



# 2005-06 Bearcat Athletic Weekly



Northwest athletics from April 17-23

## Northwest Schedule for April 17-23\*

### • Tuesday, April 18

Softball at Truman State, 2 p.m.  
Tennis (B) hosts Graceland, 3 p.m.

### • Wednesday, April 19

Baseball at William Jewell, 3 p.m. (1-9 inn.)  
**Changed from Rockhurst**

### • Thursday, April 20

Track at Kansas Relays

### • Friday, April 21

Softball at Pittsburg State, 4 p.m.  
Track at Kansas Relays  
Track at Central Missouri State Relays

### • Saturday, April 22

Baseball hosts Upper Iowa, 1 p.m.  
Tennis (B) at MIAA Championships (St. Joseph)  
Softball at Missouri Southern, 12 p.m.  
Track at Kansas Relays

### • Sunday, April 23

Baseball hosts Upper Iowa, 1 p.m.  
Tennis (B) at MIAA Championships (St. Joseph)

\* Note that events are subject to change

## 2005-06 Northwest Spring Honors

### • Women's Indoor Track & Field

Alisha Samuel - MIAA Indoor Track Athlete of the Week (Feb. 20)

### • Men's Indoor Track & Field

E.J. Falkner - NCAA All-American in 200-meter and 400-meters

### • Women's Tennis

Gena Lindsay - MIAA Athlete of the Week (March 20 & 27 & April 11)

### • Men's Tennis

Pablo Acebedo - MIAA Athlete of the Week (March 27)  
Zach Keith - MIAA Athlete of the Week (April 11)

### • Softball

Cola Krueger - MIAA Pitcher of the Week (March 27)  
Ashley Pride - MIAA Player of the Week (March 27)



## Quick Hitters

• **Men's Track:** At the Nebraska Invitational last weekend, senior thrower **Travis MacKenzie** broke the school hammer throw record with 184' 6". MacKenzie also provisionally qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships on May 25-27 in Emporia, Kan.

• **Women's Tennis:** Senior **Gena Lindsay**, who has not played at No. 1 singles in the last three matches due to an ankle injury, won her third MIAA Player of the Week award of 2006 last Tuesday. The St. Joseph, Mo., native has won her last 27 straight No. 1 singles matches dating back to last season. The Northwest women are ranked first in the region.

## Baseball

**Current Record:** 14-21 / 8-12 MIAA

**Last Week:** L, 9-8 at Washburn on Tuesday  
L, 8-6 at Washburn on Tuesday  
L, 13-9 vs. Pittsburg State on Friday  
L, 24-14 vs. Pittsburg State on Friday  
W, 3-1 vs. Pittsburg State on Saturday  
W, 4-1 vs. Pittsburg State on Saturday

**This Week:** at William Jewell on Wednesday, 3 p.m.  
hosts Upper Iowa on Saturday, 1 p.m.  
hosts Upper Iowa on Sunday, 1 p.m.

**NOTES:** Northwest baseball takes a break from MIAA play with five games this week, first with a stop at NAIA-program William Jewell on Wednesday. The nine-inning game in Liberty, Mo., begins at 3 p.m. This weekend, the Bearcats host Upper Iowa for a four-game set beginning with two on Saturday. Both matinee doubleheaders begin at 1 p.m. Thanks to solid pitching on Saturday against Pittsburg State, Northwest halted a four-game skid with 3-1 and 4-1 wins in the MIAA twinbill. Junior pitcher **Matt Kelly** limited the Gorillas to five hits for the complete-game seven-inning victory in the matinee while junior **Josh Norris** was just as effective on the hill tossing 8 1/3 innings scattering nine hits for his second win of 2006 in Game 2. Senior **Will Newland**, who hit .520 last week, finished with two hits in Saturday's wins. The defense turned in a strong effort with no errors in Game 1 - the first time in 11 games. Early last week, Northwest dropped two at Washburn before allowing 37 runs in two losses on Friday versus PSU.

## Softball

**Current Record:** 29-11 / 6-4 MIAA

**Last Week:** L, 3-0 at #11 Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday  
W, 12-3 at #11 Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday  
L, 4-0 vs. Minnesota State on Friday (Northwest Classic)  
L, 3-0 vs. Washburn on Friday (Northwest Classic)  
W, 21-5 vs. Upper Iowa on Saturday (Northwest Classic)  
L, 10-1 (6) vs. #3 Emporia State on Saturday (Northwest Classic)

**This Week:** at Truman State on Tuesday, 2 p.m.  
at Pittsburg State on Friday, 4 p.m.  
at Missouri Southern on Saturday, 12 p.m.

**NOTES:** Northwest softball, ranked fourth in the North Central Region (April 12), finishes the regular season with 10 road contests starting on Tuesday at Truman State. The weekend has Northwest at Pittsburg State on Friday before heading to Missouri Southern. The Bearcats had a difficult week with a doubleheader split at #11 Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday - the Game 1 loss halted an 11-game winning streak for Northwest which was the third longest in school history. After two losses to open up the Northwest Classic on Friday, the Bearcats walloped Upper Iowa 21-5 on Saturday in the first meeting between the two schools. In the game, Northwest set school records for hits (22) and RBIs (20) and was one run shy of the record. Junior **Lindsay Stephenson** tied **Ashley Pride** for the single-season school record with her 11th home run of the year. Later in the day, Northwest dropped a 10-1 match to #3 Emporia State. Northwest continues to add to the school home run record as it stands with 52. Senior **Katy John** set the Northwest career games played record with 198 - she passed Annie Melius' mark of 196. As a team, Northwest has 201 RBIs, which is nine away from the single-season high of 210 in 2000.

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## Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field

**Last Week:** Women at Emporia Multi-Events, April 13-14

Both at Nebraska Invitational, April 15

**This Week:** Both at Kansas Relays, April 20-22

Men at CMSU Mule Relays, April 21

**NOTES:** Both Northwest track and field teams will be competing in the Kansas Relays on April 20-22 in Lawrence, Kan. The men's team will also be competing in the CMSU Mule Relays on April 21 in Warrensburg, Mo. At the Nebraska Invitational last weekend, senior thrower **Travis MacKenzie** broke the school hammer throw record with 184' 6", and senior jumper/sprinter **Diezeas Calbert** set the Northwest triple jump record for the second time this season, recording a 47' 9 1/4" mark in Lincoln, Neb. MacKenzie also provisionally qualified for the NCAA Outdoor Championships on May 25-27 in Emporia, Kan. Junior **Bayo Adio** placed third in the high jump, defeating athletes from Division I schools Oral Roberts, Drake and Missouri-Kansas City. Sophomore **Brandon Dart** was the highest Bearcat finisher at the Nebraska Invite, placing second in the 5,000-meter run. For the women, sophomore **Karah Spader** crossed the finish line fifth in the 5,000-meter run and freshman **Tierney Eaton** picked up her third top-10 finish of the season in the high jump, recording 5' 3". At the Emporia Multi-Events, freshman **Emily Churchman** placed 11th in the women's heptathlon with 3,975 points.

## Men's and Women's Tennis

**Current Record:** 10-8 / 3-1 MIAA - Men

16-2 / 6-0 MIAA - Women

**Last Week:** W, 6-3 (W) vs. Nebraska-Omaha on Tuesday

W, 6-3 (M) at Washburn on Wednesday

W, 5-4 (W) at Washburn on Wednesday

L, 5-2 (M) vs. Central Oklahoma on Friday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

L, 5-0 (W) vs. Tarleton (Tex.) State on Friday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

W, 7-2 (W) vs. Cameron (Okla.) on Friday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

L, 6-3 (M) vs. Midwestern (Okla.) State on Friday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

W, 6-3 (M) vs. East Central (Okla.) on Saturday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

L, 5-1 (W) vs. Midwestern (Okla.) State on Saturday (Central Oklahoma Tournament)

**This Week:** hosts Graceland, 3 p.m. on Tuesday

at MIAA Championships in St. Joseph on Saturday and Sunday

**NOTES:** The Northwest men's and women's tennis teams wrap up the 2006 regular season with a home match against Graceland on Tuesday. Then, both teams will participate in the MIAA Championships in St. Joseph, Mo., on April 22-23 as Northwest co-hosts with Missouri Western State University. Doubles play will kick-off the event around 9 a.m. on Saturday with the singles to follow as the Tournament is held at Noyes Tennis Center. The top five ranked women's teams in the North Central Region belong to the MIAA as the Bearcats hold the No. 1 spot. On the men's side, four of the region's top 10 teams belong to the MIAA with Northwest in the third spot. In a busy last week, the Bearcat men defeated Washburn, the No. 2-ranked team in the region, before going 1-2 at the Central Oklahoma Tournament. The women went 3-2 last week dropping their first match of 2006 against Tarleton State (5-0) on Friday. Looking ahead past the weekend, regional play will take place Friday, May 5th as the top team in the region serves as host. In the latest FILA Division II rankings (April 7), senior **Gena Lindsay** is 33rd nationally and first in the region as she is riding a 27-match winning streak at No. 1 singles dating back to 2005 - Lindsay has sat out the last three singles matches with an ankle injury. Lindsay teams up with senior **Erica Ramirez** to form the top doubles duo in the region. Junior **Pablo Acebedo** sits eighth-best in the region in singles while he makes up the No. 5 doubles team with junior **Chris Smith**.