# UNIVERSITY OF MOUNT UNION **PURPLE RAIDERS**(15-4, 0-0 OAC)

OTTERBEIN UNIVERSITY

VS. CARDINALS

(14-3, 0-0 OAC)

## RIKE CENTER - WESTERVILLE, OHIO - Oct. 4

#### **2019 SCHEDULE** 8/30 vs. Defiance W 3-0 vs. St. John Fisher 8/30 W 3-1 8/31 vs. Lawrence W 3-0 W 3-2 8/31 vs. Hiram 9/3 **DENISON** W 3-0 9/6 vs. Sewanee W 3-0 9/6 L 3-0 vs. #13 Chicago W 3-0 9/7 vs. Hendrix 9/7 at #24 Illinois Wesleyan W 3-0 W 3-1 9/13 vs. Defiance 9/13 at Ohio Wesleyan W 3-0 9/14 vs. Wilmington W 3-0 9/14 vs. Kalamazoo W 3-1 9/18 **KENYON** W 3-0 9/20 **#19 WITTENBERG** L 3-0 9/28 CARNEGIE MELLON W 3-1 9/28 L 3-0 **TRANSYLVANIA** 10/4 **MOUNT UNION \*** 7 p.m. **MARIETTA** \* 10/9 7 p.m. 10/12 at Baldwin Wallace \* 1 p.m. 10/15 at John Carroll \* 7 p.m. 10/18 HEIDELBERG \* 7 p.m. 10/19 at Bluffton 1 p.m. 10/19 vs. Hanover 4 p.m. 10/22 WILMINGTON \* 7 p.m. 10/26 at Muskingum \* 1 p.m. 10/29 at Ohio Northern 7 p.m. 11/2 **CAPITAL**\* 1 p.m.

#### **HOME GAMES IN UPPERCASE/BOLD**

vs. = neutral matches

\* denotes Ohio Athletic Conference match

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#### MATCH PREVIEW:

Otterbein and Mount Union square off in a "Friday Night Lights" volleyball edition inside the Rike Center, launching the conference opener for both schools.

Mount Union comes back to Westerville for the second time in six days, as the Purple Raiders also took part in last weekend's quadmatch with Carnegie Mellon and Transy. All four schools posted a 1-1 record in the competitive event.

The Cardinals have claimed pieces of OAC titles in the last two years, sweeping the regular-season and tournament crowns in 2017 before sharing the regular-season championship with Ohio Northern last fall.

Otterbein has claimed the last two matchups in this series, both by 3-0 scores, including a 25-11, 25-20, 26-24 victory last year in Alliance. The Cards hit .323 that day compared to just .086 for Mount Union.

A few of the OAC's top offensive threats will be on display. Otterbein's Tate Eppard ranks second in kills per set (3.31) and fifth in hitting percentage (.340) for the home team. On the opposite side, Mount's Madelin DiBease ranks second in total kills while senior Marlee Peck is top five in hitting percentage. She also ranks fifth in blocking.

Two freshmen are also helping pace their respective clubs this season. Otterbein's Carlie Craycraft leads the OAC at 10.25 assists per set while Mount Union libero Alyssa Kasaris is fourth in digs per set (4.97).

Both of these teams, along with Heidelberg, received votes in the latest AVCA national poll. ONU and Muskingum are ranked in the top 25.

#### **OAC STANDINGS**

	Conference	Overall
Heidelberg	1-0	16-3
Ohio Northern	1-0	13-3
Baldwin Wallace	0-0	17-1
OTTERBEIN	0-0	14-3
John Carroll	0-0	14-3
Mount Union	0-0	15-4
Capital	0-0	8-12
Wilmington	0-0	3-15
Muskingum	0-1	14-2
Marietta	0-1	11-9

## **OTTERBEIN (14-3, 0-0 OAC)**

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Bridget Oder	Fr.	DS	5-5	Mount Gilead / Sparta Highland
2	Hillary Sterett	Jr.	DS	5-4	Huron / Huron
3	Carlie Craycraft	Fr.	S	5-7	Marion / Pleasant
4	Emily Shuk	Jr.	MB	6-1	Tipp City / Tippecanoe
5	Dasha Bruyako	Jr.	OH	5-9	Gahanna / Lincoln
6	Anna Donner	Fr.	OH	5-11	Bellville / Northmor
7	Hannah Brown	Fr.	MB	5-11	Newark / Newark Catholic
8	Tate Eppard	Jr.	MH	5-11	Greenwood Village, Colo. / Cherry Creek
9	Tasia Lauth	Fr.	OH/MB	5-10	New Knoxville / New Knoxville
10	Emma Linehan	So.	MH	6-2	Powell / Worthington Christian
11	Kate Fisher	So.	OH/DS	5-9	Plainfield, Ind. / Plainfield
12	Ellory Farmer	Fr.	DS	5-5	Coldwater, Mich. / Coldwater
13	Jadyn Lockwood	Fr.	MB/RS	6-2	Springfield / Northeastern
14	Makenzie Rabbit	So.	MB	5-10	Massillon / Jackson
17	Julia Vermilion	So.	OH	5-10	Pickerington / North
18	Ashlyn Leon	Sr.	Lib.	5-5	Dublin / Scioto
21	Amber Greeley	Fr.	MB	6-3	Lima / Shawnee
24	Tia Trotter	Fr.	RS	6-0	Columbus / Marion Franklin



### **COACHING STAFF**

**Head Coach:** Monica Wright (13th season)

Assistant Coaches: Megan Mills, Brett Holt, Nikki Van Cleave

## **MOUNT UNION (15-4, 0-0 OAC)**



No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Hometown / High School
1	Marlee Peck	MH	Sr.	5-10	Homeworth / Marlington
2	Alyssa Kasaris	DS	Fr.	5-4	North Royalton / North Royalton
3	Megan Donegan	DS	Sr.	5-5	Dublin / Dublin Coffman
5	Abby Van Horssen	ОН	Jr.	5-10	Blacklick / Gahanna Lincoln
6	Katie May	S	Fr.	5-10	Independence / Independence
8	Alison Guerini	DS	So.	5-4	Elyria / Elyria
9	Carrie Uhler	ОН	Fr.	5-9	Ashland / Ashland
10	Chase Filicko	RS	So.	5-10	Olmsted Falls / Gilmour Academy
11	Maria Ellesin	RS	So.	5-9	Alliance / Marlington
12	Keirsten Daugherty	MH	Fr.	6-1	Heath / Heath
13	Bethany Matuska	RS	Sr.	6-0	Pickerington / Bishop Hartley
14	Carly Stepic	S	Sr.	5-8	Cleveland / Holy Name
16	Breanna Arnett	ОН	Jr.	5-9	Peninsula / Woodridge
17	Madelin DiBease	ОН	Jr.	6-0	Perry / Perry
18	Mollie Thomas	S	Fr.	5-7	Massillon / Massillon Perry
19	Mackenzie Tubaugh	DS	Fr.	5-7	Carrollton / Carrollton
20	Morgan Boswell	MH	So.	5-10	New London / Western Reserve
21	Alaina Kelley	S	So.	5-4	Norwalk / Norwalk
24	Isabella Sprunger	RS	Fr.	6-1	North Royalton / North Royalton

### **COACHING STAFF**

**Head Coach:** Melissa Mahnke (5th Season)

**Assistant Coaches:** Celia Barrett