



2001 University of Notre Dame Volleyball



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2001 SCHEDULE

August		
31	vs. SW Texas	W, 3-0
September		
1	vs. Florida Atl.	W, 3-0
1	vs. Idaho	W, 3-1
US Bank/Arby's Tournament*		
7	#7 UCLA	L, 0-3
8	#1 Nebraska	L, 0-3
9	#15 Pepperdine	L, 0-3
12	vs. Michigan	canceled
Mortar Board/Purdue Premier\$		
14	Indiana State	canceled
14	Tulane	canceled
15	Purdue	canceled
18	vs. Valparaiso	W, 3-0
22	vs. Syracuse@	W, 3-0
28	vs. Virginia Tech@	W, 3-0
30	vs. Georgetown@	W, 3-1
October		
2	at Toledo	W, 3-2
6	at Boston College@	W, 3-0
7	at Connecticut@	W, 3-1
12	vs. Villanova@	W, 3-0
14	vs. Rutgers@	W, 3-0
16	at #16 Northern Iowa	L, 1-3
23	at Kentucky	W, 3-2
24	at Saint Louis	L, 1-3
28	at Providence@	W, 3-0
November		
3	at West Virginia@	W, 3-1
4	at Pittsburgh@	W, 3-0
9	vs. St. John's@	W, 3-0
11	vs. Seton Hall@	W, 3-0
14	vs. Illinois State	W, 3-2
17	BIG EAST Championship~ vs. Connecticut	W, 3-0
18	BIG EAST Championship~ vs. Georgetown	W, 3-1
Florida Volleyball Challenge^		
23	LSU	W, 3-0
24	#7 Florida	L, 1-3
30	#20 Michigan State	5 p.m.

* - Lincoln, Neb.
\$ - West Lafayette, Ind.
~ - Pittsburgh, Pa.
^ - Buena Vista, Fla.
@ - BIG EAST Conference Match

NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL RELEASE

2001 NCAA Volleyball Championship
Wisconsin Field House, Madison, Wis.

Thursday, Nov. 29

Press Conference, Reinke Room, 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 30

#25 Notre Dame vs. #20 Michigan State, 5 p.m.

#6 Wisconsin vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 1

Winner game one vs. Winner game two, 7 p.m.

Live coverage this weekend: All of this weekend's matches during the first and second round of the 2001 NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship in Madison, Wis., will be available via live stats on the University of Wisconsin official athletic website at: www.uwbadgers.com/live/vb/xlive.htm.

Irish will make 10th consecutive NCAA appearance in Madison, Wis.: The 2001 BIG EAST Champion University of Notre Dame volleyball team (22-6) will travel to Madison, Wis., this weekend for the first and second rounds of the 2001 NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship. The 25th-ranked Irish will meet #20 Michigan State at 5 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 30. The Irish-Spartans matchup is perhaps the marquee match of the first round in the tournament this season - as the two teams are the only ranked squads to face off in the first round.

Notre Dame vs. Michigan State series history: The Irish and the Spartans will be meeting for the ninth time ... MSU holds a 5-3 edge in the series ... the teams met in the Joyce Center for the adidas Invitational last season, a 3-2 Michigan State victory ... **Kristy Kreher** led Notre Dame with 21 kills (on .363 hitting), while **Malinda Goralski** added 15 kills ... **Marcie Bomhack** had a double-double with 13 kills and 15 digs ... Erin Hartley had 15 kills for the Spartans ... MSU was able to hit .310 in the match and hold the Irish to a .264 mark ... both teams had 12 blocks in the match ... the Spartans currently enjoy a three-game win streak over the Irish.

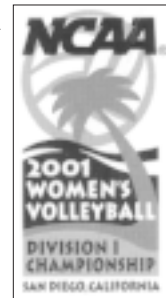
A look at the Spartans: Michigan State enters the 2001 NCAA Tournament with a 20-7 overall record ... Erin Hartley returns as the top Spartan offensive threat, averaging 4.00 kills per game on .335 hitting ... Nikki Colson is the MSU setter, averaging 13.10 assists per game.

Coaching Connection: Notre Dame head coach **Debbie Brown** and Michigan State head man Chuck Erbe have a deep connection - other than just coaching two of the top teams in the nation. Erbe was at the helm of the USC Trojans when Irish head coach Debbie Brown served as USC team captain from 1976-77.

Erbe guided Brown and her teammates to a 38-0 run in 1977 that stood as the only undefeated Division I women's volleyball season until Long Beach State went 42-0 in 1998.

Since Brown took over at Notre Dame in 1991 and Erbe moved to Michigan State in 1993, the Irish and Spartans have met four times. Brown helped the Irish take the first meeting in 1994, but Erbe and his team have captured the last three meetings in '94, '98 and '00.

Notre Dame vs. the Big Ten in NCAA competition: The Irish are no stranger to Big Ten competition in the NCAA Championship. In its 10 previous



2001 University of Notre Dame Volleyball Roster

#	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Birthdate	Hometown	High School/Club Team
1	Emily Loomis	Fr.	OH	6-1	12-16-82	Fort Wayne, IN	Bishop Luers/Fort Wayne Volleyball
2	Leah Nedderman	Fr.	OH	5-10	2-15-83	Grapevine, TX	Colleyville/Texas Advantage
3	Malinda Goralski***	Sr.	MB	6-1	5-28-80	Missouri City, TX	Clements/Club Texas
4	Kristy Kreher***	Sr.	OPP	6-1	10-27-80	Birmingham, MI	Marian/USA Michigan
5	Jessica Kinder*	So.	OH	5-10	4-6-82	Fresno, CA	Bullard/Fresno Red
6	Marcie Bomhack***	Sr.	OH	6-0	9-28-79	Waukesha, WI	Catholic Mem./Milwaukee Sting
7	Kelly Corbett	Fr.	MB	6-0	12-13-82	Mountain View, CA	St. Francis/City Beach
8	Kristen Kinder*	So.	S	5-9	4-6-82	Fresno, CA	Bullard/Fresno Red
10	Kim Fletcher*	So.	MB	6-0	6-1-82	St. Louis, MO	Nerinx Hall/St. Louis Elite
11	Keara Coughlin**	Jr.	DS	5-8	6-18-81	Chicago, IL	Marian Catholic/Chicago Juniors
13	Christa Moen*	So.	DS/S	5-4	10-30-82	San Antonio, TX	Oliver Wendell Holmes/Alamo
14	Janie Alderete**	Jr.	DS	5-4	4-18-81	Santa Clara, CA	Archbishop Mitty/Cosmos
15	Katie Neff*	So.	OPP/OH	6-4	12-1-81	St. Louis, MO	Cor Jesu Academy/St. Louis Elite

* - indicates monograms earned

Head Coach - Debbie Brown (Arizona State '82)

11th season at Notre Dame, 276-93 (.748), 16th season overall, 393-176 (.690)

Assistant Coaches - Steve Hendricks (Ball State '90), Robin Davis (Northern Arizona '79)

Volunteer Student Assistant Coach - Greg Silber (Notre Dame '02)

Team Manager - Lauren Abiouness (Notre Dame '02)

Team Trainer - Chantal Porter (Iowa State '94)

Strength and Conditioning Coach - Heather Mason (Cincinnati '95)

years of NCAA tourney competition, Notre Dame has faced a Big Ten team 10 times, winning two of the matchups in 1988 (vs. #20 Penn State) and 1993 (vs. Minnesota at Minnesota).

Last time in Madison: In 1997, Notre Dame posted two victories in Fayetteville, Ark., during the first two rounds of the NCAA Championship and advanced to face #4 Wisconsin in Madison. Notre Dame was able to take the first game of the match 15-9, but the Badgers won three in a row to advance to the Final Eight with a four-game victory.

Notre Dame - 2001 BIG EAST Champions: Notre Dame won its sixth BIG EAST Championship title in seven years with a sweep of Connecticut on Saturday, Nov. 17, and a five-game victory over Georgetown in the championship match on Sunday, Nov. 18.

Notre Dame improved its record to 14-1 (.933) in BIG EAST Championship competition.

Malinda Goralski named BIG EAST Player of the Year and Championship Most Outstanding Player: Notre Dame senior middle blocker **Malinda Goralski** was named the

2001 BIG EAST Player of the Year at the conference awards banquet on Friday, Nov. 16, and followed up by capturing the BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player Award after leading the Irish to the team title over the weekend.

Goralski averaged 3.25 kills per game in the BIG EAST tournament, hitting .480 and averaging a block per game.

Kristen Kinder nabs Notre Dame's second consecutive BIG EAST Setter of the Year award: Sophomore setter **Kristen Kinder** was named the 2001 BIG EAST Setter of the Year at the conference awards banquet on Friday, Nov. 16, after leading the Irish to a .260 team hitting percentage this season in her first year as the team's full-time setter. Kinder follows in the steps of 2000 setter of the year and '00 graduate Denise Boylan, who earned the first conference setter award last year.

Kinder surpassed the 1,000 assist barrier during the BIG EAST Championship last weekend and is a fixture across the Irish boxscore in each match. Currently, she is averaging 11.89 assists per game, 0.97 kills, 0.37 aces (a team-high total of 37), 2.37

digs and 0.57 blocks.

Kinder's current season assist average of 11.89 is seventh on the all-time single season list and she has moved into 10th for single-season assists (1177).

Goralski and Kinder named to all-tournament team: Notre Dame's **Malinda Goralski** and **Kristen Kinder** were named to the University of Florida Volleyball Conference Challenge all-tournament team at the end of last weekend's competition.

Goralski averaged 3.00 kills per game and hit .413 while blocking 10 attacks (1.43 per game).

Kinder averaged 1.43 kills per game and 12.43 assists while helping the team hit .274 in the two matches.

Kristy Kreher steps up in the NCAA Tournament: If history is any indication, senior opposite **Kristy Kreher** should enjoy a great weekend in the first and second rounds of the 2001 NCAA Women's Volleyball Championship in Madison, Wis., this weekend.

Kreher is one of Notre Dame's all-time best performers in the post season. In 19 NCAA games played,

NOTRE DAME PROBABLE STARTERS

Setter

#8 Kristen Kinder, So., 5-9
(Fresno, Calif.)

Opposite

#4 Kristy Kreher, Sr., 6-1
(Birmingham, Mich.)

Outside Hitter

#1 Emily Loomis, Fr., 6-1
(Fort Wayne, Ind.)

Middle Blocker

#3 Malinda Goralski, Sr., 6-1
(Missouri City, Texas)

#10 Kim Fletcher, So., 6-0
(St. Louis, Mo.)

Defensive Specialist

#11 Keara Coughlin, Jr., 5-8
(Chicago, Ill.)

**NOTRE DAME
SPORTS INFORMATION**

Publicity for Notre Dame volleyball is coordinated by sports information publicity assistant Alan Wasielewski. Photographs, statistics and feature ideas are available to the media by contacting Wasielewski at (219) 631-3397. Requests to interview student-athletes should be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance.

Media may contact head coach Debbie Brown directly on weekdays at (219) 631-6307. Credentials for home games can be obtained by calling Wasielewski.

Kreher is averaging 4.42 kills per game, hitting .434, posting 2.05 digs per game and 0.89 blocks per game.

She had recorded over 20 kills twice in five career NCAA matches (24 vs. Eastern Washington in '98 and 24 vs. Ohio State in '99) and also has hit over .500 in two NCAA matches (.541 vs. Eastern Washington in '99 and .556 vs. Cincinnati in '00).

USA TODAY/AVCA TOP 25

Nov. 19, 2001

Rnk	School	Pts.	2001 Record	Last Poll
1.	Long Beach State (63)	1622	28-0	1
2.	<i>Nebraska</i> (1)	1558	27-1	2
3.	Stanford (1)	1497	27-2	3
4.	Arizona	1419	21-4	4
5.	USC	1359	22-3	5
6.	Wisconsin	1302	25-3	6
7.	<i>Florida</i>	1231	25-1	7
8.	<i>Pepperdine</i>	1170	21-3	8
9.	Colorado State	1025	27-3	10
10.	Ohio State	1022	25-3	12
11.	Hawai'i	964	27-5	9
12.	Pacific	941	26-7	14
13.	Utah	814	23-6	13
14.	<i>UCLA</i>	797	18-8	11
15.	Texas A&M	727	23-5	15
16.	Penn State	650	21-7	16
17.	<i>Northern Iowa</i>	603	29-1	17
18.	Kansas State	496	19-7	19
19.	BYU	408	20-8	20
20.	Michigan State	405	20-7	22
21.	Illinois	277	20-8	21
22.	Santa Clara	273	19-9	18
23.	South Carolina	198	20-5	23
24.	UC Santa Barbara	142	17-13	24
25.	NOTRE DAME	92	22-6	25

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES AND LISTED ON TWO OR MORE BALLOTS: Colorado (35), Oregon State (23), Arkansas (17), San Jose State (14), Utah State (8), Cincinnati (8), Northern Illinois (6), San Diego (5), North Carolina (2).

- *Italics* indicates 2001 Notre Dame opponents
- NR = not ranked in last poll
- ORV = team was in 'others receiving votes' category in last poll

Home win streak: Notre Dame completed its 2001 home schedule on Wednesday, Nov. 14, with a five-game victory over Illinois State. The Irish will carry a 20-match home win streak into the 2002 season next fall. Notre Dame's last loss on the Joyce Center floor was to #7 Colorado State on Sept. 23, 2000.

The 20-match home win streak ranks second on Notre Dame's all-time charts behind the 27-match streak the team compiled through Sept. 25, 1993, to Sept. 2, 1995.

Notre Dame in BIG EAST volleyball competition: Since the Irish joined the BIG EAST Conference in 1995, they have posted an excep-

tional 76-2 (.974) regular-season conference mark. Notre Dame also has won 34 consecutive conference regular-season matches. The two conference losses the Irish suffered were to Connecticut and West Virginia (both on the road) in 1998.

The Irish are 43-0 at home in regular-season BIG EAST matches.

Include the BIG EAST Championship matches and Notre Dame has posted a 83-3 (.965) record against conference teams since it entered the league in 1995.

NCAA Tournament appearance streak: Once Debbie Brown helped the Irish get a taste of NCAA Tournament competition for just the second

BIG EAST WEEKLY AWARDS

Player(s) of the Week

Sept. 3
Malinda Goralski, Notre Dame
 Christine Lambert, Connecticut

Sept. 10
 Noreen Carroll, Syracuse

Sept. 24
 Yulia Vtyurina, Georgetown

Oct. 1
Kristy Kreher, Notre Dame

Oct. 8
 Cheryl Stinson, Virginia Tech

Oct. 15
Kristy Kreher, Notre Dame
 Melissa Wooley, Connecticut

Oct. 22
 Annie Cella, Providence
 Noreen Carroll, Syracuse

Oct. 29
 Melissa Wooley, Connecticut

Nov. 5
Kristy Kreher, Notre Dame
 Yulia Vtyurina, Georgetown

Nov. 12
Kristen Kinder, Notre Dame
 Wendy Hatlestad, Pittsburgh

Rookie(s) of the Week

Sept. 3
 Laura Koster, Syracuse

Sept. 10
 Jessica Brizzolara, Boston College
 Laura Koster, Syracuse

Sept. 24
 Dawn Christjaener, Rutgers

Oct. 1
 Brandice Studnicka, West Virginia

Oct. 8
 Sara Albert, Georgetown
 Annie Spicer, Virginia Tech

Oct. 15
 Sara Albert, Georgetown

Oct. 22
 Shawn McDonald, Seton Hall

Oct. 29
 Jamie Hadenfeldt, Connecticut

Nov. 5
Emily Loomis, Notre Dame
 Stephanie Travioli, Rutgers

Nov. 12
 Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh

time in Notre Dame history in 1992, the Irish have been a staple in the tournament for 10 straight years, including the 2001 tournament.

Irish first team to earn 12 conference victories: With the entrance of Virginia Tech into the BIG EAST Conference for volleyball this season, the Irish became the first team to win 12 BIG EAST Conference volleyball matches in league history.

In 2002, the University of Miami will begin BIG EAST volleyball competition.

Debbie Brown named 2001 BIG EAST Coach of the Year: Notre Dame head volleyball coach **Debbie Brown** was named the 2001 BIG EAST Coach of the Year at the conference awards banquet on Friday, Nov. 16. Brown led the Irish to the conference's first 12 win season in 2001 (with the addition of Virginia Tech to the league schedule) and also has guided the Irish through a tremendously successful run since they joined the league in 1995.

Since that first year of BIG EAST competition, Notre Dame is 83-3 against its conference opponents, has won all 43 BIG EAST Conference home matches and captured six regular season titles and six championship titles in seven seasons.

This marks the third time ('95, '00, '01) that Brown has been named BIG EAST Coach of the Year and 11th time in her career she has received an annual coaching award in the 16-year head coaching career.

Brown tabbed as Olympic Torchbearer: University of Notre Dame head volleyball coach **Debbie Brown** has been selected to represent the South Bend/Northern Indiana area as an Olympic Torchbearer when the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympic Torch Relay travels through the area.

On Friday, Oct. 19, South Bend mayor Stephen Luecke introduced a small number of the 34 runners, including Brown, who will carry the flame through South Bend when it arrives on Jan. 4, 2002.

The route has not been made official yet, but it will end at the Cen-

BIG EAST FINAL REGULAR-SEASON STANDINGS

<u>Team</u>	<u>BE</u>	<u>overall</u>
1. *Notre Dame	12-0	22-6
2. *Rutgers	10-2	17-6
3. *Georgetown	10-2	18-9
4. *Connecticut	9-3	21-7
5. Pittsburgh	7-5	11-16
6. Seton Hall	6-6	13-12
7. St. John's	6-6	18-9
8. Virginia Tech	5-7	9-19
9. Boston College	5-7	18-11
10. West Virginia	3-9	8-20
11. Syracuse	3-9	14-13
12. Villanova	2-10	7-17
13. Providence	0-12	6-20

* - appeared in the BIG EAST Championship

Notre Dame in the 2001 USA Today/AVCA Poll

Preseason: 20
 (3-0, Shamrock Invitational title)

September 3: 20
 (3-3, three losses to ranked teams)

September 10: 23
 (Four matches postponed)

September 17: 24
 (2-0, two three-game victories)

September 24: 24
 (2-0, two conference victories)

October 1: 22
 (3-0, two conference road victories)

October 8: 21
 (2-0, two home BIG EAST wins)

October 15: 19
 (suffered fourth loss to #16 N. Iowa)

October 22: 20
 (two road wins, one road loss)

October 29: 23
 (two more road victories)

November 5: 23
 (Irish finish BIG EAST 12-0)

November 12: 24
 (3-0, win BIG EAST Champ.)

November 19: 25
 (1-1, loss to #7 Florida)

November 26: 25

December 4:

December 19 (final poll):

tury Center at 10:00 a.m. on Jan. 4, where the city will host the flame for a 30 minute community celebration before the Relay continues to Gary, Ind.

The nominations for the local torchbearers started in the spring and the nominees were required to embody the inspirational spirit of the Olympics by serving and motivating the community. All nominations from throughout the country were sent to a central location, organized by zip code, and then distributed to approximately 100 judging sectors.

While a junior at USC in 1978, Brown accepted an invitation to train full-time with the U.S. national volleyball team. She captained the team to a fifth-place finish at the '78 World Championship before earning a spot on the 1980 Olympic team (which never competed in the games due to the U.S. boycott of the games).

She continued her association with the national team in 1986 as a consultant, and she emerged as a full-time assistant in 1988, aiding the team's '88 Olympic effort and a 1990 campaign that resulted in a bronze medal at the World Championships. In May of 1995, Brown was named an "All-Time Great Volleyball Player" by USA Volleyball.

Brown has coached at Notre Dame since 1990, leading the team to 10 consecutive NCAA tournament appearances and six BIG EAST Conference championships. She and her husband of 20 years, Dennis, have two sons, Connor and Ryan. The Browns currently reside in Granger, Ind.

Matches canceled: The matches previously scheduled against Michigan, Indiana State, Tulane and Purdue, originally postponed due to the terrorist attack on the United States, will not be replayed this season.

Irish step up their team blocking: Notre Dame enters the 2001 NCAA Volleyball Championship with 350 team blocks. As of Nov. 18, 2001, the Irish were ranked **fourth in the nation** in blocks per game (3.39).

In its 28 matches this season, Notre

NOTRE DAME MATCH HIGHS

Kills:		
5g	vs. Illinois State	83
	twice	70
4g	vs. Idaho	65
	at Connecticut	65
3g	vs. SW Texas St.	56
	vs. Rutgers	54

Hitting Percentage:		
	at Pittsburgh	.495
	(52 kills, 5 errors, 95 att.)	
	vs. St. John's	.400
	(49, 13, 90)	

Assists:		
5g	vs. Illinois State	78
4g	vs. Idaho	58
4g	at West Virginia	58
3g	vs. Seton Hall	51
3g	vs. Rutgers	50

Aces:		
	vs. Florida Atlantic	11
	vs. Syracuse	10
	vs. Villanova	10

Digs:		
5g	vs. Illinois State	108
4g	at Connecticut	68
4g	vs. Idaho	64
3g	vs. UConn (BE Champ)	66
3g	at Boston College	57

Blocks:		
	vs. Georgetown	21.0
	vs. St. John's	20.0

NOTRE DAME VS. OPPONENTS

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Attack:		
Kills:	1489	1382
Attack Percentage:	.261	.151
Kills/Game:	15.0	14.0
Set:		
Assists:	1360	1241
Assists/Game:	13.7	12.5
Serve:		
Aces:	177	151
Errors:	252	219
Aces/Game:	1.8	1.5
Blocks		
Total Blocks:	350	192
Blocks Per Game:	3.5	1.9

BIG EAST STATISTICAL LEADERS

Hitting Percentage:		
<u>Player</u>	<u>School</u>	
<i>Goralski, M.</i>	ND	.387
Albert, S.	GU	.385
Koster, L.	SU	.326
Belin, K.	SHU	.322
Stinson, C.	VT	.316

Assists/Game:		
Ward, J.	GU	12.26
Tuyay, P.	RU	12.14
<i>Kinder, K.</i>	ND	11.88
Brizzolara, J.	BC	11.42
Fanning, S.	PC	11.39

Blocks/Game:		
<i>Goralski, M.</i>	ND	1.71
Lambert, C.	UC	1.33
Stinson, C.	VT	1.26
<i>Fletcher, K.</i>	ND	1.23
Kiriakou, M.	RU	1.23

Kills/Game:		
Hatlestad, W.	UP	5.19
Vtyurina, Y.	GU	5.01
Bush, S.	RU	4.40
Wooley, M.	UC	4.38
Katinger, S.	PC	4.32

Aces/Game:		
Meyers, J.	SHU	0.55
Mercein, K.	SJU	0.47
Neeley, J.	SHU	0.46
Vtyurina, Y.	GU	0.46
Spicer, A.	VT	0.46

Digs/Game:		
Katinger, S.	PC	3.87
Mercein, K.	SJU	3.81
Cella, A.	PC	3.76
Anderson, K.	BC	3.59
Bush, S.	RU	3.50

TEAM LEADERS

Hitting Percentage	
<i>Notre Dame</i>	.261
Rutgers	.249
Assists	
Rutgers	14.21
Georgetown	14.02
Blocks	
<i>Notre Dame</i>	3.53
Connecticut	2.91

Dame has failed to reach double-digit blocks just nine times (posting nine blocks in five of those matches). In one notable performance the team blocked 21 attempts versus Georgetown.

The school record for team block average per game is in reach for the Irish this season. The 1988 edition of the Fighting Irish averaged 3.57 blocks per game (Notre Dame is currently averaging 3.53 as of Nov. 20).

Goralski leads BIG EAST: Senior middle blocker **Malinda Goralski** is currently ranked at the top of two statistical categories in the BIG EAST conference rankings (as of Nov. 26). The Missouri City, Texas, native leads all league players in blocks per game with 1.71 (159 total). She also is ranked first in hitting percentage (.387) and plays a major role in Notre Dame's top team ranking in blocks per game (3.53).

In the latest NCAA statistical rankings (Nov. 18), Goralski was ranked sixth in blocks per game (1.73) and 19th in hitting percentage (.383).

Alderete excels in the back row: Irish defensive specialist **Janie Alderete**, who usually subs in for starting middle blocker Malinda Goralski in the back row, is becoming one of the top performers on the Irish roster. A junior from Santa Clara, Calif., Alderete has recorded more than five digs in 25 out of 28 matches this season, including 13 double-digit dig matches.

She was all over the court against Illinois State on Nov. 14, digging a career-best (and Notre Dame season high) 26 attacks.

Alderete currently leads the team in digs per game with a 2.88 average (285 total).

Not just a defensive threat, Alderete is second on the team with 29 aces this season and recorded a career-high four against Virginia Tech on Sept. 28.

Loomis emerges at BIG EAST Championship: Freshman outside hitter Emily Loomis, who has been a fixture in the Irish starting lineup dur-

NOTRE DAME INDIVIDUAL MATCH HIGHS

Kills:

23 Kreher vs. Illinois State
20 Kreher (4g) at Connecticut
19 Kreher (5g) at Toledo

Kills (3 games)

18 Goralski vs. SW Texas
17 Kreher vs. Rutgers
15 Goralski vs. Valparaiso

Kills (4 games)

20 Kreher at Connecticut
18 Kreher vs. Georgetown

Kills (5 games)

23 Kreher vs. Illinois State
19 Kreher at Toledo
19 Loomis vs. Gtwn (BE Champ)

Hitting Percentage:

.765 Kreher (13-0-17)
at Pittsburgh
.714 Goralski (15-0-21)
vs. Valparaiso
.684 Fletcher (13-0-19)
vs. SW Texas

Assists:

65 K.Kinder (5g) vs. Illinois St.
56 K.Kinder (5g) at Toledo
56 K.Kinder (4g) at UConn
54 K. Kinder (4g) at Kentucky

Aces:

5 J.Kinder (3g) vs. Villanova
5 K.Kinder (5g) at Kentucky
4 three times

Digs:

26 Alderete (5g) vs. Illinois St.
19 Alderete (5g) vs. Pepp.
18 Alderete (4g) at UConn
18 Kreher (5g) vs. Illinois St.
17 Kreher (4g) vs. Idaho
17 Alderte (4g) at Pittsburgh
17 K.Kinder (5g) vs. Illinois St.

Blocks:

11 Goralski (4g) vs. Idaho
11 Goralski (5g) at Kentucky
11 Goralski (5g) vs. Illinois St.
10 Fletcher (5g) vs. GTown
(BE Champ)

VOLLEYBALL MAGAZINE POLL 11-25-01

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|----------------------------------|----|
| 1. Long Beach State, 28-0 | 1 |
| 2. <i>Nebraska</i> , 27-1 | 2 |
| 3. Stanford, 27-2 | 3 |
| 4. Arizona, 21-4 | 4 |
| 5. USC, 22-3 | 5 |
| 6. <i>Florida</i> , 25-1 | 6 |
| 7. Wisconsin, 25-3 | 7 |
| 8. Colorado State, 27-3 | 8 |
| 9. <i>Pepperdine</i> , 21-3 | 10 |
| 10. Ohio State, 25-3 | 11 |
| 11. Texas A&M, 23-5 | 12 |
| 12. Pacific, 26-7 | 14 |
| 13. Hawai'i, 27-5 | 9 |
| 14. Utah, 23-6 | 15 |
| 15. <i>UCLA</i> , 18-8 | 13 |
| 16. Penn State, 21-7 | 16 |
| 17. BYU, 20-8 | 17 |
| 18. <i>Northern Iowa</i> , 29-1 | 18 |
| 19. <i>Michigan State</i> , 20-7 | 20 |
| 20. Kansas State, 19-7 | NR |

• *italics* indicates 2001 Notre Dame opponents

NCAA DISTRICT RANKINGS (AS OF NOV. 14)

Northeast Region

1. Notre Dame (18-5)
2. Xavier (23-3)
3. Dayton (21-5)
4. Rhode Island (16-10)
- Rutgers (16-5)
6. Temple (18-9)
7. American (24-2)
8. Georgetown (17-7)
9. Connecticut (21-6)
10. Massachusetts (15-11)

2001 University of Notre Dame Volleyball

Record: 21-5 (Home: 12-0, Away: 7-2, Neutral: 2-3)

Date	Opponent	Result	Score	Game Scores	Tournament	High Kills
Aug. 31	Southwest Texas St.	W	3-0	30-24, 30-18, 30-19	Shamrock Invitational	Goralski (18)
Sept.						
1	Florida Atlantic	W	3-0	30-17, 30-20, 30-16	Shamrock Invitational	Kreher (9)
1	Idaho	W	3-1	30-28, 28-30, 30-22, 30-25	Shamrock Invitational	Fletcher, Loomis (14)
7	vs. #7 UCLA	L	0-3	28-30, 23-30, 26-30	U.S. Bank/Arby's Classic	Goralski, Bomhack, Fletcher (8)
8	at #1 Nebraska	L	0-3	29-31, 22-30, 20-30	U.S. Bank/Arby's Classic	Kreher (13)
9	vs. #15 Pepperdine	L	0-3	18-30, 27-30, 23-30	U.S. Bank/Arby's Classic	Loomis, Goralski, Kreher (8)
18	Valparaiso	W	3-0	30-22, 30-12, 30-17		Goralski (15)
22	*Syracuse	W	3-0	30-22, 30-15, 30-16		Kreher (14)
28	*Virginia Tech	W	3-0	30-25, 30-16, 30-27		Kreher (14)
30	*Georgetown	W	3-1	28-30, 30-27, 30-25, 30-22		Kreher (18)
Oct.						
2	at Toledo	W	3-2	29-31, 30-25, 30-17, 27-30, 15-11		Kreher (19)
6	*at Boston College	W	3-0	30-23, 30-17, 31-29		Goralski (9)
7	*at Connecticut	W	3-1	30-27, 25-30, 30-21, 30-20		Kreher (20)
12	*Villanova	W	3-0	30-19, 30-20, 30-21		Bomhack (12)
14	*Rutgers	W	3-0	30-22, 30-23, 33-31		Kreher (17)
17	vs. #16 N. Iowa	L	1-3	30-26, 14-30, 16-30, 23-30	Reynolds Ford Classic	Goralski (11)
23	at Kentucky	W	3-2	28-30, 30-25, 26-30, 30-27, 17-15		Kreher (15)
24	at Saint Louis	L	1-3	30-16, 27-30, 21-30, 27-30		Kreher (13)
28	*at Providence	W	3-0	30-25, 30-22, 30-22		Goralski (10)
Nov.						
3	at West Virginia	W	3-1	30-26, 24-30, 30-27, 30-20		Bomhack (15)
4	at Pittsburgh	W	3-0	30-27, 30-24, 30-22		Kreher (13)
9	vs. St. John's	W	3-0	30-8, 30-24, 30-22		Loomis (12)
11	vs. Seton Hall	W	3-0	30-26, 30-17, 30-25		Kreher, Fletcher (11)
14	vs. Illinois State	W	3-2	30-23, 35-33, 27-30, 27-30, 15-11		Kreher (23)
17	vs. Connecticut	W	3-0	30-20, 30-28, 30-27	BIG EAST Championship	Bomhack (13)
18	vs. Georgetown	W	3-2	30-22, 24-30, 27-30, 30-20, 15-11	BIG EAST Championship	Loomis (19)
23	vs. LSU	W	3-0	30-24, 30-15, 30-25	UF Conference Challenge	Goralski, Loomis (9)
24	vs. #7 Florida	L	1-3	24-30, 26-30, 32-30, 24-30	UF Conference Challenge	Kreher (15)

ing her entire rookie season, stepped up to play a crucial role for the Irish in the BIG EAST Championship.

Recording a season and career high 19 kills in the championship match, Loomis made a number of outstanding shots down the line and through the Georgetown defense to help the team rally from a 2-1 deficit to win the match in five games.

In the tournament, Loomis was second on the team in kills (25, 3.13 per game), hit .278, had 19 digs (2.38 per game) and five blocks.

Loomis' 19-kill, 10-dig effort vs. Georgetown gave the rookie her second double-double of the season (and second in three matches - after hitting 14 kills and 13 digs vs. Illinois State on Nov. 14).

The freshman's hitting had been warming up entering the BIG EAST Championship and now, over the month of November, Loomis is av-

eraging 3.00 kills per game, 2.13 digs per game, and 0.80 blocks per game.

Kreher hitting hard and accurate: Senior opposite **Kristy Kreher**, the Preseason BIG EAST Player of the Year and three-time league player of the week in 2001, has been posting some high kill numbers on accurate hitting for the Irish over the last few weeks.

The Birmingham, Mich., native, who recorded her 1,000th career kill earlier this season, recently set a career-best hitting mark with a .765 effort (13 kills, zero errors, 17 attempts) at Pittsburgh. She followed that performance up with a solid .421 effort against St. John's on Friday, Nov. 9 and a 23-kill, 18-dig, nine-assist, five-block masterpiece vs. Illinois State on Nov. 14.

Kreher currently leads the team in kills (320) and boasts a .277 hitting percentage.

Career milestone: Senior co-captain **Marcie Bomhack** reached the 1,000 kill barrier in the BIG EAST Championship match on Nov. 17. Bomhack now has 1,032 career kills.

Irish forced to adjust from the comforts of home to life on the road: Notre Dame played 19 matches in the friendly confines of the Joyce Center last season. The Irish had 17 regular-season home matches scheduled and won both matches at the 2000 BIG EAST Volleyball Championship, which was held on campus.

The 2001 schedule calls for at least 16 road matches, a number that will increase even more as the Irish have qualified for the NCAA Championship. A key stretch of the Irish schedule began with the Oct. 17 match with #16 Northern Iowa, as Notre Dame played six consecutive road matches from Oct. 16, through Nov. 4, before returning to their home

court on Nov. 9.

Notre Dame broke through for its first road victory of the season at Toledo on Tuesday, Oct. 2. The Irish are now 10-6 in matches away from the Joyce Center, with five of the six losses to ranked teams (#1 Nebraska, #7 UCLA, #15 Pepperdine, #16 Northern Iowa, #7 Florida).

Strong schedule: Irish head coach **Debbie Brown**, who led the team to two key victories over high ranked opponents in 2000 (3-2 come-from-behind victory over #15 BYU and a 3-1 win over #22 Loyola Marymount), has scheduled a number of highly-rated teams this season. Notre Dame faced five top 25 teams in 2001, including #7 Florida in the Gator's Volleyball Conference Challenge at Disney's Wide World of Sports Complex on last weekend. The Irish have also faced #1 Nebraska, #7 UCLA, #15 Pepperdine and #16 Northern Iowa this season.

Career marks biting the dust: Throughout the 2001 season, a number of Irish players have either equalled, or surpassed, their career-best numbers in several categories.

Here is a breakdown of the career numbers achieved this season:

Malinda Goralski: matched her career-highs in kills (18) and blocks (11) four different times this season.

Janie Alderete: Career-best 26 digs vs. Illinois State, four aces at Saint Louis.

Kim Fletcher: has reached a career-best 14 kills four times this season, posted a personal-best 10 blocks vs. Georgetown in the BIG EAST Championship match, personal-best 10 digs vs. Idaho.

Kristen Kinder: career-best 17 digs and 65 assists vs. Illinois State.

Christa Moen: career-best 13 digs vs. Illinois State.

Jessica Kinder: five aces vs. Villanova, seven kills three times this season (including twice at last weekend's Florida Volleyball Conference Challenge) and 10 digs twice.

Kristy Kreher: hitting percentage of .765 vs. Pittsburgh.

Notre Dame signs five for next year:

The University of Notre Dame volleyball team has announced the signings of five recruits for the 2002 season.

Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn.), Kelly Burrell (Pheonix, Ariz.), Carolyn Cooper (Houston, Texas), Meg Henican (New Orleans, La.) and Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio) have all signed letters of intent to enroll at Notre Dame in the fall of 2002 and will make up the volleyball class of 2006.

"We are very excited about this class," head coach **Debbie Brown** says.

"Going into recruiting this year we thought we were going to give four scholarships. When the opportunity to sign this great class with five talented players presented itself, it was an opportunity we could not pass up.

"All five players will complement each other very well and will add valuable depth to our team next year. They are really going to help the competitive level of the team. I think this is one of the top five recruiting classes in the nation."

Lauren Brewster played for Brentwood High School in Brentwood, Tenn., and helped the team earn four state titles during her prep career. A 6-3 middle blocker, she was named most valuable player of the state tournament in 2000 and 2001, leading Brentwood to an undefeated record during her junior and senior seasons. Brewster also earned the 2000 Tennessee mid-state player of the year award and was named the Gatorade Player of the Year from Tennessee in 2001.

Kelly Burrell is a 5-11 setter from Xavier College Prep in Pheonix, Ariz., and, like many of her classmates, has earned multiple state titles while playing in a successful high school program. A first-team all-regional selection in 2000 and 2001, Burrell will bring a strong court presence to the Irish roster next season.

Carolyn Cooper continues the tradition of outstanding middle

blockers the Irish have landed from Texas. Current senior and all-star nominee Malinda Goralski and 2000 graduate Jo Jameyson were both from the same area of Texas as Cooper.

A 6-3 middle blocker, Cooper played for Lutheran South Academy in Houston, Texas, and was named the team MVP three times (1999-2001) while earning first-team all-state honors during those three seasons as well.

In an unusual twist, 5-11 outside hitter Meg Henican had the opportunity to earn five state championships during her prep career. Henican played at Newman High School in New Orleans, La., a kindergarten through 12th grade school, and started on the varsity team for five seasons - leading Newman to five consecutive state titles. She was a four-time AAU All-American and finished her high school career as the Gatorade Player of the Year from Louisiana in 2001.

Lauren Kelbley is a 6-1 middle blocker from Bascaum, Ohio, and played at Hopewell-Loudon High School. She helped the team to the four-straight Ohio Division IV state titles during her career while earning all-conference, all-district and all-state honors at the end of each season.

Notre Dame vs. Wisconsin series history: If the Irish and the Badgers advance, it will be the sixth meeting between the two teams, with Wisconsin holding a 4-1 edge in the series ... Notre Dame's victory came in four games in 1987 at the Joyce Center ... Notre Dame and Wisconsin have met once in the NCAA Championship, a four-game victory for the Badgers.

Notre Dame vs. Wisconsin-Milwaukee series history: If the Irish and Panthers advance, it will be the third meeting between the two teams ... Notre Dame and Wisconsin-Milwaukee last met in 1994, a 3-0 Irish victory in MCC Conference competition ... the Panthers win came in 1983.

Notre Dame NCAA Tournament History

1988	W	#20 Penn State	3-1	15-13, 15-10, 14-16, 15-10
1988	L	#4 Illinois	3-2	5-15, 9-15, 15-5, 15-13, 15-9
1992	L	#9 Penn State	0-3	13-15, 8-15, 9-15
1993	W	#8 Nebraska	3-0	15-11, 15-10, 15-8
1993	W	Minnesota	3-2	15-9, 11-15, 15-13, 11-15, 15-13
1993	L	#7 Penn State	0-3	12-15, 5-15, 12-15
1994	W	Pittsburgh	3-1	9-15, 15-11, 15-13, 15-13
1994	L	#9 Penn State	0-3	4-15, 6-15, 2-15
1995	W	Iowa State	3-0	15-3, 16-14, 15-10
1995	L	#19 Oral Roberts	0-3	9-15, 11-15, 4-15
1996	W	Hofstra	3-0	15-2, 15-4, 15-2
1996	L	#12 Ohio State	2-3	15-8, 15-11, 11-15, 11-15, 8-15
1997	W	Liberty	3-0	15-9, 15-3, 15-2
1997	W	#18 Arkansas	3-1	15-9, 7-15, 15-10, 16-14
1997	L	#4 Wisconsin	1-3	15-9, 12-15, 16-18, 11-15
1998	W	E. Washington	3-1	15-2, 13-15, 15-11, 15-11
1998	L	#5 Stanford	0-3	1-15, 5-15, 1-15
1999	L	Ohio State	1-3	15-13, 10-15, 14-16, 7-15
2000	W	Cincinnati	3-0	15-2, 15-12, 15-10
2000	L	Ohio State	2-3	12-15, 15-3, 15-3, 6-15, 13-15

NOTRE DAME IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT

The last time...

...Notre Dame won a match - 2000 vs. Cincinnati, 3-0
 ...Notre Dame advanced past the first round - 2000
 ...Notre Dame advanced past the second round - 1997
 ...an Irish player posted 20 kills - 1999, Kristy Kreher (24) vs. Ohio State
 ...an Irish player posted 10 blocks - 2000, Jo Jameyson (10) vs. Ohio State
 ...an Irish player posted 15 digs - 1998, Lindsay Treadwell (16) vs. E. Wash.
 ...Notre Dame swept and opponent - 2000, vs. Cincinnati
 ...Notre Dame won a five-game match - 1993, vs. Minnesota
 ...Notre Dame defeated a ranked team - 1997, Arkansas (#18)
 ...Notre Dame lost in the first round - 1999, vs. Ohio State
 ...Notre Dame lost a five-game match - 2000, vs. Ohio State

Notre Dame in the NCAA Tournament

by the numbers

1 - Quarterfinal appearances ('93)
2 - Number of times Notre Dame lost in the first round ('99, '92)
3 - Number of Sweet Sixteen appearances ('93, '94, '97)
5 - Number of times Notre Dame has hosted ('88, '93, '94, '95, '96)
10 - Number of wins and losses in Irish NCAA tourney history (10-10)
11 - Number of times Notre Dame has faced a Big Ten opponent in the tournament (including Michigan State this season)

NCAA TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Team Hitting Percentage

.422 (44-9-83) vs. Hofstra, 1996
 .360 (74-30-204) vs. Liberty, 1997
 .347 (58-15-124) vs. Iowa St., 1995

Team Service Aces

11 vs. Wisconsin, 1997
 9 vs. Illinois, 1988
 8 vs. Penn State, 1988

Team Blocks

30 vs. Penn State, 1988
 29 vs. Ohio State, 1999
 12 vs. Arkansas, 1997
 12 vs. Illinois, 1988
 12 vs. Pittsburgh, 1994

Low Opponent Hitting Percentage

.000 (18-18-83) vs. Hofstra, 1996
 .104 (45-26-183) vs. Pittsburgh, 1994
 .107 (29-18-103) vs. Liberty, 1997

Individual Hitting Percentage

.625 (10-0-16) Marilyn Cragin
 vs. Penn State, 1992
 .607 (19-2-28) Angie Harris
 vs. Iowa State, 1995
 .583 (7-0-12) Julie Bremner
 vs. Penn State, 1988
 .545 (14-2-22) Nicole Coates
 vs. Nebraska, 1993
 .541 (24-4-37) Kristy Kreher
 vs. Eastern Washington, 1998

Individual Kills

31 Jaimie Lee (vs. Wis., '97)
 27 Jaimie Lee (vs. OSU, '97)
 26 Christy Peters (vs. PSU, '88)
 25 Mary Kay Waller (vs. PSU, '88)
 24 Kristy Kreher (vs. EWU, '98)
 24 Kristy Kreher (vs. OSU, '99)

Individual Service Aces

4 Denise Boylan (vs. Wis., '97)
 4 Angie Harris (vs. Ark., '97)
 4 Angie Harris (vs. ISU, '95)
 4 Julie Bremner (vs. Ill., '88)

Individual Blocks

14 Mary Kay Waller (vs. PSU, '88)
 12 Mary Leffers (vs. OSU, '96)
 12 Zanette Bennett (vs. PSU, '88)

Individual Digs

26 Nicole Coates (vs. Minn., '93)
 23 Angie Harris (vs. Wis., '97)
 22 Lindsay Treadwell (vs. Wis., '97)
 22 Christy Peters (vs. Pitt., '94)

Notre Dame NCAA Boxscores

1988 MIDEAST REGION

First Round (Dec. 12, 1988)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)

PENN STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Laura Stober	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Julie Firth	0-0-0	.000	0	2	0
E. Ramirez	24-3-53	.396	0	3	3
M. Jaworski	5-4-12	.083	3	2	2
J. Schuller	1-2-10	-.100	0	0	0
Kim Kenna	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Tammy Cairl	8-8-33	.000	1	0	6
Heidi Pilsicki	2-2-7	.000	1	3	1
Joanne Elwert	20-6-42	.333	2	1	4
Noelle Zientara	11-9-52	.038	2	9	5
TOTALS	71-34-209	.177	9	22	13

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Julie Bremner	7-0-12	.583	3	4	6
Katie Kavanaugh	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
K. Cunningham	6-2-20	.200	1	0	0
Mary Kay Waller	25-9-49	.327	1	5	14
Maureen Shea	16-2-36	.389	1	2	7
W. Shewman	7-4-30	.100	0	3	8
Zanette Bennett	23-4-39	.487	1	2	12
Tracey Shelton	4-1-16	.188	1	4	3
TOTALS	88-22-202	.327	8	23	30

#20 Penn State (1)	13	10	16	10
Notre Dame (3)	15	15	14	15

1988 MIDEAST REGION

Second Round (Dec. 9, 1988)
Urbana, Ill. (Kenney Gymnasium)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Julie Bremner	2-0-6	.333	4	12	2
Katie Kavanaugh	0-0-1	.000	0	1	0
K. Cunningham	11-2-22	.409	2	13	3
Mary Kay Waller	18-7-37	.297	1	13	7
Maureen Shea	11-5-30	.200	0	11	2
W. Shewman	2-1-14	.071	1	9	1
Zanette Bennett	19-3-46	.348	1	10	3
Tracey Shelton	1-0-2	.500	0	1	1
Chris Choquette	2-4-16	-.125	0	1	2
TOTALS	66-22-174	.253	9	71	12

ILLINOIS	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Chris Schwarz	0-0-0	.000	0	5	0
Laura Bush	9-7-24	.083	3	6	2
Barb Winsett	2-3-8	-.125	2	9	4
Mary Eggers	19-2-34	.500	1	22	5
Lisa Dillman	4-3-7	.143	0	3	0
Stephanie Bowers	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Sandy Scholtens	0-1-3	-.333	1	9	0
Petra Laverman	15-4-41	.250	2	9	2
Bridget Boyle	18-11-39	.179	1	6	2
N. Brookhart	20-4-42	.381	0	6	4
TOTALS	87-35-198	.263	10	76	10

Notre Dame (2)	5	9	15	15	9
#4 Illinois (3)	15	15	5	13	15

1992 MIDEAST REGION

First Round (Dec. 3, 1992)
State College, Pa. (Rec Hall)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Janelle Karlan	2-2-10	.000	0	2	0
Brett Hensel	0-0-1	.000	0	9	0
Alicia Turner	9-5-23	.174	2	4	1
Jess. Fiebelkorn	11-8-28	.130	0	9	1
Cynthia May	1-0-4	.250	0	12	2
Christy Peters	13-7-47	.128	1	16	1
Marilyn Cragin	10-0-16	.625	0	0	1
Molly Stark	1-1-2	.000	0	3	0
Nicole Coates	2-0-10	.200	0	5	0
TOTALS	49-23-141	.184	3	60	3

PENN STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Salima Davidson	6-1-9	.556	0	13	1
Jennifer Reimers	1-1-12	.000	0	2	1
Laura Cook	7-4-27	.111	1	7	2
Kim Kumfer	3-1-17	.118	1	16	1
Leanne Kling	23-8-56	.268	0	6	3
Erika Spencer	0-0-1	.000	2	13	0
S. Lamoureux	6-2-13	.308	0	4	4
Zeynep Ton	5-0-14	.357	2	6	0
Angie Farlow	0-0-0	---	0	1	0
J. Miller	0-0-0	---	0	0	0
TOTALS	51-17-149	.228	6	68	9

#22 Notre Dame (0)	13	8	9
#9 Penn State (3)	15	15	15

1993 MIDEAST REGION

Second Round (Dec. 5, 1993)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)

NEBRASKA	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Stephanie Clerc	0-0-1	.000	0	4	0
Kelly Aspegren	7-1-19	.316	0	6	4
Billie Jean Winsett	8-5-23	.130	1	7	0
Kate Crnich	0-0-0	.000	0	8	1
Maria Hedbeck	2-1-14	.071	0	6	0
Nikki Strikker	0-2-4	-.500	0	6	2
Allison Weston	15-4-33	.333	0	0	0
Jen McFadden	9-3-27	.222	0	3	7
TOTALS	41-16-121	.207	1	40	9

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Nicole Coates	14-2-22	.545	1	9	3
Janelle Karlan	5-3-13	.154	1	11	1
Brett Hensel	0-0-1	.000	0	6	0
Molly Stark	13-2-31	.355	1	10	3
Jen Briggs	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Jenny Birkner	6-3-16	.188	3	10	1
Christy Peters	13-7-37	.162	1	15	2
Julie Harris	6-2-14	.286	0	1	4
TOTALS	57-19-135	.281	7	63	9

#8 Nebraska (0)	11	10	8
#17 Notre Dame (3)	15	15	15

1993 MIDEAST REGION

Round of 16 (Dec. 9, 1993)
Minneapolis, Minn. (Williams Arena)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Nicole Coates	14-8-47	.128	3	26	2
Janelle Karlan	3-1-12	.167	1	16	5
Molly Stark	17-10-41	.171	0	13	5
Jen Briggs	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
Jenny Birkner	14-5-35	.257	0	12	4
Christy Peters	26-8-67	.269	0	21	0
Brett Hensel	0-0-3	.000	1	14	0
Laura Reckmeyer	2-0-4	.500	0	0	1
Julie Harris	13-7-31	.194	0	1	3
TOTALS	89-29-240	.208	5	106	11

MINNESOTA	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Heidi Olhausen	20-4-42	.381	2	6	4
Sue Jackson	2-0-14	.143	0	13	1
Sarah Pearman	1-1-5	.000	0	8	0
Gretchen Dahl	11-0-29	.379	0	14	10
Heidi Foesch	11-9-41	.049	0	26	2
Jean Schintz	21-5-45	.356	2	15	3
Tara Fiamengo	3-3-18	.000	0	4	0
Conya Wakefield	3-0-4	.750	1	4	0
Katrien DeDecker	19-9-65	.154	0	9	4
TOTALS	91-31-264	.227	5	99	13

#17 Notre Dame (3)	15	11	15	11	15
Minnesota (2)	9	15	13	15	13

1993 MIDEAST REGION

Quarterfinal (Dec. 10, 1993)
Minneapolis, Minn. (Williams Arena)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Nicole Coates	6-8-29	.069	0	9	3
Janelle Karlan	4-1-11	.273	0	6	3
Molly Stark	9-7-34	.059	0	13	4
Jen Briggs	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
Jenny Birkner	5-1-15	.267	0	12	0
Christy Peters	14-8-50	.120	1	19	0
Kristina Ervin	1-0-4	.250	0	1	0
Brett Hensel	0-0-0	.000	0	4	0
Julie Harris	8-1-16	.438	0	1	3
TOTALS	47-27-160	.125	1	68	7

PENN STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Salima Davidson	3-0-6	.500	1	12	6
Jennifer Reimers	8-4-34	.118	1	13	2
Angie Farlow	0-0-1	.000	2	12	0
Laura Cook	4-3-24	.042	1	8	4
Zeynep Ton	12-6-40	.150	1	8	2
S. Lamoureux	9-1-19	.421	0	1	11
Heidi Rottinghaus	0-0-0	.000	0	2	0
Jenny Myszewski	11-4-23	.304	0	10	5
Claudette Otero	0-0-0	.000	0	7	0
TOTALS	47-18-149	.195	6	73	16

#17 Notre Dame (0)	12	5	12
#7 Penn State (3)	15	15	15

1994 MIDEAST REGION**Second Round (Dec. 4, 1994)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)**

PITTSBURGH	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Ann. Mernaugh	0-0-0	.000	0	9	0
Steph. Dufresne	2-2-9	.000	0	13	9
Mel. Gustafson	4-4-27	.000	2	6	12
Jennie Driscoll	17-3-37	.378	0	3	7
Sarah Mikla	7-5-33	.061	0	17	5
Sara Mitchell	8-8-44	.000	3	13	1
Laurie Fernandez	0-0-0	.000	0	15	0
Carrie Thorton	7-4-33	.091	1	27	3
TOTALS	45-26-183	.104	6	103	21

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Nicole Coates	3-4-19	-.053	1	6	0
Kristina Ervin	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Jaimie Lee	9-4-20	.250	0	1	3
Brett Hensel	0-0-1	.000	1	7	0
Angie Harris	11-11-42	.000	2	18	3
Jen Briggs	5-2-19	.158	0	0	3
Jennifer Rouse	6-3-15	.200	0	0	4
Shannon Tuttle	4-2-11	.182	0	12	5
Jenny Birkner	9-4-27	.185	1	19	4
Christy Peters	19-8-64	.172	0	22	0
TOTALS	66-38-218	.128	5	101	12

Pittsburgh (1)	15	11	13	13
#12 Notre Dame (3)	9	15	15	15

1994 MIDEAST REGION**Round of 16 (Dec. 9, 1994)
Lincoln, Neb. (Neb. Coliseum)**

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Nicole Coates	3-2-12	.083	0	0	0
Jaimie Lee	8-1-22	.318	0	11	0
Brett Hensel	0-0-0	.000	0	8	0
Angie Harris	4-5-17	-.059	0	10	0
Jen Briggs	3-1-8	.250	0	2	0
Jennifer Rouse	2-3-11	.091	0	0	1
Shannon Tuttle	1-2-6	-.167	1	13	0
Jenny Birkner	2-4-16	-.125	0	4	1
Christy Peters	13-9-44	.091	1	14	0
TOTALS	36-27-136	.066	2	62	1

PENN STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Salima Davidson	2-0-5	.400	0	8	2
Jen Burdis	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Andrea Boner	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Jen Reimers	11-1-25	.400	0	13	1
Terri Zemaitis	7-1-13	.462	1	10	3
Laura Cook	16-1-42	.357	1	14	2
Zeynep Ton	6-1-18	.278	1	15	1
S. Lamoureux	7-0-19	.368	0	2	4
TOTALS	49-4-122	.369	3	64	7

#12 Notre Dame (0)	4	6	2
#9 Penn State (3)	15	15	15

1995 PACIFIC REGION**Second Round (Dec. 2, 1995)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)**

IOWA STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Jen Lansink	2-1-6	.167	1	3	0
Colleen Henican	4-4-9	.000	0	6	1
Julie McGrath	0-0-1	.000	0	1	0
Rachelle Frese	6-2-12	.333	0	3	5
Dana Mucha	2-3-12	-.083	1	10	1
Steph McCannon	10-7-35	.086	0	10	0
Kirstin Hugdahl	21-5-41	.390	1	8	3
S. Van Helden	0-3-10	-.300	0	0	0
Heidi Rogers	0-0-1	.000	0	4	0
TOTALS	45-25-127	.157	3	45	6

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Kristina Ervin	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
Carey May	1-0-3	.333	0	4	2
Jaimie Lee	16-3-35	.371	1	7	0
Brett Hensel	0-1-1	-1.00	0	10	0
Angie Harris	19-2-28	.607	4	19	3
Jennifer Rouse	6-2-13	.308	0	0	4
Jenny Birkner	7-4-21	.143	1	4	4
Lindsay Treadwell	8-3-20	.250	1	2	4
Molly McCarthy	1-0-3	.333	0	0	0
TOTALS	58-15-124	.347	7	49	10

Iowa State (0)	3	14	10
#15 Notre Dame (3)	15	16	15

1995 PACIFIC REGION**Round of 16 (Dec. 8, 1995)
Palo Alto, Calif. (Maples Pavilion)**

ORAL ROBERTS	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Mirela Locks	11-3-20	.400	0	15	2
Ksenija Kugler	14-3-31	.355	1	8	5
Sibele Theis	6-4-13	.154	0	14	6
Deb. Dos Santos	16-6-32	.313	1	15	1
Zvezdana Sirola	13-6-38	.184	2	3	3
Amanda Saner	3-2-8	.125	0	7	4
Sandra P. Theis	0-0-2	.000	1	7	0
TOTALS	63-24-144	.271	5	69	13

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Carey May	1-1-4	.000	0	6	1
Jaimie Lee	11-3-32	.250	0	8	1
Brett Hensel	0-0-3	.000	0	12	0
Angie Harris	10-7-35	.086	1	6	1
Jenny Birkner	5-5-33	.000	1	8	2
L. Treadwell	12-4-29	.276	1	4	3
Kristina Ervin	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
Jen Briggs	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Jennifer Rouse	7-3-18	.222	0	0	3
TOTALS	46-23-154	.149	3	48	6

#19 Oral Roberts (3)	15	15	15
#15 Notre Dame (0)	9	11	4

1996 CENTRAL REGION**First Round (Dec. 4, 1996)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)**

HOFSTRA	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Lindsey Birkel	2-2-10	.000	0	4	0
Beth Parr	0-0-5	.000	0	4	0
Lena Malinowski	3-8-20	-.250	0	1	0
Suzanne Shaw	5-5-23	.000	1	5	1
Pam Zens	0-0-1	.000	0	0	0
Heleen Hillhorst	0-1-1	-1.00	0	5	0
G. Lavander	4-0-10	.400	0	1	1
Andrea Natale	4-2-12	.167	0	3	0
Laura Nissen	0-0-1	.000	0	3	0
TOTALS	18-18-83	.000	1	26	1

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Kristina Ervin	0-0-1	.000	1	2	0
Carey May	0-0-1	.000	0	8	0
Jaimie Lee	14-2-24	.500	0	7	1
Emily Schiebout	1-0-1	1.000	0	0	0
Jen Briggs	8-1-16	.438	1	6	2
Mary Leffers	8-0-11	.727	0	2	1
Jenny Birkner	6-3-12	.250	1	12	2
Lindsay Treadwell	7-3-18	.222	2	4	3
TOTALS	44-9-83	.422	5	41	5

Hofstra (0)	2	4	2
Notre Dame (3)	15	15	15

1996 CENTRAL REGION**Second Round (Dec. 8, 1996)
Notre Dame, Ind. (Joyce Center)**

OHIO STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Jen Boleyn	8-0-12	.667	0	17	3
Rosie Snow	2-2-6	.000	0	6	0
Brianne Spiers	13-2-23	.478	2	7	5
Van. Wouters	36-23-92	.141	0	20	5
Sheri Helman	27-9-51	.353	1	9	5
Jen Flynn	12-5-25	.280	1	23	3
Andrea Pankova	13-8-40	.125	1	7	0
TOTALS	111-49-249	.249	5	89	11

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Kristina Ervin	1-0-1	1.000	1	10	0
Carey May	2-1-6	.323	0	8	4
Jaimie Lee	27-6-65	.323	1	15	2
Jen Briggs	11-5-35	.171	0	11	1
Mary Leffers	3-4-17	-.059	0	3	12
Jenny Birkner	15-5-42	.238	1	15	6
L. Treadwell	19-2-39	.436	2	10	4
Molly McCarthy	0-1-1	-1.00	0	0	1
TOTALS	78-23-205	.268	5	72	17

#12 Ohio State (3)	8	11	15	15	15
Notre Dame (2)	15	15	11	11	8

1997 CENTRAL REGION

First Round (Dec. 5, 1997)
Fayetteville, Ark. (Barnhill Arena)

LIBERTY	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Anthonia Akpama	8-5-26	.115	0	2	3
Kyrie Dorn	2-4-16	-.125	0	5	0
Ashley Fletcher	0-1-5	-.200	0	4	2
Athena Sherwood	6-0-19	.316	0	11	0
Christi Cherry	0-0-0	.000	0	4	0
Leeana Miller	9-4-23	.217	0	6	0
Latisha Brewer	2-2-5	.000	0	3	0
Jill Vandeventer	0-0-1	.000	0	1	0
Stacy Collier	2-2-8	.000	0	3	1
Angela Brookshire	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
TOTALS	29-18-103	.107	0	40	3

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	4-0-8	.500	0	10	2
Jaimie Lee	14-2-31	.387	0	12	0
Angie Harris	17-4-35	.371	2	9	2
Christi Girton	2-4-8	-.250	0	0	1
Mary Leffers	8-3-14	.357	0	3	4
Lindsay Treadwell	7-1-13	.462	0	6	6
Jo Jameyson	3-0-5	.600	0	0	3
Adrienne Shimmel	0-0-0	.000	0	7	0
Molly McCarthy	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
TOTALS	55-14-114	.360	2	48	9

Liberty (0)	9	3	2
Notre Dame (3)	15	15	15

1997 CENTRAL REGION

Second Round (Dec. 6, 1997)
Fayetteville, Ark. (Barnhill Arena)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	0-2-7	-.286	0	5	0
Jaimie Lee	19-4-51	.294	0	14	2
Angie Harris	19-11-53	.151	4	19	3
Mary Leffers	15-7-39	.205	2	7	8
Adrienne Shimmel	0-0-0	.000	0	10	0
L. Treadwell	13-4-28	.321	0	14	8
Christi Girton	8-2-23	.261	0	2	3
Jo Jameyson	0-0-3	.000	0	0	1
Molly McCarthy	0-0-0	.000	0	7	0
TOTALS	74-30-204	.216	6	78	12

ARKANSAS	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Jessica Field	12-4-30	.267	0	4	7
Yarleen Santiago	8-4-32	.125	1	19	5
Krystal Osborne	16-6-42	.238	3	11	2
Tina Rico	11-1-23	.435	0	8	3
Jamie Rohme	9-5-29	.138	0	14	3
Kim Storey	8-5-24	.125	2	18	5
Caroline Clock	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
TOTALS	64-25-180	.217	6	77	12

Notre Dame (3)	9	15	15	16
#18 Arkansas (1)	15	7	10	14

1997 CENTRAL REGIONAL

Round of 16 (Dec. 13, 1997)
Madison, Wis.. (Wis. Field House)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	2-2-8	.000	4	15	3
Jaimie Lee	31-8-68	.338	0	9	3
Angie Harris	17-8-56	.161	2	23	2
Christi Girton	7-6-31	.032	0	5	2
L. Treadwell	14-4-32	.313	1	22	2
Molly McCarthy	0-0-1	.000	1	5	0
Mary Leffers	10-4-30	.200	2	6	5
Jo Jameyson	0-1-3	-.333	0	1	1
Adrienne Shimmel	1-0-1	1.00	1	6	0
TOTALS	82-33-230	.213	11	92	9

WISCONSIN	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Lindsey Buswell	0-0-0	.000	0	7	0
Kate Fitzgerald	1-2-7	-.143	0	6	0
Marisa Mackey	14-2-34	.353	0	16	3
Colleen Neels	5-2-15	.200	6	16	3
Amy Lee	18-7-45	.244	1	13	8
Heather Dodaro	23-5-51	.353	0	17	5
Allyson Ross	9-10-35	-.029	0	7	0
Kelly Kennedy	17-3-36	.389	0	14	7
TOTALS	87-31-223	.251	7	96	13

Notre Dame (1)	15	12	16	11
#4 Wisconsin (3)	9	15	18	15

1998 MOUNTAIN REGION

First Round (Dec. 4, 1998)
Stanford, Calif. (Maples Pavilion)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	0-0-0	.000	0	8	0
Kristy Kreher	24-4-37	.541	1	14	6
Marcie Bomhack	3-4-13	-.077	0	1	3
Christi Girton	8-3-35	.143	2	8	4
Adrienne Shimmel	1-0-1	1.000	1	7	0
Lindsay Treadwell	11-2-25	.360	3	16	10
Emily Schiebout	8-4-22	.182	0	1	1
Mary Leffers	5-1-19	.211	0	2	6
Jo Jameyson	6-4-17	.118	1	9	1
Michelle Graham	0-0-1	.000	1	3	0
TOTALS	66-22-170	.259	8	69	16

E. WASHINGTON	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Lacey Cooper	6-2-21	.190	0	12	1
Angie Hall	8-10-33	-.061	0	8	0
Jessica Clish	9-4-24	.208	2	4	2
Kim Exner	15-13-39	.051	1	14	5
Kim Maxwell	8-2-22	.273	2	8	1
Whitney Lewis	4-2-16	.125	0	3	5
Tarah Pond	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
Jennifer Gabel	1-2-8	-.125	0	3	1
Toni Schwinn	0-0-4	.000	2	8	1
Stephanie Dalstedt	6-1-8	.625	0	2	0
Lea Ruhl	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
TOTALS	57-36-175	.120	7	62	8

Notre Dame (3)	15	13	15	15
Eastern Washington (1)	2	15	11	11

1998 MOUNTAIN REGION

Second Round (Dec. 5, 1998)
Stanford, Calif. (Maples Pavilion)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	1-0-1	1.000	0	3	0
Kristy Kreher	3-2-10	.100	0	2	0
Marcie Bomhack	4-6-16	-.125	0	2	1
Christi Girton	1-5-12	-.333	0	8	1
Adrienne Shimmel	1-1-2	.000	0	3	0
Lindsay Treadwell	1-2-12	-.083	1	1	2
Emily Schiebout	3-1-11	.182	0	5	1
Mary Leffers	6-3-14	.214	0	2	1
Jo Jameyson	3-1-12	.167	0	1	0
Mandi Powell	0-0-0	.000	0	1	0
Michelle Graham	1-0-2	.500	0	0	0
TOTALS	24-21-92	.033	1	28	3

STANFORD	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Kerri Walsh	8-1-13	.538	0	9	3
Tara Conrad	15-2-22	.591	1	2	8
Sarah Clark	7-2-15	.333	0	4	0
Michelle Chambers	8-5-19	.158	1	6	4
Robyn Lewis	0-0-3	.000	0	2	2
Jennifer Detmer	8-0-13	.615	0	0	2
Emily Lawrence	0-0-0	.000	1	2	0
Jaimi Gregory	1-0-1	1.000	0	2	0
Lindsay Kagawa	1-0-2	.500	1	6	1
Sarah Neal	0-0-2	.000	0	1	0
TOTALS	48-10-90	.422	4	35	10

Notre Dame (0)	1	5	1
#8 Stanford (3)	15	15	15

1999 CENTRAL REGION

First Round (Dec. 4, 1999)
Los Angeles, Calif. (Pauley Pavilion)

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	6-2-9	.444	1	8	6
Kristy Kreher	24-5-49	.388	1	4	3
Marcie Bomhack	10-4-31	.194	2	7	4
Christi Girton	20-7-34	.382	0	6	2
Adrienne Shimmel	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
Mary Leffers	12-7-21	.238	0	1	10
Janie Alderete	0-0-0	.000	0	8	0
Kaitlin McEwen	2-1-3	.333	0	0	4
Malinda Goralski	2-0-8	.250	0	0	0
Keara Coughlin	0-0-1	.000	0	1	0
TOTALS	76-26-156	.321	4	35	29

OHIO STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Rosie Snow	26-6-42	.476	2	15	2
Katie Virtue	2-0-5	.400	2	8	4
Dana Stearns	10-6-19	.211	3	2	4
Suzie Stiling	8-6-23	.087	0	4	2
Jen Flynn	19-6-37	.351	1	8	0
Shelly Draeger	16-7-36	.250	4	4	2
Shellye Sills	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
Anne Botica	0-1-1	-.000	0	0	1
Sue Calligaris	3-1-5	.400	0	2	2
Nikki Cisco	0-1-1	-.000	0	3	0
TOTALS	84-34-169	.296	12	46	17

Notre Dame (1)	15	10	14	7
Ohio State (3)	13	15	16	15

2000 CENTRAL REGION

**First Round (Dec. 1, 2000)
Columbus, Ohio (St. John Arena)**

CINCINNATI	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Laura Lauder	0-0-3	.000	1	6	0
Bonita Wisc	10-4-29	.207	0	4	2
Stephanie Meinig	6-3-16	.188	0	2	2
Shauntel Miller	15-6-41	.220	0	4	1
Trish Ladusaw	10-4-25	.240	0	21	1
Leslie Newell	7-3-17	.235	0	1	2
Rachel Beran	0-0-0	.000	1	5	0
Tobi Kirchenwitz	0-0-0	.000	0	3	0
Ashley Grooms	0-0-0	.000	0	7	0
TOTALS	48-20-131	.214	2	53	8

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	2-1-5	.200	1	13	1
Malinda Goralski	15-2-30	.433	0	0	6
Kristy Kreher	16-1-27	.556	1	7	3
Marcie Bomhack	12-2-36	.278	1	9	4
Christi Girton	13-5-35	.229	2	6	1
Janie Alderete	0-1-1	-.100	3	10	0
Jo Jameyson	6-2-13	.308	0	0	5
Kim Fletcher	2-0-3	.667	0	0	0
Keara Coughlin	0-0-0	.000	1	6	0
TOTALS	66-14-150	.347	9	51	20

Notre Dame (3) 15 15 15
Cincinnati (0) 2 12 10

2000 CENTRAL REGION

**Second Round (Dec. 2, 2000)
Columbus, Ohio (St. John Arena)**

NOTRE DAME	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Denise Boylan	6-2-14	.286	1	9	3
Malinda Goralski	13-4-31	.290	0	0	7
Kristy Kreher	17-3-36	.389	1	12	5
Marcie Bomhack	13-5-40	.200	0	5	5
Christi Girton	17-6-43	.256	1	8	4
Janie Alderete	0-0-0	.000	0	13	0
Jo Jameyson	7-2-18	.278	0	1	10
Keara Coughlin	0-0-0	.000	0	9	0
Christa Moen	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
TOTALS	73-22-182	.280	3	57	34

OHIO STATE	K-E-At	Pct.	SA	D	B
Katie Virtue	2-0-7	.286	0	11	1
Dana Stearns	12-4-24	.333	2	11	2
Anne Botica	18-11-46	.152	2	16	1
Suzie Stiling	11-5-23	.261	1	3	7
Sue Calligaris	28-5-52	.442	2	13	3
Shelly Draeger	7-12-36	-.139	0	13	2
Nikki Cisco	0-0-0	.000	0	9	0
Erin Treadway	0-0-0	.000	0	0	0
TOTALS	78-37-188	.218	7	75	16

Ohio State (3) 15 3 3 15 15
Notre Dame (2) 12 15 15 6 13

Hit %: .714 (15-0-21) vs. Valpo (9-18)

#4 Kristy Kreher

2001 all-BIG EAST first team unanimous selection ... three-time BIG EAST Player of the Week ... starting opposite for the team ... leads the team in kills (320) and kills per game (3.33) ... second in assists with 90 ... third in aces with 25 ... third in blocks with 100 ... recorded an eye-popping .765 hitting mark at Pittsburgh (13-0-17) on Nov. 4 ... five double-doubles this season ... has two 20-or-more kill matches this season, giving her nine in her career - a mark that ranks fifth in Irish history ... her 15 matches with team-high kills this season gives her 33 for her career - a mark that ranks ninth on the all-time list ... with 16 double-digit kill matches, she now has 69 such matches in her career - fourth on the all-time charts ... notable performances: 14 kills, 11 digs vs. Syracuse (Sept. 22), 19 kills, 13 digs vs. Toledo (Oct. 2), 23 kills, 18 digs vs. Illinois State (Nov. 14), 15 kills, 12 digs vs. #7 Florida (Nov. 24).

Double-digit kill matches: 17
Double-digit dig matches: 6
Matches with team-high kills: 15

Season bests:
Kills: 23, vs. Ill.St. (11-14)
Digs: 18, vs. Ill.St. (11-14)
Blocks: 7, vs. GTown (9-30)
Hit %: .765*, (13-0-17) vs. Pitt (11-4)

#5 Jessica Kinder

Used off the bench as a defensive replacement, but also gives the Irish an offensive punch with aggressive hitting and powerful jump serve ... served five aces vs. Villanova on Oct. 12 ... notable performances: five kills, five aces, five digs vs. Villanova (Oct. 12) ; seven kills, eight digs, three blocks vs. Providence (Oct. 28); 10 digs vs. UConn (Oct. 7).

Season bests:
Kills: 7*, three times
Digs: 10*, vs. UConn (10-7)

2001 Notre Dame player profiles:
* - indicates season high number also is a career-high

#1 Emily Loomis

Recorded first career double-digit kill match vs. Idaho in Shamrock Invitational title match ... served four aces in five-game victory at Toledo ... posted seven blocks in Irish victory over St. John's ... notable performances: 12 kills (.292 hitting), seven digs, seven blocks, one aces vs. St. John's (Nov. 9); 14 kills, 13 digs vs. Illinois State (Nov. 14); 19 kills, 10 digs vs. Georgetown in BIG EAST Championship final match (Nov. 18).

Double-digit kill matches: 9
Double-digit dig matches: 2
Matches with team-high kills: 5

Career/season bests:
Kills: 19, vs. GTown (11-18)
Digs: 13, vs. Ill.St. (11-14)
Blocks: 7, vs. SJU (11-9)
Hit. %: .381 (10-2-21), vs. Pitt (11-14)

#3 Malinda Goralski

2001 BIG EAST Player of the Year ... 2001 BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player ... starting middle blocker, depending on which rotation the team starts the match in ... leads team in hitting percentage (.385) and blocks per game (1.73) ... the most consistent offensive threat on the team this season - scoring less than six kills in just one match ... has matched her career-high in blocks (11) and kills (18) four times this season ... named to the University of Florida Volleyball Challenge All-Tournament team. notable performances: 18 kills, 10 blocks at Kentucky (Oct. 23); 15 kills on .714 hitting vs. Valparaiso (Sept. 18); 18 kills, 11 blocks vs. Illinois State (Nov. 14).

Double-digit kill matches: 20
Double-digit block matches: 4
Matches with team-high kills: 7

Season bests:
Kills: 18*, four times
Blocks: 11*, four times

Blocks: 3*, twice
Aces: 5*, vs. Vill. (10-12)

#6 Marcie Bomhack

Senior co-captain ... had developed into one of Notre Dame's top offensive threats late in the season ... usually first person off the bench to sub for starting DS Keara Coughlin in the front line ... surpassed the 1,000 career kills barrier in the BIG EAST Championship match vs. Georgetown on Nov. 18 ... notable performances: 15 kills, five digs, three blocks vs. Illinois State (11-14); 15 kills, nine blocks vs. West Virginia (11-3).

Double-digit kill matches: 7
Matches with team-high kills: 4

Season bests:
Kills: 15, twice
Digs: 7, vs. Idaho (9-1)
Blocks: 9*, vs. WVU (11-3)

#8 Kristen Kinder

2001 BIG EAST Setter of the Year ... 2001 Second-team all-BIG EAST ... starting setter ... leads the team in aces with 37 ... had 10 double-doubles and recently surpassed the 1,000 assist mark for the season ... notable performances: 65 assists, 17 digs vs. Illinois State (11-14); 56 assists, 16 digs, four blocks vs. Toledo (10-2).

Double-digit dig matches: 10

Season bests:
Kills: 7, vs. SLU (10-24)
Assists: 65, vs. Ill.St. (11-14)
Digs: 17, vs. Ill.St. (11-14)
Blocks: 6, twice
Hit %: .636 (7-0-11), vs. SLU (10-24)

#10 Kim Fletcher

2001 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... a starter at middle blocker ... earned the Shamrock Invitational MVP award ... second on the team in blocks (117) ... possesses the all-

around kills necessary to play across the rotation ... notable performances: 14 kills, 10 digs vs. Idaho (9-1) ... 14 kills, seven blocks vs. Toledo (10-2) ... 10 kills, 10 blocks vs. Georgetown (11-18).

#11 Keara Coughlin

Starter at DS depending on rotation Irish set to begin match ... serves as co-captain of the team with Marcie Bomhack ... one of the best passers on the team ... notable performances: 10 digs vs. UConn (10-7), 10 digs vs. Illinois State (11-14).

#13 Christa Moen

Is used off the bench but has also started ... has a great serve that keeps the defense off balance ... notable performances: two aces, five digs vs. Providence (10-28); 13 digs vs. Illinois State (11-14).

#14 Janie Alderete

Has developed into one of Notre Dame's most effective back row players ... subs in for middle blocker Malinda Goralski in the back row ... second on the team in aces with 29 ... recorded a season-high 26 digs vs. Illinois State.

Double-digit dig matches: 12