



# INDOOR TRACK & FIELD

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## MVC Men's Track Athlete of the Week

### Taylor Floyd Mews, Sr., Bradley (Milwaukee, Wis.)

Senior Taylor Floyd Mews finished first in the mile run at Indiana's Gladstein Invitational on Friday, posting a time of 4:04.89. The senior shaved nearly eight seconds off his previous PR time that he had set just last week, while his time currently ranks 17th in the nation and is nearly nine seconds faster than the second-fastest time in the Valley from a non-BU runner.



## MVC Women's Track Athlete of the Week

### Taylor Austin, Sr., Indiana State (Griffith, Ind.)

Taylor Austin hit another milestone in her career on Friday at the Gladstein Invitational, this time passing current Indiana State senior associate AD Angie Lansing in the mile to move into second in ISU history. She finished second in the race, but crossed the line at 4:48.29, which overtook Lansing's time of 4:50.12. The only Sycamore in front of Austin on the all-time list now is her teammate Brooke Moore, who holds the school-record at 4:43.04. Austin currently owns the best time in the Valley and 38th overall time in the NCAA from her converted time of 4:48.23 at the Terre Haute Double Dual.



## MVC Men's Field Athlete of the Week

### Luke Nelson, So., Illinois State (Oak Park, Ill.)

At Saturday's Notre Dame Invitational in Notre Dame, Indiana, Nelson had what is arguably the best performance of his young career, clearing a personal-best 5.08m (16-08.00) in the pole vault. Not only was this mark good for a second-place finish, but it seeds him first the Valley and 42nd in the nation. Nelson also cracked ISU's top-10 list, as he now holds the second-highest mark in Illinois State history.



## MVC Women's Field Athlete of the Week

### Julia Bourke, Fr., Illinois State (Melbourne, Australia)

At Saturday's Notre Dame Invitational in Notre Dame, Indiana, Bourke cracked Illinois State's top-10 lists in two events: shot put and weight throw. In shot put, Bourke finished third overall with a throw of 14.84m (48-08.25). Not only is this mark good for seventh all-time in ISU history, but it is the top distance in the Valley. In weight throw, she launched a heave of 17.45m (57-03.00) to capture the eighth-farthest distance in Illinois State history, as well as the seventh-farthest in the MVC.

## Upcoming Schedule/Recent Results

### Friday, January 19

Gladstein Invitational (BU/INS).....NTS  
SIU at Vanderbilt Invite .....NTS

### Saturday, January 20

Gladstein Invitational (BU/INS).....NTS  
SIU at Vanderbilt Invite .....NTS  
Illinois St. at ND Invite..... M-1st; W-4th  
Loyola at John Tierney Classic.....NTS  
Fort Wayne Duals (UE, Valpo) .....NTS  
UNI at Jim Emmerich.....M-5th; W-5th

### Thursday, January 25

Jack Jennett Invite (UNI)..... 11 am

### Friday, January 26

Jack Jennett Invite (DU/ILS/LUC/UNI) .... 10 am  
Washington Invitational (Bradley) .....TBD

### Saturday, January 27

Mark Messersmith Invite (DU/ILS/INS/LUC/UNI)  
Washington Invitational (Bradley) .....TBD  
Illini Classic (Illinois State)..... All day  
Pittsburg State Invite (Missouri State) ....All day  
Fred Wilt Open (Valpo)..... All day



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## ▶ Noteworthy

In addition to the league's Track & Field Athlete of the Week selections, several other notable performances are recognized, and they include:

### MEN'S TRACK

**Derrius Rodgers, So., Illinois State (Crest Hill, Ill.)**  
At Saturday's Notre Dame Invitational in Notre Dame, Indiana, Rodgers posted a convincing victory in the 60-meter dash to help the Redbirds take down three ACC opponents (Notre Dame, Louisville, North Carolina) and win the meet. Rodgers won the event with a time of 6.68, besting the runner-up by 0.15 seconds. His previous mark of 6.66, which he posted at the EIU Early Bird Meet on Dec. 8, 2017, still ranks first in the Valley and ninth in the nation.

**Ryan Cash, Jr., Indiana State (Zionsville, Ind.)**  
Ryan Cash led the way for the Indiana State men on the track at the Gladstein Invitational. He finished second in the 3K and earned a new personal-best time of 8:26.30 which is 12 seconds better than his previous best time. His time sits at fourth in the MVC.

**Michael Edwards, So., Loyola (Zion, Ill.)**  
Loyola sophomore Michael Edwards rolled to a victory in the men's 300m dash at the John Tierney Classic on Saturday afternoon in Milwaukee, Wis. The Zion, Ill. product clocked a personal-best time of 35.45 to lead a strong showing for the Ramblers in the event that saw the Maroon & Gold capture the top four spots on the individual leaderboard. Edwards also saw action in the 60m dash, checking in at 7.25.

**Jordan Pingel, Sr., UNI (Pella, Iowa)**  
At Saturday's Jim Emmerich Invite, Pingel clocked a time of 1:52.20 in the 800-meter to finish third overall in the event. The 800-meter time for Pingel was his fastest of the season and currently ranks as the best time in the MVC.

**Warren Hazel, Sr., Southern Illinois (Old Roads, St. Kitts)**  
Warren Hazel made his season debut in his signature event, the 400m dash, at the Vanderbilt Invitational and didn't disappoint. The Old Roads, St. Kitts native clocked the 19th-fastest time in the nation, 47.07, to finish fourth Saturday and also ran the anchor leg of SIU's 4x400 relay that finished seventh with a season-best time of 3:16.38. Hazel's time in the 400m is the best time thus far in the Missouri Valley Conference.

### MEN'S FIELD

**Hunter Schuman, Sr., Indiana State (Lakeville, Ind.)**  
At the Gladstein Invitational, Hunter Schuman was the runner-up in the weight throw with a new career-best mark of 18.59m (61-00.00), which is third in the Valley. He also finished third in the shot put with a mark of 16.17m (53-00.75). He holds the 10th-best mark in the conference of 16.76m (55-00.00) from two weeks ago at the Terre Haute Double Dual.

**Stephen Hubona, Sr., Loyola (LaGrange, Ill.)**  
Loyola senior Stephen Hubona used a personal-best toss to earn a victory in the men's weight throw at the John Tierney Classic in Milwaukee, Wis. on Saturday afternoon. Out of LaGrange, Ill., Hubona posted a mark of 57-07.75 (17.57m) to edge out Terrance Howard of Marquette (57-00.25) for the event title. The senior's toss further solidified his hold on the number three spot on Loyola's all-time indoor record board in the event.

**Keegan Tritle, Jr., UNI (Lisbon, Iowa)**  
At Saturday's Jim Emmerich Invite, Tritle earned a 57-5.75 in the shot put to finish fourth overall in the event. The mark of 57.5.75 stands as a collegiate best for Tritle in the shot put, while ranking fourth in the MVC.

**Isaac Ingram, Sr., Southern Illinois (Harrisburg, Ill.)**  
Isaac Ingram won the weight throw with a lifetime-best toss at the Vanderbilt Invitational. The Harrisburg, Ill. native threw 70'-3.5" (21.42m) on his final attempt at the Vanderbilt Invitational to become the fourth thrower in school history to surpass 70-feet. Ingram's mark ranks him 11th in the nation.

### WOMEN'S TRACK

**Demetria Anderson, Jr., Illinois State (St. Louis, Mo.)**  
At Saturday's Notre Dame Invitational in Notre Dame, Indiana, Anderson etched her name in the Illinois State record book, re-setting her own 60-meter hurdles record that she previously shared with Debbi Caddell. After placing second with a time of 8.43 this past weekend, Anderson now has sole possession of the ISU school record in the event. Her mark currently ranks first in the Valley and 49th in all of Division I.

**Cassie Bloch, Sr., Loyola (St. Clair Shores, Mich.)**  
Loyola senior Cassie Bloch set a new John Tierney Classic record in the mile run on Saturday afternoon, picking up a first-place finish in the event as she posted a time of 4:54.14 that moves her into sixth place on Loyola's all-time indoor record board in the event. The St. Clair Shores, Mich. native led a 1-2-3-4 finish for the Maroon & Gold in the mile run, clocking the third-fastest time in the Valley in the event.

**Brette Correy, Sr., UNI (Epworth, Iowa)**  
At Saturday's Jim Emmerich Invite, Correy finished second overall in the 1-mile run with a time of 4:51.11 to open her senior season. Correy's time in the 1-mile run on Saturday is a collegiate best for the senior. The 4:51.11 time ranks as the second fastest in the MVC.

### WOMEN'S FIELD

**Kim Jackson, Jr., Indiana State (Indianapolis, Ind.)**  
Kim Jackson now owns the top mark in the Missouri Valley Conference in the pole vault after a strong performance at the Gladstein Invitational. She earned a mark of 3.70m (12-01.50), which is a new career-best and the second consecutive week she has recorded a personal-best mark. Last week at the Terre Haute Double Dual her mark was 3.68m (12-00.75).

**Kiera Washpun, Sr., Loyola (Iowa City, IA)**  
Loyola senior Kiera Washpun took home a runner-up finish in the women's long jump at the John Tierney Classic in Milwaukee, Wis. on Saturday afternoon. Washpun, who took third in the event at the indoor league meet last season, turned in a season-best leap of 18-10.00 (5.74m) that saw her come up just short of Marquette's Terica Harris (19-10.25) for the event title. The Iowa City, Iowa product currently ranks fifth on the Missouri Valley Conference's long jump leaderboard.

**Lauren Beauchamp, Fr., UNI (St. Charles, Missouri)**  
Freshman Lauren Beauchamp recorded a mark of 11-7.75 to finish seventh in the pole vault at Saturday's Jim Emmerich Invite. The mark is a collegiate best for Beauchamp, while going down as the fifth best among MVC competitors.

## ▶ Athletes of the Week

### Men's Track

DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
D5	Jaylan McConico	Illinois State
J16	Jaylan McConico	Illinois State
J23	Taylor Floyd Mews	Bradley

### Men's Field

DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
D5	Jared Kern	Southern Illinois
J16	Isaac Ingram	Southern Illinois
J23	Luke Nelson	Illinois State

### Women's Track

DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
D5	Shafiqua Maloney	Southern Illinois
J16	Taylor Austin	Indiana State
J23	Taylor Austin	Indiana State

### Women's Field

DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
D5	Kezia Martin	Southern Illinois
J16	Alexis Roberson	Southern Illinois
J23	Julia Bourke	Illinois State

MVC Track & Field Athletes of the Week are selected each week during the Indoor Track & Field season. The athletes are announced on Tuesday afternoon and appear in a weekly press release. Nominees are provided by each school's sports information contact and voted on by a panel appointed by the league office.

## ▶ Scholar-Athlete of the Week

### Male Scholar-Athlete

DATE	NAME	SCHOOL
D13	Derrius Rodgers	Illinois State

To qualify for Missouri Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete of the Week laurels, student-athletes must carry a cumulative grade-point average of 3.20, completed at least one academic year at a Valley institution and must be at least a sophomore in academic standing.

## ▶ Valley Information



February 24-25, 2018  
Cedar Falls, Iowa  
Hosted by UNI