

ALL 10 CONFERENCE SQUADS BACK IN ACTION AS
COMPETITION HEATS UP IN WEEK 3;
MICHIGAN AND PENN STATE RECEIVE WEEKLY HONORS

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BIG TEN TRACK & FIELD ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

TRACK ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Tiffany Ofili, Michigan

So., Ypsilanti, Mich./Ypsilanti

Ofili posted an NCAA provisional time in the 60-meter hurdles with a time of 8.24, resetting her own Michigan Indoor Track record. The sophomore also posted solid times in the 60-meter dash (7.56), the 200-meter dash (24.55) and the long jump. (19-1 1/2). The award is Ofili's first career honor.

Last MICH AOW: Lindsay Gallo (2/08/05)

FIELD ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Lena Bettis, Penn State

Jr., Riverside, Calif./J.W. North

Bettis captured titles in the long jump and triple jump and ran a leg of a record-setting sprint relay at the Penn State Relays last weekend. The junior was a quarter-inch off her personal best in the long jump with a jump of 5.75 meters and secured the title in the triple jump with a distance of 11.93 meters. Bettis then helped her spring medley relay team to a new school, facility and meet record at 3:25.52. This marks Bettis' first career weekly honor.

Last PSU AOW: Connie Moore (2/18/04)

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

TRACKWIRE 25 POWER RANKINGS

(Final 2006 Rankings)

1	Texas	59
2	USC	40
3	Miami	39
4	Auburn	36
5	South Carolina	34
6	LSU	32
7	Nebraska	31
8	Arizona State	29
9	Georgia	26
10	MICHIGAN	24
11	UCLA	22
12	MINNESOTA	21
13	IOWA	19
13	Alabama	19
13	Oregon	19
16	Tennessee	18
17	Stanford	17
18	ILLINOIS	16
19	North Carolina	15
19	Florida State	15
21	Washington State	12
22	Southern Illinois	11
22	TCU	11
22	NC State	11
22	Notre Dame	11

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 Armory track on the University of Illinois campus.



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

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

January

19	IOWA at Arkansas Razorback Invite	TBA
	MICHIGAN at Red Simmons/Jack Harvey Invite	TBA
	MICHIGAN STATE at Red Simmons Invite	TBA
	MINNESOTA at Jack Johnson Classic	TBA
20	ILLINOIS at Indiana Team Classic	12 p.m.
	INDIANA at Indiana Team Classic	12 p.m.
	IOWA at Arkansas Razorback Invite	TBA
	IOWA at Jack Johnson Classic	TBA
	MICHIGAN at Red Simmons/Jack Harvey Invite	TBA
	MICHIGAN STATE at Red Simmons Invite	TBA
	MINNESOTA at Jack Johnson Classic	TBA
	OHIO STATE at Indiana Invitational Tri-Meet	TBA
	PENN STATE at Penn State Open	11 a.m.
	PURDUE at Indiana Invitational Tri-Meet	TBA
	WISCONSIN at Indiana Team Classic	12 p.m.

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

January

12	MICHIGAN STATE at CMU Open	NTS
13	ILLINOIS at Illinois Invitational	NTS
	INDIANA at Indiana Open II	NTS
	IOWA at Iowa Hawkeye Open	NTS
	MICHIGAN at Kentucky Invitational	NTS
	MINNESOTA at Northwest Open	NTS
	OHIO STATE at Kentucky Invitational	NTS
	PENN STATE at Indoor PSU Relays	NTS
	PURDUE at Purdue Invitational	NTS
	WISCONSIN at Badger Track Classic	NTS

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.

