

SIX BIG TEN TEAMS EARN BIDS TO 2006 NCAA TOURNAMENT; THREE SQUADS WILL PLAY HOST TO REGIONAL ACTION THIS WEEKEND

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**2006 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS**

	Conference Games				All Games				
	W	L	PCT	Streak	W	L	T	PCT	Streak
1. Northwestern*	16	3	.842	W2	42	12	0	.778	L1
2. Michigan%	14	4	.778	W3	40	13	0	.755	W7
3. Iowa	12	7	.632	L1	39	20	0	.661	L2
4. Ohio State	11	7	.611	L2	38	21	0	.664	L1
5. Penn State	10	10	.500	W3	37	15	0	.712	L1
6. Indiana	8	9	.471	W2	29	23	1	.557	L1
7. Michigan State	9	11	.450	L2	34	25	0	.576	L3
8. Illinois	8	11	.421	L3	24	31	0	.436	L4
9. Purdue	7	12	.368	L2	30	30	0	.500	L2
10. Wisconsin	6	11	.353	W1	22	22	0	.500	W1
11. Minnesota	1	17	.056	L10	17	33	0	.340	L1

\* Big Ten Regular Season Champion  
% Big Ten Tournament Champion

**2006 BIG TEN TOURNAMENT**

**Sharon J. Drysdale Field • Evanston, Ill.**

**Thursday, May 11**

All Games were postponed due to inclement weather

**Friday, May 12**

- (2) Michigan def. (7) Michigan State, 13-0
- (1) Northwestern def. (8) Illinois, 4-1
- (6) Indiana def. (3) Iowa, 5-4 (8 inn.)
- (4) Ohio State def. (5) Penn State, 9-6

**Saturday, May 13**

- (2) Michigan def. (6) Indiana, 4-0
- (1) Northwestern def. (4) Ohio State, 4-0
- (2) Michigan def. (1) Northwestern, 6-0

**All-Tournament Team**

Catcher: Becky Marx, MICH  
First Base: Samantha Findlay, MICH  
Second Base: Tiffany Haas, MICH  
Third Base: Darcy Sengewald, NU  
Shortstop: Tammy Williams, NU  
Outfield: Rebekah Millan, MICH  
Outfield: Megan Schwab, OSU  
Outfield: Brittany Vanderink, OSU  
Designated Player: Tiffany Worthy, MICH  
Utility Player: Mariangee Bogado, IND  
Pitcher: Courtney Foster, NU  
Pitcher: Jennie Ritter, MICH

**MVP:** Jennie Ritter, MICH

**SIX BIG TEN TEAMS EARN NCAA BERTHS**

Six Big Ten squads have been tabbed to compete in the 2006 NCAA Softball Championship, which begins with regional action on Thursday, May 18 through Sunday, May 21. Big Ten regular-season champion Northwestern, along with conference tournament winner Michigan, Iowa, Ohio State, Indiana and Penn State all received postseason berths. For the fifth-consecutive season, five or more conference squads have advanced to the NCAA Tournament, including a league-best seven squads earnings bids in 2003.

No. 13 Michigan will look to defend its national championship title when the Wolverines make their 12th-straight appearance in the NCAA Tournament and 14th showing in program history as the No. 9 overall seed. Winners of back-to-back Big Ten Tournament titles, the Wolverines (40-13) host their fifth-straight regional, opening competition against Youngstown State on Friday. U-M is joined by Oklahoma and Kent State. The four teams will play a double-elimination tournament, with the winner advancing to a best two-out-of-three super regional for the right to go to the Women's College World Series.

Northwestern garnered its best-ever seeding in the event with the No. 4 overall spot in the field of 64. The Wildcats will host an NCAA Regional at Sharon J. Drysdale Field for the first time in the current tourney format after posting a 42-12 overall record and winning their first Big Ten title since 1987. NU will open play against Southern Illinois on Friday, while Notre Dame and UC Santa Barbara round out the four-team region.

Advancing to its seventh-consecutive NCAA Championship, Iowa will also host its regional competition for the first time since 2002. The Hawkeyes (39-20) will take on Nebraska in opening round action in Iowa City.

Ohio State (38-21) received an at-large bid and will join Marist and No. 24 Auburn in the regional hosted by third-ranked Arizona, which begins Thursday. The Buckeyes are making their third NCAA appearance in the last six seasons, and head to Tucson for the first time since 1996. OSU will face off against Auburn in the opener on Thursday.

A semifinal finish in the conference tournament earned Indiana a spot in the Texas Regional. The Hoosiers (29-23) open their NCAA Tournament against Utah on Friday in Austin. Penn State (37-15) earned its sixth NCAA Tournament bid in the past seven years as part of the Hempstead, N.Y. region. The Nittany Lions will meet host Hofstra on Friday.

The winner of each regional will advance to the NCAA Super Regionals, held May 26-27 at campus sites to be determined. Eight Super Regional winners will then advance to the Women's College World Series, held June 1-7 at the ASA Hall of Fame Stadium in Oklahoma City, Okla. Last year, Michigan won the league's first-ever softball national title, defeating UCLA, 4-1, in 10 innings.

**2006 NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Thursday, May 18**

**Tucson Regional - Tucson, Ariz.**  
Auburn (34-20) vs. Ohio State (38-21) 4 p.m.  
Marist (33-11) vs. (2) Arizona (44-9) 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, May 19**

**Ann Arbor Regional - Ann Arbor, Mich.**  
Kent State (32-22) vs. Oklahoma (38-19-1) 4:30 p.m.  
(9) Michigan (40-13) vs. Youngstown St. (22-25) 7 p.m.

**Evanston Regional - Evanston, Ill.**

Notre Dame (38-19) vs. UC Santa Barbara (24-20) Noon  
S. Illinois (34-11) vs. (4) Northwestern (42-12) 2 p.m.

**Austin Regional - Austin, Texas**

Utah (38-19) vs. Indiana (29-23-1) 4 p.m.  
(3) Texas (49-7) vs. Texas-San Antonio (37-12) 6:30 p.m.

**Hempstead Regional - Hempstead, N.Y.**

Penn State (37-15) vs. Hofstra (36-18) Noon  
Long Island (34-21) vs. (6) Arizona St. (46-13) 2:30 p.m.

**Iowa City Regional - Iowa City, Iowa**

Nebraska (42-10) vs. Iowa (39-20) 4:30 p.m.  
Illinois State (37-14) vs. (10) California (44-12) 7 p.m.

All Times Local to Site.

**BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

Feb. 14	Stacy Hibma, Sr., OSU
Feb. 21	Kristen Amegin, Sr., NU
Feb. 28	Tiffany Krcelich, So., PUR
March 7	Tammy Williams, Fr., NU
March 14	Jenna Hall, Sr., ILL
March 20	Garland Cooper, Jr., NU
March 27	Hollee Haines, So., PSU
April 3	Garland Cooper, Jr., NU
April 10	Megan Schwab, Jr., OSU
April 17	Garland Cooper, Jr., NU
April 24	Rachel Terry, Jr., IND
May 1	Brittany Vanderink, So., OSU
May 8	Samantha Findlay, So., MICH

**BIG TEN PITCHERS OF THE WEEK**

Feb. 14	Diana LaRiva, Sr., PUR
Feb. 21	Rachel Turney, Sr., MSU
Feb. 28	Missy Beseres, Sr., PSU
March 7	Jennie Ritter, Sr., MICH
March 14	Mariangee Bogado, Sr., IND
March 20	Eileen Canney, Jr., NU
March 27	Lorilyn Wilson, Jr., MICH
April 3	Mariangee Bogado, Sr., IND
April 10	Jennie Ritter, Sr., MICH
April 17	Eileen Canney, Jr., NU
April 24	Jennie Ritter, Sr., MICH
	Eileen Canney, Jr., NU
May 1	Eileen Canney, Jr., NU
May 8	Courtney Foster, Sr., NU

## BIG TEN ANNOUNCES 2006 ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS AND INDIVIDUAL HONORS

Park Ridge, Ill. - After claiming the Big Ten regular season title last weekend, Northwestern swept the league's softball postseason awards as announced by the conference office today. For the second consecutive year, Northwestern's Garland Cooper was named Big Ten Player of the Year, while teammates Eileen Canney claimed Pitcher of the Year accolades and Tammy Williams was tabbed Freshman of the Year. In addition, the Wildcats' Kate Drohan captured Coach of the Year laurels.

Cooper led the Big Ten, hitting .471 (24-for-51) while racking up 17 runs, 15 RBI and nine doubles in league contests. She also tallied a league best .625 on-base percentage and a .980 slugging percentage, while ranking second in total bases (50). The junior first baseman becomes only the fourth player in league history to nab consecutive Player of the Year laurels, joining Michigan's Patti Benedict (1992-93), Sara Griffin (1995-96) and Traci Conrad (1998-99). In addition, she is only the third Wildcat to claim top conference accolades as Brooke Siebel was honored in 2000 and Lisa Ishikawa was named the league's first-ever Player of the Year in 1985.

Northwestern's Canney became the first Wildcat hurler in school history to earn Pitcher of the Year laurels after finishing the regular season with a 20-5 record. She tallied a league-best 0.50 ERA, while allowing opponents to hit only .125 during the Big Ten season. The Paradise, Calif., native also ranked second in the conference with 134 strikeouts in 83.1 innings pitched.

Williams, a native of Roscoe, Mo., becomes the fifth Northwestern player to be named Freshman of the Year. She racked up a conference-best 20 runs scored and eight home runs in Big Ten play, while also ranking second in the league in RBI (23) and slugging percentage (.791). Williams joins teammate Canney, who was honored as the top freshman in 2004, as well as former Wildcats' Siebel (1998), Chinazo Opia (1987) and Ndidi Opia (1986).

Northwestern's Drohan earns top coaching laurels for the second straight year after leading the Wildcats to a 16-3 league mark and their first Big Ten regular season title since the 1987 season. After sharing the top honor last season, Drohan is only the second coach in program history to earn Coach of the Year honors as former NU mentor Sharon Drysdale nabbed top accolades in 1987 and 1995.

The conference office also announced honorees from each team for the Big Ten Sportsmanship Award. The student-athletes chosen are individuals who have distinguished themselves through sportsmanship and ethical behavior. In addition, the student-athletes must be in good academic standing and have demonstrated good citizenship outside of the sports-competition setting. Honorees for softball are Illinois' Molly Lawhead, Indiana's Megan Roark, Iowa's Colleen McGlaughlin, Michigan's Becky Marx, Michigan State's Dayna Feenstra, Minnesota's Lindsey Erickson, Northwestern's Sheila McCorkle, Ohio State's Nycole Koyano, Penn State's Katie Stauffer, Purdue's Becky Stone and Wisconsin's Kaitlin Reiss. These 11 student-athletes are now candidates for the Big Ten Sportsmanship Award, as the conference office will honor one male and one female student-athlete from each institution at the end of the school year.

## 2006 ALL-BIG TEN TEAM

POSITION	FIRST TEAM	SECOND TEAM	THIRD TEAM
First Base	Garland Cooper, Jr., NU	Jenna Hall, Sr., ILL	Samantha Findlay, So., MICH
Second Base	Tiffany Haas, Sr., MICH	Nycole Koyano, Jr., OSU	Erin Riemersma, Fr., IOWA
Third Base	Caitlin Mahoney, So., MSU	Grace Leutele, Sr. MICH	Emily Nichols, So., IOWA
Shortstop	Tammy Williams, Fr., NU	Stacy May, Sr., IOWA	Billie Carder, Sr., OSU
Catcher	Jamie Dotson, Sr., NU	Becky Marx, Sr., MICH	Joey Daniels, So., WIS
Utility	Jenn Reynolds, So., PSU	Jamee Juarez, Jr., OSU	Ashley Esparza, So., PSU
Outfielder	Lauren Hines, Sr., IND	Megan Schwab, Jr., OSU	Molly Lawhead, Jr., ILL
Outfielder	*Katie Logan, Jr., NU	Danielle Kinley, Fr., PSU	Mindy Heidgerken, Jr., IOWA
Outfielder	Brittany Vanderink, So., OSU	Katie Hnatyk, So., WIS	Rebekah Milian, Jr., MICH
Designated Player	Summer Downs, So., IOWA	Jen Williams, Jr., PSU	Kisten Martin, Jr., ILL
Pitcher	*Jennie Ritter, Sr., MICH	Mariangee Bogado, Sr., IND	Brittany Weil, Fr., IOWA
Pitcher	*Eileen Canney, Jr., NU	Courtney Foster, Sr., NU	Missy Beseres, Sr., PSU

## \*UNANIMOUS SELECTION

PLAYER OF THE YEAR:	Garland Cooper, NU
PITCHER OF THE YEAR:	Eileen Canney, NU
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR:	Tammy Williams, NU
COACH OF THE YEAR:	Kate Drohan, NU

## ALL-TIME NCAA APPEARANCES

Tournament Record				WCWS Record				School	Years Participated
W	L	Pct.	App.	W	L	Pct.	App.		
28	24	.539	14	7	18	.280	8	Michigan	1992-93-95-96-97-98-99-00-01-02-03-04-05-06
30	27	.526	14	5	8	.385	4	Iowa	1989-91-93-95-96-97-98-00-01-02-03-04-05-06
19	18	.513	9	3	6	.333	3	Northwestern	1984-85-86-87-00-03-04-05-06
7	14	.333	7	0	0	.000	0	Minnesota	1988-91-96-98-99-02-03
10	11	.476	6	2	4	.333	2	Indiana	1983-85-86-94-96-06
6	12	.333	8	0	0	.000	0	Penn State	1983-85-00-01-02-03-05-06
8	8	.500	4	0	0	.000	0	Michigan State	1997-99-03-04
4	6	.400	4	0	0	.000	0	Ohio State	1990-02-04-06
1	6	.143	3	0	0	.000	0	Wisconsin	2001-02-05
5	4	.556	2	0	0	.000	0	Illinois	2003-04
0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	Purdue	

National Championship in **Bold**.

## ALL-BIG TEN SELECTIONS (since 1985)

*(first team only; as voted by coaches)***ILLINOIS**

Lindsey Hama, SS, 2002  
LeeAnn Butcher, OF, 2002  
Jenna Hall, 1B, 2003-04  
Amanda Fortune, P, 2004

**INDIANA**

Tammy Connor, IF, 1985-87-88  
Karleen Moore, OF, 1985-86  
Amy Unterbrink, P, 1985-86  
Pam Lee, 3B, 1986  
Jenny McDaniel, IF, 1987  
Kim Powers, IF, 1988  
Christy Cammarata, OF, 1989-90  
Marjie Ledgewood, 3B, 1989-90  
Teresa Raine, SS, 1989-90  
Christy Brown, P, 1990  
Kara Manley, OF, 1992  
Candace Nishina, OF, 1994  
Gina Ugo, P, 1994-96  
Michelle Venturella, C, 1994-95  
Monica Armedarez, 3B, 1997-98  
Brooke Monroe, C, 2001  
Lauren Hines, OF, 2006

**IOWA**

Mary Wisniewski, OF, 1985  
Beth Kirchner, OF, 1987  
Cara Coughenour, IF, 1988-89  
Diana Repp, U, 1988- IF, 1991  
Amy Johnson, OF, 1989-90-91  
Terri McFarland, P, 1989-90-92  
Diane Pohl, C, 1990-91-92  
Karin Wick, U, 1990  
Kim Davis, OF, 1991-92-93  
Karen Jackson, P, 1991-92-93  
Jenny Roe, IF, 1991-92-93  
Kari Knopf, IF, 1994-95-97  
Lisa Nicola, 2B, 1995  
Tasha Reents, OF, 1995  
Christy Hebert, SS, 1996-97  
Lea Twigg, OF, 1996-97  
Melissa Wielandt, 3B, 1996  
Debbie Bilbao, P, 1997-98  
Brandi Macias, C, 1997  
Erin McGee, 2B, 1997  
Shawnte Vallejo, 1B, 1999  
Jessica Bashor, C, 2000-01; DP, 2003  
Kristi Hanks, P, 2000-01  
Kristen Johnson, SS, 2000-03  
Lisa Rasche, 3B, 2000  
Alicia Gerlach, 1B, 2002  
Stacy May, 3B, 2003

Jessica Bashor, DP, 2003  
Lisa Birocci, P, 2003  
Natalie Johnson, OF, 2004  
Mindy Heidgerken, OF, 2005  
Summer Downs, DP, 2006

**MICHIGAN**

Lisa Panetta, SS, 1985  
Alicia Seegert, C, 1986-87  
Jenny Allard, IF/P, 1987-89  
Vicki Morrow, P, 1987  
Michelle Bolster, P, 1988  
Julie Cooper, OF, 1988  
Bonnie Tholl, IF, 1988-89-90-91  
Marie Ann Daviera, C, 1989  
Patti Benedict, OF, 1991-92-93  
Kelly Kovach, P, 1992-95  
Mary Campana, IF, 1993-94  
Kelly Forbis, P, 1993  
Kari Kunnen, OF, 1993  
Kari Kunnen, C, 1993  
Michelle Silver, IF, 1993  
Tracy Carr, 3B, 1995  
Sara Griffin, U, 1995-96-98  
Kellyn Tate, OF, 1996-97-98  
Traci Conrad, 1B, 1997-98-99  
Kelly Holmes, P, 1997  
Tammy Mika, U, 1997  
Cathrine Davie, OF, 1998-99  
Melissa Gentile, C, 1998  
Kelsey Kollen, 2B, 1999-01-02  
Pam Kosanke, 3B, 1999  
Melissa Taylor, OF, 1999-01  
Stefanie Volpe, C, 1999-01; 3B, 2002  
Marie Barda, P, 2000  
Melissa Moulden, UT, 2001  
Monica Schock, C, 2002-03-04  
Marissa Young, P, 2002-03  
Tiffany Haas, 2B, 2004-05-06  
Grace Luetele, 3B, 2004-05  
Nicole Motycka, P-DP, 2004-05  
Alessandra Giampaolo, OF, 2005  
Jennie Ritter, P, 2005-06

**MICHIGAN STATE**

Deanne Moore, 1984  
Tracey Baker, OF, 1986-87  
Tracy Beadlescomb, SS, 1986-87  
Kim Archer, IF, 1988  
Sheila Ovenhouse, OF, 1989  
Keri Lemasters, IF, 1994-95-96  
Patti Raduenz, SS, 1995  
Carrie Carpenter, OF, 1999

Shealee Dunavan, OF, 2000  
Stacey Phillips, 1B, 2000  
Sandy Lewis, OF, 2003  
Tiffany Wallace, OF, 2003  
Jessica Beech, UT, 2004  
Angel Merren, OF, 2004  
Cailin Mahoney, 3B, 2006

**MINNESOTA**

Ann Fills, 1B, 1985-86  
Barb Drake, P, 1986  
Deb Lewis, DH, 1986  
Judy Ontiveros, 2B, 1986  
Brenda Bixby, P, 1988-91  
Kathy Casull, IF, 1988  
Deb Lange, OF, 1988  
Kari Blank, IF, 1991-92  
Anne Weisbecker, U, 1991  
Lezlie Weiss, IF, 1992  
Rachel Nelson, OF, 1995-96  
Shannon Beeler, SS, 1998  
Laura Peters, 2B, 1998  
Steph Klaviter, P, 1999  
Tammy Hays, OF, 2001  
Piper Marten, P, 2003  
Megan Higginbotham, C, 2005

**NORTHWESTERN**

Meg Haller, C, 1985  
Lisa Ishikawa, P, 1985-86-87  
Sue Koopman, C, 1985  
Karen Lemke, 3B, 1985  
Krista Dempsey, OF, 1986  
Lynna Hallick, IF, 1987  
Chinazo Opia, IF, 1987  
Ndidi Opia, C, 1988-89  
Kris Cieslak, OF, 1989  
Kelli Horton, 3B, 1989  
Missi Gyde, IF, 1992  
Michele Hawkins, P, 1993  
Dena Petersen, IF, 1993  
Anne Carpenter, OF, 1994  
Tracy Hocutt, IF, 1994  
Kelley Green, C, 1995  
Susan Harrelson, OF, 1995  
Allison Ward, P, 1995  
Jaclyn DeBoard, P, 1998  
Brooke Siebel, DP, 1998-99-00  
Erin Mobley, OF, 2003-04-05  
Garland Cooper, DP-1B, 2004-05-06  
Stephanie Churchwell, SS, 2005  
Courtney Foster, P, NU, 2005  
Tammy Williams, SS, 2006

Jamie Dotson, C, 2006  
Katie Logan, OF, 2006  
Eileen Canney, P, 2006

**OHIO STATE**

Shelley Eger, OF, 1985  
Shauna Bowman, IF, 1990-91  
Sue Gahn, OF, 1990  
Carolyn Urse, OF, 1991  
Krinon Clark, U, 1992-93-94  
Alisa Raifsnider, IF, 1992  
Jennifer Fredrickson, OF, 1994  
Genice Turley, P, 1994  
Amy Haug, C, 1996  
Candice Kollen, 2B, 1996  
Katie Chain, P, 2001  
Anna Smith, OF, 2002  
Wendy Allen, UT, 2002  
Stacy Roth, DP, 2002  
Brittany Vanderink, OF, 2006

**PENN STATE**

Jodie Ricciardi, OF, 1998  
Tanis Ambelang, UT, 2000  
Gina Bianchini, OF, 2000-02  
Karen Gulinii, OF, 2000  
Allison Medellin, 2B, 2000  
Ashley Espanza, UT, 2005  
Jenn Reynolds, UT, 2006

**PURDUE**

Jenn Markert, P, 1996  
Jen Blasnick, U, 1997  
Jenny Schoen, OF, 1997  
Katie Crabtree, SS, 2001  
Heidi Foster, 1B, 2001  
Andrea Roush, OF, 2001  
Andrea Hillsey, 2B, 2003

**WISCONSIN**

Julie Borchard, SS, 1999  
Andrea Kirchberg, P, 2002

## INDIVIDUAL HONORS

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

1985 Lisa Ishikawa, P, NU  
1986 Barb Drake, P/C, MINN  
1987 Vicki Morrow, P/1B, MICH  
1988 Michelle Bolster, P, MICH  
1989 Jenny Allard, P/3B, MICH  
1990 Terri McFarland, P, IOWA  
1991 Kari Blank, IF, MINN  
Karen Jackson, P, IOWA  
1992 Patti Benedict, OF, MICH  
1993 Patti Benedict, OF, MICH  
1994 Michelle Venturella, C, IND  
1995 Sara Griffin, U, MICH  
1996 Sara Griffin, U, MICH  
1997 Debbie Bilbao, P, IOWA  
1998 Traci Conrad, 1B, MICH  
1999 Traci Conrad, 1B, MICH  
2000 Brooke Siebel, DP, NU  
2001 Melissa Taylor, OF, MICH  
2002 Wendy Allen, U, OSU  
2003 Marissa Young, U, MICH  
2004 Jessica Merchant, SS, MICH  
2005 Garland Cooper, 1B, NU  
2006 Garland Cooper, 1B, NU

**PITCHER OF THE YEAR**

1992 Kelly Kovach, MICH  
1993 Kelly Forbis, MICH  
1994 Karen Jackson, IOWA  
1995 Kelly Kovach, MICH  
1996 Gina Ugo, IND  
1997 Kelly Holmes, MICH  
1998 Sara Griffin, MICH  
1999 Marie Barda, MICH  
2000 Kristi Hanks, IOWA  
2001 Kristi Hanks, IOWA  
2002 Marissa Young, MICH  
2003 Lisa Birocci, IOWA  
2004 Nicole Motycka, MICH  
2005 Jennie Ritter, MICH  
2006 Eileen Canney, NU

**FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR**

1985 Tammy Connor, OF, IND  
1986 Ndidi Opia, OF/P, NU  
1987 Chinazo Opia, P/U, NU  
1988 Brenda Bixby, P, MINN  
1989 Terri McFarland, P, IOWA  
1990 Patti Benedict, OF, MICH  
1991 Karen Jackson, P, IOWA  
1992 Kelly Kovach, P, MICH  
1993 Tracy Carr, U, MICH  
1994 Kari Knopf, IF, IOWA  
1995 Sara Griffin, U, MICH  
1996 Traci Conrad, 1B, MICH  
1997 Melissa Gentile, 3B, MICH  
1998 Brooke Siebel, U, NU  
1999 Kelsey Kollen, 2B, MICH  
2000 Jessica Bashor, C, IOWA  
2001 Wendy Allen, UT, OSU  
2002 Nicole Motycka, P, MICH  
2003 Stacy May, 3B, IOWA  
2004 Eileen Canney, P, NU  
2005 Samantha Findlay, 1B, MICH  
2006 Tammy Williams, SS, NU

**COACH OF THE YEAR**

1985 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
1986 Gloria Becksford, MSU  
1987 Sharon Drysdale, NU  
1988 Linda Wels, MINN  
1989 Gayle Blevins, IOWA  
1990 Gail Davenport, OSU  
1991 Teresa Wilson, MINN  
1992 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
1993 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
1994 Diane Stephenson, IND  
1995 Sharon Drysdale, NU  
1996 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
1997 Gayle Blevins, IOWA  
1998 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
1999 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
Robin Petri, PSU  
2000 Gayle Blevins, IOWA  
2001 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
2002 Linda Kalafatis, OSU  
2003 Jacquie Joseph, MSU  
2004 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
2005 Carol Hutchins, MICH  
Kate Drohan, NU  
2006 Kate Drohan, NU