



GENEVA COLLEGE

*Deep learning. Growing faith. Real life.*

# VOLLEYBALL

Coach Wendy Smith and Curt Conser,  
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**OUR COACHES** Wendy Smith and Curt Conser know what it means to build a program from the ground up. In their ten years at the helm of the Golden Tornadoes they have taken the program from a bottom third finish in 2000 to a share of the school's first divisional title in 2006. Now they know the burden and the thrill of expectation!

In addition to her responsibilities at Geneva, Smith coaches for the accomplished Renaissance Club of Pittsburgh. A magna cum laude graduate of Duke University, she was a three-year letter winner at the setter position. Smith received her undergraduate degree in religion. Following her years at Duke, Smith received a law degree from the University of Pittsburgh. Smith began her coaching career as the head coach at Mt. Lebanon High School in the mid-1980s and served as an assistant coach at LaRoche College for three years.

Conser graduated from Eastern Mennonite University with a bachelor's degree in mathematics. While at EMU, Conser was a standout volleyball player. A four-year letter winner, Conser served as the team captain in 1997 and finished his career ranked third in total kills and second in total blocks in the EMU career record book. Prior to Geneva, Conser spent time coaching at Coffeyville Community College, at West Virginia Wesleyan as interim head coach and as a graduate assistant coach for the men's team at Findley University. Conser is the founder and director of the Infinity Volleyball Club in Ohio. He currently coaches its 18-National team.

*Greatness is more than potential. It is the execution of that potential. Beyond the raw talent, you need the appropriate training. You need the discipline. You need the inspiration. You need the drive.* Eric A. Burns

**OUR CHARGE** Geneva's volleyball program takes seriously the charge to make the most of what God has given us. We pursue excellence in every aspect of the game, and in every aspect of our lives. We want to know, with absolute certainty, that we stretched our God-given athletic abilities as far as they would go. We train, compete, coach, and live with no regrets—ever!

**OUR RECORD** Our passion for the game is evident in what our athletes have accomplished here at Geneva. Recent team successes include numerous trips to post-season tournament play, a divisional title, and selection as a NCCAA Scholar Team. Recent individual honors include one NCCAA All-American, three all-region selections, several all-conference players, and eight 2008 PAC scholar athletes. Competing as a NCAA Division III volleyball program since 2007, Geneva volleyball aggressively pursues every opportunity to move its program toward national recognition. In the 2008 season, Geneva College finished with an overall mark of 22-11 with a record of 13-5 against conference opponents. The team led the conference in digs and aces, while individual Geneva players led the conference in kills, assists, and aces.

**OUR ATHLETES** Our athletes have found their way to Geneva's gates from as far away as Alaska. We remain a program committed to geographic diversity in our recruiting; and when our athletes leave these gates, we are proud of their pursuit of excellence in new careers including immunology, business, drug and alcohol rehabilitation, teaching and coaching.



**"Playing volleyball at Geneva was an incredibly rewarding and beneficial experience. Not only did I develop what I hope to be lifelong friendships with my teammates and coaches, I also learned the value of being apart of a volleyball program that is God-centered, hard working, and committed to excellence. It was an unforgettable ride and one I'd do all over again."**

Caryn Azure  
All-Region Setter





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**HISTORY** Geneva, a private four-year Christian college of the liberal arts and sciences, was founded in 1848 by the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America in Northwood, Ohio. In 1880 we were moved to our current campus in historic Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

**LOCATION** Our 55-acre campus is situated in the foothills of the Allegheny Mountains, only 35 miles from downtown Pittsburgh.

**ENROLLMENT** Of the nearly 1,400 undergraduate students who call Geneva home, 45 percent are male, 55 percent are female, and approximately 10 percent are ethnic minorities. We come from across the country and around the world, representing 35 states and 13 nations. Geneva also enrolls 300 graduate students and 350 undergraduate degree completion students.

**ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT** Since our student-to-professor ratio is 14 to 1, you're assured of one-on-one time with professors both during and outside of class.

**FAITH TRADITION** While our roots are Reformed, our students come from over 60 Christian denominations.

**ATHLETICS** Geneva's Golden Tornadoes compete in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA Division III), the President's Athletic Conference, and the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA). Geneva offers men's baseball and football; softball, tennis and volleyball; and men's and women's basketball, cross country, soccer, and indoor/outdoor track and field.

**NON-TRADITIONAL PROGRAMS** At over 11 sites, we offer an adult degree completion program that allows students to finish a degree in human resources management, organizational development, community ministry or human services in 15 months. The Center for Urban Theological Studies and the Center for Urban Biblical Ministry are inner-city programs that train urban church leaders in ministry leadership.

**GRADUATE PROGRAMS** Geneva's offers master's degrees in business, counseling, higher education, organizational leadership, special education and reading.

**CAMPUS VISIT** Be our guest for a campus visit where you can stay in a residence hall with a current student, attend classes and meet professors, and enjoy meals in our dining hall.

