

# 2004 CALIFORNIA VOLLEYBALL

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## THE BEAR FACTS

Location ..... Berkeley, CA 94720  
 Founded ..... 1868  
 Enrollment ..... 32,000  
 Nickname ..... Golden Bears  
 Colors ..... Blue and Gold  
 Conference ..... Pacific-10  
 Chancellor ..... Robert Birgeneau  
 Athletic Director ..... Steve Gladstone  
 Arena/Capacity ..... Haas Pavilion/11,877  
 Press Row Phone ..... (510) 642-3098  
 2003 Overall Record ..... 25-7  
 2003 Pac-10 Record/Place ..... 12-6/3rd tie  
 Starters Returning/Lost ..... 6/0  
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost ..... 11/7

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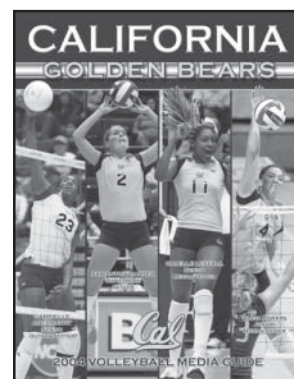
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## 2004 CALIFORNIA NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos	Ht	Yr	Exp	Hometown/Previous School
1	Jillian Davis	L	5-9	SO	1V	La Canada, CA/Flintridge Sacred Heart HS
2	Samantha Carter	S	6-0	SO	1V	Orlando, FL/Bishop Moore HS
4	Alicia Powers	MH	6-2	JR	2V	Clayton, CA/Carondelet HS
5	Amanda Fox	OH	6-4	SO	1V	Forestville, CA/El Molino HS
6	Angie Pressey	OH	5-8	FR	HS	Heathrow, FL/Lake Mary HS
7	Jenna Brown	OH	5-11	JR	2V	Friendswood, TX/Clear Brook HS
8	Am'ra Solomon	OH	6-1	FR	HS	Los Angeles, CA/St. Bernard HS
9	Meredith Hasson	S	5-11	SO	TR	Austin, TX/San Diego State
10	Mia Jerkov	OH	6-4	SR	3V	Split, Croatia/HS of Language-Pula
11	Camille Leffall	MH	6-1	SR	3V	Upland, CA/Upland HS
12	Ellen Orchard	MH	6-2	FR	HS	Houston, TX/Cypress Springs HS
13	Natalie Smart	MH	6-3	SO	1V	Las Vegas, NV/Durango HS
14	Natasha Nguyen	OH	6-0	JR	1V	El Segundo, CA/Georgetown
15	Vivian Cheung	DS	5-1	FR	HS	San Francisco, CA/St. Ignatius HS
16	Julie Fouts	S	5-9	FR	HS	San Carlos, CA/Carlmont HS
18	Allie Costa	MH	6-2	FR	HS	Encino, CA/The Buckley School
23	Gabrielle Abernathy	OH	5-11	SR	3V	Antioch, CA/Deer Valley HS
33	Alexis Kollias	DS	5-8	JR	2V	Castro Valley, CA/Castro Valley HS

**Head Coach:**  
 Rich Feller (Sixth year)  
**Associate Head Coach:**  
 Lee Maes  
**Assistant Coach:**  
 Chris Bigelow  
**Volunteer Assistant:**  
 Ernesto Cazares  
**Managers:**  
 Catherine Go, Crystal Yang

## PRONUNCIATION

Ernesto Cazares ..... KA-CZAR-us  
 Lee Maes ..... MAYS  
 10 Mia Jerkov ..... YAIR-cove  
 33 Alexis Kollias ..... CO-LIE-us  
 11 Camille Leffall ..... LA-FALL  
 14 Natasha Nguyen ..... NEW-WIN

# 2004 SEASON OUTLOOK

As good as the California volleyball team was in 2003, the Golden Bears fully expect to be better in 2004.

Seeing the talent No. 10-ranked Cal has to offer, it is easy to understand why Rich Feller's squad believes it can exceed last season's NCAA finish. The Bears could possibly return all six starters, plus their top libero, from a 2003 team that went 25-7 and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16—further than any other team in school history—before bowing out to Georgia Tech at the Hawaii Regional in Honolulu.

"Looking at this 2004 team, I can comfortably say it is the best collegiate team I have ever coached," said Feller, who guided Colorado State to eight NCAA appearances from 1983-96 before leading Cal to postseason appearances in each of the last two years. "We are athletic and big. We have talented athletes at every position, giving us the depth to compete with the best teams in the country. We have starters returning at every position, and our incoming freshmen are as athletic as any group we have ever had. With hard work, I expect this year's team to exceed last year's accomplishments."

The Bears feature one of the premier players in the country in senior outside hitter Mia Jerkov, a 6-4 Croatian standout who is waiting on a decision from the NCAA concerning her eligibility for the 2004 season. Jerkov played for the Croatian National Team this past spring in hopes for a berth in the 2004 Olympic Games in Greece. As part of her training, she was sent by the Croatian Federation to play matches with professional volleyball players from Russia.

Jerkov is a legitimate National Player of the Year candidate and arguably the greatest volleyball player in Cal history. A two-time All-America, All-Pacific Region and All-Pac-10 selection, she has recorded 30 or more kills in a match 14 times and is the school record holder for single-season kills (701) and points (785.5). Jerkov has been AVCA Division I National Player of the Week twice, Pac-10 Player of the Week six times and MVP in five-straight regular season tournaments, while leading the Pac-10 in kills the past two seasons. She was even featured in the Oct. 27, 2003 edition of *Sports Illustrated's* Faces in the Crowd.

Yet, Jerkov alone was not the only reason the 2003 Bears rose as high as



*At left, sophomore libero Jillian Davis. Above, sophomore setter Samantha Carter and senior middle hitter Camille Leffall.*

fifth nationally after starting last season with 16 straight victories and their first win over Stanford since 1982. She was bolstered by the play of the entire Cal squad, including returning starters Samantha Carter, Camille Leffall, Gabrielle Abernathy, Alicia Powers, Jenna Brown and libero Jillian Davis.

Carter was impressive as the Bears' starting freshman setter last year,

establishing a new school record with 1,555 single-season assists and landing a spot on the Pac-10 All-Freshman team. She had several outstanding matches, including recording a career-high 70 assists in Cal's upset over Stanford. Carter finished second in the conference and 14th nationally with 13.41 assists per game.

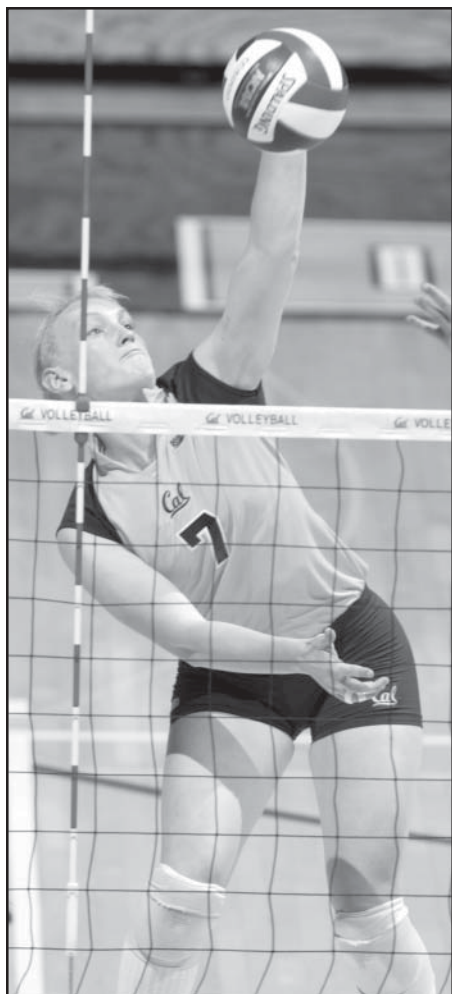
Senior middle hitter Leffall continued to excel last season as she led the team with a .345 hitting percentage and 124 total blocks, earning honorable mention All-Pac-10 honors. She has been an impact player for the Bears ever since her freshman year when she was a member of the 2001 Pac-10 All-Freshman Team and established a school-record with a .381 hitting percentage.

In 2003, Leffall was second on the team in points (338.0) and ninth in the conference in blocks per game (1.10). She holds the Cal school record with a .354 career hitting percentage.

Abernathy was definitely one of Cal's success stories in 2003 as the senior outside hitter returned to court after sitting out the 2002 campaign to concentrate on academics. She finished second on the team with 36 service aces and third on the squad with 253 kills. Abernathy played a key role in Cal's first and second round NCAA victories, combining for 24 kills and a .400 hitting percentage versus Saint Mary's and Michigan.

Powers was another stalwart for the Bears last season as the junior middle hitter followed an impressive freshman season with an even better sophomore year. She finished with a .284 hitting percentage to go along with 25 service aces, 163 digs and 119 total blocks. Powers has started every match of her college career and is one of the team's unsung heroes behind Cal's back-to-back NCAA tournament appearances.

Brown, a junior outside hitter, has also been a major contributor since her freshman year. Last season she was third on the team with 281 digs and 72 total blocks, and fourth with 251 kills. Brown performed well in postseason play with 15 digs versus Saint Mary's and 12 digs versus Michigan in the NCAA first and second round matches at Haas Pavilion.



As a freshman walk-on, Davis provided a big spark for the team as the Bears' starting libero. She was selected honorable mention Pac-10 All-Freshman after leading Cal with 398 digs, placing fifth in the conference with 3.43 digs per game. Davis had a team-high 16 digs against Georgia Tech in the NCAA semifinals and recorded a career-high 28 digs at Stanford.

Sophomore outside hitter Amanda Fox was another valuable freshman in 2003, playing in 29 matches and garnering honorable mention Pac-10 All-Freshman honors. Fox provided the Bears with some of her best performances against top competition. She had a career-high 14 kills against both Stanford and UCLA, and had 11 kills versus USC and a career-high 12 digs versus UCLA.

Three additional returnees who will again contribute are junior outside hitter Natasha Nguyen, junior defensive specialist Alexis Kollias and sophomore middle hitter Natalie Smart. A powerful jump server, Nguyen recorded 13 service aces in 25 matches last year. Kollias is a steady back row player who has 112 digs in 31 career matches, while Smart saw limited action as a freshman, but should see more playing time after strong matches versus Washington State and UCLA and hitting .360 for the year.

Even though Cal returns all of its starters from 2003, the Bears' impressive freshman class is sure to push for immediate playing time. Angie Pressey, a 5-8 outside hitter from Heathrow, Florida, and Ellen Orchard, a 6-2 middle hitter from Cypress Springs High School in Houston, Texas, were early signees and have the Cal coaching staff anxiously awaiting their arrival. Pressey, the daughter of former NBA player and assistant coach, Paul Pressey, is an outstanding athlete as she was a three-sport (volleyball, basketball, track) standout in high school and was the 2002 Florida 6A Volleyball Player of the Year.

Orchard, a district MVP and an all-state selection in Texas, joins Pressey as one of PrepVolleyball.com's Fab 50 recruits and will bolster the Bears at middle hitter. She led her high school team to the 2003 district title while establishing school records for single-season kills (343) and blocks (124).

Five additional newcomers will also provide the Bears with increased talent and depth. Sophomore Meredith Hasson and freshman

*Junior outside hitter Jenna Brown.*



*Junior middle hitter Alicia Powers.*

Julie Fouts are two setters who will compete for playing time with Samantha Carter. Hasson is a 5-11 transfer from San Diego State who led her high school team (Westlake High School in Austin, Texas) to the 2002 Texas 5A state title, while Fouts is a three-time first team all-league performer from Carlmont High School in San Carlos, Calif.

Freshmen Allie Costa, Am'ra Solomon and Vivian Cheung will vie for playing time as well. Costa is a 6-2 middle hitter from The Buckley School in Sherman Oaks, Calif., who was a two-time all-league performer and led her team with 136 kills, 94 digs, 34 blocks and 22 service aces as a senior. Solomon, a 6-1 outside hitter from St. Bernard High School in Los Angeles, played both volleyball and basketball in high school and impressed the Cal coaches as a member of the Los Angeles Top Gun volleyball club team. Cheung is a 5-1 defensive specialist from San Francisco's St. Ignatius College Prep.

"This is an outstanding recruiting class for us," said Feller. "Angie is surely one of the best all-around athletes to ever come into our program and Ellen was rated one of the top middle hitters in the state of Texas. Meredith and Julie will provide us with depth at the setter position, while Allie, Am'ra and Vivian will give us depth at the middle hitter, outside hitter and defensive specialist positions. All of these athletes have the ability to contribute to our program right away."

# CALIFORNIA HEAD COACH



## RICH FELLER

Head Coach  
Sixth Year at Cal

Entering his sixth season at the helm of California volleyball, Rich Feller has led the Golden

Bears to unprecedented heights. To be able to take a Cal program that was struggling in 1999 to national prominence in five years says volumes about what Feller and his full-time coaching staff of Lee Maes and Chris Bigelow have been able to accomplish.

"As we enter the 2004 season, I look back on the five years that have gone into building this program to a level that seemed nearly out of reach when we started," said Feller. "Each year, fitting the pieces into place, has brought us closer to our goal of a finished product. Five years of hard work by coaches, staff and athletes, with the support of our administration, is now being rewarded."

In 2003, Feller (81-67, .547 at Cal; 380-234, .619 overall) guided Cal to a 25-7 record and its first-ever NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 berth. The Bears also produced the best single-season winning percentage (.793) in school history, captured a school-record 12 Pac-10 matches and posted back-to-back 20-win seasons for the first time since 1981-83. Last fall was remarkable for Cal as it won 16 consecutive matches to start the season, defeated Stanford for the first time since 1982, earned its highest national ranking

ever (No. 5 on Oct. 13, 2003) and advanced further in postseason play than any other team in school history.

The accomplishments of the Bears' coach and his staff did not go unnoticed in 2003 as Feller was named both Pacific Region Co-Coach of the Year and Pacific-10 Conference Coach of the Year. He is the first Cal volleyball coach to garner regional coach of the year honors, and is the first Bear mentor selected for league honors since Chris Stanley was NorPac Conference Coach of the Year in 1982. Feller's program also generated the highest volleyball attendance figures in school history, and hosted the first-ever NCAA postseason event in Haas Pavilion with the Bears claiming first and second round victories over Saint Mary's and Michigan.

Adding to the excitement for Feller and his staff this fall is the fact Cal returns all six starters from the 2003 squad, including Mia Jerkov, the Bears' first two-time All-American volleyball player since Sylvie Monnet (1981-83). The Cal coaches have also brought in another strong recruiting class that should keep the Bears in the national spotlight for years to come.

*Rich Feller was named 2003 Pacific Region and Pac-10 Coach of the Year.*



Before arriving at Berkeley, Feller was an assistant coach with the United States Women's National Volleyball Team from 1997-98. Prior to his stint as an USA National Team assistant, he was highly successful as the head women's volleyball coach at Colorado State. In his 14 years directing the Rams, Feller compiled a 299-167 (.642) record with eight NCAA Tournament appearances, two conference titles, 12 Top-25 rankings and several All-America, all-conference and all-academic athletes. In Feller's first season at Colorado State in 1983, he led his team to a 26-12 record, a Top-20 ranking and a NCAA Tournament appearance for the first time in school history. In 1987, Feller

## FELLER'S COACHING MILESTONES

### Win No. 1

Idaho State, Sept. 3, 1983 ..... W 3-0

### Win No. 50

Wyoming, Nov. 13, 1984 ..... W 3-1

### Win No. 100

Utah, Oct. 17, 1986 ..... W 3-1

### Win No. 150

Iowa State, Nov. 11, 1988 ..... W 3-0

### Win No. 200

Louisville, Oct. 5, 1991 ..... W 3-0

### Win No. 250

Pepperdine, Sept. 16, 1994 ..... W 3-1

### Win No. 300

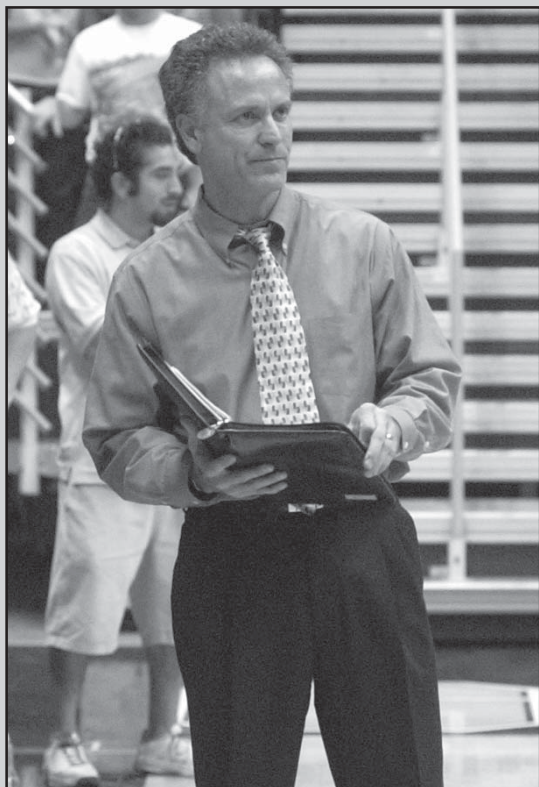
Denver, Sept. 4, 1999 ..... W 3-1

### Win No. 350

Oregon, Oct. 26, 2002 ..... W 3-2

## FELLER'S COACHING RECORD

1983	Colorado State	26-12	6-4/2nd HCAC	NCAA (0-1)
1984	Colorado State	27-9	12-0/1st HCAC	NCAA (1-1)
1985	Colorado State	26-9	11-1/1st HCAC	NCAA (1-1)
1986	Colorado State	27-12	7-5/2nd tie HCAC	NCAA (0-1)
1987	Colorado State	27-6	9-3/2nd HCAC	NCAA (1-1)
1988	Colorado State	22-12	9-3/2nd tie HCAC	NCAA (1-1)
1989	Colorado State	16-14	6-6/4th HCAC	
1990	Colorado State	15-18	3-7/5th WAC	
1991	Colorado State	19-12	4-8/5th WAC	
1992	Colorado State	19-11	6-8/6th WAC	
1993	Colorado State	19-11	7-7/4th tie WAC	
1994	Colorado State	12-19	3-11/7th WAC	
1995	Colorado State	21-11	8-6/3rd WAC	NCAA (0-1)
1996	Colorado State	23-11	10-6/3rd WAC	NCAA (1-1)
		<b>299-167 (.642)</b>	<b>2 conf. titles</b>	<b>8 NCAA berths</b>
1999	California	13-15	7-11/6th tie Pac-10	
2000	California	13-15	6-12/7th tie Pac-10	
2001	California	10-18	3-15/9th Pac-10	
2002	California	20-12	7-11/8th Pac-10	NCAA (1-1)
2003	California	25-7	12-6/3rd tie Pac-10	NCAA (2-1)
		<b>81-67 (.547)</b>		<b>2 NCAA berths</b>
<b>Totals</b>		<b>380-234 (.619)</b>	<b>2 conf. titles</b>	<b>10 NCAA berths</b>



## FELLERFACTS...

- In his fifth year at Cal, was selected both Pacific Region Co-Coach of the Year and Pac-10 Coach of the Year as the No. 12 ranked Bears finished with a 25-7 overall record and advanced to the NCAA Tournament Round of 16 for the first time in school history. Cal also captured a school-record 12 Pac-10 matches, had the best winning percentage in school history (.781) and posted back-to-back 20-win seasons for the first time since 1981-83. The Bears won 16 consecutive matches to start the 2003 season, defeated Stanford for the first time since 1982 and earned its highest national ranking ever (No. 5) on Oct. 13. Cal won NCAA first and second round matches with victories over Saint Mary's and Michigan at Haas Pavilion, before falling to Georgia Tech, 3-1, Dec. 12 in Honolulu.
- In his fourth year at Cal, the Bears qualified for the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 1989 and defeated six opponents ranked in the AVCA Top 25. Cal finished with a 20-12 record, the school's best mark since 1983, advancing to the NCAA Tournament's second round. The Bears started the season 9-0, winning a school record 27 consecutive games. Cal also captured three tournaments, with All-American Mia Jerkov, the Bears' first All-America selection since 1983, earning all-tournament honors in all three competitions.
- In his third year at Cal, the Bears broke a school record with a .467 team hitting percentage at San Francisco. Cal also featured middle hitter Camille Leffall, who was named to the Pacific-10 Conference All-Freshman Team, the first Bear freshman to make Pac-10 All-Freshman since Kelli Alva in 1996. Leffall also broke a school record with a .381 single-season hitting percentage.
- In his second year at Cal, the Bears finished 13-15 overall, same as 1999, giving Cal its best back-to-back campaigns since 1988 and 1989. The Bears also captured its first tournament title since 1997, placing first at the UNM-Domino's Albuturkey Classic in Albuquerque, NM.
- In his first year at Cal, the Bears established themselves as the most improved volleyball program in the Pac-10, finishing 13-15 overall and 7-11 in conference. Cal's 13 wins were the most since 1995, and the Bears seven conference victories were the most since 1991. Cal's 7-11 Pac-10 record was good for a sixth-place league finish, its highest conference placing since 1991.
- Served as an assistant coach for Mick Haley and the USA Women's National Volleyball Team from 1997-98.
- Led Colorado State to a 299-167 (.642) overall record in 14 years (1983-96), including eight NCAA Tournament appearances, eight 20-win seasons, five first-round NCAA Tournament victories, two conference titles, 12 Top 25 national rankings, as well as producing four All-Americans and over 30 all-conference selections and several all-academic athletes.
- In his first year at Colorado State in 1983, guided the Rams to a 26-12 record, a Top 20 ranking and a NCAA Tournament appearance for the first in school history. Was named AVCA Regional Coach of the Year and Colorado Sportswomen Coach of the Year in 1987.
- Prior to coaching at Colorado State, was the top assistant to Tara Liskevych (USA Olympic coach from 1985-96) at the University of the Pacific from 1980-83, helping the Tigers to a second, fourth and fifth-place national finishes in his three years with the program.
- After earning bachelor's degree in recreation administration from San Diego State in 1973, began coaching career at the high school level in the San Francisco Bay Area.

was named AVCA Regional Coach of the Year.

From 1980-83, Feller was the top assistant to Taras Liskevych (USA Olympic coach from 1985-96) at the University of the Pacific in Stockton, helping the Tigers to second, fourth and fifth-place national finishes in his three years with the program.

Growing up in Palo Alto, Feller already had ties to the Bay Area before arriving at Cal in 1999. His father, David, earned his Ph.D. at Cal and his mother, Bernice, was a Cal undergraduate.

"The opportunity to coach at Cal and to have the challenge of competing in the Pac-10 Conference was a dream come true," said Feller. "Any coach who is involved in college volleyball would relish the chance to coach in the Pac-10 and to come to Cal. One of my goals was to coach in the Pac-10. Working at Cal is one of the best jobs in the nation."

Feller, 53, who earned his bachelor's degree in recreation administration from San Diego State in 1973, lives in the Montclair District of the Oakland Hills with his wife, Stacey. He has three children – Evan (20), Ashleigh (18) and Ryan (16); and a stepson, Brad Bertolet (18).



*Rich Feller with his wife, Stacey, at the 2003 NCAA Regional in Honolulu, Hawaii.*

# ASSISTANT COACHES



## LEE MAES

Associate Head Coach  
Seventh Year at Cal

Lee Maes, a member of the California women's volleyball coaching staff since 1998, enters his seventh season with the Golden Bears. Maes was promoted to associate head coach after the 2003 season in which he was instrumental in Cal finishing 25-7 overall and advancing to the NCAA Tournament Round of 16 for the first time in school history.

"The promotion to associate head coach was well-earned for Lee," said Cal head coach Rich Feller. "I believe we have one of the best coaching staffs in the country and I wanted to do everything in my power to assure we remain intact as we continue to gain national prominence."

Maes had served as the Bears' head men's volleyball coach from 1997-00, and in his first season (1997-98) led Cal to the NCCVL Conference championship and a national runner-up finish at the NIRSA Collegiate Club National Championship in Austin, Texas. That season culminated in Maes being honored as Coach of the Year as he helped produce a pair of first team All-Americans and a second team All-American. Maes' men's team continued its tradition of success with three consecutive Top 5 national finishes from 1998-2000 as he amassed an overall record of 98-27.

For the past 10 years, Maes has accumulated extensive national and international experience with USA Volleyball. In May, he coached with the National "A2" Team, winning the gold medal at the 2004 US Open Championships in Atlanta, Georgia. He will return to continue coaching the USA National Team at the World University Games in the summer of 2005. In the summer of 1998, Maes was a coach with the USA Girls Youth National Team that won the gold medal at the NORCECA Zone Championship in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. In the summer of 1999, he again coached the USA Girls Youth National Team at the World Championship in Portugal. Maes has filled various roles with the USA national and junior high performance programs. The past four summers, he has led the girls' National High Performance team as head coach in training and competition.

Prior to arriving in Berkeley, Maes spent seven seasons coaching with the Ichiban Volleyball Club, winning five medals at the Junior Olympic National Championships, including capturing the national title in 1996. Two of his former club players, Misty May and Heather Bown, represented the United States at the 2004 Summer Olympic Games in Athens, Greece. In 15 years as a junior club coach for both boys and girls, Maes has coached and trained over two dozen junior and high school All-Americans. Over 100 of his former club players have gone on to play at the collegiate level. Maes currently coaches with the Golden Bear Volleyball Club. Last summer, his Golden Bear 18-Forefront team earned the 18-Open bronze medal at the Junior Olympic Championships. Maes served as the girl's varsity head coach at Lakewood (Calif.) High School from 1989-97. He was also the boy's varsity coach at Edison High School in Huntington Beach for four seasons (1994-97).

A native of Long Beach, Maes graduated from Long Beach State in 1994 with a degree in broadcast journalism and geography. He is single and resides in Montclair.



## CHRIS BIGELOW

Assistant Coach  
Sixth Year at Cal

A key component of the Cal volleyball coaching staff is sixth year assistant and chief recruiting coordinator Chris Bigelow, a former assistant at Wisconsin and Texas, who was hired as an assistant women's volleyball coach at Cal in January 1999.

"To recruits around the country, Chris Bigelow is the voice of Cal volleyball, and to club and college coaches, she is the No. 1 recruiter in the nation," said Cal coach Rich Feller. "No one works harder than Chris. Besides being a top recruiter, she is also an outstanding training coach with a special interest in video tape analysis."

Bigelow has several years of coaching experience at the collegiate level. She was an assistant coach for Bill Neville at Montana State from 1978-81, before taking over as head coach of the Bobcats from 1981-83. Bigelow then became an assistant to current USC volleyball coach Mick Haley at Texas from 1984-91, helping lead the Longhorns to seven conference championships, three Final Four appearances and one national championship in 1988.

From 1991-93, Bigelow worked as volleyball TV color commentator for the Southwest Conference and University of Texas radio.

In 1993-94, Bigelow coached St. Stephens Episcopal High School in Austin, Texas to a 30-3 season. She then accepted an offer to become John Cook's assistant coach at Wisconsin, helping the Badgers to three NCAA tournament appearances, one Sweet 16 finish, two NCAA Elite Eight finishes and one Big Ten Co-Championship from 1995-98.

Bigelow was a three-sport athlete at Eastern Washington and a member of the USA Volleyball training squad from 1973-74. She graduated from Eastern Washington in 1974 with a bachelor's degree in physical education. Bigelow received her Master's degree from Montana State in physical education in 1980.



## ERNESTO CAZARES

Volunteer Assistant  
Second Year at Cal

Ernesto Cazares begins his second season as a volunteer assistant coach for the Cal women's volleyball program.

"Ernesto was a key member of our staff last year," said head coach Rich Feller. "As a volunteer coach, we depended on his energy and strong right arm. He was a tireless worker and his demeanor complimented our coaching staff."

Cazares, 33, has several years of volleyball coaching experience, as he was most recently the co-head coach of the 17's team at City Beach Volleyball Club of Santa Clara, Calif. during the 2002 and 2003 seasons, as well as being a volleyball instructor for the City Beach Sports Club. He was also assistant women's volleyball coach at De Anza College in Cupertino, Calif. from 1994-96.

Before assisting De Anza College's women's volleyball program, Cazares played on De Anza's men's volleyball team as an outside hitter and setter from 1992-93. He still competes in indoor and outdoor USVBA volleyball tournaments, while acting as sales support for Houghton-Mission publishing company.

Cazares, who earned a degree in political science at San Jose State in the spring of 2004, is single and currently resides in Sunnyvale. His sister, Patricia, graduated from Cal in 1989.

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First Year



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Academic Advisor  
Fourth Year



**MOHAMED MUQTAR**  
Assistant Director,  
Student Services  
13th Year



**HATCHER PARNELL**  
Event Management  
Eighth Year



**SUE WOODWARD**  
Marketing & Promotions  
Sixth Year



**LINDA SMITH**  
Athletic Trainer  
28th Year



**LAURA WONG**  
Equipment Manager  
18th Year

