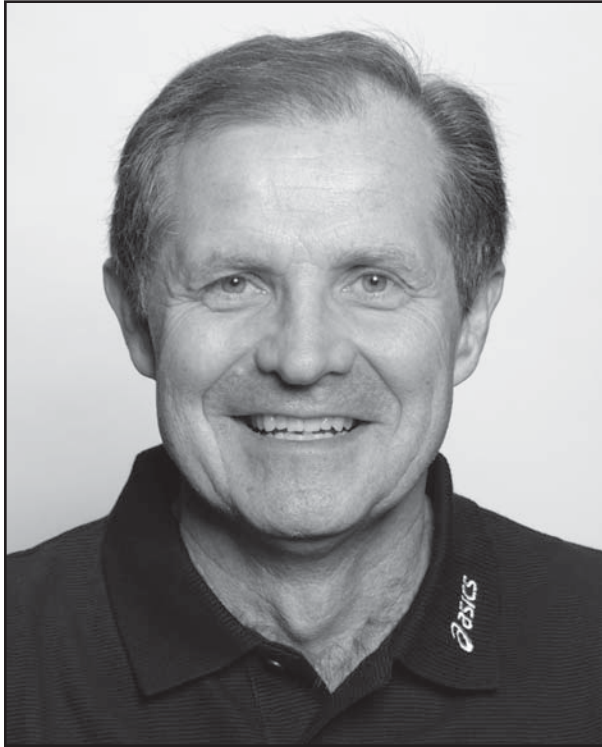




COACHES AND STAFF



Taras Liskevych

**HEAD COACH | FIFTH YEAR
LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, 1970**

Taras (“Terry”) Liskevych (Lis-KEHV-ich), former U.S. Olympic women’s head coach, will patrol the sidelines of Gill Coliseum for his fifth season as the head volleyball coach at Oregon State.

In 2005, Liskevych’s squad showed dramatic improvement, if not with its win-loss record, then certainly with its hustle and determination on the court. In his first season at the helm, Liskevych began the season with a group that included two starters and several role players that were required to step up their games. Through the ups and downs of learning the ins and outs of a new team, a new coaching staff and a new university, the Beavers came together to show improvement in all aspects of the game allowing Liskevych to evaluate the entire program, to determine his needs for the future, both on the court and off.

The 2006 season didn’t meet expectations in the win column but with his first recruiting class arriving on campus Liskevych did dramatically improve the athleticism and size in the program. Two rookies received Pac-10 All-Freshman Team honors.

The team took strides in 2007 upsetting a pair of highly ranked teams, including sweeping No. 10 Hawai’i on the road, which had never been done by an unranked team, and defeating No. 4 UCLA in Pauley Pavilion. A pair of players earned All-Pac-10 honors and Liskevych returned the majority of the team, looking for even more improvement in 2008 with his youthful squad.

And the Beavers did just that in 2008, tallying multiple milestones. The team broke into the AVCA Top 25 for the first time since 1996, reaching No. 24 after an upset of No. 4 USC and near upset of No. 5 UCLA in legendary Gill Coliseum. The Beavers’ 11-2 non-conference record was the best start since 1996, boasting a six-match winning streak — the longest since 2003. And Liskevych helped the program produce its first All-American and All-Region honoree.

Liskevych became the 10th volleyball coach in school history April 4, 2005, replacing Nancy Somera who left OSU after leading the Beavers for the previous six seasons.

A Chicago native who has lived in California for 30 years, Liskevych spent 12 years (1985-96) as the head coach of the USA National Women’s Volleyball Team. During his tenure with the National Team, the U.S. earned bronze medals at the 1992 Olympics and the 1990 World Championships. In 1995, Liskevych led his team to the gold medal at the World Grand Prix, and he was selected as the Federation of International Volleyball International





Coach of the Year. His teams also finished seventh at the 1988 and 1996 Olympics and fourth at the 1991 World Cup.

Lishevych is a 1970 graduate of Loyola University (Ill.) with a bachelor's degree in biology. He received his Master's of Science in Physical Education from George Williams College (Ill.) in 1973 and finished his doctorate in Physical Education at The Ohio State University in 1976.

Prior to his stint with USA Volleyball, Lishevych spent nine years as the head coach at the University of the Pacific from 1976-84. Lishevych led the Tigers to national prominence, finishing fourth in the country in his fourth season on the job. Pacific never again finished lower than fifth under Lishevych's leadership, including a second-place finish in 1980. The Tigers were undefeated NorCal Champions in 1979, 1980 and 1981, and Lishevych earned NorPac Coach of the Year honors in 1979, 1980, 1981 and 1983 and earned Pacific Coast Athletic Association's Coach of the Year in 1984. He also received the Collegiate Volleyball Coaches Association's National Coach of the Year award in 1983.

Lishevych spent two years (1972-73) as an assistant coach for the men's volleyball team at George Williams College before earning the first head coaching job of his career coaching the Ohio State men's team. Under his supervision from 1974-76, the Buckeyes were co-champions of the Midwest Intercollegiate Volleyball Association both of his seasons and he earned MIVA coach of the year both times.

Lishevych got his start in coaching women as an assistant for the USA Women's National Team at the Pan American Games in 1975.

Since 2003, Lishevych had been the owner and president of Total Sports, Inc., a sports marketing and consulting company. Prior to Total Sports, Lishevych was the president and co-founder of ARK Digital Technologies, Inc., which produced and marketed digital video systems and developed software solutions for sports. In addition, he has spent time as a consultant for the Australian national teams since 1995.

Lishevych and his wife, Nancy, have two children. Mark, who graduated from the University of Chicago in June 2008 and lives in Chicago, and Krista, a senior soccer player at the University of Wisconsin.



THE TARAS LISKEVYCH PROFILE

OREGON STATE

Season: Fifth

Date Hired: April 4, 2005

PERSONAL

Hometown: Chicago, Ill.

Family: Wife - Nancy

Son - Mark; Daughter - Krista

EDUCATION

B.S., Biology, Loyola (Ill.) University, 1970

M.S., Physical Education, George Williams (Ill.) College, 1973

PhD., Physical Education, The Ohio State, 1976

DIVISION I WOMEN'S COACHING CAREER

YEAR	SCHOOL	OVERALL	PCT.	CONF.	POST
1976	Pacific	17-8-1	.680	1st (NCAC)	—
1977	Pacific	12-10	.535	3rd (NorCal)	—
1978	Pacific	23-15	.605	3rd (NorCal)	—
1979	Pacific	39-10-2	.784	1st (NorCal)	4th (AIAW)
1980	Pacific	48-8	.857	1st (NorCal)	2nd (AIAW)
1981	Pacific	27-13	.675	1st (NorCal)	4th (NCAA)
1982	Pacific	32-8	.800	1st (NorPac)	5th (NCAA)
1983	Pacific	37-4	.903	1st (NorPac)	4th (NCAA)
1984	Pacific	32-8	.795	2nd (PCAA)	3rd (NCAA)
2005	Oregon State	11-13	.458	7th (Pac-10)	—
2006	Oregon State	3-24	.111	10th (Pac-10)	—
2007	Oregon State	10-20	.333	9th (Pac-10)	—
2008	Oregon State	14-17	.452	9th (Pac-10)	—

DIVISION I MEN'S COACHING CAREER

YEAR	SCHOOL	OVERALL	PCT.	CONF.	POST
1975	Ohio State	21-3	.875	1st (MIVA)	3rd (NCAA)
1976	Ohio State	24-4	.857	1st (MIVA)	3rd (NCAA)

WOMEN'S NATIONAL COACHING CAREER

YEAR	TEAM	OVERALL	PCT.	TOP FINISHES
1985	USA	25-20	.556	2nd NORCECA
1986	USA	24-33	.421	10th World Championships
1987	USA	26-34	.433	2nd NORCECA/3rd Pan Am
1988	USA	32-15	.681	7th Olympics
1989	USA	16-20	.444	3rd NORCECA
1990	USA	41-32	.562	3rd World Championships
1991	USA	38-22	.633	2nd NORCECA/4th World Cup
1992	USA	15-22	.405	3rd Olympics/3rd Super Four
1993	USA	15-27	.357	2nd NORCECA (zone)
1994	USA	25-20	.556	6th World Championships
1995	USA	57-16	.781	1st Grand Prix/7th World Cup
1996	USA	23-20	.535	7th Olympics/5th Grand Prix

ADDITIONAL COACHING EXPERIENCE

1972-93, George Williams College (Men's), Assistant Coach

HONORS

1979-81, 83, NorPac Coach of the Year

1983, CVCA National Coach of the Year

1984, Pacific Coast Athletic Association's Coach of the Year

1995, FIVB International Coach of the Year





Mark Barnard

**ASSOCIATE HEAD COACH | FIFTH YEAR
UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY, 1991**

Mark Barnard, the former head coach of the Australian Women's National Team, officially joined the Oregon State University volleyball staff on July 22, 2005.

He was promoted to Associate Head Coach in July 2008.

Barnard brings with him a long list of accomplishments within the volleyball community. Barnard has coached at the international level for over 11 years and has been the head coach of the Australian Women's National Team since 2001.

Barnard's responsibilities at Oregon State include overseeing and planning practices. He is also responsible for the setters and offense.

A native of Sydney, Australia, Barnard was an assistant for the National Team from 1997-00, including the Sydney Olympics. During that time Barnard also served as head coach of the women's national junior team (1999-2000) and women's national youth team (1997-99). In 2001 Barnard led the National Team of Australia to its first qualification to the World Championships in over 20 years. At its height, the Australian team was ranked No. 12 in the world.

Barnard, who broke into coaching at the high school level, coached at Westfields Sports High School from 1992-97. They won the National Championships in 1995-96 becoming the first school to ever achieve this honor. He also spent time coaching the National Junior Men's Team from 1994-97.

Barnard was no slouch on the court either, playing on the 1984 Australian Junior Men's Team and also played on New South Wales Junior Teams from 1982-87, three times winning the National Championships and was an All-Australian 12 selection.

Barnard is a 1991 graduate of the University of Sydney with a degree in Education and Science. Mark and his wife, Louise, have two children, Isabella, 8, and Alexander, 6.



Laura Benzing

**ASSISTANT COACH | FOURTH YEAR
BRADLEY UNIVERSITY, 2002**

Laura Benzing is in her fourth season at Oregon State having joined the volleyball program in August 2006. She begins her third season as assistant coach.

Benzing played in the German Bundesliga for four years before retiring and accepting the Director of Volleyball Operations position that she held for the Oregon State volleyball program in the 2006 season.

At Oregon State, Benzing is the recruiting coordinator, manages all team equipment and serves as a liaison between the team and the athletic department's academic services unit. Her on-court duties include working with the middle blockers and coaching individual defense.

Benzing played Division I volleyball at Bradley University earning All-Missouri Valley Conference honors three times as a middle hitter. She also earned MVC Scholar-Athlete first team honors three times and is a two-time Verizon District V Academic All-America first team member.

A native of Sparta, Wis., Benzing graduated magna cum laude from Bradley in 2002 with a Bachelor's of Science in pre-law. Benzing, who is fluent in German, also earned a Certificate in English Language Teaching to Adults (CELTA) from the University of Cambridge while overseas.





Nestor Iparraguirre

**VOLUNTEER ASSISTANT COACH | THIRD YEAR
OREGON STATE, 2001**

Nestor Iparraguirre is in his third season as part of the Oregon State volleyball program. Iparraguirre, who has over 11 years of coaching experience, joined the Beavers in July 2007. His coaching career has included stops at Southwestern Oregon Community College, the Corvallis Volleyball Club and nearby Philomath High School.

Originally from Lima, Peru, he brings an extensive knowledge of international volleyball to blend with his experience as a club and high school coach in the state of Oregon.

During his tenure at SWOCC, the Lakers finished among the top three teams in their division and qualified for the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges' conference tournament each season. On the other end of the spectrum, Iparraguirre also helped to develop the Corvallis VBC into a competitive squad and led PHS to the state's AAA playoffs in his first season.

Iparraguirre is a 2001 graduate of Oregon State with a degree in exercise and sports science. He continues to play the game with a competitive traveling team from Portland.



Cody March

**DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS | THIRD YEAR
OREGON STATE, 2007**

Cody March begins his first season as Director of Operations and third season as part of the Oregon State volleyball program. March previously served as the assistant director of operations during the 2008 season and team manager in 2007.

March's responsibilities with his new title will include all team logistics including team travel, management and supervision of the spring youth volleyball tournaments and supervision of all team managers.

In his first season, he coordinated film exchange and all video projects. Last season, he continued to coordinate film exchange, led home match operations, video projects and assisting with all travel planning.

Prior to his work with the volleyball program, March spent four seasons with the men's basketball team, where he was the head manager and film coordinator for his final two years.

March is from Monroe, Ore., and is a 2007 graduate of Oregon State with a degree in Exercise and Sport Science with an Applied Option and a minor in Business Administration.



Marie Zidek

**GRADUATE ASSISTANT | THIRD YEAR
NORTHERN ILLINOIS, 2006**

Marie Zidek begins on her third season as a graduate assistant to the Oregon State volleyball program.

Zidek is working toward a Master's degree in Exercise and Sports Science and will assist in practice, game management, logistics, track team academic schedules, coordinate community service planning and will serve as the team's "Volleyball 101" tutor.

Zidek, a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist through the NSCA (National Strength and Conditioning Association), spent five months in 2006 working in the High Performance Training Center of the Kuortane Sports Training Institute in Finland. At Kuortane, Zidek worked as a strength and conditioning coach and also as an assistant coach for the Finnish National Volleyball Federation's U-20 men's team. In addition, Zidek provided lectures on the basics of psychology of sport and participated in long term training designs for rehabilitation of injured athletes.

A native of Chicago, Zidek graduated from Northern Illinois with a Bachelor of Science in Kinesiology with an emphasis in preventative and rehabilitative exercise science in 2006. At NIU, Zidek also performed as a student-athlete for the Huskies' volleyball team where she earned Mid-American Conference All-Academic team honors and several other academic awards.

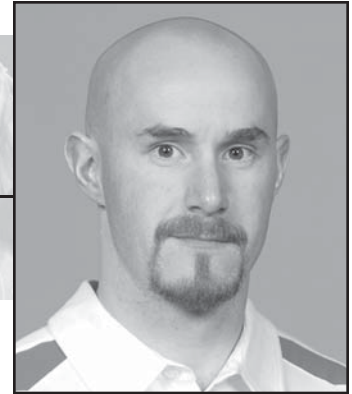
Brian Brooks

PUBLIC ADDRESS
NINTH YEAR



Bryan Miller

STRENGTH & CONDITIONING
SECOND YEAR



Katrina Grubert

ACADEMIC COUNSELOR
SIXTH YEAR



Ian Frost

MARKETING COORDINATOR
FIRST YEAR



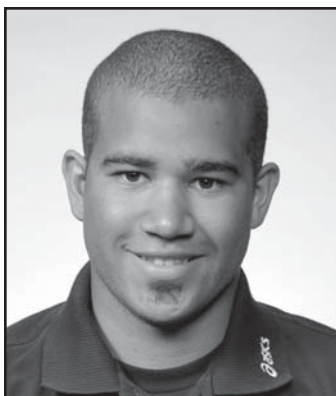
**Annie
McCauley-Toth**

ATHLETIC TRAINER
FIFTH YEAR



**Melody
Stockwell**

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS
THIRD YEAR



Brendan Brucker
MANAGER
SECOND YEAR



Matt Jackson
MANAGER
FIRST YEAR



Kiley Woods
MANAGER
THIRD YEAR





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