

USBWA NATIONAL PLAYERS OF THE WEEK (Feb. 14, 2017)

MEN: GAGE DAVIS, St. Cloud State University (Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference), 6-4, Sr., G-F, Bolingbrook, Ill.

Gage Davis has been selected the U.S. Basketball Writers Association Division II Men's Basketball Player of the Week after the 6-foot-4 guard/forward averaged 35.0 points, 9.5 rebounds, and 7.0 assists while recording two double-doubles in a pair of Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference games for St. Cloud State, which is 18-11 overall and 14-6 in NSIC play.

For the week, Davis shot 53 percent (25-for-47) from the field, including a 50 percent (7-for-14) clip from three-point range, and he was a perfect 13-for-13 from the free throw line. He started the week with a 36-point, 10-rebound effort in a 99-79 road defeat at University of Mary (N.D.), and he scored 34 points with 11 assists and 9 rebounds to lead the Huskies to a 96-91 overtime win at Minot State (N.D.). Davis was 13-for-21 from the field and hit 5-of-7 three-pointers against Minot State, helping St. Cloud State overcome a 17-point deficit to force overtime and eventually post the victory. Davis now has three games scoring at least 30 points this year, and he now has 12 double-doubles this season.

WOMEN: AUTUMMN WILLIAMS, University of Alaska Anchorage (Great Northwest Athletic Conference), 5-10, Sr., F, Rochester, N.Y.

Autummn Williams of the University of Alaska Anchorage has been named the U.S. Basketball Writers Association Women's Division II National Player of the Week for the week ending February 12.

Williams, a 5-10 senior forward, was named the Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) Player of the Week for the second straight week and the fourth time this season after averaging 32.5 points, 4.5 rebounds, four assists and 3.5 steals in a pair of UAA wins last week.

On Thursday at Northwest Nazarene, the Rochester, N.Y., native scored a career-high 34 points on 14-of-23 shooting, dished three assists and snagged five steals to power the Seawolves to their biggest comeback of the season, erasing a 45-35 second-quarter deficit against the Crusaders en route to a 78-70 win.

On Saturday at Central Washington, Williams poured in 31 points on 11-of-19 accuracy to go with five assists and five rebounds in helping UAA to its 19th straight win, along with program-record streaks of 19 straight road wins and 16 consecutive league road wins in the 69-48 win.

Williams finished the week shooting 60 percent from the field and made 11-of-13 free throws. Her back-to-back 30-point games was the first by a UAA player in the GNAC era (since 2001-02).

On the year Williams is averaging 21.0 per game for UAA, which is 23-1 overall, including 16-0 in the GNAC.

2016-17 USBWA National Players of Week:

Nov. 15: C.J. Carr, Missouri Southern (Men); Hailey Tucker, Southwestern Oklahoma State (Women)

Nov. 22: Michael Mallory, Southern Connecticut State (Men); McKayla Roberts, Le Moyne (Women)

Nov. 29: Michael Smith, California Baptist (Men); Laney Lewis, Ursuline (Women)

Dec. 6: Phil Taylor, Shorter (Men); Madison Rowland, Queens, N.Y. (Women)

Dec. 13: Petar Kutlesic, Azusa Pacific (Men); Dana Watts, American International (Women)

Dec. 20: Braxton Reeves, East Central (Men); Kayla Gabor, Lake Erie (Women)

Jan. 3: Marc Matthews, Montana State Billings (Men); Andi Daugherty, Ashland (Women)

Jan. 10: Will Vorhees, Notre Dame, Ohio (Men); Miki Glenn, California, Pa. (Women)

Jan. 17: Devin Schmidt, Delta State (Men); Cassidy Mihalko, California Baptist (Women)

Jan. 24: Charles Clark, Carson-Newman (Men); Taylor Peacocke, Western Washington (Women)

Jan. 31: John Moon, Oklahoma Christian (Men); Kiara Etheridge, St. Mary's (Women)

Feb. 7: Suki Wiggs, Alaska Anchorage (Men); Tess Bruffey, Lubbock Christian (Women)

Feb. 14: Gage Davis, St. Cloud State (Men); Autummn Williams, Alaska Anchorage (Women)