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	MPSF						OVERALL						
	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Streak	W	L	Pct.	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak
BYU	7	0	1.000	3-0	4-0	W7	14	4	.778	7-2	7-2	0-0	W9
Pepperdine	4	2	.667	2-0	2-2	W1	10	4	.714	4-2	5-2	1-0	W1
UCLA	4	2	.667	1-0	3-2	L1	15	5	.750	9-1	6-4	0-0	L1
Concordia	3	3	.500	2-3	1-0	W2	8	8	.500	6-4	2-4	0-0	L2
Grand Canyon	2	4	.333	1-3	1-1	W1	12	6	.667	4-4	6-1	2-1	W1
USC	1	5	.167	1-3	0-2	L5	4	13	.235	2-4	0-7	2-2	L6
Stanford	1	6	.143	0-3	1-3	L4	3	15	.167	0-5	3-8	0-2	L4

MPSF Champion and NCAA Automatic Qualifier determined at conference tournament, April 14-21...

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Wednesday, March 7

*Pepperdine at UCLA 7:00 pm
USC at UC SAN DIEGO 7:00 pm
Ball State at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm

Thursday, March 8

BYU vs. Penn State (at Hawaii) 4:00 pm
Menlo at GRAND CANYON 6:00 pm
Loyola-Chicago at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm

Friday, March 9

BYU vs. Lewis (at Hawaii) 4:00 pm
UC San Diego at STANFORD 5:00 pm
Mount Olive at GRAND CANYON 6:00 pm

Saturday, March 10

Loyola-Chicago at PEPPERDINE 5:00 pm
Mount Olive at GRAND CANYON 6:00 pm
Fort Wayne at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm
UC Irvine at STANFORD 7:00 pm
George Mason at UCLA 7:00 pm
BYU at HAWAII 7:00 pm

Sunday, March 11

Harvard at USC 7:00 pm

Monday, March 12

Harvard at CONCORDIA 7:00 pm

RECENT RESULTS

Sunday, March 4

HAWAII 3, Concordia 0 (25-20, 25-15, 25-16)

Saturday, March 3

*Pepperdine 3, STANFORD 0 (25-22, 25-21, 27-25)
*BYU 3, Ucla 0 (25-23, 25-21, 25-20)

Friday, March 2

HAWAII 3, Concordia 0 (25-15, 25-13, 25-21)

Thursday, March 1

Ucsb 3, USC 1 (25-20, 25-23, 22-25, 25-23)
*Ucla 3, STANFORD 1 (25-12, 25-16, 18-25, 25-21)
*BYU 3, Pepperdine 2 (22-25, 27-29, 25-23, 25-22, 15-11)

Saturday, February 24

CONCORDIA 3, Csun 2 (25-19, 24-26, 35-37, 35-33, 15-13)
*Grand Canyon 3, USC 2 (25-21, 20-25, 25-23, 20-25, 15-12)
* & BYU 3, Stanford 2 (23-25, 20-25, 25-14, 25-20, 15-12)

Friday, February 23

*PEPPERDINE 3, No. 2 Ucla 0 (25-21, 25-23, 25-20)
*Concordia 3, USC 1 (26-24, 14-25, 26-24, 25-15)

SCHEDULE/RESULTS NOTES

*MPSF Match
TV: Pac-12 Networks... & BYU TV
Home Team in CAPS; All Times Local to Site

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LEO DURKIN OF BYU MPSF/MOLTEN OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK
 BYU senior setter **Leo Durkin** (Las Vegas, NV/Centennial HS) guided a five-set come-from-behind win over No. 8 Pepperdine (Mar. 1) and a sweep of No. 3 UCLA (Mar. 3) to remain unbeaten in MPSF play. Against the Waves, Durkin put up a season-high 56 assists, a season-high six blocks, and tied his career-high in kills with three. He set the Cougars to a .355 hitting percentage while adding five digs – second-most on the team. Against the Bruins, Durkin contributed 37 assists while leading the team to a .318 clip, and collected three blocks, two digs and an ace. This is the first career MPSF weekly award for Durkin.



Others Nominated: Jaylen Jasper (STAN); David Wieczorek (PEP)...

FELIPE de BRITO FERREIRA OF BYU MPSF/MOLTEN DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

BYU freshman middle blocker **Felipe de Brito Ferreira** (Maringa, Brazil), in his first two career starts last week, collected multiple career-highs to help the Cougars remain unbeaten in MPSF play. In the five-set come-from-behind win over No. 8 Pepperdine (Mar. 1), he had a career-high 10 blocks – two more than any BYU player in any match this season and four more than any teammate in the match. Ferreira added a career-high six kills on a career-high .714 clip. Then in a sweep of No. 3 UCLA (Mar. 3), he put up a match-high six blocks – three more than any other player on either team. Ferreira added four kills without an error while hitting .500. This is the first career MPSF honor for Ferreira.



Others Nominated: Max Chamberlain (PEP); Evan Enriques (STAN)...

2018 MPSF SINGLE-MATCH HIGHS

Hit % (min. 10 kills) -	Sam Lewis (USC)	.786 (11-0-14)	1/2 vs. Princeton
Kills-	Jon Predney (CUI)	26 (5 sets)	2/24 vs. CSUN
Aces-	Micah Ma'a (UCLA)	6 (3 sets)	2/1 vs. Princeton
Points-	Jon Predney (CUI)	31 (5 sets)	2/24 vs. CSUN
Assists-	Chris Hall (USC)	64 (5 sets)	2/8 vs. Stanford
Total Blocks-	Sam Lewis (USC)	11 (5 sets)	1/20 vs. Penn St.
Digs-	Jacob Weiser (CUI)	17 (4 sets)	2/23 at USC
	Noah Dyer (PEP)	17 (4 sets)	2/10 at CUI
Team Hit %-	Grand Canyon	.578 (43-6-64)	1/12 vs. NGU
	Ranks 8th in MPSF Rally-Scoring Era		
Team Aces-	UCLA	15 (3 sets)	2/1 vs. Princeton
	Ties School Record		
Team Blocks-	Concordia	21 (5 sets)	2/24 vs. CSUN
Team Digs-	Concordia	56 (5 sets)	2/9 vs. UCSD
	UCLA	56 (5 sets)	1/20 vs. Ohio St.
Team Kills-	USC	72 (5 sets)	2/8 vs. Stanford
Longest Set-	Lewis 42, USC 40	Set 1	2/2 at Lewis
Longest Set 5-	Penn State 17, USC 15		1/20 at UCLA

2018 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

2018 MPSF/MOLTEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK



Jan. 8.....Cody Williams-GCU (Off.); Miki Jauhainen-BYU (Def.)
 Jan. 15...Gabi Garcia Fernandez-BYU (Off.); Evan Enriques-Stanford (Def.)
 Jan. 22.....Chandler Gibb-CUI (Off.); Daenan Gyimah-UCLA (Def.)
 Jan. 29Micah Ma'a-UCLA (Off.); Daenan Gyimah-UCLA (Def.)
 Feb. 5.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Garland Peed-UCLA (Def.)
 Feb. 12.....Brenden Sander-BYU (Off.); Jacob Weiser-CUI (Def.)
 Feb. 19.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Price Jarman-BYU (Def.)
 Feb. 26.....David Wiczorek-PEP (Off.); Taylor Falduti-CUI (Def.)
Mar. 5.....Leo Durkin-BYU (Off.); Felipe de Brito Ferreira-BYU (Def.)
 Mar. 12.....
 Mar. 19.....
 Mar. 26.....
 Apr. 2.....
 Apr. 9.....

2018 MPSF CHAMPIONSHIP

Saturday, April 14 (Quarterfinals)

(Hosts: Seeds 2, 3, 4)

Quarterfinal # 1- No. 7 seed at No. 2 seed 7:00 pm
 Quarterfinal # 2- No. 6 seed at No. 3 seed 7:00 pm
 Quarterfinal # 3- No. 5 seed at No. 4 seed 7:00 pm
 No. 1 seed-Bye

Thursday, April 19 (Semifinals)

(Host: No. 1 Seed)

Semifinal # 1—Highest-Seeded Quarterfinal Winners
 Semifinal # 2—Lowest Remaining Seed at No. 1 seed

Saturday, April 21 (Championship)

(Host: No. 1 Seed)

Semifinal Winners

2018 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

<http://uclabruins.com/sports/2018/1/10/2018-ncaa-mens-volleyball-championships.aspx>

Play-In Match

No. 7 seed vs. No. 6 seed

Tuesday, May 1 (Quarterfinals)

No. 6/7 seed winner vs. No. 3 seed 6:00 pm
 No. 4 seed vs. No. 5 seed 8:30 pm

Thursday, May 3 (Semifinals)

Host: UCLA

Pauley Pavilion; Los Angeles, Calif.

No. 1 seed vs. 4/5 winner 6:00 pm
 No. 2 seed vs. 3/6/7 winner 8:30 pm

Saturday, May 5 (Championship)

Host: UCLA

4:00 pm

Pauley Pavilion; Los Angeles, Calif.

2018 MPSF PRESEASON COACHES' POLL

Rank	Team (First-Place)	Points
1.	BYU (4)	33
2.	UCLA (2)	32
3T.	Pepperdine	22
3T.	Stanford	22
5.	USC (1)	18
6.	Grand Canyon	14
7.	Concordia	6

AVCA TOP-15 COACHES' POLL

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Mar. 5

Rank	School (First-Place)	Points	Record	Last
1	Long Beach State (25)	375	16-0	1
2	Hawai'i	350	11-2	2
3	UC Irvine	309	12-4	4
4	BYU	303	14-4	5
5	UCLA	273	15-5	3
6	Loyola-Chicago	253	15-3	6
7	Pepperdine	213	10-4	8
8	Lewis	209	13-5	7
9	Ohio State	189	13-4	9
10	Ball State	124	10-7	11
11	Penn State	82	10-4	10
12	CSUN	76	8-7	12
13	Grand Canyon	71	12-6	T-13
T-14	Concordia Irvine	63	8-8	T-13
T-14	UC Santa Barbara	63	7-5	15

2018 MPSF MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

BYU SEPARATES ITSELF ON TOP; PEP VISITS UCLA IN CRUCIAL CONTEST

No. 4 BYU (7-0 MPSF/14-4 Overall) extended its win streak to nine matches and further separated itself at the top of the standings with crucial home results over No. 8 Pepperdine (3-2) and No. 3 UCLA (3-0) last week. The Cougars erased a two-set deficit against the Waves, as Felipe de Brito Ferreira had 10 of his 16 blocks for the week (2.00 B/S) in that win. He also hit .600 (10-1-15) for the week. Leo Durkin set BYU to a .318 team attack for the week and had nine blocks. BYU will hold a two-match lead atop the conference after this week (Pepperdine visits UCLA Wednesday in the No. 2 position), with just five MPSF matches remaining. BYU is in Hawaii for three non-conference matches this week, taking on Penn State, Lewis and the host Warriors. BYU enters the week No. 1 in the NCAA in blocking (2.90 B/S).

No. 7 PEPPERDINE (4-2 MPSF/10-4 Overall) split its two-match MPSF road trip last week, earning a straight-set win at Stanford (Mar. 3). David Wieczorek compiled 31 kills (3.88 K/S; .324), five aces (0.63 A/S), and eight blocks (1.00 B/S) for the week. Max Chamberlain totaled 15 blocks through the eight sets (1.88 B/S). No. 7 Pepperdine visits No. 5 UCLA Wednesday (Mar. 7) in the only MPSF match for the week. The winner will be two matches behind BYU with five to play in the conference. The Waves swept the first meeting in Malibu (Feb. 23). They enter the week atop the conference in opponent hitting (.240) and aces per set (1.93), while Wieczorek leads in three categories—kill average (3.89 K/S), point average (4.92 P/S; NCAA No. 3), and ace average (0.55 A/S).

No. 5 UCLA (4-2 MPSF/15-5 Overall) split two MPSF road matches last week, picking up a four-set win at Stanford (Mar. 1). The No. 5 Bruins host No. 7 Pepperdine Wednesday (Mar. 7), before hosting George Mason Saturday (Mar. 10). Daenan Gyimah is the NCAA hitting leader (.500), while Micah Ma'a leads the MPSF in assists per set (10.68) and aces (32). The Bruins are the MPSF's top hitting team overall (.337; NCAA No. 4) and have served a conference-high 131 aces (1.82 A/S).

STANFORD (1-6 MPSF/3-15 Overall) fell in four to No. 3 UCLA (Mar. 1) and in three to No. 8 Pepperdine (Mar. 3). Mason Tufuga did the setting each match, dishing a career-high 35 assists vs. Pepperdine, while Jaylen Jasper recorded 16 kills in each match. Kyler Presho hit .636 with seven kills on 11 errorless swings and Evan Enriques picked up a match-high 12 digs vs. Waves. Stanford hosts UC San Diego (Mar. 9) and UC Irvine (Mar. 10) this week.

USC (1-5 MPSF/4-13 Overall) fell in four at home to No. 15 UCSB last Thursday (Mar. 1) in a rescheduled match from earlier this year. Gianluca Grasso and Jack Wyett each had 14 kills, with Grasso hitting .423 and collecting 11 digs and three aces. Sam Lewis added 11 kills and three aces. USC stays outside the MPSF this week, visiting UC San Diego Wednesday (Mar. 7) and hosting Harvard Sunday (Mar. 11).

No. 14 CONCORDIA (3-3 MPSF/8-8 Overall) dropped a pair of 3-0 road matches at No. 2 Hawaii this past weekend (Mar. 2-4). The Eagles host three MIVA schools this week, as Ball State (Mar. 7), Loyola-Chicago (Mar. 8), and Fort Wayne (Mar. 10) each visit. Jacob Weiser is the MPSF digs per set leader (2.70). Concordia is No. 2 in the MPSF and NCAA in blocks per set (2.77).

No. 13 GRAND CANYON (2-4 MPSF/12-6 Overall) returns to action after a bye week, hosting Menlo Thursday (Mar. 8). Last in action, the Antelopes won for the first time in an MPSF road match, 3-2 at USC (Feb. 24). The 'Lopes tallied 20.5 blocks in beating USC for the first time in three series meetings. Ashton King totaled 17 kills with a .583 clip, nine blocks, and six digs. He also hit .545 (13-1-22) in the loss at Concordia (Feb. 22), and totaled 12 blocks for the week. Shalev Saada came off the bench at USC to get 13 kills, while Caleb Blazer had eight blocks. Sky Engleman dug 24 balls last week (3.00 D/S).