

## MEET THE 2006 BULLDOGS/POSTSEASON HISTORY



### WHITNEY RUPP

**Coach Brandel-Wilhelm on Rupp:** "Whitney will give us increased depth at both the libero and defensive specialist spots. She's a good ball-control player and a spirited competitor, which will add to our program."

**High School:** A 2006 graduate of Mercy High School . . . Coached by Ed Moeller . . . All-Region selection . . . Attained both All-Southeast Michigan Catholic Conference and all-area accolades for third-straight year as a senior in 2005-06 . . . Named All-Catholic League Central Division (2005-06) . . . Third-team all-area honoree as a junior . . . Served as a team captain for the Marlins . . . Led MHS to its third consecutive district championship as a senior . . . Team advanced to regional play in 2005-06 . . . **Club Team:** Played USA Volleyball (USAV) for both the Michigan Elite and Oakland Juniors club-level teams . . . **Personal:** Daughter of John Rupp and Denise Osgood . . . Born 8/14/88 in Commerce, Mich. . . Majoring in applied biology . . . Was active in MHS' Science Club and S.A.D.D. programs . . . Father is employed as an assistant director of health and safety while her mother is a union international representative . . . Was a prep teammate of fellow FSU freshman Meredith Doyle.

**13**  
5-8 ♦ Freshman  
Libero  
West Bloomfield,  
Mich./Mercy



### DANA RUTTLE

**Coach Brandel-Wilhelm on Ruttle:** "Dana's a utility type of player with the ability to play several roles. She's a solid all-around player who'll compete for playing time and help us reach towards our goals."

**High School:** A 2006 graduate of Reed City High School . . . Garnered Big Rapids Pioneer Player of the Year honors following her junior season in 2004-05 . . . Three-time all-conference player . . . Served as team captain . . . Four-year letterwinner . . . Helped guide the Coyotes to a district championship during her volleyball career . . . Also participated in basketball and was a two-time honorable mention all-state player . . . Earned Basketball Coaches Association of Michigan (BCAM) Fifth-Team All-State honors . . . Competed in varsity softball at RCHS . . . Two-time all-conference and all-district softball pick . . . **Personal:** Daughter of Scott and Lisa Ruttle of Reed City, Mich. . . Born 5/7/87 in Ludington, Mich. . . Enjoys sports, shopping and spending time with friends . . . Mother is employed as an adoption specialist while her father works in sales . . . Majoring in elementary education . . . Has a younger sister, Alison.

**4**  
5-7 ♦ Freshman  
Setter  
Reed City, Mich.

## YEAR-BY-YEAR NCAA TOURNAMENT RESULTS

YEAR	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	GAME RESULTS	NCAA ROUND	SITE
2005	Southern Ill.-Edwardsville	L	0-3	23-30, 24-30, 21-30	Regional Quarterfinal	Allendale, Mich.
2004	Southern Indiana	L	2-3	30-22, 22-30, 30-24, 24-30, 10-15	Regional Quarterfinal	Allendale, Mich.
2002	Wheeling Jesuit	L	2-3	30-26, 30-24, 30-32, 28-30, 13-15	Regional Quarterfinal	Allendale, Mich.
1999	Northern Kentucky	L	1-3	15-13, 3-15, 9-15, 11-15	Regional Semifinal	Highland Heights, Ky.
1992	Northern Michigan	L	0-3	10-15, 6-15, 6-15	Regional Final	Marquette, Mich.
	New Haven	W	3-1	13-15, 16-14, 15-9, 15-7	Regional Semifinal	Marquette, Mich.
1990	Mankato State	L	2-3	8-15, 15-10, 15-12, 17-19, 12-15	Regional Final	Fargo, N.D.
1989	Sacramento State	L	0-3	7-15, 17-19, 8-15	National Quarterfinal	Bakersfield, Calif.
	Gannon	W	3-0	15-12, 16-14, 15-7	Regional Final	Big Rapids, Mich.
1987	California St.-Northridge	L	1-3	4-15, 15-11, 4-15, 3-15	Third-Place Match	Omaha, Neb.
	Nebraska-Omaha	L	2-3	15-11, 15-11, 6-15, 4-15, 14-16	National Semifinal	Omaha, Neb.
	North Dakota State	W	3-2	11-15, 16-14, 8-15, 15-12, 15-10	Regional Final	Big Rapids, Mich.
	Wayne State	W	3-1	17-15, 9-15, 15-9, 15-5	Regional Semifinal	Big Rapids, Mich.
1986	Grand Valley State	L	1-3	12-15, 15-8, 10-15, 7-15	Regional Semifinal	Allendale, Mich.
1985	New Haven	L	0-3	13-15, 12-15, 10-15	Regional Semifinal	Omaha, Neb.
1984	Sam Houston State	L	1-3	12-15, 15-6, 3-15, 6-15	Regional Final	Lakeland, Fla.
	Tampa	W	3-2	15-9, 11-15, 15-13, 8-15, 15-5	Regional Semifinal	Lakeland, Fla.
1983	Nebraska-Omaha	L	1-3	9-15, 16-14, 17-19, 2-15	Regional Final	Omaha, Neb.
	Wright State	W	3-0	15-11, 15-2, 15-5	Regional Semifinal	Omaha, Neb.
1982	California-St.-Sacramento	L	0-3	11-15, 6-15, 13-15	Regional Final	Big Rapids, Mich.
	Nebraska-Omaha	W	3-1	4-15, 15-13, 15-9, 15-11	Regional Semifinal	Big Rapids, Mich.

## YEAR-BY-YEAR GLIAC TOURNAMENT RESULTS

**Overall Record: 9-7, Eight Appearances**

YEAR	DATE	VENUE	RESULT	SCORE	VENUE	DATE	RESULT	SCORE		
2005	Nov. 9	GVSU Fieldhouse Arena (Allendale, Mich.)	Lost to Grand Valley State (Quarterfinals)	0-3	Kellogg Arena (Battle Creek, Mich.)	Nov. 9	Def. Mercyhurst (Quarterfinals)	3-1		
							Def. Michigan Tech (Semifinals)	3-2		
							Lost to Northwood (Finals)	0-3		
2004	Nov. 10, 13-14	GVSU Fieldhouse Arena (Allendale, Mich.)	Def. Grand Valley State (Finals)	3-0	Kellogg Arena (Battle Creek, Mich.)	Nov. 11-13	Lost to Hillsdale (Quarterfinals)	2-3		
			Def. Ashland (Semifinals)	3-1			1999	Nov. 11-13	Def. Hillsdale (Quarterfinals)	3-0
			Def. Northern Michigan (Quarterfinals)	3-1					Def. Northern Michigan (Semifinals)	3-2
2003	Nov. 13-15	Kellogg Arena (Battle Creek, Mich.)	Lost to Gannon (Quarterfinals)	2-3	Kellogg Arena (Battle Creek, Mich.)	Nov. 12-14	Lost to Northwood (Finals)	0-3		
							1998	Nov. 12-14	Def. Gannon (Quarterfinals)	3-0
2002	Nov. 14-16	GVSU Fieldhouse Arena (Allendale, Mich.)	Lost to Gannon (Quarterfinals)	2-3	Kellogg Arena (Battle Creek, Mich.)	Nov. 12-14			Def. Northwood (Semifinals)	3-0
							Lost to Northern Michigan (Finals)	0-3		
2001	Nov. 8-10									