

NORTHWESTERN SWEEPS WEEKLY HONORS;
PENN STATE REMAINS IN FIRST PLACE
AS CONFERENCE PLAY BEGINS IN TWO WEEKS

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2006 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS

	Conference Games				All Games				
	W	L	PCT	Streak	W	L	T	PCT	Streak
Penn State	---	---	---	---	13	3	0	.812	W7
Northwestern	---	---	---	---	16	6	0	.727	W7
Michigan State	---	---	---	---	15	8	0	.652	W1
Michigan	---	---	---	---	13	9	0	.591	L1
Ohio State	---	---	---	---	12	10	0	.545	W3
Purdue	---	---	---	---	18	16	0	.529	L2
Wisconsin	---	---	---	---	11	10	0	.524	W5
Indiana	---	---	---	---	11	10	1	.523	L3
Iowa	---	---	---	---	13	12	0	.520	L2
Minnesota	---	---	---	---	11	14	0	.440	L2
Illinois	---	---	---	---	9	12	0	.429	W2

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

MARCH		
14	ILLINOIS at Illinois State, postponed	IOWA def. Nevada [18], 5-0
15	Stetson def. INDIANA, 2-1 IOWA def. Sacramento State, 6-1 Sacramento State def. IOWA, 6-0 UCLA def. MICHIGAN, 6-4 PURDUE def. George Mason [47], 12-0 PURDUE def. George Mason [47], 10-2 Utah State def. WISCONSIN, 2-1 WISCONSIN def. Utah State, 3-0	California def. IOWA [18], 1-0 MICHIGAN def. Florida State [22], 11-3 MICHIGAN STATE def. North Carolina [23], 5-3 UMass def. MICHIGAN STATE [23], 3-1 MINNESOTA def. Utah State [5], 1-0 Syracuse def. MINNESOTA [5], 4-2 NORTHWESTERN def. San Diego St. [38], 5-2 NORTHWESTERN def. Oklahoma St. [38], 1-0 OHIO STATE def. Central Michigan, 8-3 PURDUE def. George Mason [47], 11-2 Bowling Green def. PURDUE [47], 6-0 WISCONSIN def. Southern Utah [5], 7-4 WISCONSIN def. Utah State [5], 7-0
16	Liberty def. INDIANA [11], 3-1 UL Lafayette def. MICHIGAN [22], 3-2	
17	ILLINOIS vs. Columbia [5], cancelled Colorado State def. ILLINOIS [5], 12-2 (6) Long Island def. IOWA [5], 7-1 Washington def. MICHIGAN [22], 7-5 MICHIGAN def. Texas [22], 2-0 Chattanooga def. MICHIGAN STATE [23], 3-2 MICHIGAN STATE def. Connecticut [23], 3-1 Princeton def. MINNESOTA [5], 3-2 NORTHWESTERN def. Kansas [38], 1-0 NORTHWESTERN def. Longwood [38], 4-3 OHIO STATE def. Kent State, 2-1 PURDUE def. Ohio [47], 4-1 PURDUE def. South Florida [47], 5-0 WISCONSIN def. Syracuse [5], 4-1	19 ILLINOIS vs. Southern Utah [5], 10-0 Syracuse def. IOWA [18], 5-2 Utah def. MICHIGAN [22], 3-2 MICHIGAN STATE def. Chattanooga [23], 5-2 Columbia def. MINNESOTA [5], 5-4 OHIO STATE def. Robert Morris, 11-2 Canisius def. PURDUE [5], 4-3 (8 inn.) WISCONSIN def. Miami (Ohio) [5], 9-1
18	California def. ILLINOIS [5], 5-0 ILLINOIS def. Long Island [5], 11-8	20 NORTHWESTERN def. Kansas, 6-2 NORTHWESTERN def. Hawaii, 5-0

[5] - Capital Classic in Sacramento, Calif.; [18] - Auburn Tournament in Auburn, Ala.; [22] - Judi Garman Classic in Fullerton, Calif.; [23] - Florida Atlantic Tournament in Tampa, Fla.; [38] - Hawaii Invitational in Honolulu, Hawaii; [47] - USF Speedline Invitational in Tampa, Fla.

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MARCH		
22	INDIANA at Ball State IOWA at Illinois State MICHIGAN STATE at IPFW (DH) OHIO STATE at Loyola Marymount (DH) Valparaiso at PURDUE (DH)	3 p.m. 4 p.m. 3 p.m. Noon Noon
23	NORTHWESTERN at Cal St. Fullerton (DH)	6 p.m.
24	ILLINOIS vs. Princeton [6] ILLINOIS vs. Santa Clara [6] Western Kentucky at INDIANA [12] Loyola-Chicago at IOWA [19] MICHIGAN vs. Eastern Michigan [26] OHIO STATE at Long Beach (DH) PENN STATE vs. Buffalo [50] PENN STATE vs. Coastal Carolina [50]	3 p.m. 5 p.m. 4:15 p.m. 6 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 1 p.m. Noon 4 p.m.
25	ILLINOIS at Stanford [6] ILLINOIS vs. UC-Davis [6] Wright State at INDIANA [12] Western Kentucky at INDIANA [12] South Dakota State at IOWA [19] North Dakota State at IOWA [19] MICHIGAN at Louisville [26] MICHIGAN vs. Middle Tennessee St. [26] MICHIGAN STATE vs. Wright St. [12] MICHIGAN STATE vs. W. Kentucky [12] NORTHWESTERN at Long Beach State OHIO STATE at Cal St. Fullerton (DH) PENN STATE at East Carolina [50] PENN STATE vs. California [50]	3 p.m. 7 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 4:15 p.m. 3 p.m. 5 p.m. 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 11:45 a.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m. Noon Noon 2 p.m.
26	ILLINOIS vs. Princeton [6] Ball State at IOWA [19] MICHIGAN vs. Toledo [26] MICHIGAN STATE vs. W. Kentucky [12] MICHIGAN STATE vs. Wright State [12] NORTHWESTERN at UCLA PENN STATE vs. TBA [50]	11 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Noon 11:45 a.m. 2 p.m. 3 p.m. TBA

[6] - Stanford Classic in Palo Alto, Calif.; [12] - IU Classic in Bloomington, Ind.; [19] - Hawkeye Classic in Iowa City, Iowa; [26] - Louisville Classic in Louisville, Ky.; [50] - State Farm Pirate Invitational in Greenville, N.C.

BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Garland Cooper, Northwestern
Jr., 1B, Mission Viejo, Calif./Santa Margarita Catholic

Cooper was named Player of the Week after leading the Wildcats to a perfect 6-0 record in Hawaii last weekend. She batted a team-best .471 (8-for-17) with six RBI, a .647 slugging percentage and a .550 on-base percentage. Against San Diego State, Cooper tallied two doubles and drove in a pair of runs. She followed with a 3-for-4 performance against Hawaii, scoring once and driving in a pair of runs. The Mission Viejo, Calif., native earns her second Big Ten weekly accolade as she was also honored on May 3, 2004.

BIG TEN PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Eileen Canney, Northwestern
Jr., Paradise, Calif./Paradise

Canney compiled a 3-0 record and a 0.67 earned run average as Northwestern won the championship of the Bank of Hawaii Invitational. She opened the trip, striking out 13 batters, one shy of her then-career high in a three-hit shutout against Kansas. Canney then defeated San Diego State with a seven-strikeout performance for a 6-2 victory. The Paradise, Calif., native, ended the weekend, fanning a career-high 17 batters, while giving up only one hit against Hawaii. Canney earns her fourth weekly accolade as she was also honored in 2004 (April 26) and 2005 (Feb. 8 and April 4).