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2001 SCHEDULE

Aug. 24-25 SDSU Burger King Classic
Aug. 24 vs. Northern State 4 p.m. vs. Dakota Wesleyan 8 p.m.
Aug. 25 vs. Wayne State (Neb.) 4 p.m.
Sept. 1-2 at North Alabama Classic
Sept. 1 vs. Findlay (Ohio) 9:30 a.m. vs. North Alabama 5 p.m.
Sept. 2 vs. Truman State (Mo.) 9:30 a.m. vs. Alabama-Huntsville 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7-8 at North Central Crossover
Sept. 7 vs. Winona State 2 p.m. vs. Minnesota-Morris Noon
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PEGGY GORDON ELLIOTT .................................................................................. PRESIDENT

Dr. Peggy Gordon Elliott became South Dakota State University’s 18th president on January 1, 1998, following the retirement of Robert T. Wagner. Before becoming president of SDSU, Elliott was a senior fellow and acting vice president for Academic and International Programs at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in Washington, D.C. She has extensive collegiate education leadership experience at The University of Akron, where she served as president from 1992 to 1996, and Indiana University Northwest, where she was chancellor from 1983 to 1992. Elliott earned her doctorate in secondary education from Indiana University, her master’s degree in English and secondary education from Northwestern University, and her bachelor’s degree from Transylvania University. She taught high school in Gary, Indiana, and moved into various teaching and administrative positions in the Indiana University system. She amassed a broad range of national experience and made extensive contacts in the Washington community. Elliott currently serves on the corporate boards of Lubrizol Corporation and A. Shulman Incorporated.

FRED OIEN ............................................................. DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS/HEAD OF HPER

Dr. Fred Oien became the 11th director of athletics at South Dakota State University on July 1, 1990. Oien earned his bachelor’s degree at SDSU in 1972 and has been on the SDSU staff since 1979, serving as athletic business/ticket manager from 1981 until his appointment as director of athletics. Oien is a 1968 graduate of Baltic (S.D.) High School. He added a master’s degree at SDSU in 1975, then completed his doctorate (Ed.D) at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst in 1979. Oien taught physical education and health at the Brookings Middle School from 1973-76, during which time he was varsity golf coach for both boys and girls, and middle school basketball and football coach. His golf teams won state championships for both boys and girls. Oien also was women’s golf coach at SDSU, guiding the Jacks to one North Central Conference championship. The SDSU women’s golf team of 1982 was voted South Dakota Women’s College Team of the Year. Oien and his wife, Mary have two children.

NANCY NEIBER ..................................................... SENIOR WOMEN’S ADMINISTRATOR

A familiar face in Jackrabbit athletics, Nancy Neiber became South Dakota State University’s first senior women’s administrator when she stepped down as head women’s basketball coach in June 2000. Her duties include sport supervision, fund-raising, public relations, overseeing student-athlete programs and instruction in HPER academic programs. The winningest basketball coach in SDSU history with a 301-140 record, Neiber coached the Jackrabbits for 16 seasons (1984-2000) and led SDSU to 14 consecutive winning seasons, two second-place finishes in the North Central Conference and six NCAA postseason appearances. Six times Neiber-coached teams won 20 games in a season, including two school-record 25-win seasons. A native of Pierre, Neiber came to SDSU after coaching at both the high school and collegiate levels in South Dakota. A 1969 graduate of Black Hills State, Neiber’s previous collegiate coaching experience was as a graduate assistant at SDSU and as an assistant coach at Dakota State. She also spent seven seasons as head girls basketball coach at Mitchell High School, leading the Kernels to three state tournament appearances.

MYLO HELLICKSON .................. FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE

Dr. Hellickson has been South Dakota State University’s faculty representative to the North Central Conference and NCAA since 1977, and as such also is chairman of the Athletic, Intramural and Recreation Committee on campus. Hellickson recently returned to the classroom as a professor in agricultural engineering after serving several years as director of agriculture extension at SDSU. He has been on the SDSU staff since 1969, serving as a professor in agricultural engineering until he was appointed as head of that department during the summer of 1982. Dr. Hellickson’s specialty has been in the area of livestock structures and environment with recent emphasis on solar energy use in agriculture. A native of Belfield, N.D., he earned a bachelor’s degree in agricultural engineering from North Dakota State University in 1964, added a master’s degree in ag engineering from NDSU in 1966, then earned a Ph.D. in engineering at West Virginia University in 1969. Hellickson was presented the North Central Conference Meritorious Service Award at the November 1990 meeting.

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2001 ROSTER

No.  Player          Year  Height  Pos.         Hometown/High School
1   Alissa Tepley*  So.   5-9     DS/OH       Byron, Minn./Byron High School
2   Sarah Biggerstaff  Fr.  5-11    MH          Winona, Minn./Winona High School
3   Kelly Hoemann** Jr.  6-1    OH         Waco, Neb./Centennial High School
4   Angie Rime** Jr.  5-10    S           Columbia Heights, Minn./Columbia Heights H.S
5   Beth Clarke       So.   5-9     DS          White Bear Lake, Minn./White Bear Lake H.S.
6   Andrea Ebnet      Jr.  5-11    OH         Pequot Lakes, Minn./Pequot Lakes High School
7   Wendy O'Neill*    So.   5-9     OH          Tuthill, S.D./Bennett County High School
8   Grette Bornhoft*** Sr.  5-6   DS/S       Tyler, Minn./Russell-Tyler-Ruthon High School
9   Kim Bostrom       Fr.   5-10    MH         Circle Pines, Minn./Centennial High School
10  Liz Archer** Jr.  5-9     DS/OH      Apple Valley, Minn./Apple Valley High School
11  Shauna Sturm*** Sr.  5-11   OH         Watertown, S.D./Watertown High School
12  Joanne Heiden     Fr.   5-11    DS          Arlington, S.D./Arlington High School
13  Jennifer Tuttle   RSR.  5-9     DS         Brookings, S.D./Brookings High School
14  Sarah Simet       RSR.  5-7     DS         Willmar, Minn./Willmar High School
15  Nikki Anderson Jr.  5-8    OH         Osceola, Wis./Osceola High School
16  Lindsey Johnson   Fr.   5-10    MH         Ankeny, Iowa/Ankeny High School
17  Kelly Melohn      Fr.   5-11

* indicates number of letters earned
Head Coach: Andrew Palileo
Graduate Assistant: Kylee Johnson
Assistant Coach: Nichole Roethig
Student Assistant: Aleasha Jacobson

2001 TEAM INFORMATION

School — South Dakota State University
Location — Brookings, S.D.
Enrollment — 8,719 (fall 2000)
President — Dr. Peggy Gordon Elliott
Athletic Director — Fred M. Oien
Colors — Yellow and Blue
Nickname — Jackrabbits
Affiliation — NCAA Division II
Arena — Frost Arena (capacity 9,000), which opened in February 1973, is named after former SDSU coach and educator R.B. “Jack” Frost. Frost Arena is located in the Stanley J. Marshall HPER Center.
Head Coach — Andrew Palileo (Crown College, 1991); first season Career Record: 85-45 in four seasons (.654 winning percentage)
Office Phone: (605) 688-5819; Home Phone: (605) 692-9781
E-Mail: Andrew_Palileo@sdstate.edu
Assistant Coach — Nichole Roethig, first season Office Phone: (605) 688-5737; Home Phone: (605) 692-9790
E-Mail: Nichole_Roethig@sdstate.edu
Conference — North Central Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (NCC).
2000 North Central Conference Record — Won 15, Lost 3 (T-first)
2000 Home Record — Won 13, Lost 0
2000 Road Record — Won 8, Lost 4
2000 Neutral Court Record — Won 8, Lost 0
Letterwinners Lost — 4
  Rose Ebnet (NCC MVP, AVCA and Daktronics All-America First Team),
  Gretchen Gruber, Kristin Linderman, Alison Schuster
Letterwinners Returning — 7 (4 starters)
  Grette Bornhoft, 5-6, Sr., defensive specialist/setter, Tyler, Minn.,
  second on team with 37 service aces and 67 set assists;
  Shauna Sturm, 5-11, Sr., middle hitter, Springfield, Minn.,
  AVCA and Daktronics All-America selection, 485 kills, .366 pct.;
  Liz Archer, 5-9, Jr., defensive specialist, Apple Valley, Minn.,
  second-team Daktronics all-region selection;
  Kelly Hoemann, 6-1, Jr., outside hitter, Waco, Neb., 142 kills, 7 block solos, 79 block assists in 110 games;
  Angie Rime, 5-10, So., setter, Columbia Heights, Minn., AVCA and Daktronics all-region selection, 1,386 set assists in 108 games;
  Wendy O’Neill, 5-9, So., outside hitter, Tuthill, S.D., 163 kills,.149 hitting percentage in redshirt freshman season; and
  Alissa Tepley, 5-9, So., outside hitter, Byron, Minn., 5 service aces and 31 digs in 22 games.
Returning Redshirts — 2
  Sarah Simet, 5-7, Fr., defensive specialist, Brookings, S.D., redshirted in 2000; and
Incoming Transfers — 3
  Nikki Anderson, 5-8, Jr., defensive specialist, Willmar, Minn., transfer from Bethel College;
  Beth Clarke, 5-9, So., outside hitter/defensive specialist, White Bear Lake, Minn., transfer from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn.; and
  Annie Ebnet, 5-11, Jr., outside hitter, Pequot Lakes, Minn., transfer from Jamestown College (N.D.)
Incoming Freshmen — 5
  Sarah Biggerstaff, 5-11, middle hitter, Winona, Minn.;
  Kim Bostrom, 5-10, middle hitter, Circle Pines, Minn.;
  Joanne Heiden, 5-11, outside hitter, Watertown, S.D.;
  Lindsey Johnson, 5-10, outside hitter, Osceola, Wis.; and
  Kelly Melohn, 5-11, middle hitter, Ankeny, Iowa
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The coaching staff is new, the competition will be as tough as ever, and even some of the rules have changed, but the expectations remain the same — if not higher — for the South Dakota State University volleyball program.

“The team's expectations are to expand further on what they did last year by taking the next step toward a national championship,” said first-year Jackrabbit coach Andrew Palileo, who was hired in April.

Palileo inherits a Jackrabbit program which finished the 2000 season with a 29-4 record and a share of the first North Central Conference volleyball title in school history. SDSU also was one step away from reaching the NCAA Division II Elite Eight, falling in the regional final to Augustana.

With the team’s recent success, which includes qualifying for postseason play three of the last four years, Palileo isn’t about to radically change SDSU’s style of play.

“The pace of the game won’t change, the offense is similar, but I want us to improve defensively,” Palileo said.

Most of the key parts are still in place from last season’s team which peaked at No. 4 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association Division II Poll by season's end.

All-NCC and AVCA all-region setter Angie Rime returns for her third season as a starter. A junior, Rime already ranks fifth in career assists at SDSU after tallying 1,386 assists a year ago.

Rime's primary target when distributing the ball will be All-America middle hitter Shauna Sturm. A senior, Sturm recorded 485 kills a year ago while hitting at a .366 clip.

Outside hitters Wendy O’Neill and Kelly Hoemann also return to the lineup. O’Neill turned in some strong performance in SDSU's stretch run toward a title and will be asked to shoulder more of the offensive load left after the graduation of NCC Most Valuable Player Rose Ebnet.

Hoemann, who finished second on the team in blocks, gives the Jackrabbits an offensive presence from the right side as she moves back to her natural spot after playing in the middle for part of the 2000 season.

In the back row, SDSU remains solid with Grethe Bornhoft, Liz Archer and Alissa Tepley. A senior, Bornhoft finished second on the club in service aces (37) and was fifth in digs with 243. She also will back up Rime at setter.

Arch is a second-team Daktronics all-region defensive specialist a year ago. After sitting out a year, she returned to the SDSU lineup and ended the season second in the team with 292 and third in service aces with 34. Archer may also see some action at an outside hitting position.

Tepley cracked the regular back-row rotation late in the season after missing the first half with a leg injury.

Redshirts Sarah Simet and Jennifer Tuttle will vie for playing time in the back row, as well as transfers Beth Clarke and Nikki Anderson.

Palileo said the depth the Jackrabbits will have in the back row will be a definite plus as collegiate volleyball adopts the rally-scoring format which has been used at the club and international level in recent years.

“What I’ve noticed at the club level is the teams that have good ball control win,” Palileo said. “The teams with good ball control force you to make errors.”

Other newcomers will be counted on to make an impact for SDSU in the 2001 season. Palileo expects incoming freshmen Joanne Heiden and Kim Bostrom to provide immediate contributions from the outside and middle, respectively.

Joining Bostrom in the middle are fellow first-year players Sarah Biggerstaff and Kelly Melohn, giving SDSU more depth in the middle as it has had in recent years.

Annie Ebnet and Lindsey Johnson will provide additional depth on the outside.

By the time the North Central Conference opener rolls around Sept. 11 at North Dakota, the Jackrabbits should be battle-tested. Their non-conference schedule includes Elite Eight semifinalist North Alabama on its home court and national tournament qualifier Truman State (Mo.).

Maintaining a home-court advantage will be key to getting off to a good start in the NCC season, Palileo said. The Jackrabbits carry a 16-match home winning streak into the season-opening Burger King Classic Aug. 24-25.
Andrew Palileo will attempt to build on the recent success of the South Dakota State University volleyball program as he begins his first season as Jackrabbit head coach.

Palileo takes over the reins of the SDSU volleyball program following a successful four-year stint (1997-2000) at Bethel College in St. Paul, Minn. He led the Royals to an 85-45 mark (.654 winning percentage) in his four years, including three consecutive 20-win seasons. His 1999 team, which finished the season 25-12 overall, won the first Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title in school history and qualified for the NCAA Division III National Championships.

In his four years at Bethel, Palileo coached an All-American, eight all-MIAC players and two academic All-Americans.


Palileo began his volleyball coaching career as a junior varsity coach at Waconia (Minn.) High School in 1986 before moving on to the club ranks. He served as director of the Waconia Junior Olympic Program from 1991-95, and later moved on to direct the Crosstown Junior Olympic program in Edina, Minn.

In 1997, Palileo added the Heartland Adidas Select Volleyball Program and the head coaching job at Bethel College to his coaching responsibilities. His Heartland Adidas teams qualified for the national tournament four consecutive years as he compiled a 159-43 record with the 18-year-old team.

In addition to serving as head coach of the Midwest Volleyball Instructor Elite Camps, Palileo has served as a clinician for the Midwest Volleyball Instructors and Minnesota High School Volleyball Coaches Association camps.

Palileo and his wife, Wendy, are the parents of four children: Ashton (9), Austin (7), Alyvia (5) and Arik (1).

Nichole Roethig returns to the North Central Conference as she begins her first season as assistant volleyball coach at South Dakota State University.

Roethig, a native of Wauwatosa, Wis., played four years at Minnesota State University, Mankato. A three-year starter at setter, she ended her career in 1998 second on the Maverick career charts for set assists with 3,804. She also set a Maverick single-season record for set assists as a senior with 1,272, a season in which she was an honorable mention selection to the all-NCC team.

Roethig also earned honors for her work in the classroom as she was a three-time all-NCC academic selection (1996-98) and a two-time GTE CoSIDA Academic All-America pick (1996, 1998).

After graduating from Minnesota State, Mankato, in 1999 with a bachelor’s degree in exercise science, Roethig enrolled in graduate school at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse. She completed her master of science degree in human performance over the summer.

While attending UW-La Crosse, Roethig served as an assistant coach at Winona State University. She was in charge of the junior varsity program and was responsible for all aspects of training setters. She also has served as an instructor for several summer volleyball camps.
Kylee Johnson

Graduate Assistant

Kylee is reunited with coach Palileo as she joins the SDSU volleyball coaching staff as a graduate assistant.

A native of Roseau, Minn., Johnson played middle hitter at Minnesota-Crookston before transferring to Bethel College. She finished third in blocks with 83 on Bethel’s 1999 MIAC championship team which played in the NCAA Division III national tournament.

Johnson, who earned a bachelor’s degree in physical education from Bethel in 2000, will pursue a master’s degree in sport pedagogy at SDSU.

She has previous coaching experience with the Club Heartland team in the Twin Cities.

Aleasha Jacobson

Student Assistant

Aleasha moves from the court to the sideline after a knee injury cut short her playing career with the Jacks.

Jacobson played two seasons as a middle hitter for SDSU. As a freshman, in 1999, she finished second on the team with 86 block assists and recorded at least one block in 26 of the team’s 28 matches. Last season, she saw action in just two matches due to injury.

A native of Elk River, Minn., Jacobson is majoring in health promotion.

Carol Van Hoepen

Equipment Manager

Carol is in her 11th year in charge of the equipment not only for volleyball, but for all women’s athletic teams at SDSU.

The Volga native began working at SDSU on the maintenance staff on Jan. 28, 1973 — the day the Stanley J. Marshall HPER Center opened. Carol was honored as SDSU Career Service Employee of the Month in the fall of 1998.

Mary Beth Zwart

Athletic Trainer

Mary Beth begins her third year as an athletic trainer with the Jackrabbit volleyball program.

She spent the last two seasons as a graduate assistant trainer at SDSU before being hired on a full-time basis over the summer.

A Colman native, Zwart graduated from the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse in 1999 and completed a master’s degree in athletic administration at SDSU in the spring.

Preseason Polls

North Central Conference

Coaches Poll

1. Augustana (6) 92
2. Northern Colorado (2) 88
3. South Dakota State 72
4. South Dakota State (1) 71
5. Nebraska-Omaha (1) 65
6. Minnesota State, Mankato 46
7. Morningside 30
8. North Dakota 30
9. South Dakota 28
10. St. Cloud State 19

First-place votes in parentheses

American Volleyball Coaches Association Division II Poll

1. West Texas A&M (5) 779
2. North Alabama (6) 777
3. Augustana (S.D.) (3) 776
4. Hawaii Pacific (13) 751
5. Tampa (Fla.) (2) 740
6. Cal State-Los Angeles (4) 720
7. South Dakota State (1) 631
8. Northern Colorado 581
9. Cal State-San Bernardino 511
10. Nebraska- Kearney 484
11. Northwood (Mich.) 465
12. North Dakota State (1) 410
13. Nebraska-Omaha 379
14. Barry (Fla.)
15. Truman State (Mo.)
16. Cal State-Bakersfield
17. BYU-Hawaii
18. Grand Valley State (Mich.)
19. Central Missouri State
20. Rockhurst (Mo.)
21. Northern Kentucky
22. North Florida
23. Metro State (Colo.)
24. Minnesota-Duluth
25. Western State (Colo.)

First-place votes in parentheses

Teams Receiving Votes: California-San Diego, Regis (Colo.), Armstrong Atlantic State (Ga.), California (Pa.), Northern Michigan, Pace (N.Y.), Florida Southern, Mercy (N.Y.), Montevallo (Ala.), Arkansas Tech, Lewis (Ill.), Seattle Pacific (Wash.)

Poll Notes: SDSU’s No. 7 ranking is the highest preseason ranking in school history ... SDSU has been ranked in every AVCA Division II weekly poll since midway through the 1997 season ...

SDSU was ranked 15th in the preseason poll for the 2000 season and finished the season at No. 4 ... last year’s preseason No. 1 team, BYU-Hawaii, failed to qualify for the postseason ...

Defending national champion Hawaii Pacific was second in the 2000 preseason poll.
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GRETHE BORNHOFT
5-6, Senior, Def. Specialist/Setter
Tyler, Minnesota

Grethe (pronounced Greta) has been an important role player as a defensive specialist and backup setter for the Jackrabbits during her career ... finished second on the team in both set assists and service aces and was fifth in digs in 2000 ... saw action in all 33 matches ... notched season-high 21 set assists in victory over Chadron State (9/1) ... recorded three service aces in a match on four separate occasions last season, including the regional final at Augustana (11/18) ... tallied double figures in digs six times, including career-high 17 in victory over Grand Canyon in the SDSU Burger King Classic (9/2) ... member of the 2000 North Central Conference All-Academic Volleyball Team ... led SDSU to wins over Morningside and North Dakota with 49 and 46 assists, respectively, as a freshman ... member of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council

PERSONAL: Majoring in philosophy and religion ... member of Dean’s List and Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society ... birthdate is April 18, 1980 ... 1998 graduate of Russell-Tyler-Ruthton High School ... parents are John and Margie Bornhoft

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CAREER HIGHS

KILLS: 4, vs. Minnesota-Morris, 9-3-99
SET ASSISTS: 49, vs. Morningside, 10-31-98
DIGS: 17, vs. Grand Canyon, 9-2-2000
SERVICE ACES: 4, vs. St. Cloud State, 10-30-99

NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE COMPOSITE SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 11
Augustana at North Dakota St.
South Dakota St. at North Dakota
Friday, September 14
Minn. St., Mankato at Neb.-Omaha
Morningside at North Dakota St.
South Dakota at North Dakota
St. Cloud State at Northern Colorado

Saturday, September 15
Morningside at North Dakota
St. Cloud State at Neb.-Omaha
Minn. St., Mankato at No. Colorado
South Dakota at North Dakota St.

Tuesday, September 18
Augustana at South Dakota St.
Morningside at South Dakota

Friday, September 21
Northern Colorado at Augustana
Neb.-Omaha at South Dakota St.
North Dakota St. at MSU, Mankato
North Dakota at St. Cloud State

Saturday, September 22
Nebraska-Omaha at Augustana
North Dakota at Minn. St., Mankato,
North Dakota St. at St. Cloud State
No. Colorado at South Dakota St.

Friday, September 28
North Dakota St. at Augustana
South Dakota at Minn. St., Mankato
Morningside at St. Cloud State
North Dakota at South Dakota St.

Saturday, September 29
Neb.-Omaha at Northern Colorado
North Dakota at Augustana
Morningside at Minn. St., Mankato
North Dakota St. at South Dakota St.
South Dakota at St. Cloud St.

Tuesday, October 2
Minn. St., Mankato at South Dakota
St. Cloud St. at Morningside, 7 p.m.

Friday, October 5
Northern Colorado at North Dakota
Augustana at Morningside
Neb.-Omaha at North Dakota St.
South Dakota St. at South Dakota

Saturday, October 6
Augustana at South Dakota
South Dakota St. at Morningside
Neb.-Omaha at North Dakota St.
No. Colorado at North Dakota St.

Tuesday, October 9
North Dakota St. at North Dakota

Friday, October 12
St. Cloud State at Augustana
MSU, Mankato at South Dakota St.
Morningside at Northern Colorado
South Dakota at Neb.-Omaha
Winona St. at North Dakota

Saturday, October 13
Morningside at Nebraska-Omaha
Minn. St., Mankato at Augustana
South Dakota at Northern Colorado
St. Cloud State at South Dakota St.

Tuesday, October 16
Augustana at North Dakota
Minn. St., Mankato at St. Cloud State
Northern Colorado at Neb.-Omaha
South Dakota St. at North Dakota St.

Friday, October 19
No. Colorado at Minn. St., Mankato
North Dakota at Morningside
Neb.-Omaha at St. Cloud State
North Dakota St. at South Dakota

Saturday, October 20
Neb.-Omaha at Minn. St., Mankato
North Dakota St. at Morningside
North Dakota at South Dakota
Northern Colorado at St. Cloud State

Tuesday, October 23
South Dakota St. at Augustana
South Dakota at Morningside

Friday, October 26
Minn. St., Mankato at North Dakota
Augustana at Nebraska-Omaha
St. Cloud State at North Dakota St.
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Saturday, October 27
St. Cloud State at North Dakota
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MSU, Mankato at North Dakota St.

Tuesday, October 30
Minn. St., Mankato at Morningside
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Tuesday, November 6
St. Cloud State at MSU, Mankato
North Dakota at North Dakota St.

Thursday, November 8
Neb.-Omaha at South Dakota

Friday, November 9
Augustana at Minn. St., Mankato
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Northern Colorado at South Dakota
South Dakota St. at St. Cloud State

Saturday, November 10
Augustana at St. Cloud State
South Dakota St. at MSU, Mankato
Northern Colorado at Morningside
Shauna made the full-time transition to the middle last season and responded by earning first-team All-America honors from the American Volleyball Coaches Association and Daktronics third-team recognition ... also earned all-North Central Conference and all-North Central Region honors for the second consecutive year ... NCC All-Academic Volleyball Team selection and second-team Verizon Academic All-District VII pick ... became the seventh player in SDSU history to reach 1,000 career kills when she achieved the milestone in regular-season finale at South Dakota (11/11) ... notched double figures in kills in 25 of 33 matches, including single-match career high with 34 kills in four-game victory over Augustana (10/31), a match in which she and teammate Rose Ebnet each had 30-plus kills ... enters season second on SDSU career chart for hitting percentage at .304 ... earned NCC Player of the Week honors Sept. 11 after weekend at North Central Region Crossover in which she hit .632 (39 kills, 3 errors in 57 attacks) in three SDSU victories ... tallied 26 kills against just one error in 37 attacks (.676 hitting percentage) in win over nationally ranked Minnesota-Duluth at crossover (9/9), a match in which she also had 14 digs and four blocks ... recorded nine double-doubles, including 26-kill, 10-dig performance at Northern Colorado (9/30) and 17-kill, 16-dig outing in regional semifinal versus Nebraska-Omaha (11/18) ... led team with 106 total blocks, highlighted by eight block assists in victory at Nebraska-Omaha (9/29) ... in North Central Conference statistics, she finished second in hitting percentage (.355 in league matches) and fifth in kills (4.77 per game) ... finished 20th nationally in NCAA Division II in hitting percentage ... named to all-tournament teams at West Florida Argonaut Invitational and SDSU Burger King Classic ... has reached double figures for kills in 53 career matches heading into the 2001 season ... second year as team captain ... in high school, was all-state performer in three sports: volleyball (twice), basketball and softball

PERSONAL: Majoring in consumer affairs ... birthdate is October 15, 1979 ... 1998 graduate of Springfield High School ... parents are Bob and Sharon Sturm

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CAREER HIGHS

| KILLS: | 34, vs. Augustana, 10-31-2000 |
| DIGS:  | 18, vs. Northern Colorado, 11-12-99; and vs. Nebraska-Omaha, 11-13-99 |
| SERVICE ACES: | 4, vs. Southwest State, 9-14-99; and vs. Minnesota-Morris, 9-3-99 |
| BLOCK ASSISTS: | 8, vs. Nebraska-Omaha, 9-30-2000 |

COLLEGIATE VOLLEYBALL ADOPTS RULES CHANGES FOR 2001 SEASON

Collegiate volleyball will take on a different look beginning in the 2001 season with the adoption of several rules changes.

The modifications include changes in the scoring format and revisions to serving rules. The international pursuit rule has been added as an experimental rule for the upcoming season.

The most noticeable difference this season will be the move from sideout volleyball to a rally scoring format where each play will result in a point.

The first four games will be scored to 30 points, with the winner holding at least a two-point lead. The fifth and deciding game will be played to 15 with the winner leading by at least two points.

Other significant changes involve the serve. Players must serve the ball within eight seconds after the referee signals for the serve and will not be allowed a second toss for service.

Further, the collegiate game will mimic the international game with the let serve. A served ball will remain in play if it hits the net and continues its path to the opposition’s court. A service ace can be earned if the ball falls to the opposition’s side of the court on the serve, despite contact with the net on service.

The international pursuit, an experimental rule for 2001-2002, can be implemented in a match by agreement of both coaches and if the officials deem the facility safe for such play.

The rule allows for a player to retrieve a ball (on second contact) that has crossed the plane of the net to the opponent’s free space, provided that player does not touch the opponent’s court and sends the ball back to their court, over or outside the antennas, for an opportunity for the third contact.
### Liz Archer

5-9, Junior, Defensive Specialist  
Apple Valley, Minnesota

Liz picked up where she left off as a freshman, finishing second on the team in digs with 292 and third in service aces with 34 ... earned second-team all-North Central Region defensive specialist honors from Daktronics ... reached double figures in digs 15 times, including tying single-match career high of 20 in win over Augustana (10/31) and regional semifinal victory over Nebraska-Omaha (11/17) ... in first action of season, came off the bench to spark Jackrabbits with eight kills and six digs in win over Nebraska-Kearney (8/31) ... contributed single-match career-high five service aces, four kills and 11 digs in home win over St. Cloud State ... sat out 1999 season before transferring back to SDSU from Northern Arizona

**Personal:** Majoring in human development and family studies ... born July 6, 1980 in Remer, Minnesota ... 1998 graduate of Apple Valley High School ... parents are Dennis Archer and Joan VanHoven

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**Kills:** 8, vs. Nebraska-Kearney, 8-31-2000  
**Service Aces:** 5, vs. St. Cloud State, 9-15-2000  
**Digs:** 20, three times (last: vs. Nebraska-Omaha, 11-17-2000)

### Kelly Hoemann

6-1, Junior, Outside Hitter  
Waco, Nebraska

Kelly gained a starting spot on the right side during the 2000 season and finished second on the team in blocks with 86 ... also saw extensive action as a middle hitter ... tied career high with six block assists in victory at Morningside (11/10) ... added five block assists in three other matches, including victories over nationally ranked Nebraska-Kearney (8/31) and Northern Colorado (11/3) ... recorded at least one block in 29 of 33 matches, including a string of 20 consecutive matches to end the 2000 season ... notched season-high nine digs in victory over Missouri Western (8/26) ... added eight kills and five block assists in win at Wayne State (Neb.)

**Personal:** Majoring in mathematics ... birthdate is October 6, 1980 ... 1999 graduate of Centennial High School in Utica, Nebraska ... parents are Stan and Elaine Hoemann

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**Kills:** 10, vs. Southwest State, 9-14-99  
**Attacks:** 29, vs. Wayne State, 9-22-2000  
**Block Assists:** 6, three times (last: vs. Morningside, 11-10-2000)
Angie followed up her NCC Freshman of the Year season by earning all-North Central Conference honors and AVCA all-North Central Region honors, as well as second-team Daktronics all-region recognition ... recorded 12 double-doubles for assists and digs during the 2000 season, including each of the last seven matches ... recorded single-match career-high 72 assists with 16 digs in four-game home victory over Augustana (10/31) ... tallied 70 assists and 13 digs in win over Minnesota-Duluth (9/9) ... notched season-high eight kills in win over Grand Canyon at SDSU Burger King Classic (9/2) ... finished fourth on team in blocks (48) and digs (268) ... named to all-tournament team at West Florida Argonaut Invitational ... already ranks fifth on the SDSU career charts for set assists with 2,646 ... ranked third in the NCC in set assists (13.58 per league game) and finished 13th nationally in NCAA Division II with an average of 12.83 set assists per game ...

Personal: Majoring in history/education ... 1999 graduate of Columbia Heights High School ... birthdate is December 4, 1980 ... parents are Paul and Joan Rime

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Career Highs

Kills: 10, vs. North Dakota, 9-28-99
Set Assists: 72, vs. Augustana, 10-31-2000
Digs: 19, vs. Moorhead State, 9-11-99; and vs. Morningside, 10-23-99

Wendy put together a solid redshirt freshman season for the Jackrabbits in 2000 ... finished fourth on the team in kills with 163 ... reached double figures in kills five times, including consecutive matches over top-10 opponents ... notched career-high 14 kills in home sweep of Northern Colorado (11/3), then contributed 11 kills in win over Nebraska-Omaha (11/4) ... recorded four service aces in five-game win over Nebraska-Kearney (8/31) ... tallied five kills, three service aces and eight digs versus American International in first collegiate match (8/25) ... competed for the Jackrabbit women’s track and field team in 2000 and placed third in the pentathlon at the North Central Conference Indoor Championships ... won eight individual state titles overall in track and field during her prep career

Personal: Majoring in health, physical education and recreation ... birthdate is July 2, 1981 ... 1999 graduate of Bennett County High School in Martin ... parents are Daniel and Vera O’Neill

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Career Highs

Kills: 14, vs. Northern Colorado, 11-3-2000
Service Aces: 4, vs. Nebraska-Kearney, 8-31-2000
Digs: 8, vs. American International, 8-25-2000
ALISSA TEPLEY
5-9, Sophomore, Defensive Specialist
Byron, Minnesota

Alissa was sidelined with a leg injury for the first 19 matches of the 2000 season, then played in the back row in 11 of the team’s final 14 matches, including a start in the regional championship match against Augustana (11/18) ... tallied 13 digs in four-game home victory over Augustana (10/31) and added three service aces with 12 digs in regular season finale at South Dakota (11/11) ... in high school, was a three-time all-conference selection who earned honorable mention all-state honors as a junior ... finished as Byron High School’s career leader in digs and service aces. 

PERSONAL: Majoring in business economics and pre-law ... birthdate is September 11, 1981 ... 2000 graduate of Byron High School ... parents are Dave and Jenny Tepley.

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DIGS: 12, vs. South Dakota, 11-11-2000
SERVICE Aces: 3, vs. South Dakota, 11-11-2000

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SARAH SIMET
5-7, Freshman, Defensive Specialist
Brookings, South Dakota

Sarah returns to the Jackrabbits after sitting out the 2000 season as a redshirt ... earned all-Eastern South Dakota honors at Brookings High School ... team captain on BHS team which qualified for the 2000 state tournament ... led the Bobcats with 358 digs and 100 service aces ... set a school record with 10 aces in one match ... also played basketball.

PERSONAL: Majoring in health promotion ... birthdate is July 2, 1982 ... parents are Kirk and Debra Simet.

13
JENNIFER TUTTLE
5-9, Freshman, Defensive Specialist
Arlington, South Dakota

Jennifer redshirted last season as she made the transition to the collegiate game ... earned South Dakota Gatorade Player of the Year honors at Arlington High School as a senior ... led the Cardinals to two state tournaments, including a state title as a senior ... all-conference and first-team all-state selection two years ... also a standout in track as she won the Class B championship in the pole vault four times.

PERSONAL: Majoring in public recreation ... born December 15, 1981, in Sioux Falls ... 2000 graduate of Arlington High School ... parents are Curt and Karla Tuttle.
Nikki joins the Jackrabbit squad after playing two seasons under coach Palileo at Bethel College ... played in all 33 matches for the Royals in the 2000 season and finished third on the team in digs with 275 ... also recorded 26 service aces ... played in all 37 matches during Bethel’s 1999 Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championship season ... member of the National Honor Society in high school.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in interior design ... born February 11, 1981, in Starbuck, Minnesota ... 1999 graduate of Willmar High School ... parents are Tom and Susan Anderson.

Sarah adds much-needed depth at the middle hitting position following a solid prep career ... was a two-time all-Big Nine Conference selection at Winona High School ... recorded 400 kills as a senior ... three-year letterwinner for coach Hayley Martin ... also earned honorable mention all-conference honors twice in basketball ... team captain in both sports ... member of the National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in journalism/mass communication with emphasis in advertising and public relations ... birthdate is December 3, 1982 ... parents are Mike and Julie Biggerstaff.

Kim will contend for a starting spot at middle hitter as a true freshman ... comes to SDSU after an outstanding prep athletic career at Centennial High School in Circle Pines ... earned all-North Suburban Conference honors three times and was a two-time team most valuable player under coach Bill Howlett ... also earned all-conference honors three times in basketball and five times in track ... all-region selection in softball ... member of the National Honor Society.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in sociology ... born December 10, 1982 in St. Paul, Minnesota ... parents are Jim and Deb Bostrom.

Beth joins the Jackrabbit squad after transferring from Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota ... led Concordia in digs last season with 398 and finished fifth on the team with 220 kills ... lettered three times at White Bear Lake high School, earning all-conference honors three times, as well as team most valuable player honors ... member of the National Honor Society in high school and Dean’s List at Concordia.

PERSONAL: Plans to major in journalism ... born December 13, 1981, in St. Paul, Minnesota ... 2000 graduate of White Bear Lake High School ... parents are John and Deb Clarke.

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ANDREA EBNET
Junior • Outside Hitter
Pequot Lakes, Minnesota

Andrea transfers to SDSU after playing volleyball the last two seasons at Jamestown College (N.D.) ... also played basketball one season at Jamestown ... competed in volleyball, basketball and track in high school ... member of the National Honor Society and class valedictorian ... older sister, Rose, set SDSU career kills record last season ... one of 10 children

PERSONAL: Majoring in biology ... birthdate is August 29, 1980 ... 1999 graduate of Pequot Lakes High School ... mother is Mary Ebnet

JOANNE HEIDEN
Freshman • Outside Hitter
Watertown, South Dakota

Joanne will provide offense from the outside in her first season ... earned all-state honors in volleyball twice under coach Karen Bossman at Watertown High School ... selected to play in the South Dakota All-Star game over the summer ... four-year letterwinner and two-time all-conference selection in basketball ... also competed in track ... follows in footsteps of older sister, Sonia, who played basketball for SDSU for one season, and older brother, Dale, who played football for the Jacks ... member of the National Honor Society

PERSONAL: Plans to major in nursing ... birthdate is August 14, 1982 ... parents are Rollie and Janet Heiden

LINDSEY JOHNSON
Freshman • Outside Hitter
Osceola, Wisconsin

Lindsey gives the Jackrabbits another option at outside hitter this season ... lettered three times in volleyball under coach Kristi Mally, earning all-conference honors twice ... most valuable athlete of girls’ track team two years ... also earned All-America honors as a member of the Osceola High School dance line two years ... member of the National Honor Society

PERSONAL: Plans to major in journalism/mass communication with emphasis in public relations ... born May 20, 1983, in St. Croix Falls, Wisconsin ... mother is Shirley Johnson

KELLY MELOHN
Freshman • Middle Hitter
Ankeny, Iowa

Kelly will provide SDSU with much-needed depth in the middle for the 2001 season ... three-year letterwinner at Ankeny High School ... earned second-team all-conference honors two times ... all-academic selection ... valedictorian of senior class and recipient of the U.S. Marines Distinguished Athlete Award

PERSONAL: Plans to major in electrical engineering ... born July 23, 1982, in Des Moines, Iowa ... parents are Dave and Julie Melohn

SDSU, BURGER KING TEAM UP FOR TOURNAMENT

Burger King of Brookings continues its longstanding support of South Dakota State University athletics by again sponsoring the SDSU Burger King Classic volleyball tournament.

This year’s tournament also serves as the season opener for SDSU as the Jackrabbits host the tournament August 24-25 at Frost Arena. Each of the six teams is scheduled to play three matches.

Burger King and its owners, Pete and Jo Binker, have sponsored the SDSU Burger King Classic since 1988. Burger King also has sponsored an SDSU spring softball tournament for several years.

Following is the 2001 SDSU Burger King Classic schedule:

**Friday, August 24**
- 2 p.m. — Dakota Wesleyan vs. Wayne State (Neb.)
- 4 p.m. — SDSU vs. Northern State
- 6 p.m. — North Dakota vs. Minnesota-Morris
- 8 p.m. — SDSU vs. Dakota Wesleyan

**Saturday, August 25**
- 10 a.m. — Wayne State vs. North Dakota
- Noon — Minnesota-Morris vs. Dakota Wesleyan
- 2 p.m. — North Dakota vs. Northern State
- 4 p.m. — Wayne State vs. SDSU
- 6 p.m. — Minnesota-Morris vs. Northern State

Burger King of Brookings
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### 2000 Season Review

- Overall Record: 29-4
- NCC Record: 15-3 (T-First)
- Home Record: 13-0
- Away Record: 8-4
- Neutral Court Record: 8-0

### Team Totals

- SDSU Totals: 112 1788 627 4628 .251 15.96 1551 161 243 318 1929 64 353 2.15 80 51
- Opponent Totals: 112 1352 645 4146 .171 12.07 1199 243 161 260 1775 49 278 1.68 72 52

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### Jackrabbit Volleyball Historical Notes
- With a 29-4 record in 2000, SDSU recorded its seventh consecutive winning season — the most in school history.
- In 35 seasons, SDSU has a 644-434 record.
- The Jackrabbits have had 18 20-win seasons, including five in a row.

### Jackrabbit Letterwinners

  - Ahquist, Gail 1988-89-90
  - Antonie, Pam 1978-79-80
- B – Baartman, Carrie 1989-90
  - Barber, Julie 1988-89
  - Birrenkott, Lunette 1975-76-77
  - Boll, Jennifer 1993-94
- C – Bezell, Connie 1977
  - Brown, Michelle 1989-90-91-92
  - Burke, Paula 1982-83-84
  - Buyuskey, Nancy 1979-80-81-82
  - Busch, Marc 1995
- D – Cansrud, Laurie 1978
  - Corlett, Cindy 1976-77-78
  - Crevier, Tanja 1975-76
- E – Delker, Julie 1981
  - Dent, Pat 1976
  - Dold, Jenni 1992-93-94-95
  - Drake, Daynica 1998-99-2000
- F – Dray, Annette 1986
  - Fusco, Linda 1989-90-91-92
- H – Gruber, Gretchen 2000
- J – Jacobson, Aleasha 1999
  - Jacobson, Lisa 1982-83-84-85
  - Jagerson, Sharon 1979
  - Johnson, Chris 1989-90-91-92
  - Johnson, Jennifer 1983 & 86
  - Johnson, Paula 1981-82
- K – Kalbfell, Shannon 1988-89-90-91
  - Kelley, Kathy 1994-95
  - Keinholz, Jenny 1989-90
  - Kessler, Peggy 1978-79-80
  - Krier, Jean 1975-76
  - Kryger, Tasha 1985-86-87
- L – Langford, Gwenn 1981-82-83-84
  - Larson, Karla 1985-86
  - Leinhoff, Traci 1993
  - Lichman, Nancy 1975-76-77
  - Linderman, Kristin 2000
  - Livingston, Janice 1975
  - Lloyd, Becky 1978
- M – Lohrenz, Shelly 1989
  - Miller, Sue 1981-82-83
  - Mittelstadt, Lisa 1985-86-87
  - Mollner, Ericka 1992
- N – Nelson, Kris 1975-76
  - Nelson, Sue 1983-84-85-86
  - Nihart, Julie 1995-96-97-98
  - Nikolaisen, Nicole 1994
  - Nitzchke, Kerri 1988
  - Neihoff, Tressa 1982
  - Nygren, Laurie 1976
  - O'Neil, Wendy 2000
  - Peterson-Rowel, Merridee 1994-95-96-97
  - Pfister, Heidi 1986-87
  - Porter, Diane 1980-81
  - Price, Kelly 1984
- R – Rath, Roxie 1995-96-97-98
  - Riemenschneider, Barb 1988-89
  - Riley, Kate 1977-78-79
  - Rim, Angie 1999-2000
  - Rolston, Nancy 1983-84
  - Rowe, Teresa 1984-85-86-87
- S – Sanders, Arika 1994-95-96-97
  - Sargent, Sarah 1988-89-90
  - Schneider, Stacey 1996-97
  - Schultz, Janel 1978-79-80
  - Smith, Betty 1975
  - Smith, Bridget 1995-96
  - Smith, Emily 1993
  - Smith, Tria 1995-96-97
  - Stuewe, Dawn 1987
  - Stumps, Janet 1977-78-79
  - Sudbeck, Julie 1989-90-91
  - Swanson-Tordsen, April 1991-92-93-94
  - Telford, Y. Carmelia 1975
  - Tepely, Alissa 2000
  - Tonsfeldt, Annie 1988
  - Tyler, Kim 1978-79-80
- W – Weaver, Della 1975-76-77
  - Weeks, Shari 1981-82-83-84
  - Weiland, Pam 1975
  - Wendland, Taran 1984-85-86-87
  - Wick, Lisa 1985
  - Wicks, Cynthia 1977-78-79-80
  - Wilde, Cheryl 1980-81
  - Windschilt, Wendy 1985-86-87
  - Woldalwicz, Connie 1977-78
  - Woodman, Sara 1993-94
  - Workland, Sarah 1996-97-98-99
- Y – Yonker, Maureen 1976-77
- Z – Zastrow, Julie 1986-87
  - Zaczkowski, Krista 1995-96-97-98
**EBNET, STURM LEAD JACKRABBIT AWARD WINNERS**

The South Dakota State University volleyball team achieved unparalleled success both on and off the court during the 2000 season.

With a 29-4 record, the Jackrabbits posted the most wins in a season in nearly a quarter century and earned a share of their first-ever North Central Conference title.

With the team success, several SDSU players earned individual accolades, including All-America awards for outside hitter Rose Ebnet and middle hitter Shauna Sturm. Their selections to the American Volleyball Coaches Association All-America First Team and Daktronics All-America team marked the first time two Jackrabbit players earned All-America status in the same season.

Angie Rime and Liz Archer received all-region recognition.

Not only did Jackrabbit players accomplish great things on the court, they also excelled in the classroom. An NCC-best three players — Ebnet, Sturm and Grethe Bornhoft — were named to the NCC All-Academic Team, giving SDSU its most selections in a single season.

Ebnet and Sturm also were second-team Verizon Academic All-District selections.

In addition, SDSU has been a recipient of the American Volleyball Coaches Team Academic Award three of the past four seasons.

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**RABBITS ON THE RADIO**

As it has for each of the previous two seasons, Depot Radio 910 AM (KJJQ) will again broadcast select Jackrabbit volleyball matches.

Award-winning sportscaster Scotty Kwas, who also is the voice of SDSU women’s basketball, returns as play-by-play announcer. Brad and Rachelle DeBeer will provide color commentary.

The tentative broadcast schedule follows:

- Aug 24-25 — SDSU Burger King Classic
- Sept. 18 — Augustana
- Sept. 22 — Northern Colorado
- Sept. 29 — North Dakota State
- Oct. 10 — Southwest State
- Oct. 13 — St. Cloud State
- Oct. 23 — at Augustana
- Nov. 2 — Morningside
- Nov. 3 — South Dakota
ARIKA SANDERS
1997 AVCA All-America Second Team
Sanders capped her career by becoming the first SDSU player to attain All-America status as she helped lead the Jackrabbits to their first NCAA postseason berth. She set a then-SDSU single-season record with 513 kills in 1997, while earning a spot on the AVCA All-America second team.

1997 Statistics
Games Played: 121
Kills: 513
Errors: 153
Attacks: 1,317
Hitting Pct.: .273
Service Aces: 55
Block Solos: 20
Block Assists: 26
Digs: 390

1998 Statistics
Games Played: 112
Kills: 417
Errors: 109
Attacks: 899
Hitting Pct.: .273
Service Aces: 49
Block Solos: 23
Block Assists: 90
Digs: 240

ROXIE RATH
1998 AVCA All-America First Team
1998 Asics All-America Second Team
Rath led the Jackrabbits to their second consecutive postseason appearance with a stellar senior season from the middle hitting position. The North Central Conference MVP, Rath ended her career as the all-time SDSU leader in block assists with 301.

1998 Statistics
Games Played: 109
Kills: 764
Errors: 153
Attacks: 1,332
Hitting Pct.: .316
Service Aces: 57
Block Solos: 14
Block Assists: 36
Digs: 270

ROSE EBNET
2000 AVCA All-America First Team
2000 Daktronics All-America First Team
Ebben put together the finest individual season by a Jackrabbit player, earning North Central Conference MVP honors while leading the league in kills. She set SDSU single-season and career records for kills as the Jackrabbits advanced to the regional finals.

2000 Statistics
Games Played: 110
Kills: 564
Errors: 153
Attacks: 1,332
Hitting Pct.: .316
Service Aces: 57
Block Solos: 14
Block Assists: 36
Digs: 423

SHAUNA STURM
2000 AVCA All-America First Team
2000 Daktronics All-America Third Team
Sturm advanced from her all-region selection the previous season with an All-America season in 2000. A middle hitter, Sturm teamed with Ebnet to give SDSU a potent inside-outside attack as she finished second in the NCC for hitting percentage.

2000 Statistics
Games Played: 111
Kills: 485
Errors: 111
Attacks: 1,021
Hitting Pct.: .366
Service Aces: 26
Block Solos: 13
Block Assists: 93
Digs: 270

AVCA and Daktronics Division II All-America Volleyball Teams

2000 AVCA All-America Teams

First Team
- Tracy Ankeny OH Nebraska-Omaha
- Rose Ebnet OH South Dakota State
- Susy Garbeletti MB Hawaii Pacific
- Jamie Lievefeld OH Cal State-San Bernardino
- Nikki Masty OH Nebraska-Omaha
- Kari Peterson S Augustana (S.D.)
- Debbie Sant'Anna OH Hawaii Pacific
- Linda Saucedo MB Cal State-Los Angeles
- Shauna Sturm MB South Dakota State
- Nia Tuitele S Hawaii Pacific
- Kathy Vis MB Grand Valley St. (Mich.)
- Lindsay Voss OH Augustana (S.D.)

Second Team
- Renee Faubion MB Regis (Colo.)
- Lori Fossum MB Augustana (S.D.)
- Kam Gillispie OH Tampa (Fla.)
- Amy Gruszynski S Northwood (Mich.)
- Kasey Jungwirth OH Cal State-Los Angeles
- Kristy Kale S Grand Valley St. (Mich.)
- Kim Morohunfola MB Cal State-San Bernardino
- Ania Ruiz OH North Alabama
- Sara Stewart OH Florida Southern
- Shannon Stroud OH West Texas A&M
- Amy Wade OH Cal State-Bakersfield

2000 Daktronics All-America Teams

First Team
- Kari Peterson S Augustana (S.D.)
- Susy Sant'Anna OH Hawaii Pacific
- Rose Ebnet OH South Dakota State
- Debbie Sant'Anna OH Hawaii Pacific
- Andreea Catoranu MB Pace (N.Y.)
- Kristy Jacovetta DS Western State (Colo.)

Second Team
- Nia Tuitele S Hawaii Pacific
- Tracy Ankeny OH Nebraska-Omaha
- Shannon Stroud OH West Texas A&M
- Lori Fossum OH Augustana (S.D.)
- Kathy Vis OH Grand Valley St. (Mich.)
- Kristi Lezchuk DS Hawaii Pacific

Third Team
- Ashley Moffitt S North Alabama
- Nesrin Seckin OH North Alabama
- Amy Wade OH Cal State-Bakersfield
- Ellen LaFiore MB Alabama-Huntsville
- Shauna Sturm MB South Dakota State
- Darthy Zimmerman DS North Dakota State

JACKRABBIT ALL-AMERICANS
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2000 NCC STANDINGS

SCHOOL (OVERALL RECORD) NCC RECORD
Augustana (30-4) .................................15-3
South Dakota State (29-4) .......................15-3
Nebraska-Omaha (28-4) .........................15-3
Northern Colorado (25-8) .......................14-4
North Dakota State (21-13) .....................11-7
Morningide (16-16) ..............................7-11
North Dakota (16-18) ............................5-13
Minnesota State, Mankato (10-22) ..........3-15
St. Cloud State (7-21) ...........................3-15
South Dakota (10-25) ............................2-16

ALL-NORTH CENTRAL CONFERENCE TEAM
PLAYER POS. YEAR SCHOOL
Tracy Ankeny*** OH Sr. Neb.-Omaha
Monica Caspar OH Sr. Morningside
Erin Deffenbaugh MB Fr. No. Colorado
Rose Ebnet** OH Sr. SDSU
Heather Evans MB/OH Jr. N. Dakota St.
Lori Fossum** MB Sr. Augustana
Teale Goble OH So. No. Colorado
Nikki Mastny* OH Jr. Neb.-Omaha
Krista Niezwaag MB Sr. Neb.-Omaha
Kari Peterson* S Jr. Augustana
Katy Peterson OH Sr. Augustana
Angie Rime S So. SDSU
Rachael Schmieg OH Jr. N. Dakota St.
Shauna Sturm* MB Jr. SDSU
Lindsay Voss*** S Sr. Augustana
* Repeat selection
** Three-time selection
*** Four-time selection

PLAYER OF THE YEAR — Rose Ebnet, SDSU
COACH OF THE YEAR — Mary Byrne, SDSU
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR — Erin Deffenbaugh, UNC
DEF. SPECIALIST OF THE YEAR — Darthy Zimmerman, NDSU

HONORABLE MENTION — Augustana: Sara Larson; Minnesota State, Mankato: Jen Jacobs; North Dakota: Kristal Guyda; Northern Colorado: Linnea Kilsgaard; St. Cloud State: Katie Larsen, Melissa Wright; South Dakota: Sarah Vollertsen.

ALL-NCC ACADEMIC TEAM
PLAYER GPA YEAR SCHOOL
Tracy Ankeny* 3.36 Sr. Neb.-Omaha
Laura Birk 4.00 So. North Dakota
Grethe Bornhoft 3.82 Jr. SDSU
Rose Ebnet 3.48 Sr. SDSU
Lori Fossum 3.22 Sr. Augustana
Teale Goble 4.00 So. No. Colorado
Kelly Gordon 3.90 Jr. North Dakota
Julie McBroom* 3.61 Sr. Morningside
Krista Niezwaag** 3.79 Sr. Neb.-Omaha
Shauna Sturm 3.62 Jr. SDSU

* Repeat selection
** Three-time selection

HONORABLE MENTION — Augustana: Jenny Ganahl, Kari Peterson, Katie Peterson; Morningside: Brenna Larson, Allison Bjorkman; North Dakota: Kate Calhill, Kelly Johnson; North Dakota State: Kelley Baker, Alanna Hetland, Pam Osterfeld, Rachael Schmieg, Darthy Zimmerman; St. Cloud State: Heidi Vogt, Becky Wiesler, Melissa Wright; South Dakota: Angie Bjorkman.

2000 CONFERENCE TEAM LEADERS

Hitting Percentage

TEAM PCT. TEAM PCT.
Augustana .280 South Dakota State .253
South Dakota State .253 Nebraska-Omaha .198
Northern Colorado .248 Augustana .186
Nebraska-Omaha .234 North Dakota .182
Morningside .206 North Dakota State .153
South Dakota .193 Northern Colorado .148
St. Cloud State .192 Minnesota State, Mankato .148
North Dakota State .189 Morningside .139
North Dakota .185 South Dakota .129
Minnesota State, Mankato .162 St. Cloud State .125

Kills

TEAM PER GAME TEAM PER GAME
Augustana 17.67 Northern Colorado 4.98
South Dakota State 16.98 South Dakota State 2.28
Northern Colorado 16.91 North Dakota State 2.18
Nebraska-Omaha 16.46 St. Cloud State 2.16
North Dakota State 15.62 Minnesota State, Mankato 2.09
St. Cloud State 15.09 Augustana 1.95
South Dakota 14.09 North Dakota State 1.81
St. Cloud State 13.00 Nebraska-Omaha 1.79
Minnesota State, Mankato 12.54 North Dakota 1.74

Assists

TEAM PER GAME TEAM PER GAME
Augustana 1.53 Northern Colorado 2.56
North Dakota State 1.52 South Dakota State 2.33
St. Cloud State 1.48 No. Colorado 2.18
Minnesota State, Mankato 1.39

2000 CONFERENCE TEAM LEADERS

2000 CONFERENCE INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Hitting Percentage

PLAYER/SCHOOL PCT. PLAYER/SCHOOL PCT.
Lori Fossum, Augustana .361 Tracy Ankeny, Neb.-Omaha .60
Shauna Sturm, SDSU .355 Katy Peterson, Augustana .50
Rose Ebnet, SDSU .345 Rose Ebnet, SDSU .48
Rachelle Forster, No. Colorado .299 Holly Welter, North Dakota .46
Krista Niezwaag, Neb.-Omaha .293 Allison Westergaard, Morningside .43
Erin Deffenbaugh, No. Colorado .283 Liz Archer, SDSU .40

Kills

PLAYER/SCHOOL PER GAME PLAYER/SCHOOL PER GAME
Rose Ebnet, SDSU 5.75 Kara Brady, No. Colorado 1.33
Erin Deffenbaugh, No. Colorado 5.70 Sarah Vollertsen, South Dakota 1.23
Tracy Ankeny, Neb.-Omaha 5.36 Rachelle Forster, No. Colorado 1.19
Lindsay Voss, Augustana 4.83 Laura Birk, North Dakota 1.16
Shauna Sturm, SDSU 4.77 Tara Boeve, Augustana 1.07
Nikki Mastny, Neb.-Omaha 4.41 Alanna Hetland, North Dakota State 1.05

Assists

PLAYER/SCHOOL PER GAME PLAYER/SCHOOL PER GAME
Lori Fossum, Augustana 14.49 Lindsay Voss, Augustana 4.41
Shauna Sturm, SDSU 14.17 Sara Larson, Augustana 4.32
Annie Rime, SDSU 13.58 Nikki Mastny, Neb.-Omaha 4.32
Breonna Larson, Morningside 11.73 Rose Ebnet, SDSU 4.27
Holly Welter, North Dakota 11.42 Erin Deffenbaugh, No. Colorado 4.11
Rachael Olson, St. Cloud State 10.76 Rachael Schmieg, North Dakota State 4.08
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA-OMAHA
at Omaha, Oct. 27

NICKNAME: Mavericks
LOCATION: Omaha, Neb.
ENROLLMENT: 13,000
ARENA: Sapp Fieldhouse (3,500)
HEAD COACH: Rose Shires (12th year)
PREVIEW: The Mavericks return three starters from last year’s team which reached the regional semifinals, but the health of some of the team’s key players is in question. All-American Nikki Mastny (4.06 kpg, 4.42 dpg) leads UNO, but may miss considerable time due to back surgery. Middle blocker Jewelia Grennan (2.44 kpg) also comes off an injury. If Mastny and crew are out of the lineup, UNO will look for immediate help from redshirt Cara Miller also return for UNC.

ST. CLOUD STATE UNIVERSITY
at Brookings, Nov. 9

NICKNAME: Huskies
LOCATION: St. Cloud, Minn.
ENROLLMENT: 15,000
ARENA: Halenbeck Hall (7,500)
HEAD COACH: Dianne Glowatzke (25th year)
PREVIEW: The Huskies will attempt to rebound from a disappointing 2000 season with a roster made up mostly of sophomores and first-year players. Senior Tanash Lawrence (2.74 kills, 1.00 blocks per game), a 6-foot-3 middle blocker, leads the returning Huskies.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA, MANKATO
at Brookings, Oct. 12
at Mankato, Nov. 10

NICKNAME: Mavericks
LOCATION: Mankato, Minn.
ENROLLMENT: 12,842
ARENA: Schellberg Gymnasium (700) or Taylor Center (4,000)
HEAD COACH: Doug Tully (fourth year)
PREVIEW: The Mavericks remain the youngest team in the league with no seniors and only two juniors on the roster. Setter Jennifer Blendermann (10 apg) and outside hitter Lindsay Childers (1.96 kpg) comprise the junior class, while sophomores Jen Jacobs (team-leading 3.3 kpg), Nichole Rose (2.23 kpg), Sarah DeMars (1.95 kpg) and Lisa Vandenberg (1.61 kpg) also return.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA
at Vermillion, Oct. 5
at Brookings, Nov. 3

NICKNAME: Coyotes
LOCATION: Vermillion, S.D.
ENROLLMENT: 7,349
ARENA: DakotaDome or Vermillion High School
HEAD COACH: Darin Weber (second year)
PREVIEW: The Coyotes made strides last year with their first conference victories after two consecutive winless NCC campaigns. Junior Amber Abrams (2.91 kpg, 2.28 dpg) leads the resurgence, along with sophomore setter Angela Golesh (8.97 apg). Right-side hitter Becky Olson (2.54 kpg) also returns, along with Nicole Johnson (1.88 kpg). A recruiting class of six will give the Coyotes added depth.

AUGUSTANA COLLEGE
at Brookings, Sept. 18
at Sioux Falls, Oct. 23

NICKNAME: Vikings
LOCATION: Sioux Falls, S.D.
ENROLLMENT: 1,750
ARENA: Elmen Center (4,000)
HEAD COACH: Kim Sudbeck Marcil (seventh year)
PREVIEW: The Vikings return three starters from last year’s team which reached the NCAA Division II championship match. Setter Kari Peterson, the AVCA Division II Player of the Year, leads the returning starters. She finished second in the nation in set action last year, and redshirt Lindsie Honsbruch is expected to contribute greatly in 2001.

MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE
at Sioux City, Oct. 6
at Brookings, Nov. 2

NICKNAME: Mustangs
LOCATION: Sioux City, Iowa
ENROLLMENT: 1,200
ARENA: Allee Gym (2,500)
HEAD COACH: Theresa Kathman-Trees (fourth year)
PREVIEW: The Mustangs return just two starters to a team which will be competing in its final year in the North Central Conference. Junior setter Brenna Larsen (11.92 apg) returns, as does junior Jennifer Gruber (2.41 kpg, .240 pct.). Top reserves include outside hitter Lori Van Meeteren (1.14 kpg, 3.23 dpg) and defensive specialist Jaclyn Weyand (1.62 dpg). Angie Hogue, who saw limited action last year, and redshirt Linda Delk (26th year)

HEAD COACH: Maria Bruggeman (fourth year)
PREVIEW: UND returns five starters as it continues to build its program. Junior middle blockers Kate Cahill (2.84 kpg, .85 bpg) and Laura Birk (2.64 kpg, 1.13 bpg) are joined on the outside by Josie Holmgren (4.28 apg) and junior outside hitter Sara Larson (335 kills, .312 pct.). Defensive specialist Carrie Leber also returns.

HEAD COACH: Linda Delk (26th year)
PREVIEW: The Vikings return three starters from last year’s team which reached the NCC title hunt with five starters returning from last year’s squad which reached the regional semifinals. Erin Deffenbaugh, the 2000 NCC Freshman of the Year, leads the Bears after averaging 4.18 kills per game. Junior Teale Goble returns to another outside position after averaging 4.18 kills per game. Setter Linnea Kiilsgaard (13.37 apg), defensive specialist Kelly Gordon (2.2 dpg) and middle hitter Cara Miller also return for UNC.

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### Jackrabbit 1,000-Kill Club

**Rose Ebnet** 1,724
- 2000 — 564 in 1,332 attacks
- 1999 — 464 in 1,182 attacks
- 1998 — 492 in 1,245 attacks
- 1997 — 204 in 583 attacks

**Merrilee Peterson-Rodel** 1,386
- 1997 — 429 in 1,135 attacks
- 1996 — 496 in 1,425 attacks
- 1995 — 320 in 881 attacks
- 1994 — 141 in 399 attacks

**Shannon Kalbfell** 1,206
- 1991 — 324 in 825 attacks
- 1990 — 384 in 992 attacks
- 1989 — 283 in 815 attacks
- 1988 — 215 in 652 attacks

**Shauna Sturm** 1,037
- 2000 — 485 in 1,021 attacks
- 1999 — 369 in 894 attacks
- 1998 — 183 in 496 attacks

**Wendy Windschitl** 1,510
- 1988 — 426 in 1,161 attacks
- 1987 — 511 in 1,216 attacks
- 1986 — 343 in 876 attacks
- 1985 — 230 in 674 attacks

**Roxie Rath** 1,230
- 1998 — 417 in 899 attacks
- 1997 — 341 in 836 attacks
- 1996 — 333 in 820 attacks
- 1995 — 139 in 366 attacks

**Lisa Freichels** 1,137
- 1993 — 233 in 689 attacks
- 1992 — 244 in 755 attacks
- 1990 — 409 in 1,072 attacks
- 1989 — 251 in 738 attacks

**Rounding Out The Top 10**
- 10. Taran Wendland (1984-87) 870

### SetAssists Leaders

2. Gail Ahlquist (1988-91) 3,774
4. Tasha Kryger (1985-88) 2,908
5. Angie Rime (1999-present) 2,646
6. Lisa Jacobson (1981-84) 1,436
7. Linda Fusco (1989-92) 994

### Hitting Percentage Leaders

1. Paula Burma (1982-84) .345
2. Shauna Sturm (1998-present) .304
3. Wendy Windschitl (1985-88) .282
4. Roxie Rath (1995-98) .278
5. April Swanson-Tordsen (1991-94) .275
   Julie Barber (1988) .271

Percentage based on minimum 600 attacks
### Solo Blocks Leaders

- **2. Sarah Sargent (1987-90)** 198
- **5. Roxie Rath (1995-98)** 119
- **7. Taran Wendland (1984-87)** 104

### Block Assists Leaders

- **1. Roxie Rath (1995-98)** 301
- **2. Liz Force (1996-1999)** 294
- **3. April Swanson-Tordsen (1991-94)** 275
- **4. Taran Wendland (1984-87)** 207
- **5. Lisa Jacobson (1981-84)** 193
- **7. Gwen Langford (1980-83)** 166

### Digs Leaders

- **1. Gail Ahlquist (1988-91)** 1,404
- **2. Lisa Freichels (1989-90, 92-93)** 1,360
- **3. Merridee Peterson-Rodel (1994-97)** 1,324
- **4. Rose Ebnet (1997-2000)** 1,316
- **5. Linda Fusco (1989-92)** 1,282
- **6. Arika Sanders (1994-97)** 1,051

### Service Aces Leaders

- **1. Gail Ahlquist (1988-91)** 203
- **5. Lisa Freichels (1989-90, 92-93)** 153
- **6. Taran Wendland (1984-87)** 145

### SDSU Individual Records

- **Kills**
  - **Match:** 37, by Merridee Peterson-Rodel, vs. St. Cloud State, 9-21-96
  - **Season:** 513, by Arika Sanders, 1997

- **Total Attacks**
  - **Match:** 93, by Merridee Peterson-Rodel, vs. St. Cloud State, 9-21-96
  - **Season:** 1,425, by Merridee Peterson-Rodel, 1996

- **Hitting Percentage**
  - **Match (10+ Att.):** .800, by April Swanson-Tordsen, vs. Mankato State, 1993
  - **Season:** .378, by Paula Burma, 1983

- **Service Aces**
  - **Match:** 9, by Julie Barber, vs. South Dakota, 10-19-89;
    and by Sue Nelson, vs. Mankato State, 11-7-86
  - **Season:** 72, by Sue Nelson, 1986

### Single-Match Team Records

- **Kills:** 107, vs. Northern State, 1989
- **Total Attacks:** 280, vs. Wayne State, 10-25-94
- **Hitting Percentage:** .595, vs. Western New Mexico, 8-28-98
- **Service Aces:** 20, vs. Missouri Western, 1993
- **Set Assists:** 91, vs. Northern State, 1989
- **Solo Blocks:** 20, vs. Dakota State, 1990
- **Block Assists:** 31, vs. Augustana, 1987
- **Digs:** 183, vs. Northern State, 1989

### NCC Records Held by SDSU Players

- **Kills (Match):** 37, by Merridee Peterson-Rodel, vs. St. Cloud State, 9-21-96
- **Kills (Career):** 1,019, by Rose Ebnet, 1997-2000
- **Attacks (Match):** 93, by Merridee Peterson-Rodel, vs. St. Cloud State, 9-21-96
- **Solo Blocks (Career):** 81, by April Swanson-Tordsen, 1991-94

Note: NCC career records based on conference matches only.
With more than 8,700 students enrolled in the fall of 2000, South Dakota State University is the state’s largest institution of higher education.

**EARLY HISTORY**

Located in Brookings, SDSU was authorized in 1881 by the Territorial Legislative Assembly and serves as the state’s land-grant institution. Territorial council member John O’Brien Scobey, failing to obtain the penitentiary for Brookings, managed to secure Dakota Agricultural College for his city.

Although allocations fell short of the actual cost, the school was able to open in the fall of 1884 because the president, George Lilley, was willing to advance $500 — one-third of his salary — to finish three rooms in the new Central Building. "Old Central" was soon joined by South (1885) and North (1887), forming the nucleus of campus for a decade and a half.

During the first year of operation, only preparatory classes were held. College classes started in 1885 with five teachers, 17 freshman and 61 preparatory students. Growth was slow and erratic for many years, but by the turn of the 20th century there were 242 students. By 1990 SDSU had an enrollment of more than 9,000 students. Nearly 50,000 degrees have been granted since the college was chartered in 1881.

**COLLEGES ESTABLISHED**

The structure of the college became more complex as enrollments increased. The first nine chairs of instruction established in 1884 included agriculture, science, mathematics, English, modern languages, military tactics, veterinary science, practical business, political and domestic economy, and music.

By 1907, the year the name of the institution was changed to South Dakota State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, there were 22 departments on campus. Reorganization into the five divisions which formed the basis for the designation of colleges was completed under President Charles W. Pugsley in 1923.

In 1964, when "State College" was renamed South Dakota State University, there were six colleges; today degrees are offered through these eight colleges: Agricultural and Biological Sciences, Arts and Science, Education and Counseling, Engineering, Family and Consumer Sciences, General Registration, Nursing, Pharmacy, Graduate School.

SDSU also offers degree programs through the Sioux Falls Center for Public Higher Education. Evening, RDTN, Internet and off-campus courses are coordinated through the Office of Academic Affairs and Outreach.

**SDSU BY THE NUMBERS**

In its 119-year history, South Dakota State has grown from a campus of 80 acres in 1881 to a 271-acre campus with facilities worth more than $220 million.

Recently, the Printing and Journalism Building — now named Anson and Ada May Yeager Hall — underwent a $2.1 million expansion and renovation project.

Other campus construction projects in progress include a $7 million expansion to Crothers Engineering Hall and a $9 million performing arts center.

The university owns or leases another 15,000 acres for research throughout the state.

More than 200 majors, minors and options are available with more than 2,500 different course offerings.

Master’s degrees are offered in more than 30 areas and doctorates are available in eight fields.

SDSU is accredited by the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and numerous departments on campus have earned accreditation from various agencies.

**AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH**

The university reaches all corners of the state through the Cooperative Extension Service and the Agricultural Experiment Station, offering service seeking to improve the quality of rural life. Also at SDSU are the Center for Innovation, Technology and Entrepreneurship; Engineering Experiment Station, Office of Remote Sensing; Water Resources Institute; Engineering and Environmental Research Center; Animal Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory; and Northern Grain Insect Research Laboratory.

These units help strengthen the university’s growing commitment to research and support of state and local economic development efforts.

The Northern Great Plains Biotress Laboratory, which was dedicated in 1993, houses scientists who focus on research aimed at developing new technologies to protect crops and livestock.
Supplementing classroom instruction are the Harding Distinguished Lecture Series, the F.O. Butler Lectures and the Amdahl, Schultz-Werth and Griffiths endowments. Guest lecturers this past year included longtime White House correspondent Helen Thomas and noted historian and author David Halberstam. Students may join more than 100 clubs and organizations active on campus.

MUSEUMS AND ATTRACTIONS

The educational opportunities don’t end in the classroom or laboratory as South Dakota State University is home to several facilities, including museums and gardens, which highlight South Dakota history and heritage.

The South Dakota Art Museum, which recently completed an expansion, was first envisioned by the South Dakota Federation of Women’s clubs in 1949, and dedicated in 1970. The museum’s collections include early Sioux Indian Tribal art, the famed Harvey Dunn paintings of pioneer life and the exclusive Vera Way Marghab linens.

The State Agricultural Heritage Museum transformed the former Stock Judging Pavilion into a home for exhibits that record and preserve the agrarian heritage of South Dakota.

The 70-acre McCrory Gardens and South Dakota Arboretum, located south and east of campus, provide a beautiful setting for area residents and tourists to enjoy a stroll through the radiant colors and fragrances of one of the top 10 small ornamental gardens in the nation. It is also recognized as an All-American Display Garden, one of only 13 in the nation.

In 1993 McCrory Gardens was designated an All-American Judging Garden to conduct research on annual flowers.

Since 1985, private contributions have made many new gardens possible including the Rose, Rock, Centennial Prairie, Iris, True Lily, Mum, Native Prairie Collection, Oak Tree Memorial Garden, All-Red Specialty Garden, Peony Garden, Shrub Rose Collection, and Children’s Maze. In August 1994, dedication ceremonies were held for the Mickelson Grove Memorial.

In 1982, the area north of the formal garden was dedicated to the planting and testing of ornamental trees and shrubs. The 45 acre site was designated the South Dakota State Arboretum in 1988.

The arboretum and gardens are managed by the SDSU Horticulture, Forestry, Landscape and Parks Department. More gardens and tree and shrub collections are being developed.

Perhaps South Dakota State’s most recognizable landmark is the 165-foot Coughlin Campanile, the state’s largest chimes tower. A climb of 179 steps leads to a panoramic view of the city.

The statuesque structure on the west end of campus was a $65,000 gift from 1909 engineering graduate Charles Coughlin, who later went on to become head of the Briggs & Stratton Corporation.

Coughlin laid the campanile’s cornerstone on June 10, 1929. Since then, its chimes have called students to classes with the famous Westminster peals. An alumni-sponsored project to restore the campanile was completed in the summer of 2001.

Adjacent to the campanile Coolidge-Sylvan Theatre has provided a restful, green haven for students since its dedication by President Calvin Coolidge in September 1927.

Over the years the outdoor amphitheater has been the site of concerts, graduations and inaugurations for university presidents.

Woodbine Cottage, the home of the university president, is a charming example of Queen Anne architecture. Built in 1887 by South Dakota Agricultural College’s second president, Dr. Lewis McLouth, the home is crowned by multiple roof lines.

The house also has served as a women’s dormitory, music hall and infirmary.

STATE’S LARGEST LIBRARY

The Hilton M. Briggs Library, the state’s largest, was opened in 1977 and joined South Dakota’s statewide automated library network in 1988. Through the library users have access to holdings from all 10 of the state’s libraries, including official documents and more than 1 million other holdings at Briggs.

THE BROOKINGS COMMUNITY

Today, Brookings is a growing community of about 16,000 people. Located 20 miles west of the Minnesota border and 50 miles north of Sioux Falls in east-central South Dakota, Brookings is situated at the intersection of U.S. Highway 14 and Interstate 29.

The community also is home to several recognizable companies including Rainbow Play Systems, Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing (3M), Larson Manufacturing, and Daktronics, a leading manufacturer of scoreboards and display systems.
2001 SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM


2001 SCHEDULE

Aug. 24-25
SDSU Burger King Classic
Aug. 24 vs. Northern State 4 p.m.
vs. Dakota Wesleyan 8 p.m.
Aug. 25 vs. Wayne State (Neb.) 4 p.m.
Sept. 1-2
at North Alabama Classic
Sept. 1 vs. Findlay (Ohio) 9:30 a.m.
vs. North Alabama 5 p.m.
Sept. 2 vs. Truman State (Mo.) 9:30 a.m.
vs. Alabama-Huntsville 7:30 p.m.
Sept. 7-8
at North Central Crossover
Sept. 7 vs. Winona State 2 p.m.
Sept. 8 vs. Minnesota-Morris 11 a.m.
vs. Minn. State, Moorhead 6 p.m.
Sept. 11 *at North Dakota 7 p.m.
Sept. 12 *Augustana 7 p.m.
Sept. 21 *Nebraska-Omaha 7 p.m.
Sept. 22 *Northern Colorado 7 p.m.
Sept. 28 *North Dakota 7 p.m.
Sept. 29 *North Dakota State 7 p.m.
Oct. 5 *at South Dakota 7 p.m.
Oct. 6 *at Morningside 7 p.m.
Oct. 10 *Southwest State 7 p.m.
Oct. 12 *Minn. State, Mankato 7 p.m.
Oct. 13 *St. Cloud State 7 p.m.
Oct. 16 *at North Dakota State 7 p.m.
Oct. 23 *at Augustana 7 p.m.
Oct. 26 *at Northern Colorado 8 p.m.
Oct. 27 *at Nebraska-Omaha 6 p.m.
Nov. 2 *Morningside 7 p.m.
Nov. 3 *South Dakota 7 p.m.
Nov. 9 *at St. Cloud State 7 p.m.
Nov. 10 *at Minn. State, Mankato 7 p.m.

* Denotes North Central Conference match
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