

# SENIORS



Lily Dahlstrom



Regan Kelley



Haley Griebel



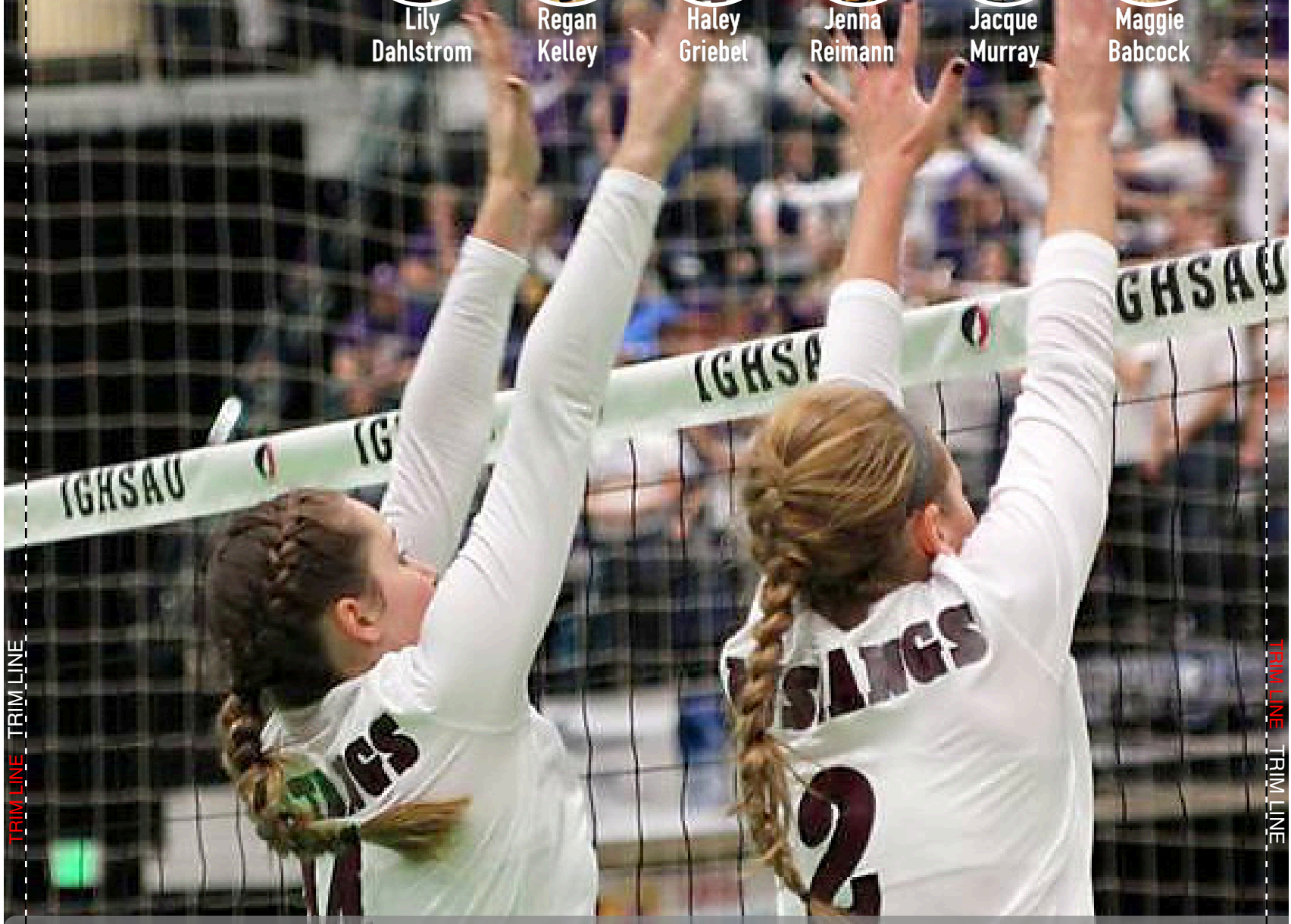
Jenna Reimann



Jacque Murray



Maggie Babcock

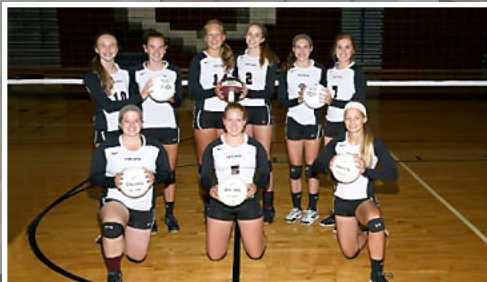


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**FRESHMAN VOLLEYBALL.** *Front Row:* S. Moss, M. Gross, P. Zaruba, S. White, M. Buck. *Back Row:* M. Steen, E. Brase, L. Behrens, A. Perry, L. Kalm, M. Houghtaling, R. Lochner, L. Cooper.



**SOPHOMORE VOLLEYBALL.** *Front Row:* G. McCollum, G. Pettinger, K. Elliott. *Back Row:* E. Brase, M. Cranston, K. Opperman, R. Light, A. Rhomberg, M. Griebel.



**VARSITY VOLLEYBALL.** *Front Row:* S. Hampton, K. Elliott, R. Kelley, G. Pettinger, N. Binsfield. *Second Row:* K. Shady, B. Darrow, J. Reimann, W. Vandersall, S. Meeker, L. Ryan, B. Sullivan. *Back Row:* Coach Willems, P. Pospisil, L. Dahlstrom, H. Griebel, R. Light, K. Wycoff, K. Volesky, C. Guillaume, C. Yeoman, Coach Viter-Pitlik.

90 Volleyball layout by Kelsey Shady and Grace Pelley

Juniors Wynne Vandersall and Katie Wycoff make a block against West Liberty in the semi-final round of the state tournament. The Mustangs went on to lose to West Liberty in three games. Photo by Kelsey Shady.

## What was your favorite part of the season?



"Probably when we were playing in the regional finals and Willems told me to calm down when I went back to serve. I was so excited!" - Jenna Reimann '16



"Bonding with my team. As a senior, all you want to do is spend as much time with your team as you can, because you don't want to leave them." - Regan Kelley '16



"My favorite memory from the season is when we won the regional final to go to state." - Katie Wycoff '17

# Serving Up a SUCCESSFUL SEASON

By Rachel Bell

"Stubborn and resilient." It's these words that Coach Maggie Willems uses to describe her team.

However, these same adjectives do well to describe the coach herself. In the heart of postseason, coach Willems' mother passed away, but Willems continued to lead her team all the way to state semifinals.

"It was an absolute blessing to be in the gym every day," said Willems. The volleyball girls acted as a support system for their coach and helped her through her loss. In return, Willems stayed strong for her team. "The girls really just don't miss a beat. They're always playing for one another," said Willems.

The volleyball players and coaches are held at a high standard by the community and are expected to be victorious week after week. But few know all that went into this season's

wins; the triumphs, the trials, and everything in between.

"I think the injuries obviously impacted the individuals who were injured in a negative way, but our team's attitude and resilience were affected in a positive way," said starter Wynne Vandersall. "We all learned to be versatile and confident in new roles."

"Being able to win every match in the qualifying round was a high point this season," said Willems.

Sitting on the bleachers, it's hard to understand exactly what a win means to the team. "Maybe the fans take wins for granted, but we sure don't," Willems said. "We use them to respond."

Through every triumph and hardship, every win and loss, the team stood strong making Mount Vernon proud.



1. Junior Libby Ryan passes the ball during their game against DeWitt on Sept. 22. 2. Junior Katie Wycoff serves the ball during the State Tournament. 3. Kaitlyn Volesky and Haley Griebel block the ball during their home game against Williamsburg. 4. Sophomore Grace Pettinger serves the ball during the state tournament game against West Liberty. 5. Sophomore Bailey Sullivan serves the ball during their game against DeWitt. 6. The Varsity Volleyball Team celebrates a point in a home game early in the season. 7. Junior Kaitlyn Volesky hits the ball during their home game against DeWitt. 8. Junior Wynne Vandersall jump serves the ball during the State Tournament game against West Liberty on Nov. 12.



## STATE SEMI-FINALISTS



## VOLLEYBALL

### Team Score

Williamsburg	3-0
Solon	3-0
Beckman	3-0
Anamosa	3-0
DeWitt	3-1
Maquoketa	3-0
W. Dubuque	0-3
W. Delaware	1-3

### State Tournament

CPU	3-1
West Liberty	0-3