

# 2008 FLORIDA STATE VOLLEYBALL

OFF THE COURT





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## COURT TALK

### LAUREN YOUNG ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A SEMINOLE

"It means everything. To be able to carry on the tradition and wear garnet and gold is amazing. To see the looks on people's faces when I tell them I go to Florida State is priceless!"



### BRIANNA BARRY ON WHAT COACH POOLE BRINGS TO THE PROGRAM

"I think he will bring a new attitude to our program and lead us to championships."

### ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A SEMINOLE

"Growing up around FSU I learned to love everything about the school. Being part of the tradition of being a Seminole has been nothing but rewarding for me. The words that come to my mind when I think of FSU are pride, tradition and family."

### ON WHO WILL BE THE TEAM LEADERS IN 2008

"I believe that Ashlee [Moon] will because she leads the team by example and shows her true spirit in everything she does and myself because I am someone who looks out for everyone on the team and makes sure we stay strong together."



### NIKKI BAKER ON WHAT COACH POOLE BRINGS TO THE PROGRAM

"I think he has a lot of experience winning and will bring what it takes to keep winning."





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### JORDANA PRICE ON WHAT COACH POOLE BRINGS TO THE PROGRAM

“He brings a chance for everyone to provide their best ability at the most crucial time and an understanding that each role is just as important as the next.”



### STEPHANIE NEVILLE ON THE TEAM'S EXPECTATIONS

“I think I speak for everyone when I say that our expectations for 2008 are very high. I expect us to be the biggest threat in the ACC and finish first in our conference. This season should be a lot of fun!”

### ON WHAT COACH POOLE BRINGS TO THE PROGRAM

“Not only is Coach Poole going to bring a great deal of wisdom and experience to our program, I think he is also going to introduce a much needed sense of calm to the gym. He has a natural ability to exude confidence and confidence is contagious. This will give us the faith we need to succeed.”

### ON WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A SEMINOLE

“Being a Florida State Seminole means always striving for excellence, it means backing up your teammates no matter what. It means taking matters into your own hands and never quitting until the job is done and done well.”

### ON WHO WILL BE THE TEAM LEADER IN 2008

“I think our setter Nikki Baker will take on the biggest leadership role. As the quarterback on the volleyball court, she will have to demand respect and excellence from every player on the court in order to be successful this year.”



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## 2007 BANQUET

TEAM MVP: ..... Summer Weissing  
COACHES' AWARD: ..... Stephanie Neville  
ACADEMIC AWARD: ..... Brianna Barry







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## SEMINOLE VOLLEYBALL

### FAVORITE SPORTS-THEMED MOVIE

Nikki Baker ..... Remember the Titans  
 Brianna Barry ..... A League of Their Own  
 Mira Djuric ..... Remember the Titans  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Remember the Titans  
 Drew Dudley ..... Miracle & The Replacements  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Rudy  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Remember the Titans  
 Stephanie Neville ..... A League of Their Own  
 Abby Niekamp ..... The Replacements  
 Jordana Price ..... n/a  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Miracle  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Remember the Titans  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Longest Yard  
 Lauren Young ..... Love and Basketball  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Dodgeball

### GAME SHOW I'D BE A CONTESTANT ON

Nikki Baker ..... Deal or No Deal  
 Brianna Barry ..... Don't Forget the Lyrics  
 Mira Djuric ..... American Gladiators  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... The Price is Right  
 Drew Dudley ..... The Price is Right  
 ..... (only with Bob Barker)  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Deal or No Deal  
 Rachael Morgan ..... I'd never go on a game show!  
 Stephanie Neville ..... The Price is Right  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Don't Forget the Lyrics  
 Jordana Price ..... Deal or No Deal  
 Lauren Richardson ..... American Gladiators  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Deal or No Deal  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Legends of the Hidden Temple  
 ..... or Global GUTS  
 Lauren Young ..... Double Dare  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Who Wants to be  
 ..... a Millionaire?

### WHAT'S ON YOUR IPOD?

Nikki Baker ..... A mix of everything  
 Brianna Barry ..... A mix of pop, rap and country  
 Mira Djuric ..... Hip hop, R&B and Serbian music  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... A little bit of everything  
 Drew Dudley ..... Workout songs, house music  
 ..... & rap  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Something country for sure!  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Move Shake Drop, DJ Laz  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Jack Johnson,  
 ..... Dashboard Confessional  
 Abby Niekamp ..... A lot of alternative and a mix of  
 ..... everything except country  
 Jordana Price ..... Flippin' Tuesdays - 80's Style  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Dave Matthews  
 ..... & Counting Crows  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Livin' on a Prayer!  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Pretty much the latest and  
 ..... greatest tunes  
 Lauren Young ..... Lil Wayne - The Carter 3  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Katy Perry's 'I Kiss a Girl'

### IF YOU COULD SEE ANY BAND (ALIVE OR DEAD) IN CONCERT, WHICH WOULD IT BE?

Nikki Baker ..... Led Zeppelin  
 Brianna Barry ..... Elvis  
 Mira Djuric ..... Bijelo Dugme  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... John Cougar Melloncamp  
 Drew Dudley ..... The Beach Boys,  
 ..... Jimmy Buffet, Nirvana  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Garth Brooks  
 Rachael Morgan ..... n/a  
 Stephanie Neville ..... The Beatles  
 Abby Niekamp ..... I love too many bands to pick  
 Jordana Price ..... Johnny Cash  
 Lauren Richardson ..... The Police  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Chris Brown, Usher, Madonna  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Dave Matthews Band, Matisyahu  
 Lauren Young ..... Rascal Flatts  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Poison

### FAVORITE TV SHOW?

Nikki Baker ..... South Park  
 Brianna Barry ..... Grey's Anatomy  
 Mira Djuric ..... Any one of the new crazy shows  
 ..... that come up on MTV. They are hilarious.  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... The Hills  
 Drew Dudley ..... Law & Order-Special Victims Unit  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Anything on ABC Family  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Prison Break  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Grey's Anatomy  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Gossip Girl  
 Jordana Price ..... Prison Break, 24,  
 ..... Grey's Anatomy  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Best Week/Year Ever  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Friends  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Will and Grace  
 Lauren Young ..... The First 48 and America's  
 ..... Next Top Model  
 Courtney Zuber ..... One Tree Hill

### FAVORITE BOOK?

Nikki Baker ..... Anything by Chick Palahnuk  
 Brianna Barry ..... "Get with it Girls...  
 ..... Life's a Competition"  
 Mira Djuric ..... I have a few. Majstor I Margarita  
 ..... and Red Tent are at the top of the list.  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Anything by Jodi Picoult  
 Drew Dudley ..... Personality Plus  
 Ashlee Moon ..... One Fish, Two Fish,  
 ..... Red Fish, Blue Fish  
 Rachael Morgan ..... The Bronze Horseman by  
 ..... Paullina Simmons  
 Stephanie Neville ..... A Tale of Two Cities/  
 ..... All of the Harry Potters  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Angels and Demons  
 Jordana Price ..... The Winner  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Pride and Prejudice  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Fahrenheit 451  
 Taylor Wilson ..... I don't read  
 Lauren Young ..... Fly Girl  
 Courtney Zuber ..... The Kite Runner

## FUN FACTS

### HOW DO YOU GET READY FOR A MATCH?

Nikki Baker —  
 Clear my mind in the locker room

Brianna Barry —  
 Listen to some pump-up music

Mira Djuric —  
 I sit somewhere by myself, focus on  
 nothing and play my selected songs that  
 I have only for games

Drew Dudley —  
 Dancing with loud music, pray

Ashlee Moon —  
**MUST** have straight hair and matching  
 headband

Rachael Morgan —  
 Listen to music

Stephanie Neville —  
 A combination of listening to energizing  
 music and visualization

Abby Niekamp —  
 I make sure I eat a good meal before;  
 spend a lot of time thinking about what  
 I need to get done on the court and  
 getting pumped up with the girls in the  
 locker room listening to music

Jordana Price —  
 Dance and sing

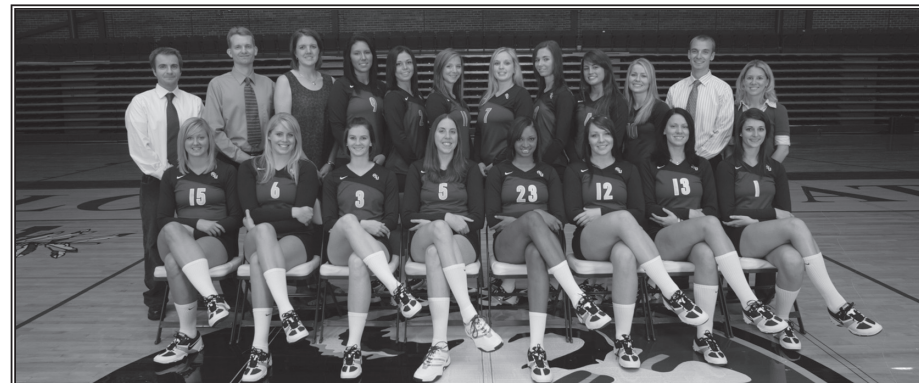
Lauren Richardson —  
 Listen to Music

Jenna Romanelli —  
 Listen to music, dance with the team,  
 mentally prepare

Taylor Wilson —  
 Listen to some good tunes and a few  
 swings out of the middle and I'm ready  
 for anyone

Lauren Young —  
 I listen to my favorite song and dance  
 around the locker room with my team

Courtney Zuber —  
 I usually listen to upbeat music to pump  
 myself up







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## FUN FACTS

### I CHOSE MY JERSEY NUMBER BECAUSE?

Nikki Baker (#8) ..... Cal Ripkin is number 8.  
 Brianna Barry (#5) ..... I wanted to be 10, but since it was taken I chose half of it  
 Mira Djuric (#13) ..... I'm trying to prove it's not a bad luck number...well maybe it is for our opponents!  
 Alliya Drzewiecki (#9) ..... It just kind of stuck with me  
 Drew Dudley (#2) ..... I didn't get the number I wanted (11)  
 Ashlee Moon (#7) ..... My birthday is July 7th  
 Rachael Morgan (#1) ..... I have always had the number.  
 Stephanie Neville (#6) ..... I randomly chose 6 in high school and I've worn it ever since.  
 Abby Niekamp (#15) ..... It was my high school number.  
 Jordana Price (#12) ..... I've played with the number 12 since seventh grade.  
 Lauren Richardson (#3) ..... It was given to me.  
 Jenna Romanelli (#10) ..... It was the only uniform that was small  
 Taylor Wilson (#4) ..... It was the coolest even number left  
 Lauren Young (#23) ..... What I wore in junior high and high school  
 Courtney Zuber (#11) ..... I've had the same one all through middle and high school. It's good luck!

### FAVORITE MAGAZINE?

Nikki Baker ..... Cosmo  
 Brianna Barry ..... US Weekly  
 Mira Djuric ..... Don't really read them  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Cosmo  
 Drew Dudley ..... Cosmo  
 Ashlee Moon ..... I don't read magazines  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Cosmo  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Cosmo  
 Abby Niekamp ..... US Weekly  
 Jordana Price ..... Oprah  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Shape  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... People  
 Taylor Wilson ..... US Weekly  
 Lauren Young ..... Cosmo  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Cosmo

### FSU SPORTING EVENT (OTHER THAT VOLLEYBALL) YOU ENJOY THE MOST?

Nikki Baker ..... Basketball  
 Brianna Barry ..... Tennis  
 Mira Djuric ..... Basketball  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... n/a  
 Drew Dudley ..... Football, Softball & Track (High Jump)  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Tennis  
 Rachael Morgan ..... n/a  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Football  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Football  
 Jordana Price ..... Basketball  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Baseball  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Football  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Soccer  
 Lauren Young ..... Football  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Football

### FAVORITE SPOT ON CAMPUS?

Nikki Baker ..... Landis  
 Brianna Barry ..... Landis Green  
 Mira Djuric ..... It has to be the Ogelsby Union  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Not sure yet!  
 Drew Dudley ..... Tully Gym  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Center Court  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Not sure yet!  
 Stephanie Neville ..... The Walkway by HCB and the Student Union  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Don't know yet  
 Jordana Price ..... Where the tree limb grows into the ground making a chair down from Bellamy  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Wescott  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Starbucks  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Starbucks  
 Lauren Young ..... The Union or Tully  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Starbucks



### FAVORITE CITY TO VISIT?

Nikki Baker ..... Boston  
 Brianna Barry ..... Seaside Park, New Jersey  
 Mira Djuric ..... I want to visit Paris, .....but I loved Barcelona. It's a beautiful place to see.  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Panama City  
 Drew Dudley ..... My hometown- Okemos, Mich.  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Las Vegas...for this year  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Wellington (New Zealand)  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Montego Bay, Jamaica and Boston  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Home in Ohio  
 Jordana Price ..... Marcola, Oregon  
 Lauren Richardson ..... St. Augustine  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... NYC or Boston  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Vegas  
 Lauren Young ..... Texas  
 Courtney Zuber ..... New York, New York

### OPPONENT MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO PLAYING THE YEAR?

Nikki Baker ..... Georgia Tech  
 Brianna Barry ..... Florida  
 Mira Djuric ..... Duke; even though I won't be playing. Im looking forward to it because I know that they are ..... not aware of how much heat we are going to bring.  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Georgia Tech  
 Drew Dudley ..... North Carolina  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Duke  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Florida - It is time for a win!  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Florida  
 Abby Niekamp ..... I don't know yet!  
 Jordana Price ..... Duke  
 Lauren Richardson ..... Duke  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Florida  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Florida  
 Lauren Young ..... Florida  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Florida

### FAVORITE QUOTE OR SAYING?

Nikki Baker ..... I don't think a day goes by that I don't say 'that's lame.'  
 Brianna Barry ..... "What doesn't kill you only makes you stronger."  
 Mira Djuric ..... "I'd rather die on my feet that live on my knees."  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... "Never take 'no' for an answer."  
 Drew Dudley ..... "Mind over matter- If you don't mind it, it doesn't matter."  
 Ashlee Moon ..... "Meeehhh..."  
 Rachael Morgan ..... "The day you take complete responsibility for yourself, the day you stop making excuses, ..... that's the day you start your move to the top."  
 Stephanie Neville ..... My dad would always tell me, "Stephanie, you can do anything if you put your mind to it".  
 Abby Niekamp ..... "Don't tell me the sky is the limit, there are footprints on the moon."  
 Jordana Price ..... "Here's to you, here's to my best friends. We'll always be but if by chance we disagree..."  
 Lauren Richardson ..... My team can finish!  
 Lauren Richardson ..... "I've heard there are troubles of more than one kind. Some come from ahead and some ..... come from behind. But I've brought a big bat; I'm all ready you see. .... Now my troubles are going to have troubles with me."  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... "Everything happens for a reason."  
 Taylor Wilson ..... "Everything happens for a reason."  
 Lauren Young ..... "Are you kidding me?"  
 Courtney Zuber ..... "Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you imagined."  
 ..... Henry David Thoreau

### WHAT ARE YOU MOST LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS SEASON?

Nikki Baker ..... Doing really well and competing for first in the ACC.  
 Brianna Barry ..... Road trips, bonding with the new girls and having a successful and fun season.  
 Mira Djuric ..... Getting my shoulder and knee back 100% and helping the team out as much as possible.  
 Alliya Drzewiecki ..... Growing personally and as a player.  
 Drew Dudley ..... Traveling.  
 Ashlee Moon ..... Playing my senior season with a team that I love!  
 Rachael Morgan ..... Learning a lot from the team and coaches and seeing different parts of the States.  
 Stephanie Neville ..... Having fun with my team and winning games.  
 Abby Niekamp ..... Playing with my new team and coaches.  
 Jordana Price ..... Competing for ACC Champs and making memories with my girls.  
 Lauren Richardson ..... A rematch with Duke.  
 Jenna Romanelli ..... Becoming ACC Champs and making it to the NCAA tournament.  
 Taylor Wilson ..... Winning!  
 Lauren Young ..... Beating the Gators and watching us grow as a team.  
 Courtney Zuber ..... Getting to the know the entire team and traveling.



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## RADIO/TV ROSTER



**1**  
**RACHAEL MORGAN**  
OH • 6-2 • Fr.  
Tauranga, New Zealand  
Otumoetai College



**2**  
**DREW DUDLEY**  
DS • 5-9 • Fr.  
Mason, Mich.  
Okemos



**3**  
**LAUREN RICHARDSON**  
OH • 6-0 • So.  
Ocala, Fla.  
St. John's Lutheran



**4**  
**TAYLOR WILSON**  
DS • 5-7 • So.  
Clearwater, Fla.  
Countryside



**5**  
**BRIANNA BARRY**  
MB • 6-3 • Jr.  
Winter Springs, Fla.  
Winter Springs



**6**  
**STEPHANIE NEVILLE**  
OH • 6-3 • So.  
Cambridge, Ontario  
Jacob Hespeler Secondary



**7**  
**ASHLEE MOON**  
L/DS • 5-7 • Sr.  
Murrieta, Calif.  
Orange Coast College



**8**  
**NIKKI BAKER**  
S • 5-9 • Jr.  
Findlay, Ohio  
Findlay



**9**  
**ALLIYA DRZEWIECKI**  
OH • 6-2 • Fr.  
Toledo, Ohio  
Saint Ursula Academy



**10**  
**JENNA ROMANELLI**  
DS • 5-4 • So.  
Lighthouse Point, Fla.  
Cardinal Gibbons



**11**  
**COURTNEY ZUBER**  
DS • 5-7 • Fr.  
Tallahassee, Fla.  
Leon



**12**  
**JORDANA PRICE**  
MB • 6-1 • So.  
Mountain Home, Idaho  
Southern Idaho



**13**  
**MIRA DJURIC**  
OH • 6-2 • R-Sr.  
Belgrade, Serbia  
Oregon



**15**  
**ABBY NIEKAMP**  
MB • 6-1 • Fr.  
Celina, Ohio  
Marion Local



**23**  
**LAUREN YOUNG**  
MB • 6-2 • Jr.  
Ben Wheeler, Texas  
Van



**CHRIS POOLE**  
Head Coach



**HOLLY WATTS**  
Associate Head Coach



**GOKHAN YILMAZ**  
Assistant Coach