

SEVEN SQUADS PLAY HOST IN FINAL COMPETITION
BEFORE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS;
MICHIGAN AND ILLINOIS RECEIVE HONORS

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BIG TEN TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

TRACK ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Nicole Edwards, Michigan

Jr., Winnipeg, Manitoba/Vincent Massey

Edwards posted an NCAA automatic qualifying score in the mile run at the Tyson Invitational last weekend, clocking in at 4:36.08. The time is currently the best in the Big Ten this season and is the second-fastest time in the nation as well as Edwards' personal best. The award is Edwards' first career indoor honor and the third for Michigan track this season.

Last MICH AOW: Tiffany Ofili (2/6/07)

FIELD ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Mariesa Greene, Illinois

Jr., Indianapolis, Ind./Warren Central

Greene qualified automatically for the NCAAs with a leap of 6'00.50" in the high jump at the Tyson Invitational over the weekend. The jump was the junior's career best. The award is the first career honor for Greene and the first for the Illini this year.

Last ILL AOW: Yvonne Mensah (1/25/06)

BIG TEN ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Jan. 9:	T: Lorain Price, Sr., IND F: Jacqueline Coleman, Fr., IND
Jan. 16:	T: Tiffany Ofili, So., MICH F: Lena Bettis, Jr., PSU
Jan. 23:	T: Liz Roehrig, Jr., MINN F: Liz Alabi, Sr., MINN
Jan. 30:	T: Shana Cox, Jr., PSU F: Mallory Peck, So., PUR F: Melissa Talbot, Sr., WIS
Feb. 6:	T: Tiffany Ofili, So., MICH F: Heather Dorniden, So., MINN F: Liz Alabi, Sr., MINN
Feb. 13:	T: Nicole Edwards, Jr., MICH F: Mariesa Greene, Jr., ILL

TRACKWIRE 25 POWER RANKINGS

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1	MICHIGAN	43
2	Arizona State	41
3	Stanford	35
4	Georgia	34
5	South Carolina	33
6	LSU	26
	Tennessee	26
	Auburn	26
9	MINNESOTA	25
10	Texas A&M	21
11	Texas Tech	19
	Texas	19
13	PENN STATE	15
	Hampton	15
	Washington State	13
16	ILLINOIS	12
	Georgia Tech	12
	Arkansas	12
19	UCLA	11
	North Carolina	11
21	Villanova	10
	Southern Illinois	10
	Kansas	10
	Duke	10
	USC	10

2007 BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Michigan will vie for its third straight conference title, Feb. 24-25, at the 2007 Big Ten Women's Indoor Track & Field Championships, held at the Army Track on the University of Illinois campus.



For more information on the Big Ten Women's Indoor Track & Field Championships, please contact the Illinois Sports Information Office at (217) 333-1391 or check www.fightingillini.com.

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

February

16	INDIANA at Hoosier Hills [1]	3 p.m.
	IOWA at Iowa Invitational [2]	TBA
	WISCONSIN at Wisconsin Open [3]	3 p.m.
17	MICHIGAN at Harold Silverston Invite [4]	All Day
	MICHIGAN STATE at Harold Silverston Invite [4]	All Day
	MINNESOTA at Parents' Day Open [5]	TBA
	OHIO STATE at Buckeye Invitational [6]	TBA
	PURDUE at Boilermaker Invitational [7]	All Day
[1]	Bloomington, Ind.	
[2]	Iowa City, Iowa	
[3]	Madison, Wis.	
[4]	Ann Arbor, Mich.	
[5]	Minneapolis, Minn.	
[6]	Columbus, Ohio	
[7]	West Lafayette, Ind.	

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

February

9-10	Tyson Invitational (NTS) (Fayetteville, Ark.)
	ILLINOIS
	INDIANA
	MICHIGAN
	Iowa State Classic (NTS) (Ames, Iowa)
	IOWA
	MICHIGAN STATE
	MINNESOTA
	PURDUE
	WISCONSIN
	Penn State Collegiate Cup (State College, Pa.)
	OHIO STATE - 5th/17
	PENN STATE - 2nd/17

2006 INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS RESULTS

Place		Score
1.	Michigan *	126.67
2.	Illinois	112
3.	Minnesota	104.83
4.	Penn State	85
5.	Wisconsin	71
6.	Ohio State	61
7.	Iowa	57.5
8.	Purdue	49
9.	Indiana	19
10.	Michigan State	16

* Big Ten Champion

25TH ANNIVERSARY CAMPAIGN

During the 2006-07 season, the Big Ten will celebrate the conference's 25th Anniversary of Women's Championships.

Through July 2007, the conference will be sharing some of the many stories of student-athletes, teams, coaches and administrators who have made the past 25 years a success and have set the stage for "the story to continue."

Information about the campaign can be found on the official conference website - www.bigten.org.

