

## BYU-Hawaii Setter Ying Chun Chen Voted Daktronics West Region Player of the Year

PORTLAND, Ore. (Tuesday, Nov. 27) – BYU-Hawaii setter Ying Chun Chen has been voted the NCAA Division II *Daktronics West Region Volleyball Player of the Year*.

Chen was one of three players from the Seasiders, who are the top seed and host for this week's West Regional playoffs which begin Thursday in Laie, to be named to the all-region team. Interestingly enough, she was not a first team selection despite getting the Player of the Year nod.

Representing BYUH on the first team is outside hitter Shih Ting Chen, who was the lone repeater from last year's first team. BYUH outside hitter Lauren Hagemeyer earned second team honors.

GNAC champion Western Washington also placed three players on the all-region team. Outside hitter Marlayna Geary and middle hitter/blocker Kayla Erickson were first team selections. Viking libero Samantha Hutchinson was voted to the second team.

Joining Shih Ting Chen and the two WWU players on the first team were Cal State L.A. middle hitter/blocker Marquis Mora, Chico State outside hitter Alex Shurtz, Grand Canyon libero Mackenzie Phelps and San Francisco State setter Iris Tolenada. Mora earned first team honors after being selected to the second team each of the past two seasons.

In addition to Ying Chun Chen, Hagemeyer and Hutchinson, second team selections also included outside hitters Danielle Dahle of UC San Diego and Ally Sather of Sonoma State and middle hitter/blockers Sara McCutchan of UC San Diego and Brenna McIntosh of Cal State San Bernardino.

Players selected to the region first team will be listed on the Daktronics All-American national ballot. The All-American team will be announced Dec. 5.

## 2012 DAKTRONICS WEST REGION VOLLEYBALL ALL-STAR TEAM

## First Team

Pos	Name	School	Yr	Hometown
OH	Shih Ting Chen	BYU-Hawaii	So.	Yunlin Taiwan
OH	Marlayna Geary	Western Washington	Sr.	Tacoma, Wash.
OH	Alex Shurtz	Chico State	Jr.	Moraga, Calif.
MH/B	Kayla Erickson	Western Washington	So.	Gig Harbor, Wash.
MH/B	Marquis Mora	Cal State L.A.	Sr.	Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
L	Mackenzie Phelps	Grand Canyon	So.	Prescott, Ariz.
S	Iris Tolenada	San Francisco State	Sr.	Antioch, Calif.

## **Second Team**

Pos	Name	School	Yr	Hometown
OH	Danielle Dahle	UC San Diego	Fr.	La Mesa, Calif.
OH	Lauren Hagemeyer	BYU-Hawaii	Sr.	Ridgway, Colo.
OH	Ally Sather	Sonoma State	Sr.	Santa Rosa, Calif.
MH/B	Sara McCutchan	UC San Diego	So.	Irvine, Calif.
MH/B	Brenna McIntosh	Cal State San Bernardino	Fr.	Yorba Linda, Calif.
L	Samantha Hutchinson	Western Washington	So.	University Place, Calif.
S	Ying Chun Chen	BYU-Hawaii	So.	Kaohsiung, Taiwan

West Region Player of the Year - Ying Chun Chen, BYU-Hawaii (S, So., Kaohsiung, Taiwan)