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### 2005 Schedule (24-8)

Feb.		
11	at #NR/19 Florida	L, 2-3
11	vs. #21/NR South Florida	L, 0-5
12	vs. Coastal Carolina	W, 1-0
12	vs. #21/NR South Florida	W, 5-1
13	at #NR/19 Florida	W, 4-2
18	vs. Utah	W, 3-2
18	vs. #21/18 Fresno State	cancelled
19	vs. #3/4 UCLA	rained out
19	at San Diego State	rained out
20	vs. C. Michigan	rained out
25	vs. Loyola Marymount	L, 0-7
25	vs. #3/4 UCLA	L, 1-3
26	vs. #NR/20 Pacific	L, 1-9
26	vs. Arizona State	L, 1-2
27	vs. #5/6 Tennessee	W, 5-2
March		
6	at Loy. Marymount	W, 2-1, L, 0-5
7	at UC Santa Barbara	W, 1-0
9	vs. Campbell	W, 6-1
9	at Hawai'i	W, 9-1 (5)
10	vs. Virginia	W, 3-1
11	vs. Nevada	W, 7-1
12	Seed Play	rained out
19	vs. Marshall	L, 4-7
19	at Ohio State	cancelled
20	vs. Oakland	W, 8-0 (5)
20	vs. Eastern Michigan	W, 4-1
24	<b>Western Michigan</b>	W, 2-1
30	<b>Valparaiso (DH)</b>	W, 5-0, W, 10-0 (5)
31	at Loyola-Chicago	W, 10-0
April		
2	*at Rutgers (DH)	rained out
4	*at Villanova (DH)	W, 4-0, W, 2-0
5	<b>Eastern Michigan (DH)</b>	W, 1-0, W, 7-5
7	<b>Ball State</b>	W, 4-1
9	*at Pittsburgh (DH)	W, 7-2, W, 6-0
12	at Purdue (DH)	2 p.m.
14	at Illinois-Chicago	7 p.m.
16	*at Providence (DH)	12 p.m.
17	*at Connecticut (DH)	11 a.m.
19	at DePaul (DH)	3 p.m.
21	<b>Akron (DH)</b>	3 p.m.
22	<b>*St. John's (DH)</b>	4 p.m.
24	<b>*Seton Hall (DH)</b>	11 a.m.
26	<b>Northwestern (DH)</b>	4 p.m.
29	<b>*Boston College (DH)</b>	3 p.m.
May		
1	<b>*Syracuse (DH)</b>	11 a.m.
12	BIG EAST Championship	TBA
13	BIG EAST Champ. Cont.	TBA
14	BIG EAST Champ. Cont.	TBA
19	NCAA Regional	TBA
26	NCAA Super Regional	TBA
31	College World Series	TBA

Rankings listed are *USA Today*/NFCA followed by ESPN.com/USA Softball • all contests are single games, unless designated a doubleheader by (DH) • all home games in bold played at Ivy Field.

# 2005 Notre Dame Softball

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### Notre Dame (24-8) at Purdue (28-13)

#### Doubleheader

Tuesday, April 12, 2005 (2 p.m.)

### Notre Dame at Illinois-Chicago

#### Single Game

Thursday, April 14, 2005 (7 p.m.)

**Irish ready to renew annual rivalry with Purdue:** The University of Notre Dame softball team (24-8) returns to non-conference action this week with a doubleheader at Purdue (28-13) on Tuesday and a single game at Illinois-Chicago on Thursday. Notre Dame and Purdue have met each of the last eight seasons, switching between Notre Dame and West Lafayette, Ind., for the game sites each year.

The Irish will take a season-high 13-game win streak into Tuesday's doubleheader, the best in-season run for the program since the team won 20 straight in 2003. Notre Dame also has won 18 of its last 10 games dating back to March 6.

This week's three games (before BIG EAST Conference play this weekend at Providence and Connecticut) are a key component of Notre Dame's non-conference slate this season and features two of the top teams in the Midwest.

**Notre Dame quick hits:** What you need to know about the Irish for Tuesday's doubleheader:

- The Notre Dame - Purdue series has been a seesaw affair, as the Boilermakers won six of the first eight meetings, followed by the Irish winning seven of the next eight games. Purdue broke Notre Dame's seven-game win streak in the series in game two last year at Ivy Field.

- Notre Dame is on a 13-game win streak and has hit .344 as a team during the run, scoring 70 runs and posting 63 RBI.

- While the offensive numbers are impressive, the Irish also have shut down their opponents with outstanding pitching, the team ERA over the winning streak is 0.40 and the Irish pitchers have struck out 115 batters in 87 innings (a ratio of 9.25 per game).

**Series history vs. Purdue and team analysis:** Notre Dame and Purdue will be meeting for the 17th and 18th time on Tuesday ... the Irish lead the all-time series 9-7 ... Purdue snapped Notre Dame's seven-game win streak in the series with a 4-3, eight-inning victory in game two at Ivy Field last season ... Notre Dame is 6-3 at Purdue's Varsity Softball Complex ... Purdue is 28-13 in 2005 with a 5-1 Big Ten record, including at split vs. #24 Iowa last weekend ... Andrea Hillsey is leading the Boilers with a .400 batting average this season, six home runs and 23 RBI ... DaQueta Johnson serves as the power hitter in the lineup with seven home runs and 31 RBI ... Diana LeRiva is the pitching leader for the Boilers, boasting a 1.57 ERA with 109 strikeouts in 93.1 innings pitched.

**Series history vs. Illinois-Chicago and team analysis:** Notre Dame and UIC will be meeting for the 27th time on Thursday ... Thursday's game is a rematch of UIC's victory at the NCAA Region VII tournament last season, eliminating Notre Dame from the regional ... UIC is 28-19 overall and 5-1 in Horizon League play ... Cameron Astiazaran is one of the most dangerous hitters in the Midwest this season, as she is hitting .477 with 11 home runs and 31 RBI ... Brittany McIntyre (3.37 ERA, 13-9) and Mercedes Lovato (3.65 ERA, 14-8) lead the Flames pitching staff ... Notre Dame is 6-5 all-time at Flames Field.

**13-game run ties 2002 streak for third-longest of the Gumpf era:** Notre Dame has won its last 13 contests (and 18 of its last 19 games), matching a 13-game run in 2002 for the third-longest of the Deanna Gumpf era.

Gumpf took over the program in 2002 and posted winning streaks of 14 and 13 games that season, winning 27 of 28 games in the months of March and April. The 2003 team won 20 straight games from April 1 - April 26.

Here is a look at Notre Dame's current winning streak:

- vs. Oakland (at Buckeye Invitational), W, 8-0
- vs. Eastern Michigan (at Buckeye Invitational), W, 4-1
- vs. Western Michigan, W, 2-1
- vs. Valparaiso, W, 5-0
- vs. Valparaiso, W, 10-0
- vs. Loyola Chicago, W, 10-0
- at Villanova, W, 4-0
- at Villanova, W, 2-0
- Eastern Michigan, W, 1-0
- Eastern Michigan, W, 7-5
- Ball State, W, 4-1
- at Pittsburgh, W, 7-2
- at Pittsburgh, W, 6-0

**Irish have dominated the month of April under Gumpf:** Since Deanna Gumpf took over the Irish softball program in 2002 - the team has been close to unbeatable in the month

## 2005 Notre Dame Softball Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Hometown (High School)	'05 Stats
1	Steffany Stenglein***	Sr.	P	5-10	R/R	Huntington Beach, CA (Marina)	10-4, 1.56 ERA, 141 Ks
2	Brittany Glynn	Fr.	OF	5-3	R/R	Seymour, CT (St. Joseph)	5 GP, 1 R
3	Katie Laing	Fr.	SS/2B	5-4	R/R	Chandler, AZ (Corona del Sol)	.354, 9 2B, 2 HR, 10 RBI
4	Carrie Wisen***	Sr.	P/DP	5-7	R/R	Fullerton, CA (Sonora)	.348, 12 RBI
5	Kenya Fuemmeler*	So.	UT/P	5-7	R/R	Salisbury, MO (Salisbury)	2 APP, 3 GP
8	Liz Hartmann***	Sr.	3B	5-9	R/R	Novato, CA (San Marin)	.311, 8 2B, 22 RBI
11	Gessica Hufnagle*	So.	C	5-6	R/R	Middlebury, IN (Northridge)	.182, 2 RBI, 2 SB
16	Mallorie Lenn**	Jr.	C	5-8	R/R	Garden Grove, CA (Pacifica)	.213, 3 2B, 3 RBI
20	Nicole Wicks*	Sr.	OF	5-5	R/R	Renton, WA (Hazen)	25 GGP, 10 R, 8 SB
21	Megan Ciolli***(C)	Sr.	OF	5-9	L/R	Terre Haute, IN (North Vigo)	.370, 15 RBI, 15 SB
22	Sara Schoonaert**	Jr.	SS/2B	5-5	R/R	Houston, TX (Clear Lake)	.284, 9 RBI, 4 SB
24	Stephanie Brown*	So.	OF/2B	5-6	L/R	Chandler, AZ (Corona del Sol)	.327, 6 2B, 6 SB
27	Carissa Jaquish*	So.	C/DP	5-6	R/R	Highland, CA (Redlands E.V.)	.240, 4 RBI
32	Heather Booth**	Jr.	P	5-10	R/R	Riverside, CA (MLK)	13-4, 1.10 ERA, 92 Ks
34	Sarah Smith	Fr.	OF	5-7	L/R	Oklahoma City, OK (Heritage Hall)	22 GP, 6 R, 1 SB
44	Kellie Middleton*	Jr.	OF	5-6	R/R	Norcross, GA (Marist)	.286, 8 RBI, 12 SB
77	Meagan Ruthrauff**	Jr.	1B	5-10	R/R	La Mirada, CA (La Serna)	.326, 3 HR, 17 RBI

\* - indicates monograms won

### Staff

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '92) - fourth season at Notre Dame

Assistant Coaches: Charmelle Green (Utah '91), Kris Ganeyff (Notre Dame '99)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Roggeman • Athletic Trainer: Chantal Porter • Senior Manager: Jason Koralewski

of April. Entering Tuesday's doubleheader, the Irish are 71-8 (.899) in April over the last four years.

Here is a breakdown of Notre Dame's record during April since 2002.

2002: 24-1

2003: 21-2

2004: 19-5

2005: 7-0

**Snapshot of the Irish:** Notre Dame has endeavored to find its 2005 identity this season, but might have found a successful formula over Spring Break. After struggling through the four weeks of the season with silent bats, the Irish offense exploded during Hawaii's Spring Fling for 45 hits and 25 runs. The offensive production was, hopefully, a sign of good things to come for the team as they return to the Midwest for regional and BIG EAST Conference action.

Senior team captain Megan Ciolli (.370, 37 H, 7 2B, 2 HR, 15 RBI, 15 SB) has led from the front since the team took the field this season. Junior Meagan Ruthrauff (.326, 7 2B, 17 RBI) and senior Liz Hartmann (.311, 8 2B, 3 HR, 22 RBI) have shown signs of giving Ciolli dedicated support in the Irish lineup.

The pitching staff has been steadily improving for the Irish since the team returned from spring break. Junior Heather Booth (13-4, 1.10 ERA) has turned in just one sub-par start (vs. Pacific) this season and has five shutouts and 12 complete games to her credit. Senior Steffany Stenglein (1.56 ERA, 141 K in 94.0 IP) has been untouchable early in games, but has fallen off after the sixth inning and has allowed nine home runs this season. In the end, opponents are hitting just .150 against Stenglein in 2005.

Notre Dame's defense, unsure of itself early in the season, has benefitted from one positional move. Junior Sara Schoonaert has taken over at shortstop and performed well, while freshman Katie Laing has moved over to second base and been steady.

Laing (.354, 9 2B, 10 RBI) and sophomore Stephanie Brown (.327, 6 2B, 5 RBI) have started to give the Irish some production at the top of the lineup as well.

**Winning streak statistics:** During Notre Dame's current 13-game winning streak, the Irish have posted some impressive statistics, both individually and as a team.

Stephanie Brown has posted a .419 batting average during the streak, while Liz Hartmann boasts a .395 batting average with 18 RBI. Carrie Wisen (.417), Sara Schoonaert (.406), Katie Laing (.395) and Megan Ciolli (.390) all have posted outstanding batting averages as well.

The pitching staff has compiled its own impressive numbers as well. The team ERA is 0.40 during the streak, led by Heather Booth's 0.17, trailed closely by Stenglein with 0.68. Stenglein has struck out 68 batters in 41.0 innings pitched, and both pitchers have combined for six shutouts during the streak.

**Stenglein posting eye-popping strikeout numbers:** With 58 strikeouts in her last six starts, senior Steffany Stenglein has blown by the 600-strikeout barrier - after reaching 500 strikeouts earlier this season. The Huntington Beach, Calif., native has struck out 141 batters in 94.0 innings this season, a ratio of 10.5 Ks per 7.0 innings pitched. She has reached double-digit strikeouts seven times this season and has posted at least nine in seven of her

### Notre Dame Sports Information

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Requests to interview student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance. Credentials for home games can be obtained by calling Wasielewski.

Statistics, results and weekly releases (typically released on Wednesday of each week of the season) also are readily available on Notre Dame's official athletic site, [www.und.com](http://www.und.com).

If you wish to be added to the Notre Dame softball weekly release distribution list, please send an e-mail to: Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

**2005 ESPN.com/USA Softball  
Top 25 - March 29**

Rnk-Team, Points, '05 Record, last ranking			
1. Michigan (17)	496	31-1	1
2. Arizona (3)	480	26-2	2
3. California	454	29-3	3
4. Texas	438	26-4	4
5. <b>Tennessee</b>	423	37-4	5
6. Texas A&M	390	31-2	t-7
7. Stanford	388	23-4	6
8. Baylor	351	31-4	t-7
9. Oklahoma	342	33-6	9
10. <b>UCLA</b>	318	18-6	10
11. Alabama	300	36-7	11
12. Georgia	290	28-7	12
13. <b>Florida</b>	234	27-6	14
14. La.-Lafayette	229	22-7	13
15. Oregon State	224	19-6	15
16. Missouri	202	27-3	16
17. Washington	155	16-9	17
18. Fresno State	154	20-7	18
19. Iowa	136	25-5	21
20. <b>Arizona State</b>	108	25-7	22
21. Georgia Tech	101	32-7	23
22. Nebraska	69	20-11	t-19
23. <b>Northwestern</b>	63	18-9	24
24. Creighton	38	22-4	NR
25. LSU	36	17-11	t-19

Others receiving votes: Auburn, Southern Illinois, Florida State, Oklahoma State, Long Beach State, Illinois State, **DePaul**, Oregon.

2005 opponents in **bold**.  
( ) - first place votes

**Notre Dame in the 2005  
ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25**

Preseason: ORV (33rd)  
Feb. 8: ORV (41st)  
Feb. 15: ORV (39th)  
Feb. 22: not ranked  
March 1: not ranked  
March 8: not ranked  
March 15: not ranked  
March 22: not ranked  
March 29: not ranked

last eight starting appearances. She currently has 621 career strikeouts and is the third Irish player to reach 600 Ks in her career.

**Ciulli looks to continue her climb up the career charts:** Along with classmate Liz Hartmann, 2004 third-team All-American and BIG EAST Player of the Year Megan Ciulli has been a three-year starter since stepping on campus in 2001-02. Batting at the top of the lineup for a majority of her career (second freshman season, first sophomore season, third junior season), Ciulli has established herself as one of the top offensive players to ever don an Irish uniform.

Her current career rankings include second in batting average (.367 entering Tuesday's doubleheader), tied for second in stolen bases, fourth in runs scored, fifth in hits, ninth in home runs and seventh in triples. She also is poised to break into the top 10 in games played and doubles this season and is on pace to break the hits and stolen base records this season. A complete list of current Notre Dame players threatening career records appear on page eight of this notes package.

Ciulli's countdown for all-time records -  
Hits: 249 (needs 19 to tie the all-time record)  
Stolen Bases: 58 (needs two more to tie the all-time record)

**Ciulli becomes first Notre Dame NPF draft selection:** National Pro Fastpitch announced its 2005 Senior College Player Selections last week and current Irish senior Megan Ciulli was selected by the Chicago Bandits with the first selection of the second round (seventh overall).

Due to NCAA regulations, an active college player may not sign with her respective franchise until their 2005 college season is finished. Senior selections expire on July 15, 2005.

The NPF officially announced that it will enter the 2005 season with six teams - the Akron Racers, Arizona Heat, Chicago Bandits, New England Riptide, NY/NJ Juggernaut and the Texas Thunder. The California Sunbirds will remain part of the league but will suspend play in 2005 to restructure the franchise.

The Bandits will be competing in their first season in the NPF and have already signed Olympic Team standout Jennie Finch. The season will run through June 2 through August 28 and will consist of a 48-game regular season schedule for each team, an all-star game, playoffs and a Championship Series. NPF continues to be the Official Development Partner of Major League Baseball and has recently developed a new alliance with ASA/USA Softball and the International Softball Federation (ISF). This alliance will help promote international play by inviting teams from China, China Taipei, Japan, Canada, Puerto Rico, Australia and Venezuela to play against NPF teams. A finalized schedule will be released in March.

**Irish pitchers reach strikeout milestones in 2005:** Senior Steffany Stenglein and junior Heather Booth have both reach strikeout mile-

**2005 USA Today/NFCA  
Division I Top 25 - March 30**

Rnk-Team, Points, '05 Record, last ranking			
1. Michigan (22)	598	31-1	1
2. Arizona (1)	575	26-2	2
3. California (1)	554	29-3	3
4. <b>Tennessee</b>	523	37-4	4
5. Texas	496	26-4	6
6. Stanford	471	23-4	5
7. <b>UCLA</b>	442	18-6	7
8. Oklahoma	428	33-6	7
9. Texas A&M	402	31-2	12
10. Baylor	397	31-4	9
11. Alabama	382	36-7	10
12. Georgia	333	28-7	13
13. La.-Lafayette	299	22-7	11
14. <b>Florida</b>	261	27-6	15
15. Missouri	252	27-3	14
16. Oregon State	250	19-6	16
17. Washington	189	16-9	16
18. <b>Arizona State</b>	188	25-7	19
19. Georgia Tech	166	32-7	21
20. <b>Northwestern</b>	121	18-9	20
21. Fresno State	115	20-7	23
22. Nebraska	94	20-11	18
23. Auburn	66	32-9	25
24. Iowa	55	27-5	NR
25. Creighton	37	22-4	NR

Others receiving votes: LSU, Oregon, Florida State, UNLV, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, Long Beach State

2005 opponents in **bold**.  
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**Notre Dame in the 2004  
USA Today/NFCA  
Division I Top 25**

Preseason: ORV (27th)  
Feb. 16: ORV (35th)  
Feb. 23: not ranked  
March 2: not ranked  
March 9: not ranked  
March 16: not ranked  
March 23: not ranked  
March 30: not ranked

## 2005 BIG EAST Conference Standings

Team	BIG EAST				OVERALL (Game as of Sunday, April 10)						ND outcome vs. opponent
	W-L	Pts.	H	A	W-L-T	Pct.	H	A	N		
Seton Hall	6-2	18	5-1	1-1	19-10	.655	11-3	3-2	5-5	H - 4-24-05	
NOTRE DAME	4-0	12	0-0	4-0	24-8	.750	6-0	9-2	9-6		
Syracuse	4-2	12	1-1	3-1	16-12	.571	1-1	8-6	7-5	H - 5-1-05	
Boston College	3-3	9	2-0	1-3	13-15	.464	2-0	6-7	5-8	H - 4-29-05	
Connecticut	3-7	9	2-2	1-5	11-18	.379	3-2	5-9	3-7	A - 4-17-05	
Providence	3-1	9	3-1	0-0	23-8	.742	9-3	4-1	10-4	A - 4-16-05	
Pittsburgh	2-2	6	0-2	2-0	15-17	.452	1-2	5-5	9-10	A - 4-9-05	
St. John's	2-4	6	2-4	0-0	15-21	.417	2-4	3-8	10-9	H - 4-22-05	
Villanova	2-4	6	0-2	2-2	24-16	.600	4-4	3-3	17-9	W, 4-0, W, 2-0	
Rutgers	1-5	3	0-2	1-3	1-27	.036	0-6	1-7	0-14	rained out	

**Note:** As voted by the head softball coaches, the BIG EAST softball standings will be determined by a 3/1 points system. Three points will be awarded for a conference win, one point for a tie and no points for a loss. Conference competition began the weekend of April 2-3. H - indicates home doubleheader at Ivy Field. A - Indicates doubleheader on the road. The top four teams qualify for the 2005 BIG EAST Championship in South Bend, Ind.

### BIG EAST Weekly Awardwinners

#### Player of the Week

Feb. 21 - Sheri Donley, SS, Villanova  
 Feb. 28 - Sarah Wall, 3B, Villanova  
 March 7 - Shawna Norris, 2B, Syracuse  
 March 14 - **Kellie Middleton, OF, Notre Dame**  
 Shannon Garvin, SS, Providence  
 March 21 - **Liz Hartmann, 3B, Notre Dame**  
 D'Arcy Djakalovic, 2B, Seton Hall  
 March 28 - Laura Taylor, 1B, Seton Hall  
 April 5 - Francesca Dimaria, 2B, Pittsburgh  
 April 11 - Shawna Norris, Syracuse

#### Pitcher of the Week

Feb. 21 - Courtney Mosch, Syracuse  
 Feb. 28 - Megan Meyer, Seton Hall  
 March 7 - Nicole Bartholomew, Providence  
 March 14 - **Heather Booth, Notre Dame**  
 March 21 - Megan Meyer, Seton Hall  
 March 28 - Megan Meyer, Seton Hall  
 April 5 - **Heather Booth, Notre Dame**  
 April 11 - Megan Meyer, Seton Hall

stones during the '05 season. Stenglein struck out 11 batters against Utah on Feb. 18, becoming the third Irish pitcher to record 500 strikeouts in a career and blew past the 600-strikeout barrier early last week.

Stenglein currently has 621, trailing Terri Kobata (907) and Jennifer Sharron (728) on the all-time list.

Booth posted her 400th career strikeout against #3/4 UCLA in a hard-fought 3-1 loss to the Bruins on Feb. 25. She currently has 475 Ks to her credit and is the fourth Irish pitcher to clear that objective - joining Stenglein, Sharron and Kobata.

**Ruthrauff looking for 100 career RBI:** After senior Liz Hartmann cleared the 100-RBI barrier at Hawaii's Spring Fling two weeks ago, junior Meagan Ruthrauff is looking to join her teammate in the 100-RBI club at Notre Dame.

Hartmann became the eighth player to post 100 RBI in a career - and Ruthrauff will become the ninth some time this season. Ruthrauff currently has 98 RBI. She drove in 54 last season, becoming just the second Irish player to post over 50 RBI in a season.

**16 hits at Loyola Chicago most in two years for ND:** Notre Dame's 16 team hits in a 10-0 victory at Loyola Chicago on Thursday, March 31, are the most for the team since the 2003 season. On April 23 vs. Valparaiso, the Irish pounded out 17 hits in a 15-1 victory. The school record for hits in a single game is 21 against Rhode Island in 1992.

**Notre Dame earns second tournament title of 2005 at Hawaii Spring Fling:** Notre Dame's 4-0 run through an abbreviated Spring Fling tournament at the University of Hawaii earned the team its second tournament title of the year. Combined with the GRU Classic (Feb. 10-13 - see note that follows) Notre Dame joins the '01 team as the only Irish team to claim two early-season tournament titles (the '01 squad won the Holiday Inn Invitational at South Florida and the Frost Tournament in Chattanooga, Tenn.).

**Notre Dame claims first initial weekend tournament title since 2001:** Notre Dame's three consecutive victories in the GRU Classic (Feb. 10-13) in Gainesville, Fla., pushed the Irish through to the tournament title. The first weekend tournament victory marks the first for Notre Dame since the 2001 season, when the Irish swept through the Holiday Inn Invitational at South Florida with a 5-0 record.

**Irish own three wins over ranked teams in 2005:** Notre Dame is 24-8 this season and three of those 24 victories have come against ranked teams. The Irish defeated #21 South Florida and #19 Florida on their first weekend out (Feb. 12-13), then knocked off #5/6 Tennessee last weekend in Palm Springs.

Under head coach Deanna Gumpf, the Irish have knocked off at least three ranked teams in three of four seasons (#25 South Florida, #4 Nebraska, #15 Oregon State in '02; #8 Nebraska, #14 Nebraska, #18 Nebraska in '04). The most ranked wins for the Irish came in 2001, when the team defeated eight teams ranked in the national top 25.

**First back-to-back ranked wins since 2001:** Notre Dame's victories over #21 South Florida (5-1) on Saturday, Feb. 12, and #19 Florida on Sunday, Feb. 13, marked the first time since the 2001 season the Irish have posted two consecutive wins over a ranked opponents.

During the 2001 season, the Irish swept a doubleheader from #10 DePaul on April 19. To find the last time the Irish defeated two consecutive different ranked teams, you will fall back to 2000, when Notre Dame defeated #16 La.-Lafayette and #6 Oklahoma on March 18 at the Kia Klassic.

**South Bend plays host to the 2005 BIG EAST Championship:** For the third time in

### Notre Dame Statistical Leaders

<b>Batting Average</b>	
Ciolti .....	370
Laing .....	354
Wisn .....	348
<b>Hits</b>	
Ciolti .....	37
Brown.....	32
Laing .....	29
Ruthrauff .....	29
<b>RBI</b>	
Hartmann .....	22
Ruthrauff .....	17
Ciolti .....	15
<b>Home Runs</b>	
Hartmann .....	3
Ruthrauff .....	3
Ciolti .....	2
Laing .....	2
<b>Stolen Bases</b>	
Ciolti .....	15-16
Middleton .....	12-12
Wicks .....	8-12
<b>Slugging Percentage</b>	
Ciolti .....	.560
Laing .....	.551
Ruthrauff .....	.480
<b>On Base Percentage</b>	
Ruthrauff .....	.417
Ciolti .....	.413
Brown.....	.405
<b>Pitching Record</b>	
Booth.....	13-4
Stenglein .....	10-4
Wisn .....	1-0
<b>ERA</b>	
Booth.....	1.10
Stenglein .....	1.56
Wisn .....	2.90
<b>Strikeouts</b>	
Stenglein .....	141
Booth.....	92
Wisn .....	8
<b>Innings Pitched</b>	
Booth.....	108.2
Stenglein .....	94.0
Wisn .....	9.2
Fuemmeler.....	3.0
<b>Appearances</b>	
Booth.....	21
Stenglein .....	19
Wisn .....	5
Fuemmeler.....	2

the last four years, the BIG EAST Softball Championship will be held in a neutral/off-campus site in 2005.

After Salem, Va., served as the tournament's site in 2002 and 2003, the City of South Bend, Ind., will welcome the 2005 BIG EAST Softball Championship to the Belleville Complex on the far west side of town.

The Belleville Complex is one of the best softball-only facilities in Indiana and served as host to over 3,000 fans when the U.S. Olympic Team played an exhibition double-header in July of 2005.

**California girls:** While three trips to the west coast gives the Irish an opportunity to face several of the top teams in the country this season, Notre Dame's appearances in San Diego (Feb. 18-20), Palm Springs (Feb. 25-27) and the Los Angeles area (March 6-7) also will provide the seven California natives on the team will a chance to play in their home state.

Heather Booth (Riverside), Liz Hartmann (Novato), Carissa Jaquish (Highland), Mallorie Lenn (Garden Grove), Meagan Ruthrauff (La Mirada), Steffany Stenglein (Huntington Beach) and Carrie Wisn (Fullerton) are the seven California natives on the '05 Irish roster.

**Incoming freshman class of 2006:** University of Notre Dame head softball coach Deanna Gumpf has announced the signing of seven student-athletes to national letters of intent last week, landing one of the top recruiting classes in the nation.

Brittney Bargar (Corona, Calif.), Christine Farrell (La Habra, Calif.), Erin Glasco (Johnston City, Ill.), Linda Kohan (Westminster, Calif.), Alexandra Kotcheff (Beverly Hills, Calif.), Stephanie Mola (Naples, Fla.) and Beth Northway (Kentwood, Mich.) will make up the class of 2009.

"This is one of the best recruiting classes I have seen in my career and I feel it is the best in the country," Gumpf says of the group.

"The quality and diversity of this class is second to none. The entire staff is excited to have this group of players join the Notre Dame family."

The class hails from across the country with four California natives, plus players from Michigan, Illinois and Florida. The group also is made up of two pitchers (Bargar, Farrell), a catcher (Glasco), an infielder (Kohan), two outfielders (Kotcheff, Mola) and an infielder/outfielder (Northway) – giving the class excellent balance at all positions.

**BIG EAST loses one team before gaining three in 2006:** With the shift of Virginia Tech to the ACC for the '05 season, the BIG EAST drops down to 10 teams this season before expanding to 13 teams next year when DePaul, South Florida and Louisville join the league (Marquette and Cincinnati to do not compete in softball).

With the addition of three traditional powers, the BIG EAST Conference will quickly become one of the best softball conferences east

### Notre Dame Season Bests

<b>Individual</b>	
Hits	3 seven times
Runs	3 Ciolti (at Loy. Chi, Mar 31)
RBI	4 Hartmann (vs. Valpo, Mar30)
2B	2 five times
3B	1 six times
HR	1 13 times
TB	8 Hartmann (vs. EMU, Mar 20)
BB	2 four times
SB	3 Ciolti (vs. USF, Feb. 12)
PO	14 Ruthrauff (at Loy. Chi, Mar 31)
Ass.	5 Hartmann (at Loy. Chi, Mar 31)
IP	7.0 15 times
SO	12 Stenglein (vs. EMU, Apr 5) Stenglein (vs. Pitt, Apr 9) Booth (vs. Pitt, Apr 9)
<b>Team</b>	
AB	32 vs. Nevada (March 11)
	32 at Loyola Chicago (March 31)
	32 at Pittsburgh (Apr 9)
Runs	10 vs. Valparaiso (March 30)
	10 at Loyola Chicago (March 31)
Hits	16 at Loyola Chicago (March 31)
RBI	9 vs. Valparaiso (March 30)
	9 at Loyola Chicago (March 31)
2B	4 four times
3B	1 six times
HR	3 vs. Valparaiso (March 30)
TB	22 vs. Valparaiso (March 30)
BB	4 four times
SB	5 vs. #21 S. Florida (Feb. 12)
	5 at Villanova (April 4)
PO	21 25 times
Ass.	16 at Loyola Chicago (March 31)
IP	7.0 21 times
SO	12 five times

### Miscellaneous Stats

<u>Multiple Hit Games</u>	
Laing	10
Brown	10
Ciolti	9
Ruthrauff	7
Schoonaert	6
Middleton	6
<u>Multiple RBI Games</u>	
Hartmann	5
Wisn	5
Ciolti	3
Ruthrauff	3
<u>Hitting Streaks</u>	
Ciolti	12
Middleton	6
Laing	6
Wisn (current)	5

## Projected Starting Lineup for Notre Dame:

### RF:

#24, Stephanie Brown  
bench:#20, Nicole Wicks  
#34, Sarah Smith  
#2, Brittany Glynn  
#27, Carissa Jaquish

### CF:

#21, Megan Ciolli

### LF:

#44, Kellie Middleton

### 1B:

#77, Meagan Ruthrauff  
bench: #16, Mallorie Lenn

### 2B:

#3, Katie Laing  
bench: #24, Stephanie Brown

### 3B:

#8, Liz Hartmann  
bench: #77, Meagan Ruthrauff

### SS:

#22, Sara Schoonaert  
bench: #3, Katie Laing

### C:

#11, Gessica Hufnagle  
OR  
#16, Mallorie Lenn  
bench: #27, Carissa Jaquish

### DP:

#16, Mallorie Lenn  
OR  
#4, Carrie Wisen  
bench: #27, Carissa Jaquish

### SP:

#1, Steffany Stenglein  
OR  
#32, Heather Booth  
bench: #4, Carrie Wisen  
#5, Kenya Fuemmeler

## Pronunciation Guide:

Megan *Ciolli*: See-oh-lee  
Kenya *Fuemmeler*: Fimm-lure  
Carissa *Jaquish*: Jay-kwish  
Meagan *Ruthrauff*: Ruth-roff  
Sara *Schoonaert*: Skoon-ert  
Steffany *Stenglein*: Steng-line  
Kris *Ganef*: Gann-eff

of the Mississippi.

Notre Dame will face two of the three new teams entering the league in 2006 this season. The Irish split two games with South Florida at the GRU Classic in Gainesville, Fla., and will travel to DePaul for a doubleheader on April 19.

**High school teammates:** Sophomore Stephanie Brown and freshman Katie Laing are just the third combination of high school teammates to play for the Irish since the program began. Both Brown and Laing played for Corona del Sol in the Chandler, Ariz., area during their prep careers. Debbie Boulac and Stephanie Pinter, both from South Bend, Ind., and St. Joseph High School, played together from 1990-93. Jennifer Sharron and Jessica Sharron, the first second set of sisters to play for the Irish, were on the Notre Dame roster together in 2000 and 2001.

Sisters Debbie and Diane Boulac both played for the Irish, but were not on the same team together.

**Notre Dame now fifth in the NACDA Cup:** The University of Notre Dame stands in fifth place in the second set of winter sports standings released in the 2004-05 United States Sports Academy Division I Directors' Cup all-sports competition sponsored by the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics (formerly known as Sears Directors' Cup).

The current standing comes after the Irish finished the fall seasons in first place — marking the first time in the 12-year history of the program that Notre Dame ranked number one. The previous highest ranking for the Irish had been second in the 2004-05 second set of fall standings.

Winter competition so far has netted Notre Dame 153 points — based on its NCAA combined men's and women's championship in fencing (50 points), a 24th-place NCAA finish in women's swimming (49.5 points) and a 20th-place NCAA finish in men's indoor track and field (53.5 points). Still to come are points from Notre Dame's second-round NCAA appearance in women's basketball. Fall NCAA competition earned the Irish 337 points based on their NCAA title in women's soccer (100 points), their fourth-place finish in women's cross country (80 points), their 11th-place finish in men's cross country (57 points) and their second-round NCAA appearances in both men's soccer and volleyball (50 points each).

Stanford (699.75 points) is first, thanks to its NCAA title in women's volleyball and a runner-up finish in men's swimming. Michigan (689.25) is second, highlighted by an NCAA runner-up finish in wrestling, a quarterfinal appearance in field hockey and a sixth-place finish in women's cross country.

The current standings include results from NCAA fall competition in football, volleyball, field hockey, water polo, men's and women's cross country, and men's and women's soccer - and from winter competition in fencing, rifle, skiing, women's ice hockey, men's and women's swimming, men's and women's indoor track and field, and wrestling.

The next sets of winter standings will be available on April 14 and April 28.

In previous years in which the Directors' Cup competition has been held, Notre Dame has finished 11th in 1993-94, 30th in 1994-95, 11th in 1995-96, 14th in 1996-97, tied for 31st in 1997-98, 25th in 1998-99, 21st in 1999-2000, 11th in 2000-01, 13th in 2001-02, tied for 13th in 2002-03 and 19th in 2003-04.

Here are the current standings:

1. Stanford 699.75, 2. Michigan 689.25, 3. Texas 543.25, 4. Wisconsin 528.75, 5. Notre Dame 490, 6. Auburn 477.5, 7. Tennessee 469.25, 8. UCLA 455.5, 9. Florida 454, 10. Ohio State 438.

**Three options to keep track of Irish softball for out-of-town fans:** The University of Notre Dame Sports Information Office offers three ways to keep up with Irish softball for fans who are out of town or unable to make it to Ivy Field.

Live Audio play-by-play of Notre Dame home games is available to subscribers of the College Sports Pass on [www.und.com](http://www.und.com). Notre Dame Assistant Sports Information Director handles the play-by-play duties.

Go to Notre Dame's official athletic website, [www.und.com](http://www.und.com), and click on the audio-video link at the top of the page to learn more about the College Sports Pass.

Gametracker, live statistical updates during Irish home games and selected away games, is also available for free this season.

Finally, for those not around a computer during competition, fans can call the Notre Dame Sports Hotline at 574-631-3000 to get updates on the Irish softball team. The hotline is updated with brief recaps as soon as possible after each Notre Dame game.

To access the softball information on the hotline, dial 574-631-3000, select 4 for baseball/softball, then 2 for softball information.

2005 Notre Dame Softball Results									
Date	Opponent	Score	RHE-RHE	Inn.	Overall-BIG EAST	Pitcher	GW Run/GW RBI		
2-11	\$at #19 Florida	L 2-3	2-4-0/3-3-1	7	0-1 0-0	Stenglein (L, 0-1)	-		
2-11	\$vs. #21 South Florida	L 0-5	0-1-3/5-6-1	7	0-2 0-0	Booth (L, 0-1)	-		
2-12	\$vs. Coastal Carolina	W 2-0	2-5-1/0-2-0	7	1-2 0-0	Booth (W, 1-1)	Middleton/Ciolti		
2-12	\$vs. #21 South Florida	W 5-1	5-7-1/1-3-3	7	2-2 0-0	Stenglein (W, 1-1)	Hartmann/Jaquish		
2-13	\$at #19 Florida	W 4-2	4-9-1/2-5-0	7	3-2 0-0	Booth (W, 2-1)	Schoonaert/Ciolti		
2-18	^vs. Utah	W 3-2	3-8-2/2-3-2	7	4-2 0-0	Stenglein (W, 2-1)	Brown/Middleton		
2-18	^vs. Fresno State	cancelled							
2-19	^vs. UCLA	rained out							
2-19	^at San Diego State	rained out							
2-20	^vs. Central Michigan	rained out							
2-25	%vs. Loyola Marymount	L 0-7	0-7-2/7-7-0	7	4-3 0-0	Stenglein (L, 1-2)	-		
2-25	%vs. #3/4 UCLA	L 1-3	1-2-1/3-6-0	7	4-4 0-0	Booth (L, 2-2)	-		
2-26	%vs. #NR/20 Pacific	L 1-9	1-9-2/9-12-0	7	4-5 0-0	Booth (L, 2-3)	-		
2-26	%vs. Arizona State	L 1-2	1-4-1/2-8-1	7	4-6 0-0	Stenglein (L, 2-3)	-		
2-27	%vs. #5/6 Tennessee	W 5-2	5-8-0/2-3-1	7	5-6 0-0	Booth (W, 3-3)	Len/Ruthrauff		
3-6	at Loyola Marymount	W 2-1	2-7-2/1-6-2	7	6-6 0-0	Booth (W, 4-3)	Brown/Ruthrauff		
3-6	at Loyola Marymount	L 0-5	0-2-0/5-4-0	7	6-7 0-0	Stenglein (L, 2-4)	-		
3-7	at UC Santa Barbara	W 1-0	1-4-0/0-6-1	7	7-7 0-0	Booth (W, 5-3)	Middleton/Schoonaert		
3-9	&vs. Campbell	W 6-1	6-12-0/1-3-1	7	8-7 0-0	Stenglein (W, 3-4)	Len/Middleton		
3-9	&at Hawaii	W 9-1	9-13-0/1-2-3	5	9-7 0-0	Booth (W, 6-3)	Laing/Brown		
3-10	&vs. Virginia	W 3-1	3-7-0/1-3-0	7	10-7 0-0	Stenglein (W, 4-4)	Middleton/Ciolti		
3-11	&vs. Nevada	W 7-1	7-13-0/1-5-0	7	11-7 0-0	Booth (W, 7-3)	Len/Hartmann		
3-19	&vs. Marshall	L 4-7	4-9-2/7-8-3	7	11-8 0-0	Booth (L, 7-4)	-		
3-19	@at Ohio State	cancelled (weather delays)							
3-20	@vs. Oakland	W 8-0	8-11-0/0-3-3	5	12-8 0-0	Stenglein (W, 5-4)	Smith/Hartmann		
3-20	@vs. E. Michigan	W 4-1	4-8-2/1-2-1	7	13-8 0-0	Booth (W, 8-4)	Ciolti/Hartmann		
3-24	Western Michigan	W 2-1	2-4-0/1-5-2	7	14-8 0-0	Booth (W, 9-4)	Wicks/Wisen		
3-30	Valparaiso	W 5-0	5-10-2/0-2-2	7	15-8 0-0	Stenglein (W, 6-4)	Hartmann/Len		
3-30	Valparaiso	W 10-0	10-10-2/0-0-2	5	16-8 0-0	Wisen (W, 1-0)	Brown/Brown		
3-31	at Loyola Chicago	W 10-0	10-16-0/0-1-1	7	17-8 0-0	Booth (W, 10-4)	Laing/Ciolti		
4-2	*at Rutgers	rained out							
4-2	*at Rutgers	rained out							
4-4	*at Villanova	W 4-0	4-9-1/0-1-3	7	18-8 1-0	Stenglein (W, 7-4)	Laing/Wisen		
4-4	*at Villanova	W 2-0	2-7-0/0-3-0	7	19-8 2-0	Booth (W, 11-4)	Laing/Laing		
4-5	Eastern Michigan	W 1-0	1-2-0/0-2-1	7	20-8 2-0	Stenglein (W, 8-4)	Ciolti/Ruthrauff		
4-5	Eastern Michigan	W 7-5	7-9-2/5-7-1	7	21-8 2-0	Stenglein (W, 9-4)	Jaquish/Middleton		
4-7	Ball State	W 4-1	4-8-2/1-3-0	7	22-8 2-0	Booth (W, 12-4)	Laing/Hartmann		
4-9	*at Pittsburgh	W 7-2	7-11-0/2-4-5	7	23-8 3-0	Stenglein (W, 10-4)	Smith/Len		
4-9	*at Pittsburgh	W 6-0	6-12-1/0-2-0	7	24-8 4-0	Booth (W, 13-4)	Smith/Wisen		

\* - BIG EAST Conference game  
 \$ - GRU Classic (Gainesville, Fla.)  
 ^ - Campbell-Cartier Tournament (San Diego, Calif.)  
 % - Palm Springs Classic (Palm Springs, Calif.)  
 & - Hawaii Spring Fling (Honolulu, Hawaii)  
 @ - Buckeye Invitational (Columbus, Ohio)

### Current Irish Players on the Career Charts:

#### Games Played

1. Jarrah Myers.....	245
10. Elizabeth Perkins .....	231
- <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	213
- <b>Liz Hartmann</b> .....	210

#### At Bats

1. Jenny Kriech .....	790
2. Melanie Alkire.....	765
3. Sara Hayes .....	720
Lizzy Lemire.....	720
5. Elizabeth Perkins .....	719
6. Jarrah Myers.....	714
7. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	678
8. Andria Bledsoe.....	674
9. Andrea Loman .....	671
10. Jenn Giampaolo.....	654
- <b>Liz Hartmann</b> .....	582

#### Batting Average

1. Meghan Murray.....	.380
2. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	.367
3. Katie Marten.....	.367
4. Jarrah Myers.....	.350

#### Runs Scored

1. Andrea Loman .....	164
2. Jenny Kriech .....	158
3. Jarrah Myers.....	153
4. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	139
5. Katie Marten.....	137
6. Meghan Murray.....	135
7. Melanie Alkire.....	129
8. Andria Bledsoe.....	117

#### Most Hits

1. Jenny Kriech .....	268
2. Melanie Alkire.....	260
3. Meghan Murray.....	254
4. Jarrah Myers.....	250
5. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	249
6. Sara Hayes .....	243
7. Lizzy Lemire.....	239
8. Andrea Loman .....	233
9. Jenn Giampaolo.....	218

#### Doubles

1. Melanie Alkire.....	49
9. Jarrah Myers.....	35
- <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	33

#### Triples

1. Jenny Kriech .....	19
4. Three players with.....	11
7. Three players with.....	8
7. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	8

#### Home Runs

1. Jarrah Myers.....	36
2. Andrea Loman .....	31
3. Melanie Alkire.....	30
4. <b>Liz Hartmann</b> .....	27
5. Sara Hayes .....	26
6. <b>Megan Ruthrauff</b> .....	18
7. Meghan Murray.....	15

8. Andria Bledsoe.....	14
9. <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	12
<b>Mallorie Lenn</b> .....	10

#### RBI

1. Jarrah Myers.....	174
2. Melanie Alkire.....	167
3. Andrea Loman .....	148
4. Sara Hayes .....	137
5. Meghan Murray.....	129
6. Lizzy Lemire.....	126
7. Andria Bledsoe.....	125
8. <b>Liz Hartmann</b> .....	119
9. Elizabeth Perkins .....	98
10. <b>Megan Ruthrauff</b> .....	98
11. Jenn Giampaolo.....	87
- <b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	86

#### Walks

1. Andrea Loman .....	87
2. Jarrah Myers.....	76
3. Jenny Kriech .....	66
Sara Hayes .....	66
5. <b>Megan Ruthrauff</b> .....	65
6. Melanie Alkire.....	61
7. Ruth Kmak .....	52

#### Stolen Bases

1. Andrea Loman .....	60
2. Katie Marten.....	58
<b>Megan Ciolli</b> .....	58
4. Jenny Kriech .....	55
5. Jarrah Myers.....	43
6. Jenn Giampaolo.....	41
7. Alexi Madrid .....	39
Danielle Klayman.....	39
Meghan Murray.....	39
10. Lisa Miller.....	38
- <b>Kellie Middleton</b> .....	32

#### Pitching

##### Appearances

1. Jennifer Sharron .....	134
2. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	132
3. Angela Bessolo.....	125
4. Missy Linn.....	122
5. Kelly Nichols .....	116
Staci Alford.....	116
7. Joy Battersby .....	99
8. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	96
9. <b>Carrie Wisen</b> .....	94

##### Games Started

1. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	117
Jennifer Sharron .....	117
3. Missy Linn.....	97
4. Terri Kobata.....	94
5. Angela Bessolo.....	90
6. Joy Battersby .....	83
7. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	82
8. Staci Alford.....	62

##### Wins

1. Jennifer Sharron .....	88
2. Terri Kobata.....	79
3. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	68
4. Missy Linn.....	63
5. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	59
6. Angela Bessolo.....	53

7. Stacie Alford.....	48
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#### Shutouts

1. Terri Kobata.....	42
2. Jennifer Sharron .....	38
3. Missy Linn.....	29
4. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	19
5. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	15
Angela Bessolo.....	15
Staci Alford.....	15

#### Innings Pitched

1. Jennifer Sharron .....	772.1
2. Missy Linn.....	670.0
3. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	642.1
4. Terri Kobata.....	630.0
5. Staci Alford.....	571.2
6. Angela Bessolo.....	562.2
7. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	539.0
8. Joy Battersby .....	491.0

#### Strikeouts

1. Terri Kobata.....	907
2. Jennifer Sharron .....	728
3. <b>Steffany Stenglein</b> .....	621
4. <b>Heather Booth</b> .....	454
5. Angela Bessolo.....	445



2005 Notre Dame Softball Player Biography Updates (alphabetical order) -

**Booth, Heather • #32 • 5-10 • Jr. • P • R/R • Riverside, Calif. (Martin Luther King)**

One of Notre Dame's top two pitchers (along with senior Steffany Stenglein) ... a veteran who brings consistency to the Irish pitching staff ... rarely rattled in the circle and has the ability to work through tough innings ... has worked on a variety of additional pitches during the offseason.

2005: Matched her career seven-inning game high with 12 strikeouts, while allowing just two hits, in game two at Pittsburgh (6-0 Irish victory) ... posted 12th victory of the season vs. Ball State, pitching four innings, striking out six and allowing three hits and one unearned run ... earned second BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week award on Tuesday, April 5 after posting a 0.00 ERA in three starts from 3-21 to 4-5, earning two victories, allowing four hits in 16 innings while striking out 13 ... picked up a complete-game shutout victory in her first BIG EAST Conference appearance, allowing three hits and striking out five at Villanova ... just missed her first solo no-hitter at Loyola Chicago, giving up a single with two outs in the bottom of the seventh inning ... struck out three and walked three against Loyola Chicago, getting 15 ground ball outs ... combined with teammate Carrie Wisen to earn a share of her first career no-hitter/perfect game in game two vs Valparaiso ... pitched two innings, striking out five of the first six batters of the game ... Wisen finished off the final three innings for the perfect game ... shut down Western Michigan over the final four innings, allowing two hits and striking out four to earn a victory in Notre Dame's come-from-behind 2-1 victory ... pitched six innings of no-hit softball after allowing a run in the first inning vs. Eastern Michigan (4-1 Irish victory), retiring 18 of the final 19 batters in the contest ... named BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on March 14 after posting three victories and a save during Spring Break ... allowed two earned runs in four appearances ... missed out on a shutout opportunity vs. Nevada, allowing one run in the seventh inning while striking out six and scattering five hits ... entered the bottom of the seventh against Virginia with the bases loaded and one out ... earned save with a strikeout and pop up ... the save was the second of her career ... picked up a five-inning victory at Hawaii, allowing one run on two hits while striking out three ... scattered six hits and allowed on run in a 3-1 victory at Loyola Marymount ... earned a six-hit shutout victory at UC Santa Barbara, striking out six in a 1-0 victory ... entered the game against #5/6 Tennessee in relief, eventually picking up the victory by holding the Lady Vols to one hit in 4.2 innings and striking out five ... pitched a gutsy game against #19 Florida in the championship of the GRU Classic, avoiding damage from five walks to strikeout eight, scatter five hits and allow two runs (one earned) ... allowed two hits in a complete-game victory (2-0) over Coastal Carolina at the GRU Classic.

2005 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (March 14)

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (April 5)

2005 Statistics -

ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	IP	SO	SV
1.10	13-4	21	16	12	5	108.2	92	1

Career Statistics -

ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO	IP	SO	SV
1.55	59-23	96	82	55	19	539.0	475	2

**Brown, Stephanie • #24 • 5-8 • So. • OF/2B • L/R • Chandler, Ariz. (Corona del Sol)**

Makes a position switch from second base (school-record tying 69 starts in '04) to rightfield in 2005 ... has returned to second base for two games this season (vs. Arizona State, vs. #5/6 Tennessee) ... a versatile athlete capable of making great defensive plays and possesses an accurate outfield arm ... an outstanding offensive force at the plate, capable of bunting, slapping or hitting for power ... tied the freshman record for home runs in a season in 2004 with seven ... was Notre Dame's leadoff hitter in 2004 and has seen a majority of her time in that role in '05.

2005: two for three with a single and double vs. Ball State ... keyed Notre Dame's offensive surge at Loyola Chicago, going three for five at the plate with a double, RBI and run scored ... led off game two vs. Valparaiso with her first home run of the season, a solo shot to rightfield ... ended up one for one in the game with two runs scored, a walk and hit by pitch ... two for four with a double in game one vs. Valparaiso ... two for four with a stolen base and run scored vs. Eastern Michigan (4-1 Irish victory) ... two for three with a double vs. Oakland (8-0 Irish victory) ... contributed her first outfield assist of the season vs. Nevada ... also drew two walks and scored a run vs. the Wolfpack ... two for four with a run and RBI in a 9-1 victory over Hawaii ... carded first three-hit game of the year vs. Campbell, going three for three at the plate with two runs scored and a stolen base ... posted a great over the shoulder catch at the fence to rob #3/4 UCLA of a home run on Feb. 25 ... two for two with two runs scored an her first career triple in a 3-2 victory over Utah.

2005 Awards:

Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team

2005 Statistics -

Avg.	Slg.%	OB%	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB-SBA	Fld.%
.327	.439	.405	16	32	6	1	1	5	10	6-8	1.000

Career Statistics -

Avg.	Slg.%	OB%	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB-SBA	Fld.%
.309	.438	.364	63	100	16	1	8	35	21	17-26	.959

**Ciulli, Megan • #21 • 5-9 • Sr. • OF • L/R • Terre Haute, Ind. (North Vigo)**

2005 Team Captain ... will look to repeat her '04 All-America honors with a stellar final season ... a consistent offensive force at the plate ... her .366 career batting average ranks third all-time ... batted third in '04 after hitting leadoff in '03 and second in '02 ... threatens several career offensive marks (see "Irish On Career Charts" note in this package) ... has batted both lead off and in the third spot this season.

2005 - Currently leads the team in hits, batting average and stolen bases ... two for four with two singles and RBI and run scored in game two at Pittsburgh ... one for two with a double and run scored in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... dominated the single game at Loyola Chicago, going three for four at the plate with three runs scored, two RBI, a double, stolen base and walk ... finished one for two with a run, RBI and sacrifice fly in game two vs. Valparaiso ... two for three with a run scored in game one vs. Valparaiso ... two for three with an RBI, run scored and two stolen bases vs. Eastern Michigan ... one for four with a run scored and stolen base vs. Nevada ... posted first three-hit game of the season at Hawaii (9-1 Irish victory), going three for three with a run, RBI and two doubles ... two for three against Virginia with a run, RBI, triple and stolen base ... one for three with a solo home run in game one at Loyola Marymount (3-1 Irish victory) ... two for three with and RBI in Notre Dame's 5-2 upset of #5/6 Tennessee ... one for two with a solo home run in a 2-1 loss to Arizona State ... one for three with a runs scored and stolen base vs. #3/4 UCLA ... ended up two for three with two RBI and two doubles in Notre Dame's 3-2 victory over Utah ... led the team in hitting during the GRU Classic, going six for 17 (.353) with three RBI (including the game-winner vs. #19 Florida) ... two for four with two RBI singles in 4-2 victory over #19 Florida ... one for three with three stolen bases in 5-1 victory over #21 South Florida ... broke up no-hit bid by USF's Danielle Urbanik in the bottom of the seventh with a solid single to centerfield in 5-0 USF victory on Feb. 11.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.370	.520	.413	20	37	7	1	2	15	6	15-16	.970

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.367	.493	.407	139	249	33	8	12	86	28	58-69	.957

**Fuemmeler, Kenya • #5 • 5-7 • So. • P • R/R • Salisbury, Mo. (Salisbury)**

Will see increased time in the circle this season ... also one of the team's top options at pinch runner ... scored 11 runs in 2004.

2005 - Posted the longest and most impressive performance of her career in game one vs. Valparaiso ... pitched the final two innings vs. the Crusaders, striking out one and not allowing a hit ... combined for her first career shutout with original game starter Steffany Stenglein ... made first pitching appearance vs. Campbell, working one inning and allowing two hits and a run ... struck out two in that same inning.

Career Statistics -

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>APP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
3.82	0-0	3	0	0	0	3.2	3	0

**Glynn, Brittany • #2 • 5-3 • Fr. • OF • R/R • Seymour, Conn. (St. Joseph)**

Freshman player will give the team added depth in the outfield ... also provides increased options at pinch runner.

2005 - First career at bat was recorded in game two vs. Valparaiso (pop up to short stop) ... made her first career appearance as a pinch runner vs. Campbell ... also pinch ran at Hawaii.

**Hartmann, Liz • #8 • 5-9 • Sr. • IF (3B) • R/R • Novato, Calif. (San Marin)**

Every day starter at 3B in '04 returns for her senior season ... streaky hitter capable of putting together monster RBI games ... has hit two home runs in a single game three times in her career ... has a flair for the dramatic home run as well, smashing four game-winning home runs in the sixth-inning or later during her career ... became the eighth Notre Dame player to drive in 100 runs in a career with her RBI vs. Nevada.

2005: two for three with a single and double in game one at Pittsburgh (7-2 Irish victory) ... cranked a game-winning three-run home run in the fifth inning vs. Ball State ... drove in a run with a sacrifice fly at Loyola Chicago ... piled up three hits in four at bats in the doubleheader vs. Valparaiso, driving in five runs during the two games ... hit her second home run of the season - a grand slam - in the first inning of game two, eventually finishing one for two with four RBI and a walk ... two for two with a run, RBI, double and walk in game one ... dominated the Buckeye Invitational, going seven for 10 at the plate with seven RBI and a game-winning three-run home run vs. Eastern Michigan ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week for the first time in her career on March 21, 2005, after her performance in the Buckeye Invitational ... ended up three for four with two doubles, a home run and three RBI vs. Eastern Michigan ... two for three with three RBI, including the game-ending two-RBI double, in Notre Dame's 8-0, five-inning victory vs. Oakland ... two for three with a double and game-tying RBI vs. Marshall (7-4 Irish loss) ... one for three with an RBI vs. Campbell ... one for two with an RBI (the 100th over her career) and sacrifice fly vs. Nevada ... ended up two for four with two singles to leftfield in Notre Dame's 5-2 upset victory over #5/6 Tennessee ... two for four, including first career triple in 5-1 victory over #21 South Florida on Feb. 12.

2005 Awards:  
BIG EAST Player of the Week (03-21-05)  
Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.311	.522	.354	6	28	8	1	3	22	6	0-0	.931

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.258	.447	.302	66	150	27	1	27	119	34	5-7	.951

**Hufnagle, Gessica • #11 • 5-6 • So. • C • R/R • Middlebury, Ind. (Northridge)**

Provides the team valuable and talented depth at catcher ... will see an increase in playing time in '05.

2005: Has stepped in as one of Notre Dame's starting catchers ... finished one for three with a run scored and sacrifice bunt at Loyola Chicago ... one for two with a run scored in game two vs. Valparaiso ... drove in the her second run of the season with an RBI single vs. Nevada ... posted first multi-hit game of her career vs. Campbell, going two for three at the plate with an RBI.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.182	.182	.250	7	6	0	0	0	2	3	2-2	.978

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.164	.164	.220	13	9	0	0	0	4	4	4-4	.976

**Jaquish, Carissa • #27 • 5-9 • So. • C • R/R • Highland, Calif. (Redlands East Valley)**

Gives the Irish talented depth at catcher, along with the ability to play the outfield ... capable of driving in runs and hitting for average ... Notre Dame's top option at DP in '04.

2005: Drove in two runs with an RBI single at Loyola Chicago ... made first start at catcher in Notre Dame's 3-1 loss to #3/4 UCLA ... posted pinch-hit double (first hit of the year) in 5-1 victory over #21 South Florida on Feb. 12.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.240	.360	.333	4	6	1	1	0	4	4	0-0	1.000

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.217	.293	.275	21	40	5	3	1	18	4	5-5	.982

**Laing, Katie • #3 • 5-4 • Fr. • 2B/SS • R/R • Chandler, Ariz. (Corona del Sol)**

Has seen action as Notre Dame's starting shortstop in her rookie season ... has excellent range and a strong arm from the left side hole ... has struggled with her throwing consistency from short stop so far in her first season ... has been solid since a switch to second base for Spring Break.

2005: Two for three with a double and two RBI in game two at Pittsburgh ... launched her second home run of the year in game one at Pittsburgh, going one for three with two RBI and an sacrifice fly ... hit her first career home run, which proved to be the game-winner, in the second inning of game two at Villanova (2-0 Irish victory) ... two for three with two runs scored in game one at Villanova ... made the most of her three starts in the second spot of Notre Dame's lineup while Kellie Middleton was sidelined after dental surgery ... piled up five hits in the three games vs. Valparaiso (DH) and at Loyola Chicago ... two for five with two runs scored, a double, RBI and stolen base at Loyola Chicago ... two for three with two runs scored, an RBI, double and first career triple in game two vs. Valparaiso ... one for three with a run scored and sacrifice bunt in game one vs. Valparaiso ... kick-started Notre Dame's seventh-inning rally vs. Western Michigan with a one-out single, eventually scoring the tying run ... two for three with an RBI, two runs scored and a double vs. Oakland (8-0 Irish victory) ... two for three with a run scored vs. Marshall (7-4 Irish loss) ... two for four with a run scored and RBI vs. Nevada ... two for three with a run scored and stolen base at Hawaii (9-1 Irish victory) ... one for two with a sacrifice, RBI and run scored vs. Campbell ... two for two with two doubles and two runs scoring in 4-2 victory over #19 Florida on Feb. 13 ... first career hit was a double (eventually scoring on a ground out) in 2-0 victory over Coastal Carolina.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.354	.561	.386	21	29	9	1	2	10	3	4-4	.966

**Lenn, Mallorie • #16 • Jr. • 5-8 • DP/C • R/R • Garden Grove, Calif. (Pacifica)**

Returned briefly to the starting lineup as Notre Dame's catcher against Arizona State and #5/6 Tennessee ... will be used as a spot-starter at catcher and at designated player.

2005: Was unavailable for Notre Dame's contest at Loyola Chicago due to class commitments ... started both games of the doubleheader vs. Valparaiso at catcher (two for five at the plate with an RBI in both games) ... broke out of her season-starting slump during Spring Break ... ended up nine for 22 during break and carries a five-game hit streak into the Buckeye Invitational this weekend ... went two for four in game one at Loyola Marymount ... two for three with a run scored vs. Campbell (7-1 Irish victory) ... two for four with a runs scored vs. Nevada.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.213	.350	.238	4	17	3	0	0	3	3	1-1	1.000

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.253	.381	.304	30	105	21	1	10	59	26	4-4	.989

**Middleton, Kellie • #44 • Jr. • 5-6 • OF • R/R • Norcross, Ga. (Marist)**

Returns to the full time line up after missing 61 games last season with an injury ... a potential all-star candidate in the outfield with exceptional speed on defense and the basepaths ... first hit of her first two seasons have been home runs (in '05, her first hit was a bunt, followed by a home run) ... the most dangerous baserunner in the BIG EAST Conference.

2005: drove in the winning run with a two-RBI single in the bottom of the sixth in game two vs. Eastern Michigan (7-5 Irish victory) ... did not play vs. Valparaiso (DH) and at Loyola Chicago while recovering from minor dental surgery ... two for four with a double and run scored vs. Marshall (7-4 Irish loss) ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week on March 14 after hitting .563 during the week and helping Notre Dame claim the Hawaii Spring Fling tournament title ... the award is the first BIG EAST weekly award of her career ... in Notre Dame's 5-0 week, posted six stolen bases, two RBI and nine hits ... posted fourth multi-hit game in five outings vs. Nevada, going two for four with an RBI and two stolen bases ... one for three with a run scored and stolen base vs. Virginia ... two for four with two runs scored and a double at Hawaii ... two for two with two runs scored, an RBI and a stolen base vs. Campbell ... keyed Notre Dame's victory at UC Santa Barbara ... in the fifth inning vs. UCSB, posted a bunt hit, stole second base and scored on an RBI double by Sara Schoonaert for the only run of the game in ND's 1-0 victory ... finished two for three vs. UCSB ... drove in the game-winning run with an RBI single in Notre Dame's 3-2 victory over Utah ... hit first home run of the season for Notre Dame, a two-run shot, in 5-1 victory over #21 South Florida on Feb. 12.

2005 Awards:

BIG EAST Player of the Week (March 14)

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.286	.363	.301	13	26	4	0	1	8	1	12-12	.960

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.274	.409	.297	34	51	10	0	5	21	5	32-34	.952

**Ruthrauff, Meagan • #77 • Jr. • 5-8 • 1B • R/R • La Mirada, Calif. (La Serna)**

Powerful RBI producer in the middle of Notre Dame's lineup ... drove in 54 runs in '04, the second-highest total in school history ... capable of playing any infield position ... focused on raising her batting average this season ... will soon join teammate Liz Hartmann in the 100-RBI club ... will become the ninth Irish player to reach the 100-RBI plateau.

2005: one for four with her third home run of the season (a solo shot) in game one at Pittsburgh ... one for three with an RBI single in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... drove in the only run of the game in game one vs. Eastern Michigan with a double in the bottom of the first inning ... two for three with an RBI and run scored at Loyola Chicago ... also stole her second base of the season vs. the Ramblers ... two for three with a run scored vs. Oakland (8-0 Irish victory) ... one for three with an RBI single vs. Marshall (7-4 Irish loss) ... shook out of a early-season slump to post five hits and six RBI during the Hawaii Spring Fling ... three for four with three RBI and a double vs. Nevada ... one for two with a run scored, three RBI and two sacrifice flies vs. Campbell ... also hit her second home run of the season vs. the Fighting Camels ... crushed her first home run of the season, a three-run shot, to provide the winning margin in Notre Dame's 5-2 upset victory over #5/6 Tennessee ... ended up two for four against the Lady Vols ... two for three with a double against #20 Pacific.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.326	.506	.417	10	29	7	0	3	17	16	2-2	.995

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.306	.485	.401	61	135	25	0	18	98	65	4-4	.995

**Schoonaert, Sara • #22 • Jr. • 5-3 • 2B/SS • R/R • Houston, Texas (Clear Lake)**

After starting the season at second base, has shifted back to shorstop .. has been solid in the left side hole for the Irish defense.

2005: Two for three with two singles and an RBI in game two at Pittsburgh ... two for three with two singles and a run scored in game one at Pittsburgh ... one for two with an RBI single vs. Ball State ... two for three with two singles and an RBI in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... added on an important insurance run with an RBI single in the fifth inning of game two at Villanova (2-0 Irish victory) ... two for four with an RBI, run scored and five perfect plays on defense at Loyola Chciago ... one for two in game two vs. Valparaiso ... one for two with an RBI double and walk in game one vs. Valparaiso ... provided her biggest hit of the season with an RBI double in the fifth inning, driving in the lone run of Notre Dame's 1-0 victory at UC Santa Barbara ... one for three with a triple and run scored in Notre Dame's 5-2 upset victory over #5/6 Tennessee ... drove in Notre Dame's lone run against #20 Pacific with a singled to centerfield ... posted first two hits of the season against #19 Florida, including driving in the winning run with a single in the fifth inning.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.284	.338	.321	8	21	2	1	0	9	3	4-6	.917

Career Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.232	.303	.286	49	59	10	4	0	26	17	13-21	.945

**Smith, Sarah • #34 • Fr. • 5-7 • OF • L/R • Oklahoma City, Okla. (Heritage Hall)**

Rookie role player who will provide depth in the outfield and speed on the basepaths ... also gives the coaching staff a left-handed bat on the bench.

2005 - Has made 13 appearances this season, mostly has a pinch runner ... also has three pinch-hit at bats.

**Stenglein, Steffany • #1 • Sr. • 5-10 • P • R/R • Huntington Beach, Calif. (Marina)**

Veteran starting pitcher looking to cap her career with another outstanding season ... became the second pitcher from Notre Dame to earn the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Year award in 2005 (Jennifer Sharron won four straight from 1998-2001) ... capable of dominating performances in the pitching circle ... just the third pitcher in school history to post 500 strikeouts, reaching that barrier with 11 Ks vs. Utah ... is averaging 10.0 Ks per seven innings this season.

2005: Has failed to post six or more strikeouts in only two starting appearance this season (vs. Tennessee, game one vs. Western Michigan) ... has posted nine or more strikeouts xxxx appearances ... hit 12 strikeouts for the second time this season with a dominating performance at Pittsburgh in game one, allowing four hits, two runs and just one walk ... posted her first career save vs. Ball State, entering the game with a three-run lead in the seventh inning and striking out six of the nine hitters she face without allowing a hit ... earned both victories over Eastern Michigan after pitching the final four innings of Notre Dame's 7-5 victory, striking out four and allowing three hits and one earned run ... sat down a season-high 12 in a complete-game two-hitter vs. Eastern Michigan (1-0 Irish victory) ... struck out 10 in a complete-game one hitter during game one at Villanova ... sat down 10 batters in five innings vs. Valparaiso, allowing two hits to earn the victory ... struck out 10 batters in five innings of work, picking up her first shutout of the season, vs. Oakland ... struck out nine against Marshall in five innings (7-4 Irish loss) ... allowed just two hits and struck out nine in a four-inning appearance vs. Virginia, picking up the victory ... pitched four innings of no-hit softball against Campbell, striking out six before getting replaced by a reliever ... posted her second-consecutive 10-plus strikeout performance in 3-2 victory over Utah, working 6.0 innings, striking out 11 and allowing just two hits ... posted a complete-game three-hitter, allowing one run and striking out 10.

2005 Statistics -

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>APP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
1.56	10-4	19	16	7	3	94.0	141	1

Career Statistics -

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>APP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
2.02	68-30	132	117	45	15	642.1	621	1

**Wicks, Nicole • #20 • Sr. • 5-5 • OF • R/R • Renton, Wash. (Hazen)**

Excellent baserunner will be the first option off the bench in the outfield ... streaky hitter capable of putting together bunches of hits ... possibly Notre Dame's best baserunner who figures out a way to score when on base ... started in rightfield against Arizona State and #5/6 Tennessee ... transferred to Notre Dame from Washington in 2003.

2005: Team's top option at pinch runner ... posted her first hit of the season, a two-run home run, in the first inning of game two vs. Valparaiso ... her first hit last season (and first as a player for the Irish) was also a two-run home run vs. CS Fullerton in the NFCA Leadoff Classic ... scored the winning run on a double by Carrie Wisen in the bottom of the seventh in a 2-1 victory over Western Michigan ... four for seven in stolen base opportunities.

2005 Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.083	.333	.154	10	1	0	0	1	2	1	8-12	1.000

Career Statistics at Notre Dame -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.219	.385	.281	40	37	10	3	4	16	14	20-27	.982

**Wisn, Carrie • #4 • Sr. • 5-7 • P • R/R • Fullerton, Calif. (Sonora)**

Will see an increase in innings pitched this season ... one of the best defensive players on the team ... has developed into Notre Dame's top option at designated player.

2005: One for two with a two-RBI single in the second inning of game two at Pittsburgh (6-0 Irish victory) ... two for two with two singles in game one at Pittsburgh ... two for two with two singles at Loyola Chicago ... combined with teammate Heather Booth for a perfect game/no-hitter in game two vs. Valparaiso, finishing off the final three innings, striking out three ... one for three with two RBI in game one vs. Valparaiso ... posted a walk-off double in the bottom of the seventh vs. Western Michigan, driving in two runs to end Notre Dame's 2-1 victory ... one for two with two RBI vs. Oakland (8-0 Irish victory) ... laid down a perfect suicide squeeze bunt against Nevada, driving in her third run of the season ... went a perfect three for three at the plate at Hawaii, driving in two runs ... made her first pitching appearance of the year vs. Utah.

2005 Offensive Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.348	.413	.362	0	16	3	0	0	12	1	0-0	1.000

Career Offensive Statistics -

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>Slg.%</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SB-SBA</u>	<u>Fld.%</u>
.240	.344	.264	11	46	11	0	3	32	7	0-0	1.000

2005 Pitching Statistics -

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>APP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
2.90	1-0	5	0	0	0	9.2	8	0

Career Pitching Statistics -

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>APP</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SV</u>
2.05	28-9	94	18	6	1	246.1	187	6