

April 7, 2017

Dear Players, Families, Friends and Fans -



Welcome to the 2017 WVC 26th Anniversary WVC Championships Tournament!

On behalf of the entire WVC Advisory Committee, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 26th Anniversary State Championships Tournament hosted by the Milwaukee Sting Volleyball Club. I have the privilege and pleasure of serving as the WVC Commissioner and I would like to welcome you to this year's tournament. Thank you for supporting our teams and players and we hope you enjoy the tournament.

This year's event features 42 teams in five divisions, and will take place in new Milwaukee Sting Center in Menomonee Falls, WI. Two awards ceremonies will celebrate our winning teams, all-conference selections and the season award winners. The WVC Alumni Scholarship will be awarded along with inducting three new members of the WVC Hall of Fame "Class of 2017":

- ❑ **Erich Hinterstocker** - Wisconsin Lutheran 1994 and Marquette University 1995-96
- ❑ **Ryan Heller** - UW-Oshkosh 1995-97
- ❑ **John Erickson** - UW-Whitewater 2005-06 & UW-Oshkosh 2007-2009

A few highlights from 2017 include:

"Blugold Sweep"

UW-Eau Claire Women's D1 and D2 teams win the regular season titles in their respective divisions

"Perfect Titans"

UW-Oshkosh 2 won the Men's Division 2 regular season title with unblemished 16-0 record

"National Glory"

UW-Oshkosh won the Midwest 10 and Las Vegas Open Championships while Marquette won the prestigious MIVA Championships last weekend

The Wisconsin Volleyball Conference State Championships started in 1992 with the inaugural State Championships played at the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point. In 1993 the Wisconsin Volleyball Conference began regular season play, and this weekend marks the 26th Anniversary of the first State Championships. The goal was create a "varsity-like" experience for intercollegiate club volleyball players, and I am proud that we have accomplished this goal. Since 1992, the WVC has included 59 different teams (42 this year) and over 4,000 players have participated. In addition, WVC teams have captured 16 National Championships, 14 runners-up and over 100 All Americans.

At the conclusion of the each championship match we will announce the "All-Tournament Team" from each division. As is a long-standing WVC tradition we will then award "The Ball" to the **Tournament MVP** from each of our five WVC Championship Teams.

Finally, good luck to our 25 teams traveling to Kansas City to compete in the NCVF Collegiate Club National Championships next weekend. Please make good decisions and even better memories!

Go WVC!

Jason Smith
WVC Commissioner



P.S. Please join us for the Player & Fan Party tonight!

"The purpose of the WVC is to "promote quality and competitive Men's and Women's Volleyball in Wisconsin".

WVC Advisory Committee

The WVC Advisory Committee serves the teams and players of the WVC to conduct all regular-season, post-season and alumni business. The WVC is a non-profit and tax exempt corporation and several of the advisory committee members also serve on the WVC, Inc's Board of Directors. Without the WVC Advisory Committee, the daily and yearly operations of the WVC simply would not be possible, and as Commissioner I am forever indebted to this incredible team of individuals.



- Website updates (schedule, standings, news, archives)
- Social media updates
- Work with teams on master schedule
- Retrieve results from teams
- Report scores to NCVF
- NCVF national ranking committee
- NCVF Nationals online coverage

Eddie Zelhofer - Conference Webmaster and NCVF Liaison



- Create Women's (Varsity and JV) season schedules
- Work with host school to update info sheet (gym address, parking, hotels, local food, etc..)
- Be a first point of contact for all questions from the women's teams
- Report scores
- Help with WVC Championships (assist with planning, setup, tournament directing, awards)
- Reach out/solicit new women's teams each season
- Social media updates

Holly Vogelsang - Women's Division Coordinator and Social Media Coordinator



Graphic Design - Posters, Promotional Materials, etc.
WVC Award Certificates
Photography/Videography of WVC State Championships
Video Production of Awards Ceremony/Banquet
Help with WVC Championships (assist with planning, setup, tournament directing, awards)
Assign Mentors from Advisory Committee to supervise teams
Social Media Updates

Jon Weir - Conference Videographer and AV Coordinator



Manages/Contacts/shares information with alumni and HOF members
Compiles list of eligible players for HOF and distributes ballot annually
Creates and distributes WVC newsletter 3-4 times during season
Records and shares minutes from Advisory Committee conference calls
Assists with planning and execution of State Championships; assistant tournament director (scores/brackets), awards presentation, tournament awards
Organizes and shares WVC Apparel information

Scott Spiess - WVC Hall of Fame Coordinator and Vibe Newsletter Editor



Develop and maintain referee roster
Assign referees for all WVC matches and WVC state tournament
Calculate referee payments for playdates and state tournament and submit to commissioner for payment
Train and develop referees
Obtain home volleyball schedules from teams
Notify team leaders of referees assigned to home matches
Recommend fees for referees
Rules interpretations
Liaison with Badger Region

Julie Voeck - Official's Assignor and Rules Coordinator



Create Season Tournament Schedules (Men's JV)
Compare women's and men's statistics for WVC awards in aces per set, digs per set, blocks per set, assists per set, hitting percentage and service aces per set
Team Liaison for questions regarding running tournaments, fundraisers, hosting WVC matches, organizing a practice, holding tryouts, etc.
Help with WVC Championships (assist with planning, setup, tournament directing, awards)

Brian "Lumpy" Schaefer - Division 2 Coordinator and Statistics Director

Wisconsin Volleyball Conference

The Wisconsin Volleyball Conference is the largest venue for intercollegiate volleyball in the state. Beginning in 1992 with the first state championships tournament in Stevens Point, the Wisconsin Volleyball Conference has grown to include 42 men's and women's teams from Wisconsin State Universities and private colleges. A dual-match conference, the WVC prides itself in giving it's participants a credible, collegiate varsity playing experience. The Wisconsin Volleyball Conference has become one of the nation's most respected and decorated conferences with our teams regularly finishing on or near the top of all divisions at the National Championships.

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**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING GRADUATING SENIORS.
BEST WISHES FOR A FANTASTIC FUTURE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO THE WVC!**

Team	Graduating Seniors
Carroll University Men	<p style="text-align: center;">Ryan Kallas/Criminal Justice Vince Wartenweiler/Biochemistry Quentin Lamers III/Exercise Science Taylor Mitacek/Physical Therapy</p>
Carroll University Women	<p style="text-align: center;">Mackenzie Rutledge/ Nursing/ Hispanic Health and Human Services Minor Allison Brill/ Sports and Recreation Management Jenna Sanken/ Psychology pre Occupational Therapy</p>
Concordia University Wisconsin	<p style="text-align: center;">Ian Wallace/Accounting Matthew Dassow/Secondary Education, Mathematics Mark Davidson/Lay Ministry and Theology</p>
Maranatha Baptist University	<p style="text-align: center;">Matthew/ Noland/ Masters in Pastoral Studies Caleb/ Farmer/ Masters in Biblical Counseling Russell /Almand/ Bachelor of Arts Intercultural Studies</p>
Marquette Men	<p style="text-align: center;">Alex Shulski / Engineering Evan Crosby / Engineering Spencer Dixon / Business Craig Belluomini (Graduating December 2017) / Business</p>
Michigan Tech Men's Volleyball Club	<p style="text-align: center;">Max Hultquist / Biomedical Engineering Thomas Mehall / Mechanical Engineering Dakota Anderson / Biomedical Engineering / Electrical Engineering</p>
UW-Eau Claire Men	<p style="text-align: center;">Will Armstrong / Healthcare Administration (M), Gerontology (m). Derrick Dilts / Biology (M) / Environmental science (m).</p>
UWEC Women's D1	<p style="text-align: center;">Rachel Galloway Maegan Olson Rachel Meyer</p>
UW-Green Bay	<p style="text-align: center;">Amber Kraus Public Admin / Spanish / Human Development, Pol Science, Humanistic Studies</p>
UW-L Men's JV	<p style="text-align: center;">Noah Rasmussen / Biology</p>
UW-L Women's A	<p style="text-align: center;">Bre Nedden/Exercise and Sport Science/Spanish Kellie Shaw</p>
UW-La Crosse Men's D1	<p style="text-align: center;">Jacob Boehm / International Business Alex Bartelme / Biology / Environmental Science Concentration Collin Pickart / Statistics Eric Heyrman / Finance Garrett Schilling / Education</p>
UW-Oshkosh	<p style="text-align: center;">Wesley Morioka / Chemistry Joe Kuchler / Nursing Allen Grunert / Business Administration Michael Wamboldt / Nursing Travis Hudson / Human Resources Adam Landgraf / Accounting & Finance Mitch Lahmann / Human Services Alex Harty / Nursing</p>

	<p>Sam Moua / Human Resources Tony Mack / Biology Braeden Melton / English Michael Starzec / Accounting & Finance Andrew Shea / Journalism & Public Relations Steve Cotton / Anthropology</p>
UW-RF Men	<p>Will Steffel / Major Agricultural Business / Minor Crop Science Shane Resch / Major Physics Mikhail Butler / Major Exercise Science Minor Coaching Geoffrey Snyder / Major Dairy Science Minor Chemistry Matt Adams / Major Business Administration Ryan DeCamp / Major History</p>
UW-River Falls Women	<p>Autumn Thorsen Double major: Marketing Communications and Communication Studies Laura Peterson Major: Communicative Sciences and Disorders/Minor: Psychology</p>
UW-SP Men's Club Volleyball	<p>Zach Bertagnoli / Forestry Management Bryce Pomplun / Physical Education.</p>
UW-Stevens Point A Women	<p>Emily Peterson Majors - Accounting/Finance/Insurance Rachel Gasper Majors - Natural Res Planning, Minors - Sustainable Energy /Business Admin</p>
UW-Stout	<p>Marissa LaPatka / Retail Merchandising and Management /Business Admin. Bailey Stack / Industrial Design / Spanish Morgan Miller/Retail Merchandising and Management /Business Admin. Tori Chell / Business Admin. / Human Resources Logan Ahlman / Human Development and Family Studies</p>
UW-Stout Men's I and II	<p>Zach Cinnamon / Psychology Cody Smith / Construction Quentin Johnson / Risk Control Matt Dolnik / Hotel Restaurant Tourism Management Fue Yang / Business Administration</p>
UW-Whitewater Men I	<p>Nathan Kiekhaefer / Finance</p>
Winona State Men's	<p>Andrew Baker / Movement Science Major, Coaching Minor Kalvin Garmaker / Business Administration Major, Management Minor Tyler Zwack / Biochemistry Major, Biology Minor Connor Bloyer / Criminal Justice Major, Spanish Minor</p>
Winona State Women's D1	<p>Allyssa Tekus Biology / Allied Health / Biochemistry and Psychology Tara Woessner</p>
Winona State Women's D2	<p>Jenny Connell / Biology / Cell and Molecular / Psychology and Biochemistry Lindsey Oore / Therapeutic Recreation / Spanish and Coaching Lindsey Wetzel / Psychology/ Business Administration Lauren Heffel / Criminal Justice / Law Enforcement/ Spanish</p>
UW-Oshkosh A	<p>Jenna Lahmann Major: Physical Education / Minor: Adapted PE / health education, Spanish Megan Leanna / Major / Human Resources</p>