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## **Gannon University's Christina Jackson Named 2006-07 GLIAC Women's Basketball Player of the Year**

*Michigan Tech's Wysocky Tabbed Freshman of the Year; GU's Wright Earns Coach of the Year Honors*

**BAY CITY, Mich. --** Senior forward **Christina Jackson** (Lorain, Ohio/Southview) of Gannon University has been selected as the 2006-07 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) women's basketball Player of the Year. Rookie forward **Katie Wysocky** (Whitefish Bay, Wis.) of Michigan Technological University was chosen as Freshman of the Year. Coach of the Year honors went to Gannon's **Cleve Wright**. All three were selected by the GLIAC women's basketball coaches in conjunction with all-conference balloting.

**Jackson** is the first Lady Knight to ever be named GLIAC Player of the Year and will be remembered as one of the best players ever to wear a Lady Knight uniform. She became the second player in school history to record 1,000 points, 1,000 rebounds, 200 steals, and 100 blocks during her career. Jackson twice earned All-American honors and has been named to the All-GLIAC first team the last three seasons.

Jackson currently leads the GLIAC in total rebounds per game (10.0), ranks third in scoring (17.7), and fourth in field goal percentage (.525). She ranks second all-time at Gannon in rebounds (1,020), third in points (1,825), fifth in blocks (105), and seventh in steals (220). Jackson was named GLIAC South Division Player of the Week twice in 2006-07 and 10 times during her career. She is a two-time selection to the GLIAC All-Defensive team and was named to the GLIAC All-Academic team last season.

**Wysocky** ranks third in the league in field goal percentage (54.7), eighth in rebounding (6.8), and 16th in scoring (12.6). The 6-0 forward has tallied 16 games in double figures including five with 20 or more points. Wysocky is Tech's second GLIAC Freshman of the Year in three years.

**Wright** has guided Gannon its first 20-win season since 2001-02 and its best GLIAC record since joining the league in 1995. The Lady Knights finished the regular season with a 21-5 overall record and 15-2 conference slate, becoming the first Gannon basketball team to enter the league's postseason tournament as the No. 1 overall seed. Gannon has posted four consecutive winning seasons under Wright, who enters the postseason with an 84-56 career record. Wright has also been able to balance academics and athletics at Gannon. The Lady Knights recorded the 21st highest team grade-point average in NCAA Division II last season and recently posted a 3.39 team GPA in the fall semester of 2006.

Joining Jackson on the All-GLIAC South Division First Team are: Mercyhurst College senior forward **Julie Anderson**; Gannon senior guard **Casey England**; Hillsdale College senior guard **Lauren Fewins**; along with Ashland University senior guard **Amber Rall**.

The All-GLIAC North Division First Team includes: Grand Valley State University senior forward **Julia Braseth** and junior guard **Crystal Zick**; Ferris State University junior forward **Rachel Folcik**; Lake Superior State senior guard **Mandi Johnson**; and Michigan Tech sophomore guard **Sarah Stream**.

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**Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference  
2006-07 Women's Basketball All-Conference Teams and Postseason Awards**

**Player of the Year:** Christina Jackson - Gannon University (Sr, F, Lorain, Ohio/Southview)  
**Freshman of the Year:** Katie Wysocky - Michigan Technological University (Fr, F, Whitefish Bay, Wis.)  
**Coach of the Year:** Cleve Wright - Gannon University

**GLIAC North Division All-Conference First Team**

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
Julia Braseth	Grand Valley State University	Sr.	F	Grand Rapids, Mich./East G.R.
Rachel Folcik	Ferris State University	Jr.	F	Powers, Mich./Carney-Nadeau
Mandi Johnson	Lake Superior State University	Sr.	F	St. Ignace, Mich.
Sarah Stream	Michigan Technological University	So.	G	Ishpeming, Mich./Westwood
Crystal Zick	Grand Valley State University	Jr.	G	Byron Center, Mich.

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Julie Anderson	Mercyhurst College	Sr.	F	Verona, Ont./Sydenham
Casey England	Gannon University	Sr.	G	Van Buren, Ohio
Lauren Fewins	Hillsdale College	Sr.	G	Traverse City, Mich./St. Francis
Christina Jackson	Gannon University	Sr.	F	Lorain, Ohio/Southview
Amber Rall	Ashland University	Sr.	G	Bucyrus, Ohio/Wynford

**GLIAC North Division All-Conference Second Team**

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
Allison Carroll	Northern Michigan University	Jr.	F	Rhineland, Wis.
Monica Rehmann	Lake Superior State University	Sr.	G	St. Johns, Mich.
Kristin Reinhart	Ferris State University	Sr.	G	East Lansing, Mich.
Erika Ryskamp	Grand Valley State University	Sr.	G	Schoolcraft, Mich.
Katie Wysocky	Michigan Technological University	Fr.	F	Whitefish Bay, Wis.

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Jenn Carlson	Hillsdale College	Sr.	G	Clarkston, Mich.
Ashley Lowdermilk	Gannon University	Jr.	G	Kensington, Ohio/Carrollton
Joy Nash	Wayne State University	So.	G	Muskegon, Mich.
Catherine Portyrata	Ashland University	Sr.	F	North Canton, Ohio/Wright State
Nicole Rogers	Wayne State University	Jr.	G	Lansing, Mich./Everett

**GLIAC North Division All-Defensive Team**

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pos.</u>	<u>Hometown/High School</u>
Julia Braseth	Grand Valley State University	Sr.	F	Grand Rapids, Mich./East G.R.
Rachel Folcik	Ferris State University	Jr.	F	Powers, Mich./Carney-Nadeau
Mandi Johnson	Lake Superior State University	Sr.	F	St. Ignace, Mich.
Erika Ryskamp	Grand Valley State University	Sr.	G	Schoolcraft, Mich.
Alicia Schneider	Michigan Technological University	So.	F	Janesville, Wis./Parker

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Ashley Lowdermilk	Gannon University	Jr.	G	Kensington, Ohio/Carrollton
Jodie Haines	Hillsdale College	Sr.	G	Grand Rapids, Mich./Kenowa Hills
Jessie Miller	Hillsdale College	Sr.	G	Prescott, Mich./Whittemore-Prescott
Joy Nash	Wayne State University	So.	G	Muskegon, Mich.
Nikki Wustman	Hillsdale College	Sr.	F	Grandville, Mich./Calvin Christian