

# KW volleyball squad building upon success

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The records speak for themselves.  
28-11. 25-8. 25-11.

Yes, volleyball — Kansas Wesleyan style — has been a success the past three seasons under Tracy Rietzke's guidance. "We feel we've built up a pretty good program," said head coach Rietzke, who begins his fourth year at Wesleyan.



Rietzke

The Coyotes already have started their march toward another successful season, posting four victories in as many matches last week. And each of the victims — Mid-America Nazarene (twice), Park and Kansas Newman — fell in straight games.

"It's nice to get off to a good start," said Rietzke, whose club finished fourth in the Kansas Conference last year with a 13-5 record. "Wins build confidence."

The 1985 Coyotes blend experience and youth. Three starters — seniors Joedy Zimmerman and Cecilia Bieber along with junior Jenny Fessenden — return. Also in last week's starting lineup were Pam Troldi, a transfer from Nebraska Western Junior College, and freshman Lisa Lintz of Dallas.

"We're not real big at the net, but we've got some pretty smart players," Rietzke said. "At times, we've looked pretty good. The thing we've got to work on is becoming more consistent."

Salina junior Marilee Panna, who has been the backup setter the last two years, takes over the No. 1 position this fall. Junior Gwyn Gottschalk of Hill City also should get plenty of playing time.

"Your hitters are only as good as your setters," Rietzke said. "Marilee has experience and Gwyn is improving each game."

Six freshmen are on the Coyotes' roster, including Diane Dowell of Clyde who, Rietzke said, is KW's first substitute.

"With freshmen, you never know how soon they'll come around," Rietzke said. "But if they fit in well with our experienced people, we could have another good year."

Rietzke said, at this stage, he was pleased with his Coyotes, with only a few flaws needing to be ironed out.

"Basically, we need to refine some things — like blocking and defense — and shine up parts of our game," the Coyote coach said. "But they're working hard and they're coachable. That pleases me."

## Coyote roster

**SENIORS (2)**  
Cecilia Bieber, 5-7 hitter, North Platte, Neb.; Joedy Zimmerman, 5-4 hitter, Salina, Kan.

**JUNIORS (7)**  
Jenny Fessenden, 5-7 hitter, Arvada, Colo.; Angela Gaxiola, 5-7 hitter, Phoenix, Ariz.; Gwyn Gottschalk, 5-5 setter, Hill City, Kan.; Carle Olguin, 5-7 hitter, Denver, Colo.; Marilee Panna, 5-4 setter, Salina; Cheryl Rael, 5-1 setter, San Pablo, Colo.; Pam Troldi, 5-9 hitter, Dalton, Neb.

**FRESHMEN (6)**  
Dae Cornella, 5-5 hitter, Burlington, Colo.; Lora Davis, 5-5 hitter-setter, Newton; Diane Dowell, 5-9 hitter, Clyde; Michelle Gengler, 5-9 hitter, Beloit; Brenda Kosinski, 5-4 hitter-setter, Wray, Colo.; Lisa Lintz, 5-7 hitter, Dallas, Texas.

## Coyote schedule

**SEPTEMBER**  
17—at St. John's-Winfield; 20-21—at Nebraska Wesleyan Tournament; 25—at Hillsboro (Tabor, Bethel, St. Mary of the Plains).

**OCTOBER**  
1—HOME (Sterling, Bethany); 3—at Wichita (Friends, Ottawa); 8—HOME (St. John's Winfield, Marymount); 9—at Winfield (Southwestern, McPherson); 12—at Wichita (Kansas Newman, Oklahoma Baptist); 15—HOME (Bethel, Tabor, St. Mary of the Plains); 19—at Sterling (Sterling, Bethany); 22—HOME (Friends, Ottawa); 25—at McPherson (McPherson, Southwestern).

**NOVEMBER**  
8-9—NAIA District 10 Tournament at Emporia.

# Quinter passes test No.1

By TIM HOSTETTER  
Sports Writer

Quinter head football coach Bryan McKinney and his players had been looking forward to their meeting with Brewster since the game was contracted last year.

Why Brewster? Because they knew their game with the defending Liberty League champions would be an accurate measuring stick in determining their own quality. McKinney and his squad knew Brewster had quality personnel. (Brewster was rated No. 2 in The Salina Journal's Eight-Man II preseason poll.)

When the two teams meet Friday to open the season at Quinter, the home Bulldogs held off the visiting Bulldogs, 20-18.

"It was the type of game which didn't hurt either of us because it wasn't a district game. But, at the same time, because Brewster is a good team, playing them gave us a good idea just what kind of team we expect to have this season," said McKinney, who is starting his third year at Quinter. "The kids went in confident and we made sure they knew about Brewster's No. 1 ranking (in another poll)."

Brewster grabbed a 6-0 first-quarter lead on a 1-yard run by Lance Whittaker. The pace picked up in the second quarter as Quinter's junior quarterback Jason Johnson threw 17- and 19-yard touchdown passes to Doug Kaiser and Kip Deaton. Brian Beecher's 50-yard TD pass to Shawn Richards left Quinter in front, 14-12, at halftime.

Kevin Harvey gave Quinter a 20-12 lead in the third quarter by capping a sustained, ground-dominated drive with a 2-yard run.

The defenses muscled up until Beecher finally scored on a 1-yard run with just under two minutes left in the game. Quinter then stopped the two-point conversion to clinch the victory.

The win dropped Brewster to No. 5 in this week's Journal rankings and moved Quinter into the No. 4 spot.

Quinter was just 4-5 last year playing in the 11-man division of the Western Kansas Education Association (WKEA). The Bulldogs' drop to eight-man, McKinney said, will make a difference.

"We've had good talent here the last several years but, because of

## The Salina Journal's Prep Football Rankings

School	CLASS 6A	W-L
1. Lawrence (1)	.....	1-0
2. Manhattan (2)	.....	1-0
3. Shawnee Mission West (3)	.....	1-0
4. Olathe South (4)	.....	1-0
5. Emporia (5)	.....	1-0

  

School	CLASS 5A	W-L
1. Wichita Kapaun (1)	.....	1-0
2. Arkansas City (2)	.....	1-0
3. Wichita Carroll (4)	.....	1-0
4. KC-Ward (NR)	.....	1-0
5. Liberal (NR)	.....	1-0

  

School	CLASS 4A	W-L
1. Shawnee-Aquinas (1)	.....	1-0
2. Mulvane (4)	.....	1-0
3. Atchison-Maur Hill (5)	.....	1-0
4. Norton (NR)	.....	1-0
5. Clay Center (NR)	.....	1-0

  

School	CLASS 3A	W-L
1. Nemaha Valley (1)	.....	1-0
2. Silver Lake (3)	.....	1-0

  

School	CLASS 2-1A	W-L
1. Pittsburg-Colgan (1)	.....	1-0
2. Clarlin (2)	.....	1-0
3. Linn (3)	.....	1-0
4. Ashland (5)	.....	1-0
5. Meade (NR)	.....	1-0

  

School	EIGHT-MAN I	W-L
1. Almena-Northern Valley (1)	.....	1-0
2. Coldwater (2)	.....	1-0
3. Mankate (3)	.....	1-0
4. Rexford-Golden Plains (5)	.....	1-0
5. Cunningham (NR)	.....	1-0

  

School	EIGHT-MAN II	W-L
1. Denton-Midway (1)	.....	1-0
2. Tipton (3)	.....	1-0
3. Wakefield (4)	.....	1-0
4. Quinter (NR)	.....	1-0
5. Brewster (2)	.....	1-1

(Last week's ranking in parentheses).

injury problems, were always a few kids short to win the tough 11-man district games," McKinney said. "With 22 kids out this year, we needed the change. It has helped the kids' morale. This year, we can make replacements and we actually have people pushing each other for starting spots."

With nine seniors and three juniors on his squad, McKinney is confident of his team's chances at the eight-man level. District games with Golden Plains and Sharon Springs will be the Bulldogs' biggest obstacles.

For the second time in three years, Lucas-Luray defeated perennial eight-man power Quivira Heights. Last Friday at Bushton, the Cougars edged the fourth-ranked (Division I) Thunderbirds, 22-18.

"We were definitely happy to go down there and win, especially since we were short-handed," said Lucas-Luray head coach Mark Spears. "It was a toss-up. I felt we could play with them, but I think the kids were a little concerned because we were missing some kids and were breaking in a new quarterback."

Spears was without 230-pound lineman Wade Rose, who quit the team for personal reasons, and left another starter home for disciplinary reason. His new quarterback was sophomore Nolan Ward.

"Nolan did a good job for no more experience than he has," Spears said. "He still likes to get rid of the ball too fast but toward the end of last Friday's game, he did a better job. I think he's going to be all right."

Spears moved junior Craig Naylor from end to running back this season in an effort to boost his running game. Naylor, whose sure-hands caught 34 passes last season, responded productively with three TD runs and two two-point-conversion pass receptions.

Lucas-Luray reached the regionals of the state playoffs last season. Spears says this team can return.

"If we can avoid injuries and improve our running game, I think this team can be just as good as last year's (7-3)," Spears said. "Losing Rose hurts because he, along with (Toby) Dougherty, is one of the best linemen around."

Quinter replaced Copeland in the Eight-Man II rankings. Midway-Denton still is No. 1 after a 38-0 rout over Falls City, Neb.

Cunningham replaced Quivira Heights in the Eight-Man I rankings. Northern Valley, Coldwater and Mankato remain the top three teams.

There are no new No. 1s in the top four classes. Rossville replaced Plainville in the 3A top five after upsetting 4A Santa Fe Trail, 12-7. The loss dropped Santa Fe Trail from the rankings. Defending 5A state champ Paola also fell out of the 4A rankings after losing to Iola, 21-9. Norton and Clay Center are ranked fourth and fifth respectively this week.

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# Cougar VB features new coach, offense

By STEPHEN WHITE  
Sports Writer

With a new coach and a new offense, the attitude and fortunes of of Salina South volleyball could take a turn for the better this season, says first-year Cougar coach Anne Dennele.

"The girls are excited with a new coach and a new offense," said Dennele, who coached in Wyoming one year after graduating from Kansas State in 1984.

"I emphasize positive attitude — not that they had a negative attitude in the past, but I stress doing something fun at the end of every practice, something so that the girls go home feeling good about practice," Dennele said.

Under former coach Kathy Burkie, South made seven state tournament appearances in the 1970s and early '80s. But the last two years, the Cougars have struggled, finishing 3-17 last year. "We're not a real experienced team, but I think we'll do well.

Hopefully, we'll go to state and place and have a winning season," Dennele said. "But it's hard for me to tell how we're going to react in a match situation, coming in as a new coach."

The Cougars' first test comes tonight, when they travel to Great Bend for a triangular match.

"I think our unity, our teamwork, is going to be a real asset," Dennele said. "I'm really excited. We're working together really well. Nobody's trying to oust everybody for a position, and in volleyball teamwork is very important. It's not like basketball, where if you shoot a free throw and score a point, you've done it all yourself. In volleyball, you've got to have everyone working together, passing the ball and setting other people up."

South's starting setters tonight will be senior Koki Bantz and junior Tricia Nicolau. Bantz, who started some last year, is a co-captain and Nicolau has become a floor leader, according to Dennele.

## Cougar roster

**SENIORS (5)**  
Koki Bantz, 5-4, setter; Michelle Forney, 5-4, setter; Theresa Groszitch, 5-6, hitter; Jill Kimsey, 5-9, hitter; Vicky Termesden, 5-5, middle-hitter and setter.

**JUNIORS (9)**  
Lori Albin, 5-2, setter; Chris Armour, 5-10, middle-hitter; Tommy Glaske, 5-2, setter; RaShel Crough, 5-10, hitter; Tricia Nicolau, 5-5, setter; Amy Peterson, 5-6, hitter; Michelle Porter, 5-5, hitter; Diane Turner, 5-5, setter; Stephanie Wilcox, 5-8, middle-hitter.

**SOPHOMORES (9)**  
Traci Cole, 5-7, hitter; Melissa Haller, 5-6, hitter; Staci Krier, 5-6, setter-hitter; Laura Pierce, 5-3, setter; Jonna Varner, 5-6, hitter; Kelley Squires, 5-4, hitter; Pam Walshaar, 5-2, setter; Dusty Windler, 5-10, middle-hitter.

At the forefront of South's new 6-2 offense, which features three front-line spikers instead of two, are senior co-captain Jill Kimsey (5-9) and junior Chris Armour (5-10).

"We don't have a lot of height, but we have some good hitters," Dennele said. "Jill and Chris are good, consistent hitters."

Flanking middle-hitters Kimsey and Armour at the perimeter hitting positions are junior Stephanie

## Cougar schedule

**FRESHMAN (1)**  
Angie Meyer, 5-6, hitter.

**SEPTEMBER**  
17 — at Great Bend (Hays), 5 p.m.; 24 — at Newton (McPherson), 5 p.m.; 30 — at Southeast of Salina (Chapman), 5 p.m.

**OCTOBER**  
5 — at Newton Inv., 8 a.m.; 8 — HOME (Salina Central, Clay Center), 5:30 p.m.; 10 — at Salina Central (Sacred Heart), 6 p.m.; 12 — at Lawrence Inv., 10 a.m.; 15 — at Canton-Galva (Little River), 5 p.m.; 22 — at Junction City (Topeka High), 5 p.m.; 26 — at 170 League (Topeka West), 9 a.m.

**NOVEMBER**  
2 — Sub-state, TBA. 9 — State of Newton, TBA.

Wilcox and sophomore Staci Krier. And coming off the bench at strategic times will be senior Michelle Forney, juniors Michelle Porter and Diane Turner and sophomore Dusty Windler.

"We'll substitute more between games than during (games)," Dennele said. "Volleyball's a game of momentum. If you substitute more than three times in a match, it cuts your momentum in half."

## Shockers' Coleman ineligible first semester

WICHITA (AP) — Sophomore guard Cedric Coleman is academically ineligible for the first half of the Wichita State basketball season. The 6-foot-2 Coleman was declared ineligible because he failed to meet summer school require-

ments, said WSU head coach Gene Smithson.

Coleman will be allowed to practice with the team when drills begin Oct. 15 but will not be able to play in any games during the fall semester.

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