

## **Eagles prepare for Irish with win**

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### **Stopping Lawrence is key to beating St. Pat**

Brady looks to extend its winning streak to four games heading into its matchup Thursday with Brittany Lawrence and North Platte St. Patrick on Irish court.

“We need to play good defense against her,” Johnson said. “Our middles need to get touches on the blocks to help slow her down.”

Brady will also use tough, aggressive serving to throw the Irish out of system and taking her out of play, Johnson said.

She added St. Pats isn't a one-person team. They have girls on the outside that can hit too, but keeping the ball away from Lawrence is key.

Brady plays host to Hayes Center Friday night. They can sneak up on a team if you aren't careful, Johnson said.

“Hayes Center is another one of those teams that you can't take lightly,” Johnson said.

The Eagles improved their record to 13-3 after a sweep of the Wallace Wildcats last Friday, the second time in a week.

Brady won the first set 25-15 and never looked back winning 25-18 in the second set, and finishing the game with a 25-14 win.

Head coach Lynne Johnson said the girls played well, adding that she is pleased with where the

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team is at, heading into the tough part of their season.

The Eagles had five girls with five or more kills in the match.

Josie Palmer led Brady with nine kills, hitting a perfect 18-18. Valerie Most contributed seven kills on 16-18 hitting.

Autumn Hild added six kills in the match while Tara Callahan and Madison Elliot each had five kills.

Alexis Mann had 20 set assists out of the combined 33 kills.

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