NKU’S WRIGHT HEADLINES MEN’S BASKETBALL ALL-GLVC RECIPIENTS


INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Northern Kentucky University’s Steven Wright (Dayton, Ohio) is the Great Lakes Valley Conference Men’s Basketball Player of the Year. The 6-foot-3 senior guard headlines the five-member All-GLVC First Team as selected by league head coaches.

Wright averages 16.9 points, 5.5 rebounds and 3.4 assists per game for the Norse. He leads NKU in all three categories and has helped his team to a 20-7 overall mark in 2006-07.

In his first season with the Norse, Wright has shot 48.6 percent from the field and 34.3 percent from the three-point line. He averages 1.7 steals per game and is delivering at a 78.6 percent clip from the free-throw line.

Joining Wright on the All-GLVC First Team is Drury University’s Collins Harris (Jr., Jefferson City, Mo.), Lewis University’s Brandon Dagans (So., Harvey, Ill.), Quincy University’s Joel Box (Sr., Rockford, Ill.) and the University of Southern Indiana’s Rashard Sullivan (Sr., Miami, Fla.).

The All-GLVC Second Team consists of Drury’s Brandon Kimbrough (Sr., Springfield, Mo.), Quincy’s Andre Muse (Jr., South Holland, Ill.), Saint Joseph’s College’s Ronald Coleman (Jr., South Holland, Ill.), Southern Indiana’s Melvin Hall (Sr., Evansville, Ind.) and the University of Wisconsin-Parkside’s LaVontay Fenderson (So., Racine, Wis.).

Honorable Mention All-GLVC nods include Kentucky Wesleyan’s Jeff Fahnbulleh (Jr., Los Angeles, Calif.), Lewis’ Stephan Bolt (Jr., Downer’s Grove, Ill.), Quincy’s Ryan Walker (Sr., Galesburg, Ill.), Rockhurst’s John Torson (Jr., Omaha, Neb.), Southern Illinois University Edwardsville’s Mike Hardiek (Sr., Teutopolis, Ill.) and J.B. Jones (Jr., Belleville, Ill.), the University of Indianapolis’ DeAndre Brock (Jr., Indianapolis, Ind.), the University of Missouri-St. Louis’ Brett Ledbetter (Sr., Warrenton, Mo.) and UW-Parkside’s Tyrone Deacon (Jr., Green Bay, Wis.).

USI’s Rick Herdes is the GLVC Coach of the Year. In his sixth season with the Eagles, Herdes has compiled a 25-5 overall record in 2006-07 and guided his squad to a GLVC West title. It is the fifth consecutive season his team has reached the 25-win mark and they finished their league schedule with a conference-best 14-5 record.

The GLVC Freshman of the Year is the University of Missouri-Rolla’s Justin Taylor (Webster Groves, Mo.). The 6-foot guard averaged 9.4 points per game for the Miners while logging a team-high 31.9 minutes played per game. He shot 40.5 percent from the field and averaged 3.1 assists and 2.7 rebounds per game. Missouri-Rolla finished the year with a 7-20 overall record and 2-17 league mark.

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Members of the All-GLVC teams present at the GLVC Tournament will be recognized following the 2:30 quarterfinal on March 2.

For more information about the GLVC and each conference member, please visit www.glvcsports.org.

**ALL-GLVC FIRST TEAM**
Steven Wright, Sr., Northern Kentucky – G  
Brandon Dagans, So., Lewis – G  
Rashard Sullivan, Sr., Southern Indiana – C  
Joel Box, Sr., Quincy – C  
Collins Harris, Sr., Drury – F

**ALL-GLVC SECOND TEAM**
Melvin Hall, Sr., Southern Indiana – G  
LaVontay Fenderson, So., UW-Parkside – G  
Brandon Kimbrough, Sr., Drury – G  
Ronald Colman, Jr., Saint Joseph’s – F  
Andre Muse, Jr., Quincy – F

**HONORABLE MENTION ALL-GLVC**
J.B. Jones, So., SIU Edwardsville – G  
Kenny Page, Jr., Southern Indiana – G  
Brett Ledbetter, Sr., Missouri-St. Louis – G  
Tyrone Deacon, Jr., UW-Parkside – G  
Ryan Walker, Sr., Quincy - G  
DeAndre Brock, Jr., UIndy – G  
Jeff Fahnbulleh, Jr., Kentucky Wesleyan – C  
John Torson, Jr., Rockhurst – C  
Mike Hardiek, Sr., SIU Edwardsville – F  
Stephan Bolt, Jr., Lewis – F

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR**
Steven Wright, Sr., Northern Kentucky – G

**FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR**
Justin Taylor, Missouri-Rolla – G

**COACH OF THE YEAR**
Rick Herdes, Southern Indiana