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## Get To Know Your Golden Eagles: Ali Schueler



This week we sat down with UMC redshirt freshman libero [Ali Schueler](#) to better get to know her story. Schueler redshirted last year but has earned a starting role in her first year of playing for the Golden Eagles. Schueler is originally from Howards Grove, Wis. and is enjoying her time playing for Head Coach [Lee Anderson](#) and the Golden Eagles. Here is what we had to ask the UMC libero.

**After redshirting last year how has it been adjusting to not only playing but now starting at the libero position?**

"It has definitely been a big adjustment. Last year my job was to encourage and to help my teammates in practice and to push them to the best of their ability. Now they get to do the same for me. The big adjustment for me was getting to utilize my physical talents but I still encourage my teammates, as well."

**How much did the competition, and having both [Casey Cashman](#) and [Becca Vandenneuvel](#) and yourself pushing each other, push you to be your best?**

"They push me to my best. They make me work hard in practice and even warming up. They make me work hard and they encourage me. It has been fun with them and having two older players to give me tips and help me out and to just push me every day."

**What are your feelings about what you have been able to do individually and as a team so far? And what would you really like to improve on?**

"I think we need to find our rhythm. We have that little lag every once and awhile and if we are able to find our rhythm I think we would improve. If we play to our best ability and have fun and enjoy it as a team I think we will see good results."

**How exciting is it to be a part of a young team and for you guys to continue to grow together?**

"I am very excited for the years to come. The seniors help us a lot with their knowledge and push us. We can take that into our next years at UMC."

**What is your routine to help get ready for a match?**

"I like to stay calm. A lot of times I like to read a story or a book. Sometimes I listen to music but otherwise it is just talking to the team and warming up and having a good time together."

**What is the biggest thing that you miss about Wisconsin?**

"I miss my family and friends back home. I also maybe miss Wisconsin cheese, as well."

**What is your favorite way to have cheese?**

"Curds are pretty good way to have cheese. Once you get the squeaky ones, you know you have a good one."

**Who do you room with up here and what do you enjoy doing with them?**

"I have one teammate, [Emma Melander](#), who is my roommate, and then two non-athlete roommates. I am very close to all of my roommates and we love to talk together and just have fun."

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<b>#19 Ali Schueler</b> DS/Lib. / 5' 6" / Redshirt Freshman	<b>#6 Becca Vandenneuvel</b> DS/Lib. / 5' 6" / Junior

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