

**A BRIEF HISTORY OF VOLLEYBALL  
IN THE STATE OF OHIO**

**PART 1: 1895 – 1983**

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## ABOUT THE PAPER

A great amount of the information listed below came from a paper I wrote in 1990-1992 while obtaining my masters degree. Many different sources were used to gather this information including the following:

- Interviews of over 20 different individuals in the state concerning volleyball
- Books written about volleyball and various volleyball magazines
- The OHSAA office and past issues of their magazine, THE BULLETIN (1922-1940) and THE ATHLETE (1941-present); also booklets dealing with girls' sports such as "Guidelines for Girls' Sports Programs in Ohio" (1970)
- My own files, which included information about the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee, the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association including the OHSVCA newsletters and All-Star programs, the National Federation rule books, and bulletins from the OHSAA office
- The national office of the National Association for Girls' & Women in Sports and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance for rule books, and other pieces of pertinent information
- Donated material from various individuals such as Diana Ford, Margaret Love, and Chuck Braden

The goal of this paper is to provide a background regarding the growth of the sport of volleyball in Ohio and to record major information of the OHSVCA. It will be presented over the next five years. It will also give coaches/schools access to the history of their school in volleyball. If anyone knows of a former coach that coached in the early years of the sport, please let that person know this paper is available on line. Junior high/ middle school information will be kept to a bare minimum.

As is always possible, an error could have been made in the spelling of a name, a year, a school name, etc. **I welcome any corrections and/or additions to this information** (see page 45). Please feel free to contact me at my home address of 29453 TR 212, Fresno, Ohio, 43824.

If you have trouble sleeping at night, then this paper is for you!

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## **A BRIEF HISTORY OF VOLLEYBALL AND A FEW OTHER PERTINENT FACTS**

### **PART 1: 1895 - 1983**

- 1895 William G. Morgan invented the game of volleyball in Holyoke, Massachusetts; there were no limits to the number of players on a team or the number of times the ball could be contacted
- The first rule book for volleyball was developed and printed by the A. J. Spalding Company, around 1900
- In 1907, the Ohio High School Athletic Association (OHSAA) was created by the Western Ohio Superintendents Round Table to regulate athletics within Ohio
- The game of volleyball was taken overseas during World War I and World War II by American soldiers for recreation (the game was very well received by the world)
- The National Federation of State High School Athletic Associations was formed in 1920
- The OHSAA named its first commissioner, H. R. Townsend, in 1925
- In 1931, the first rule book not printed under the Spalding auspices, was published by the National Section on Women's Athletics of the American Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreation; it was entitled "Official Softball and Volley Ball Guide with Official Rules"
- In 1932, the first committee was set up in the state of Ohio to deal with girls' interscholastic athletics; it was entitled the Women's Advisory Council; its first members were Emily Peterson of Grandview Heights High School; Dorris Cain of New Concord High School; Christina Jones of Warren Twp. High School; Altha E. Channell of Jefferson Twp. High School; Ruth Isabel Buck of McClain High School; Helen Taylor of Withrow High School
- In Ohio, a new committee for girls' athletics and physical education was formed in 1946-47 and entitled the Girls' Interscholastic Athletic Committee; it was also referred to as the Girls' Advisory Committee
- A girl could compete in three interscholastic events during the 1948 school year; by 1949, the number was raised to eight (with other restrictions)
- In 1953, the Girls' Advisory Committee changed its name to the Advisory Committee on Girls' Sports and Physical Education

- During the 1950's, the Division for Girls' and Women's Sports (DGWS, national organization; now the NAGWS) modified its rulebook to recommend the use of a one hit volley and limiting the number of players on a team to six
- DGWS rules stated that the game was to be played to 15 points or 8 minutes of actual playing time; team had to win 2 out of 3 games to win the match
- Volleyball was added to the agenda as a medal sport at the 1964 Tokyo, Japan, Olympics; the Japanese women and the USSR men won the gold medals; the USA women placed 5<sup>th</sup> and included future state clinician Mary Jo Pepler
- Dr. Harold A. Meyer was the Commissioner of the OHSAA (1969-1973); he was instrumental in the push for organized girls' athletics within the state
- The first national women's intercollegiate championship for volleyball was held in 1970; this DGWS Championship was won by Sol Ross State from Texas
- The OHSAA changed its schools' classifications from 'A' and 'B' schools to 'A', 'AA', and 'AAA' for the 1970-71 school year; 'AAA' was the largest school
- In 1970, the OHSAA began mailing DGWS volleyball rulebooks to the schools that indicated on their participation card that they had a interscholastic volleyball team; the number mailed was three hundred and fifty-five; by 1983 the participation level had increased to seven hundred and fifty schools
- During the sixties and early seventies, the Girls' Advisory Committee directed its attention toward improving girls' athletics by supporting officiating clinics, recommending sports seasons, participation limitations for reserve/varsity players, and rules for junior high sports
- Title IX of the Educational Amendment Acts became a federal law on June 23, 1972; this legislation prohibited discrimination on the basis of gender by any educational institution that receives federal funds
- The OHSAA hired its first female assistant commissioner, Dolores (Dee) Billhardt in 1972
- The first Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee to the OHSAA was formed in 1972 by Dolores Billhardt with Diana Ford of Bexley High School as the first Coordinator
- In January of 1973, Carol Mertler of Ashland College hosted the first Ohio Institute for Girls' and Women's Sports; the purpose was to provide an in-depth clinic on a certain sport for three days (Friday through Sunday); several sports were offered with volleyball as one of the sports; teachers and coaches had to apply to attend
- The first state championship in Ohio for a girls' sport occurred in 1973 - gymnastics

- In 1974, the OHSAA switched from the DGWS Volleyball Guide and Rulebook to the National Federation Volleyball Rulebook; six hundred and thirty-three books were mailed to participating schools
- In 1975, the first ever OHSAA State Volleyball tournament was held at Otterbein College, the Rike Center, in Westerville, with Dr. Jo Ann Tyler as the manager; the state champions were as follows: Class 'A', Frankfort Adena, Class 'AA', Cincinnati Ursuline Academy, and in Class 'AAA', Stow High School
- George Bates was the OHSAA Commissioner from 1973-1979
- In 1975, the Men's Olympic Volleyball team began training at a full time site in Fairborn, Ohio- Wright State University
- Sports Imports, Inc. located in Columbus, Ohio, in 1976; Sports Imports sells Senoh sports equipment including volleyball standards without guide wires
- The number of matches permitted to play in the regular season increased from twelve to fifteen in 1976
- In 1979, the regular season match number was raised to twenty-two
- In 1980, Richard Armstrong became the new OHSAA Commissioner; he was in charge through 1989
- In 1981, the state volleyball tournament started on Friday night with one session of semi-finals being played
- In January of 1983, the creation of the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association occurred; nearly forty coaches from around the state met at Upper Arlington High School; in April of 1983, the first officers were selected: President, Rod Ebright of Grandview/Sports Imports, Inc.; Vice-President, Chuck Braden of New Knoxville; Secretary -Treasurer, Midge Klingensmith of Upper Arlington; Recording Secretary, Jenny Young of New Lexington; and (Acting) Past-President, Cathy Seipel of River View
- In August of 1983, the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee organized and conducted its last state coaches clinic; Assistant Commissioner Dolores Billhardt officially disbanded the committee in November which included the following persons: Cathy Seipel of River View, Coordinator; Central District- Radonna Miller of Upper Arlington; Eastern District- Sharon Kyle of Cadiz; Northeastern District- Linda J. Beebe of John Marshall; Northwestern District- Marcia Baer of Ontario; Southeastern District- Marge Fetrow of Zane Trace; and Southwestern District- James F. Orr II of Fenwick

- In September of 1983, the first statewide ranking polls occurred with the following schools being voted number one: Class 'A'- Newark Catholic, Class 'AA'- River View, Class 'AAA'- Cincinnati Mother of Mercy
- In October of 1983, the first newsletter was published with Rod Ebright having designed the OHSVCA symbol of the flying volleyball- it is still in use today; there were three newsletters printed in the first volume thanks to the hard work of Jenny Young and Rod Ebright
- The final poll of the season named the following schools as the poll champions: Class 'A'- Newark Catholic, Class 'AA'- Bellevue, Class 'AAA'- Canton McKinley; the OHSAA State Volleyball tournament champions were: Class 'A'- Newark Catholic, Class 'AA'- Springfield Northwestern, Class 'AAA'- Canton McKinley
- The first All-Ohio volleyball teams, Coaches of the Year, and Coaches Achievement Awards were selected in November; the first OHSVCA State All-Star Match was played at Grandview Heights High School on November 20<sup>th</sup>, with a match for each classification (a complete listing is located in the OHSVCA section)
- The regional and state tournament attendance was the largest ever in 1983, and the financial deficit in the sport was the lowest it had ever been
- Near the end of 1983, Ohio Senate Bill 296 was sponsored by several state senators which would affect all interscholastic sports; it basically said that any student attending a public or private junior or senior high school may participate in a sport outside of the regular season providing he/she has the permission of his/her parent or guardian without losing eligibility for his/her school team

**THE GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TO THE OHIO HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

- The origin of the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee to the OHSAA occurred in March of 1972 when Dolores Billhardt formed the committee with the specific purpose to make recommendations concerning interscholastic volleyball for girls to the Board of Control of the OHSAA
- Specifically, the committee was to study and recommend revisions of the rules and regulations; to sponsor volleyball clinics; to serve as consultants to schools, coaches and district boards concerning interscholastic volleyball; to serve in an advisory capacity to the OHSAA
- The membership consisted of a coordinator, a representative from each of the six OHSAA districts, and commissioners of the OHSAA (non-voting members; usually was Ms. Billhardt); one member would act as a secretary for the committee
- Members of the first committee were: Coordinator, Diana Ford of Bexley High School; Ethel Drake, Walnut Ridge High School, Central District; Marge Bricker, Zanesville High School, Eastern District; Mary Jo Kaufmann, Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Northeast District; Barbara Hocking, Mansfield Malabar High School, Northwest District; Sharon Myers, Waverly High School, Southeast District; and Louise Darling, West Liberty-Salem Junior High School, Southwest District
- Three meetings were held each school year; additional meetings could be called by the Volleyball Advisory Committee Coordinator or the Girls' Commissioner of the OHSAA
- Terms of office were for six years and the coordinator could serve a second term; district representatives could be reappointed
- Responsibilities of the Coordinator included:
  - To inform all members of the dates, time, and place of any meetings of the Volleyball Committee after consulting with the OHSAA Commissioner
  - To chair all meetings of the Volleyball Committee or appoint an alternate to preside in case of absence
  - To initiate action and keep members aware of new developments
  - To make committee assignments
  - To appoint, on a rotating basis, one member to attend State Board of Control meetings especially when volleyball was discussed
  - To direct the organization of the Annual Volleyball Coaches Clinic



- To attend some matches at the sectional, district, regional and/or state level
- Responsibilities of the District Representatives included:
  - To assist the OHSAA with projects that would develop the girls statewide interscholastic volleyball program
  - To be aware of the needs in the state and help develop or recommend projects to improve volleyball programs
  - To assist in organizing and conducting the Volleyball Coaches Clinic
  - To attend two District Board meetings to represent the Volleyball Committee and the coaches in the district when volleyball was being discussed
  - To attend State Board of Control meetings when appointed by the Coordinator
  - To attend some sectional, district, regional and/or state tournament matches
  - To contact district coaches' associations and representative coaches in order to get opinions of coaches or volleyball program needs
- Responsibilities of the Secretary included:
  - To record the minutes of each meeting
  - To send the minutes within two weeks to the OHSAA office for duplication and distribution to all members of the committee
- Just a few of the decisions and/or rules recommended by the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee over its ten year tenure and implemented by the OHSAA included:
  - Various recommendations concerning rules to the NFSHSA through Dolores Billhardt
  - That tri-matches would count as one contest and quadrangulars as two contests
  - The standard 4-6-6-4 warm-up period
  - The number of games per day in which a junior varsity/varsity player could participate
  - Organizing and running the state coaches clinics
  - Changes in the clinic from one to two days to accommodate more coaches at different levels of coaching
  - Teams not participate in more than 2 matches per day in OHSAA run tournaments
  - Adding the state rules interpretation meeting to the clinic
  - The use of the Tachikara SV5W ball for the OHSAA tournament
  - The state tournament being expanded from one to two days of tournament play
  - Change of rotation of the playing time of the classes in the state tournament
  - Using trained persons to be used as line judges

- Length of season, number of matches and scrimmages, junior high concerns
  - Discussions on the formation of a state coaches association
  - Developing a rapport with college coaches to enhance our knowledge of volleyball and recruiting
  - Discussions and positions stated regarding out of season play
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- In August of 1983, the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee organized and conducted its last state coaches clinic, and Dolores Billhardt officially disbanded the committee in November; members of the final committee were Cathy Seipel of River View, Coordinator; Central District- Radonna Miller of Upper Arlington; Eastern District- Sharon Kyle of Cadiz; Northeastern District- Linda J. Beebe of John Marshall; Northwestern District- Marcia Baer of Ontario; Southeastern District- Marge Fetrow of Zane Trace; and Southwestern District- James F. Orr II of Fenwick
  - Another person that had served on the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee: Central District- Melinda Schnorrenberg, Lakewood High School

## **THE STATE VOLLEYBALL COACHES CLINICS: 1973 - 1983**

- ❖ The Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee of the OHSAA organized and conducted the state volleyball clinics from 1973 to 1983
- ❖ The state rules interpretation meeting and a lunch were provided at these clinics
- ❖ The clinic was a one day event from 1973 to 1979; in 1980, the format changed to a two day clinic to accommodate the need for more information and the different level of coaches in attendance
- ❖ In 1977, the state championship coaches were asked to speak at the clinic
- ❖ The Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association has organized and has conducted the state clinics since 1984
- ❖ The state volleyball coaches clinics have been one of the most well attended of the sport clinics in Ohio for the thirty years of its existence

### **1973- SEPTEMBER 15**

Clinics including basic skills, team strategy, offensive and defensive alignments, conditioning, officiating techniques, and rules interpretations were held at five different sites; the sites were Bexley High School, Muskingum College, Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary, Mansfield Malabar, and Dayton Wilbur White High School; information obtained from September, 1973, ATHLETE, but no indication of sponsorship, cost, or speakers; sites indicate they were sponsored by the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee to the OHSAA

### **1974- SEPTEMBER 7**

Doug Beal of the Ohio State University was the clinician at the first statewide coaches clinic held at St. John's Arena, OSU; assisting were OSU Women's Volleyball coach Sue Collins and Scott Luster, USVBA Region 4 Chairperson and USVBA player; cost was \$4.00; Doug coached the 1984 USA Men's Olympic Volleyball team to a gold medal

### **1975- SEPTEMBER 6**

Marilyn McReavy of New Mexico State University was the clinician; held at St. John's Arena, OSU; cost was \$4.00; Marilyn was an Olympic athlete in volleyball

**1976- AUGUST 26**

Former Olympian Mary Jo Pepler was the clinician; held at St. John's Arena, OSU; cost was \$5.00

**1977- AUGUST 27**

Ninja Jorgensen, former Olympian and California high school coach, was the clinician; held at St. John's Arena, OSU; cost was \$5.00

**1978- AUGUST 26**

Carl McGown of Brigham Young University was the clinician; other speakers were Rose Bauer of Mother of Mercy, Sandy Haines of Bexley, and Scott Luster of Whitehall-Yearling; held at St. John's Arena, OSU; cost was \$5.00

**1979- AUGUST 17**

Sue Gozansky of University of Riverside-California was the clinician; held at Bexley High School; cost was \$5.00

**1980- AUGUST 8-9**

Ruth Nelson of the University of Houston and Ken Preston of the University of California-Santa Barbara were the main clinicians; the clinic was held at Larkins Hall (OSU); cost was \$15.00

**1981- AUGUST 14-15**

Future Men's Olympic Coach Marv Dunphy of Pepperdine University and Lisa Richards of the Ohio State University were the main clinicians; the clinic was held at Larkins Hall (OSU); cost was \$15.00

**1982- AUGUST 13-14**

Diane Hale of Memphis State and Arnie Ball of I.U.P.U. – Ft. Wayne were the head clinicians; the clinic was held at Larkins Hall (OSU); cost was \$15.00

**1983- AUGUST 12-13**

Jim Stone of the Ohio State University and Priscilla Dillow, a very successful Indiana high school coach were the head clinicians; the clinic was held at Larkins Hall (OSU); cost was \$16.00

**THE OHSAA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENTS: 1975 – 1983**  
**A FEW BRIEF FACTS FOR HISTORY BUFFS**

- ✓ All schools were/are eligible for the OHSAA Volleyball tournaments as long as they were in good standing with the OHSAA
- ✓ Advancement through the tournament trail was/is as follows: the sectional tournament, the district tournament, the regional tournament (also called the “Sweet Sixteen”); and the state tournament (Final Four)
- ✓ The tournaments are all single elimination tournaments
- ✓ Seeding for the top teams occurs only at the Sectional level
- ✓ The sectional and district tournaments are conducted by the six district boards in the state (Central, Eastern, Northeast, Northwest, Southeast, and Southwest); the regional and state tournaments are under control of the OHSAA
- ✓ Teams were allowed to dress twelve academically eligible players for the tournaments; those twelve could change throughout the tournament as long as they were academically eligible
- ✓ *The first state tournament ticket cost \$2.00, the program .50 cents (1975)*
- ✓ The first state tournament had the semi-final matches in each class played at the same starting time per class; semi-finals for class ‘A’ started at 10:00 a.m.; this was followed by the ‘AA’ semi-finals at 12:00 noon, and the ‘AAA’ semi-finals started at 2:00 p.m.
- ✓ The 1975 finals were played as follows: 5:00 p.m., class ‘A’; 7:00 p.m. class ‘AA’; and 9:00 p.m. class ‘AAA’
- ✓ The 1976 State tournament changed the format so that all semi-final matches would be played one at a time; Class ‘A’ semi-finals were at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.; Class ‘AA’ semi-finals were at 12:00 and 1:30 p.m.; and Class ‘AAA’ semi-finals were held at 3:00 and 4:30 p.m.
- ✓ The Class ‘AAA’ final was held at 6:00 p.m. (immediately following their last semi-final), the Class ‘AA’ final was held at 7:30 p.m., and the Class ‘A’ final was scheduled for 9:00 p.m.
- ✓ The state tournaments from 1977 through 1980 used the same format as 1976, without reversing the order of the classes for the finals
- ✓ Cost of a state volleyball tournament program from 1976 to 1982 was .75 cents and in 1983 increased to \$1.00

- ✓ By recommendation of the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee to the OHSAA, the order of play for each of the classes would rotate in 1980; the order then became Class 'AA', Class 'AAA', and then Class 'A'
- ✓ In 1980, the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee began asking for two day regional tournaments
- ✓ In 1981, the state volleyball tournament started on Friday night with one class only playing their semi-final matches that night; this had been recommended for several years by the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee, but the OHSAA was slow to change the format to two days due to lack of revenue being produced
- ✓ Class 'AAA' played their semi-finals on that Friday night with the matches being held at 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.; Class 'A' semi-finals were played at 10:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon while the semi-finals for Class 'AA' were played at 1:30 and 3:00 p.m.
- ✓ The finals in 1981 started at 4:30 p.m. ('AAA'), 6:00 p.m. ('A'), and 7:30 p.m. ('AA')
- ✓ The semi-finals on Saturday in 1982 and 1983 started one half hour earlier so that there would be a two hour time from the start of the last semi-final match before the start of the first final match

**OHSAA STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS AND CHAMPIONS****1975 - 1983****FIRST ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT****NOVEMBER 22, 1975 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Bucyrus Wynford	6	13	Peggy Keller
Frankfort Adena	15	15	Marvin Seyfang
Montpelier	12	14	Pat Peter
Newark Catholic	15	16	Kayla Hughes

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Frankfort Adena	12	15	15	Marvin Seyfang
Newark Catholic	15	9	13	Kayla Hughes

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Cincinnati Ursuline Academy	15	15	Linda Nienhaus	
Archbold	6	9	Char Sharp	
Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary	15	8	15	Mary Jo Kaufmann
Columbus Bexley	1	15	9	Sandy Haines

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Ursuline Academy	15	15	Linda Nienhaus
Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary	4	8	Mary Jo Kaufmann

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Lorain Senior	4	8	Lynn Hodan
Cincinnati Seton	15	15	Mary C. Biermann
Dayton Wayne	11	10	Ann Burdick
Stow	15	15	Bob MacFarland

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Seton	10	9	Mary C. Biermann
Stow	15	15	Bob MacFarland

**SECOND ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 27, 1976 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Minster	5	15	14	Katie Horstman
Frankfort Adena	15	8	16	Marvin Seyfang
Milford Center Fairbanks	15	15		Patty Pease
Jeromesville Hillsdale	11	9		Doddaleen Minor

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Frankfort Adena	15	15		Marvin Seyfang
Milford Center Fairbanks	4	1		Patty Pease

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Columbus Bexley	5	15	15	Sandy Haines
Oberlin	15	8	4	Sue Brady
Archbold	14	7		Char Sharp
Urbana	16	15		Pam Brenning

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Columbus Bexley	1	12		Sandy Haines
Urbana	15	15		Pam Brenning

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Columbus West	14	2		Shirley Hamilton
Kettering Fairmont West	16	15		Frances Eden
Cleveland John Marshall	6	15	15	Linda J. Beebe
Stow	15	11	6	Bob MacFarland

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Kettering Fairmont West	15	15		Frances Eden
Cleveland John Marshall	5	4		Linda J. Beebe



**THIRD ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 19, 1977 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Minster	15	15		Katie Horstman
Yellow Springs	10	8		Ron Underkofler
New London	5	11		Sue Martensen
Milford Center Fairbanks	15	15		Patty Pease

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Milford Center Fairbanks	15	4	15	Patty Pease
Minster	12	15	9	Katie Horstman

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Cincinnati Madiera	7	15	9	Nancy Wilson
Columbus Bexley	15	9	15	Sandy Haines
Olmsted Falls	7	5		Lynne Parobek
Clyde	15	15		Nancy Hanger

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Columbus Bexley	15	15		Sandy Haines
Clyde	10	12		Nancy Hanger

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Whitehall-Yearling	8	15	15	Scott Luster
Toledo Central Catholic	15	5	10	Fran Kompak
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	15		Rose Bauer
Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary	9	11		Mary Jo Kaufmann

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Whitehall-Yearling	8	15	11	Scott Luster
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	8	15	Rose Bauer

**FOURTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 25, 1978 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Milford Center Fairbanks	15	15		Patty Pease
Dayton Christian	7	8		Sherrill Cressman
Archbold	14	15	15	Char Sharp
New London	16	12	9	Sue Martensen

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Milford Center Fairbanks	15	9	7	Patty Pease
Archbold	10	15	15	Char Sharp

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Cincinnati Madiera	15	15		Nadine Wilson
Navarre Fairless	8	0		Jeannie Weisgarber
Pickerington	4	7		Beth Klopfer
Columbus Bexley	15	15		Sandy Haines

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Madiera	15	15		Nadine Wilson
Columbus Bexley	6	12		Sandy Haines

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Massillon Perry	9	15	10	George Green
Whitehall-Yearling	15	3	15	Scott Luster
Lorain Senior	10	3		Lynne Hodan
Kettering Fairmont West	15	15		Frances Eden

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Whitehall-Yearling	9	15		Scott Luster
Lorain Senior	15	17		Frances Eden

**FIFTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 17, 1979 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Newark Catholic	15	15		Bill Cooperrider
Indian Valley North	3	1		Martha Roudebush
Dayton Christian	8	15	3	Sherrill Cressman
Archbold	15	11	15	Char Sharp

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Newark Catholic	15	15		Bill Cooperrider
Archbold	5	5		Char Sharp

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Delaware Olentangy	15	6	18	Beth Moore
Cincinnati Madiera	12	15	16	Nancy Wilson
Perrysburg	15	14	15	Kathy Freese
Akron Hoban	8	16	13	Mary Howard

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Delaware Olentangy	13	15	11	Beth Moore
Perrysburg	15	13	15	Kathy Freese

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Broadview Heights Brecksville	4	10		Jane Verchio
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	15		Rose Koch
Whitehall-Yearling	15	12	15	Scott Luster
Stow	12	15	4	Bob MacFarland

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	12	11		Rose Koch
Whitehall-Yearling	15	15		Scott Luster

**SIXTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 22, 1980 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Newark Catholic	12	15	15	Bill Cooperrider
Middletown Fenwick	15	13	6	James Orr
Newbury	7	7		Debbie Hill
Archbold	15	15		Char Sharp

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Newark Catholic	7	15	15	Bill Cooperrider
Archbold	15	1	6	Char Sharp

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Circleville	15	15		Joyce O'Brien
Cincinnati St. Ursula	9	10		Kimberle Shibinski
Columbus St. Francis DeSales	14	13		Kathleen Wiemels
Akron Hoban	16	15		Mary Howard

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Circleville	7	13		Joyce O'Brien
Akron Hoban	15	15		Mary Howard

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Broadview Heights Brecksville	15	15		Jane Verchio
Stow	13	11		Bob MacFarland
Canton McKinley	10	4		Sue Davis
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	15		Rose Koch

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	7	15	15	Rose Koch
Broadview Heights Brecksville	15	12	9	Jane Verchio

**SEVENTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 20-21, 1981 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Archbold	15	7	15	Char Sharp
Newark Catholic	13	15	13	Bill Cooperrider
Loudonville	15	15		Carolyn Vickers
Indian Valley North	11	5		Martha Roudebush

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Archbold	15	15	Char Sharp
Loudonville	6	8	Carolyn Vickers

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Cincinnati Madiera	15	15	Nancy Wilson	
Holland Springfield	10	1	Sonny Lewis	
Hebron Lakewood	5	15	15	Linda Larocque
Medina Highland	15	6	17	Jill Bouton

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Madiera	2	7	Nancy Wilson
Medina Highland	15	15	Jill Bouton

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Perrysburg	15	15	Kathy Freese
Lima Shawnee	3	6	Jeff Howison
Stow	15	15	Bob MacFarland
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	12	6	Rose Koch

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Perrysburg	7	7	Kathy Freese
Stow	15	15	Bob MacFarland

**EIGHTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 12-13, 1982 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Archbold	14	15	15	Char Sharp
Loudonville	16	7	7	Carolyn Vickers
Newark Catholic	15	15		Bill Cooperrider
Frankfort Adena	1	13		Becky Ater

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Newark Catholic	7	15	8	Bill Cooperrider
Archbold	15	4	15	Char Sharp

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Columbus St. Francis DeSales	15	15		Kathleen Wiemels
Akron Hoban	3	5		Mary Howard
Cincinnati Our Lady of Angels	15	15		Caryl Schawe
River View	11	11		Cathy Seipel

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Columbus St. Francis DeSales	15	6	15	Kathleen Wiemels
Cincinnati Our Lady of Angels	8	15	6	Caryl Schawe

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Parma Heights Holy Name	7	15	11	Kathy Globokar
Canton McKinley	15	13	15	Sue Davis
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	15		Rose Koch
Elida	11	4		Dorothy Edwards

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	15	15		Rose Koch
Canton McKinley	11	11		Sue Davis

**NINTH ANNUAL STATE VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**NOVEMBER 11-12, 1983 – OTTERBEIN COLLEGE, THE RIKE CENTER**

CLASS 'A' RESULTS

Archbold	15	15	Char Sharp
Newbury	5	4	Debbie Belt
Newark Catholic	15	15	Bill Cooperrider
Chillicothe Huntington	7	9	Rick Bethel

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Newark Catholic	15	15	Bill Cooperrider
Archbold	7	12	Char Sharp

CLASS 'AA' RESULTS

Clyde	15	9	5	Nancy Hanger
Springfield Northwestern	6	15	15	Nancy Dutton
Rocky River	15	4	15	Gweynn Hampel
Circleville	10	15	6	Joyce O'Brien

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Springfield Northwestern	15	6	15	Nancy Dutton
Rocky River	4	15	8	Gweynn Hampel

CLASS 'AAA' RESULTS

Canton McKinley	15	15	Sue Davis	
Holland Springfield	12	6	Sonny Lewis	
Columbus St. Francis DeSales	6	15	12	Kathleen Wiemels
Cincinnati Seton	15	9	15	Mary E. Jett

CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH

Cincinnati Seton	11	4	Mary E. Jett
Canton McKinley	15	15	Sue Davis

**NUMBER OF APPEARANCES IN THE OHSAA STATE TOURNAMENTS, 1975 - 1983:**

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>CHAMPS</u>
Akron Archbishop Hoban	1979, 1980, 1982	3	1980
Akron St. Vincent-St. Mary	1975, 1977	2	
Archbold	1975, 1976, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983	8	1978, 1981
Brecksville-Broadview Heights	1979, 1980	2	
Bucyrus Wynford	1975	1	
Canton McKinley	1980, 1982, 1983	3	1983
Chillicothe Huntington	1983	1	
Cincinnati Madeira	1977, 1978, 1979, 1981	4	1978
Cincinnati Mother of Mercy	1977, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982	5	1977, 1980 1982
Cincinnati Our Lady of Angels	1982	1	
Cincinnati St. Ursula Academy	1980	1	
Cincinnati Seton	1975, 1983	2	
Cincinnati Ursuline Academy	1975	1	1975
Circleville	1980, 1983	2	
Cleveland John Marshall	1976	1	
Clyde	1977, 1983	2	
Columbus Bexley	1975, 1976, 1977, 1978	4	1977
Columbus St. Francis DeSales	1980, 1982, 1983	3	1982
Columbus West	1976	1	
Columbus Whitehall-Yearling	1977, 1978, 1979	3	1979
Dayton Christian	1978, 1979	2	
Elida	1982	1	
Frankfort Adena	1975, 1976, 1982, 1993	4	1975, 1976
Hebron Lakewood	1981	1	
Holland Springfield	1981, 1983	2	
Huber Heights Wayne	1975	1	
Jeromesville Hillsdale	1976	1	
Kettering Fairmont West	1976, 1978	2	1976, 1978
Lewis Center Olentangy	1979	1	
Lima Shawnee	1981	1	
Lorain Senior	1975, 1978	2	
Loudonville	1981, 1982	2	



<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>YEARS</u>	<u>CHAMPS</u>
Massillon Perry	1978	1	
Medina Highland	1981	1	1981
Middletown Bishop Fenwick	1980	1	
Midvale Indian Valley North	1979, 1981	2	
Milford Center Fairbanks	1976, 1977, 1978	3	1977
Minster	1976, 1977	2	
Montpelier	1975	1	
Navarre Fairless	1978	1	
New London	1977, 1978	2	
Newark Catholic	1975, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983	6	1979, 1980, 1982, 1983
Newbury	1980, 1983		
Oberlin	1976	1	
Olmsted Falls	1977	1	
Parma Heights Holy Name	1982	1	
Perrysburg	1979, 1981	2	1979
Pickerington	1978	1	
Rocky River	1983	1	
Springfield Northwestern	1983	1	1983
Stow-Munroe Falls	1975, 1976, 1979, 1980, 1981	5	1975, 1981
Toledo Central Catholic	1977	1	
Urbana	1976	1	1976
Warsaw River View	1982	1	
Yellow Springs	1977	1	

Trivia Question for the paper: Are Sue Brady (Oberlin) and Carol Russo (Elyria) the only mother and daughter coaches to have taken teams to the State Tournament?

**THE OHIO HIGH SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION**  
**THE BEGINNING YEAR OF 1983**

- ❖ The beginning of the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association came about primarily as a challenge from Dolores Billhardt (she knew that more coaches involved would provide a greater voice for volleyball to the OHSAA)
- ❖ Rod Ebright, Chuck Braden, and members of the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee got the ball rolling after the November, 1982, Advisory Committee meeting at the OHSAA office
- ❖ The first organizational meeting was held at Upper Arlington High School in Columbus on January 30, 1983; 1:00 p.m.; to my knowledge, these were the coaches in attendance that day
  - Bexley- Teri Casperson
  - Buckeye Trail- Rod Johnson
  - Canal Winchester- Kim Neller-Smith
  - Celina- Mary Lou Bambauer
  - Elida- Dorothy Edwards
  - Fairborn- Carolyn Allen
  - Grandview Heights- Rod Ebright and Nancy Thomas
  - Hilliard- Vicki Sherman and Debbie Weber
  - John Marshall- Linda J. Beebe
  - Lakewood- Melinda Schnorrenberg and Dave Holtsberry
  - Licking Heights- Jodi Roisculp
  - Meadowbrook- Beverly Bell
  - Mother of Mercy- Rose Koch
  - Newark- Lynn Montavon
  - Newark Catholic- Bill Cooperrider and Ed Monfette
  - New Knoxville- Chuck Braden
  - New Lexington- Jenny Young and Kathy Young
  - Ontario- Marcia Baer
  - Philo- Phyllis Morgan
  - Ridgewood- Jane Knieriemen
  - River View- Cathy Seipel
  - Sheridan- Susie Harrison
  - Upper Arlington- Radonna Miller and Midge Klingensmith

- Wherle- Jack Tamperella
  - Westerville North- Ron Lehman
  - West Holmes- Lorna Miller and Jim Glessner
  - Westland- Marianne Birt
  - West Muskingum- Pam Burress
  - Whetstone- Errole Rembert
  - Peter Stefaniuk of U.S.V.B.A., Player Development V. I. P.
- ❖ Rod Ebright presided over the meeting and some of the items discussed at the meeting included:
    - The official name of our association and the dues (\$5.00)
    - The purpose and structure of our organization; classification of memberships
    - The association's activities including organization and running of the state clinic, All-Ohio teams, the All-Star Match, milestone awards for coaching records; regulating volleyball statistics; involving the newspaper in printing our information
    - Writing a newsletter to be mailed at various times during the year
    - Having a general state meeting at the coaches' clinic in August
    - The basis for writing the constitution and by-laws of our organization
    - An ad-hoc committee was set up to put a constitution and by-laws together for the next meeting (the committee met in March)
    - Members of this committee were: Central- Rod Ebright and Melinda Schnorrenberg; Eastern- Cathy Seipel; Northwest- Mary Lou Bambauer, Dorothy Edwards, and Chuck Braden; Southeast- Jenny Young; Southwest- Carolyn Allen
    - The next meeting date was set for April 24, 1983 at Upper Arlington High School, 1:00 p.m.
  - ❖ At the April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting the constitution and bylaws were accepted and ratified by the paid members of the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association
  - ❖ Officers were nominated and voted on with the following results: President, Rod Ebright of Grandview Heights/Sports Imports, Inc.; Vice-President, Chuck Braden of New Knoxville; Secretary -Treasurer, Midge Klingensmith of Upper Arlington; Recording Secretary, Jenny Young of New Lexington; and (Acting) Past-President, Cathy Seipel of River View
  - ❖ The August, 1983, clinic would be the last major duty of the Girls' Volleyball Advisory Committee to the OHSAA; the transition of power to the OHSVCA occurred and they would begin making recommendations for the betterment of the sport to the OHSAA and conducting the state coaches clinic

- ❖ A general meeting of the OHSVCA was held at the 1983 clinic and Vice-President Chuck Braden was busy presenting the new state poll, meeting with coaches that wanted to vote in the poll; and presenting the procedure for the selection of players for All-Ohio; President Rod Ebright presented the constitution and bylaws, the beginnings of the newsletter, and the procedure for the first All-Star match to be held at Grandview Heights on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m.
- ❖ By August, many of the sixteen districts that make up the OHSVCA, had been formed and selected a person to be their district director to the OHSVCA; district directors had the voting power in the OHSVCA; the first district directors in 1983 were as follows:
  - District 1: Frank Roscovics, Ashtabula Harbor
  - District 2: Debbie Belt, Newbury
  - District 3: Carol Russo, Elyria
  - District 4: Kim France, Canton South
  - District 5: Lorna Miller, West Holmes
  - District 6: Grace Hutchinson, Norwalk
  - District 7: Sonny Lewis, Holland Springfield
  - District 8: LuAnn Youngpeter, Spencerville
  - District 9: Wade Wilhelm, Fairlawn
  - District 10: Patty Pease, Fairbanks
  - District 11: Melinda Schnorrenberg, Lakewood
  - District 12: Rod Johnson, Buckeye Trail
  - District 13: Richard Hamilton, Oak Hill
  - District 14:
  - District 15: Jim Orr, Fenwick
  - District 16: Rose Koch, Mother of Mercy

- ❖ The first state poll occurred September 13, 1983

<u>Class 'A'</u>	<u>Class 'AA'</u>	<u>Class 'AAA'</u>
1- Newark Catholic	1- River View	1- Cinc. Mother of Mercy
2- Archbold	2- West Holmes	2- Stow
3- New Knoxville	3- Akron Hoban	3- Canton McKinley
4- Marion Local	4- Sheridan	4- Seton
5- Fenwick	5- Norwalk	5- Elida

6- St. Henry	6- West Muskingum	6- Parma Holy Name
7- Fisher Catholic	7- Our Lady of Angels	7- Columbus St. Francis DeSales
8- Hardin Northern	8- Circleville	8- Fairborn
9- Buckeye Trail	9- Madiera	9- Westland
10- Fairbanks	10- Clyde	9- Upper Arlington

❖ The first poll was carried by the national publication USA Today

❖ The final top twenty prep polled ran on November 1, 1983; the results were as follows:

<u>Class 'A'</u>	<u>Class 'AA'</u>	<u>Class 'AAA'</u>
1- Newark Catholic	1- Bellevue	1- Canton McKinley
2- Archbold	2- Norwalk	2- Cinc. Mother of Mercy
3- Marion Local	3- West Holmes	3- Shaker Heights
4- St. Henry	4- Clyde	4- Cuyahoga Falls
5- Hardin Northern	5- Our Lady of Angels	5- Westerville North
6- Huntington	6- River View	6- Fairborn
7- Fairlawn	7- Loudonville	7- Stow
8- Kirtland	8- West Muskingum	8- Columbus St. Francis DeSales
9- Collins Western Reserve	9- Urbana	9- Westland
10- Newbury	10- Fairview	10- Holland Springfield
11- Buckeye Trail	10- East Palestine	10- Brunswick
12- Fairbanks	12- Akron Hoban	12- Westlake
13- Fisher Catholic	13- Bexley	13- Canton South
14- Racine Southern	14- Eastwood	14- Upper Arlington
15- Ashland Crestview	14- Delta	15- Lasalle
16- Indian Valley North	16- River Valley	15- Elida
17- Anna	16- Kenton	15- Chaminade-Julienne
18- New Knoxville	18- Wellsville	18- West Carrollton
19- Edgerton	19- Oak Harbor	19- Wayne
20- West Jefferson	20- Coventry	19- Midview
		19- Hilliard

❖ The first All-Ohio teams were named in November:

Class 'A'

First Team:

Kelly Short	Archbold	12	5' 6" S
Rhonda Stevens	Newark Catholic	12	6' 0" MH
Lucy Sutter	St. Henry	12	5' 9"
Carla Mueller	Collins Western Reserve	12	5' 4" S
Sherry Schroer	New Knoxville	12	5' 9" S/OH
Chris Rutledge	North Central	12	5' 10"

Second Team:

Lori Benanzer	Fairlawn	12	
Darla Sarchet	Buckeye Trail	12	5' 7" OH
Kim Gilbault	St. Henry	12	5' 2"
Missy Cochran	Newark Catholic	12	5' 8" S
Doris Frilling	Ft. Loramie	12	5' 8" S/OH
Kelli Childs	Archbold	12	5' 8" OH

Third Team:

Amy Billing	Anna	12	
Mary Ann Taylor	Fairlawn	12	
Kim Krupp	Collins Western Reserve	12	5' 11" MH
Benet Lauber	Archbold	12	5' 8" OH/MH
Tina Crowe	Hardin Northern	12	
Bev Obringer	Marion Local	12	6' 2" MH

Honorable Mention:

Kim Svendsen	Kirtland	11	
Dana Keys	Huntington	12	
Lisa Stephen	Shenandoah	12	5' 7" OH
Jodi Kerns	Indian Valley North	11	5' 7" S/H
Jill Joliff	Hardin Northern	11	

Jandy King	Ft. Frye	11	5' 10" OH
Kim Shuff	Centerburg	12	5' 8" OH
Jodi Evans	Hardin Northern	12	
Michelle Opperman	New Knoxville	12	5' 10" MH
Sue Pestich	Kirtland	12	
Shelly Byers	Newark Catholic	12	5' 9"
Melisa Fisher	Waterford	12	
Laurie Ronnebaum	Marion Local	12	5' 6" OH
Valerie Oman	Riverdale	12	
Michelle Runser	Ada	12	
Laren Wolfe	Racine Southern	12	
Kathy McGongle	Fisher Catholic	12	
Julie Marshall	Newark Catholic	12	5' 6"
Debbie Conley	Huntington	12	
Amy Fiddler	Stryker	12	5' 9" OH

Coach of the Year:

Char Sharp                      Archbold

Coaches Achievement Awards:

Bill Cooperrider	Newark Catholic
DeDe Stoner	St. Henry
Beth Ellwood	Hardin Northern
Cathy Henry	Fisher Catholic
Rick Bethel	Huntington
Patty Pease	Fairbanks
Judith Gregory	Crestview
Chuck Braden	New Knoxville

Class 'AA'

First Team:

Debbie Winkler	Norwalk	12	5' 8" OH
Anne Willard	Bexley	12	5' 7" S

Neala Moose	West Muskingum	12	5' 8" OH
Christy Mossholder	Clyde	12	5' 9" H
Jandi Ferrell	River View	11	5' 10" MH
Karen Lepley	Bellevue	12	5' 11" OH

Second Team:

Jody Beans	Loudonville	12	S
Andrea Garner	John Glenn	12	5' 9" OH
Kathy Hart	Marion River Valley	11	5' 11" MH
Lisa Cline	West Holmes	11	5' 10" MH
Yvette Moore	Norwalk	12	5' 11" MH
Kelly Carpenter	West Holmes	12	5' 7" OH

Third Team:

Martha Federer	Lakewood	12	5' 6" OH
Rochelle Waldman	Ontario	12	H
Tracy Haller	Medina Highland	12	5' 7" OH
Kim Brown	Delta	12	5' 11" OH
Bonnie Burkey	East Palestine	12	5' 8" MH
Marty Rainbow	Fairview	12	5' 8"MH

Honorable Mention:

Lisa Shupe	Van Wert	11	5' 7" H
Jenny Huber	Our Lady of Angels	12	5' 8" OH
Jackie Hammer	Clyde	12	5' 5" S
Tammi McCaudy	Medina Highland	12	5' 5" S
Dawn Heideman	Akron Hoban	11	6' 1" MH
Brigitte Holycross	Lakewood	11	5' 4" S
Billie Jo Shivers	Meadowbrook	12	5' 8" OH
Teresa Hupp	Sheridan	12	5' 6" S
Sara Berlekamp	Clyde	12	5' 9" OH/MH
Leigh Ann Riddle	East Palestine	12	5' 6" OH
Mashona Adams	Williard	11	5' 11" MH



Chris Cozad	Kenton	11	
Susan Siemer	Bishop Ready	12	
Ruth Phillis	West Branch	11	5' 7" H
Renea Owens	Williard	12	5' 4" S
Linda Crouso	River View	12	5' 3" S
Laura Redding	Granville	9	5' 8" OH
Renee Eisenhauer	Bellevue	11	5' 5" S
Chris Mossing	Evergreen	12	5' 8" OH

Coach of the Year:

Bill Cramer                      Bellevue

Coaches Achievement Awards:

Nancy Hanger	Clyde
Cathy Seipel	River View
Grace Hutchinson	Norwalk
Lorna Miller	West Holmes
Pam Burress	West Muskingum
Dan McKinstry	East Palestine

Class 'AAA'

First Team:

Kim Brown	Canton McKinley	12	5' 8" MH
Julie Wallace	Westland	12	5' 8" OH/MH
Debbie Lorenzitti	Fairborn	12	5' 8" S/OH
Tina Durbin	Cuyahoga Falls	12	5' 8"
Annette Scafidi	Stow	12	5' 10" MH
Patti Ryan	Greenville	12	5' 7"

Second Team:

Lisa Regrut	St. Francis DeSales	12	5' 7" MH
Tanya Fasnacht	Greenville	12	5' 10" MH

Jackie McGrew	Canton South	12	5' 8" H
Maria Barbato	Canton McKinley	12	5' 8"
Jonda Russel	Whitehall-Yearling	12	5' 10" H
Debbie Sturtz	Fairborn	12	5' 8" OH

Third Team:

Donna Irvin	Franklin Heights	12	5' 6" S
Amy Thomas	Mother of Mercy	12	
Renee Townley	Mother of Mercy	12	5' 9" OH
Shelley Harness	Westerville North	12	
Jeanne Holland	Hilliard	10	
Megan McQuire	Lakewood	12	

Honorable Mention:

Marge Myers	Chaminade-Julienne	12	6' 0" MH
Dianne Zerby	Holland Springfield	11	5' 10" OH
Denise Stemen	Elida	12	5' 10" S/H
Barb Smith	Lancaster	12	
Allison Beard	Shaker Heights	12	
Melinda Birchfield	Westland	12	
Lisa Booker	Shaker Heights	12	
Kathy Kelley	Solon	12	
Wendy Johnson	Oregon Clay	12	5' 11" MH
Marie Dejesus	Shaker Heights	12	
Lisa Arves	Cuyahoga Heights	12	
Missy DiGiammarina	Stow	12	5' 10" MH
Kirsten Werner	Ursuline	12	5' 10"
Andrea Wells	Canton McKinley	12	5' 9"
Teri Andrews	Upper Arlington	12	
Suzy Holit	Glen Oak	12	
Mary Atkinson	Celina	12	5' 6" S
Kay Sylvester	Westlake	12	

Coach of the Year:

Sue Davis                      Canton McKinley

Coaches Achievement Awards:

Marianne Birt                  Westland  
Rose Koch                      Mother of Mercy  
Mary Jett                         Seton  
L. M. Bryhett                  Shaker Heights  
Dave Habegger                 Oregon Clay  
Bob MacFarland                Stow

- ❖ The first All-Star Matches were held at Grandview Heights High School on November 20, 1983:
  - Players represented the 16 districts around the state and were all-stars in their districts
  - If a district did not have a senior all-star player, a player was selected from the list of senior All-Ohio players to fill in
  - Coaches were selected from the statewide All-Ohio balloting; the top two vote getters for Coach of the Year in each division were asked to participate in the All-Star Matches; if a coach was unable to participate, the person receiving the next highest amount of votes were tapped
  - Officials and line judges for the day included: Becky Bell, Les Bowman, Virginia Edwards, Debbie Hughes, Jane Knieriemen, Glenn Purdy, Andrea Stuck, Steve Trout, and Dave Wilson
  - Announcer was Midge Klingensmith
  - The volleyball uprights and officials' platform were donated for the day by Sports Imports, Inc.
  - The time schedule for the day was:
    - 9:30 a.m. - coaches and players meet at the high school
    - 10:00 – 12:00 – practice sessions for the teams
    - 2:00 p.m. – Class 'A' match
    - 3:30 p.m. – Class 'AA' match
    - 5:00 p.m. – Class 'AAA' match

Class 'A' North- Coach Char Sharp, Archbold

Cindy Ashbaugh	Indian Valley North	5' 8" OH
Kelli Childs	Archbold	5' 10" S/H
Carla Mueller	Collins Western Reserve	5' 5" S/H
Debbie Richardson	Newbury	
Michelle Runser	Ada	5' 9" OH/MH
Sherry Schroer	New Knoxville	5' 9" OH
Denise Scotch	Black River	5' 5" OH/MH
Kelly Short	Archbold	5' 7" S
Lucy Sutter	St. Henry	5' 9"

Class 'A' South- Coach Bill Cooperrider, Newark Catholic

Lori Bananzer	Fairlawn	
Missy Cochran	Newark Catholic	5' 8" S
Kim Guilbault	St. Henry	5' 2"
Kathy McGonagle	Fisher Catholic	
Kathy Moeller	St. Bernard-Elmwood Place	5' 9" S
Julie Roessner	Fenwick	6' 0" MH
Chris Rutledge	North Central	5' 10"
Darla Sarchet	Buckeye Trail	5' 7" OH
Lisa Stephen	Shenandoah	5' 7" OH
Rhonda Stevens	Newark Catholic	6' 0" MH

Class 'AA' North- Coach Bill Cramer, Bellevue

Jody Beans	Loudonville	S
Kim Brown	Delta	6' 0" OH/MH
Kelly Carpenter	West Holmes	5' 6" S/H
Christy Mossholder	Clyde	5' 9" H
Julie Pack	Kenton	5' 3" OH
Kristen Smiley	Rocky River	5' 6"
Robin Swaney	Buckeye	5' 2" S
Wendy Vogel	Bellevue	5' 9" OH
Debbie Winkler	Norwalk	5' 8" OH

Class 'AA' South- Coach Cathy Seipel, River View

Teresa Barnes	Jackson	5' 4" H/D
Linda Crouso	River View	5' 3" S
Martha Federer	Lakewood	5' 7" OH
Amy Goldner	Milton-Union	5' 7" H/S
Jennifer Huber	Our Lady of Angels	5' 8" OH
Christie Johns	Washington	5' 8" OH
Neala Moose	West Muskingum	5' 8" OH
Michelle Strunk	Brookville	5' 8" MH
Anne Willard	Bexley	5' 7" S/H

Class 'AAA' North- Coach Sue Davis, Canton McKinley

Anne Bolyard	Solon	
Kim Brown	Canton McKinley	5' 8" MH
Carol Claridge	Brunswick	5' 7" S/H
Tina Durbin	Cuyahoga Falls	5' 8"
Cheryl Fox	Tiffin Columbian	5' 11" OH
Wendy Johnson	Clay	5' 10" MH
Jackie McGrew	Canton South	5' 8" H
Annette Scafidi	Stow	5' 10" MH
Denise Stemen	Elida	5' 10" S/H

Class 'AAA' South- Coach Marianne Birt, Westland

Tanya Fasnacht	Greenville	5' 10" MH
Terri Gilliam	Zanesville	5' 4" S
Donna Irvin	Franklin Heights	5' 6" S
Debbie Lorenzitti	Fairborn	5' 8" S/OH
Diana Marciniak	West Carrollton	5' 10" MH
Lisa Regrut	St. Francis DeSales	5' 7" MH
Patti Ryan	Greenville	5' 7"

Renee Townley	Mother of Mercy	5' 9" OH
Julie Wallace	Westland	5' 8" OH/MH

- ❖ Brief overview of the significant decisions/happenings for 1983 in the OHSVCA:
  - Formation of District Associations
  - The Top Twenty Rankings, All-Ohio selections, the All-Star Match
  - Coaches awards (coach of the year and coaches achievement awards)
  - The newsletter
  - Volleyball Hotline (also known as the Code-a-phone)
  - Newspapers providing more coverage; attendance improving during the regular season and the OHSAA tournaments
  - Greater representation to determine concerns about rules and regulations
  
- ❖ Numbers in the association by June of 1983: 80

**A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF THE MAJOR  
RULES AND REGULATIONS IN VOLLEYBALL 1974-1983  
(National Federation Rules and the Ohio High School Athletic Association)**

- In 1974, the state of Ohio switched from the DGWS Rulebook for Volleyball to the National Federation of State High School Associations edition of volleyball rules
- The rules of the National Federation will be indicated with a **checkmark** and come from the front of each of the rulebooks to indicate major rule changes for that year
- Rules and regulations of the OHSAA will be indicated with an **arrow**

**1974: Dolores Billhardt was the chairwoman; rulebook consisted of nine rules, comments on the rules, state meet results, tournament procedures, officiating mechanics, scoresheet, line-up sheet, officials signals, and the index to rules; number of pages- 48**

- ✓ The center line shall be 4 inches wide
- ✓ Line-up had to be presented ten minutes prior to the start of a match and immediately following the previous game for subsequent games of the match
- ✓ The coach or playing captain could make a request for the serving order and/or time-out
- ✓ Players were permitted to enter a game three times; starting counted as an entry
- ✓ The server had to initiate the serve within 5 seconds after receiving the referee's signal to begin service
- ✓ A back line player was restricted only from spiking or blocking when positioned on or in front of the spiking line
  - Officials were either rated as temporary or registered
  - Officials were permitted to wear their DGWS uniform that consisted of a navy blue and white striped tailored shirt or a navy blue and white striped jersey and a navy blue skirt, shorts, or slacks

**1975: Dolores Billhardt was the chairwoman; rulebook consisted of nine rules and the same items as 1974, but was 56 pages long**

- ✓ The ball remained in play when a team hit the ceiling of any height anywhere on its side of the net and the net extended, provided that team could still legally play the ball next

- ✓ Inadvertant contact with a wall was permitted
- ✓ Net antennae were recommended, required in 1976
- ✓ An elevated referee's platform was required
- ✓ Casts, braces or supports other than tape were not permitted on the fingers, hands, or arms
- ✓ Officials were not permitted to wear shorts; black and white were the preferred colors
- ✓ The coin toss was to be conducted 15 minutes prior to the first game of the match
- ✓ Teams occupied the bench nearest their playing area for the first game and did not change benches during the match
- ✓ Teams had two minutes to submit line-ups between games
- ✓ No downward motion of the arms or hands was included in the definition of blocking
- ✓ An additional time-out was permitted each team in an extended game
- ✓ A back line player was prohibited from returning the ball in any manner if contact was made higher than the top of the net when the player was positioned on or in front of the spiking line
- ✓ A player could contact the ball successively in one attempt to block
- ✓ The floor beyond the center line extension could not be touched by a player
  - Officials must attend one State conducted Rules Interpretation meeting per year
  - Officials must take an open book rules review exam
  - Recommended that new women volleyball officials purchase the black and white vertically striped short sleeve shirt; could wear a black skirt, culottes or slacks; white shoes were recommended with black or white socks
  - Girls sports were permitted twelve contests in the regular season and three pre-season scrimmages
  - A girl could play in one contest per day in any sport
  - In Ohio, all games were determined on the basis of 15 points with a 2 point advantage; clock time was not used in high school games under any circumstances; junior high and freshmen games could be played using playing time limitations
  - The winner of the match was the team that won two out of three games in a match; the third game could not be played if one team had won the first two games

**1976: Dolores Billhardt was the chairwoman;** rulebook consisted of nine rules and the same items as 1974, but was 64 pages long

- ✓ Revised net specifications were recommended



- ✓ A scorebook or scoresheet was to be supplied by the host school and kept at the officials' table from at least 20 minutes before the match and throughout the match
- ✓ The player's uniform was specified as identically colored shirts and shorts or skirts, in one or two pieces; recommended height of numerals on the front of the shirt was increased from 3 to 4 inches, at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  inches wide
- ✓ Jewelry and head decorations were prohibited
- ✓ The umpire was now permitted to grant time-outs and requests for serving order; the umpire was responsible to inform the coach of number of time-outs remaining and checking the score at the end of each game
- ✓ When the playing captain was substituted by another player, the coach had to designate the new captain in the game
- ✓ Downward arm or hand motion was permitted during a block if part of the ball had crossed to the blocker's side of the net
- ✓ A replay was declared when there were conflicting line calls which the referee can not resolve
- ✓ The score of a forfeited game was 2-0 if the game had not started, the score was tied, or the offending team was ahead at the time; if the offending team was behind, the score stood as is
- ✓ The three minute time period between each game of a match began immediately after verification of the score of the preceding game
- ✓ If an injured player left the game, no time-out was charged to that player's team; if the player stayed in the game, but was not ready to play within 30 seconds, a time-out was charged to that player's team
- ✓ The ball was dead if it passed completely under the net, or if it passed completely across the plane of the net having passed entirely outside the vertical tape markers
- ✓ Net fouls and foot faults at the center line were called only if the ball was still in play
- ✓ It was considered interference if a player made contact with an opponent which interfered with an opponent's legitimate effort to play the ball or made intentional contact with a ball which the opponent was still attempting to play
  - Temporary rated officials could officiate a high school varsity volleyball contest
  - The head coach or a school representative as well as officials had to attend one state rules interpretation meeting each year in the sport
  - Officials in the Eastern and Southeast district had to take an open book written test at the beginning of the season

- Mandated that at least one official be an OHSAA temporary or registered volleyball official
- Fifteen regular season matches were permitted; tri-matches counted as one contest and quadrangular matches counted as two contests; each contest (match) played in a tournament counted as one contest toward the total fifteen permitted
- If the varsity contest was played first, a player could not then play in a reserve contest
- In any tournament or regular season play teams and/or individuals were permitted to play in a maximum of three matches per day
- Coaches were not to make derogatory remarks to the news media about the officiating

**1977: rulebook is missing**

- ✓ Allowed for a coach/official conference for a misinterpretation of a rule, not judgment calls

**1978: Dolores Billhardt was the chairwoman; rulebook consisted of nine rules, comments on the rules, play situations and rulings, tournament procedures, officiating mechanics, scoresheet, line-up sheet, officials signals, the index to rules, and list of official and approved volleyballs; pages- 84**

- ✓ Permitted a ¾ inch sag in the middle of the net
- ✓ Permitted religious or medical medals to be taped to the body
- ✓ Specified the authority of the officials began at the beginning of the coin toss and continued until approval of the final score sheet
- ✓ Clarified the umpire to retain and refer to a line-up card during each game
- ✓ Clarified that rosters and line-up sheets must be in writing
- ✓ Clarified that a substitute may only report to the scorer during a dead ball
- ✓ Clarified that net fouls can only be called during a live ball
- ✓ Clarified that the ball may be bounced or dropped before the serve, and the serve must be initiated within 5 seconds
- ✓ Permitted an additional time-out for each team when the score was 14-14
- ✓ Prohibited a backline player from participating in the action of a block
- ✓ Specified that coaches were prohibited from the playing floor except for player injury
- ✓ Permitted the referee to suspend the game for spectator interference
- ✓ Specified that an unnecessary delay penalty was charged against the team if a player was wearing jewelry

- High school uniforms remained legal throughout the life of the uniform without need for a waiver
- No organized or formal practice for a team or partial team or candidate for a team could begin until August 14

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- ✓ Restrictions for players with artificial limbs specified
- ✓ Specified that coaches were to be included in the pre-game conference with the captains and the officials
- ✓ Specified that the referee would conduct the coin toss before the third game to determine the serving team for the game
- ✓ Allowed a team to verbally submit the line-up after each game if there were no changes in the line-up from the previous game
- ✓ Specified that the coach would be responsible to enter the new substitute(s) into the game by reporting all substitutions directly to the umpire
- ✓ Specified that an illegal substitution would not count as an entry
- ✓ Clarified that a block was any play close to the net in which a player raised the hands above the head in an attempt to prevent the ball from crossing the net
- ✓ Clarified what constituted unnecessary delays
- ✓ Clarified backline player restrictions
- ✓ Specified when coaches were permitted to leave the team bench during a game
- ✓ Specified that only penalty would be awarded for multiple infractions of a single rule violation
- ✓ Specified penalty enforcement for unsportsmanlike conduct by a team member (player, coach, manager, and substitute)
- ✓ Copy of the officials' signals were included in the rules packet on a separate piece of paper
  - Effective for 1979, the maximum number of regular season matches for girls volleyball would be 22; each match played against an opposing school team would be counted as a match regardless whether played in a triangular, quadrangular, or invitational tournament
  - Senior high school volleyball teams were permitted five scrimmages with each scrimmage limited to a maximum of three hours regardless of the number of schools involved; each opponent counted toward the five

- A ninth grade student who has participated as a member of any senior high school team in an interscholastic game in a sport would be ineligible for junior high competition in that sport

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- ✓ Specified net requirements
- ✓ Recommended that numerals on the front of uniforms be placed on the upper part of the shirt
- ✓ Specified reviewing pertinent rules before the coin toss
- ✓ Specified the official timekeeper shall indicate when 2 minutes and 45 seconds have passed during the intermission between games
- ✓ Specified the official timekeeper shall give an audio signal at the end of the intermission between games
- ✓ Specified substitution procedures during a time-out
- ✓ Defined a dead ball, a multiple foul, and what is close to the net
- ✓ Specified a player's hair contacting the net was not a foul
  - New regulations for sports camps and clinics are defined by the Board of Control

**1981: Bonnie Northcutt was the chairwoman;** rulebook consisted of twelve rules, play situations and rulings, officiating mechanics, scoresheet, line-up sheet, officials signals, the index to rules, list of films and publications from the NFSHSA, and list of official and approved volleyballs; pages- 88

- ✓ Casts, braces or supports are legal as long as they were soft and not worn on the fingers, hands or forearms
- ✓ Specified hair control devices could be worn if they were made of soft material and not excessive
- ✓ Stated that officials jurisdiction began when the officials arrived on the floor at the site of the match
- ✓ Specified that both officials be at the site 30 minutes prior to match time
- ✓ Stated that the score and timer be at the site 20 minutes prior to match time
- ✓ Allowed state associations to determine the time element for a forfeiture because of a team failing to appear at the scheduled time

- ✓ Deleted the rule about teams changing sides in the third game of the match after 8 points had been scored by one team
- ✓ Stated that a team that delayed the start of a game would be penalized with unnecessary delay, being assessed the time-out but not given the 60 seconds
- ✓ Specified that the coach was to return to the bench immediately after reporting the substitution numbers to the umpire
- ✓ Stated that substitutes were to stand at the sideline between the spiking line and the center line facing each other; hands no longer had to be raised overhead
- ✓ Penalized a coach with unsportsmanlike conduct if that coach refused to attend the pre-match conference after the official's request
- ✓ Signal change for out-of-bounds: arms were to be outstretched in front of the body, parallel to the floor with palms up; bend elbows and palms were to be brought up over the shoulders
- ✓ Signal change for time-out: referee would point to the team requesting the time-out, rather than to the team bench
  - Instructional programs were defined and adopted by the Board of Control
  - Lettering or pictures on the uniform had to pertain to the school name or mascot
  - OHSAA had to approve in advance volleyball players used for out-of-season demonstration purposes
  - Volleyball players could not play independent volleyball after their sport season was concluded
  - Seniors could only play in two All-Star matches
  - Filming of a potential opponent was prohibited

**1982: Bonnie Northcutt was the chairwoman; rulebook consisted of twelve rules, play situations and rulings, officiating mechanics, scoresheet, line-up sheet, officials signals, the index to rules, list of films and publications from the NFSHSA, and list of official and approved volleyballs; pages- 88**

- ✓ Stated a forfeited match score would be 15-0
- ✓ Defined a match as winning 2-out-of-3 games; state associations could adopt a match as 3-out-of-5 games
- ✓ Clarified that braces and supports were permitted on body parts other than fingers, hands or forearms; braces had to be padded with ½ inch of foam rubber; supports could not be hard, unyielding or abrasive
- ✓ Specified that hair devices could be worn if made of a soft material

- ✓ Clarified the procedure and the 2 choices for the coin toss
- ✓ Stated the 2 line judges should stand near the intersection of the sideline with the end line, opposite the serving areas
- ✓ Specified that intentional screening was considered unsportsmanlike conduct
- ✓ Clarified the period between games would be no more than 3 minutes
- ✓ Stated reaching over the net was permitted only during: the follow through of a hit made on the player's own side; an attempt to hit; a fake hit

**1983: Bonnie Northcutt was the chairwoman; rulebook consisted of twelve rules, comments on rules, points of emphasis, play situations and rulings, officiating mechanics, scoresheet, line-up sheet, officials signals, the index to rules, list of films and publications from the NFSHSA, and list of official and approved volleyballs; pages- 88**

- ✓ Recommended that standards (including cranks) and cables were to be padded
- ✓ Specified numbers be plain Arabic numbers, of a solid color, not less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  inch wide, 6 inches high in the front, at least 4 inches high on the back, not more than 2 digits, and of a contrasting color to the surrounding color(s)
- ✓ Permitted blocking a ball which was entirely on the opponent's side of the net when the opposing team had had an opportunity to complete its attack
- ✓ Permitted a player to cross the centerline, with foot/feet, as long as part of the foot/feet remained on or above the centerline and the player did not interfere with the play of an opponent
- ✓ Stated the exact procedure for a coach in the substitution process (stand, signal for sub, indicate the number of subs, sit down)
- ✓ Stated that the substitute was to indicate to the umpire his/her number and the number of the player(s) being replaced (no longer the coaches responsibility)
- ✓ Stated that decisions based on the judgment of the official was final and not subject to review
- ✓ Signal change: backline player foul was a waist high circular motion with the hand
- ✓ Signal change: over the net foul was a passing of the hand over the net
- ✓ Signal change: dead ball, point to the spot where the ball hit
- ✓ Signal change: a 5 second violation on the serve as the illegal serve signal followed by 5 fingers raised in vertical place
  - During tournaments, if a team failed to appear and ready to play within 30 minutes of the scheduled starting time of a tournament game, the space on the bracket was declared vacant and the opposing team was awarded a bye into the next round of competition

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