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MaxPreps/AVCA HIGH SCHOOL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Ohio

***Megan Yoder – Hiland
Senior, Hitter – Berlin, Ohio***

Megan Yoder, a senior hitter from Hiland High School in Berlin, Ohio, has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Ohio High School volleyball Player of the Week. Yoder earns the award after leading the Hawks to a 22-4 record to date, including wins in five of their last six outings. Through five games played last week, Yoder racked up 20 kills for an average of 4.0 kills per game. She also contributed three aces, while adding 10 digs for an average of 2.0 digs per game. Hiland is coached by Jessica Schwartz.

Michigan

***Sara Skornia - Central
Senior, Outside Hitter, 6-1 – Bay City, Mich.***

Sara Skornia, a senior outside hitter from Central High School in Bay City, Mich., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Michigan High School volleyball Player of the Week. Skornia picked up the honor after helping her Wolves squad to a 39-9 record to date, including victories in 12 of their last 14 contests. Through 18 games played last week, the 6'1" sparkplug pounded 89 kills, for a 4.9 kills per game average. During the span Skornia also aided the Pioneer cause by chipping in nine aces, three assists in addition to tallying 41 digs, for an average of 2.3 digs per game. Central is coached by Jennifer Thunberg.

Arizona

***Alaina Bergsma – Valley Christian
Senior, Outside Hitter, 6-3 – Chandler, Ariz.***

Alaina Bergsma, a senior outside hitter for Valley Christian High School in Chandler, Ariz., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Arizona High School volleyball Player of the Week. Bergsma earns the honor after her outstanding play last week, helping the Trojans to a 35-11 record to date, including wins in nine of their last 11 contests. Through 11 games played last week, she smashed 69 kills, to average 6.3 kills per game. In addition, Bergsma racked up 10 aces, while totaling 16 digs, for a 1.5 digs per game mark. Valley Christian is coached by Molly Stark.

California

***Shannon Miller – San Pedro
Senior, Outside Hitter, 5-10 – San Pedro, Calif.***

Shannon Miller, a senior outside hitter for San Pedro High School in San Pedro, Calif., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA California High School volleyball Player of the Week. Miller earned the weekly honor after commanding the Pirates' offense and leading the team to a 19-8 record to date, including victories in 12 of their last 15 contests. The 5'10" offensive stalwart crushed 72 kills in nine games played last week, to average 8.0 kills per game. The senior also a whopping 22 aces and one assist, in addition to digging up 73 balls for a 8.1 digs per game average. San Pedro is coached by Samuel Tejada.

Colorado

***Alea Wildman – Academy
Senior, Outside Hitter/Middle Blocker, 5-10 – Westminster, Colo.***

Katie Bussey, a senior setter for Alamosa High School in Alamosa, Colo., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Colorado High School volleyball Player of the Week. Bussey earned the distinction due to her stellar play in helping lead the Wildcats to a 19-4 record to date, including wins in their last seven contests and in 13 of their last 14 matches. The senior leader ripped 96 kills in 15 games last week, to

average 6.4 kills per game during the frame. In addition, Wildman served up five aces, added one assist and totaled 85 digs for an average of 5.7 digs per game. Academy is coached by Pam Wildman.

Florida

Sara Vance – Sickles

Senior, Opposite/Outside Hitter – Tampa, Fla.

Sara Vance, a senior opposite/outside hitter for Sickles High School in Tampa, Fla., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Florida High School volleyball Player of the Week. Vance captured the weekly award by guiding the Gryphons to a 22-4 record to date, with the team winning 17 of its last 20 contests. Through seven games last week, the senior sparkplug smacked 44 kills, to average 6.3 kills per game. In addition, Vance contributed six aces and three assists, along with seven digs (1.0 dpg). Sickles is coached by Rob Brashear.

Minnesota

Taylor Schuelke – Rosemount

Senior, Setter, 5-8 – Rosemount, Minn.

Taylor Schuelke, a senior setter for Rosemount High School in Rosemount, Minn., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Minnesota High School volleyball Player of the Week. Schuelke picked up the honor after helping her Irish squad to a 17-11 record to date, including victories in eight of their last 11 contests. Through four games last week, the 5'8" quarterback of the court dished out 46 assists, for an 11.5 assists per game average, in addition to guiding her attack corps to a .254 hitting percentage. In addition, Schuelke added one service ace and six digs, to average 1.5 digs per game. Rosemount is coached by Kristin Helgeson.

New York

Danielle Basciano – Carmel

Senior, Setter – Carmel, N.Y.

Danielle Basciano, a senior setter for Carmel High School in Carmel, N.Y., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA New York High School volleyball Player of the Week. Basciano earned the distinction after turning in an impressive week last week, in addition to helping her Rams to a 15-1 record thus far in the season, which includes 15 consecutive victories to date, after dropping their first match of the season. She chalked up 65 assists in ten games played last week, for a 6.5 assists per game average. In addition, Basciano fired in eight service aces and added five kills, while digging up 33 balls for a 3.3 digs per game average. Carmel is coached by Amy Carinci.

Wisconsin

Bizl (Elizabeth) Egerer – Sheboygan County Christian

Junior, Hitter, 6-1 – Sheboygan, Wis.

Bizl Egerer, a junior hitter for Sheboygan County Christian High School in Sheboygan, Wis., has been named the MaxPreps/AVCA Wisconsin High School volleyball Player of the Week. Egerer earned the accolade after leading the Eagles to an impressive 34-7 record to date this year, including wins in eight of their last nine outings. Through six games played last week she drilled 34 kills, to average 5.7 kills per game, in addition to contributing three aces and two assists. Egerer was equally as productive on defense, registering 25 digs, to average a 4.2 digs per game mark. Sheboygan County Christian is coached by Margaret Ver Velde.

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