

SEVEN SCHOOLS HOST ACTION IN FINAL WEEKEND  
BEFORE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS;  
UW'S SOLINSKY & PSU'S FRITZ HONORED

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## BIG TEN TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

### TRACK ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Chris Solinsky, Wisconsin

Sr., Stevens Point, Wis./SPASH

Solinsky won the 5,000 meters with the fastest collegiate time in the nation at 13:30.74 at the Husky Classic on Saturday. The senior's first-place finish set a school and Big Ten record and qualified him automatically for the NCAAs. This is Solinsky's first career indoor award and the third-straight weekly honor for the Badgers.

*Last WIS AOW: Demi Omole (2/6/07)*

### FIELD ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Ryan Fritz, Penn State

So., Parkesburg, Pa./Octorara

Fritz set a new meet record with a leap of 7'02.50" in the high jump at the Sykes-Sabock Challenge Cup. The height is the eighth-best in the NCAA this season and is the top jump in the Big Ten this year by an inch and a half. The award is the first of Fritz' career and the first for the Nittany Lions this season.

*Last PSU AOW: Ernie Terrell (2/18/04)*

## BIG TEN ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

|          |                                 |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| Jan. 9:  | T: Bryan Pratt, Sr., ILL        |
|          | F: Kyle Jenkins, Jr., IND       |
| Jan. 16: | T: Jeremy Orr, Jr., MSU         |
|          | F: Shane Maier, Jr., IOWA       |
| Jan. 23: | T: Adam Harris, So., MICH       |
|          | F: Kyle Jenkins, Jr., IND       |
| Jan. 30: | T: Demi Omole, Sr., WIS         |
|          | F: Joe Detmer, Sr., WIS         |
| Feb. 6:  | T: Demi Omole, Sr., WIS         |
|          | F: Michael Whitehead, Sr., MICH |
| Feb. 13: | T: Chris Solinsky, Sr., WIS     |
|          | F: Ryan Fritz, So., PSU         |

## TRACKWIRE 25 POWER RANKINGS

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|    |                  |    |
|----|------------------|----|
| 1  | Florida State    | 48 |
| 2  | WISCONSIN        | 43 |
| 3  | Texas            | 42 |
| 4  | Auburn           | 38 |
| 5  | Baylor           | 31 |
| 6  | Washington       | 30 |
| 7  | Arkansas         | 27 |
| 8  | Oregon           | 23 |
| 9  | Louisville       | 22 |
| 10 | Stanford         | 19 |
| 11 | MICHIGAN         | 18 |
| 12 | UCLA             | 16 |
| 13 | Clemson          | 15 |
| 14 | Tennessee        | 14 |
| 15 | LSU              | 13 |
|    | Idaho            | 13 |
|    | Nebraska         | 13 |
| 18 | Pittsburgh       | 11 |
|    | Oklahoma         | 11 |
| 20 | Northern Arizona | 10 |
|    | South Alabama    | 10 |
|    | Providence       | 10 |
| 23 | Northern Iowa    | 9  |
| 23 | UTEP             | 9  |

## 2007 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Wisconsin looks to tie the Big Ten record with a seventh-consecutive Big Ten Indoor Championships title, Feb. 24-25, at the Harry Gladstein Fieldhouse on the Indiana University campus.

For more information on the Big Ten Men's Indoor Track & Field Championships, please contact Indiana's Sports Information Office at (812) 855-9399 or check www.iuhoosiers.com.



All media members interested in covering the event should submit credential requests to Shana Daniels via fax (812-855-9401), e-mail (sldaniel@indiana.edu) or phone at (812) 855-9402. Please request your credentials before February 16th.

## THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

### February

|    |  |         |
|----|--|---------|
| 16 | ILLINOIS at EIU Friday Night Invitational [1]  | TBA     |
|    | INDIANA at Hoosier Hills [2]                   | 3 p.m.  |
|    | IOWA at Iowa Invitational [3]                  | All Day |
|    | MINNESOTA at Snowshoe Open [4]                 | 5 p.m.  |
|    | WISCONSIN at Wisconsin Open [5]                | 3 p.m.  |
| 17 | MICHIGAN at Harold Silverston Invite [6]       | All Day |
|    | MICHIGAN STATE at Harold Silverston Invite [6] | All Day |
|    | OHIO STATE at Buckeye Invitational [7]         | TBA     |
|    | PURDUE at Boilermaker Invitational [8]         | All Day |

- [1] Charleston, Ill.
- [2] Bloomington, Ind.
- [3] Iowa City, Iowa
- [4] Minneapolis, Minn.
- [5] Madison, Wis.
- [6] Ann Arbor, Mich.
- [7] Columbus, Ohio
- [8] West Lafayette, Ind.

## LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

### February

|      |                           |                      |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 9-10 | Iowa State Classic (NTS)  | (Ames, Iowa)         |
|      | ILLINOIS                  |                      |
|      | IOWA                      |                      |
|      | MICHIGAN STATE            |                      |
|      | MINNESOTA                 |                      |
|      | PURDUE                    |                      |
|      | WISCONSIN                 |                      |
|      | Tyson Invitational (NTS)  | (Fayetteville, Ark.) |
|      | INDIANA                   |                      |
|      | MICHIGAN                  |                      |
|      | Sykes-Sabok Challenge Cup | (State College, Pa.) |
|      | OHIO STATE - 1st/13       |                      |
|      | PENN STATE - 2nd/13       |                      |
|      | Husky Classic (NTS)       | (Seattle, Wash.)     |
|      | WISCONSIN                 |                      |

## 2006 INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

| Place |                | Score |
|-------|----------------|-------|
| 1.    | Wisconsin *    | 124.5 |
| 2.    | Minnesota      | 94    |
| 3.    | Illinois       | 93    |
| 4.    | Michigan       | 76    |
| 5.    | Indiana        | 72    |
| 6.    | Ohio State     | 64    |
| 7.    | Iowa           | 49    |
| 8.    | Penn State     | 46.5  |
| 9.    | Michigan State | 43    |
| 10.   | Purdue         | 40    |

\* Big Ten Champion