



2004-05 MEN'S BASKETBALL

Big Ten-ACC Challenge Begins This Week;
Illinois Opens 2004-05 Season with 4-0 Start

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2004-05 Conference Standings

	Conference Games							All Games					Top 25*	Last 10	Streak	
	W	L	PCT	H	A	N	Streak	W	L	PCT	H	A				N
Illinois	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W10	4	0	1.000	3-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	---	W4
Michigan State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	3	0	1.000	3-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---	W3
Indiana	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	2	0	1.000	2-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---	W2
Ohio State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	5	1	.833	4-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	---	W1
Iowa	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W1	3	1	.750	1-0	0-0	2-1	2-1	---	L1
Wisconsin	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W4	2	1	.667	2-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	---	L1
Michigan	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W1	3	2	.600	3-0	0-0	0-2	0-1	---	L2
Penn State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L10	3	2	.600	2-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	---	W2
Minnesota	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W1	2	2	.500	1-0	0-0	1-2	0-0	---	L2
Purdue	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L3	1	2	.333	1-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	---	L1
Northwestern	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	1	3	.250	0-0	0-1	1-2	0-0	---	L3

*AP or ESPN/USA Today polls

Last Week's Results

November

22	IOWA def. No. 12/11 Louisville[9], 76-71	27	No. 5/4 ILLINOIS def. No. 24/25 Gonzaga [2], 89-72 INDIANA def. Western Illinois, 64-60 No. 10/9 MICHIGAN STATE def. Nicholls State, 102-52 Oklahoma def. MINNESOTA [15], 67-54 OHIO STATE def. UT-Chattanooga [16], 84-67 PENN STATE def. Sacred Heart, 69-61 Cincinnati def. PURDUE [19], 79-59 Pepperdine def. No. 20/18 WISCONSIN, 75-61
23	INDIANA def. Indiana State, 56-52 IOWA def. No. 15/13 Texas [9], 82-80 No. 10/9 MICHIGAN STATE def. UW-Green Bay, 104-46 OHIO STATE def. Houston [6] [7], 78-61 PURDUE def. Detroit, 66-56 No. 20/18 WISCONSIN def. UC Santa Barbara, 72-61	28	Colorado def. Northwestern, 66-57 [2] - at Conesco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, IN [6] - Guardian Classic [7] - in Kansas City, MO [9] - EA Sports Maui Invitational in Maui, HI [11] - Preseason NIT [12] - at Madison Square Garden in New York, NY [15] - Great Alaska Shootout in Anchorage, AK [16] - at St. John Arena in Columbus, OH [19] - Wooden Tradition at Conesco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, IN
24	No. 5/4 ILLINOIS def. Oakland, 85-54 No. 11/12 North Carolina def. IOWA [9], 106-92 No. 18/17 Arizona def. MICHIGAN [11] [12], 61-60 (OT) MINNESOTA def. Furman [15], 84-69 Creighton def. OHIO STATE [6] [7], 65-63 (OT)		
26	Providence def. MICHIGAN [11] [12], 72-63 No. 19/19 Alabama def. MINNESOTA [15], 78-72		

This Week's Schedule

November

29	PURDUE at N.C. State [1] 7 EST - ESPN2
30	Florida State at MINNESOTA [1] 6:30 CST - ESPN2 MICHIGAN at Georgia Tech [1] 7 EST - ESPN IOWA at Drake 7 CST Maryland at WISCONSIN [1] 8:30 CST - ESPN2 MICHIGAN STATE at Duke [1] 9 EST - ESPN

December

1	Wake Forest at ILLINOIS [1] 6 CST - ESPN OHIO STATE at Clemson [1] 7:30 EST - ESPN2 Virginia at NORTHWESTERN [1] 8:30 CST - ESPN2 North Carolina at INDIANA [1] 9 EST - ESPN PENN STATE at Rutgers 7:30 EST
3	Centenary at IOWA [10] 8 CST - ESPN Plus Local Lock Haven at Penn State 7:30 EST Memphis at PURDUE 7:30 EST - ESPN2
4	Notre Dame at MICHIGAN Noon EST - ESPN INDIANA at Connecticut Noon EST - CBS Sports ILLINOIS vs. Arkansas [20] 1 CST - ESPN Southern Miss/UNC-Greenville at IOWA [10] 8 CST - ESPN Plus Local Geo. Washington vs. MICHIGAN STATE [13] 3:30 EST - Raycom Sports Holy Cross at MINNESOTA 1 CST - ESPN Plus Local Chicago State at NORTHWESTERN 7 CST WISCONSIN at Rutgers 5:30 EST

[1] - Big Ten-ACC Challenge; [10] - Gazette Hawkeye Challenge in Iowa City, IA; [13] - BB&T Classic at MCI Center in Washington, DC

Polls: AP/USA Today
(not available at time of release)

Big Ten Player of the Week

Jeff Horner, Iowa
JR, G, Mason City, Iowa/Mason City

Horner led Iowa to victories over No. 12/11 Louisville and No. 15/13 Texas last week, averaging a team-best 21 points and 5.7 assists on his way to All-Tournament honors at the EA Sports Maui Invitational to earn Player of the Week. The junior guard shot 65 percent from the three-point arc (15-23) in the three games, including a 6-of-7 effort against No. 11/12 North Carolina in the championship game, while adding nine rebounds and five assists. He opened the tournament by tallying 18 points versus Louisville before scoring a career-high 27 points in the 82-80 upset over the Longhorns. For the week, Horner connected on 59.4 percent of his shots (19-32). He earns his second Big Ten weekly laurel as he was honored last season on Feb. 9, 2004.

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Big Ten Opening Tip

All-Tournament Honorees: Several Big Ten student-athletes were named to All-Tournament teams last week. Iowa's **Jeff Horner** earned All-Tournament honors at the EA Sports Maui Invitational after leading the Hawkeyes to a second-place showing at the tourney. It marked the best finish for Iowa at the Maui Invitational since claiming the title in 1987. Michigan's **Dion Harris** nabbed All-Tournament honors last week after the Wolverines earned their first trip to the Preseason NIT semifinals since the 1995-96 season. **Ivan Harris** and **J.J. Sullinger** also picked up All-Tournament accolades after leading Ohio State to a 3-1 record at the Guardian Classic.

The Century Mark: Michigan State has scored 100 points in three consecutive games for just the second time in school history and the first time since the first three games of the 1963-64 season. MSU posted a 102-52 victory over Nicholls State on Saturday, following back-to-back 104-point performances against UW-Green Bay (Nov. 22) and Florida A&M (Nov. 19). The Spartans also become only the second Big Ten squad in the last 10 years to claim three-consecutive 100-plus point games. Iowa opened the 1997-98 season with three straight 100-plus point victories. Prior to this year, MSU had topped 100 points just twice in **Tom Izzo's** nine full seasons.

Home Court Advantage: After two weeks of play, Big Ten squads have not lost a game at home this season, boasting an unblemished record of 22-0. Ohio State leads the League with a 4-0 record, while Illinois, Michigan and Michigan State follow with identical 3-0 marks. The Conference has also not lost a home opener this season, posting a 10-0 record. Northwestern will look to claim a victory in its home opener on Wednesday against Virginia.

On The Boards: Penn State's **Aaron Johnson** has shown his presence this season, nabbing 20-plus rebounds in two games. Johnson opened the 2004-05 campaign with a 24-board performance against Western Carolina (Nov. 15) and then hauled in 20 against Sacred Heart last Saturday. Johnson becomes the first Big Ten player to nab 20 or more rebounds in a game since Northwestern's Evan Eschmeyer posted 21 versus Penn State on Jan. 20, 1999.

2004 Big Ten- ACC Challenge

Big Ten/ACC Challenge -- Year Six: Now in its sixth year, the Big Ten/ACC Challenge pairs off 18 teams from two of the nation's best conferences for nine games over three nights. The 2004 event takes place on Monday through Wednesday, as all nine games will be televised nationally for the third straight year.

Among the Ranked: Nine of the top 25 teams ranked in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches poll will compete in the 2004 Challenge, including five ranked in the top 10 (No. 1 Wake Forest, No. 3 Georgia Tech, No. 4 Illinois, No. 9 Michigan State and No. 10 Duke).

Postseason Success Stories: Both leagues have produced a long history of NCAA Tournament success. In fact, the two conferences rank first or second in NCAA Tournament appearances (Big Ten - 167, ACC - 151), victories (ACC - 298, Big Ten - 267) and Final Fours (ACC - 40, Big Ten - 37) since the event's inception in 1939. The two leagues have advanced 13 teams to the national semifinals over the past six seasons, including 2004 Challenge participants Indiana, Michigan State, Ohio State, Wisconsin, Duke, Georgia Tech, Maryland and North Carolina.

History of the Challenge: The ACC holds a 27-17 advantage in the Big Ten-ACC Challenge, claiming the Commissioner's Cup all five years. The five-year records of the Big Ten participants in this annual series are listed to the right.

Challenge Trends: Michigan State (3-1) and Minnesota (3-2) are tied for the Conference lead with three victories in the event . . . After earning its first Challenge victory in 2002 at Assembly Hall, Illinois will return home where the Illini will host No.1 Wake Forest on Wednesday. This will mark the first time that a No. 1 ranked opponent will play in Champaign since Jan. 11, 1979 when then-No. 1 Michigan State fell to Illinois, 57-55 . . . The MSU-Duke game and Wisconsin-Maryland contest are the only rematches of a 2003 Challenge contest . . . Home teams are 26-10 in the Big Ten-ACC Challenge (ACC is 14-3, Big Ten is 11-7) . . . The ACC holds a 6-3 edge in neutral site games . . . 24 of the 44 Challenge games played to date have had at least one ranked team playing . . . 15 games have had both teams ranked.

TEAM	H	A	N	Total
Illinois	1-0	0-1	0-3	1-4
Indiana	-	1-1	1-0	2-1
Iowa	1-0	0-1	0-2	1-3
Michigan	1-1	--	1-0	2-1
Michigan St.	2-1	1-0	--	3-1
Minnesota	2-0	1-2	--	3-2
Northwestern	1-1	0-3	--	1-4
Ohio State	1-1	--	0-1	1-2
Penn State	1-1	0-2	--	1-3
Purdue	1-1	0-1	--	1-2
Wisconsin	0-1	0-3	1-0	1-4
TOTAL	11-7	3-14	3-6	17-27



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Big Ten Teleconference

When? -- Mondays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (central), with a non-conference review/Big Ten preview call scheduled for December 13. Weekly calls begin January 3 with the final call scheduled for March 7.

Who? -- Each Big Ten men's head coach is invited to participate on the weekly teleconference. Participation is not mandatory, so some coaches may not be available each week.

How? -- To participate, please call the Conference Communications office for the access and play-back numbers. The call will be available for play-back for 24 hours following each teleconference. An archived version of the call will also be available to both media and fans on the Big Ten web site.

Schedule of Coaches:

9:00 a.m. Mike Davis, IND
9:10 a.m. Steve Alford, IOWA
9:20 a.m. Dan Monson, MINN
9:30 a.m. Bill Carmody, NU
9:40 a.m. Ed DeChellis, PSU
9:50 a.m. Gene Keady, PUR
10:00 a.m. Tom Izzo, MSU
10:10 a.m. Bo Ryan, WIS
10:20 a.m. Tommy Amaker, MICH
10:30 a.m. Thad Matta, OSU
10:40 a.m. Bruce Weber, ILL
10:50 a.m. Player of the Week
(if available)

2005 Big Ten Tournament Media Hotel Information

Media representatives who plan on covering the 2005 Big Ten men's basketball tournament are advised that reservations are now being accepted at the Sheraton Chicago Hotel and Towers. Room rates are \$184 for a single or double. **Reservations can be made by calling 312-325-3535 and asking for the "Big Ten Media Rate."**

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Big Ten Opening Tip, cont.

Badgers Streaking at Home: With Wisconsin defeating UC-Santa Barbara, 72-61, on Nov. 22, the Badgers extended their home winning streak to 30 games, the second-longest streak in the nation. UW currently trails Stephen F. Austin, which has racked up 31 consecutive victories at home. Last season, Wisconsin was the only League school to produce a perfect record at home as the Badgers built a 15-0 mark at the Kohl Center. The streak is the second-longest string of success in school history, as UW was victorious in 33 consecutive contests from March 8, 1911 to January 23, 1918. Wisconsin's last defeat at the Kohl Center occurred on December 4, 2002, against Wake Forest. UW still trails the Big Ten record of 53 straight home triumphs set by Michigan State from 1998 to 2002 -- a winning streak that was ended by the Badgers.

Big Ten Coaching Milestones: Two Big Ten mentors are in reach of claiming several coaching milestones during the 2004-05 season. Iowa head coach **Steve Alford** will look to become the fifth coach in school history to earn 100 victories after compiling a 92-72 record in his first six seasons at Iowa. Alford is also only two wins away from cracking the 250-victory barrier with a 248-149 all-time record in 13 plus years of coaching. Northwestern head coach **Bill Carmody** stands only four wins away from claiming his 150th career victory with a 146-92 all-time record that includes a four-year stint at Princeton before joining the Wildcat staff in 2000.

100th MSU Sellout: Not only did Michigan State claim its third consecutive 100-plus point game of the season last week, the Spartans also notched another 100th milestone. Saturday's game against Nicholls State marked the 100th straight sellout in Breslin Center and **Tom Izzo's** 300th game as the Michigan State coach (210-90). The Spartans lead the League this season with three sellouts, while Wisconsin has notched two.

The 2005-06 Signees: Big Ten schools will welcome at least 27 new men's basketball players next season as each program announced its additions from the early signing period, which ran from November 10-17. The incoming student-athletes hail from 16 different states, including Illinois (5), Ohio (3) and Minnesota (2). The League will also welcome four international recruits from Canada (2), Antigua (1) and Australia (1). The class includes 25 current high school students and two junior college transfers. A list of each school's signees is listed on page six of the release and the Big Ten website at www.bigten.org.

Celebrating 100 Years of Big Ten play: The Big Ten will celebrate its 100th season of men's basketball when Conference action begins on January 5, 2005. The first round of League play was held during the 1905-06 academic year, with Minnesota (6-1) edging Wisconsin (6-2) for the title.

In the Polls (AP / ESPN-USA Today)

	IL	IN	IA	MICH	MSU	MN	NU	OSU	PSU	PUR	WIS
Preseason	5/5	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	13/10	-/RV	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/RV	21/20
Nov. 15	6/5	-/-	-/-	RV/-	13/10	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/RV	21/20
Nov. 22	5/4	RV/-	-/-	RV/RV	10/9	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	20/18

Big Ten Coaching Records

Coch. School	Career (Yrs.)	at School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
Bruce Weber, ILL	133-61 (7th)	30-7 (2nd)	13-3
Mike Davis, IND	83-53 (5th)	83-53 (5th)	36-28
Steve Alford, IOWA	248-149 (14th)	92-72 (6th)	34-46
Tommy Amaker, MICH	122-99 (8th)	54-44 (4th)	23-25
Tom Izzo, MSU	210-90 (10th)	210-90 (10th)	104-44
Dan Monson, MINN	133-94 (8th)	81-77 (6th)	29-51
Bill Carmody, NU	146-92 (9th)	54-67 (5th)	21-43
Thad Matta, OSU	107-32 (5th)	5-1 (1st)	0-0
Ed DeChellis, PSU	118-114 (9th)	13-21 (2nd)	3-13
Gene Keady, PUR*	544-270 (27th)	506-251 (25th)	262-156
Bo Ryan, WIS	453-132 (21st)	70-29 (4th)	35-13

* Record does not reflect 18 forfeited and two vacated games during the 1995-96 season.

Associated Press Poll - Nov. 22

Team	Record	Points (1st)	Prev. Rank
1. Wake Forest	2-0	1,658 (25)	2
2. Kansas	1-0	1,637 (26)	1
3. Georgia Tech	1-0	1,585 (11)	3
4. Syracuse	4-0	1,549	5
5. Illinois	2-0	1,450 (1)	6
6. Oklahoma State	1-0	1,386 (2)	7
7. Connecticut	1-0	1,302	8
8. Kentucky	1-0	1,236 (1)	9
9. Duke	1-0	1,064	11
10. Michigan State	1-0	964	13
11. North Carolina	0-1	934	4
12. Louisville	1-0	918	14
13. Maryland	1-0	833	15
14. Mississippi State	4-1	746	12
15. Texas	1-0	707	16
16. Pittsburgh	1-0	687	17
17. N.C. State	3-0	576	19
18. Arizona	2-1	565	10
19. Alabama	2-0	556	18
20. Wisconsin	1-0	399	21
21. Notre Dame	1-0	386	20
22. Washington	1-0	337	22
23. Florida	1-0	317	23
24. Gonzaga	2-0	218	25
25. Memphis	3-1	213	24

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Virginia 151, Stanford 64, **Michigan 64**, Providence 40, Charlotte 35, Oklahoma 25, Southern Illinois 24, Cincinnati 22, Utah 17, Boston College 14, New Mexico 9, UTEP 7, E. Tennessee 6, Santa Clara 5, UAB 5, Tennessee 4, Marquette 3, Rice 3, UNLV 3, Vermont 3, Air Force 2, George Washington 2, **Indiana 2**, LSU 2, Oregon 2, Davidson 1, DePaul 1, Iowa State 1.

ESPN/USA Today Poll - Nov. 22

Team	Record	Points (1st)	Prev. Ranking
1. Wake Forest	2-0	746 (15)	2
2. Kansas	1-0	741 (12)	1
3. Georgia Tech	1-0	651 (1)	4
4. Illinois	2-0	643 (1)	5
5. Syracuse	4-0	624	6
6. Connecticut	1-0	597	7
7. Oklahoma State	1-0	560 (1)	8
8. Kentucky	1-0	546 (1)	9
9. Michigan State	1-0	505	10
10. Duke	1-0	455	12
11. Louisville	1-0	426	13
12. North Carolina	0-1	410	3
13. Texas	1-0	375	15
14. Maryland	1-0	354	16
15. Pittsburgh	1-0	283	17
16. N.C. State	3-0	264	19
17. Arizona	2-1	252	11
18. Wisconsin	1-0	252	20
19. Alabama	2-0	248	18
20. Mississippi State	4-1	237	14
21. Notre Dame	1-0	190	21
22. Florida	1-0	145	22
23. Washington	1-0	119	24
24. Memphis	3-1	95	23
25. Gonzaga	2-0	60	NR

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Stanford 54, **Michigan 45**, Cincinnati 37, Providence 35, Virginia 23, Oklahoma 21, Charlotte 18, Southern Illinois 11, UNLV 10, DePaul 9, Vanderbilt 7, UAB 6, Pacific 6, Utah 5, Miami (Ohio) 3, New Mexico 2, Texas Tech 2, Marquette 1, Saint Joseph's 1, UTEP 1.

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Top Performances for the Week of Nov. 23-28

Luther Head, ILL: Connected on a career-high six three-pointers en route to his 22 points against Oakland; Also tied a career-high nine assists in consecutive games last week.

Dion Harris, MICH: Earned All-Tournament honors, after averaged 16.5 points, 4.5 rebounds and 3.5 assists in the Preseason NIT Final Four; Also set career highs in rebounds (5), minutes (44) and field goal attempts (22).

Alan Anderson, MSU: Averaged a team-best 16.5 points in two Spartan victories; Posted a career high with 18 points against UW-Green Bay.

Vedran Vukusic, NU: Led all scorers with 25 points, one shy of a career high, while adding nine rebounds and one block against Colorado.

Ivan Harris, OSU: Averaged 15.7 points in three games, including a career-high 19 points against Houston; Selected to the All-Tournament team of the Guardian Classic.

Aaron Johnson, PSU: Notched his fourth double-double in five games with 18 points and 20 rebounds against Sacred Heart.

Alando Tucker, WIS: Shot 72.7 percent from the field (8-11), while averaging seven rebounds per game last week.

2004-05 Double-Double Leaders

<u>Player</u>	<u>'04-05</u>	<u>Career</u>
Aaron Johnson, PSU	4	12
Carl Landry, PUR	2	2
Courtney Sims, MICH	2	4
Greg Brunner, IOWA	1	10
Paul Davis, MSU	1	4
Mike Wilkinson, WIS	1	10

Big Ten vs. Non-Conference Opponents

<u>Conference</u>	<u>'04-05</u>	<u>'03-04</u>	<u>'02-03</u>	<u>'01-02</u>	<u>'00-01</u>
MAC	0-1	8-0	9-3	5-2	10-3
Mid-Continent	3-0	7-0	7-1	7-0	3-2
Ohio Valley	0-0	7-0	5-0	2-0	2-0
Southern	2-0	5-0	---	3-0	3-0
Ivy	1-0	4-0	0-2	1-1	7-0
MEAC	3-1	3-0	5-0	4-0	3-0
Patriot	1-0	3-0	2-0	2-0	---
Big South	0-0	2-0	6-0	5-0	---
Northeast	2-0	2-0	5-0	1-0	2-0
Southland	1-0	2-0	---	2-0	1-0
Sun Belt	0-1	2-0	4-0	2-0	4-1
Atlantic Sun	1-0	1-0	3-0	2-0	2-1
Big Sky	1-0	1-0	5-0	2-1	1-0
Big West	1-1	1-0	---	---	0-1
Independents	0-0	1-0	---	2-0	2-0
MAAC	0-0	1-0	---	1-0	2-0
Horizon	2-0	8-1	5-1	5-2	9-1
Conference USA	2-1	6-2	5-4	4-4	6-0
Missouri Valley	1-2	3-1	2-0	5-2	6-1
Pac-10	0-1	3-1	1-2	3-5	3-4
Atlantic 10	0-0	4-2	5-4	2-6	6-3
America East	1-0	1-1	3-0	3-0	4-0
Big East	0-1	6-9	1-8	4-6	7-3
WAC	0-0	1-2	3-0	3-2	3-1
ACC	0-1	3-8	6-9	5-9	7-7
Big 12	2-2	4-11	4-10	9-5	6-5
SEC	0-1	1-5	8-3	2-4	5-6
SWAC	0-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-0
WCC	2-1	0-1	3-0	2-1	3-1
Mountain West	0-0	0-4	2-0	3-2	1-0
Big Ten	---	---	1-1	---	---
Colonial	2-0	---	---	4-2	---
NCAA II	1-0	---	---	4-0	2-0
Totals	29-14	90-49	102-48	99-55	116-40
Winning Pct.	.674	.648	.680	.643	.744

Home Attendance

	<u>Conference Games</u>				<u>All Games</u>			
	<u>G</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>AVG</u>	<u>SO</u>
Illinois	--	--	--	--	3	46,068	15,356	0
Indiana	--	--	--	--	2	22,408	11,204	0
Iowa	--	--	--	--	1	10,004	10,004	0
Michigan	--	--	--	--	3	28,489	9,496	0
Michigan St.	--	--	--	--	3	44,277	14,759	3
Minnesota	--	--	--	--	1	9,243	9,243	0
Northwestern	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Ohio State	--	--	--	--	4	46,032	11,508	0
Penn State	--	--	--	--	2	12,222	6,111	0
Purdue	--	--	--	--	1	11,308	11,308	0
Wisconsin	--	--	--	--	2	34,284	17,142	2
Totals	--	--	--	--	22	264,335	12,015	5

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2004-05 Players of the Week

- Nov. 15** **Geary Claxton, PSU:** Notched a 16-point performance in Penn State's season-opener against Illinois State at the BCA Classic; Hit 56 percent (5-9) from the field and connected on six-of-eight from the free throw line.
- Nov. 22** **Dee Brown, ILL:** Averaged 18.5 points and shot 81.3 percent from the field (13-16) while leading Illinois to a pair of victories; Posted an impressive 72.7 percent accuracy from beyond the arc (8-11).
- Nov. 29** **Jeff Horner, IOWA:** Averaged a team-best 21 points and 5.7 assists on his way to All-Tournament honors at the EA Sports Maui Invitational; Notched a career-high 27 points against Louisville and shot 65 percent from the three-point arc (15-23) in the three games.

2005-06 Signing Classes

As of Nov. 18, 2004

For more information see www.bigten.org**Illinois**

Chester Frazier, G, 6-2, 180, Baltimore, Md./Notre Dame (MA) Prep
Charles Jackson, F, 6-8, 270, Buena Vista, Ga./Tri-County
Jamar Smith, G, 6-3, 175, Peoria, Ill./Richwoods

Indiana

Ben Allen, C, 6-10, 250, Melbourne, Australia/Australian Ins. of Sport
Joey Shaw, G, 6-6, 170, Glendale, Ariz./Deer Valley

Iowa

Tony Freeman, G, 5-11, Westchester, Ill./St. Joseph's
Kurt Looby, F, 6-10, 210, St John's, Antigua/Tyler (Texas) C. C.

Michigan

Kendric Price, F, 6-8, 200, Boston, Mass./Buckingham Browne & Nichols School
Jevohn Shepherd, W, 6-5, 205, Toronto, Canada/West Hill Coll.
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ILLINOIS
(4-0, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

19	Delaware State	W, 87-67
21	Florida A&M	W, 91-60
24	Oakland	W, 85-54
27	vs. No. 24/25 Gonzaga [2]	W, 89-72

December

1	Wake Forest [1]	
4	vs. Arkansas [20]	
6	Chicago State	
9	at Georgetown	
11	vs. Oregon [3]	
19	Valparaiso [4]	
22	vs. Missouri [21]	
27	Longwood [4]	
30	Northwestern State [4] [5]	
31	Cincinnati [4] [5]	

January

5	Ohio State	
8	at Purdue	
12	Penn State	
15	at Northwestern	
20	Iowa	
25	at Wisconsin	
29	Minnesota	

February

1	at Michigan State	
6	Indiana	
8	at Michigan	
12	Wisconsin	
16	at Penn State	
19	at Iowa	
23	Northwestern	

March

1/2/3	Purdue	
5/6	at Ohio State	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL	



IOWA
(3-1, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

19	Western Illinois	W, 85-62
22	No. 12/11 Louisville [9]	W, 76-71
23	No. 15/13 Texas [9]	W, 82-80
24	No. 11/12 North Carolina [9]	L, 92-106
30	at Drake	

December

3	Centenary [10]	
4	Southern Miss/UNC-Greenville [10]	
7	Northern Iowa	
10	Iowa State	
18	Western Carolina	
21	vs. Texas Tech [3]	
28	Air Force	
31	Saint Louis	

January

5	Michigan	
8	at Ohio State	
15	Minnesota	
20	at Illinois	
22	Purdue	
26	at Northwestern	
29	Indiana	

February

5	Michigan State	
9	at Wisconsin	
12	Northwestern	
16	at Purdue	
19	Illinois	
23	at Minnesota	
26	at Penn State	

March

2	Ohio State	
5/6	Michigan	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL	



MICHIGAN STATE
(3-0, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

19	Florida A&M	W, 104-72
23	UW-Green Bay	W, 104-46
27	Nicholls State	W, 102-52
30	at Duke [1]	

December

4	vs. George Washington [13]	
5	vs. TBD [13]	
11	Stanford [14]	
18	Delaware State	
21	UCLA	
29	UNC Asheville	

January

5	at Penn State	
8	Northwestern	
16	at Wisconsin	
18	Purdue	
22	at Minnesota	
27	Michigan	
29	Oakland	

February

1	Illinois	
5	at Iowa	
9	Ohio State	
12	at Michigan	
16	Minnesota	
19	at Purdue	
24	Wisconsin	
27	at Indiana	

March

1/2/3	at Northwestern	
5	Penn State	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL	



INDIANA
(2-0, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

23	Indiana State	W, 56-52
27	Western Illinois	W, 64-60

December

1	North Carolina [1]	
4	at Connecticut	
8	Notre Dame	
11	Kentucky [8]	
19	at Missouri	
22	Charlotte	
28	Ball State [2]	
31	Oral Roberts	

January

2	Furman	
5	at Northwestern	
8	Wisconsin	
15	at Purdue	
19	Michigan	
22	Ohio State	
26	at Minnesota	
29	at Iowa	

February

2	Penn State	
6	at Illinois	
12	Minnesota	
15	at Ohio State	
20	at Michigan	
22	Purdue	
27	Michigan State	

March

1/2/3	at Wisconsin	
5	Northwestern	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL	



MICHIGAN
(3-2, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

15	Binghamton [11]	W, 59-46
17	Colorado [11]	W, 69-60
19	Sacramento State	W, 70-49
24	vs. No. 18/17 Arizona [11] [12] L,	60-61 (OT)
26	vs. Providence [11] [12]	L, 63-72
30	at Georgia Tech	

December

4	Notre Dame	
7	High Point	
11	USF	
14	Boston University	
18	at UCLA	
29	Delaware State	
31	UNC Asheville	

January

5	at Iowa	
8	Fairfield	
12	Northwestern	
15	at Penn State	
19	at Indiana	
22	Wisconsin	
27	at Michigan State	
30	at Purdue	

February

2	Minnesota	
5	at Ohio State	
8	Illinois	
12	Michigan State	
16	at Wisconsin	
20	Indiana	
23	Penn State	
26	at Northwestern	

March

5/6	Iowa	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL	



MINNESOTA
(2-2, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

21	Lipscomb	W, 83-66
24	vs. Furman [15]	W, 84-69
26	vs. No. 19/19 Alabama [15]	L, 72-78
27	Oklahoma [15]	L, 54-67
30	Florida State [1]	

December

4	Holy Cross	
8	at Nebraska	
11	Central Michigan	
15	Chicago State	
22	St. Francis (Pa.)	
29	UNC Greensboro	

January

1	Coppin State	
3	Loyola Marymount	
8	Penn State	
12	Purdue	
15	at Iowa	
19	at Ohio State	
22	Michigan State	
26	Indiana	
29	at Illinois	

February

2	at Michigan	
5	Wisconsin	
9	Northwestern	
12	at Indiana	
16	at Michigan State	
19	Ohio State	
23	Iowa	
26	at Purdue	

March

2	at Penn State	
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center in Chicago, IL	

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NORTHWESTERN
(1-3, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

19	vs. Portland [22]	W, 56-53
20	vs. New Mexico State [22]	L, 61-64
21	vs. Utah State [22]	L, 57-64
28	at Colorado	L, 57-66

December

1	Virginia [1]
4	Chicago State
15	DePaul
18	Seton Hall
20	at Arizona State
22	Robert Morris
27	Delaware State
31	Texas-Pan American

January

5	Indiana
8	at Michigan State
12	at Michigan
15	Illinois
22	at Penn State
26	Iowa
29	Ohio State

February

2	at Wisconsin
5	Purdue
9	at Minnesota
12	at Iowa
14	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi
19	Penn State
23	at Illinois
26	Michigan

March

1/2/3	Michigan State
5	at Indiana
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL



PENN STATE
(3-2, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

14	vs. Illinois State [17]	L, 73-82
15	Western Carolina [17]	W, 78-63
16	vs. South Carolina State [17]	L, 43-63
19	Lehigh	W, 73-64
27	Sacred Heart	W, 69-61

December

1	at Rutgers
3	Lock Haven
6	at Georgetown
11	Pittsburgh
21	Buffalo
28	vs. Valparaiso [18]
29	Arizona State/Long Island [18]

January

2	Texas A&M
5	Michigan State
8	at Minnesota
12	at Illinois
15	Michigan
22	Northwestern
26	at Ohio State
29	Wisconsin

February

2	at Indiana
9	at Purdue
12	Ohio State
16	Illinois
19	at Northwestern
23	at Michigan
26	Iowa

March

2	Minnesota
5	at Michigan State
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL



WISCONSIN
(2-1, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

20	Pennsylvania	W, 77-44
23	UC-Santa Barbara	W, 72-61
27	at Pepperdine	L, 61-75
30	Maryland [1]	

December

4	at Rutgers
7	UW-Green Bay
11	at Marquette
15	UW-Milwaukee
23	UNC Greensboro
27	Western Carolina
29	Alabama

January

5	at Purdue
8	at Indiana
11	Ohio State
16	Michigan State
22	at Michigan
25	Illinois
29	at Penn State

February

2	Northwestern
5	at Minnesota
9	Iowa
12	at Illinois
16	Michigan
24	at Michigan State
27	at Ohio State
March	
1/2/3	Indiana
5/6	Purdue
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL



OHIO STATE
(5-1, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

15	Towson [6]	W, 74-53
16	Robert Morris [6]	W, 82-50
19	Delaware	W, 74-49
23	vs. Houston [6] [7]	W, 78-61
24	vs. Creighton [6] [7]	L, 63-65 (OT)
27	UT-Chattanooga [16]	W, 84-67

December

1	at Clemson [1]
11	Portland State
16	vs. Texas Tech [23]
19	Morehead State
22	Mercer
28	New Hampshire
31	St. Joseph's

January

5	at Illinois
8	Iowa
11	at Wisconsin
15	at LSU
19	Minnesota
22	at Indiana
26	Penn State
29	at Northwestern

February

2	Purdue
5	Michigan
9	at Michigan State
12	at Penn State
15	Indiana
19	at Minnesota
27	Wisconsin

March

2	at Iowa
5/6	Illinois
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL



PURDUE
(1-2, 0-0 Big Ten)

November

19	at Miami (Ohio)	L, 71-81
23	Detroit	W, 66-56
27	vs. Cincinnati [19]	L, 59-79
29	at N.C. State [1]	

December

3	Memphis
8	Oklahoma
11	Colorado State
18	vs. Evansville [2]
30	Baylor

January

2	Eastern Illinois
5	Wisconsin
8	Illinois
12	at Minnesota
15	Indiana
18	at Michigan State
22	at Iowa
26	UW-Milwaukee
30	Michigan

February

2	at Ohio State
5	at Northwestern
9	Penn State
16	Iowa
19	Michigan State
22	at Indiana
26	Minnesota

March

1/2/3	at Illinois
5/6	at Wisconsin
10-13	at Big Ten Tournament United Center, Chicago, IL

- [1] - Big Ten-ACC Challenge
- [2] - at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, IN
- [3] - United Center in Chicago, IL
- [4] - Las Vegas Classic
- [5] - in Las Vegas, NV
- [6] - Guardian Classic
- [7] - in Kansas City, MO
- [8] - at Freedom Hall in Louisville, KY
- [9] - EA Sports Maui Invitational in Maui, HI
- [10] - Gazette Hawkeye Challenge in Iowa City, IA
- [11] - Preseason NIT
- [12] - at Madison Square Garden in New York, NY
- [13] - BB&T Classic at MCI Center in Washington, DC
- [14] - at The Palace in Auburn Hills, MI
- [15] - Great Alaska Shootout in Anchorage, AK
- [16] - at St. John Arena in Columbus, OH
- [17] - BCA Classic in Milwaukee, WI
- [18] - ASU/azcentral.com Hoops Classic in Tempe, AZ
- [19] - Wooden Tradition at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, IN
- [20] - in Little Rock, AR
- [21] - Braggin' Rights Game @ Savvis Center in St. Louis, MO
- [22] - Top of the World Classic in Fairbanks, AK
- [23] - at American Airlines Center in Dallas, TX

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