	3	4	0	8	.500	44	0 2 0	7	0	2	1	2	5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	3	1	6	.333	46	4 1 0	4	0	0	0	0	7
Conference-Only		74	73	14	161	.366	1019	2358 0	189	1	42	17 43	12 118	
Per Game Avg			0.99				13.77	0.31	2.55			0.58		1.59
Big 12 Rank												**1st**8th		
Overall		98	92	23	202	.342	1391	3672 0	236	1	49	23 50	19 153	
Per Game Avg			0.94				14.19	0.37	2.41			0.51		1.57
NCAA Rank												3rd		

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
Double-Doubles	42	10	11
70-Assist Matches	1	1	0
60-Assist Matches	21	3	9
50-Assist Matches	61	14	17
40-Assist Matches	107	26	28
15-Ast Per Gm Mtchs	39	11	12
5-Block Matches	10	1	4
10-Dig Matches	42	10	12
Multi-Ace Matches	38	8	7





Hunter, Getting The Job Done

By Willie Springer

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When you talk about Mizzou athletics and try to think of a legend for a specific sport, you come up with names like Norm Stewart for men's basketball or Kellen Winslow for football. When you think of Mizzou Volleyball, you do not quickly associate names that have legendary status, yet. If all goes as planned for senior Lindsey Hunter, she will be considered one of the first more remembered volleyball athletes to come through Columbia – not only by the Mid-Missouri community at large, but also volleyball and sport fans around the nation. Lindsey has showed off her skills for almost four years now and continues just to get better by dazzling other teams with her graceful ways of “quarterbacking” the team by setting the ball. Hunter has been racking assists for the Tigers like no one else has in the Big 12 during her tenure.



A highly touted recruit from Papillion, Neb., Lindsey was also recruited by other big name schools including the home state powerhouse of the Nebraska Cornhuskers. As a result of her coming to Mizzou, more from the state followed and came to Columbia. They came to not only just play volleyball, but because of the quality in both the players and coaches that came with. In her freshman season, Lindsey was an AVCA All-Central Region Honorable Mention selection, named as an All-Big 12 Honorable Mention, set a school record for assists in a season with 1,690, and led the Big 12 Conference and was second in the nation in assists per game with a 14.08 average. During the 2002 campaign, Hunter gave Mizzou fans a glimpse of what she was about and was later named Mizzou's “Female Athlete of the Year” by MU school newspaper, The Maneater.

The very next season Lindsey did everything the same as usual, but even better. It is an evident fact that Hunter has improved each season, but the great thing is that the stats in each specific season go up as the season progresses.



She claims beating Nebraska in her sophomore season was one of her biggest thrills in her Mizzou career. On October 15, 2003, Mizzou upset the No. 8 Cornhuskers 3-2, winning after losing the first two games. Again, she led the Big 12 in assists per game with 12.29, but was now part of the All-Big 12 First Team. She got an excellent opportunity by being selected to the USA Select Team, which competed in

the European Spring Cup in the Czech Republic. She was also named to the USA A2 Training Team and was named to the All-Tournament Team of USA Open Championship as part of the USA Team.

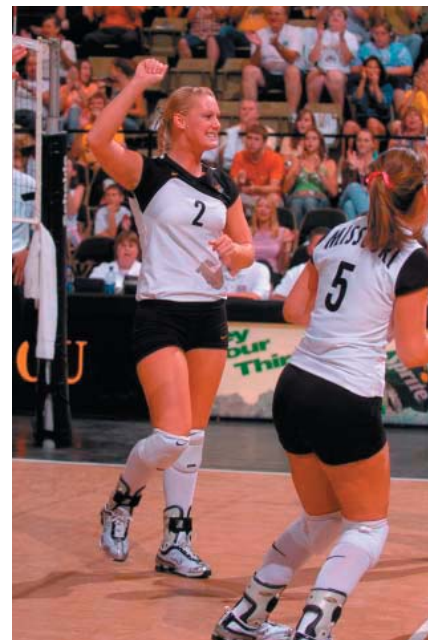
Last year, she was chosen to the AVCA's All-America Second Team, placed on the AVCA All-Central team and was a first team All-Big 12 pick for the second consecutive year. She once again led the conference for the third year in a row in assists by averaging a career-high 14.43 per game. She led the team into the NCAA Tournament by defeating Arkansas in the first round, but just came up short to highly ranked Louisville.

This year, the Tigers are quickly off on a great foot, not losing a match, climbing their way all the way up to No. 7 in the country. Going back to her greatest career thrills, Lindsey also refers to beating Texas A&M this season down in College Station, Texas, something Mizzou has never accomplished before in their history. The team has already disposed of teams in then-No. 9 Tennessee, then-No. 9 Wisconsin, Kansas State, and recently Texas Tech, which was one of the closer matches of the year. Lindsey is not interested in individual glory in her final season, but she says, “I think our team goal is to definitely make it farther than Mizzou ever has; Sweet 16, Elite 8, Final Four. Those are definitely way up there, but those are our goals.”

From Papillion, Neb., a graduate of Papillion-LaVista High School. Hunter was named Nebraska Volleyball Gatorade Player of the Year in 2001. Student Sports Magazines and Volleyball Magazines dubbed her a high school All-American. She was then named a Fab 50 Recruit by Volleyball Magazine and was a preseason All-American by Studentsports.com. When it did come to recruiting, Lindsey simply puts it by stating, “I knew it when I came here; it fit. The coaches, the players, the campus, the academics, the facilities; everything was just what I was looking for.”

While being a student at Mizzou, Lindsey has majored in business administration. She has twice been named to the Big 12 All-Academic team in 2003 and 2004. Though, she will receive her diploma in May in probably a marketing focused business degree, Hunter has decided to continue her volleyball career by taking the level much higher. She has expressed her desire to play internationally with the USA national team and hopes she can make it all the way to the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. This will take place immediately as Lindsey says, “I'm leaving right after I graduate in May.”

When she leaves the team, she will be sorely missed not just by the coaches, players, and whoever else is an integral part in the program, but by the fans that have seen her play for the last few seasons. Lindsey has conducted herself, as any other athletic role model should, on and off the court. Her teammates hold her in high regard because of her leadership and encouraging attitude toward not just volleyball, but in all aspects of life. Lindsey Hunter is a local legend in her own time in volleyball and will go on to continue playing the game with her cool way of setting up the kill.



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JESSICA VANDER KOOI

OH ... 6-2 ... Junior ... Hinton, Iowa ... Hinton HS

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Career Highlights

2004 AVCA All-Central Region, Honorable Mention ... 2003 AVCA Central Region Freshman of the Year ... Big 12 Freshman of the Year ... Two-time All-Big 12 ... two-time Academic All-Big 12

Season Highlights

- * CoSIDA Academic All-District, First Team
- * Preseason All-Big 12, Academic All-Big 12
- * Against No. 9 Tennessee, had 12 kills, 11 digs, and two blocks, having six kills in game one alone ... Perfected tip shots several times and had 12 kills and 11 digs in sweep over No. 9 Wisconsin
- * In sweep of K-State, recorded 11 kills on 11-1-21 hitting (.476), grabbing six blocks and two aces
- * Has played every point this season

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	3.42	0.31	0.78	0.38	.943	.988	2.08	0.96	4.32
Road	3.57	0.24	0.71	0.26	.946	.970	3.29	0.90	4.32
Mtch Won	3.53	0.28	0.78	0.33	.936	.974	2.65	1.02	4.42
Mtch Lost	3.35	0.26	0.65	0.18	.966	.988	2.76	0.88	4.00
vs Top 25	3.42	0.22	0.79	0.33	.942	.975	3.48	1.06	4.36
Big 12	3.36	0.26	0.72	0.31	.951	.977	2.62	0.92	4.16
B12-SH	3.28	0.24	0.85	0.15	.943	.971	2.58	0.80	3.85
Last 5	3.06	.248	0.72	0.28	--	--	1.89	0.67	3.69

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	3.24 (7)	3.50	3.84
Assists/gm	0.57	0.76	0.39
Aces/gm	0.24 (28)	0.31	0.17
Digs/gm	2.86 (8)	2.67	3.11
Blocks/gm	0.84 (7)	1.00	0.72
Points/gm	3.97 (5)	4.35	4.46

() - All-time rank at Mizzou

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2003	30	114	282	119	744	.219	66	29	320	16	93
2004	29	103	396	153	984	.247	40	18	320	16	74
2005	28	98	343	112	844	.274	74	30	262	8	98
TOTALS	87	315	1021	384	2572	.248	180	77	902	40	265
MU Rk			9th		11th	18th	20th	31st	12th	t14th	8th

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2003 - Los Angeles, Calif.</i>														
Dec 5	vs. UC-Irvine	5	23	10	54	.241	2	5 4 3	18	4	1	3	5	0 32.5
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	13	4	30	.300	3	1 2 0	14	0	6	0	6	0 17
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	4	7	23	-.130	3	0 3 0	8	0	1	0	1	0 4.5
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	13	2	25	.440	6	0 0 0	7	1	3	0	4	1 15.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	10	3	21	.333	2	2 2 0	6	0	3	0	3	0 13.5
TOTALS		19	63	26	153	.242	16	8 11 3	53	5	14	3	19	8 3
Per-Game			3.32					.42	2.79					4.37

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	13	6	31	.226	3	0 0 0	7	0	2	1	2	0 14
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	12	4	27	.296	2	1 2 0	11	1	1	0	2	0 14.5
Sep 6	UMKC	3	13	1	21	.571	0	4 2 0	4	1	5	0	6	0 20.5
Sep 9	at Montana St.	3	11	4	25	.280	3	0 1 0	13	0	1	0	1	0 11.5
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	12	5	26	.269	2	0 1 1	11	1	4	0	5	1 15
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	10	2	31	.258	3	0 2 0	9	0	7	1	7	0 13.5
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	9	4	21	.238	3	1 0 0	6	0	3	0	3	0 11.5
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	18	5	46	.283	3	3 2 1	17	0	4	0	4	1 23
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	14	4	31	.323	1	2 1 0	8	0	6	0	6	0 19
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	11	1	21	.476	3	2 0 0	5	0	6	0	6	0 16
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	15	4	33	.333	1	1 1 0	11	0	2	0	2	1 17
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	13	3	35	.286	3	4 1 1	13	0	3	1	3	0 18.5
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	9	2	34	.206	0	2 0 0	10	0	5	1	5	0 13.5
Oct 12	at Texas	3	6	4	31	.065	0	0 0 0	9	1	1	0	2	1 7.5
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	12	3	24	.375	4	1 0 0	6	0	3	0	3	1 14.5
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	11	4	31	.226	1	1 1 0	6	1	1	0	2	0 13.5
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	11	5	33	.182	3	0 1 0	15	0	4	2	4	0 13
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	14	10	47	.085	8	0 1 1	21	2	7	0	9	0 19.5
near quadruple-double... finished-off Cats with three-straight blocks to clinch game five														
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	19	2	33	.515	4	0 2 0	6	0	6	1	6	0 22
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	7	3	19	.211	3	1 1 1	9	0	1	0	1	0 8.5
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	13	3	26	.385	1	0 0 1	5	0	3	1	3	1 14.5
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	12	3	22	.409	3	1 0 1	4	0	2	1	2	0 14
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	23	9	59	.237	7	1 0 1	22	0	2	3	2	1 25
had 15 kills and 11 digs in the first two games alone														
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	8	4	19	.211	1	2 2 0	9	0	0	1	0	0 10
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	12	5	32	.219	0	0 2 0	4	0	2	1	2	0 13
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	12	7	40	.125	4	1 0 0	8	0	3	0	3	0 14.5
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	13	2	25	.440	6	0 0 0	7	1	3	0	4	1 15.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	10	3	21	.333	2	2 2 0	6	0	3	0	3	0 13.5
Conference-Only		74	249	85	637	.257	53	23 15 7	194	4	64	12	68	6 308
Per Game Avg			3.36					0.72	0.31		2.62			0.92
Big 12 Rank			13th					t8th	t14th					10th
Overall		98	343	115	844	.270	74	30 25 8	262	8	90	14	98	8 426
Per Game Avg			3.50					0.76	0.31		2.67			1.00
NCAA Rank														4.35

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS
 Kills 23 twice
 Attacks 59 twice
 Hitting % . . .667 . MONTANA ST (8-29-03)
 Assists 9 KANSAS (10-1-03)
 Aces 5 twice
 Solo Blocks . .4 . . .vs. UC-Irvine (12-5-03)
 Total Blocks .9 . . twice, last at KSU 10/26
 Digs 22 vs Purdue (9-4-04)
 Points 32.5 . .vs. UC-Irvine (12-5-03)

2005 SEASON BESTS
 Kills 23 . at Nebraska (11-13-05)
 Attacks 59 . at Nebraska (11-13-05)
 Hitting % . .571 UMKC (9-6-05)
 Assists 8 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Aces 4 twice
 Solo Blocks . .2 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Total Blocks .9 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Digs 22 . at Nebraska (11-13-05)
 Points 25 . at Nebraska (11-13-05)

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
Double-Doubles	38	9	18
20-20s (Kills/Digs)	2	1	1
20-Kill Matches	7	1	3
10-Kill Matches	62	23	27
5-Block Matches	20	8	3
10-Dig Matches	48	10	19
20-Point Matches	16	4	8
Multi-Ace Matches	20	8	6





The Cool and Consistent Vander Kooi

By Matt Polizzi

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The sky is the limit for this year's Missouri Tigers Volleyball team. Knocking off top opponents has come down to a solid team effort, and one important factor in the Tigers success has been junior outside hitter Jessica Vander Kooi. Night in and night out consistent play is the cornerstone of Vander Kooi's game. Vander Kooi is the Lou Gehrig of volleyball for the Tigers, playing in all 68 matches possible during her Tiger career.

In addition to her dedication to the game, Vander Kooi has also been about as consistent as it comes in kills and digs this season. In the short amount of matches played this season, Vander Kooi already has 4 double-doubles. Stepping up in big games is another ingredient in Vander Kooi's arsenal as three of her double-doubles occurred against teams ranked in the top 15. Last year Vander Kooi recorded 18 double-doubles, a team high. In her career Vander Kooi has 33 double-doubles.

In the September 16 match at then-No. 15 Texas A&M, Vander Kooi had season highs in kills (18) and digs (17), factoring big in Tigers first all-time win College Station. Coming into this season though, Vander Kooi knew she had her work cut out for her as she was named to the Preseason All-Big 12 team. In addition, Vander Kooi was named to the AVCA's All-Central Region honorable-mention team and was an All-Big 12 first-team selection in 2004.



Performing in big games is nothing new to Vander Kooi who in the first round of the 2003 NCAA Championships against UC-Irvine recorded 23 kills (current career high), 18 digs, five service aces, and five blocks. Vander Kooi's big-game performance will be needed as the Tigers play top-ranked opponents in both Big 12 play and into possible play in the NCAA Championships. The Tigers have made the NCAA Tournament every season Vander Kooi has played.

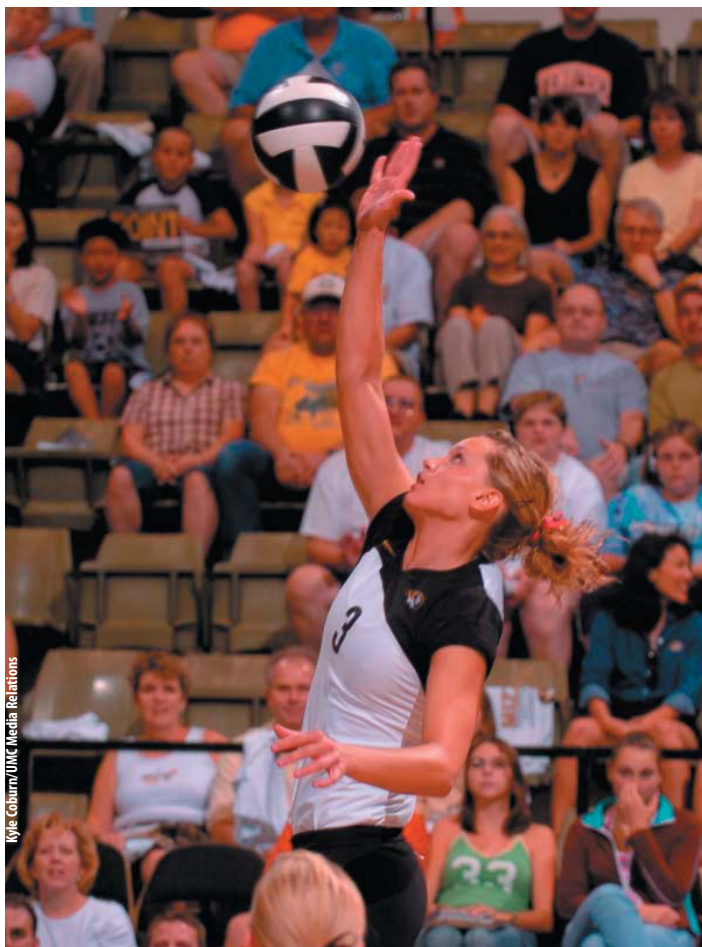
Vander Kooi is a native of Hinton, Iowa. Vander Kooi's midwestern roots are most likely the reason for her down to earth demeanor off the court. An international business major, Vander Kooi excels off the court also with Academic All-Big 12 honors. At Hinton High School, Vander Kooi was her class' valedictorian.

In addition, a sense of family is important to Vander Kooi, who calls her parents after games to keep them informed of the outcome. On the court, Vander Kooi looks to her parents as inspiration to keep herself focused and always reaching for her best performance.

With a busy family though Vander Kooi's parents only get to attend a select number of games. As a result, Vander Kooi always looks to make her parents proud even when they can't witness a Tigers victory in person. This inspiration has made Vander Kooi the player she is today.

Vander Kooi has enjoyed her time at Mizzou thus far and compares the team to a close family. Her freshman year she was helped along by older girls on the team and now she senses that she is an upperclassman because of the way in which younger girls look to her now for advice.

Looking towards the rest of the season Vander Kooi has a positive outlook and wants to help the team succeed as much as she can. Vander Kooi and the rest of Tiger team have the talent, dedication, and intelligence to go deep into post-season play.



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Mizzou Volleyball 2005



ABBIE BOOTH

DS ... 5-7 ... Junior ... Kansas City, Mo. ... Notre Dame de Sion

Career Highlights

Two-time Academic All-Big 12

Season Highlights

* Had six service aces against Iowa State, topping her old previous best in the category by three

* Had 12 total service aces in a four-match stretch to start the Big 12 season (averaging almost one per game)

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Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	0.02	0.02	0.03
Assists/gm	0.23	0.22	0.26
Aces/gm	0.30	0.39	0.20
Digs/gm	1.90	1.93	1.99
Blocks/gm	0.00	0.00	0.00
Points/gm	0.33	0.41	0.23

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2003	5	5	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	0
2004	21	69	2	2	6	.000	18	14	137	0	0
2005	28	98	2	2	4	.000	22	38	189	0	0
TOTALS	54	172	4	4	11	.000	40	52	326	0	0

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0 3 0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 2	5	0	0	0	0	0
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	1	2 0 0	10	0	0	0	0	2
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	0	0	0	.000	1	6 1 0	3	0	0	0	0	6
TOTALS		14	0	0	0		2	8 4 2	26	0	0	0	0	8
Per-Game			.00					.57	1.86				.00	.57

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 1 three times
 Attacks 2 TEXAS A&M (10-9-04)
 Assists 3 twice
 Aces 6 IOWA STATE (9-14-05)
 ARKANSAS (12-3-05,
 NCAA 2nd Round)
 Digs 19 at Texas A&M (10-27-04)
 Points 6 IOWA STATE (9-14-05)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Attacks 1 twice
 Assists 3 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Aces 6 IOWA STATE (9-14-05)
 ARKANSAS (12-3-05,
 NCAA 2nd Round)
 Digs 16 at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Points 6 IOWA STATE (9-14-05)

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	--	---	0.22	0.60	.943	.970	1.64	---	---
Road	--	---	0.26	0.17	.924	.953	2.07	---	---
Mtch Won	--	---	0.22	0.42	.945	.971	2.07	---	---
Mtch Lost	--	---	0.24	0.24	.903	.938	1.24	---	---
vs Top 25	--	---	0.24	0.30	.959	.978	2.12	---	---
Big 12	--	---	0.26	0.35	.927	.956	1.84	---	---
B12-SH	--	---	0.30	0.32	.940	.957	1.55	---	---
Last 5	--	---	0.33	0.72	--	--	1.61	---	---

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	0	1	1	-1.000	0	1 2 1	10	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	0	1	1	-1.000	1	1 0 0	4	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 6	UMKC	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 9	at Montana St.	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1 0 0	4	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1 0 0	9	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	1	6 3 0	3	0	0	0	0	6
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	0	0	0	.000	1	3 2 0	16	0	0	0	0	3
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	0	0	0	.000	1	1 1 1	8	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2 0 1	6	0	0	0	0	2
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 2	10	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0 5 0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 1	9	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 12	at Texas	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 1 1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 1 0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	1 2 0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	0	0	0	.000	2	0 1 0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Season-high 25 serve receives without an error														
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1 1 0	10	0	0	0	0	1
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	0	0	0	.000	2	4 3 2	2	0	0	0	0	4
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2 0 0	12	0	0	0	0	2
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0 1 0	8	0	0	0	0	1
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	0	0	0	.000	0	1 3 0	3	0	0	0	0	1
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0 2 0	6	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	0	0	0	.000	1	3 0 0	4	0	0	0	0	3
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	0	0	0	.000	0	1 0 3	5	0	0	0	0	1
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	0	0	0	.000	3	1 0 0	7	0	0	0	0	1
Dec 2	MISSOURI ST.	3	0	0	0	.000	1	2 0 0	10	0	0	0	0	2
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	0	0	0	.000	1	6 1 0	3	0	0	0	0	6
Conference-Only		74	249	85	637	.257	53	23 15 7	194	4	64	12	68	6
Per Game Avg			3.36				0.72	0.31	2.62				0.92	4.16
Big 12 Rank								7th	16th					
Overall		98	2	7	4	-1.250	22	38 29 12	189	0	0	0	0	40
Per Game Avg			0.02				0.22	0.39	1.93				0.00	0.41
NCAA Rank														

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
15-Dig Matches	2	1	1
10-Dig Matches	12	8	4
Multi-Ace Matches	11	8	3





Booth, On Another Winning Team

By Drew Mercurio

Media Relations Student Assistant

The phrase "Offense wins games, but defense wins championships" holds true in almost every sport, and volleyball is no exception. The Missouri volleyball team has several skilled attackers that can put points on the board, but it also has several players that can keep the opposing team from getting points, especially in key situations. One of those players is defensive specialist Abbie Booth.

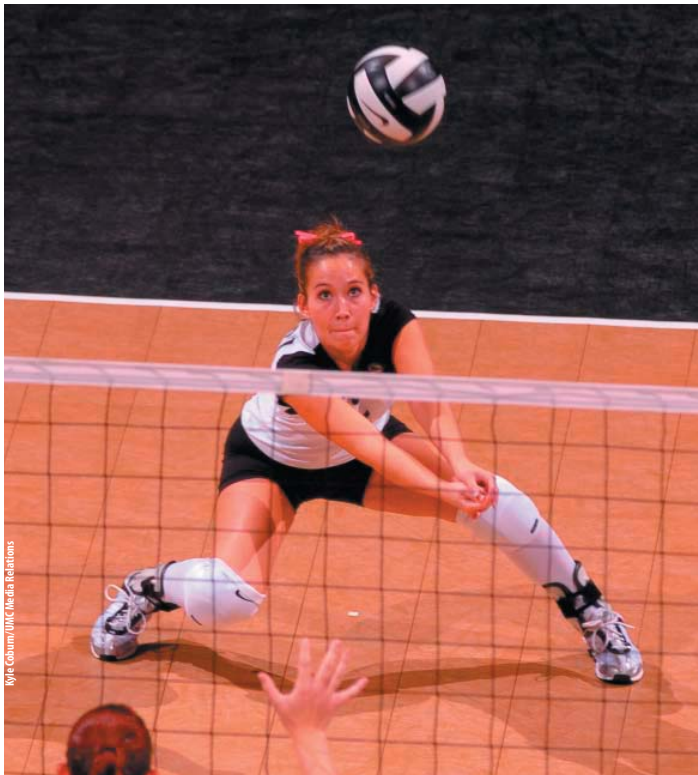
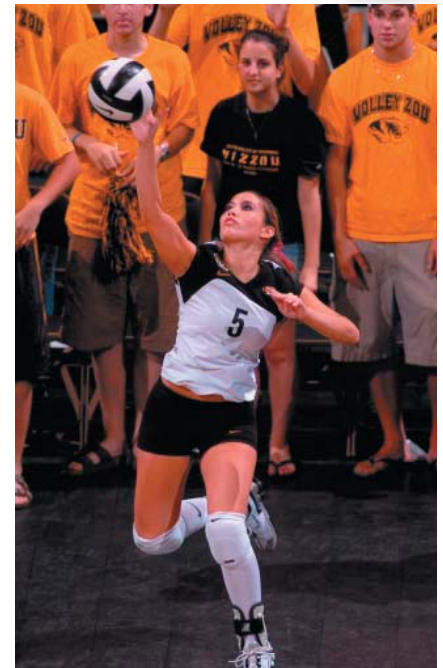
A junior out of Kansas City, Booth secured a regular spot in the lineup for herself early in her sophomore season against Iowa State after playing in just five games as freshman. She averaged two digs per game that year and had four games with double-digit digs, including a career-high 19 against then-No. 15 Texas A&M, 12 on the road against No. 9 Texas, 13 against Kansas, and 10 against Texas Tech.

Booth played volleyball at Notre Dame de Sion High School in Kansas City, Mo. There she was named to the All-District Team three years in a row and selected to the Kansas City Star's All-Metro Team in 2002. She chose Mizzou over Purdue and TCU after coming here seeing what the Tiger volleyball program was all about. "I chose Mizzou over Purdue and TCU for a couple of rea-

sons. I heard about the reputations of the coaches and the program and thought this would be a great place to play. I also chose it because it was closer to home."

Even though her main role is to keep the ball from hitting the floor, Booth began working on a new element of her game last year. Along with being an outstanding defensive player, she added a serve to her repertoire. After having a hard time with her serve early in the year, Booth kept working at it and ended the year with 13 aces, including two matches in which she recorded three. "Last year was actually my first year of trying, so I was still trying to get into the rhythm and the feeling of it. But this year I'm more comfortable and more experienced doing it, so I'm just trying to place it and put a little bit more hit on it." So far this year, she has already eclipsed last year's mark with 16, six of those coming in a match against Iowa State.

During her time at Mizzou, the Tiger volleyball team has always been one of the better teams in the country, usually holding a Top 25 spot. But this year, the Tigers moved in to the Top 10 early in the season. Booth has experienced success before with Notre Dame de Sion, winning the Class 3A Missouri State Championship in her junior year and making it the Class 4 State Finals in her senior year, and she knows that she can't let it become her or the team's focus. "We don't really focus on what we're ranked. We notice it and we acknowledge it, but we have nothing to lose. Every time we go out we say that we have nothing to lose." She knew what the team was capable of coming into the season after losing in the second round of NCAA's last year to Louisville. "We knew that we had the same core group of people. We knew that we could only get better. We just knew that if we kept working hard and playing together like we always do that we would go far."



By Drew Mercurio/Mizzou Media Relations



Mizzou Volleyball 2005



SHEN DANRU

OH ... 5-11 ... Senior ... Shanghai, China

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Career Highlights

- * Has played in all 119 matches and 431 games possible over her four years at Mizzou ...
- * Three-time All-Big 12 selection
- * Mizzou's all-time leader in kills, digs, aces, points, and total attacks
- * All-time leader at Mizzou in kills per game
- * Two-time Big 12 Player of the Week (2003)
- * Four-time Academic All-Big 12

Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	3.73 (1)	2.87	4.07
Assists/gm	0.26	0.28	0.26
Aces/gm	0.41 (4)	0.31	0.31
Digs/gm	3.08 (3)	2.99	2.79
Blocks/gm	0.38	0.41	0.36
Points/gm	4.38 (2)	3.43	4.58

() -All-time in Mizzou history

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	3.14	.240	.22	0.36	.890	.971	2.91	0.39	3.67
Road	2.50	.155	.33	0.26	.886	.967	3.29	0.36	3.00
Mtch Won	3.07	.234	.30	0.31	.892	.969	2.94	0.42	3.64
Mtch Lost	1.88	-.008	.18	0.29	.883	.972	3.24	0.35	2.41
vs Top 25	3.03	.172	.24	0.33	.917	.967	3.64	0.39	3.62
Big 12	2.68	.177	.30	0.31	.901	.970	3.08	0.35	3.22
B12-SH	2.80	.203	.15	0.28	.923	.976	2.95	0.47	3.42
Last 5	3.44	.261	0.11	0.28	--	--	2.72	0.44	4.06

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB	PTS
2002	34	122	477	218	1251	.207	23	64	361	12	47	570.5
2003	30	115	459	179	1258	.223	36	54	405	12	41	539.5
2004	29	102	415	160	1089	.234	27	32	285	4	37	467.5
2005	28	98	281	123	798	.198	27	30	293	10	40	336
TOTALS	121	437	1632*	680	4396*	.217	113	180*	1344*	38	165	1913.5*
MU Rk	t3rd	3rd	1st		1st	23rd	1st		1st	16th	17th	1st

*school record

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2002 - Cedar Falls, Iowa</i>														
Dec 6	vs Northwestern	4	23	7	56	.286	0	2 4 2	11	0	0	0	0	25
Dec 7	at Northern Iowa	5	23	7	50	.320	0	0 1 0	7	0	0	0	0	23
<i>2003 - Los Angeles, Calif.</i>														
Dec 5	vs UC-Irvine	5	19	6	51	.255	0	0 0 1	22	0	2	0	2	20
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	21	12	62	.145	2	3 1 0	6	0	0	0	0	24
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	18	4	40	.350	3	1 4 0	15	0	1	0	1	19.5
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	13	5	33	.242	0	0 1 0	5	0	3	0	3	14.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	11	2	24	.375	0	0 2 0	5	1	0	0	1	12
TOTALS		28	128	43	316	.269	5	6 13 3	71	1	6	0	7	138
Per-Game			4.57					.21	2.54		.25		4.93	

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 24 four times
 Attacks . . . 77 . . . NEBRASKA (10-15-03)
 Hitting % . . .600 . . . N.C. STATE (9-13-02)
 Assists5 . . . at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Aces7 . . . KANSAS STATE (11-12-03)
 Solo Blocks . .3 . . . COLORADO (11-22-03)
 Total Blocks . .6 . . . KANSAS STATE (11-12-03)
 Digs24 . . . KANSAS STATE (11-12-03)
 Points28 . . . KANSAS STATE (11-12-03)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Kills 18 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Attacks . . . 47 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Hitting % . . .474 . . . IOWA STATE (9-14-05)
 Assists5 . . . at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Aces3 four times
 Solo Blocks . .2 three times
 Total Blocks . .4 twice
 Digs20 . . . at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Points23 . . . at Kansas State (10-26-05)

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	10	5	26	.192	1	2 3 0	8	0	4	0	4	14
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	13	2	32	.344	1	1 2 1	14	0	0	1	0	14
Sep 6	UMKC	3	7	2	14	.357	0	3 1 0	9	0	2	0	2	11
Sep 9	at Montana St.	3	10	3	29	.241	1	0 4 1	7	0	0	0	0	10
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	12	5	39	.179	1	0 0 1	4	0	2	0	2	13
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	7	3	24	.167	1	1 2 1	13	0	2	0	2	9
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	12	3	19	.474	2	2 1 0	6	0	0	0	0	14
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	12	6	41	.146	5	0 3 2	20	0	1	0	1	12.5
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	6	1	24	.208	1	1 2 0	9	0	0	0	0	7
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	8	7	25	.040	0	1 0 1	8	0	1	0	1	9.5
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	9	3	32	.188	3	2 1 0	9	0	1	0	1	11.5
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	12	8	35	.114	2	0 3 2	13	0	0	0	0	12
Became Mizzou's all-time Digs leader with 13, passing Naaron Branson (1,149)														
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	9	9	35	.000	1	3 1 0	19	0	1	1	1	12.5
Became Mizzou's all-time Service Aces leader adding three here, passing Yvette Buhlig (163)														
Oct 12	at Texas	3	6	5	23	.043	0	2 2 1	10	0	1	1	1	8.5
Became Mizzou's all-time Kills Leader with 8, passing Buhlig (1,478)														
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	4	3	20	.050	2	1 0 0	7	0	1	0	1	5.5
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	8	1	18	.389	0	0 5 0	9	0	1	2	1	8.5
Became Mizzou's all-time Scorer with 8.5 points, passing Christi Myers (1,814)														
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	9	4	28	.179	2	2 0 1	8	0	1	0	1	11.5
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	17	3	43	.326	0	3 2 1	19	2	2	1	4	23
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	8	10	27	-.074	2	0 4 2	8	1	1	1	2	9.5
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	12	4	22	.364	0	1 0 1	8	2	1	1	3	15.5
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	9	4	30	.167	0	0 2 0	10	0	2	0	2	10
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	10	2	21	.381	0	0 1 0	8	0	1	0	1	10.5
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	9	9	34	.000	0	0 0 0	18	1	1	1	2	10.5
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	14	3	24	.458	0	1 2 0	8	1	0	0	1	16
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	6	5	29	.034	0	1 0 0	15	2	1	0	3	9.5
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	18	6	47	.255	2	3 2 1	16	0	0	1	0	21
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	13	5	33	.242	0	0 1 0	5	0	3	0	3	14.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	11	2	24	.375	0	0 2 0	5	1	0	0	1	12
Conference-Only		74	198	96	577	.177	22	233112	228	9	17	9	26	0 238
Per Game Avg			2.68				0.30	0.31	3.08				0.35	3.22
Big 12 Rank								t8th	9th					
Overall		98	281129798	.190	27	304616	293	10 30	10 40	2	336			
Per Game Avg			2.87			0.28	0.31	2.99		0.41	3.43			
NCAA Rank														

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
Double-doubles	58	5	15
20-Kill Matches	20	0	8
15-Kill Matches	55	2	18
10-Kill Matches	98	14	29
10-Dig Matches	70	11	17
20-Point Matches	27	2	8
Multi-Ace Matches	41	9	11





Success Beyond the Box Score

By Josh Fowler

Media Relations Student Assistant

Being a veteran on the Mizzou Volleyball team is about more than just showing up to practice for four years. Instead, being a veteran for the No. 8 Tigers is about consistently performing at a high level. For senior outside hitter Shen Danru, that consistency has meant a record-breaking career, as well as the ability to lead by example, when it matters the most.

On the road last Wednesday night, in the nasty environment of Manhattan, Kan., Shen and the Tigers stormed back from a two game deficit to win the match. En route to their first victory in Manhattan since 1993, Shen tallied 17 kills; three service aces, 19 digs and four blocks. She also notched her 57th career double-double, played in her 400th career game as a Tiger, and led the team in kills, with three, during the crucial fifth game.

While the above stat-line added up to a successful night for Shen, numbers like those have become the hallmark for the senior from Shanghai, who is also Mizzou's all-time leader in attacks, kills, digs and service aces. Shen is on pace to receive her Masters degree in accounting, but despite that fact, numbers – especially her own – are the furthest thing from Shen's mind.

Shen admits that breaking school records wasn't exactly what she had planned on when she signed to become a Tiger. "I never thought about it when I started playing at Mizzou, I'm really excited about how I've done so far, but I'm very appreciative of my teammates who have helped me throughout the past three and a half years." Shen said. "I really appreciate how we work together and how we help each other on and off the court."

On the court, Shen sees this season as something different than her others at Mizzou. Like the rest of the team, she is hoping that the remainder of the season will blossom into something special. "Emotionally, it's different because I'm thinking about how it's my last year and I have to do something for the team and I have to contribute something

not only to the volleyball side, but also something outside; doing something by example for the younger players." she said.

That example was set this past Wednesday night as Shen allowed her play to take center stage in the dramatic come-from-behind victory orchestrated by the Tigers. The introverted outside hitter says that she is not what you consider a typical leader, but that she's working hard to take on the role.

Possessing her own style and the ability to use both finesse and power at the net, Shen often finds herself feeding off an arena's vibes, as she usually causes more noise from the crowd rather than making it herself. "I enjoy the energy and the environment on the court." Shen said.

The energy that drives Shen was present two years ago as Mizzou downed the Nebraska Cornhuskers. For Shen, that memory currently ranks as the best of her career. "Two years ago, when we beat Nebraska on the road. That was huge, we didn't think about beating them, we just went in there and played for fun. We lost the first two games and came back for the next three." She said.

Shen has grown with this program since its early infancy. Since redshirting in 2001, she has witnessed the dramatic progress of this program in the past five years. Most notably, she has watched as the fan support has grown during her time in Columbia, Mo. "When I first came here, I only saw like 800 [people] at the most. At that time, I think people didn't have a knowledge of volleyball." Shen said.

Over four years and thousands of fans later, the scene around the Hearn Center is completely different. Shen singles out the record setting crowd attendance of 7,298 this season against top ranked Nebraska as a turning point for the program. "We had fun with them, even though we lost, they were behind us." She said.

With eight regular season matches left as well as the possible postseason, Shen sees the rest of the schedule as opportunity to build on their accomplishments as well as galvanizing this team emotionally for a deep postseason run. "Personally, I want to do as much as I can, to be the best that I can to help the team; not only with my volleyball skills, but also emotionally and by encouraging my teammates." Shen said.

With the completion of her Mizzou career on the horizon, Shen already has plans for the future. She intends to finish up her Masters degree in accounting and is thinking about taking the CPA Exam. "I want to get a job in the middle of the United States for a multinational corporation or a public accounting firm." She said.

It seems ironic and fitting that Shen plans to deal with numbers in life after she has put up so many big ones for the Tiger volleyball program. Consistently excellent and a leader by example for the team, it's still easy for some to confuse Shen as a shy introvert. But listen closely and you'll hear the difference: When called upon to perform, Shen speaks for Shen and her numbers speak for themselves.



By: Coryn M/MC Media Relations



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LISA BOYD

MB ... 6-2 ... Senior ... Farmington, Mo. ... Farmington HS

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Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	2.58 (19)	2.75	3.13
Assists/gm	0.14	0.14	0.07
Aces/gm	0.04	0.00	0.00
Digs/gm	0.41	0.31	0.42
Blocks/gm	0.87 (4)	1.11	1.00
Points/gm	3.13 (17)	3.41	3.69

Career Highlights

* One of only three Tigers to record over 300 blocks in her career

Season Highlights

* Had seven total blocks in sweep of #9 Wisconsin

* Recorded 10 kills and four blocks in sweep of #9 Tennessee

* At Colorado, recorded 11 kills with only one error (.556) in road sweep ... also tallied eight total blocks in the match

* Against No. 1 Nebraska, went 12-2-20 (.500) and recorded five blocks

* At Iowa State, nearly went errorless going 13-1-26 (.462), adding five blocks

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	2.73	.354	.22	--	--	--	0.35	1.12	3.36
Road	2.79	.373	.05	--	--	--	0.29	1.05	3.44
Mtch Won	2.81	.376	.15	--	--	--	0.34	1.17	3.51
Mtch Lost	2.47	.306	.12	--	--	--	0.18	0.82	2.91
vs Top 25	2.48	.317	.18	--	--	--	0.30	0.97	3.08
Big 12	2.66	.357	.16	--	--	--	0.26	1.03	3.28
B12-SH	2.60	.354	.20	--	--	--	0.20	0.90	3.15
Last 5	2.67	.358	0.22	--	--	--	0.50	0.94	3.25

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2002	18	56	86	49	265	.140	16	1	29	5	27
2003	30	109	271	85	649	.287	12	13	46	13	81
2004	29	95	297	71	589	.384*	7	0	40	14	95
2005	28	97	267	56	579	.364	14	0	30	19	108
TOTALS	105	357	921	261	2082	.317	49	14	145	51	311
MU Rk			13th		18th	3rd				7th	3rd

*school record

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2002 - Cedar Falls, Iowa</i>														
Dec 6	vs Northwestern*	4	5	4	15	.067	1	0 1 1	2	0	1	0	1	5.5
Dec 7	at Northern Iowa	5	7	2	20	.250	4	0 1 0	3	0	4	0	4	9
<i>2003 - Los Angeles, Calif.</i>														
Dec 5	vs UC-Irvine*	5	13	4	29	.310	1	0 1 0	0	0	7	0	7	16.5
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	11	5	26	.231	0	0 0 0	3	2	4	0	6	15
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	20	4	42	.381	0	0 0 0	0	0	4	0	4	22
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE*	3	9	1	19	.421	1	0 0 0	2	2	6	0	8	14
Dec 3	ARKANSAS*	3	10	0	14	.714	0	0 0 0	4	0	1	0	1	10.5
TOTALS		28	75	20	165	.333	7	0 3 1	14	4	27	0	31	49.5
Per-Game			2.68					.00	.50		1.11		3.30	

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	7	5	20	.100	0	0 0 0	0	0	4	0	4	9
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	10	3	28	.250	0	0 0 0	2	0	4	0	4	12
Sep 6	UMKC	2	4	0	6	.667	0	0 0 0	1	0	4	0	4	6
Sep 9	at Montana St.	3	14	3	22	.500	0	0 0 0	1	0	2	0	2	15
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	5	2	13	.231	1	0 0 0	1	2	5	0	7	9.5
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	11	1	20	.500	0	0 0 0	0	0	2	0	2	12
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	8	1	12	.583	0	0 0 0	1	0	3	0	3	9.5
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	10	1	26	.346	0	0 0 0	0	0	2	0	2	11
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	11	1	18	.556	0	0 0 0	1	1	7	0	8	15.5
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	9	2	19	.368	2	0 0 0	0	1	1	0	2	10.5
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	6	2	17	.235	0	0 0 0	1	0	2	1	2	7
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	12	3	25	.360	0	0 0 0	3	3	2	0	5	16
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	12	2	20	.500	0	0 0 0	1	1	4	0	5	15
Oct 12	at Texas	3	10	4	21	.286	0	0 0 0	1	0	2	0	2	11
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	6	2	18	.222	0	0 0 0	0	0	6	0	6	9
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	9	4	21	.238	2	0 0 0	3	1	4	0	5	12
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	13	1	26	.462	0	0 0 0	1	1	4	0	5	16
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	8	1	25	.280	0	0 0 0	1	3	4	1	7	13
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	10	3	30	.233	1	0 0 0	0	0	5	2	5	12.5
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	9	1	19	.421	1	0 0 0	0	0	3	0	3	10.5
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	12	1	19	.579	1	0 0 0	2	2	3	0	5	15.5
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	13	1	18	.667	1	0 0 0	0	0	1	0	1	13.5
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	10	3	27	.259	1	0 0 0	1	0	2	1	2	11
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	8	1	20	.350	2	0 0 0	3	0	1	0	1	8.5
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	11	3	26	.308	0	0 0 0	0	1	3	0	4	13.5
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	10	4	30	.200	1	0 0 0	0	1	2	0	3	12
Became only the third Tiger in Mizzou history to record 300 blocks over her career														
Dec 2	MISSOURI ST.	3	9	1	19	.421	1	0 0 0	2	2	6	0	8	14
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	10	0	14	.714	0	0 0 0	4	0	1	0	1	10.5
Conference-Only		74	197	41	437	.357	12	0 0 0	19	15	61	5	76	1 242
Per Game Avg			2.66					0.16	0.00	0.26			1.03	3.28
Big 12 Rank														7th
Overall		97	267	64	579	.351	14	0 0 0	30	19	89	5	108	1 330
Per Game Avg			2.75					0.14	0.00	0.31			1.11	3.41
NCAA Rank														

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 21 . . . TEXAS A&M (10-9-04)
 Attacks . . . 43 . . . TEXAS A&M (11-1-03)
 Hitting % . . .800vs Mississippi St. (9-11-04)
 Assists4 . . . at No. Iowa (12-7-03)
 Aces3 twice
 Solo Blocks . .3three tms, last @ KSU 10/26
 Total Blocks .8 three times
 Digs7 twice
 Points25 . . . IOWA STATE (11-19-03)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Kills 14 . . . at Montana St. (9-9-05)
 Attacks . . . 30 twice
 Hitting % . . .714 . . . ARKANSAS (12-3-05)
 Assists2 thrice
 Solo Blocks . .3 twice
 Total Blocks .8 at Colorado (9-21-05)
 ARKANSAS (12-3-05)
 Digs4 . . . ARKANSAS (12-3-05)
 Points16 twice

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
15-Kill Matches	8	0	5
10-Kill Matches	47	16	18
5-Block Matches	24	11	9
20-Point Matches	6	0	5
Multi-Ace Matches	5	0	2





Senior Lisa Boyd Happy About Her Tiger Days

By **Jeremy Anders**

Media Relations Student Assistant

Throughout her career, Tiger middle-blocker Lisa Boyd has been stellar both on and off the court for Mizzou, adding tough and consistent play up the middle and scoring multiple Academic All-Big 12 honors.

When she was a young girl, Boyd first played basketball and ran track, but eventually found volleyball to be her favorite sport.

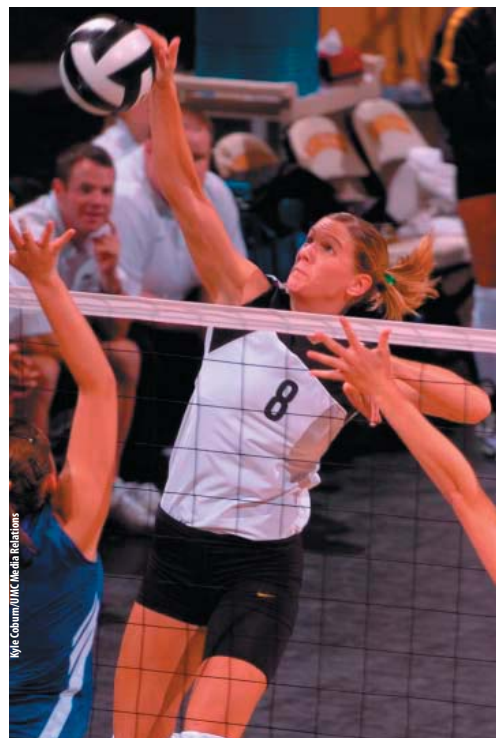
"I had played basketball since I was little," Boyd said. "In third grade, we had to write down what our favorite things were, and after I saw volleyball for the first time I put it down."

Boyd played volleyball in high school at Farmington High School in Farmington, Mo., where she excelled as a three-sport athlete, earning all-conference and all-district honors in volleyball, basketball and track. Her favorite part of high school volleyball was winning districts.

"When we won districts we always played a team from St. Louis," Boyd said. "We would get a pile of girls in my car and drive up to St. Louis to watch their districts and scout them. It's different volleyball between the south and St. Louis; it was fun trying to adjust to their game."

Being a three sport athlete helped Boyd greatly in her volleyball game

"Track and basketball both helped me a lot," Boyd said. "Basketball helped me because of the jumping of the game and keeping me in shape. Running track really helped me with quickness. When I started track season and was playing club volleyball, I could tell I was quicker."



Boyd was recruited by several schools including SMS (now Missouri State) and Murray State, but only visited Saint Louis University and Mizzou. As soon as Boyd visited Mizzou, she knew it was the place for her.

"Mizzou was the first visit I went on and I loved it," Boyd said. "As soon as I got into the car I told my parents that I wanted to go to Mizzou. Everything here was great, the academic support, the

coaches, the team and the promise the team had. I knew we were going to be awesome in a few years."

The Tigers lived up to that promise during Boyd's first year on campus, experiencing through a red-shirt season. Boyd said that red-shirting her first year greatly improved her game.

"My freshman year, I just wasn't ready," Boyd said. "I had never played at such a high level; my high school wasn't that high of a level and neither was my club team. Playing here was completely different; it took me a year to adjust to it."

Red-shirting was also a great decision for Boyd because she is able to play this year, her fifth at Mizzou.



"I would have been so mad if I was done and couldn't play this season," Boyd said. "This year has been so great. We've had so many great games; beating Tennessee in three, sweeping Wisconsin was great and beating Kansas State in three - we hadn't beaten them since I've been here. I'm very happy to be a part of it."

While this year has been amazing for Boyd and the Tigers, Boyd's favorite moment of her career did not come this year but came October 15, 2003, when the Tigers upset Nebraska, 3-2, in Lincoln.

"Every single emotion in me was so charged up," Boyd said. "It was probably the best night I've ever had playing."

For this season, Boyd says the team wants to win the conference and go far in the postseason.

"We're on track to win the conference," Boyd said. "We need to go to Nebraska and beat them at their place and then take care of business in the conference. We ultimately want to make the Final Four, but we'll take it one step at a time."

Boyd is majoring in personal business financing and will be graduating in May of 2006.



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TATUM AILES

L ... 5-6 ... Sophomore ... Bellevue, Neb. ... Bellevue West HS

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Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	0.28	0.05	0.02
Assists/gm	0.40	0.40	0.40
Aces/gm	0.15	0.13	0.17
Digs/gm	4.10 (1)	3.99	4.19
Blocks/gm	0.00	0.00	0.00
Points/gm	0.18	0.18	0.18

(-) - All-time rank at Mizzou

Season Highlights

- * BIG 12 LIBERO OF THE YEAR
- * Recorded 12 digs in each of the Tiger sweeps over #9 Tennessee and #9 Wisconsin
- * Had eight-consecutive serves for points against No. 9 Tennessee
- * Started game three at Iowa State (W 30-12) with eight-straight points at serve
- * Had 41 serve receptions against #1 Nebraska, committing only one error, even after seriously jamming elbow in game four

Career Highlights

- * Current Mizzou all-time leader in digs per game

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	--	--	--	0.14	.959	.956	3.52	--	--
Road	--	--	--	0.10	.973	.962	4.48	--	--
Mtch Won	--	--	--	0.14	.962	.962	4.10	--	--
Mtch Lost	--	--	--	0.12	.979	.960	3.35	--	--
vs Top 25	--	--	--	0.12	.981	.957	4.15	--	--
Big 12	--	--	--	0.14	.970	.960	4.08	--	--
B12-SH	--	--	--	0.12	.979	.947	3.8	--	--
Last 5	--	--	--	0.22	--	--	3.44	--	--

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2004	29	103	2	3	9	.111	41	17	432*	0	0
2005	28	98	5	0	9	.556	40	13	389	0	0
TOTALS	57	201	7	3	18	.222	81	30	821	0	0

MU Rk 14th

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	0	0	0	.000	3	0 0 2	14	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 1	17	0	0	0	0	0
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 1	13	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1 1 0	9	0	0	0	0	1
TOTALS		14	0	0	0		7	1 1 4	53	0	0	0	0	1
Per-Game			.00					.07	3.79			.00		.07

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 2 2	9	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 1	12	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 6	UMKC	3	0	0	1	.000	2	0 0 0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 9	at Mont. St.	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 2 0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	0	0	0	.000	0	2 0 0	12	0	0	0	0	2
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 1 0	13	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	3	0 1 0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	0	0	0	.000	5	2 1 1	24	0	0	0	0	2
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	1	0	1	1.000	0	0 0 0	10	0	0	0	0	1
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 1	11	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	0	0	1	.000	5	1 1 0	20	0	0	0	0	1
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	1	0	3	.333	2	1 0 0	18	0	0	1	0	2
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	1	0	1	1.000	0	0 0 1	20	0	0	0	0	1
Season-high 42 receptions, having only one error														
Oct 12	at Texas	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	1	0	1	1.000	2	1 2 2	16	0	0	0	0	2
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0 2 0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 0	20	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 1	25	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	1	0	1	1.000	3	2 1 1	11	0	0	0	0	3
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 0	9	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 1	18	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	0	0	0	.000	0	0 0 0	13	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	0	0	0	.000	1	0 1 3	16	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	0	0	0	.000	2	0 1 2	7	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	0	0	0	.000	6	0 1 2	17	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	0	0	0	.000	1	3 0 2	16	0	0	0	0	3
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	0	0	0	.000	1	0 0 1	13	0	0	0	0	0
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	0	0	0	.000	2	1 1 0	9	0	0	0	0	1
Conference-Only		74	5	0	8	.625	34	10 11 17	302	0	0	1	0	15
Per Game Avg			0.07				0.46	0.14	4.08			0.00		0.20
Big 12 Rank									**1st**					
Overall		98	5	9	9	-.444	40	13 17 21	389	0	0	1	0	18
Per Game Avg			0.05				0.41	0.13	3.97			0.00		0.18
NCAA Rank														

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 1 seven times
 Attacks . . 3 at Texas Tech (10-1-05)
 Assists . . . 5 four times
 Aces 6 KANSAS (11-3-04)
 Digs 25 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Points . . . 6 KANSAS (11-3-04)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Kills 1 five times
 Attacks . . 3 at Texas Tech (10-1-05)
 Assists . . . 5 twice
 Aces 3 TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Digs 25 at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Points . . . 3 twice

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
25-Dig Matches	1	1	0
20-Dig Matches	9	5	4
15-Dig Matches	26	11	15
10-Dig Matches	48	22	26
Multi-Ace Matches	7	4	3





Ailes, A Digging Machine

By Jeremy Anders

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To open last year's season, the Tigers traveled to Madison to face then-No. 23 Wisconsin on September 3, and won. It was the start of an excellent season and also the start to the blossoming career of sophomore libero Tatum Ailes. Despite changing positions from setter, her position in high school, Ailes started in her first collegiate game as a true freshman and made an immediate impact that game with 18 digs and went on to set a school record for digs in a season with 432. However, the transition was not an easy one for Ailes.

"It was nerve-racking," Ailes said. "I started the first game, but I didn't feel comfortable at my new position until the middle of the year when I started getting more confidence and my team started feeling more confident in me at my position."

Ailes was first introduced to the game when she was a little girl by her family as she remembers watching her parents and aunts playing.

"It was in my blood already," Ailes said. "It grew on me because my grandpa coached and I always watched my mom and dad and my aunts play."

In high school, Ailes starred as a setter at Bellevue West High School in Nebraska. The team made it to the state semi-finals in her freshman, sophomore, and junior years and won the state title her senior year. That year Bellevue went 46-2 and Ailes recorded 12 assists per game and 13 digs per match. It was a special season for her because she was able to play on the same team as her little sister for the first time.

"Winning my senior year state championship was awesome because I won it with my sister who was a freshman, Ailes said. "It was special because we had never played together before."

Throughout her high school career, Ailes earned many accolades and awards in both volleyball and basketball, including being named a Nebraska High School All-Star and being named a high school All-American by prepvolleyball.com. She holds the volleyball state records for assists in a season and career assists and was an all-Metro selection her

senior year for basketball. Ailes said playing basketball helped her by helping her keep in shape and helping her with quickness and agility.

"I'm really quick because of basketball," Ailes said. "Playing basketball helped my vertical and things like lay-ups helped me with my agility and jumping. It just made me quicker and faster and helped to keep me in shape."

Ailes was recruited by several Big 12 schools but chose Mizzou because of the coaching staff and location.

"I looked around at lots of Big 12 schools because I'm from Nebraska," Ailes said. "I liked the fact that Mizzou isn't too close to home, but if something happened, I am only a drive away. The Kreklows have also been like my second parents."

When she came to Mizzou last fall, Ailes did not want to red-shirt because she had never sat out an extended period of time before. In high school, Ailes made an immediate impact and she wanted to do so again.

"I'm glad I didn't red-shirt," Ailes said. "I've played my entire life and it probably would have killed me to not be able to play."

The best game of her freshman season came Nov. 9 against then-No. 9 Texas. During that game, Ailes gained confidence and played well throughout.

"That's when I felt more confident at my position," Ailes said. "Everything was clicking that night and there was so much emotion and energy in the building."

In the libero position, Ailes is not just responsible for getting digs; she also tries to provide energy to the team.

"My main role is to bring energy to the court," Ailes said. "When we played Nebraska at home earlier in the year with such a huge crowd was great because having 7,000 people behind me was like having 7,001 people trying to bring energy to the court."

Ailes does not care about individual statistics as she is more concerned with the team's success. However, Ailes is currently leading the Big 12 in digs per game at 4.17.

"I would love to be the Big 12 libero of the year," Ailes said. "I'd rather finish first or second in the Big 12 than have that honor because it just doesn't mean anything if it's not a team accomplishment."

For the rest of her career, Ailes wants to make sure the program stays strong and hopefully go to the Final Four.

"I would love to go to the Final Four," Ailes said. "It's going to be hosted in Omaha next year so I would get to go home and play in front of the home crowd."

Ailes is majoring in finance and banking and will graduate in June of 2008.



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NA YANG

OH ... 6-3 ... Sophomore ... Shan Dong, China

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Season Highlights

- * Hit .476 in opener against Utah
- * At Montana State, hit .405 with 17 kills (then career-high) adding three blocks
- * Ending with the Oklahoma match, was on a 11-match blocking streak, accumulating 29 over the period
- * Went errorless against Baylor, hitting 13 kills on 25 attempts (.520), a day before her birthday
- * Recorded career-high six blocks versus Kansas, old best was four

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	4.18	.359	--	--	--	--	0.66	0.60	4.53
Road	3.86	.246	--	--	--	--	0.81	0.50	4.13
Mtch Won	4.15	.328	--	--	--	--	0.69	0.49	4.44
Mtch Lost	3.53	.209	--	--	--	--	0.88	0.76	3.94
vs Top 25	4.18	.239	--	--	--	--	0.70	0.55	4.50
Big 12	3.95	.272	--	--	--	--	0.74	0.55	4.26
B12-SH	4.00	.294	--	--	--	--	0.65	0.4	4.22
Last 5	4.94	.396	--	--	--	--	0.78	0.28	5.11

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	3.33 (6)	4.05	2.39
Assists/gm	0.17	0.08	0.29
Aces/gm	0.06	0.00	0.13
Digs/gm	1.18	0.73	1.77
Blocks/gm	0.48 (24)	0.53	0.41
Points/gm	3.68 (8)	4.36	2.77

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2004	26	70	167	59	451	.239	20	9	124	7	29
2005	28	98	396	122	893	.307	8	0	71	9	53
TOTALS	54	168	563	181	1344	.284	28	9	195	16	82
MU Rk		26th	13th			5th					

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	4	11	3	31	.258	0	2 1 0	4	1	2	0	3	0 15
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE	4	17	3	39	.359	0	0 0 0	0	1	1	0	2	0 18.5
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	10	4	25	.240	1	0 0 0	4	1	3	1	4	0 12.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	13	0	17	.765	0	0 0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0 13
TOTALS		14	51	10	112	.366	1	2 1 0	8	3	6	1	9	0 59
Per-Game			3.64					.14	.57				.64	4.21

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	11	1	21	.476	0	0 0 0	2	0	0	0	0	0 11
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	15	4	27	.407	0	0 0 1	1	0	2	0	2	0 16
Sep 6	UMKC	3	13	0	22	.591	1	0 0 0	3	0	1	0	1	0 13.5
Sep 9	at Mont. St.	3	17	2	37	.405	0	0 0 0	2	1	2	0	3	0 19
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	10	6	26	.154	0	0 0 0	0	2	0	0	2	0 12
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	15	1	24	.583	0	0 0 0	4	0	0	0	0	0 15
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	8	4	25	.160	0	0 0 0	3	0	0	1	0	0 8
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	19	8	58	.190	0	0 0 0	3	0	3	0	3	0 20.5
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	7	1	22	.273	0	0 0 0	2	0	3	0	3	0 8.5
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	9	2	22	.318	0	0 0 0	1	1	2	0	3	0 11
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	14	7	32	.219	1	0 0 0	1	0	1	0	1	0 14.5
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	21	8	46	.283	0	0 0 0	6	1	1	1	2	0 22.5
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	18	6	40	.300	1	0 0 0	4	0	4	0	4	0 20
Oct 12	at Texas	3	14	6	31	.258	0	0 0 0	4	0	1	0	1	0 14.5
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	11	4	25	.280	0	0 0 0	1	0	6	0	6	0 14
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	11	4	30	.233	1	0 0 0	4	1	1	0	2	0 12.5
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	14	4	30	.333	0	0 0 0	1	0	5	0	5	0 16.5
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	21	11	53	.189	0	0 0 0	5	0	1	0	1	0 21.5
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	17	7	43	.233	1	0 0 0	4	1	5	1	6	0 20.5
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	11	4	20	.350	0	0 0 0	0	1	0	0	1	0 12
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	7	1	26	.231	0	0 0 0	3	0	0	0	0	0 7
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	13	0	25	.520	1	0 0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0 13
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	11	9	39	.051	0	0 2 0	3	0	2	0	2	0 12
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	21	5	43	.372	1	0 0 0	2	0	0	1	0	0 21
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	17	5	35	.343	0	0 0 0	4	0	0	0	0	0 17
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	28	8	49	.408	0	0 0 0	4	0	1	0	1	0 28.5
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	10	4	25	.240	1	0 0 0	4	1	3	1	4	0 12.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	13	0	17	.765	0	0 0 0	0	0	0	0	0	0 13
Conference-Only		74	292	104	694	.271	6	0 2 0	55	5	36	4	41	0 315
Per Game Avg			3.95					0.08	0.00	0.74			0.55	4.26
Big 12 Rank			4th			14th								9th
Overall		98	396	132	893	.296	8	0 2 1	71	9	44	5	53	0 427
Per Game Avg			4.04					0.08	0.00	0.72			0.54	4.36
NCAA Rank														

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS

Kills 28 TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Attacks 58 at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Hitting %591 UMKC (9-6-05)
 Assists 5 SEMO (9-21-04)
 Aces 2 three times
 Solo Blocks 2 2 times
 Total Blocks 6 twice
 Digs 19 vs Purdue (9-4-04)
 Points 28.5 TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)

2005 SEASON BESTS

Kills 28 TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)
 Attacks 58 at Texas A&M (9-16-05)
 Hitting %591 UMKC (9-6-05)
 Assists 17 times
 Solo Blocks 2 vs Wisconsin (9-10-05)
 Total Blocks 6 twice
 Digs 6 at Texas Tech (10-1-05)
 Points 28.5 TEXAS A&M (11-26-05)

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
Double-Doubles	4	0	4
15-Kill Matches	14	11	3
10-Kill Matches	33	24	9
5-Block Matches	3	3	0
10-Dig Matches	5	0	5
20-Point Matches	7	7	0
Multi-Ace Matches	3	0	3

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Six-Straight NCAA Tournament Appearances - 2000 - 2001 - 2002 - 2003 - 2004 - 2005





Yang Smiling Through Sophomore Year

By Drew Mercurio
Media Relations Student Assistant

Unlike most people starting off in a new place, Na Yang knew exactly what to expect the first time she stepped onto the volleyball court at Hearnest Center. That's because former Chinese International Team teammate Shen Danru told her what Mizzou volleyball was all about. That made her decision to come here one of the easiest ones she has ever made.

"She told me the situation here and how the system works," said Yang. "Shen told me what it was like here, and then the coaches recruited me. It made me feel a lot more comfortable."

Yang became the second player from the Eastern Hemisphere to play at Mizzou, with Danru being the first. It also didn't hurt that two of the assistant coaches, Chen Feng and Deng Yang, are also from China

A year into her career at Mizzou, Yang is turning into a prolific scorer. After averaging 2.39 kills per game last year at her outside hitter position, Yang has pushed that up to an astounding 3.93 per game this year, ranking fifth in the Big 12 in that category. Yang's hitting percentage is at .291 so far this year, up from .239 a year ago. In addition, Yang has scored 10 or more kills in 17-of-21 matches this season, up from nine double-digit kill totals from 2004.



By Drew Mercurio/Media Relations

And, she doesn't show any signs of slowing down. She credits that spike in scoring to the strength training that she went through after her freshman year.

"My strength that I got from lifting really helped me a lot. It gave me a lot of power, which helps a lot. My abs and my legs got really strong and I got more on my jump."

If it weren't for an injury that caused her to miss substantial time last season, she might be even more ahead of the curve.

Beginning her second year in America, Yang also credits an increase in maturity and comfort as keys to her success.

"I think I've matured a lot since I've been here," said Yang. "Being more mature has helped me do better both on the court and in the classroom, which is just as important to me."

She also said that getting a chance to learn the language and the culture better has made her more comfortable and lead to a better playing-level.

She also has big plans off the court for her academic career. The sophomore plans on becoming an international business major and wants to work in that field if she doesn't continue playing volleyball after her time at Mizzou is done.

"I started taking the international business courses here, and I really like those. I'll probably end up doing something in that area after volleyball, whenever that is."

Only good things await Yang here at Mizzou. She still has two more years of eligibility left after this season, and she will only continue to get better. If she can continue to increase her average in both kills and blocks she could become one of the best the Tigers volleyball program has ever seen.



Mizzou Volleyball 2005



NICOLE WILSON

MB ... 6-3 ... Junior ... Lincoln, Neb. ... Lincoln Christian HS

Season Highlights

- * ALL-BIG 12 HONORABLE MENTION
- * AVCA National Player of the Week & Big 12 Player of the Week - September 26
- * Went errorless in a three-match stretch during the beginning of Big 12 play, totaling at least 10 kills in each meeting, hitting 34-of-53 (.642) in the run
- * Had four kills over crucial six-point stretch in game two against Iowa State
- * Was an errorless 12-of-19 (.632) in road sweep of Colorado ... also had eight blocks in the contest, six in game one alone, four in a five-point stretch as well
- * Was 11-of-13 (.846) with no errors in sweep over #17 Kansas State, adding nine blocks
- * Was 13-of-17 (.706) with one error against Kansas, also recording six blocks
- * Went 10-for-15, with only one error (.600 hit %) in sweep over #9 Tennessee

2005 Stat Breakdown

	Kills/gm	Hit Pct.	Asts/gm	Aces/gm	Srv Pct.	Rcv Pct.	Digs/gm	Blks/gm	Pts/gm
Home	3.22	.450	.10	0.43	.939	.875	0.73	1.20	4.3
Road	3.10	.413	.14	0.12	.952	.875	0.86	1.26	3.92
Mtch Won	3.24	.447	.11	0.32	.945	.889	0.84	1.29	4.28
Mtch Lost	2.94	.356	.12	0.12	.967	.875	0.53	1.24	3.71
vs Top 25	2.88	.352	.15	0.09	.944	.889	0.85	1.24	3.64
Big 12	3.15	.418	.09	0.30	.942	.933	0.76	1.28	4.14
B12-SH	2.72	.396	.10	0.40	.961	.889	0.8	1.15	3.76
Last 5	2.95	.422	0.00	0.40	--	--	0.75	0.90	3.85

B12-SH - Second-Half of the Big 12 Season

Career Averages

	Career	2005	2004
Kills/gm	2.62 (17)	3.19	2.88
Assists/gm	0.07	0.11	0.03
Aces/gm	0.31 (15)	0.29	0.35
Digs/gm	0.68	0.78	0.73
Blocks/gm	1.07* (1)	1.28	0.93
Points/gm	3.53 (10)	4.18	3.77

() - All-time rank at Mizzou

Career Statistics

Year	MP	GP	K	E	TA	Hit%	A	SA	DIGS	BS	TB
2003	30	93	163	59	404	.257	7	27	48	13	93
2004	29	96	276	58	582	.375	3	34	70	16	89
2005	28	97	309	63	572	.430*	11	28	76	13	124
TOTALS	87	286	748	180	1558	.365*	21	89	194	42	306
MU Rk			19th		1st			21st		13th	4th

NCAA Tournament Career

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
<i>2003 - Los Angeles, Calif.</i>														
Dec 5	vs. UC-Irvine*	5	9	5	23	.174	0	0 1 0	2	2	4	1	6	13
<i>2004 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	2	9	2	14	.500	0	0 1 0	0	0	1	0	1	9.5
Dec 4	LOUISVILLE*	4	16	3	37	.351	0	2 3 0	3	0	1	0	1	18.5
<i>2005 - Columbia, Mo.</i>														
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE*	3	11	1	19	.526	0	0 1 0	1	0	5	0	5	13.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS*	3	9	2	13	.538	0	1 0 0	6	0	2	0	2	11
TOTALS		17	54	13	106	.387	0	3 6 0	12	2	13	1	15	165.5
Per-Game			3.18					.18	.71		.88			3.85

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 2	UTAH	3	9	1	17	.471	2	2 1 1	3	1	2	0	3	13
Sep 4	TENNESSEE	3	10	1	15	.600	0	0 1 0	2	0	2	0	2	11
Sep 6	UMKC	2	9	2	14	.500	2	0 0 0	2	0	3	0	3	10.5
Sep 9	at Montana State	3	7	2	14	.357	0	1 1 0	2	1	1	0	2	9.5
Sep 10	vs Wisconsin	3	7	3	18	.222	0	2 0 0	1	1	2	0	3	11
Sep 10	vs No. Colorado	3	14	2	22	.545	0	0 0 0	3	2	7	0	9	19.5
Sep 14	IOWA STATE	3	12	6	24	.250	0	1 1 0	2	0	2	0	2	14
Sep 16	at Texas A&M	4	12	4	31	.258	0	0 2 0	3	1	7	1	8	16.5
Sep 21	at Colorado	3	12	0	19	.632	0	0 0 0	2	0	8	0	8	16
Sep 24	KANSAS STATE	3	11	0	13	.846	0	0 2 0	2	0	9	0	9	15.5
<i>Named AVCA National and Big 12 Player of the Week after above two matches</i>														
Sep 28	at Baylor	3	11	0	21	.524	1	0 0 0	5	0	2	0	2	12
Oct 1	at Texas Tech	5	19	2	33	.515	0	1 2 0	3	2	4	2	6	24
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	4	12	4	28	.286	1	0 2 0	4	0	7	0	7	15.5
Oct 12	at Texas	3	13	3	21	.476	1	0 0 0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Oct 15	KANSAS	3	13	1	17	.706	0	1 3 0	2	1	3	0	4	17
Oct 19	OKLAHOMA	3	9	4	21	.238	0	3 0 0	3	0	1	0	1	12.5
Oct 22	at Iowa State	4	12	3	22	.409	1	0 1 0	4	1	8	0	9	17
Oct 26	at Kansas State	5	10	6	25	.160	3	1 1 0	9	0	5	1	5	13.5
Oct 29	COLORADO	5	13	3	26	.385	0	2 0 0	2	1	8	1	9	20
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	3	5	1	8	.500	0	5 1 0	2	0	1	0	1	10.5
Nov 5	at Oklahoma	3	10	2	15	.533	0	0 1 0	0	1	3	0	4	12.5
Nov 9	BAYLOR	3	11	1	16	.625	0	3 0 0	2	1	3	0	4	16.5
Nov 13	at Nebraska	5	12	3	29	.310	0	0 0 1	3	0	5	1	5	14.5
Nov 20	TEXAS	3	8	2	16	.375	0	0 0 0	4	1	1	2	2	9.5
Nov 23	at Kansas	4	12	1	22	.500	0	2 1 0	5	0	4	0	4	16
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	5	16	3	33	.394	0	3 2 0	1	0	3	1	3	20.5
Dec 2	MISSOURI STATE	3	11	1	19	.526	0	0 1 0	1	0	5	0	5	13.5
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	3	9	2	13	.538	0	1 0 0	6	0	2	0	2	11
Conference-Only		74	233	36	440	.448	7	2219	1	56	8	87	11	95
Per Game Avg			3.15					0.09	0.30		0.76		1.28	4.14
Big 12 Rank									**1st**				15th	10th
Overall		97	309	63	572	.430	11	2823	2	76	13	11	11	124
Per Game Avg			3.19					0.11	0.29		0.78		1.28	4.18
NCAA Rank														**3rd**

Match Superlatives

CAREER BESTS
 Kills 19 . twice, last at TexT (10/1)
 Attacks 37 . . LOUISVILLE (12-4-04)
 Hitting % . . .857 . . OKLAHOMA (9-20-03)
 Assists 3 . at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Aces 6 . . ARKANSAS ST. (9-10-04)
 Solo Blocks . . 2 10 times, last at TexT (10/1)
 Total Blocks 11 . at Kansas State (10-8-03)
 Digs 9 . at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Points 25 . ARKANSAS ST. (9-10-04)

2005 SEASON BESTS
 Kills 19 . at Texas Tech (10-1-05)
 Attacks 33 . at Texas Tech (10-1-05)
 Hitting % . . .846 KANSAS STATE (9-24-05)
 Assists 3 . at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Aces 5 . . TEXAS TECH (11-2-05)
 Solo Blocks . . 2 twice
 Total Blocks . 9 . . four times, last: vs Colo.
 Digs 9 . at Kansas State (10-26-05)
 Points 24 . at Texas Tech (10-1-05)

Tally Board

	Career	2005	2004
15-Kill Matches	5	2	3
10-Kill Matches	35	20	13
Over .700 Hit%^	2	2	0
Over .600 Hit%^	7	5	2
Over .500 Hit%^	17	13	4
7-Block Matches	14	7	2
5-Block Matches	30	12	10
5-Dig Matches	6	4	2
20-Point Matches	7	3	3
Multi-Ace Matches	16	8	7

^ 10 attempt minimum





Wilson is the Tigers' Lucky 13

By Jeremy Anders

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As she has grown and matured as a player in her three years on campus, Tiger middle blocker Nicole Wilson has seen the Mizzou volleyball program do the same. The Tigers have become a top program in the past three years as they made it to the second round of the NCAA tournament last year and were ranked in the top 10 this season.

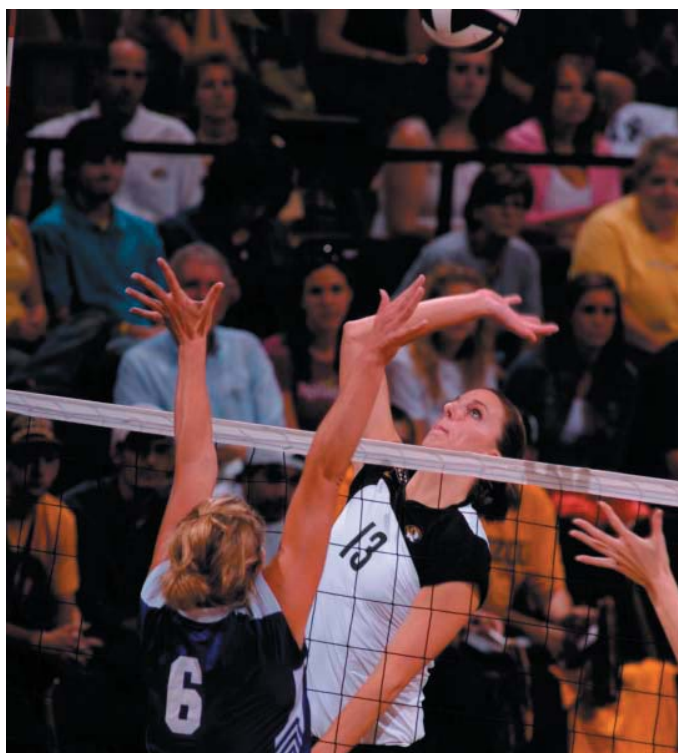
"The program has improved and gotten stronger each year," Wilson said. "Fans and people on campus are interested now; the growth of the program has definitely been one of the highlights of my career."

Wilson came in and contributed immediately her freshman year as her and outside hitter Jessica Vander Kooi were the only two freshmen to play in every match during the 2003 season. Wilson played well as a freshman getting 163 kills for the season and had a hitting percentage over .300 in 16 matches. Despite her solid numbers, it was not easy for Wilson to contribute immediately.

"It was intimidating and a challenge," Wilson said. "It was one of my goals when I came here to do something my freshman year; not just be put in here and there, but to start and play. As the season went on, the girls got confidence in me and I started to get more confidence in myself in practice which helped a lot."

This season, Wilson has become even more of a force as she has seen her hitting percentage rise to .424 and is third on the team in kills with 253. Wilson was named the Sports Imports/AVCA player of the week and the Big 12 player of the week in September for her efforts against Colorado Sept. 21 and Kansas State Sept. 24. Wilson did not have an error in either match, recording 23 total kills with a .719 hitting percentage to help the Tigers sweep the Buffaloes and Wildcats.

"[Lindsey] Hunter was setting perfect balls for me, and I was seeing blockers and being patient and not rushing things," Wilson said. "If I was going to hit, I wasn't worried about making a mistake, I just went in and hit. I had kind of a reckless abandon which I think helped a lot."



In third grade, Wilson played her first volleyball match as she was introduced to the sport by her parents and PE programs in school. She began to play on club teams in seventh grade and then began to play on more competitive teams during her junior year of high school.

"I got on really competitive teams my junior year which made me excited to play," Wilson said. "It really got me excited to play because it was such a high level and everybody was good which made it fun to play."

Wilson starred at Lincoln Christian High School in Lincoln, Nebraska as she was first-team all-State twice and led the team with 430 kills, 183 digs and 63 service aces.

"I went to a small school so we would struggle sometimes, but we were able to play lots of good teams close which was fun," Wilson said.

Wilson also was dominant on the hardwood as she earned all-State honors three times for basketball. Playing basketball helped her volleyball game by letting her focus on another sport and train other parts of her body.

"Basketball was good conditioning and it lets you get beat up a little bit and build some toughness," Wilson said. "In volleyball you focus on certain muscles and basketball is completely different. Playing basketball helped me develop some of the opposite muscles and now I can use them together."

Being recruited to play volleyball at the collegiate level was not something Wilson had expected, but she embraced the opportunity when it came along.

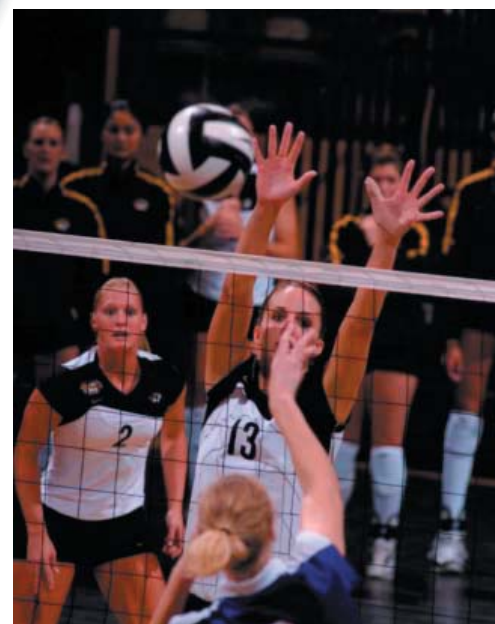
"I started playing club tournaments for fun, I wasn't expecting anything to come out of it," Wilson said. "Then letters started to come in the mail every day and I realized that this was a possibility."

For the rest of her career, Wilson hopes to continue to improve her game and become even more of a force for Mizzou.

"I just want to keep improving and become more of a threat," Wilson said. "I think each year I have become more and I want to continue to do that. I want to improve on my blocking and quickness and other little technical things that you have to do. I also want to become more of a quiet leader, someone that is there but no one outside of the team may necessarily notice too much."

The Tigers hope that the program will continue to improve with Wilson as her and the team hope to build on their success for the rest of this season and next.

Wilson is a junior and is majoring in nutrition and fitness.





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Jilly Jaksich ... DS ... 5-11 ... RS Fr... Papillion, Neb. Papillion-LaVista

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 6	UMKC	2	0	1	1	-1.000	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	1.5
Oct 5	NEBRASKA	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 2	TEXAS TECH	1	1	1	2	.000	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nov 26	TEXAS A&M	2	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Totals		7	1	2	3	-0.333	1	1	0	5	0	1	0	2.5



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Melissa Allbery ... MB ... 6-3 ... RS So... Gretna, Neb. ... Gretna HS

2005 Match-by-Match

Date	Opponent	GP	K	E	TA	Pct	A	SASERE	DIG	BS	BA	BETB	BHE	Pts
Sep 6	UMKC	2	1	2	7	-.143	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	2.5
Sep 21	at Colorado	1	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.5
Oct 12	at Texas	1	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 15	KANSAS	1	1	0	1	1.000	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1.5
Nov 2	TEXASTECH	2	2	0	5	.400	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Dec 3	ARKANSAS	1	1	0	2	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
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Allbery, Jaksich providing solid depth to talented team

By Josh Fowler

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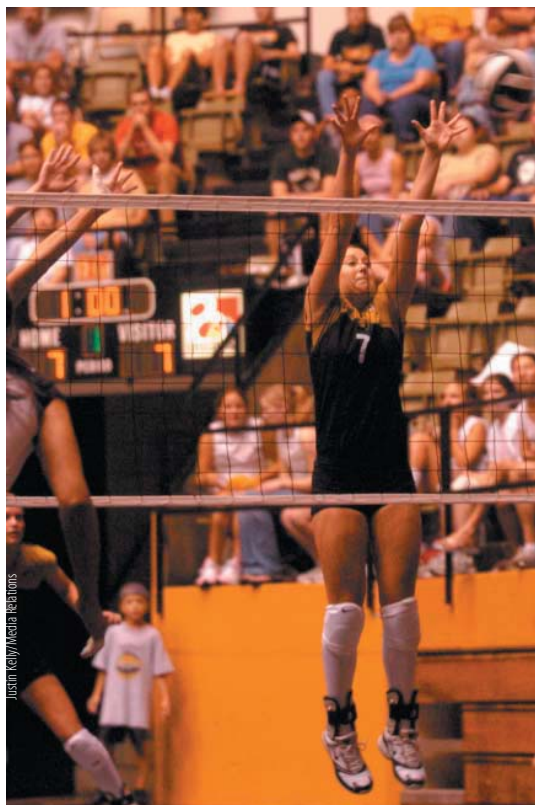
"Ohhhh...Alliteration!" The chant heard from the Point Mizzou Band inside the Hearnes Center every time redshirt freshman Jilly Jaksich lets off a serve. While the double J's of her name may spawn cute cheers from students, via Webster's Dictionary, there's nothing cute about the ferocity of her play to opposing teams.

Along side Jaksich, the 5'11" defensive specialist, is redshirt sophomore Melissa Allbery, finally making her arrival after a 2003 redshirt season and a 2004 season cut short due to injury.

Jaksich graces the Hearnes Center floor this year for the first time, after spending the 2004 season on the sidelines wearing an invisible redshirt as opposed to Tiger Black & Gold. Despite this, Jaksich didn't seem to mind. "It's just another year to get better and to practice without having the pressure of actually playing, and just to improve your skills so that you can look forward to next year." She said.

Standing tall at 6'3", a talented Middle Blocker from Gretna, Neb., Allbery can be easily spotted upfront making huge blocks. She can also be picked out by the knee brace she wears every game. The brace is less of a scarlet letter and more of a reminder of Allbery's unfortunate history of injuries.

For Allbery, the injury bug has bit hard since coming to Mizzou. Having gone through a shoulder surgery, a torn ACL, and a broken hand suffered last October, Allbery is hoping to have put the bad luck of injuries behind her this season "My knee was hurting again this spring



Jilly Jaksich

and I went in for another surgery, and I'm getting back now." Allbery said.

The injuries didn't seem to phase out Allbery who saw it only as another challenge to overcome. "A lot of people don't know about the time that you put in the training room, people just see what goes on in the game and stuff, but there's a lot of times that I spent off the court just doing the little stuff trying to

get strong." She said

Allbery and Jaksich are the only two Tigers returning to the 2005 season with blank stat columns. Allbery and Jaksich are wasting no time in filling their resumes with numbers. Coming in against UMKC, Allbery managed a kill and three block-assists. Jaksich chipped in a service ace, two digs, and a block-assist, as well.

Both girls had impressive pedigrees before coming to Mizzou. Jaksich came to Columbia after playing in three state championship games at Papillion-LaVista high school, in Papillion, Neb. Jaksich was named All-Metro honorable mention in 2002 and 2003 and was a team co-captain as a senior. She was also named an Omaha World-Herald Outstanding Scholar.

Allbery was first team All-Conference her junior and senior seasons and was named to the Class B All-State first team as a senior. Allbery was also the Valedictorian of her class, a member of National Honor Society, and earned six Academic All-State honors.

While both girls are outstanding athletes, they feel their strengths lie in different areas. "I definitely like blocking, and just being tricky." Allbery said. Jaksich could sum up her duties in one word, "Defense." She said. "I like to dig. That's my favorite part and I think it's what I do best."

Nothing is holding back Allbery or Jaksich now, as the Tigers continue to climb in the rankings, Allbery and Jaksich remain poised and ready to take advantage of any opportunity that comes their way. "Every time you get an opportunity you have to be ready." Allbery said. "It's not always us getting out there on the court, it's helping out in practice to put the tips in and put up the big block and do stuff like that."

"We play so much in practice that it's almost second nature. It's kind of like a job; it's what you do, when they tell you to go in, you go in to do your job. You're excited and a little nervous but it's mostly fun just to get out there." Jaksich added.

Hopefully as the Tigers crawl deeper into the conference season we will be hearing more chants for Alliteration, seeing more big blocks out of Allbery and witnessing clutch performance and maturation out of both of Allbery and Jaksich, as they finally get their chance to impress.



Melissa Allbery





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Missouri volleyball team will host regional

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff
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At 1:30 p.m. yesterday, the Missouri volleyball team gathered at T.K. Brothers restaurant to learn when, where and who it would be playing in the NCAA Tournament.

After nearly 10 minutes of listening to praise for top-seeded Nebraska and another terner 15 minutes watching three-fourths of the bracket fill up, the moment arrived.

Columbia popped up on the screen as a host site. Missouri (22-4) earned the 10th overall seed and will open its sixth straight NCAA Tournament with a match against Missouri State (24-8) at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Hearnes Center. That match will follow Arkansas (20-11) vs. St. Mary's (19-9) at 5:30 p.m.

This is the second straight year the Tigers have hosted a regional.

Associate head coach Susan Kreklow got a big smile on her face as Missouri's seed and opponent were announced. Kreklow played at Missouri State - then called Southwest Missouri State - in the mid-1980s. In fact, the whole room seemed to be smiling as Missouri's seed and host status were finally confirmed.

Libero Tatum Ailes, who had been clutching middle blocker Melissa Allberry's hand as the seeds were announced, was relieved and happy with the final seeding. She was on her cell phone sharing the news just minutes later. Setter Lindsey Hunter was already pondering what might await beyond the first two rounds.

She turned to her mom, Lori, almost immediately and said, "We have to play Texas?"

Though the 11th-ranked Longhorns, who beat No. 1 Nebraska on Saturday, will not play in Columbia, the Tigers could face Texas in the third round in State College, Pa. Coach Wayne Kreklow said he was shocked the Longhorns didn't receive a seed, especially after beating Nebraska.

Despite that, the Big 12 came out ahead in the NCAA brackets. Seven teams were selected to play in the tournament, the most from any conference. Kansas made the tournament after finishing eighth in the conference. If top-seeded Nebraska makes it to the fourth round, it will play all its matches in its home state. The Cornhuskers would play in Lincoln for the first and second rounds then travel to Omaha for the third and fourth.

"Nebraska is a great team. They deserve everything they got," Missouri outside hitter Jessica Vander Kooi said.

Of course, for Missouri, the challenge will be to get past the second round, something it has never done. The Tigers were the 16th seed last year and had to play a tough Louisville team in the second round.

"This year, I think we have the experience and the maturity that will hopefully carry us throughout the tournament." Vander Kooi said.

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Columbia, Missouri

Wait pays off for volleyball team

After a 'nerve-racking' 20 minutes, Tigers learn they are seeded 10th in the NCAA tournament

By **DAVID BUCK**
November 28, 2005

After almost 20 minutes of waiting, the Missouri volleyball team received the news it was hoping to hear.

Players cheered, family clapped and some jumped for joy after ESPNNews announced Sunday that the Tigers had earned the No. 10 seed in this season's NCAA Tournament. Missouri will play Missouri State at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Hearnes Center.

The Tigers (22-4) are in the State College Regional bracket, the last bracket announced.

"It was really nerve-racking," Lindsey Hunter, a senior setter for MU, said. "We were sitting there twiddling our thumbs, just waiting to see if we were going to host the whole time."

MU coach Wayne Kreklow said he is glad the waiting is over.

"I'm just really glad to be able to host, with the great support we've been having this year," Kreklow said. "I would expect the students will be back and I'm hoping for a great turnout for that first match."

This is the second year in a row the Tigers will host the first two rounds of the tournament.

The Tigers' match against the Bears (24-8) will be the teams' first meeting since Sept. 15, 1998, which Missouri won 3-0.

Susan Kreklow, MU's associate head coach, played two seasons for Southwest Missouri State (now Missouri State) and earned a bachelor's and master's degree from the school. Kreklow said she doesn't have extra motivation to beat her alma mater.

"For us it is just getting ready to play another match," Susan Kreklow said. "I think overall our philosophy, night in and night out, is to prepare for what we are doing on our side, and that is what we will continue to do throughout the tournament."

Wayne Kreklow said Missouri State will challenge Missouri.

"The top couple of teams in (the Missouri Valley Conference) are every bit as good as most of the Big 12 teams," Wayne Kreklow said. "They are a good strong program, they have excellent players and we are going to have our hands full."

Nebraska (28-1) is the No. 1 seed in the tournament. The Big 12 Conference placed seven teams in the tournament, the most of any conference. Kansas (15-14), Kansas State (20-10), Colorado (15-12), Texas A&M (16-13), and Texas (23-4) all earned spots.

The Tigers have a chance to meet Texas in the third round of the tournament. Lisa Boyd, a senior middle blocker, said she hopes to play the Longhorns to see who would win on a neutral court. The home team won each match during the regular season.

This is the sixth straight time Missouri has made the tournament. Hunter said the Tigers' earlier tournament experience will help the team.

"We are battle tested," Hunter said. "We have a lot of experienced players out there and that will definitely work to our advantage. We are ready to kick some butt."



G.J. McCarthy photo

From left, MU volleyball players Jilly Jaksich, Melissa Allberry, Nicole Wilson, Lindsey Hunter and Tatum Ailes watch yesterday's NCAA selection show.





MU volleyball team is life of party

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff
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Despite the sparkling new Mizzou Arena next door, the Hearnes Center is still the place to be for Missouri sports.

It certainly seemed that way yesterday afternoon, as the No. 11 Missouri volleyball team thrilled 4,012 fans - the second-largest crowd in school history - with a sweep of No. 10 Texas 30-28, 30-22, 30-28.

It wasn't just the victory that was so impressive, it was the way Missouri (20-4, 14-4 Big 12) won. The Tigers have beaten five ranked teams this season, but never before have they sustained such a high level of play. Game 2 in particular was almost flawless.

It started with a perfectly placed tip by Missouri sophomore outside hitter Na Yang. She leaped up to swing then noticed the formidable double block of Texas (21-4, 15-3). Na lifted the ball lightly over the blockers' hands. It fell untouched.

That smart play was repeated over and over. Na, who finished with a career-high 21 kills, had seven in Game 2 alone. She was trying to mix up her hits against Texas, which blocks well cross-court.

"I was so happy when I got the tips," Na said, unable to contain the grin spreading across her face. "I don't usually tip that much, but I was trying to find a way to show them I could get around the block."

Later in Game 2, Missouri went on an 8-2 run. Not much Texas hit got past the Tigers. Libero Tatum Ailes and defensive specialist Abbie Booth were flying all over the backcourt, picking up balls. Ailes picked up five digs. Even Na, who doesn't play in the back row, got into the defensive

frenzy, throwing her body out of play and knocking over a folding chair to try to save the ball.

After an especially big block by junior Nicole Wilson to put Missouri up 14-9, the Tigers gathered for a cheer. They looked amazed at their own play, yet completely in sync and prepared to win the next point.

"You always hear people talking about being in the zone," Coach Wayne Kreklow said. "I think definitely in the second game our players were in that zone."

But it took more than Game 2 for Missouri to win the match. After all, it was just one week ago that Missouri won the first two games against top-ranked Nebraska, only to end up losing 3-2.

It didn't happen like that yesterday against Texas. Despite being down 18-12 in Game 3, Missouri fought back to win. It was that consistent, sustained effort that Kreklow said was most important.

Senior setter Lindsey Hunter has anchored the Tigers all season, and yesterday's first two games were no exception. She picked up 35 assists in the first two games, along with five digs and two block assists.

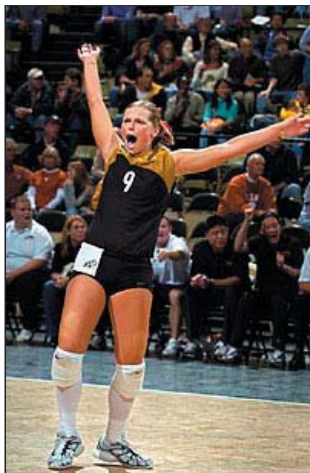
Then, with the score tied at 20 in Game 3, Hunter fell to the ground after a collision with senior Lisa Boyd. She grabbed her knee and was slow to get up. As Missouri prepared to receive the Texas serve, Hunter appeared to be fighting back tears. Hunter was obviously in pain, and as the serve spiraled toward the Tigers, it seemed unlikely she'd be able to continue to play at the same level.

But somehow she did. Hunter bit her lip and just kept on playing, jumping up and tipping the ball over the net for a Missouri side-out. On the next play, she jump set Boyd for a perfectly timed quick hit in the middle.

Hunter said she felt better after she walked it off. And, after being checked out by the trainers, Hunter was cleared to play Wednesday at Kansas.

There was no trace of the grimace on Hunter's face after the match. She'd regained her calm gaze of assurance, much like the Tigers regained their swagger against Texas after their frustrating loss to Nebraska.

"We're real confident with how we're playing right now," Hunter said. "Overall, we played really, really well today. It was fun out there."



G.J. McCarthy photo
Missouri libero Tatum Ailes celebrates in the second game of a 30-28, 30-22, 30-28 victory over Texas yesterday at the Hearnes Center. The second-largest crowd in MU history — 4,012 — watched.





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Tigers draw a crowd

By **JOE WALLJASPER** Tribune sports editor
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For the majority of the most-hyped and most-watched volleyball match in Missouri history, MU Coach Wayne Kreklow sat casually in his folding chair, legs crossed at the knee, showing all the angst of a fellow working a crossword puzzle and pondering 14 Across.

But the placid demeanor didn't portray his real feelings as the program he and his wife built went swing-for-swing with the nation's best team. As Missouri Athletic Director Mike Alden is fond of pointing out, the Tigers sometimes drew a hundred-some fans in the days before the Kreklow's arrived. If those matches felt like a Friday night at Ellis Library, last night's tangle with Nebraska was a raging frat party.

A noisy pack of 7,298 filled the Hearnes Center, exceeding Alden's most optimistic estimate by more than 2,000. Although the Cornhuskers handed the seventh-ranked Tigers their first loss of the season by a score of 30-26, 22-30, 30-23, 30-27, it was an entertaining show from start to finish.

"These guys played well enough to give people something to cheer about and get excited about," Kreklow said. "Part of the challenge is to get people in here. Once you get people in here, you've got to give them something to get excited about, and that starts between the lines and goes out. If we can do that, it's easy to keep them."

You didn't have to know much about volleyball - and my knowledge of the sport has slipped into neutral since high school gym class - to appreciate the athleticism and passion on display.

Nebraska looked the part of the nation's No. 1 team. The 6-foot-5 Sarah Pavan barely had to leave the floor to send kills straight down. The smaller Tigers had to pass precisely to hit around the Cornhuskers' blocks.

Missouri did that in stretches. The Tigers rode the emotional wave of the crowd and opened a 7-1 lead in the first game. Nebraska withstood that charge and won the game. At that point, it was fair to wonder if MU was emotionally spent and about to be plowed under.

Instead, the Tigers came out blasting in Game 2, opening an 11-2 lead and winning comfortably. After dropping Game 3, Missouri again showed its resolve, opening a 22-17 lead and threatening to send the match into a fifth game that would have required ear plugs.

Every successful play was punctuated by high-fives all around. Nobody loves a high-five as much as a volleyball player.

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Bittersweet symphony

Despite losing to No. 1, MU wows new fans.

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff
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A Hearnes Center crowd of 7,298 stands before the second game of seventh-ranked Missouri's 30-26, 22-30, 30-23, 30-27 loss to top-ranked Nebraska last night. The crowd was almost triple the previous record attendance figure for an MU volleyball match.

A record crowd of 7,298 came to the Hearnes Center last night to watch the seventh-ranked Missouri volleyball team play No. 1 Nebraska.

The Tigers showed plenty of fight but played sloppy at times in a 30-26, 22-30, 30-23, 30-27 loss to the Cornhuskers.

"Our players have to feel good that we didn't play our best and it was tight all the way through," Missouri Coach Wayne Kreklow said. "It would be a little bit different if we walked out of there feeling that we played the



Ed Pfueller photo

Record reach

Missouri sophomore volleyball player Na Yang greets some of the 7,298 fans on hand for team introductions at last night's game against No. 1-ranked Nebraska at the Hearnes Center. The crowd almost tripled the record for



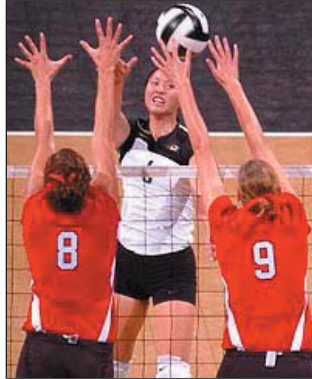


absolute best that we could play and still came up a little bit short. I think the encouraging thing for me, at least from a coaching standpoint, is knowing how close we were and how well we battled and how many things we could have done better."

Usually steady senior setter Lindsey Hunter missed six serves. Shen Danru, another consistently strong senior, had as many hitting errors as kills. And with a chance to extend the match to a fifth game, Missouri made several mistakes in coughing up a late lead.

"Teams like Nebraska, you can't let down even a little bit," Hunter said. "We made aggressive errors."

It started out looking like the Tigers (12-1, 6-1 Big 12) might roll over the Cornhuskers (14-0, 6-0) just as they had all their other opponents at the Hearnes Center this season. Missouri jumped to a 7-1 lead off dominant middle blocking and confident hitting. When Hunter stepped to the service line with the six-point lead, Missouri looked almost perfect.



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Missouri's Shen Danru attempts to hit through the wall of Nebraska's Melissa Elmer (8) and Sarah Pavan (9) during the first game of the Tigers' 3-1 loss to the Cornhuskers.

Then the ball went spiraling forward ... right into the net. Nicole Wilson, Missouri's next server, missed, too. Her serve sailed out of bounds to give Nebraska another free point.

Nebraska took their first lead at 20-19 and didn't trail again.

The Tigers rallied in Game 2, when Na Yang and Jessica Vander Kooi combined for eight kills. Missouri looked sharp, and the crowd responded. When Nebraska's Tracy Stalls hit game point out of bounds, the place erupted.

During the break between the second and third games, fans swayed together during the Missouri Waltz. It was a picture of full support for Missouri athletics that's been lacking at recent football games.

Of course, the waltz eventually had to come to an end. And so did Missouri's dream of dethroning the No. 1 Huskers.

It started to unravel in Game 3, when the unforced errors returned. The Tigers led 6-5, and defensive specialist Abbie Booth stood in the back row, awaiting Nebraska's serve. As it started to come toward her, Booth tried, at the last second, to get out of the way as the ball headed out of bounds. But it hit Booth. Point Nebraska.

That lead would be Missouri's last of the game. Again, the usually solid

Shen hit balls out-of-bounds and into the net. She had just one kill and three hitting errors. Hunter was playing incredible defense, using her entire body, even her shoulders, to dig Nebraska's tough hitters. But that defense and her near-perfect setting were marred by two more service errors.

Meanwhile, the Cornhuskers had found the formula for success.

"We kept swinging cross-court because it was open all night," said outside hitter Christina Houghttelling, who finished with 14 kills. "They weren't taking it away, so we just kept hitting it."

In Game 4, Missouri opened leads of 19-13, 21-15 and 25-22. But Nebraska reeled off eight straight points and finally put the game away on its third match point. Houghttelling sent a cross-court spike at Shen, and the ball caromed off of her into the stands.

The Tigers had succeeded in their efforts to break the previous attendance record of 2,683, but they failed in their quest to play their best against the nation's best.





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The victor, unspoiled

MU volleyball coach puts little stock in the trappings of athletic success.

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff

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Don't look for awards on the walls of Missouri volleyball Coach Wayne Kreklow's office, even though he's won plenty.

Don't look for newspaper clippings, either. He has them ... somewhere.

Don't look for his NBA championship ring, because Kreklow doesn't wear it. Didn't even pick it up from the manufacturer.

Don't look for documentation of the NAIA national volleyball championships he and his wife, Susan, won at Columbia College.

To Kreklow, who has teamed with his wife to build the previously awful Tigers into a national power, recognition is not important.

Ron Einerson isn't surprised to hear that. He was Kreklow's high school basketball coach in Neenah, Wis., from 1972-75.

"He was just always very humble and quiet," Einerson said.

Thirty years later, Kreklow is still winning and wondering what all the fuss is about.

"Lots of people are really excited because we have this high ranking, and I am excited for our team and for our girls, but I don't feel any different now," Kreklow said. "I'm still the same kid who was shooting baskets in the driveway every morning before school."

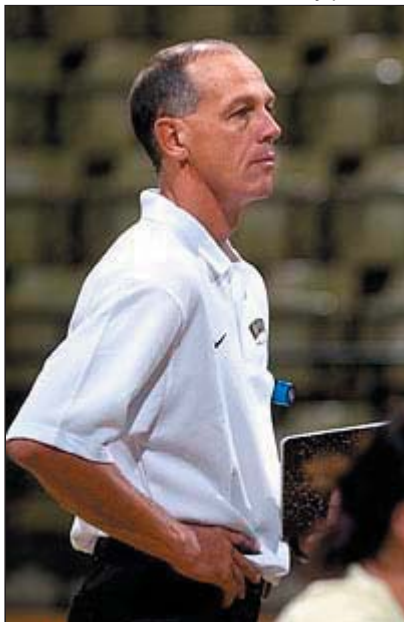
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Fate seemed to lead Kreklow to basketball when he was 10 years old. His family had moved to Mayville, Wis.,



G.J. McCarthy photos

Wayne Kreklow was a standout basketball player in high school and college and a member of the 1980-81 NBA champion Boston Celtics before he became a volleyball coach at Columbia College and then Missouri. Susan Kreklow, above left, and her husband, Wayne, have coached together since 1994, including the last six seasons at Missouri.



where there was no Little League baseball.

His country home had a television with three channels and a basketball hoop in the driveway. Kreklow preferred the net to the news. He remembers waking up in the morning before school to shoot baskets, coming home and shooting until dinner and running back outside after dinner to play until bed.

"There just wasn't a whole lot else to do," he said.

By the time Kreklow hit 10th grade, his family had moved again, this time to Neenah, where Kreklow would lead the Rockets to a state championship. Einerson said he noticed Kreklow right away, not only for his skills but also

for his attitude.

"Everything was positive with him," Einerson said. "He had confidence without being cocky."

There was just one thing that frustrated Einerson about Kreklow.

"I always had to tell him to shoot more," Einerson said. "He was so unselfish, but we needed him as a scorer."

As a senior in 1975, Kreklow was the leading scorer in the state tournament. Of course, the Rockets never would have made it to that state tournament without Kreklow's heroics.

In the sectional tourney, Neenah was losing to Sheboygan North and time was ticking away. With only four seconds left, the Rockets trailed by three when their point guard was fouled. He hit his first free throw and intentionally missed the second. The rebound resulted in a jump ball.

Kreklow was 6-4. His opponent, Sheboygan's star center, towered over him at 6-9. But Kreklow tipped the ball to a teammate, ran to the top of the key, got the pass and launched a 25-footer. It fell in the hoop just as the clock ticked down to zero.

Neenah went on to win in overtime.

Einerson, who still lives in Neenah, remembers that game as if it was yesterday.

"He's the best we've ever had here," he said of Kreklow. "And we're just real excited about everything he's accomplished."

Kreklow doesn't mention the game-winning shots or the first-team all-state awards when he talks about his high school career. Instead, he talks about practices. He remembers running wind sprints at the end of every practice, gasping for oxygen as his muscles strained to reach the end of the court.

"I always had to win," he said. "I always wanted to be first, even when I was dead tired."

It frustrated Kreklow when his teammates would slack off during the beginning sprints to save their energy for the race at the end when Einerson let the winner leave practice early. To Kreklow, it was more important to try hard in all the sprints than to win the one that would guarantee him a reward.

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Despite his indifference to accolades, Kreklow was on his way to becoming a basketball star. The University of Wisconsin recruited him heavily, but its program was struggling. So he chose Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa.

He excelled at Drake, becoming its No. 6 career scorer. His 278 assists rank eighth in Drake history.

Kreklow led the team in scoring during his junior and senior year and said he loved it there. It seemed like he knew just about everyone on campus, and everyone seemed to know him. The Midwestern atmosphere felt like home, and though he was almost 400 miles from Neenah, Kreklow was comfortable and happy.

The Boston Celtics selected Kreklow in the third round of the 1979 NBA Draft. It was then that his basketball experience changed.

Boston was a lonely place for him. Celtics Coach Bill Fitch was comfortable with an eight-man rotation, and Kreklow wasn't a part of it.

He said his playing time "wasn't much at all."

Off the court, Kreklow found out just how different the NBA was from college basketball. He was 22 years old, playing with older men who had families and lives of their own. Kreklow said the team didn't socialize much outside of basketball.

"It was very much a business, way more than I expected," he said.

Alone on the East Coast, with few friends and no family, Kreklow didn't even have a car or a home to call his own. He avoided buying a car because of exorbitant insurance costs and parking fees. He lived the entire season in a tiny, cramped hotel room, just blocks from Fenway Park. It was the same hotel where the team had stayed during training camp.

"The rest of them went home," he said. "But I just stayed."





The Celtics won the NBA championship in 1981, but Kreklow spent the playoffs sitting on the bench in street clothes. He wasn't part of the active roster, although he practiced and traveled with the team.

"I wasn't ready to deal with functioning in that kind of environment," he said. "It was really hard. I was just a naive kid."

Boston didn't sign Kreklow for the 1981-82 season, and he spent the next few years bouncing around with different teams and leagues, playing with the Continental Basketball Association in Maine and in Australia in 1985. He began to question his future.

"I looked at the old guys in the games, and then I looked at my friends from college," Kreklow said. "My college friends were married, having kids and moving up in the business world."

"I realized I couldn't play basketball forever and have the kind of life I wanted."

So Kreklow returned to Des Moines. He took a job at a sporting-goods store and worked there for about six months.

"I didn't have much direction," he said.

Things started to change for Kreklow when he took a social studies teaching job in Leon, Iowa, at Central Decatur High School. He coached boys basketball and girls volleyball. He'd decided he wanted to work with kids, and the job at Leon ended up being a perfect fit, even though he had to prepare for five different class subjects each day.

He stayed for three years and had great success, taking the basketball team to its first state tournament in 1989. Although the Cardinals lost in the semifinals, the whole town was involved in the team's success. Kreklow said he thoroughly enjoyed it. Basketball had become fun again.

In his free time, he played volleyball. He'd started in the sport during high school, when fall men's volleyball was the only alternative to football. Kreklow didn't want to get injured playing football and potentially damage his basketball chances.

Kreklow liked the fast pace and athleticism of volleyball. To him, it seemed very similar to basketball, with its quick action and fast rallies. He liked it so much that he kept on playing, through college and after. When basketball seasons ended, Kreklow spent most of his time playing in AA/Open men's volleyball leagues. It was the highest level of adult men's volleyball in the country, and there were fewer than eight teams from the Midwest.

Craig Sherman, who was Missouri's volleyball coach from 1986-94, had played against Kreklow several times before the two actually met. One of Kreklow's friends had played volleyball with Sherman, and when a spot opened up on Sherman's club team, he immediately called Kreklow.

Adult volleyball at that time was a niche group. Everyone seemed to know everyone, from southern Iowa to central Missouri. And at the tournaments, which were held almost every other weekend, lasting friendships were formed. Sometimes even more than friendships.

Susan Bouldin, a volleyball star at Central Missouri State and Southwest Missouri State, was a high school coach in St. Clair in the late '80s. She played in many of the same tournaments as Wayne did, and their paths began to cross with increasing frequency.

After two years of coaching at Missouri, Sherman had an opening for a graduate assistant coach, and he called Kreklow, who was looking to go back to school for an advanced degree.

Kreklow earned his master's in counseling psychology, while Susan worked in Washington, Mo., as a guidance counselor and club volleyball coach. Susan left St. Clair High School, which is near Springfield, after earning her master's degree in counseling psychology at Southwest Missouri State.

Columbia College Athletic Director Bob Burchard hired her in 1990 as the new volleyball coach at Columbia College. He wanted to elevate the program and take advantage of the institution's increased endowment for athletics.

"She was clearly our top choice," Burchard said. "She's articulate, competitive and has a great presence."

Burchard wasn't the only one who admired Susan's qualities. Wayne and Susan's relationship began to get more serious.

Susan smiles as she remembers, her hand on her chin, and her eyes faraway. At first she can't remember the exact date of their wedding. But it is clear Susan remembers how it felt to marry the love of her life.

It was a brisk morning in early August 1992 in Estes Park, Colo., and Wayne and Susan were enjoying their final week of peace before two-a-day practices started at Columbia College. They'd spent the last few days hiking in the cool mountain air.

"At that point, we knew we'd get married sometime soon," Susan said. "But the opportunity just hadn't come up."

Then, on Aug. 5, the opportunity came. The couple had planned to wake up at 3:30 in the morning and hike Long's Peak. But they overslept, and suddenly had a day without plans. So they went to a courthouse, got a marriage license, found a justice of the peace and went to a small city park not far from where they were staying.

"We were married in shorts and hiking boots," Susan said. "And after the ceremony, we went hiking again. It was a beautiful time and a beautiful place. It took about 10 minutes. It wasn't a big deal - well it was a big deal, but the event was quite simple."

A few days later, Wayne and Susan Kreklow returned to Columbia and got back on the volleyball court. Two years later, they were coaching on the same court.

Sherman's coaching tenure at Missouri ended in 1994. Disa Johnson was hired, and she brought in her own assistant coaches.

The Kreklows, now with one young child, Rick, and another on the way, wanted to stay in Columbia. But with Wayne out of a job, they knew they might have to move. So Wayne and Susan set up a meeting with Burchard to discuss their situation.

Burchard had been interested in starting a women's basketball program at Columbia College, and he thought Wayne would be the perfect coach to start it. But University President Donald Ruthenberg wasn't so keen on the idea. He told the Kreklows he was concerned about the lack of men on the Columbia campus, and starting another women's sports team wouldn't do anything to help the problem.

That was when Wayne mentioned the idea of starting a men's volleyball team. Kreklow said Ruthenberg's eyes lit up right away. So Wayne joined Susan in 1994 as co-head coach of the women and head coach of the new men's team.

The Kreklows went on to unprecedented success at Columbia College, with the women's team going undefeated in 1998 and '99, winning back-to-back NAIA championships. The men's team took second place at the inaugural Sports Systems International Volleyball National Invitational Tournament in 1999.

Kreklow said it wasn't a difficult adjustment to coach with Susan. After all, during all his years at Missouri, he'd also been helping Susan at practices almost every day. After he finished at the Hearnes Center, Kreklow would rush over to Columbia College.

"Their formula was very strong," Burchard said. "It was like they were pyramiding toward success: Each year was another step toward the top."

And Wayne taught Burchard something about coaching.

"He was the first person to ever talk to me about sweat equity," Burchard said. "He told me that you have to put in the work, put in the time, put in the sweat and it will pay off. But you can't be successful without putting in the hard work."

The Kreklows' success at Columbia College drew the interest of Division I programs all over the nation, especially nearby alma maters Drake and Southwest Missouri State. But now with three children - Rick, Ryan and Ali - Wayne and Susan weren't interested in relocating.

In 2000, Johnson was fired and the Missouri volleyball program turned to the Kreklows.

The Kreklow winning tradition continued at Missouri, where Athletic Director Mike Alden initially hired Susan as the head coach and Wayne as her associate. This year, Wayne and Susan traded titles so that Wayne could handle more administrative issues and Susan could have more time to drive around their three active children. The Kreklows have compiled a 129-50 record and don't show any signs of slowing down.

This season, the Tigers are ranked No. 10 after knocking off three top-10 teams and taking No. 1 Nebraska to five games. More than 7,000 fans attended the Nebraska match at the Hearnes Center on Oct. 5, and Columbia is abuzz about the volleyball team's success. Volleyball has become front-page news in the city's papers.

The only one who hasn't noticed, it seems, is Wayne Kreklow.

"It's hard for me to think of myself as a Division I volleyball coach who's had all this success," he said. "Maybe sometime I'll have a chance to look back and say, 'That was pretty neat.' But for now, my satisfaction comes from working with our team, from watching people finally get it in practice."

In practice?

Maybe that's where to look for the recognition that's missing in Wayne Kreklow's office.

The air is sticky and sweaty on the floor of the Hearnes Center, and all is quiet except the beat of the volleyball as it's bounced up in the air and slammed back onto the ground.

Susan and Wayne Kreklow stand behind the end lines on opposite ends of the court. As he watches his team, Wayne is in perpetual motion. He paces back and forth, clapping his hands as he walks. He looks to Susan. They seem to communicate with just their eyes. Time for a break.

When the team comes back, it's time for them to stretch. Wayne doesn't take a break. He's on the other side of the court doing push-ups. He doesn't stop working, even for a second.

All is hushed as Susan and Wayne talk to the team after practice. Everyone's eyes are on their coaches.

Back in Wayne Kreklow's office, it seems something might have been missed in the search for recognition.

He may not have framed awards on the office walls. His desk doesn't double as a trophy case. The only article he's saved includes a photo of his family.

Susan and Wayne stand behind their three children. Ryan, the oldest, looks like a miniature version of Wayne. Ali and Ryan, just babies when the photo was taken in 1998, are perched on top of a basket of volleyballs.

On the corner of his desk, below drawings and letters from the kids is a set of papers with Kreklow's handwritten instructions to himself.

"Beginning of each practice: get in a circle, hold hands. Ask, 'What one thing is my focus today?' (What am I going to get better at today?)"

It's a question the Missouri players ask themselves every day. It's a question that Wayne Kreklow has used to guide his entire life. For Kreklow, it's never been about the results or the accolades that come from his hard work.

Rather, as Burchard said, it's the work itself. It's the sweat equity. It's putting in the time every day for development: not just as an athlete, but as a whole person.

"I've always been more of a people person than a thing person," Kreklow said. "When I look back at my life and all my accomplishments, I always end up thinking more about the people and the relationships than about the awards."





Set up for big things

Lindsey Hunter has sights on Olympics

By **DAVID BUCK**

October 19, 2005

As the setter for the No. 10 Missouri volleyball team, Lindsey Hunter is a one-woman distribution center.

On any given play, Hunter chooses a destination point and seamlessly gets the ball where it needs to go with precision and accuracy. Whether she jump-sets to an outside hitter or stays grounded and sets to a middle blocker behind her, Hunter does it with style and grace.

“She makes the easy plays look easy and the hard plays look easy,” said Tom Pingel, director of high performance national programs for USA Volleyball.

Pingel, one of the people in charge of choosing the national team, has been so impressed with Hunter’s skills that he invited her to join the team once she graduates in May.

Setting for Hunter comes easily, and the ability to set is practically a family trait. Lindsey’s mom, Lori Hunter, and two of her aunts were also setters in college.

Lindsey Hunter was raised near Omaha, Neb., where she was an active child playing volleyball, softball, basketball and various other sports.

She began playing volleyball in fifth grade for Sunset West, a club team, and later starred for Papillion-La Vista High School and for the Nebraska Juniors club team.

While playing competitive volleyball, Hunter also played for a select softball team.

“I was forced to choose between softball and volleyball, since they were in the same season in the fall in high school,” Hunter said. “I chose volleyball because I liked it better, and thought I would be more successful in it.”

Hunter was the only freshman to play varsity volleyball her first year at Papillion-La Vista, and eventually led the Monarchs to two state championships.

Coming out of high school, the greatest setter in MU history did not plan on becoming a Tiger. She was going to be a Wildcat.

HUNTER'S FEATS

Senior — 2005

- Preseason All-Big 12
- 2nd in NCAA with 14.55 assists/game (through Oct. 16)
- All-time MU assists leader with 5,302

Junior — 2004

- All-America Second Team (American Volleyball Coaches Association)
- All-Big 12 First Team

Sophomore — 2003

- All-Big 12 First Team
- Led Big 12 with 12.29 assists/game

Freshman — 2002

- Set MU record for assists in a season with 1,690
- 2nd in NCAA with 14.08 assists/game





Hunter verbally committed to Kansas State, but about one week after making her decision, she changed her mind. Then-Wildcat coach Jim McLaughlin was one of the major reasons Hunter committed to Kansas State, but McLaughlin took a new job as the coach at Washington.

At the time, MU already had a quality setter in Chrissy Elder, but coaches Susan and Wayne Kreklow decided to rethink their setter situation. The Kreklow's decided they wanted to recruit another setter.

"A couple of days later we got the call from Lori," Wayne Kreklow said. "I told Susan: 'Susan, you aren't going to believe this. Lindsey Hunter's mom just called and she is looking at schools.' We jumped on it, had her visit, and the rest evolved from there."

Hunter said she chose MU because she loved the team, the campus, the coaches and the academics. She also knew that the Tigers were an up-and-coming team, and that she could have a chance to play immediately and make an impact on the court.

"It wasn't too far away from home, but it wasn't close," Hunter said. "It was just perfect. I'm really glad things ended up falling out the way they did."

Hunter played in all but the first two of the Tigers' 122 games played during her freshman year. And the program hasn't been the same since. That season Hunter set the school's single-season assists record of 1,690, and she has gone on to lead the Big 12 Conference in assists per game every season she has been at MU. Last year was named to the All-American second team.

On Sept. 16 against Texas A&M, Hunter passed Heather Gerber (1997-2000) to become the all-time assists leader at MU.

"That night at Texas A&M I didn't know I was even within (reach of) breaking the record," Hunter said. "I have the main interest of the team in mind all the time, and I just want to do well as a team. All those accomplishments are really nice, but in the end, I just want our team to do really well."

Hunter is a business major with an emphasis in marketing. She says she chose that major because she likes thinking of creative things for products and enjoys learning about consumer behaviors.

"I like to know how the world goes around when it comes to things like products, advertising and creativeness," Hunter said.

With her degree, Hunter hopes to work in a marketing department of a big firm designing ads. If Hunter has her way though, that won't happen until some time after the summer of 2008. After graduation in May, Hunter is moving to Colorado Springs, Colo., to live and train full-time at the Olympic Training Center.

"I'll be there as long as they want me there," Hunter said. "So if I do really well, I can potentially be on the Olympic team in 2008 in Beijing. So that is what I'm shooting for and that is what I hope comes out of it."

Initially, the team asked Hunter to join after the NCAA season was completed, but she wanted to finish her final semester at MU.

USA Volleyball was fine with Hunter graduating and sometimes encourages players to do so before joining the National Team.

"It is better to give them the chance to complete college than to have a few classes hanging over their head," Pingel said. "It clears their mind and schedule of that burden. If they had multiple semesters we would want them to leave right away."

If a player leaves college before graduating, Pingel said that they are encouraged to finish their degree during breaks in the training year.

"If Lindsey keeps on improving and getting better, she will have as good a chance as anyone to make the Olympic team," Pingel said.

Kreklow said he has seen improvements in Hunter's game.

"I think she has really made a committed effort this year to improve defense, blocking and serving," Kreklow said. "I don't think there is any question that everybody recognizes that Lindsey is a great setter, but there is a lot more to being a high-level player than just setting alone. You have to be able to play defense, you have to be able to block and you have to be able to be an effective server."

Hunter admits that improving her blocking has been a challenge, and that setting comes more naturally to her.

May will not be the first time she has played with the National Team. For the past two summers, she has played on the A2 national team, the second national team made up of college players.

There are seven setters on the 2005 national team roster, including Hunter, and most of them are college students. The team usually has two or three setters per tournament, and for the 2008 Summer Olympics they will have two setters.

The length of Hunter's stay in Colorado Springs will depend on how well she performs. Players can be cut from the team at any point.

On the court, Hunter might be one of the most skilled players in the nation, but off the court she is just like any other college student.

"As much as I can I hang out with my friends and try to get away from it all ... but during the season, volleyball is everything to me, so I don't do much of anything else."

Outside of volleyball Hunter said she enjoys going to the movies and reading books that can take her mind off of school.

Abbie Booth, a defensive specialist on the volleyball team and one of Hunter's roommates, describes Hunter as easy-going, easy to get along with, fun to be around and trustworthy.

"I can trust her with a secret, I can talk to her if I have problem, and I know she will be straight forward with me and honest," Booth said. "I know she is always there for me."

Hunter has an 11-year-old sister, Kelly, and a 17-year-old brother, Danny. Lindsey Hunter said she prides herself on being a role model for both of her siblings.

"Since I'm the oldest, I'm like their role model and that is something that I always have tried to embrace," Hunter said. "I think I have done a really good job of being a leader to them too. They really

MISSOURIAN

Columbia, Missouri

Yang's top play worth the effort MU upsets No. 10 Texas in a three-game sweep.

By **DAVID BUCK**
November 21, 2005

Na Yang worked harder this week in practice and in the weight room.

Yang's extra work paid off for the Missouri volleyball team Sunday in a 30-28, 30-22, 30-28 victory against No. 10 Texas at Hearnes Center. Entering the match, the Tigers were ranked No. 11.

"I think overall Na did really well," MU coach Wayne Kreklow said. "...We worked her pretty hard this week and I was really glad to see her have a good match."

Yang tied a career high with 21 kills, but the other two times she reached that mark were in five-game matches.

"I thank coach (Shannon) Turley a lot, because he helped me a lot," Yang, a sophomore outside hitter, said.

Turley, the team's strength and conditioning coach, made Yang do extra cardiovascular work when the team lifted weights and worked on conditioning. When practicing on the court, Kreklow said he included more high-intensity drills and competitive situations in practice to get Yang into better shape.

Kreklow said he realized Yang needed to get into better shape after the Tigers' (20-4, 14-4) match against No. 1 Nebraska on Nov. 13. Yang normally plays in the front row and then is substituted in the back row for junior defensive specialist Abbie Booth. At Nebraska, Yang played both spots.

She admitted that during the Nebraska match her heart was beating faster than usual and that she needed to improve her conditioning.

Lindsey Hunter, a senior setter, said she saw an improvement in Yang's game Sunday.

"She was a lot quicker than she has been in the past," Hunter said.

Senior middle blocker Lisa Boyd also saw changes.

"Na was doing really well," Boyd said. "She was making some really great plays not just hitting, but coming down off the block and really hustling. I think that really helped her, just making little plays that helped her confidence and helped her swing better."

Yang showed her hustle in Game 2 when she dove into the Tiger's bench to dig a ball.

Despite tying a career-high in kills, Yang said she needed to block better.

Yang had more than a third of the Tigers' kills.

Kreklow said the team built some momentum from almost beating Nebraska. Missouri, then ranked No. 12, fell to the Huskers 28-30, 27-30, 30-21, 30-24, 15-3.

"I think our players felt good about how we were able to compete up there," Kreklow said. "I felt that confidence carried over to the week in practice and out here."

For some of the Tiger's, the win had extra significance. The Longhorns (21-4, 15-3) are the only team to sweep MU this season on Oct. 12.

"I would have been overjoyed to simply win in any combination of games," Kreklow said. "Then to be able to do it in three helps us even more emotionally."

Attendance for Sunday's match was 3,050, the third-largest crowd in the team's history.





Columbia Daily Tribune

Up where she belongs Ailes learns to love volleyball again at MU.

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff

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Missouri sophomore libero Tatum Ailes sprints onto the court. Her reddish ponytail bounces as she runs, and her beaming face, lightly dusted with freckles, is lit with a confident grin.

She runs up to each of her teammates and slaps their hands. She looks confident, assured and completely at ease - what you might expect from a player assistant coach Chen Feng calls "the catalyst."

Tonight, she'll lead the eighth-ranked Tigers (9-0, 3-0 Big 12) against 17th-ranked Kansas State (11-1, 2-0) at the Hearnes Center.

She fits in perfectly.

It wasn't always this way.

Oddball out

It was Friday, Sept. 4, 2004, and Ailes had more than just freshman English on her mind.

The Missouri volleyball team was about to open its season in Madison, Wis., against the No. 23 Wisconsin Badgers. Ailes sat in the locker room with her team just minutes before the match. Warm-ups were over, and it was time to change into game jerseys.

Ailes and teammate Abbie Booth stared at the lone black jersey hanging on the wall. The two defensive specialists still didn't know who would be wearing that jersey as the starting libero.

Finally, Ailes looked over at Coach Wayne Kreklow.

"Which jersey do I wear, coach?"

"You're libero," he told her.



G.J. McCarthy photo

Missouri libero Tatum Ailes jumps for joy after winning a point against Kansas State last year. The Tigers host the Wildcats tonight.

"Oh my gosh," was all Ailes could think.

By the end of the match, the only ones saying "Oh my gosh," were the Badgers. Missouri upset Wisconsin in four games, and Ailes was a big part of that success, picking up 18 digs and four aces.

As the season went on, Ailes solidified her role as a starter and one of the premier defensive players in the Big 12. She broke the school single-season record for digs with 432 - an average of 4.19 per game.

Still, she wasn't quite comfortable with her team and with her adopted position.

"Freshman year, I always felt like the oddball out," Ailes said.

Uncertainty

She wasn't supposed to get a scholarship.

When Ailes decided to come to Missouri before her senior year of high school, she agreed to do so as a walk-on. Most Division I schools weren't interested. Sure, she was a good high school setter, but at the Division I level, 5-foot-6 was simply too short for setting.

And most schools didn't want to risk spending a scholarship on a libero - a defensive specialist - who had never played the position.

Frustrated with her options closer to home, Ailes visited Missouri after her junior year in high school and "fell in love." Then, Ailes' Bellevue West team won the Class A Nebraska state championship.

Suddenly, Ailes started getting some attention. She received letters from Nebraska, Florida State, Notre Dame and Indiana.

"But MU had been there the whole time," she said. "They didn't just jump on the bandwagon like everyone else."

Ailes knew where she would be going to college. What she didn't know for sure, that winter after her senior year of volleyball, was if she'd continue in the sport she loved.

She quit her club team during her senior year. She "didn't want to deal with volleyball anymore."

Ailes was discouraged by all the dire predictions about her future in the sport. She'd heard time and time again that she was simply too short.

Looking back

All the confusion about volleyball wasn't supposed to happen to Ailes. She was groomed to be a volleyball star. Her mom played in high school, and her two aunts played in college. Her grandfather even coached the sport.

And Ailes had started club volleyball the same year she'd started elementary school.



"Everyone used to point at me," she said. "They'd say, 'Look at that little short one.'"

Ailes played with 12-year-olds. There wasn't a young enough team for her to play with kids her own age. Ailes' mother drove her an hour to Omaha for practices until she turned 16. It was every Monday and Wednesday after violin lessons. Ailes ate dinner on the way there and slept on the way home. Every Sunday was spent at volleyball tournaments.

"It did take up a lot of time," Ailes said. "But it was fun time."

She said that playing volleyball in college was her dream.

Making up her mind

It had to be confusing, that winter after her last high school volleyball season. Ailes' dream of playing college volleyball could be just a few months away. But she didn't know if she wanted that dream anymore.

High school volleyball had been filled with regrets.

"I wasn't always a good kid in high school," she said. "And I felt like I could have done better in volleyball. We should have won the state championship three years in a row."

Eventually, Ailes decided the only way to erase those regrets was to start anew in college. She never completely lost her love of the sport she'd spent her life playing.

So when Coach Susan Kreklow called her during the summer of 2004 and told Ailes it was time to start workouts, Ailes got in the car and drove to Columbia.

"I knew it was time to go then and get ready," she said.

When she got here, a big surprise was waiting.

Former libero Sara Parks had quit the team. Ailes would get a scholarship after all.

She signed with Missouri in July, and though it took some time for her to get back into shape, she was ready when the season started, as demonstrated by her statistics.

Settling in

If Ailes' story was just about her personal success in volleyball, it could have ended after her volleyball season. She had her Division I scholarship, her starting position and three school records.

But Ailes still had growing to do. Throughout her freshman year, Ailes didn't feel like she fit in.

Sure, her antics on the court, her energetic nature, her way of making even a broken foot during the off-season into a joke, brought smiles to her teammates' faces.

But she wasn't comfortable yet. She still felt a little like the unwanted too-short freshman from small-town Nebraska who just happened to get a scholarship at the last minute.

She still carried with her the regrets and frustrations from high school, when after almost every match she felt that she hadn't done well enough. Her mom told her to recite the Serenity Prayer before each match during the national anthem.

It's a tradition Ailes continues today, and it appears to be working.

Now, she cares more about her team's ranking than her own play. Her average digs are down from last year at 3.96 per game, but that doesn't bother her.

"It's getting a lot easier for me," she said. "That's where the unselfish part comes in. We're winning, and if I have to give up numbers so our team can win ... I'd do it any day."

Ailes lives in a duplex with senior outside hitter Shen Danru and junior middle blocker Nicole Wilson, where they watch DVDs and talk almost every night.

She said the volleyball team is like her family, and the Kreklows are her second set of parents.

Where to go from here

Although her numbers last year were impressive, what excites Ailes more about this season is her ease and confidence with her role on the team.

As she runs out onto the court, she has a determined look in her eyes.

She knows she belongs.

Ailes said this about her team, "We were good last year, but this year we're even better. We've got it all together."

The same could be said for Ailes.

MISSOURIAN

Columbia, Missouri

Honor takes Tigers' Ailes by surprise

Four MU volleyball players earned conference awards including Libero of the Year.

By DAVID BUCK
November 29, 2005

Throughout the season Missouri volleyball player Tatum Ailes has sacrificed her body to dig balls that appeared unreachable, and at times she has been brought to tears after landing in awkward positions.

Ailes was almost brought to tears on Monday after reporters informed her she is the Big 12 Conference Libero of the Year. Ailes was shocked and initially said she didn't believe it.

"I got libero of the year?" Ailes said.

After having it confirmed, Ailes still questioned the honor. "I did?" said Ailes, whose only other response was 'Wow.'

Missouri coach Wayne Kreklow said he was not surprised when he heard the news. He considers her the best libero in the league.

"What separates her from the other liberos in the league is her ability to make the fantastic, sheer reaction, type plays," Kreklow said. "There are a lot of good diggers in the league, there are a lot of good passers, but what separates her is incredible hand-eye coordination, great quickness and she plays with a tenacity you don't see that often."

Ailes, a sophomore, credits the Tigers' blocking as one of the reasons she earned the award.

"They make reading the hitters so much easier when their block is up," Ailes said.

A libero is a back-row player that can be substituted into a match at any time for defensive purposes. To distinguish them from other players, the libero wears a different colored jersey than the rest of the team. Ailes led the Big 12 with 4.08 digs per conference game.

Three other Tigers earned Big 12 honors on Monday. Lindsey Hunter and Jessica Vander Kooi were named to the All-Big 12 First Team, while Nicole Wilson was named All-Big 12 Honorable Mention.

Hunter, a senior setter, led the Big 12 in assists per game for the fourth year in a row. This is the third time Hunter made the first team.

Vander Kooi, a junior outside hitter, was named to the first team for the second time. She also earned Big 12 Freshman of the Year honors in 2003.

Wilson, a junior middle blocker, led the conference with a .418 hitting percentage in conference matches. The honorable mention is her first Big 12 postseason award.





MISSOURIAN Columbia, Missouri

Missouri's source of intensity

Jessica Vander Kooi might be more relaxed, but her emotions still define her play

By DAVID BUCK
December 2, 2005

The Missouri volleyball team must match Missouri State's intensity to win tonight in the first round of the NCAA Tournament according to Tigers senior Lindsey Hunter.

Enter Missouri's Jessica Vander Kooi. Hunter, a three-time All-Big 12 setter for MU, says her teammate drives the Tigers' play.

It's easy to see Vander Kooi's intensity on the court. After making a kill or block, the junior outside hitter usually makes a joyful hop into the air with a huge smile on her face. When she makes a mistake, she gets stone-faced with a stare that says watch out.

"She is intense consistently, whether she is cheering and really getting pumped up or quiet and serious," said Abbie Booth, a junior defensive specialist. "Both attitudes are completely intense. I can't remember a play where she wasn't like 'Let's go.' She is just an intense individual."

Things haven't always been this way for Vander Kooi. Missouri coach Wayne Kreklow said that early in Vander Kooi's career, when things were not going her way on the court, she would almost be in tears.

"I think I've made improvements this year in changing that," Vander Kooi said. "If I do make a mistake, I shake it off and go back, get ready for the next play. That is one thing I've been working hard on this year and I think I've made a difference."

Kreklow has noticed.

"What she has done such a tremendous job of this year is keeping those emotions much more under control," Kreklow said. "She may be unhappy because she hit a ball out of bounds, or got blocked, or missed a serve, but she has really developed an ability to bounce right back and get to the next play. That is why she has become such a more effective player this year for us."

Vander Kooi said to help herself get past her mistakes she laughs to herself, tries to relax and sometimes winks at teammate Tatum Ailes.

"It is to slow things down and know that we have each other's back," Ailes a sophomore libero, said.

Besides being one of the most intense players on the No. 10-seeded Tigers, Vander Kooi is also one of the best players on the team.

"Her real asset and real value to us is she can do so many things so well," Kreklow said. "I don't think she leads us in any particular category but she is right at No. 2 in a lot of them."

Vander Kooi also tends to elevate her game for big matches. She set her career-highs in kills, aces, solo blocks, and points in the Tigers' 3-2 loss to UC-Irvine in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in 2003. And in MU's near-upset of No. 1 Nebraska on Nov. 13 in Lincoln, Neb., Vander Kooi tied career highs with 23 kills and 22 digs.

"When we play a big team, she just really kind of fuels the intensity on the team," Hunter said. "She is a very hard worker and I think it shows, especially in those big matches."

Kreklow said he sees Vander Kooi as a big-match player now more than ever because she is better at recovering from mistakes.

Vander Kooi doesn't like to call herself a big-match player, but sees why people can call her that. She said that matchups in big contests have helped her.

today's match

Missouri vs. Missouri State

WHEN: 7:30 p.m.

WHERE: Hearnes Center

"At those times, I wasn't hot or anything," Vander Kooi said. "It is just the other team might be weaker on that side blocking or something. So then it is my time to step up and try and do something."

With a home-court advantage and an experienced team, Vander Kooi said she likes the Tigers' chances in the tournament.

"We are going all the way," Vander Kooi said.

She said she isn't trying to be cocky but to have the right state of mind.

"If you have doubts early, then you are going to have doubts when you are out there on the court," Vander Kooi said. "You have to stay confident, but you don't want to be overconfident — but you don't want to be too laid-back."

Kreklow would not predict how far he thinks the team

can advance.

"I think we have got the potential to go as far as anybody," Kreklow said. "We also have the potential to be done on Friday night too."

Kreklow said he would be disappointed, though, if the team failed to make it past the second round.

"A big challenge for us is dealing with expectations," Kreklow said. "On the one hand they are a good thing, a motivation for players to train harder, but the negative side is sometimes it places a heavy burden on players as well as coaches. The more you are in the tournament, the more pressure and expectations you have to go to a certain point."

The Tigers are in their sixth consecutive tournament and have not advanced past the second round. This season, the team won a school-record 16 Big 12 matches and earned the highest ranking in school history when it was ranked No. 7 from Sept. 26 to Oct. 10.





Tigers stand tall

Adjustments help Missouri sweep Bears.

By **ANGELA BUSCH** of the Tribune's staff

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With her team locked in a tight battle during Game 1 of its match against Missouri State in the first round of the NCAA Tournament last night at the Hearnes Center, Missouri volleyball associate head coach Susan Kreklow didn't seem nervous.

She looked at her team, which had just lost a crucial point late in the game, and smiled. Seconds later, she broke into a huge grin and even chuckled.

There's been a lot to smile about lately for the Missouri volleyball team and even more after its decisive 30-27, 30-18, 30-26 victory over Missouri State last night. The Tigers will play Arkansas (21-11) at 5:30 p.m.

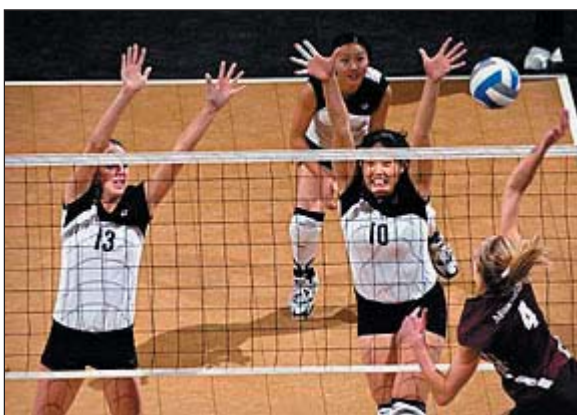
tomorrow in the Hearnes Center to try and advance to the State College, Pa., Regional. Arkansas beat St. Mary's 30-27, 30-17, 30-21 last night. The winner of tomorrow's game will play Texas or Hawaii on Friday at Penn State's Rec Hall.

Despite struggling to find consistency in Game 1, the Tigers (23-4) found a way to grind out a victory. Then, they put it all together in a near-flawless Game 2, carrying that momentum through Game 3. Senior setter Lindsey Hunter said she felt much better on the court in Games 2 and 3.

"We were just getting the little balls up," she said of her team's play in Game 2, "doing things that can switch momentum."

After collecting just four blocks against the undersized Bears (24-9) in Game 1, Missouri picked up seven blocks in Game 2. Outside hitters Jessica Vander Kooi and Shen Danru added an outside presence in the game, combining for 10 kills after a dismal performance in Game 1, when the two combined for just four kills and three hitting errors.

Coach Wayne Kreklow said the team had been doing a lot of extra work on blocking during last week's practice, which helped Missouri domi-



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MU's Nicole Wilson (13) and Na Yang (10) go up for a block against Missouri State's Sabrina Apker during the second game. The Tigers defeated the Bears 30-27, 30-17, 30-21 last night in the NCAA Tournament.

nate at the net. But senior Lisa Boyd said most of Game 2's success in blocking came from gaining experience against Missouri State's top attacker, outside hitter Katie Werges, who had six kills in Game 1. Werges has a slower arm swing than most hitters Missouri is used to facing, so the blockers had to adjust their timing in order to stop her.

"As the match went on, we adjusted, and we started waiting longer on her," Boyd said. "I think that we kind of pegged her."

Boyd finished the match with a team-high six block assists, followed by junior Nicole Wilson with five.

Bears' Coach Melissa Stokes said one of the places her team "broke down" was on the outside.

"Our outside hitters have been our go-to players quite often," Stokes said. "I thought we were a

little off there at times tonight."

She might have been referring to Werges' match-high seven hitting errors. The Bears' other outside hitter, junior Erin O'Connor, had six.

But Stokes gave most of the credit to the Tigers, saying that she thought this year's team was the best ever at Missouri.

"I think they'll go far in the tournament," she said.

Though the Missouri team came together in Games 2 and 3 to finish off the Bears, it was Hunter who kept Missouri on track in Game 1. She survived wild passing to gain 15 assists, despite spending most of the game running all over the court and tracking down balls.

Kreklow said having a quick setter like Hunter, who can get to a lot of balls, allows Missouri to get a higher percentage of quality attacks.

"It always helps to have someone who can make good sets out of mediocre passes," he said. "It gives our passers a little breathing room - without that pressure of thinking, 'I have to pass every ball perfect because my setter can't move.'"

Even with all the excitement going into last night's match, the Tigers seemed to play with a lot of poise. Despite some early jitters in Game 1, the players looked relaxed but intense on the court.

And despite its high energy, Missouri didn't create a lot of errors. In fact, the Tigers set a school record last night for the fewest hitting errors in a match (13).

Afterward, they seemed excited and focused for tomorrow's match with Arkansas, whom the Tigers eliminated from the tournament last year at the Hearnes Center.

Wayne Kreklow even seems to have a one-track mind.

"You know what, honestly, right now, the only thing I'm thinking about is tomorrow," he said.





A step closer

Tigers sweep Arkansas to reach Sweet 16 for first time

By DAVID BUCK

Missouri volleyball coach Wayne Kreklow said in the days before Tigers' NCAA Tournament first- and second-round matches that serving and the team's home-court advantage needed to be the difference for the team to be successful.

Kreklow was correct.

The No. 10-seeded Tigers defeated Arkansas 30-25, 30-16, 30-11 in the second round of the NCAA Tournament and advanced to the State College Region Semifinals where they will play No. 7 seed Hawaii on Friday in State College, Pa.

This is the farthest the Tigers have ever advanced in the NCAA Tournament.

"I think obviously we are really pleased with how we played tonight," Kreklow said. "Being able to come in and do what we did tonight against a very good Arkansas volleyball team was something that I did not expect in the least bit. I thought the match would go like the first game, back and forth, both teams making good plays."

In the first game of the match both teams looked strong, in the second the Tigers (24-4) started to pull away and in the third MU dominated the Razorbacks (21-12). One of the only things to go wrong for MU in the Game 3 was a rotation violation when Jilly Jaksich, a seldom-used player, was substituted into the match.

"The fans never allowed us to get back in the game," Arkansas coach Chris Poole said. "I thought the fan support was outstanding. When we got down, they helped keep us down."

The crowd of 2,490 is the sixth-largest in school history. Missouri's first-round match against Missouri State had 6,294 fans, the most of any first-round match in this tournament and second-most in school history.



Shen Danru blocks an attack from Arkansas' Nicole Martin on Saturday. The Tigers held the Razorbacks at bay all night. (STEVE ENGLISH/Missourian)

What's next

With its victory Saturday, Missouri moves on to face No. 7 seed Hawaii on Friday night in State College, Pa.

"Any time you can get a crowd like we did tonight it adds so much energy to the whole event," Kreklow said. "You can't help but feel that energy coming down and enveloping the floor. It helps you get over the rough spots from our standpoint, and I think it also helps to put a little more of a burden on the opposing team when things aren't going well. There is just no substitute for a crowd like that in a collegiate event."

Besides the crowd, MU's serving was a deciding factor in the match.

"The story of the match was the serving," Kreklow said. "I thought we had a phenomenal serving night and I think in games 1 and 2 we took them consistently

out of their (offensive) system and just made it really difficult for them to establish any kind of rhythm. I think over time it just really wore them down — they lost momentum, they lost confidence, and it was just a really difficult situation for them to be in."

The Tigers tied a season-high and set an NCAA Tournament team-high with 14 aces against the Razorbacks. The team's previous tournament-high was seven.

"After watching tape, we realized that there were a few passers that were inconsistent, so I was trying going after those people instead of going after the libero," junior defensive specialist Abbie Booth said.

Booth led MU with six aces, and senior setter Lindsey Hunter added four.

"They did a great job of taking us out of our offense and out of our game," said Christina Lawrence, an outside hitter for Arkansas. Kreklow said that sophomore libero Tatum Ailes also served well.

"Abbie and Tate were the difference in the match for us," Kreklow said. "What those two did back there both serving and passing, and in transition was huge. You don't see a lot of what they do show up in the box score, with the exception of Abbie tonight with her aces. Tate also doesn't get a lot of out-right serving aces, but her specialty is serving people out of system with short balls and she did a really super job of that tonight. I was really pleased to see some of these other folks like Abbie step up and really make a big impact in that match tonight."

Friday's matchup with Hawaii is the first meeting between the teams.

Kreklow said he does not know much about the Rainbow Wahine besides the team's history, but will watch game tape of them Tuesday. Hawaii has won three national championships.

Na Yang led MU's balanced attack with an errorless 13-kill effort, and Ailes led the team with nine digs. The team set a season and team tournament-high with a .505 hitting percentage.





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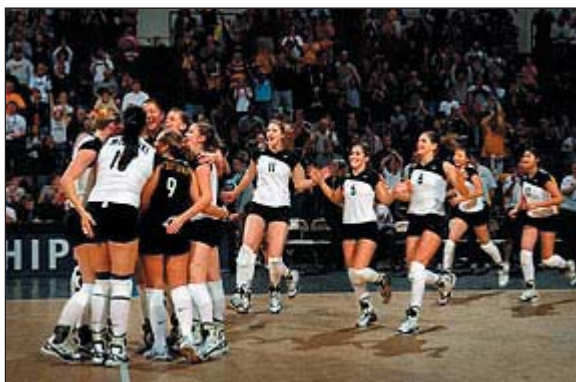
Tigers in Sweet 16 for first time.

By **ANGELA BUSCH of the Tribune's staff**

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Snow dusted the ground and ice coated the streets last night in Columbia, where winter seems to have taken hold.

But for the Missouri volleyball team, fall isn't over yet - or at least, fall sports season isn't. For the first time in its history, the Tiger volleyball team will play past the first weekend in December, moving on to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament after a 30-25, 30-16, 30-11 sweep of Arkansas last night at the Hearnes Center. Missouri will play seventh seeded Hawaii on Friday in University Park, Pa., at Penn State's Rec Hall. The winner advances to the Elite Eight.



G.J. McCarthy photos

The Missouri volleyball team celebrates on the Hearnes Center floor after claiming a 30-25, 30-16, 30-11 victory over Arkansas to advance past the second round of the NCAA Tournament for the first time in school history. The 10th-seeded Tigers now advance to play seventh-seeded Hawaii on Friday in University Park, Pa., with the winner advancing to the regional final.

The Lady Razorbacks (21-12) hung tough with Missouri (24-4) last night during Game 1, resulting in a back-and-forth frenzy of points. But the Tigers took control with tough serving, aggressive net play, and precise passing during Games 2 and 3, taking big leads early in each game.

Arkansas Coach Chris Poole said Missouri took it to another level in Games 2 and 3, a level his team was unable to match. Missouri's crowd of 2,490 enthusiastic fans also made it tough for the Lady Razorbacks to maintain focus.

"When we got down," the fans "helped keep us down," Poole said. "We weren't able to ever get back into a groove at all ... we just couldn't seem to get our game faces on."

Arkansas didn't have a bad night statistically. The Lady Razorbacks had just 14 hitting errors and two service errors. But with Missouri's precision serving (team record 14 aces) and .633 hitting percentage in Games 2 and 3, it was simply too much too fast.

Setter Lindsey Hunter said she felt like the Tigers were even more "in sync" last night than they were against Missouri State on Friday night, when the Tigers swept the Bears (30-27, 30-18, 30-26).

Hunter was a big part of that "in sync" play last night. Missouri Coach Wayne Kreklow said it was her who

allowed middle hitters Nicole Wilson and Lisa Boyd to combine for 19 kills and just two errors.

"I think Lindsey did a great job of using both Nicole and Boyd," he said. "Those are just unbelievable numbers for two middle hitters."

Hunter picked up 46 assists in the match, while Arkansas' two setters combined for just 28. She added four digs, three kills, and four aces to complete an all-around performance.

Hunter seemed determined to outplay the Lady Razorbacks' setters. After Arkansas setter Nicole Martin dumped the ball over the net to surprise Missouri and pick up a kill, Hunter did the same thing two plays later. She smiled after her ball hit the floor for a kill, an unusual show of emotion for the focused, serious setter.

Kreklow also gave credit to Missouri's back row passers, specifically all-Big 12 libero Tatum Ailes and junior defensive specialist Abbie Booth. The two combined for 12 digs, which didn't even include the countless serve receive passes and diving saves of partially blocked balls that Booth and Ailes never seemed to let hit the floor. Kreklow said it was that energetic, precise passing which put Hunter in positions to make good sets, leading to a quality attacks.

For Missouri, last night was obviously a team effort.

Each player seemed to be on, making it tough for Arkansas to get anything going.

Missouri's Lisa Boyd extends for a kill during the Tigers' three-game victory over Arkansas last night at the Hearnes Center.

"It just really puts a lot of strain on the opposing defense when you've always got several people at any given point in time who can put the ball on the floor," Kreklow said.

Missouri's three outside attackers, Jessica Vander Kooi, Shen Danru, and Na Yang all were in double-figures for kills last night. Na led the team with 13 kills and amazingly, zero errors. It was Shen who fired up Missouri in game 1, picking up five kills when the Tigers needed them most, in the closest game of the match.

Kreklow said Missouri is "really, really good" when Shen and Na are playing well.

If Missouri's attacking, passing, and reliable setting weren't enough to demoralize Arkansas, the Tigers added one more nail in the coffin. Kreklow said his team's serving might have been the story of the match. Booth tied her own match record with six aces, while Hunter added four. The team's 14 aces tied its school record.

Arkansas seemed baffled by the Tigers' consistently confusing and deceptive serves. Late in Game 2, as Vander Kooi served deep into Arkansas' back row, junior Denitza Koleva watched the ball come spiraling toward her. She moved left first, then right, trying to figure out where to move in order to pass the ball.

But instead of passing the ball, Koleva missed it completely and spun around right into sophomore Kelli Cole, who had to grab her teammate to keep her from falling.

Looking on from the sideline, Poole just shook his head, his mouth set in a troubled frown as he watched his team be eliminated yet again from the NCAA Tournament by Missouri. The Tigers beat the Lady Razorbacks at the Hearnes Center last year in the first round.

Poole said though, that he saw something different in this year's Missouri team, something that he believes will carry them far in the tournament.

"There's an extra motivation and drive in them," he said. "You saw that focus today; they were driven just to not let it slip away. ... Basically, they've got every piece of the puzzle."



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Team Photo Roster



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Lei Wang
Fr. * 5-11 * S
Shanghai, China



2

Lindsey Hunter
Sr. * 5-10 * S
Papillion, Neb.



3

Jessica Vander Kooi
Jr. * OH * 6-2
Hinton, Iowa



4

Amanda Hantouli
Fr. * 6-2 * MB
Omaha, Neb.



5

Abbie Booth
Jr. * 5-7 * DS
Kansas City, Mo.



6

Shen Danru
Sr. * 5-11 * OH
Shanghai, China



7

Jilly Jaksich
Fr. * 5-11 * DS
Papillion, Neb.



8

Lisa Boyd
Sr. * 6-2 * MB
Farmington, Mo.



9

Tatum Ailes
So. * 5-6 * L
Bellevue, Neb.



10

Na Yang
So. * 6-3 * OH
Shan Dong, China



11

Megan Wilson
Fr. * 6-2 * OPP/S
Lincoln, Neb.



12

Yi Zhang
Fr. * 5-11 * OH
Su Zhou, China



13

Nicole Wilson
Jr. * 6-3 * MB
Lincoln, Neb.



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Melissa Allbery
So. * 6-3 * MB
Gretna, Neb.

Pronunciation Guide:

- Tatum AILES - ALES
- Melissa ALLBERY - ALL-berry
- SHEN DANRU - SHIN don-roo
- Amanda HANTOULI - han(d)-tool-ee
- Jilly JAKSICH - jas-ick
- Jessica VANDER KOOI - VAN-der-ku-ee
- LEI WANG - LAY wong
- NA YANG - NAH young
- YI ZHANG - E zhong