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## PAC-12 ANNOUNCES WOMEN'S BASKETBALL MEDIA AWARDS

**WALNUT CREEK, Calif.** -- A panel of Pac-12 women's basketball media members who cover the league voted **STANFORD SR F Nnemkadi Ogwumike** Pac-12 Player of the Year; **WASHINGTON G Jazmine Davis** Pac-12 Freshman of the Year; **USC SR G Briana Gilbreath** and **Ogwumike** Pac-12 Co-Defensive Players of the Year; and **OREGON STATE** head coach **Scott Rueck** Pac-12 Coach of the Year, the Conference office announced today.

**Nnemkadi Ogwumike** (Cypress, Texas) has led the top-seeded and undefeated Cardinal with 21.6 points and 10.5 rebounds per game. A national player of the year candidate, the two-time All-American is shooting 53.9 percent from the floor and leads the Conference with 15 double-doubles. Attempting to lead Stanford to a fourth-consecutive league tournament title and a fifth trip to the NCAA Final Four, she ranks fourth all-time in the Pac-12 record books in scoring and sixth in rebounding. It is the second time Ogwumike has been named player of the year by the media, earning the nod in 2010.

It is the first time co-winners have been named for the defensive honor with Ogwumike receiving the award for the first time in her career while **Briana Gilbreath** (Katy, Texas) repeats. Gilbreath was also the coaches' co-Defensive Player of the Year in 2010. Gilbreath has helped USC secure the third seed and a first-round bye in next week's Pacific Life Pac-12 Basketball Tournament. Also the team's co-leading scorer with 12.1 ppg, she boasts team highs of 40 blocks and 41 assists.

**Jazmine Davis** (San Jose, Calif.) is the Huskies' second leading scorer by just 0.1 points per game, averaging 16.2 ppg. She is the Pac-12's highest-scoring freshman and the fourth-highest scoring freshman in the NCAA. She has helped UW to 16 wins on the season, the most since winning 18 in 2006-07. The team's eight Conference wins are the most since the 2007-08 campaign.

In his second season at the helm, **Scott Rueck** has guided the Beavers to 18 overall victories and a 9-9 league mark, more than doubling its Conference win total from the previous two seasons combined. OSU, who was picked to finish last by the coaches in the preseason and 11th by the media, has ended the season tied for fifth in the Pac-12 and earning the sixth seed in this week's Pacific Life Pac-12 Basketball Tournament.

The media also selected a 15-member All-Pac-12 team, a five-member All-Defensive team and a five-member All-Freshman team.

It is the third year of the Pac-12 media awards and are in addition to the Conference awards voted on by the league coaches, which will be announced on Tuesday. The panel included local and national media members.

### 2012 Pac-12 Media All-Pac-12:

Gennifer Brandon, CAL; Layshia Clarendon, CAL; Ashley Corral, USC; Rebekah Gardner, UCLA; Briana Gilbreath, USC; Chucky Jeffery, COLO; Toni Kokenis, STAN; Earlysia Machbanks, OSU; Michelle Plouffe, UTAH; Chiney Ogwumike, STAN; Nnemkadi Ogwumike, STAN; Regina Rogers, WASH; Markel Walker, UCLA; Davellyn Whyte, ARIZ; Taryn Wicijowski, UTAH.

**2012 Pac-12 Media All-Freshman Team (six members because of a tie for the fifth spot):**

Brittany Boyd, CAL; Jazmine Davis, WASH; Ali Gibson, OSU; Reshanda Gray, CAL; Lexy Kresl, COLO; Amber Orrange, STAN.

**2012 Media All-Defensive Team:**

Kali Bennett, ASU; Patricia Bright, OSU; Briana Gilbreath, USC; Nnemkadi Ogwumike, STAN; Jazmine Perkins, WSU.

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