

NORTHWESTERN'S BRAUER AND PENN STATE'S THOMPSON EARN WEEKLY HONORS; SEVERAL LEAGUE TEAMS OPEN SEASON THIS WEEKEND

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2005 STANDINGS

	Conference				Overall			
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	2	3	0	.400
Penn State	0	0	0	.000	0	3	0	.000
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Iowa	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Michigan	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Michigan State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Ohio State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000

BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Lance Thompson, Penn State
SR, OF, Brisbin, Pa./Moshannon Valley

Thompson went 5-for-12 at the plate last week, hitting .417 with four RBI in Penn State's three-game series against No. 10 Tulane. The senior outfielder recorded a double as well as the Nittany Lions' first home run of the year to go along with nine total bases, a .750 slugging percentage, and a .417 on-base percentage for the week-end. Thompson was also flawless in the field, as he recorded eight putouts and an outfield assist.

LAST PSU PLAYER OTW: Matt Harter (2/24/04)

BIG TEN PITCHER OF THE WEEK

Dan Brauer, Northwestern
JR, P, Wheaton, Ill./Wheaton-Warrenville South

Brauer, a junior left-hander, made his second start of 2006, pitching five complete innings in the Wildcats' 6-5, 10-inning win on Saturday. He struck out seven and walked three, giving up three hits and one run. In 10 innings so far this season, Brauer has recorded 15 strikeouts.

LAST NU PITCHER OTW: Dan Schwartz (2/14/06)

NCBWA TOP 30 POLL (FEB. 20)

Rk.	School	Conference	Overall	Week	Pvs.
1.	Florida	Southeastern	6-1	3-1	1
2.	Rice	Conference USA	6-2	2-1	2
3.	Clemson	Atlantic Coast	3-0	3-0	4
4.	North Carolina	Atlantic Coast	3-0	3-0	6
5.	Georgia Tech	Atlantic Coast	6-0	4-0	7
6.	Florida State	Atlantic Coast	7-1	3-0	8
7.	Nebraska	Big 12	3-1	3-1	5
8.	Tulane	Conference USA	6-1	4-0	9
9.	Arkansas	Southeastern	6-0	3-0	13
10.	Oregon State	Pacific-10	3-3	1-2	3
11.	Tennessee	Southeastern	6-1	2-0	14
12.	Texas	Big 12	5-5	2-1	10
13.	Cal State Fullerton	Big West	5-4	2-1	12
14.	San Diego	West Coast	7-2	2-1	18
15.	Long Beach State	Big West	6-4	2-2	11
16.	LSU	Southeastern	6-1	4-0	17
17.	Stanford	Pacific-10	5-3	1-1	15
18.	Pepperdine	West Coast	6-4	3-1	19
19.	Mississippi State	Southeastern	0-0	0-0	16
20.	N.C. State	Atlantic Coast	8-1	2-1	21
21.	South Carolina	Southeastern	5-1	3-0	27
22.	Arizona State	Pacific-10	8-4	3-0	23
23.	Mississippi	Southeastern	2-0	2-0	26
24.	Winthrop	Big South	7-2	4-0	29
25.	Missouri	Big 12	4-2	2-0	24
26.	Wichita State	Missouri Valley	6-2	2-1	28
27.	Notre Dame	Big East	0-0	0-0	25
28.	TCU	Mountain West	4-3	2-2	22
29.	Miami (Fla.)	Atlantic Coast	6-6	1-3	20
30.	Baylor	Big 12	4-0	1-0	-

Others receiving votes (listed alphabetically): Arizona (5-4), Cal Poly (9-3), Charlotte (4-1), Georgia (3-0), Gonzaga (7-3), Hawaii (9-2), Kansas (7-4), UNC Wilmington (5-1), Oklahoma (7-2), Old Dominion (7-1), USC (7-4), Southern Mississippi (3-1), Texas A&M (7-0), West Virginia (3-0).

BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Feb. 14: F: Antonio Mule, So., NU
P: Dan Schwartz, Jr., NU
Feb. 21: F: Lance Thompson, Sr., PSU
P: Dan Brauer, Jr., NU

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

FEBRUARY

24	Ohio State vs. Wake Forest [19]	1:00 p.m.
	Iowa at Austin Peay [6]	1:30 p.m.
	Michigan vs. Alabama-Birmingham [9]	2:00 p.m.
	Indiana at Charlotte	4:00 p.m.
	Minnesota at Florida State	5:00 p.m.
	Penn State at East Carolina	5:00 p.m.
	Illinois at Stetson [1]	6:00 p.m.
	Michigan State vs. Lamar [14]	6:30 p.m.
	Purdue at Louisiana-Lafayette	6:30 p.m.
25	Iowa vs. Illinois State [6]	10:00 a.m.
	Michigan State vs. Arkansas State [14]	10:00 a.m.
	Penn State vs. N.C. State [22]	10:00 a.m.
	Illinois vs. South Florida [1]	11:00 a.m.
	Indiana at Charlotte	12:00 p.m.
	Minnesota at Florida State	12:00 p.m.
	Northwestern at Louisville	12:00 p.m.
	Ohio State at Florida	1:00 p.m.
	Michigan State vs. Lamar [14]	4:00 p.m.
	Michigan at Troy [9]	6:00 p.m.
	Purdue vs. Louisiana-Monroe [21]	6:00 p.m.
26	Iowa vs. Dayton [6]	10:00 a.m.
	Michigan vs. South Alabama [9]	10:00 a.m.
	Ohio State vs. Missouri [19]	10:00 a.m.
	Penn State vs. West Virginia [22]	10:00 a.m.
	Illinois vs. Western Carolina [1]	11:00 a.m.
	Michigan State vs. Kentucky [14]	11:00 a.m.
	Indiana at Charlotte	12:00 p.m.
	Minnesota at Florida State	12:00 p.m.
	Northwestern at Louisville	12:00 p.m.
	Purdue vs. Kansas State [21]	12:00 p.m.
27	Northwestern at Louisville	1:00 p.m.

SCHEDULE KEY

- [1] Stetson Invitational (Deland, Fla.)
- [6] Austin Peay Tournament (Clarksville, Tenn.)
- [9] Wiregrass Classic (Dothan, Ala.)
- [14] Played in Beaumont, Texas
- [19] Pepsi Baseball Classic (Gainesville, Fla.)
- [21] Played in Lafayette, La.
- [22] Played in Greenville, N.C.

LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN

FEBRUARY

17	Northwestern at Va. Commonwealth	L, 4-3
	Penn State at Tulane	L, 9-4
18	Northwestern at Va. Commonwealth	W, 6-5 (10 inn.)
	Penn State at Tulane	L, 12-0
19	Northwestern at Va. Commonwealth	CLD (Cold)
	Penn State at Tulane	L, 9-3