

# 2006 BIG TEN BASEBALL

MICHIGAN'S ROSE AND PENN STATE'S STIDFOLE TABBED PLAYER AND PITCHER OF THE WEEK

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	THIS WEEK IN THE BIG	TEN
APRIL		
25	Miami (Ohio) at Indiana	1:00 p.m.
	Illinois at Eastern Illinois	3:00 p.m.
	UW-Milwaukee at Northwestern	3:00 p.m.
	Bucknell at Penn State	3:00 p.m.
	Purdue at Notre Dame	6:05 p.m.
26	Cleveland State at Ohio State	12:05 p.m.
	Toledo at Michigan State	3:00 p.m.
	Valparaiso at Purdue	3:00 p.m.
	Iowa at Northern Iowa	6:30 p.m.
	South Dakota State at Minnesota	6:30 p.m.
28	Indiana at Penn State	3:00 p.m.
	Northwestern at Iowa	6:00 p.m.
	Illinois at Minnesota	6:30 p.m.
	Michigan State at Michigan	6:35 p.m.
	Purdue at Ohio State	6:35 p.m.
29	Indiana at Penn State (DH)	1:00 p.m.
	Northwestern at Iowa (DH)	1:00 p.m.
	Purdue at Ohio State (DH)	1:05 p.m.
	Illinois at Minnesota (DH)	2:00 p.m.
	Michigan at Michigan State (DH) [24]	3:05 p.m.
30	Illinois at Minnesota	1:00 p.m.
	Indiana at Penn State	1:00 p.m.
	Northwestern at Iowa	1:00 p.m.
	Michigan State at Michigan	1:05 p.m.
	Purdue at Ohio State	1:05 p.m.

## SCHEDULE KEY

Played at Oldsmobile Park (Lansing, Mich.)

## **BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK**

Eric Rose, Michigan JR, OF, Blissfield, Mich./Blissfield

Rose earns weekly honors after hitting .556 (10-for-18) in the fourgame series at Purdue this past week. The Michigan junior had two doubles, his first homer of the year, scored four runs from his leadoff position and stole four bases. He also extended his streak of reaching base to lead off the game to six straight contests. Rose scored the 'winning run' in each of the three Michigan victories at Purdue, while posting a slugging percentage of .833, an on-base percentage of .600 and 10 putouts on the weekend. For the season, Rose has taken the team lead with a .382 (42-for-110) batting average, while his 20 steals also lead the Wolverines. In Big Ten only action, Rose is hitting .423 (22-for-52) with 11 stolen bases.

P: Tim Gudex, Sr., IOWA

	LAST WEEK IN THE BIG	TEN
APRIL		
18	North Dakota State at Iowa Indiana State at Indiana St. Thomas at Minnesota Valparaiso at Northwestern Illinois at Illinois State	L, 11-8 W, 11-5 PPD L, 7-3 W, 8-3
19	North Dakota State at <b>Iowa</b> Northern Iowa at <b>Minnesota</b> <b>Michigan</b> at Eastern Michigan Oakland at <b>Ohio State</b> Central Michigan at <b>Michigan State</b> [24]	W, 13-8 L, 9-6 L, 9-3 W, 8-2 L, 17-13
21	Michigan at Purdue Minnesota at Michigan State Penn State at Northwestern Ohio State at Indiana Iowa at Illinois	MICH, 4-3 MSU, 7-6 PSU, 12-1 OSU, 4-3 ILL, 12-3
22	Michigan at Purdue Michigan at Purdue Minnesota at Michigan State Minnesota at Michigan State Penn State at Northwestern Penn State at Northwestern Ohio State at Indiana Ohio State at Indiana lowa at Illinois lowa at Illinois	MICH, 6-2 MICH, 7-2 MSU, 9-8 MINN, 20-6 NU, 5-4 NU, 3-2 IND, 5-3 OSU, 11-4 ILL, 4-3 ILL, 10-2
23	lowa at Illinois Michigan at Purdue Minnesota at Michigan State Penn State at Northwestern Ohio State at Indiana	IOWA, 17-3 PUR, 10-5 MINN, 6-3 PSU, 15-5 OSU, 8-6

## SCHEDULE KEY

Played at Oldsmobile Park (Lansing, Mich.) [24]

## **BIG TEN PITCHER OF THE WEEK**

Alan Stidfole, Penn State SR, LHP, New Bloomfield, Pa./Susquenita

Allowing seven hits and only one earned run in nine innings of play, Stidfole pitched his first complete game of the year, helping Penn State to a 12-1 win in the series opener at Northwestern. In what was just the second complete game of the year for the Nittany Lion pitching staff, Stidfole struck out five and did not allow one walk. The complete game marked his first since last year, which also came against the Wildcats. The southpaw, who leads the Big Ten in strikeouts looking and is second in overall whiffs, allowed only two runners to reach beyond second base in the game and induced 13 ground ball outs and three double plays. He retired 11 straight at one point and threw 108 pitches in his third career complete game

#### **BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

Feb. 14:	F: Antonio Mule, So., NU	Mar. 27:	F: Eric Wolfe, Sr., PUR
	P: Dan Schwartz, Jr., NU		P: Dan Sattler, Jr., PUR
Feb. 21:	F: Lance Thompson, Sr., PSU	Apr. 3:	F: Kyle Day, Fr., MSU
	P: Dan Brauer, Jr., NU		P: Matt Whitmore, Sr., ILL
Feb. 28:	F: Doug Pickens, So., MICH	Apr. 11:	F: L.J. Mims, Sr., IOWA
	P: Jay Buenete, Sr., PUR		F: Eric Fryer, So., OSU
Mar. 7:	F: Ryan Basham, Jr., MSU		P: John Dwan, Jr., MSU
	P: Cory Luebke, So., OSU	Apr. 18:	F: Pat McMahon, Sr., NU
Mar. 14:	F: Matt Angle, So., OSU		F: Neal Gorka, Sr., PUR
	P: Aaron Markowitz, Jr., PSU		P: Paul Hammond, Sr., MICH
Mar. 20:	F: Ronnie Bourquin, Jr., OSU	Apr. 24:	F: Eric Rose, Jr., MICH
	F: Eric Wolfe, Sr., PUR		P: Alan Stidfole, Sr., PSU

2006 STANDINGS								
		Conference			Overall			
		W	L	<u>T</u>	Pct.	W	L	T Pct.
1.	Michigan	11	5	0	.688	23	14	0 .622
	Northwestern	11	5	0	.688	14	22	0 .389
3.	Ohio State	9	7	0	.562	24	12	0 .667
4.	Purdue	8	8	0	.500	21	14	0 .600
	Minnesota	8	8	0	.500	20	17	0 .541
	Michigan State	8	8	0	.500	19	18	0 .514
7.	Illinois	7	9	0	.438	20	17	0 .541
	Penn State	7	9	0	.438	13	25	0 .342
9.	Iowa	6	10	0	.375	17	21	0 .447
10.	Indiana	5	11	0	.312	14	23	0 .378

	NCBWA TOP	30 POLL (APR	IL 24)
Rk.	School	<u>Overall</u>	Pvs.
1.	Rice	35-9	1
2	North Carolina	34-8	2
3	Nebraska	32-6	3
4	Cal State Fullerton	31-10	4
5	Georgia Tech	32-9	9
6	Oregon State	28-9	11
7	Clemson	29-13	6
8	Alabama	31-12	14
9	Texas	28-15	7
10	Oklahoma	32-10	16
11	Arkansas	30-12	12
12	Florida State	33-10	5
13	South Carolina	30-11	8
14	Virginia	34-10	18
15	Notre Dame	32-8	22
16	Arizona State	28-14	10
17	Coll of Charleston	33-9	17
18	N.C. State	31-13	13
19	Mississippi State	29-11	15
20	Tulane	27-15	23
21	Houston	28-15	27
22	Old Dominion	35-8	19
23	Wichita State	31-14	28
24	Winthrop	31-12	21
25	Troy	32-10	29
26	Kentucky	30-10	NR
27	Miami (Fla.)	27-15	24
28	Wake Forest	30-14	30
29	LSU	26-16	20
30	Kansas	29-16	NR
	Vanderbilt	25-16	26

Others receiving votes (listed alphabetically): Baylor (25-16), Charlotte (27-12-1), Connecticut (26-12), Florida (24-20), Jacksonville (30-13), Lamar (30-13), Louisiana-Lafayette (27-13), MICHIGAN (23-14), Mississippi (26-15), UNC Wilmington (30-11), OHIO STATE (24-12), Pepperdine (27-16), Rhode Island (22-8), South Alabama (29-15), USC (23-19), Southern Miss (27-15), UCLA (23-16), Washington (27-15), West Virginia (27-13)