

# **DIVISION III MEN'S VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIP RECORDS BOOK**

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# 2017 CHAMPIONSHIP

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## HIGHLIGHTS

[Springfield volleyball wins 2017 NCAA DIII championship](#): In front of a sold out Blake Arena, the Springfield men's volleyball team captured the 2017 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball national championship in four sets over SUNY New Paltz.

Playing in a Division III national championship for the eighth straight season, Springfield wrapped up the year with a 29-2 record, including a 27-1 mark against Division III opponents. The loss concluded SUNY New Paltz's season with a 27-9 record.

The final proved to be a rematch of the 2016 NCAA Division III Championship, and Springfield defeated SUNY New Paltz for the third time in 2017 to claim the national title. Springfield has captured 10 Division III national championships as a men's volleyball program, including winning four NCAA Division III championships after claiming the crown in 2012, 2013 and 2014.

Springfield's Luis Vega was named the Most Outstanding Player of the championship for the third time in his career as he recorded a match-high 17 kills to go along with four blocks and four digs. Teammates Luis Garcia Rubio and Kyle Jasuta joined Vega on the all-tournament team as Garcia Rubio totaled 43 assists, eight digs and three blocks and Jasuta registered a career-high seven blocks. Ricardo Padilla Ayala notched a team-best nine digs and Sean Zuvich totaled 13 kills, eight digs and four blocks.

For SUNY New Paltz, Jake Roessler led the way with 12 kills, while Anthony Bonilla added 11 kills. Matthew Grace posted 41 assists leading the offense, Robert Nolan produced 16 digs, and C.J. Borfitz added a team-best four blocks.

SUNY New Paltz raced out to a 6-2 lead when Bonilla converted out of the back row in transition and Springfield head coach Charlie Sullivan wasted little time calling a timeout. Jonathan Rodriguez Lopez would finish out of the middle to bring Springfield within 11-9, but the visitors answered with three-straight points, thanks to a pair of Pride attacks errors, and Sullivan burned his second timeout of the frame. Woessner ripped an ace to push the Hawks advantage to 18-14, and Springfield would climb within one twice, the last coming at 23-22 on a huge backrow kill by Vega, only to have a two Pride miscues give SUNY New Paltz the 25-22 win.

Vega and Rodriguez combined for a block at 2-1 in the second set, but the Hawks responded with four straight points to build a 5-2 cushion. Springfield would answer back, using a pair of blocks from Garcia Rubio to fuel a 7-2 surge and earn a 9-7 lead. An ace from Vega allowed the Pride to gain a 16-14 edge, but three consecutive Springfield errors made Sullivan call a timeout trailing 17-16. Vega elevated for a solo stuff to put Springfield back on top, 20-19, and SUNY New Paltz burned a timeout of their own when Jasuta painted an ace along the back line at 22-20. Zuvich pounded a kill in system for set point at 24-21, and the Pride took a 25-22 win following a Hawks service error. SUNY New Paltz was limited to a -.174 hitting percentage thanks to the Pride totaling 6.5 team blocks.

The third set started as a back-and-forth affair with 12 ties in the early going as SUNY New Paltz took a 15-14 edge into the media timeout. Springfield then used a Vega back row kill to kick start a 4-0 run that was capped off by a solo stuff from Padilla Ayala as the Hawks called for a timeout at 18-15. The visitors would make it a 18-17 game when Bonilla finished in transition, but the Pride produced a 3-1 burst to regain a three-point edge on a Padilla Ayala kill, forcing the visitors into their final timeout. After Woessner buried a ball in the middle to make Sullivan call timeout with a 23-22 edge, Zuvich ripped a ball cross court for set point and Padilla Ayala blasted a kill off the block for the 25-23 win. Vega was dominant in the frame, totaling eight kills on 15 errorless attempts.

Borfitz put away an overpass kill for a 5-3 lead to begin the fourth set, but a 5-1 push fueled by a three kills from Vega put the hosts ahead 8-6. After Padilla Ayala crafted a kill out of the backrow for the 10-8 lead, Springfield committed three straight attack errors and Sullivan called for another timeout. Even at 13, the hosts rattled off three-straight points, with a Jasuta closing for a solo stuff as SUNY New Paltz called for a timeout at 16-13. The Hawks would get as close as 16-15 when Bonilla blasted a back row ball, but out of a timeout, Springfield responded with a 5-2 push to gain some breathing room following a Hawks' attack error. Vega would later elevate for a crafty kill for set point and three points later, SUNY New Paltz committed its 18th service error of the match sealed the Pride's 10th national title.

## 2016 RESULTS

### FIRST ROUND

[Hunter 3, Penn St.-Altoona 0](#)

[Stevens 3, Endicott 1](#)

[SUNY New Paltz 3, Kean 2](#)

[Juniata 3, NYU 2](#)

### QUARTERFINALS

[Springfield 3, Hunter 0](#)

[Stevens 3, Dominican \(IL\) 1](#)

[SUNY New Paltz 3, Vassar 0](#)

[Wentworth 3, Juniata 0](#)

### SEMIFINALS

[Springfield 3, Stevens 0](#)

[SUNY New Paltz 3, Wentworth 2](#)

### CHAMPIONSHIP

[Springfield 3, SUNY New Paltz 1](#)

# HISTORY

## RESULTS

Year	Champion (Record)	Coach	Score	Runner-Up	Host or Site	Final Match Attendance	Total Attendance
2012	Springfield (33-5)	Charlie Sullivan	3-0	Carthage	Springfield	1,600	5,723
2013	Springfield (31-3)	Charlie Sullivan	3-0	Nazareth	Nazareth	1,000	2,676
2014	Springfield (27-8)	Charlie Sullivan	3-0	Juniata	Juniata	816	3,022
2015	Stevens (31-4)	Patrick Dorywalski	3-0	Springfield	Stevens	1,126	2,506
2016	SUNY New Paltz (33-2)	Radu Petrus	3-1	Springfield	Nazareth	914	3,364
2017	Springfield (29-2)	Charlie Sullivan	3-1	SUNY New Paltz	Springfield	2,000	6,099

## ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAMS

### \*Most Outstanding Player

#### 2012

Randy Hansen, Carthage  
Connor Wexter, Carthage  
Christopher Newcomb, Hunter  
Greg Falcone, Springfield  
\*Mike Pelletier, Springfield  
Keaton Pieper, Springfield  
Salvatore La Cavera, UC Santa Cruz

#### 2013

Martin Joksimovik, Baruch  
EJ Wells-Spicer, Nazareth  
Luke Lawatsch, Nazareth  
Steve Visentin, Rivier  
Greg Falcone, Springfield  
Nick Ferry, Springfield  
\*Luis Vega, Springfield

#### 2014

Connor Wexter, Carthage  
Paul Kuhn, Juniata  
Alex McColgin, Juniata  
Jimmy O'Leary, Springfield  
Keaton Pieper, Springfield  
\*Luis Vega, Springfield  
Brian Smith, SUNY New Paltz

#### 2015

Tim Zyburt - Nazareth  
Ryan Malone - Springfield  
Ricardo Padilla Ayala - Springfield  
Kevin Aeckerle - Stevens  
\*Tim Ferriter, Stevens  
Ryan Seifert - Stevens  
Christian Smith - SUNY New Paltz

#### 2016

Luis Vega, Springfield  
Greg Woods, Springfield  
Chris Vaughan, Stevens  
Rob Wingert, Stevenson  
Andy Fishman, SUNY New Paltz  
Joe Norman, SUNY New Paltz  
\*Christian Smith, SUNY New Paltz

#### 2017

Ricardo Padilla Ayala, Springfield  
Kyle Jasuta, Springfield  
\*Luis Vega, Springfield  
Gabe Shankweiler, Stevens  
Robert Nolan - SUNY New Paltz  
Jake Roessler - SUNY New Paltz  
Jake Reed - Wentworth

## INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

### KILLS, MATCH

33—Quinn Peterson, Juniata (3) vs. NYU (2), 4-22-2017.

### KILLS, TOURNAMENT

62—Jake Roessler, SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (10 vs. Kean, 26 vs. Vassar, 14 vs. Wentworth, 12 vs. Springfield).

### TOTAL ATTEMPTS, MATCH

55—Salvatore La Cavera, UC Santa Cruz (3) vs. Rivier (2), 4-27-2012; Quinn Peterson, Juniata (3) vs. NYU (2), 4-22-2017.

### TOTAL ATTEMPTS, TOURNAMENT

122—Jake Roessler, SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (19 vs. Kean, 35 vs. Vassar, 30 vs. Wentworth, 38 vs. Springfield).

### ASSISTS, MATCH

64—Connor Wexter, Carthage (3) vs. Nazareth (2), 4-27-2012.

### ASSISTS, TOURNAMENT

181—Matthew Grace, SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (45 vs. Kean, 42 vs. Vassar, 53 vs. Wentworth, 41 vs. Springfield).

### SERVICE ACES, MATCH

7—Eric Johnson, Springfield (3) vs. Endicott (0), 4-25-2014.

### SERVICE ACES, TOURNAMENT

11—Steven Woessner, SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (4 vs. Kean, 2 vs. Vassar, 2 vs. Wentworth, 3 vs. Springfield).

### DIGS, MATCH

17—Andrew Corwin, Rivier (2) vs. UC Santa Cruz (3), 4-27-2012; Kevin Nardone, SUNY New Paltz (2) vs. Stevens (3), 4-25-2015.

### DIGS, TOURNAMENT

40—Robert Nolan, SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (10 vs. Kean, 4 vs. Vassar, 10 vs. Wentworth, 16 vs. Springfield).

### HITTING PERCENTAGE, MATCH

(Min. 15 attempts)

.657—Jake Roessler, SUNY New Paltz (3) vs. Vassar (0), 4-28-2017 (26-3/35).

### HITTING PERCENTAGE, TOURNAMENT

(Min. 20 attempts)

.630—Greg Falcone, Springfield, 2012 (.778 vs. Baruch, 8-1/9; .333 vs. Hunter, 3-1/6; .667 vs. Carthage, 9-1/12).

## TEAM RECORDS

### KILLS, MATCH

79—Nazareth (2) vs. Carthage (3), 4-27-2012.

### KILLS, TOURNAMENT (3 MATCHES)

179—SUNY New Paltz, 2016 (54 vs. Wentworth, 62 vs. Stevens, 63 vs. Springfield).

## KILLS, TOURNAMENT (4 MATCHES)

211—SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (51 vs. Kean, 51 vs. Vassar, 63 vs. Wentworth, 46 vs. Springfield).

## TOTAL ATTEMPTS, MATCH

166—Nazareth (2) vs. Carthage (3), 4-27-2012.

## TOTAL ATTEMPTS, TOURNAMENT (3 MATCHES)

358—Carthage, 2012 (152 vs. Nazareth, 129 vs. UC Santa Cruz, 77 vs. Springfield).

## TOTAL ATTEMPTS, TOURNAMENT (4 MATCHES)

445—SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (100 vs. Kean, 94 vs. Vassar, 127 vs. Wentworth, 124 vs. Springfield).

## ASSISTS, MATCH

76—Nazareth (2) vs. Carthage (3), 4-27-2012.

## ASSISTS, TOURNAMENT (3 MATCHES)

170—SUNY New Paltz, 2016 (48 vs. Wentworth, 62 vs. Stevens, 60 vs. Springfield).

## ASSISTS, TOURNAMENT (4 MATCHES)

199—SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (49 vs. Kean, 48 vs. Vassar, 59 vs. Wentworth, 43 vs. Springfield).

## SERVICE ACES, MATCH

15—Springfield (3) vs. Hunter (0), 4-28-2017.

## SERVICE ACES, TOURNAMENT (3 MATCHES)

29—Springfield, 2017 (15 vs. Hunter, 11 vs. Stevens, 3 vs. SUNY New Paltz).

## SERVICE ACES, TOURNAMENT (4 MATCHES)

31—SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (13 vs. Kean, 5 vs. Vassar, 9 vs. Wentworth, 4 vs. Springfield).

## DIGS, MATCH

60—UC Santa Cruz (2) vs. Nazareth (3), 4-25-2015.

## DIGS, TOURNAMENT (3 MATCHES)

117—Springfield, 2013 (32 vs. Kean, 55 vs. Baruch, 30 vs. Nazareth).

## DIGS, TOURNAMENT (4 MATCHES)

131—SUNY New Paltz, 2017 (30 vs. Kean, 23 vs. Vassar, 39 vs. Wentworth, 39 vs. Springfield).

## HITTING PERCENTAGE, MATCH

.537—Springfield (3) vs. Baruch (0), 4-27-2012 (43-7/67).

## HITTING PERCENTAGE, TOURNAMENT

.472—Springfield, 2012 (.537 vs. Baruch, 43-7/67; .478 vs. Hunter, 39-6/69; .412 vs. Carthage, 43-10/80).

## WON-LOST RECORDS IN TOURNAMENT PLAY

(Note: Semifinal losers are credited with third place.)

Team (Years Participated)	Yrs.	Won	Lost	Pct.	1st	2nd	3rd
Baruch (2012-13-14-15)	4	3	4	.429	0	0	1
UC Santa Cruz (2012-13-15)	3	1	3	.250	0	0	1
Carthage (2012-14-16)	3	3	3	.500	0	1	1
Dominican (IL) (2017)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Elms (2012)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Endicott (2013-14-15-16-17)	5	1	5	.167	0	0	0
Hunter (2012-16-17)	3	2	3	.400	0	0	1
Juniata (2013-14-17)	3	3	3	.500	0	1	0
Kean (2012-13-14-15-16-17)	6	2	6	.250	0	0	0
Lasell (2015)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
MIT (2014)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Nazareth (2012-13-15)	3	3	3	.500	0	1	1
NYU (2017)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Penn St.-Altoona (2017)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Rivier (2012-13-14)	3	1	3	.250	0	0	1
Rutgers-Newark (2015-16)	2	1	2	.333	0	0	0
Springfield (2012-13-14-15-16-17)	6	16	2	.889	4	2	0
Stevens (2013-14-15-16-17)	5	7	4	.636	1	0	2
Stevenson (2016)	1	1	1	.500	0	0	1
SUNY New Paltz (2014-15-16-17)	4	8	3	.727	1	1	2
Vassar (2017)	1	0	1	.000	0	0	0
Wentworth (2016-17)	2	2	2	.500	0	0	1

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# ALL-TIME RESULTS

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## 2012

### First Round

Baruch def. Elms, 25-23, 25-18, 25-19.

### Quarterfinals

Springfield def. Baruch, 25-12, 25-16, 25-17

Hunter def. Kean, 25-23, 22-25, 27-25, 25-21

UC Santa Cruz def. Rivier, 23-25, 25-20, 25-20, 22-25, 15-12

Carthage def. Nazareth, 25-21, 27-25, 26-28, 21-25, 18-16.

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Hunter, 25-13, 26-24, 25-7

Carthage def. UC Santa Cruz, 25-23, 25-20, 20-25, 25-18.

### Championship

Springfield def. Carthage, 25-21, 25-23, 25-16.

## 2013

### First Round

Kean def. Endicott, 25-21, 25-17, 25-22.

### Quarterfinals

Springfield def. Kean, 25-16, 25-22, 15-17

Baruch def. Stevens, 25-15, 25-20, 25-21

Nazareth def. UC Santa Cruz, 25-16, 27-25, 25-22

Rivier def. Juniata, 28-26, 25-20, 25-23.

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Baruch, 25-22, 25-18, 18-25, 22-25, 15-13

Nazareth def. Rivier, 26-24, 25-18, 25-20.

### Championship

Springfield def. Nazareth, 25-18, 25-13, 25-22.

## 2014

### First Round

Endicott def. MIT, 25-15, 25-20, 27-25

Stevens def. Baruch, 17-25, 25-17, 25-21, 25-22.

### Quarterfinals

Springfield def. Endicott, 25-9, 25-10, 25-21

Carthage def. Rivier, 23-25, 25-21, 25-19, 25-27, 15-11

SUNY New Paltz def. Stevens, 25-21, 25-20, 25-19

Juniata def. Kean, 21-25, 25-18, 26-28, 25-17, 15-6.

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Carthage, 25-16, 25-23, 25-21

Juniata def. SUNY New Paltz, 18-25, 25-16, 25-19, 25-22.

### Championship

Springfield def. Juniata, 25-20, 25-21, 25-21.

## 2015

### First Round

Baruch def. Lasell, 25-23, 23-25, 25-20, 21-25, 15-11

Rutgers-Newark def. Endicott, 25-15, 25-18, 25-20.

### Quarterfinals

Nazareth def. Santa Cruz, 21-25, 25-16, 16-25, 26-24, 15-12

Springfield def. Rutgers-Newark, 25-14, 25-23, 25-12

SUNY New Paltz def. Kean, 25-16, 18-25, 25-18, 25-17

Stevens def. Baruch, 25-19, 25-19, 25-17.

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Nazareth, 27-29, 25-21, 25-19, 25-18

Stevens def. SUNY New Paltz, 25-18, 23-25, 25-23, 21-25, 15-13.

### Championship

Stevens def. Springfield, 25-20, 25-21, 25-21.

## 2016

### First Round

Kean def. Endicott, 25-21, 25-21, 19-25, 25-23

Wentworth def. Hunter, 25-21, 25-17, 25-12.

### Quarterfinals

SUNY New Paltz def. Wentworth, 19-25, 25-20, 25-15, 25-17

Stevens def. Rutgers-Newark, 25-18, 25-23, 22-25, 25-14

Springfield def. Kean, 25-11, 25-13, 25-17

Stevenson def. Carthage, 25-21, 29-27, 25-27, 25-18.

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Stevenson, 25-23, 25-16, 25-16

SUNY New Paltz def. Stevens, 25-22, 25-27, 25-18, 25-15.

### Championship

SUNY New Paltz def. Springfield, 25-18, 25-23, 23-25, 26-24.

## 2017

### First Round

Hunter def. Penn St.-Altoona, 25-17, 25-18, 25-13

Stevens def. Endicott, 25-20, 25-19, 18-25, 25-23

SUNY New Paltz 3 def. Kean, 25-21, 20-25, 25-19, 25-27, 15-13

Juniata def. NYU, 19-25, 31-33, 25-23, 25-22, 15-10

### Quarterfinals

Springfield def. Hunter, 25-13, 25-13, 25-16

Stevens def. Dominican (IL), 25-21, 25-17, 26-28, 25-23

SUNY New Paltz def. Vassar, 25-19, 25-15, 25-23

Wentworth def. Juniata, 25-20, 25-17, 25-21

### Semifinals

Springfield def. Stevens, 25-21, 25-14, 28-26

SUNY New Paltz def. Wentworth, 25-19, 21-25, 23-25, 25-20, 15-12

### Championship

Springfield def. SUNY New Paltz, 22-25, 25-22, 25-23, 25-21.

# BRACKETS

## 2012 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship



April 21 match at Baruch College.  
 April 27-29 matches at Springfield College.

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# 2013 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship

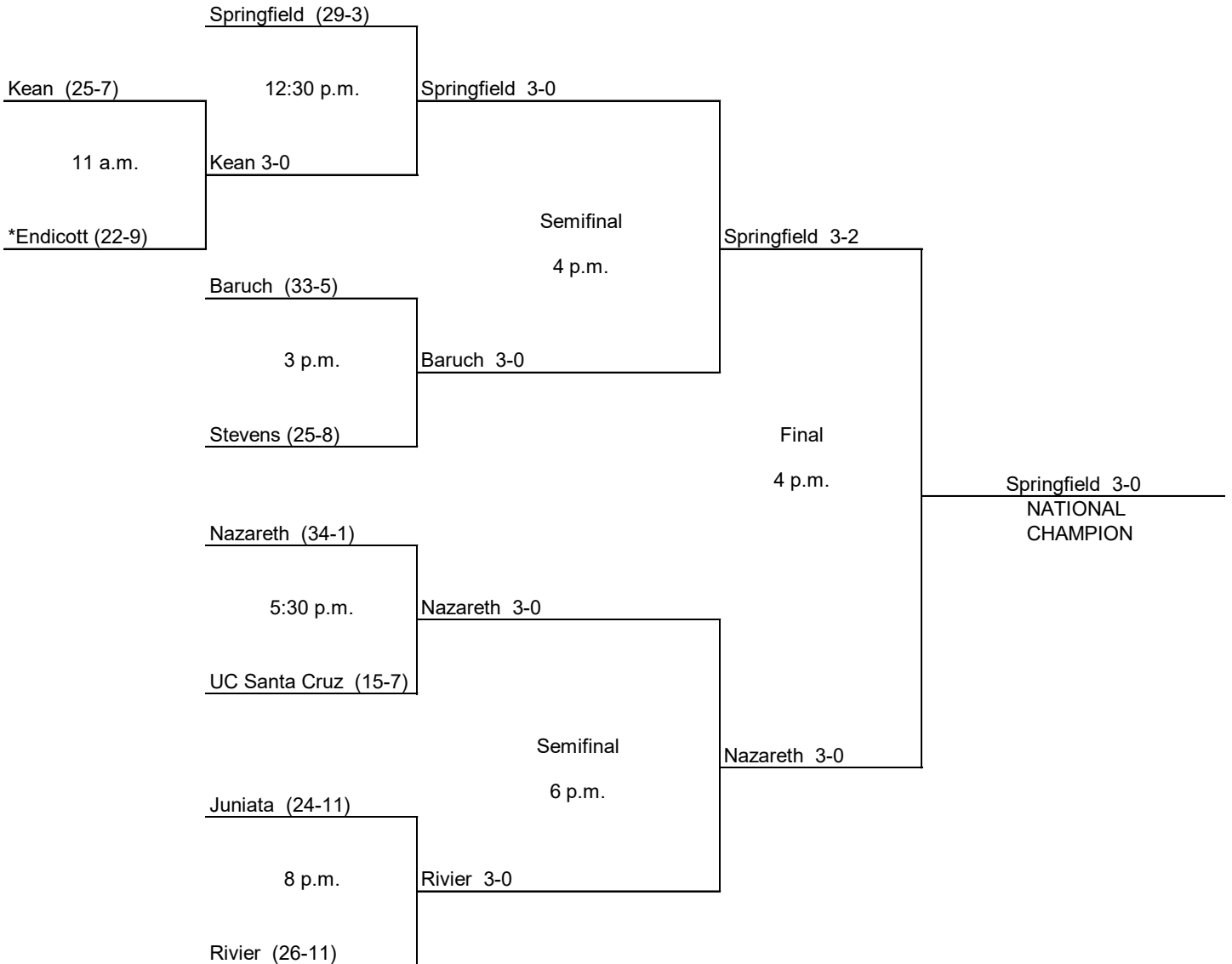


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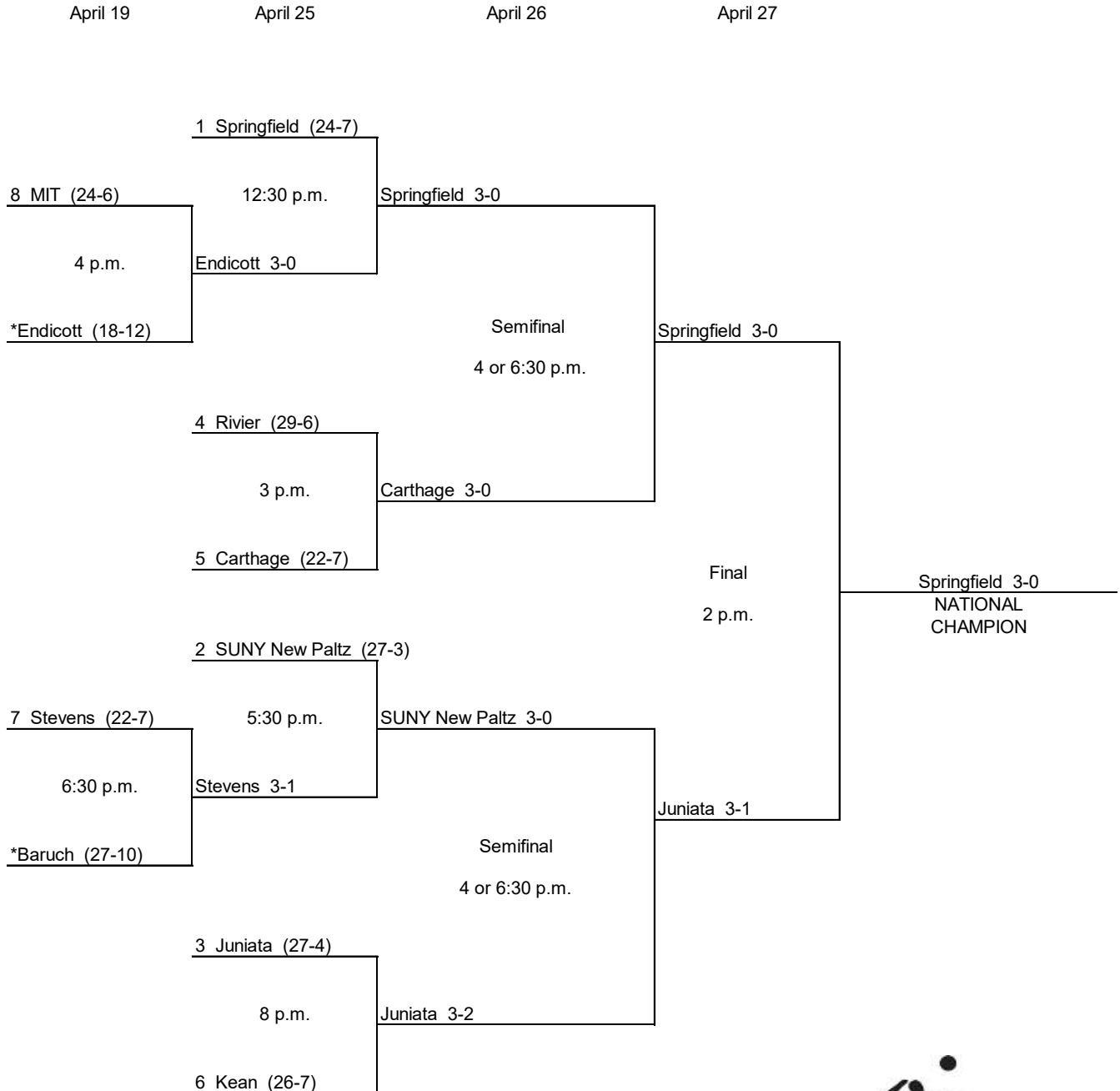


April 21 match at Endicott College.  
 April 26-28 matches at Nazareth College.

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# 2014 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship



April 19 matches on campus.  
 \*Denotes host institution for preliminary-round match.  
 April 25-27 matches at Juniata College.

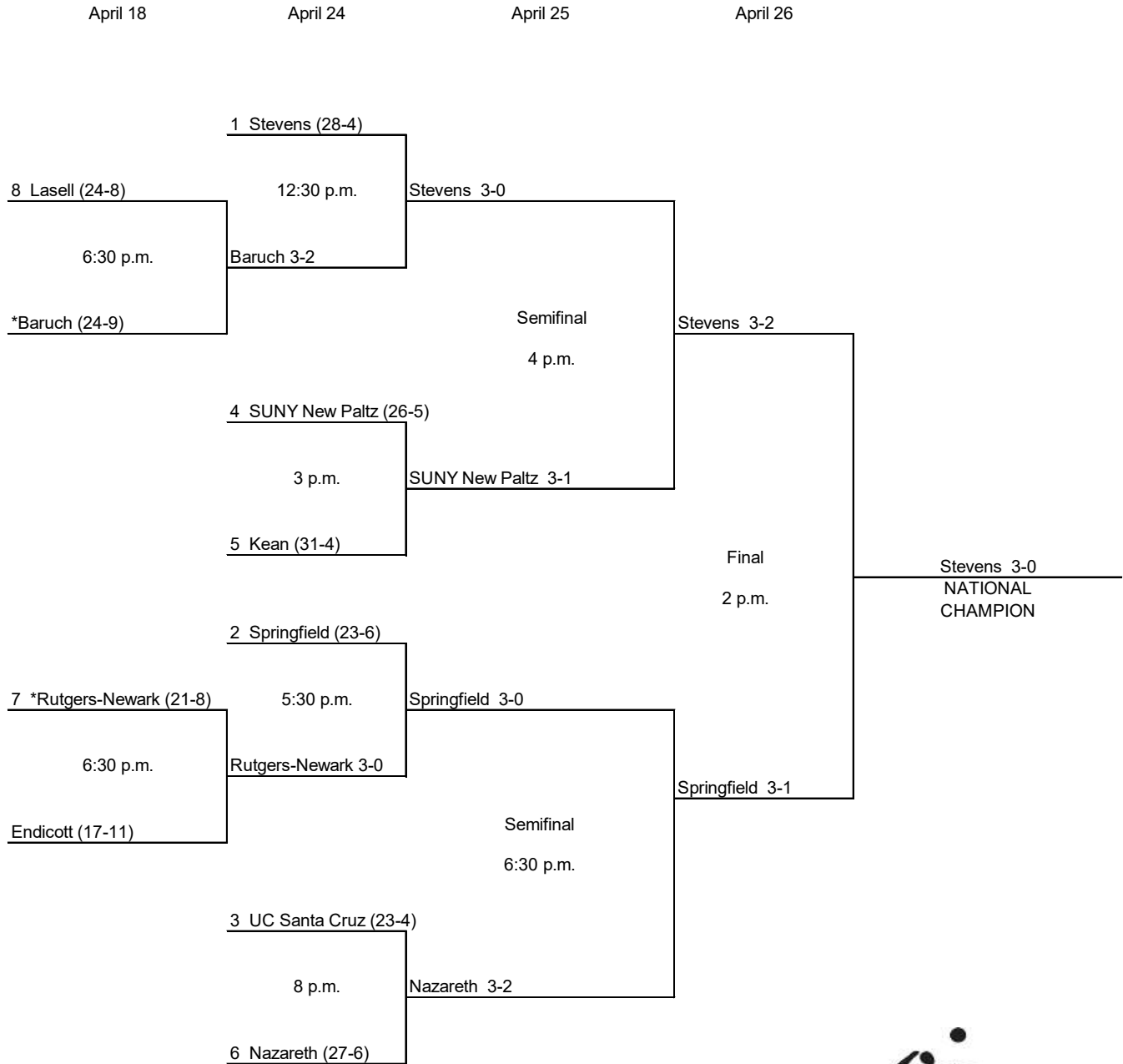
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# 2015 NCAA Division III Men's Volleyball Championship

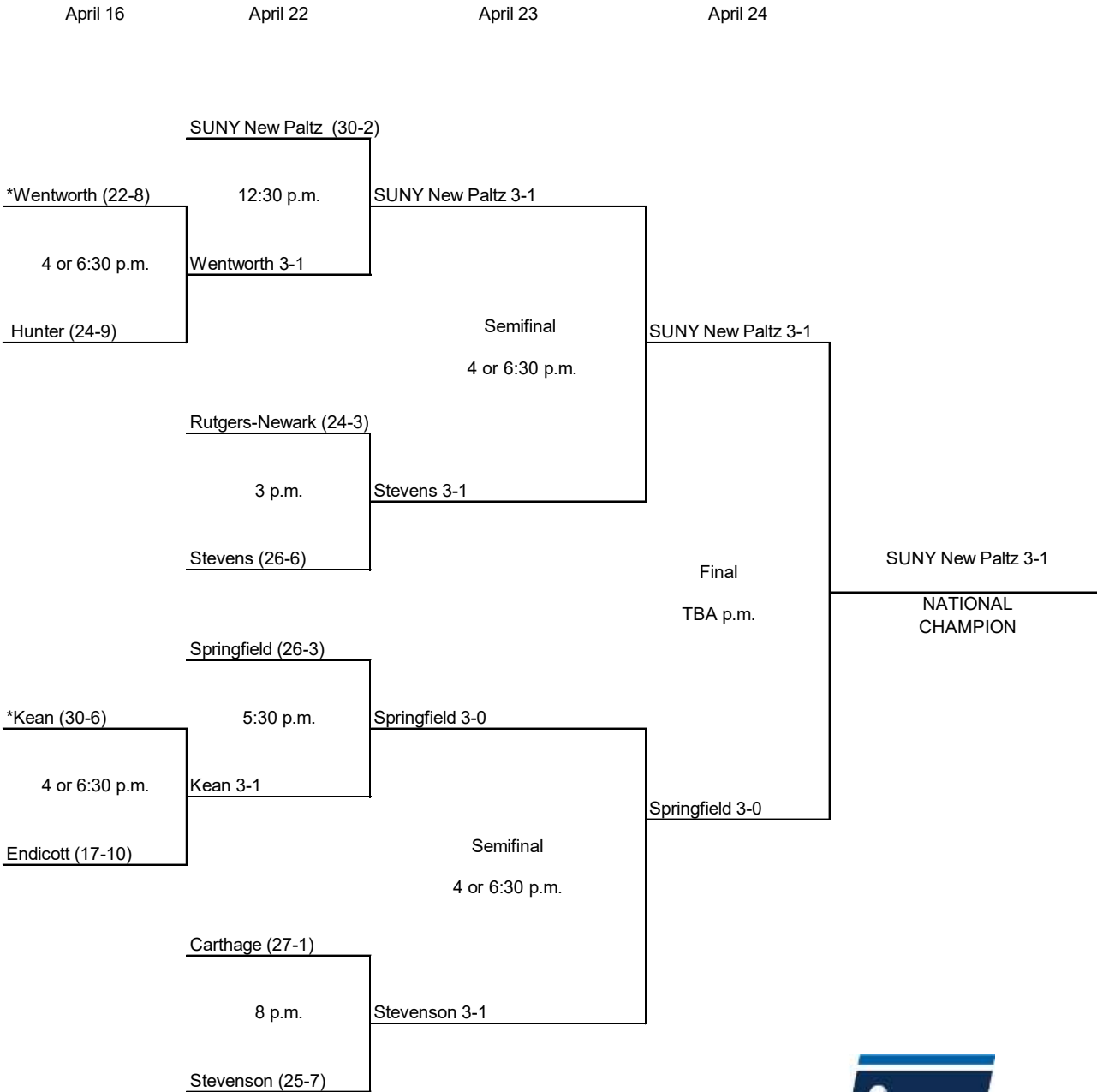


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 April 24-26 matches at Stevens Institute of Technology.



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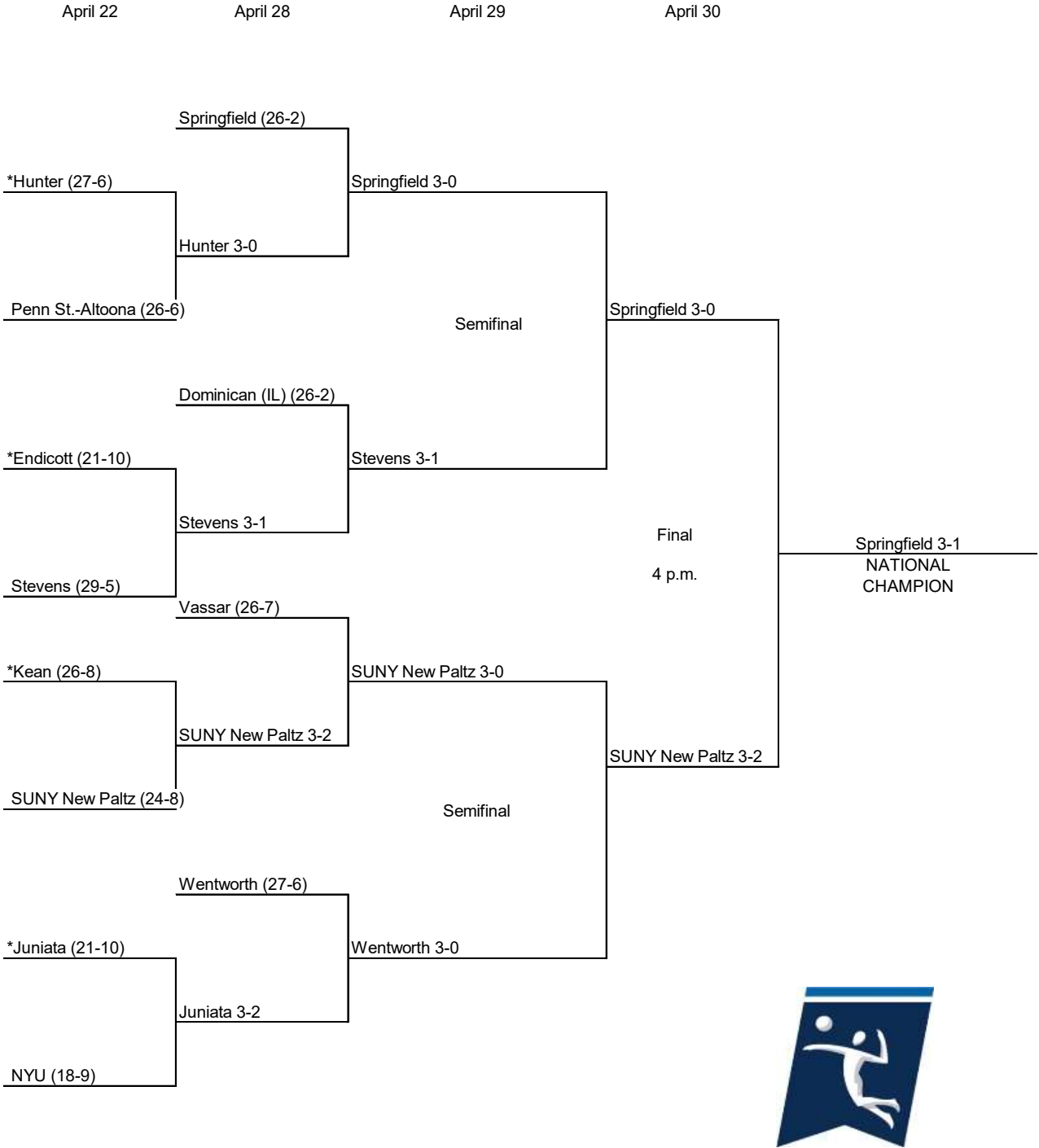


April 16 matches on campus.  
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 April 22-24 matches at Nazareth College.

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