

NINE LEAGUE SQUADS RANKED IN TOP 25 POLL;  
ILLINOIS' FRIEDL AND GOPHERS' KONRAD SHARE  
BIG TEN WRESTLER OF THE WEEK HONORS

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**THIS WEEK IN THE BIG TEN**

**JANUARY 5**  
Pittsburgh at Ohio State 7 p.m.

**JANUARY 6**  
#12 Penn State at #11 Lehigh 7 p.m.

**JANUARY 7**  
Ohio State at Kent State 1 p.m.  
Ohio State at Cleveland State 7 p.m.  
#1 Oklahoma State at #7 Iowa 7:30 p.m.

Lone Star Duals Grand Prairie, Texas  
Purdue, #18 Wisconsin

Purdue vs. #24 Navy 10 a.m.  
Purdue vs. Cal State-Fullerton 12 p.m.  
Purdue vs. Northern Colorado 4 p.m.  
Purdue vs. Brown 6 p.m.

**JANUARY 8**  
Cornell at #12 Penn State 1 p.m.  
#13 Northwestern at Eastern Illinois 1:30 p.m.  
#11 Lehigh at #5 Michigan 2 p.m.

**LAST WEEK IN THE BIG TEN**

**DECEMBER 29-30**  
Southern Scuffle Greensboro, N.C.  
#2 Minnesota 1st/32, 192.0  
Ohio State 5th/32, 94.5

43rd Midlands Tournament Evanston, Ill.  
#4 Illinois 1st/60, 115.5  
#15 Indiana 8th/60, 66.0  
#6 Iowa 4th/60, 83.0  
#16 Michigan State 3rd/60, 99.0  
#14 Northwestern 10th/60, 62.5  
Purdue 11th/60, 54.5

**JANUARY 2**  
Michigan at Hofstra W, 25-13

**JANUARY 3**  
Michigan at Cornell W, 25-13  
Arizona State at Minnesota W, 23-19

**2005-06 STANDINGS**

	Conference Record				Overall Record			
	W	L	T	Pct.	W	L	T	Pct.
Michigan	1	0	0	1.000	4	1	0	.800
Wisconsin	1	0	0	1.000	4	1	0	.800
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	8	0	0	1.000
Indiana	0	0	0	.000	5	0	0	1.000
Purdue	0	0	0	.000	4	0	0	1.000
Iowa	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	1.000
Northwestern	0	0	0	.000	3	0	0	1.000
Illinois	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Michigan State	0	0	0	.000	1	2	0	.333
Ohio State	0	0	0	.000	0	1	0	.000
Penn State	0	2	0	.000	5	2	0	.714

**BIG TEN WRESTLER OF THE WEEK**

**Pete Friedl, Illinois**  
SR, 184, Orland Park, Ill./Sandburg

Friedl, a senior All-American, found himself in a familiar spot after clinching the Big Ten team title in 2005 with his win in the Midlands championship match. Once again, his win at 184 pounds secured the team title for the Illini. Friedl (9-1) needed overtime to get it done and won in dramatic fashion with a takedown over Purdue's Ben Wissel with only one second remaining in the match. Friedl and Wissel last met in the finals of this year's Las Vegas Invitational, where Wissel was victorious, 6-2.

Last ILL WOW: Pete Friedl (2/23/05)

**Cole Konrad, Minnesota**  
JR, HWT, Freedom, Wis./Freedom

Konrad was named Most Outstanding Wrestler as Minnesota won the 32-team Southern Scuffle last week in Greensboro, N.C. The junior won six straight matches and needed just 1:28 to pin eighth-ranked Tanner Garrett of Navy in the championship match. Of his six wins, one came by major decision while five came by fall, including a pin in just 1:12 against Sean Connole of Missouri in the third round. Konrad also dominated No. 15 Mike Faust of Virginia Tech with a 17-4 major decision in the semifinals. In a dual meet with Arizona State on Tuesday, Konrad clinched the match with a 3-2 victory over No. 4 Cain Velasquez at heavyweight to improve to 20-0 on the year.

Last MINN WOW: C.P. Schlatter (12/14/05)

**2005-06 WRESTLERS OF THE WEEK**

- Nov. 9:** Nick Simmons, Jr., 125, MSU  
Ben Wissel, Sr., 184, PUR
- Nov. 16:** Phil Davis, So., 197, PSU  
Ryan Lang, So., 141, NU
- Nov. 23:** Cole Konrad, Jr., HWT, MINN
- Nov. 30:** Tony Greathouse, Jr., 157, MSU
- Dec. 6:** Steve Luke, Fr., 157, MICH
- Dec. 14:** C.P. Schlatter, So., 157, MINN
- Dec. 21:** Jake Herbert, So., 174, NU
- Dec. 28:** No Selection
- Jan. 4:** Pete Friedl, Sr., 184, ILL  
Cole Konrad, Jr., HWT, MINN

**USA TODAY/INTERMAT/NWCA COACHES POLL & RANKINGS (1/3/06)**

TEAM	125	157	184
1 Oklahoma State (12)	1 Joe Dubuque, IND	1 Alex Tirapelle, ILL	1 Eric Bradley, PSU
2 MINNESOTA	3 Kyle Ott, ILL	5 Joe Johnston, IOWA	2 Paul Bradley, IOWA
3 Oklahoma	4 Nick Simmons, MSU	6 Brandon Becker, IND	3 Ben Wissel, PUR
4 ILLINOIS	9 John Velez, NU	8 Steve Luke, MICH	8 Mike Tamillow, NU
5 MICHIGAN		11 C.P. Schlatter, MINN	10 Pete Freidl, ILL
6 Central Michigan	133	12 Craig Henning, WIS	11 Roger Kish, MINN
7 IOWA	1 Tom Clum, WIS	15 Nathan Galloway, PSU	17 Joe Williams, MSU
8 Iowa State	3 Mack Reiter, MINN	20 Tony Greathouse, MSU	19 Tyrel Tood, MICH
9 Missouri	12 Mark Moos, MICH		
10 Cornell	13 Jake Strayer, PSU	165	197
11 Lehigh	20 Daniel Dennis, IOWA	1 Ryan Churella, MICH	6 Philip Davis, PSU
12 PENN STATE		9 Michael Poeta, ILL	7 Brady Richardson, IND
13 NORTHWESTERN	141	13 Mait Nagel, MINN	8 Tyrone Byrd, ILL
14 Nebraska	4 Andy Simmons, MSU	17 Jake Donar, WIS	10 Matt Delguyd, NU
15 INDIANA	5 Josh Churella, MICH	19 Will Durkee, NU	18 Dallas Herbst, WIS
16 MICHIGAN STATE	7 Ryan Lang, NU		19 Nathan Moore, PUR
17 Edinboro	12 Dewitt Driscoll, PSU	174	
18 WISCONSIN	15 Alex Tsirtsis, IOWA	2 Jake Herbert, NU	285
19 Arizona State		3 Mark Perry, IOWA	2 Cole Konrad, MINN
20 Cal Poly	149	6 Nick Roy, MICH	3 Greg Wagner, MICH
21 Hofstra	2 Ty Eustice, IOWA	7 R.J. Boudro, MSU	6 Matt Fields, IOWA
22 Northern Illinois	4 Eric Tannenbaum, MICH	11 Kelly Flaherty, WIS	10 Dustin Fox, NU
23 Northern Iowa	6 Tyler Turner, WIS	12 James Yonushonis, PSU	20 Kyle Massey, WIS
24 Navy	8 Doug Withstandley PUR	17 Donny Reynolds, ILL	
25 Penn	9 James Woodall, PSU	18 Gabriel Dretsch, MINN	
	10 Darren McKnight, MSU		
Other teams receiving votes:	13 Dustin Schlatter, MINN		
Buffalo, Kent State, PURDUE, West Virginia	15 Jeff Jagers, OSU		