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2007 AVCA ALL-AMERICA TEAMS ANNOUNCED FOR DIVISION III WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

LEXINGTON, Ky. - The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) is proud to announce the 27th annual AVCA All-America teams for NCAA Division III women's volleyball. The awards will be presented Nov. 14, 2007, at the NCAA Division III Women's National Championship banquet in Bloomington, Ill., where the 2007 Division III AVCA Player of the Year will be announced. The NCAA Division III national quarterfinals begin Nov. 15.

The 2007 class has many new faces: 26 of the 36 have not previously been on an AVCA All-America team. This year's group contains three, three-time selections: Capital University senior middle blocker Jessie Hampson, University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh senior middle blocker Leah Rosenbaum and Juniata College junior outside hitter Amber Thomas. Emory University's Janet Bunning joins Rosenbaum and Thomas as repeat first-team honorees.

The 2007 All-America selections were made by the AVCA Division III All-America Committee: Danny Miller, Averett, chairperson; Julie Hall, Elmhurst; Steph Schleuder, Macalester; Paul Dill, MIT; Michele Benoit, Mount St. Joseph; Ed Caesar, NYU; Valerie Cowan, Pomona-Pitzers; Harleigh Leach, Swarthmore.

2007 AVCA DIVISION III FIRST-TEAM ALL-AMERICA

| Player | Institution | Pos. | Yr. | Ht. | Hometown |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------------------|
| Kelly Bauer | Carthage College | S/H | Sr. | 5-9 | Brookfield, Wisconsin |
| Janet Bunning ! | Emory University | MB | Sr. | 5-10 | Washington, D.C. |
| Brianna Gonzales | University of La Verne | OH | Jr. | 5-10 | Whittier, California |
| Jessie Hampson % * | Capital University | MB | Sr. | 5-10 | Lancaster, Ohio |
| Beth Hanna | Pacific Lutheran University | OH | Fr. | 5-11 | Clackamas, Oregon |
| Kaitlin Listol | Austin College | RS/Opp. | Sr. | 6-1 | Richardson, Texas |
| Katherine McCaffrey | University of St. Thomas | MB | Jr. | 6-1 | Fort Collins, Colorado |
| Nikki Morrison ^ | Washington Univ. in St. Louis | RS/Opp. | Jr. | 5-11 | Lincoln, Nebraska |
| Carlene Polk % | Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater | MB | Sr. | 6-0 | Dousman, Wisconsin |
| Ashley Rogers | Wartburg College | MB | Sr. | 6-0 | Dubuque, Iowa |
| Leah Rosenbaum ! \$ | Univ. of Wisconsin-Oshkosh | MB | Sr. | 6-0 | Wrightstown, Wisconsin |
| Amber Thomas ! * | Juniata College | OH | Jr. | 5-10 | Ephrata, Pennsylvania |

2007 AVCA DIVISION III SECOND-TEAM ALL-AMERICA

| Player | Institution | Pos. | Yr. | Ht. | Hometown |
|------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Gina Di Maggio | Pacific Lutheran University | S | Sr. | 5-10 | Olympia, Washington |
| Liz Glesne | Bethel University | OH | Sr. | 5-11 | Underwood, Minnesota |
| Caroline Keener | Trinity University (Texas) | S | Jr. | 5-8 | Plano, Texas |
| Beth Kozak | Juniata College | S | Jr. | 5-4 | Huntingdon, Pennsylvania |
| Molly Krikke % | Calvin College | MB | Sr. | 5-11 | Greenwich, Ohio |
| Kate LaZotte | Univ. of Wisconsin-Whitewater | S | Sr. | 5-10 | Stoughton, Wisconsin |
| Jodi Lindsay ! | University of La Verne | RS/Opp. | Sr. | 5-10 | Alta Loma, California |
| Madison Robelen | Emory University | S | Jr. | 5-7 | Boca Raton, Florida |
| Rebecca Salvo | Haverford College | OH | So. | 5-11 | LaCanada, California |
| Leslie Schornack | Trinity University (Texas) | MB | Sr. | 6-2 | Plano, Texas |
| Jori Simmons | Carthage College | MB | Sr. | 6-0 | Frankfort, Illinois |
| Jackie Williams | Wittenberg University | RS/Opp. | Jr. | 6-1 | Rocky River, Ohio |

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2007 AVCA DIVISION III THIRD-TEAM ALL-AMERICA

| Player | Institution | Pos. | Yr. | Ht. | Hometown |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Emily Bell | Wittenberg University | OH | Sr. | 5-9 | Fort Wayne, Indiana |
| Sara Buros ! | Trinity University (Texas) | RS/Opp. | Sr. | 5-11 | Austin, Texas |
| Jillian Felger | Chapman University | MB | Jr. | 5-10 | Lakewood, California |
| Audra Janak ! | Washington Univ. in St. Louis | S | Jr. | 5-8 | Dallas, Texas |
| Maggie Kelly | North Central College | OH | Sr. | 5-10 | Riverside, Illinois |
| Samantha Kirby | Averett University | MB | So. | 6-2 | Lenoir, North Carolina |
| Stacey Krebs | Salisbury University | OH | Jr. | 6-0 | Eldersburg, Maryland |
| Amanda Morris | MIT | S | Sr. | 5-9 | North Potomac, Maryland |
| Liz Schnelle | Ohio Northern University | MB | So. | 5-11 | New Bremen, Ohio |
| Megan Sollenberger | Juniata College | DS/Lib. | So. | 5-5 | Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania |
| Linsey Thomsen | Nebraska Wesleyan University | DS/Lib. | Sr. | 5-4 | Beatrice, Nebraska |
| Katie Zondervan | Calvin College | S | Sr. | 5-6 | Lakewood, California |

! indicates 2006 AVCA First-Team All-America selection
 % indicates 2006 AVCA Second-Team All-America selection
 ^ indicates 2006 AVCA Third-Team All-America selection
 * indicates 2005 AVCA Second-Team All-America selection
 \$ indicates 2005 AVCA Third-Team All-America selection

2007 Division III AVCA Freshman of the Year: Beth Hanna, Pacific Lutheran University, OH
2007 Division III AVCA Player of the Year: Announced Nov. 14, 2007

2007 AVCA DIVISION III HONORABLE MENTION ALL-AMERICA

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| Erin Albers (Washington-St. Louis, MB, So.) | Chelsea Kubal, Williams, OH, So.) |
| Erin Albert (Juniata, MB, Jr.) | Kelly Laschinger (Wisconsin-Platteville, S, Sr.) |
| Abby Bade (Nebraska Wesleyan, OH, Jr.) | Samantha Lingamfelter (Southwestern, DS/Lib., So.) |
| Katelyn Baker (Linfield, OH, Sr.) | Corinne McCormack (Coast Guard, RS/Opp., Sr.) |
| Terri Berger (Central, S, Sr.) | Rachel Ormsby (Union, MB, Jr.) |
| Becky Breetz (Mount St. Joseph, RS/Opp., Sr.) | Emily Perkins (Colorado College, MB, Fr.) |
| Marie Bruce (Southwestern, S, Sr.) | Laura Persico (Nazareth, OH, Jr.) |
| Carrie Buchanan (MIT, DS/Lib., Sr.) | Emily Peters (Wellesley, DS/Lib., Jr.) |
| Katelyn Carlson (UW- La Crosse, OH, Sr.) | Rachael Phillips (Washington & Lee, OH, So.) |
| Lizzelle Cintron (New Jersey City, MB, Sr.) | Summer Plante-Newman (California Lutheran, OH, Jr.) |
| Brittany Collins (Christopher Newport, S, Sr.) | Megan Prior (Pomona Pitzers, MB, Jr.) |
| Lauren DeGroot (Calvin, DS/Lib., Jr.) | Melissa Pun (Williams, OH, So.) |
| Lauren Dinsdale (Skidmore, DS/Lib., So.) | Jackie Randolph (Cal State-East Bay, OH, Jr.) |
| Kelly Downs (Elizabethtown, MB, Sr.) | Melissa Rhode (Stevens, RS/Opp., Jr.) |
| Lisa Drennan (Wesleyan, OH, Jr.) | Katie Rowe (MIT, MB, So.) |
| Erica Duncan (Skidmore, OH, Jr.) | Rachel Salvo (Haverford, OH, So.) |
| Annie Eckhoff (Carleton, MB, So.) | Jessica Schaeffer (RIT, OH, Jr.) |
| Kaylen Fessette (SUNY Brockport, S, Sr.) | Samantha Schmidt (Wisconsin-Oshkosh, DS/Lib., Jr.) |
| Jessica Gardner (Stevens, MB, Jr.) | Lindsay Schorner (York [Pa.], OH, So.) |
| Michelle Gaufman (SUNY Cortland, OH, So.) | Jennifer Seivers (Maryville, S, Sr.) |
| Rachel Gross (Puget Sound, DS/Lib., Sr.) | Brianne Stankus (UW- La Crosse, RS/Opp., So.) |
| Monica Groves (Puget Sound, MB, Sr.) | Mallory Sullivan (Wheaton [Ill.], OH, Jr.) |
| Nicole Gurr (Coast Guard, MB, Jr.) | Kim Vail (Wisconsin-Oshkosh, RS/Opp., Sr.) |
| Dawn Herring (Stevens, OH, Sr.) | Laura Vuyk (Ohio Northern, OH, Sr.) |
| Kelsey Hills (Baldwin-Wallace, OH, Sr.) | Tracy Waldman (Wellesley, MB, Sr.) |
| Michelle Honek (Concordia-Moorhead, OH, Sr.) | Stacey Wasserman (Elizabethtown, S, Sr.) |
| Amanda Hubbard (Ithaca, OH, Sr.) | Katie Weininger (Ohio Northern, S, Jr.) |
| Emma Jaynes (St. Benedict, OH, So.) | Lorraine Wingenbach (Brandeis, OH, Jr.) |
| Kristen Kalb (Calvin, OH, Sr.) | Katie Wysham (Tufts, MB, Sr.) |
| Claire Kodan (St Mary's [Md.], RS/Opp., Fr.) | Kate Zwickl (Nazareth, S, So.) |

2007 AVCA Division III First-Team All-America

Kelly Bauer, a 5-9 setter/hitter for Carthage College, is a senior from Brookfield, Wis. Bauer, the College Conference of Illinois and Wisconsin (CCIW) Player of the Year, averaged 7.29 assists, 2.45 kills and 2.56 digs per game, leading her team to the NCAA Midwest Regional final. This is the first time Bauer has been named an AVCA All-American.

Janet Bunning, a 5-10 middle blocker for Emory University, is a senior from Washington, D.C. Bunning, whose .408 hitting percentage is among the top ten nationally, is averaging 3.55 kills and 2.31 digs per game going into the national quarterfinals. This honor marks the second time Bunning has been named an AVCA All-American, garnering first-team honors a year ago.

Brianna Gonzales, a 5-10 outside hitter for the University of La Verne, is a junior from Whittier, Calif. Gonzales, the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Year, averaged a team-high 3.97 kills per game, and added 3.62 digs per game, leading her team to the NCAA West Regional final. Gonzales is a first time AVCA All-American.

Jessie Hampson, a 5-10 middle blocker for Capital University, is a senior from Lancaster, Ohio. The two-time Ohio Athletic Conference (OAC) Player of the Year was in the top five nationally in blocks per game (1.68), in the top 10 nationally in hitting percentage (.406) and in the top 30 nationally in kills per game (4.58), while leading the conference in blocks and hitting percentage. This honor marks the third All-American distinction for Hampson, who was a second-team honoree in 2005 and 2006.

Beth Hanna, a 5-11 outside hitter for Pacific Lutheran University, is a freshman from Clackamas, Ore. The Northwest Conference Player of the Year led the conference and was in the top five nationally in kills per game with 5.34, helping her team to an undefeated conference season and a school-record 23 wins. This is the first time Hanna has been named an AVCA All-American.

Kaitlin Listol, a 6-1 right side/opposite hitter for Austin College, is a senior from Richardson, Texas. The Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference (SCAC) Player of the Year ranked in the top 10 nationally in hitting percentage (.411) and in the top 15 nationally in kills per game (5.01), while setting the conference record for single-season kills and the school record for career kills. Listol is a first time AVCA All-American.

Katherine McCaffrey, a 6-1 middle blocker for the University of St. Thomas, is a junior from Fort Collins, Colo. The All-Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) honoree ranked in the top five in NCAA Division III in hitting at .404 and was in the top 10 in blocks per game with 1.49, while leading her team to the NCAA Central Regional final. This marks the first All-America honor for McCaffrey.

Nikki Morrison, a 5-11 right side/opposite hitter for Washington University in St. Louis, is a junior from Lincoln, Neb. Morrison, who was a first-team All-University Athletic Association selection in 2007, leads her team and was in the top 10 in the conference in kills per game (3.7) and in hitting percentage (.347), going into this week's NCAA Division III national quarterfinals. This honor marks the second time Morrison has been named an AVCA All-American, who was a third team selection in 2006.

Carlene Polk, a 6-0 middle blocker from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, is a senior from Dousman, Wis. The Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) Player of the Year, who ranked in the top ten in the conference in hitting (.320), kills per game (3.33) and blocks per game (1.05), leads her team into the NCAA national quarterfinals this week. This marks the second AVCA All-America honor for Polk, a second-team honoree in 2006.

Ashley Rogers, a 6-0 middle blocker for Wartburg College, is a senior from Dubuque, Iowa. The Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Most Valuable Player led her league and ranks among the nation's leaders in kills per game and blocks per game, and set the school record for kills, attack attempts, block assists and total blocks. Rogers is a first time AVCA All-American.

Leah Rosenbaum, a 6-0 middle blocker for the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh, is a senior from Wrightstown, Wis. This All-WIAC honoree was among the top five nationally with a .405 hitting percentage, and among the nation's leaders averaging 1.18 blocks per game, helping her team to their third consecutive 30-plus win season. Rosenbaum has now been named an AVCA All-American three times, garnering first-team honors last year, and third-team in 2005.

Amber Thomas, a 5-10 outside hitter from Juniata College, is a junior from Ephrata, Pa. Thomas, the Landmark Conference Player of the Year, is averaging 4.37 kills per game, among the nation's leaders, with a .340 hitting percentage and 2.76 digs per game, as she attempts to lead her Juniata Eagles to their four consecutive appearance in the NCAA Division III National Championship match. Thomas has now been named an AVCA All-American three times, including first-team honors last season and second-team in 2005.

2007 AVCA Division III Second-Team All-America

Gina Di Maggio, a 5-10 setter for Pacific Lutheran University, is a senior from Olympia, Wash. Di Maggio, a Northwest Conference first team selection who led the league in assists, averaged 11.93 assists per game, ranking her in the top 20 nationally, and leading her team to a school-record 23 wins in 2007. Di Maggio is an AVCA All-American for the first time.

Liz Glesne, a 5-11 outside hitter for Bethel University, is a senior from Underwood, Minn. The MIAC Most Valuable Player set a school record and ranked in the top 20 nationally in kills per game with 4.8, and set the school record and finished second in conference history for career kills with 1,984. Glesne is an AVCA All-American for the first time in 2007.

Caroline Keener, a 5-8 setter for Trinity University (Texas), is a junior from Plano, Texas. The first team All-SCAC selection averaged 11.22 assists per game, while leading her team to a top-15-nationally hitting percentage of .271, and an undefeated regular season in NCAA Division III play. Keener is a first time AVCA All-American.

Beth Kozak, a 5-4 setter for Juniata College, is a junior from Huntingdon, Pa. Kozak, a first-team All-Landmark Conference selection, ranks in the top 10 nationally in assists per game with 12.81, and has set the defending champion Eagles to a .297 hitting percentage, which ranks in the top five nationally, as Juniata begins play in the national quarterfinals this week. This honor marks the first time Kozak has been named an AVCA All-American.

Molly Krikke, a 5-11 middle blocker for Calvin College, is a senior from Greenwich, Ohio. The Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association Most Valuable Player ranked in the top 20 nationally in kills per game with 4.79, and led her team and was among the top 10 in her league in kills per game, hitting percentage and blocks per game. Krikke is now a two-time AVCA All-American, after garnering second-team accolades in 2006.

Kate LaZotte, a 5-10 setter for the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, is a senior from Stoughton, Wis. The All-WIAC selection is averaging 12.08 assists per game, which ranks in the top 25 nationally, averages 3.25 digs per game, and leads her team into the NCAA Division III national quarterfinals this week. LaZotte is a first time AVCA All-American.

Jodi Lindsay, a 5-10 right side/opposite hitter for the University of La Verne, is a senior from Alta Loma, Calif. The three-time first-team All-SCIC selection helped lead the Leopards to a 24-6 overall record, a 12-0 first-place conference record and the Division III West Regional final. Lindsay is a two-time AVCA All-America selection, having earned first-team honors in 2006.

Madison Robelen, a 5-7 setter for Emory University, is a junior from Boca Raton, Fla. Robelen, who has earned first-team All-UAA honors two years in a row, helped lead the Eagles to a second place finish in the conference with a 26-6 overall and 6-1 conference record, and the NCAA Division III National Quarterfinals. Ranked fourth in the nation with 13.25 assists per game, Robelen, the Eagles' single-season assists leader, is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Rebecca Salvo, a 5-11 outside hitter for Haverford College, is a sophomore from LaCanada, Calif. A two-time first-team All-Centennial selection, led the conference with a .340 hitting percentage, and led the Fords to the conference championship with a 27-2 overall record and a 9-1 conference record. Salvo is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Leslie Schornack, a 6-2 middle-blocker for Trinity University (Texas), is a senior from Plano, Texas. Schornack, a first-team All-SCAC selection and two-time SCAC Player of the Week this season, helped lead the Tigers to a 31-2 overall record and a 15-0 conference first place finish. Schornack, who also led Trinity to the NCAA Division III South Regional final, is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Jori Simmons, a 6-0 middle blocker for Carthage College, is a senior from Frankfort, Ill. The four-time first-team All-CCIW selection, who led the conference with a .407 hitting percentage and 1.23 blocks per game, helped guide the Lady Reds to a 28-4 overall record, a 7-0 first-place conference finish and the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional final. Simmons is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Jackie Williams, a 6-1 right side/opposite hitter for Wittenberg University, is a junior from Rocky River, Ohio. Williams, who earned North Coast Athletic Conference Player of the Year and first-team All-Conference honors this year, helped lead the Tigers to a 32-0 overall record, a 14-0 first-place conference record and the NCAA Division III National Quarterfinals. Williams is a first-time AVCA All-America selection.

2007 AVCA Division III Third-Team All-America

Emily Bell, a 5-9 outside hitter from Wittenberg University, is a senior from Fort Wayne, Ind. A three-time All-NCAC selection, Bell helped the Tigers achieve its 13th NCAC regular season championship, 13th NCAC Tournament title and 11th straight NCAA Division III Tournament berth. Bell, the Wittenberg team captain, is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Sara Buros, a 5-11 right side/opposite hitter for Trinity University (Texas), is a senior from Austin, Texas. Buros, a first-team All-SCAC selection, was instrumental in helping the Tigers finish in first place in the conference with an undefeated 15-0 record and the NCAA Division III South Regional final. Buros is a second-time AVCA All-American, having been named to the first-team in 2006.

Jill Felger, a 5-10 middle blocker from Chapman University, is a junior from Lakewood, Calif. Felger, a three-time NCAA Division III All-Independent selection, led the Panthers to a 16-10 overall record and was ranked No. 2 among Division III Independent schools with a .382 hitting percentage and No. 1 in kills with 350. Felger is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Audra Janak, a 5-8 setter for Washington University in St. Louis, is a junior from Dallas, Texas. Janak, who was fifth in the UAA with 9.67 assists per game, has helped guide the Bears to the NCAA Division III national quarterfinals. Janak is a two-time AVCA All-American, having been named to the first-team in 2006.

Maggie Kelly, a 5-10 outside hitter for North Central College, is a senior from Riverside, Ill. Kelly, who helped lead the Cardinals to a 26-7 overall record, is a two-time first-team All-CCIW selection. This season, she set the North Central single-season record with 640 kills and is ranked No. 1 at the school all-time with 1,632 career kills. Kelly is a first time AVCA All-American.

Samantha Kirby, a 6-2 middle blocker for Averett University, is a sophomore from Lenoir, N.C. A two-time first-team All-USA South Conference selection, she helped lead the Cougars to a 24-14 overall record and a 14-4 conference record. After leading her team and the conference with a .423 hitting percentage, Kirby earned her first AVCA All-America honor.

Stacey Krebs, a 6-0 outside hitter for Salisbury University, is a junior from Eldersburg, Md. The 2007 Capital Athletic Conference Player of the Year and two-time first-team All-CAC selection helped lead the Sea Gulls to a 25-10 overall record and 7-1 second place conference finish. Krebs, who led the CAC with a 4.66 kills per game average, is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Amanda Morris, a 5-9 setter for MIT, is a senior from North Potomac, Md. Morris, who was named the 2007 New England Women's and Men's Athletic Conference Athlete of the Year, the first volleyball player from MIT to earn the honor, helped lead the Engineers to a 32-1 overall record, a 9-0 first place conference finish and the NCAA Division III New England Regional final. Morris, who also led the NEWMAC with 11.80 assists per game, is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Liz Schnelle, a 5-11 middle blocker from Ohio Northern University, is a sophomore from New Bremen, Ohio. A two-time OAC selection, having earned first-team honors in 2007 and second-team honors in 2006, helped lead the Polar Bears to a first-place conference finish with a 25-6 overall, an undefeated 9-0 conference record, and the NCAA Division III Great Lakes Regional final. Ranked second in the OAC with a .380 hitting percentage, Schnelle has earned AVCA All-American honors for the first time.

Megan Sollenberger, a 5-5 defensive specialist/libero for Juniata College, is a sophomore from Mechanicsburg, Pa. The Landmark Conference Specialist of the Year and first-team All-Conference member, guided the Eagles to a spot in the NCAA Division III National Quarterfinals with a 21-6 overall record and a 6-0 first-place conference record. Ranked second in the conference with 6.08 digs per game, Sollenberger is a first-time AVCA All-American.

Linsey Thomsen, a 5-4 libero for Nebraska Wesleyan University, is a senior from Beatrice, Neb. A Division III Independent Player of the Week this season, and a first- team DIII All-Independent selection in 2006, Thomsen helped lead the Prairie Wolves to a 17-10 record this season. Ranked in the top five in digs per game in Division III, Thomsen has earned AVCA All-America honors for the first time.

Katie Zondervan, a 5-6 setter for Calvin College, is a senior from Lakewood, Calif. Zondervan, who is a four-time first-team All-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association selection, helped guide the Knights to a 26-4 overall record, a first-place MIAA 15-1 record, and to the NCAA Midwest Regional semifinals. Ranked second nationally with 13.78 assists per game, Zondervan is a first-time AVCA All-American.