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The Star's 2007 Volleyball Super Team

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Brittany Daulton

School: Lawrence North.

In 2007: Senior outside hitter led Wildcats to a 30-5 season that included the Marion County Tournament championship and a ranking as high as second in Class 4A. She is bound for Fordham University, where she intends to study business and pursue a career in fashion.

Q: What is your favorite memory of Lawrence North volleyball?

A: There are so many because we've been playing together since the seventh grade . . . probably our bus rides when we used to sing on our way home, especially on a longtrip. We used to sing all the time, and that's one of my favorite memories.

Q: What is your favorite thing to do outside volleyball?

A: I like to shop, and I like to hang out with my friends and family. That's pretty much it; volleyball pretty much owns me.

Q: What do you think about going to college in New York City?

A: I'm very excited. I just went on my official visit, and I loved it. I loved all the girls; they all seem great. I like the coach, and I like the city and the school. The campus is beautiful.

Q: Who is your role model for volleyball?

A: My freshman year, I remember watching (former Cathedral and current Purdue player) Danita Merlau and thinking, "I want to be just like her." . . . More recently, I've watched (two-time U.S.) Olympic player Logan Tom. She's an outside hitter who's very consistent. I look up to her a lot.

COACH OF THE YEAR

Pat Carlson

School: Lawrence North.

In 2007: Guided the Wildcats to a 30-5 season that included the Marion County Tournament championship and a ranking as high as second in Class 4A. Lost in the sectional in a thrilling five-game match to No. 1-ranked Cathedral.

Career record: 132-77 in six seasons at Lawrence North, 257-198 in 15 seasons overall.

In Carlson's words: "This was a great culmination of proving of when you start something, it all can come together if you believe. . . . We knew we were going to be special, but it hit us all at once. I tell people all the time that I wasn't ready for this. You're never ready for this. But I don't mind dealing with it. It was fun. We had a tremendous, tremendous year."

PLAYERS

Shari Bernhardt

School: Plainfield.

Height: 5-8.

Year: Senior.

Position: Outside hitter.

Stats: 447 kills, .447 hitting efficiency, 30 blocks, 57 aces, 479 digs.

College choice: IUPUI.

Katie Griffin

School: Avon.

Height: 6-2.

Year: Junior.

Position: Outside hitter.

Stats: 445 kills, .350 hitting efficiency, 56 blocks, 60 aces, 246 digs.

College choice: Purdue.

Hilary Eppink

School: Westfield.

Height: 6-2.

Year: Junior.

Position: Middle blocker.

Stats: 400 kills, .426 hitting efficiency, 140 blocks, 40 aces, 79 digs.

College choice: Notre Dame.

Christiana Gray

School: Cathedral.

Height: 6-5.

Year: Junior.

Position: Middle blocker.

Stats: 261 kills, .453 hitting efficiency, 134 blocks, 44 aces, 108 digs.

College choice: Undecided.

Sarah Havel

School: Carmel.

Height: 6-2.

Year: Senior.

Position: Middle blocker.

Stats: 338 kills, .450 hitting efficiency, 97 blocks, 21 aces, 74 digs.

College choice: College of Charleston.

Claire McElheny

School: Brebeuf Jesuit.

Height: 6-3.

Year: Senior.

Position: Middle blocker.

Stats: 300 kills, .480 hitting efficiency, 106 blocks, 16 aces, 92 digs.

College choice: Michigan.

Holly Wasmund

School: Avon.

Height: 5-10.

Year: Junior.

Position: Setter.

Stats: 1,088 assists, 106 kills, .405 hitting efficiency, 40 blocks, 52 aces, 257 digs.

College choice: Undecided.

Kaylee Schembra

School: Roncalli.

Year: Senior.

Height: 5-4.

Position: Defensive specialist.

Stats: 645 digs, 36 aces.

College choice: Ball State.