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## Butler's Hayward repeats as Men's Basketball Player of the Week

Sophomore had 22 points, 14 rebounds and game-winning shot against Xavier

University of Detroit Mercy INDIANAPOLIS – Butler sophomore guard/forward **Gordon Hayward** has been named the Horizon League Men's Basketball Player of the Week for the week ending Dec. 20. It is the second week in a row he has received the League's weekly honor.

University of Illinois at Chicago

A native of Brownsburg, Ind., Hayward had game-highs of 22 points and 14 rebounds and made the game-winning lay-up with 1.2 seconds left following a scrum as #21/17 Butler nipped Xavier 69-68 Saturday in a nationally televised game on ESPN2.

Loyola University Chicago Hayward shot 6-of-11 from the floor, including 4-for-5 from three-point range, and was 6-of-7 at the free-throw line while posting his seventh career double-double. With Butler trailing by one, he forced a jump ball with 38 seconds remaining and later pulled down an offensive rebound before grabbing a loose ball and putting in the game-winner. His lay-up was the final play of the game as officials ruled the clock had inadvertently stopped earlier in Butler's possession and that time would have expired just as Hayward's shot went through the hoop.

Valparaiso University Hayward ranks third in the Horizon League in scoring with 17.4 points per game and second with 8.7 rebounds per contest. He is the only player to rank among the top three in both categories.

Butler (8-3, 2-0 Horizon League) will play at UAB (10-1) Tuesday in the Bulldogs' final game before resuming League action Dec. 31 against Green Bay (10-3, 3-0).

University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

## Other Top Performances for the Week

**Ryan Broekhoff, Valparaiso** (Fr., G) - Registered career highs of 17 points and eight rebounds in only 17 minutes of action in the Crusaders' 83-57 win over Concordia (Wis.)

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

**Todd Brown, Wright State** (Sr., G) - Averaged 14 points, 2.5 rebounds and 3.5 assists as the Raiders lost at Mississippi State (80-69) and then defeated Maryland-Eastern Shore (87-46)

**Norris Cole, Cleveland State** (Jr., G) - Averaged 25.5 points, 3.5 rebounds, 2.5 assists and 2.0 steals in the Vikings' 78-70 loss to Robert Morris (Pa.) and near-upset (80-78) of #6/6 West Virginia

**Rahmon Fletcher, Green Bay** (Jr., G) - Returned to action with 28 points and hit four three-pointers in the Phoenix' 75-67 victory over Youngstown State after missing a game due to a knee injury

Phoenix' 75-67 victory over Youngstown State after missing a game due to a knee injury **Ricky Franklin, Milwaukee** (Sr., G) - Had 20 points, five rebounds and six assists as the Panthers held on for a

68-61 victory over Miami (Ohio)

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**Terrance Hill, Loyola** (Jr., G) - Averaged 21.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, 3.5 steals and 2.0 assists as the Ramblers won back-to-back games at Bradley (68-65) and SIU-Edwardsville (79-61)

**Eli Holman, Detroit** (So., C) - Posted his fourth double-double of the season with 11 points and 12 rebounds and added three blocked shots in the Titans' 73-69 win over Bowling Green

Robo Kreps, UIC (Jr., G) - Averaged 22 points, 4.1 rebounds and 2.1 assists in UIC's victories over Oregon State (66-63) and Northern Illinois (69-49), and hit the game-winner against OSU with five seconds left **DeAndre Mays, Youngstown State** (Sr., G) - Averaged 16.5 points, including a career-high 27 in YSU's 74-65 victory at Saint Francis (Pa.), as the Penguins went 1-1 last week

Youngstown State University

Wright State University