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**EMPIRE 8 ANNOUNCES MEN'S TENNIS ALL-CONFERENCE TEAM**  
*Chris Ciolino of Empire 8 Champion Ithaca Named Player of the Year*

**ROCHESTER, NY** – The Empire 8 announced its Men's Tennis All-Conference Team with senior Chris Ciolino of Ithaca College earning 2006 Empire 8 Men's Tennis Player of the Year honors. Ryan Weaver of Nazareth College was named Rookie of the Year and was named to the all-conference first team. Bill Austin was named Coach of the Year for leading Ithaca to the conference title.

Ciolino finished 9-1 in Empire 8 play in first singles, losing his only match in September, and advanced to the Round of 16 at the ITA tournament. Ciolino and first-team doubles partner Colin Flynn were named to the all-conference first team in doubles, where they compiled an 8-1 record in the Empire 8 and reached the semifinal round of the ITA tournament. Flynn also garnered first-team honors in singles.

Junior Vanja Ljubibratic of Hartwick College received first-team all-conference recognition in singles and doubles. Freshmen Greg Bohneberg of Nazareth and Jose Guzman of Rochester Institute of Technology earned first-team honors in singles.

**2006 Empire 8 Men's Tennis Awards**

**Player of the Year:** Chris Ciolino, Ithaca College

**Rookie of the Year:** Ryan Weaver, Nazareth College

**Coach of the Year:** Bill Austin, Ithaca College

**First Team All-Conference**

**Singles**

Greg Bohneberg	Fr.	Nazareth
Chris Ciolino	Sr.	Ithaca
Colin Flynn	Jr.	Ithaca
Jose Guzman	Fr.	RIT
Vanja Ljubibratic	Jr.	Hartwick
Ryan Weaver	Fr.	Nazareth

**Doubles**

Chris Ciolino/Colin Flynn	Ithaca
Vanja Ljubibratic/Dan Riviello	Hartwick
Ryan Weaver/Terrance Nichols	Nazareth

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**Second Team All-Conference**

**Singles**

Han Chong	Fr.	RIT
Kevin Dillon	Sr.	Alfred
Kento Kamiyama	Sr.	Ithaca
Ryan Kubiak	Sr.	St. John Fisher
Terrance Nichols	So.	Nazareth
Donnie Sherman	So.	St. John Fisher

**Doubles**

Kento Kamiyama/Jeff Buffum	Ithaca
Kurt Meichtry/Greg Bohneberg	Nazareth
Donnie Sherman/Tom Linhart	St. John Fisher

**Sportsman of the Year**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Yr.</b>	<b>School</b>
Kevin Dillon	Sr.	Alfred
Chris Tilberis	Jr.	Elmira
Dan Meininger	So.	Hartwick
Colin Flynn	Jr.	Ithaca
Andre Putyera	Sr.	Nazareth
Jose Guzman	Fr.	RIT
Dale Stoker	Sr.	St. John Fisher
Tom Meininger	Sr.	Utica

**Honorable Mention All-Conference**

**Singles**

Tom Linhart	St. John Fisher
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**Doubles**

Steve Ventura/John Reagan	Alfred
Jose Guzman/Justin Eastman	RIT
Ryan Kubiak/Karl Schiefer	St. John Fisher