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2006 Notre Dame Softball

10 Consecutive BIG EAST Regular-Season Titles • Seven Consecutive NCAA Appearances

Notre Dame at Seton Hall, Saturday, May 6, 11:00 a.m. (DH)

Notre Dame at St. John's, Sunday, May 7, 11:00 a.m. (DH)

2006 Schedule (34-18)

February

17	!vs. Colorado State	L, 4-5
17	!vs. BYU	W, 8-3
18	!vs. #14/12 Oregon State	L, 0-5
18	!at UNLV	W, 6-4
19	!vs. CS Fullerton	L, 3-9
24	\$vs. Buffalo	W, 1-0
24	\$at Florida International	W, 5-0 (5)
25	\$vs. Memphis	W, 4-1
25	\$at Florida International	L, 4-5

March

3	&vs. #17/17 Nebraska	L, 2-5 (8)
3	&at Tulsa	L, 1-2
4	&vs. Northern Iowa	W, 10-1 (5)
4	&vs. Kansas	W, 5-2
5	&vs. Stephen F. Austin	L, 1-2 (8)
12	at Cal Poly SLO	W, 3-1, W, 1-0
15	+at CS Fullerton	L, 2-3 (8)
16	+vs. #10/10 Arizona State	W, 3-2
17	+vs. Florida State	W, 1-0
18	+#4/4 Texas	L, 5-6
19	+#6/7 Alabama	L, 3-4
25	at Western Michigan	W, 5-0, W, 2-1 (8)
29	Bowling Green	W, 1-0 (11)

April

1	*Connecticut	W, 9-0 (6), W, 2-1 (8)
2	*Providence	W, 4-1, W, 8-0
4	Eastern Michigan	W, 2-0, W, 1-0
5	Akron	L, 2-4
8	*at Syracuse	L, 1-2, W, 7-5 (10)
9	*at Pittsburgh	W, 7-0, W, 14-4
11	Ball State	W, 6-0
13	*DePaul	W, 5-0, W, 3-1
18	at #17/17 Northwestern	L, 2-3
19	Toledo	W, 5-0
22	*Villanova	W, 8-8, W, 8-3
23	*Rutgers	W, 8-0, W, 7-0
26	Purdue	W, 9-1, L, 4-7
27	at Valparaiso	W, 6-2
29	*at South Florida	W, 7-4, L, 3-7
30	*at #21/23 Louisville	L 1-2 (8), L, 3-10

May

2	Loyola-Chicago	L, 4-6
6	*at Seton Hall	12:00 p.m.
7	*at St. John's	11:00 a.m.
11	BIG EAST Champ.	TBA
18	NCAA Regionals	TBA
25	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA
30	Women's CWS	TBA

All times local to site. * - indicates BIG EAST

Conference game. ! - UNLV Desert Classic, \$ - FIU

Invitational, & - Tulsa Invitational, + - Judi Garman Classic

Irish look to end losing streak during final BIG EAST Conference weekend

- The University of Notre Dame softball team (34-18) looks to return to its winning ways this weekend with a pair of BIG EAST Conference doubleheaders at Seton Hall (Saturday) and St. John's (Sunday) to end regular-season play. The Irish have already secured a spot for the BIG EAST Championship next weekend in South Bend, Ind., but this weekend's conference games will determine the first round pairings in the eight-team, single-elimination tournament that begins on Thursday, May 11.

Key BIG EAST weekend for many conference teams -

Six teams (USF, Louisville, Notre Dame, Syracuse, Providence and Pittsburgh) have punched their tickets for the 2006 BIG EAST Championship in South Bend, Ind., starting on Thursday, May 11, but the tournament seeding has yet to be decided.

Due to rainouts earlier in the season, several teams will be making up games this weekend. Notre Dame is assured of at least third place in the final regular-season standings, but due to a 1-3 week in conference play this weekend, USF and Louisville have the inside track to end Notre Dame's 10-season streak of claiming the league regular-season title.

Louisville will make up a doubleheader at Providence on Thursday, May 4, before facing Rutgers on Saturday and Villanova on Sunday. The Cardinals will be hoping to sweep its games this weekend and hope that USF, who is playing at Villanova Saturday and at Rutgers on Sunday, trips up to allow the Cardinals into first place.

Notre Dame's lone chance at the regular season title will be a sweep of Seton Hall and St. John's this weekend, plus three losses from USF (the Bulls hold the tiebreaker over the Irish) and two losses from Louisville.

Other teams are still looking to claim a spot in next week's championship tournament. DePaul (9-9) will play St. John's Saturday and Seton Hall on Sunday to lock up its spot, while St. John's (8-10) and Seton Hall (6-12) still have the ability to make the tournament as well.

Irish ALERT continues this weekend -

A joint effort between Centennial Wireless, Notre Dame Sports Properties and the Notre Dame Sports Information Office has made up-to-the-minute text messaging a reality this season. Notre Dame announced the Irish ALERT system, which will cover baseball, softball, men's lacrosse and women's lacrosse this spring for a free trial.

Simply sign up for the service at www.und.com and your mobile device will receive score updates from each of the four sports throughout the 2006 season. The service also will provide periodical updates providing team schedules and special alerts when content is uploaded on www.und.com.

For softball, updates are sent when a schedule change pops up (delayed games, added games) and in the first, third, fifth and seventh innings of each Irish game.

2006 University of Notre Dame Softball Numerical Roster

No.		Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Hometown	High School
1	*	Katie Laing	So.	2B/SS	5-4	R/R	Chandler, AZ	Corona del Sol
2	*	Brittany Glynn	So.	OF	5-3	R/R	Seymour, CT	St. Joseph
5	**	Kenya Fuemmeler	Jr.	P/UT	5-7	R/R	Salisbury, MO	Salisbury
8		Brittney Bargar	Fr.	P	5-9	R/R	Corona, CA	Corona
11	**	Gessica Hufnagle	Jr.	C/OF	5-6	R/R	Middlebury, IN	Northridge
12		Erin Glasco	Fr.	C	5-7	L/R	Johnson City, IL	Johnston City
14		Beth Northway	Fr.	INF/OF	5-7	R/R	Kentwood, MI	East Kentwood
16	***	Mallorie Lenn (c)	Sr.	C/1B	5-8	R/R	Garden Grove, CA	Pacifica
17		Alexandra Kotcheff	Fr.	OF	5-8	L/R	Los Angeles, CA	The Marlborough School
18		Christine Farrell	Fr.	P	5-8	R/R	La Habra, CA	Sonora
21		Linda Kohan	Fr.	INF	5-6	R/R	Westminster, CA	Westminster
22	***	Sara Schoonaert (c)	Sr.	SS/2B	5-3	R/R	Houston, TX	Clear Lake
23		Stephanie Mola	Fr.	OF	5-5	L/L	Naples, FL	St. John Neumann
24	**	Stephanie Brown	Jr.	OF	5-6	R/R	Chandler, AZ	Corona del Sol
27	**	Carissa Jaquish	Jr.	C/UT	5-6	R/R	Highland, CA	Redlands East Valley
32	***	Heather Booth (c)	Sr.	P	5-10	R/R	Riverside, CA	Martin Luther King
34	*	Sarah Smith	So.	OF	5-7	L/R	Oklahoma City, OK	Heritage Hall
77	***	Meagan Ruthrauff (c)	Sr.	1B	5-10	R/R	La Mirada, CA	La Serna

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '92, fifth season, 211-87)

Assistant Coaches: Kris Ganeff (Notre Dame '99), Lizzy Lemire (Notre Dame '01)

* - denotes monograms earned; (c) - denotes team captains

Loyola Chicago recap -

Notre Dame lost its fourth game in a row, only the third time that has occurred in the Deanna Gumpf era, on Tuesday, May 2, with a 6-4 setback to Loyola Chicago ... the Irish failed to hold 2-0 and 4-2 leads in the contests, as the Ramblers rallied for two runs each in the top of the sixth and seventh innings.

Irish players enter final conference weekend with several records in sight -

Junior Stephanie Brown and senior Meagan Ruthrauff will enter this weekend's final conference action with several BIG EAST records in reach -

Brown is currently hitting .552 in conference play, which is second on the single-season list behind UConn's Janna Venice (.600) in 1992 ... Venice played in six BIG EAST games that season ... Brown is currently ranked ahead of Juliette Brooks (Rutgers, 1999, .537) and Melanie Alkire (1999, .532) ... the single-season record for hits is in reach for Brown as well, as she enters the weekend with 32, trailing Notre Dame's Meghan Murray with 37 in 1997.

Ruthrauff is chasing former Irish standout Jarrah Myers on the single-season home run list with seven ... Myers holds the record of eight from 2002, along with Providence's Cori Van Dusen from the 2004 season ... Ruthrauff is currently tied for second with four players ... Ruthrauff is closing in on the BIG EAST record for career walks with 44, three behind SHU's Laura Taylor with 47 from 2002-05 ... Ruthrauff also is chasing two former Irish players on the career RBI list with 62, trailing Taylor and Andrea Loman (2000-03) with 63 and Jarrah Myers (1999-02) with 64.

ND series history vs. Seton Hall -

Notre Dame and Seton Hall will meet for the 32nd and 33rd time on Saturday ... the Pirates have dominated the series recently, winning seven of the last eight meetings between the two teams, including four extra-inning victories ... Seton Hall has eliminated Notre Dame from the last two BIG EAST Championship tournaments ... the Irish lead the all-time series 23-8 and were 22-1 against the Pirates before Seton Hall's recent run in the series ... the Irish are 8-2 in BIG EAST play at Seton Hall.

Notre Dame Sports Information

Publicity for Notre Dame softball is coordinated by Assistant Sports Information Director Alan Wasielewski.

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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.

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.

2006 USA Today/NFCA Top 25

May 3, 2006

Rnk	Team	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1.	UCLA (22)	40-5	742	1
2.	Texas (8)	48-5	728	2
3.	Arizona	36-9	687	3
4.	Alabama	44-8	658	5
5.	Oregon State	37-8	592	8
6.	Tennessee	48-8	588	4
7.	California	40-10	577	7
8.	Georgia	50-12	549	9
9.	Stanford	34-12	532	6
10.	Arizona State	42-9	486	10
11.	LSU	48-9	440	11
12.	Michigan	34-13	416	12
13.	Northwestern	36-11	380	14
14.	Nebraska	38-8	336	17
15.	La.-Lafayette	42-10	312	13
16.	Texas A&M	32-15	293	15
17.	Washington	30-19	273	16
18.	Baylor	36-17	258	18
19.	Louisville	33-8	196	21
20.	Auburn	33-17	155	19
21.	Oklahoma	32-18	141	23
22.	North Carolina	46-15	93	20
23.	Fresno State	32-14	87	22
24.	NC State	44-18	57	NR
25.	South Florida	44-21	42	NR

Others receiving votes:

Southern Illinois (35), Florida (35), Missouri State (12), NOTRE DAME (12), Virginia Tech (8), **CS Fullerton** (6), San Diego State (6), Georgia Tech (3). Three others received votes but appeared on only one ballot.

bold indicates 2006 opponents

Notre Dame in the USA Today/NFCA Top 25

Preseason: ORV (30th)
 Feb. 14: ORV (39th)
 Feb. 21: not ranked
 March 1: not ranked
 March 8: not ranked
 March 15: not ranked
 March 22: not ranked
 March 29: ORV (34th)
 April 5: ORV (t-31st)
 April 12: ORV (30th)
 April 19: ORV (28th)
 April 26: ORV (t-29th)
 May 3: ORV (t-28th)

Seton Hall team preview -

The Pirates are 28-24 in 2006 and 6-12 in BIG EAST competition ... the team has won 12 of its last 16 games ... Katie Pierce paces the team's offense, hitting .377 with 15 doubles, eight HR and 44 RBI ... Jenna Best also has posted impressive numbers this season, hitting .331 with nine HR and 41 RBI ... Kim Schweitzer has seen much of the pitching action, composing a 12-8 record with a 3.88 ERA ... Jessica Jones (4-9, 2.75 ERA, 99.1 IP) and Ashley Arnett (9-6, 2.90 ERA, 79.2 IP) also have seen significant pitching time ... Seton Hall boasts a solid 11-3 record at Ivy Hill Park this season.

ND series history vs. St. John's -

Notre Dame and St. John's will be meeting for the 21st and 22nd time on Sunday ... the Irish lead the all-time series 20-0 ... Notre Dame swept St. John's 8-0 in five innings twice last season in the most recent meeting between the two teams ... the Irish are 8-0 against SJU at Red Storm Field.

St. John's team preview -

The Red Storm is 27-25 in 2006 and 8-10 in BIG EAST play ... St. John's will be looking to lock up an appearance in the BIG EAST Championship this weekend ... reigning BIG EAST Player of the Week Lauren Lupinetti leads the team offensive with a .405 batting average, eight home runs and 47 RBI ... Loren Anguiano also has power in the lineup, hitting .274 with seven home runs and 40 RBI ... three pitchers have seen over 100 innings of action this season for SJU, led by Lisa Geer (13-9, 3.57 ERA, 124 Ks in 141.1 IP) ... Kimberly Lerch (7-6, 2.74 ERA, 112. IP) and Jessica Foley (7-10, 4.41 ERA, 101.2 IP) are also available ... St. John's is 10-6 at Red Storm Field in 2006.

2006 ESPN.com/USA Softball

Top 25

May 2, 2006

Rnk	Team	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1.	UCLA (15)	40-5	484	1
2.	Texas (5)	48-5	483	2
3.	Arizona	36-9	459	3
4.	Alabama	44-8	442	4
5.	Oregon State	37-8	393	9
6.	Arizona State	42-9	375	7
7.	California	40-9	368	8
8.	Stanford	34-12	366	5
9.	Tennessee	48-8	354	6
10.	Georgia	50-12	348	11
11.	LSU	48-9	289	10
12.	Northwestern	36-11	273	14
13.	Michigan	34-13	269	13
14.	Nebraska	38-8	234	16
15.	La.-Lafayette	42-10	204	12
16.	Washington	30-19	180	15
17.	Texas A&M	32-15	184	17
18.	Baylor	36-17	176	18
19.	Louisville	33-8	106	22
20.	Fresno State	32-14	103	20
21.	Auburn	33-17	100	19
22.	Oklahoma	32-18	81	23
23.	North Carolina	46-15	49	21
24.	San Diego State	28-9	38	24
	Virginia Tech	37-15	38	25

Others receiving votes:

NC State (36), Southern Illinois (18), **South Florida** (7), Florida (5), Oregon (5), Georgia Tech (4), Missouri State (4), **BYU** (3) and **CS Fullerton** (2).

bold indicates 2006 opponents

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

Preseason: ORV (30th)
 Feb. 14: ORV (t-32nd)
 Feb. 21: not ranked
 Feb. 28: not ranked
 March 7: not ranked
 March 14: not ranked
 March 21: not ranked
 March 28: not ranked
 April 4: ORV (t-32nd)
 April 11: not ranked
 April 18: ORV (t-34th)
 April 25: not ranked
 May 2: not ranked

2006 BIG EAST Conference Standings (as of May 3, 2006)

<u>Team</u>	BIG EAST				OVERALL (Final)					<u>ND outcome vs. opponent</u>
	<u>W-L</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>W-L-T</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>N</u>	
*South Florida	14-2	.875	10-2	4-0	44-21	.677	28-11	4-3	12-7	W, 7-4, L, 3-7
*Louisville	13-3	.812	11-3	2-0	35-8	.814	19-7	10-0	6-1	L, 1-2 (8), L, 3-10
*NOTRE DAME	14-4	.778	10-0	4-4	34-18	.642	16-3	11-8	7-7	
*Syracuse	15-7	.682	10-4	5-3	34-20	.630	15-4	9-6	10-10	L, 1-2; W, 7-5 (10)
*Providence	11-9	.550	5-3	6-6	29-16-1	.641	8-3	8-9-1	13-4	W, 4-1; W, 8-0 (6)
DePaul	9-9	.500	7-1	2-8	27-21	.563	13-5	4-12	10-4	W, 5-0, W, 3-1
*Pittsburgh	10-12	.455	5-7	5-5	31-26	.544	12-10	12-11	7-5	W, 7-0; W, 14-4
St. John's	8-10	.444	1-3	7-7	27-25	.519	9-5	12-14	6-6	May 7
Seton Hall	6-12	.357	5-1	0-11	28-24	.538	11-2	8-15	9-7	May 6
Connecticut	6-14	.300	1-5	5-9	19-28	.404	4-9	9-12	6-7	W, 9-0 (5); W, 2-1 (8)
Rutgers	4-14	.222	3-7	1-7	14-34	.292	7-8	3-11	4-15	W, 8-0 (5); W, 7-0
Villanova	2-16	.111	0-8	2-8	13-36	.265	7-15	4-13	2-8	W, 8-7; W, 8-3

The top eight teams qualify for the 2006 BIG EAST Championship in South Bend, Ind. * - clinched BE Champ. berth

2006 BIG EAST Weekly Awardwinners

Player of the Week

Jo Sherlock, OF, St. John's, Feb. 20
 Alexis Switenko, SS/P, Syracuse, Feb. 27
 Katie Pierce, SS, Seton Hall, March 6
 Tiffany Stewart, OF, South Florida, March 13
 Christie Chapman, SS, South Florida, March 20
 Elena Romero, UTL, Providence, March 26
 Alexis Switenko, SS/P/Syracuse, Apr. 5
Meagan Ruthrauff, 3B, Notre Dame, Apr. 9
 Rachel Tilford, OF, Syracuse, Apr. 17
 Rachel Bartholomew, C, PC, Apr. 23
 Lauren Lupinetti, C, SJU, May 1

Pitcher of the Week

Tracie Adix, DePaul, Feb. 20
 Bree Spence, South Florida, Feb. 27
 Kady Garrick, Louisville, March 6
 Catherine Bishop, Louisville, March 13
 Meghan Bostick, Pittsburgh, March 20
 Lisa Geer, St. John's, March 26
Brittney Bargar, Notre Dame, Apr. 5
 Cristi Ecks, USF, Apr. 9
Heather Booth, Notre Dame, Apr. 17
 Catherine Bishop, Louisville, Apr. 23
 Catherine Bishop, Louisville, May 1

Notre Dame BIG EAST Honor Roll Selections

Linda Kohan, Feb. 20
 Heather Booth, Feb. 27
 Stephanie Brown, April 5
 Stephanie Brown, April 17
 Mallorie Lenn, April 23
 Brittney Bargar, April 23
 Stephanie Brown, May 1

Notre Dame in BIG EAST regular-season play -

Notre Dame boasts an 14-4 record in BIG EAST Conference play this season, continuing its tradition of excellence during the league's regular-season play. The Irish have lost four games in conference play only twice since it joined the league in 1996 and boast an overall record of 178-23 (.861) entering this weekend's competition. Notre Dame's BIG EAST regular-season records: 1996 - 19-1, 1997 - 16-4, 1998 - 13-3, 1999 - 16-0, 2000 - 14-2, 2001 - 20-0, 2002 - 18-2, 2003 - 14-3, 2004 - 18-2, 2005 - 16-2, 2006 - 14-4.

The Irish have won 10 consecutive BIG EAST regular-season crowns since 1996.

Irish captains -

Notre Dame will feature four captains this season for just the second time in the program's history. The senior class of *Heather Booth, Mallorie Lenn, Meagan Ruthrauff* and *Sara Schoonaert* will provide leadership both on and off the field for the team in 2006. The only other team to feature four captains was Notre Dame's most successful team ever - the 2001 squad. Current Irish assistant coach *Lizzy Lemire* shared the captaincy that season with Melanie Alkire, Danielle Klayman and Jennifer Sharron. The Irish finished 54-7 in '01 and earned a number-one seed in the NCAA Championship.

Notre Dame softball on the small screen -

The University of Notre Dame softball team could be featured one more time on cable television this season, with a possible additional appearance in the BIG EAST Championship - which would give the team three national television appearances and four overall. Notre Dame's first appearance was a single game against Ball State on Tuesday, April 11 shown by Comcast Local. The Irish defeated the Cardinals 5-0.

The first game of a doubleheader vs. DePaul on April 13 was shown live by ESPN- a game which the Irish won 5-0. The Irish also faced #17/17 Northwestern live on CSTV for a single game on April 18.

ESPN also covered Notre Dame's first visit to USF as a conference opponent, showing a 7-4 victory by the Irish over USF live at 10:30 a.m. on April 29. .

Finally, CSTV will broadcast the BIG EAST Championship final game from the Belleville Softball Complex in South Bend, Ind., on May 13 at 6 p.m. The winner of that contest will receive the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship.

Notre Dame Statistical Leaders

as of May 4, 2006

Batting Average

Brown, Stephanie400
Ruthrauff, Meagan367
Lenn, Mallorie.....	.333

Runs Scored

Brown, Stephanie	39
Ruthrauff, Meagan	27
Schoonaert, Sara	24

Hits

Brown, Stephanie	66
Ruthrauff, Meagan	55
Laing, Katie	50

Doubles

Laing, Katie	15
Ruthrauff, Meagan	12
Kohan, Linda.....	12
Lenn, Mallorie.....	11

Home Runs

Ruthrauff, Meagan	10
Brown, Stephanie	7
Lenn, Mallorie.....	6
Kohan, Linda.....	5

RBI

Ruthrauff, Meagan	38
Lenn, Mallorie.....	33
Laing, Katie	27

Stolen Bases

Brown, Stephanie	20
Schoonaert, Sara	11
Laing, Katie	7

Walks

Ruthrauff, Meagan	28
Brown, Stephanie	19
Kohan, Linda.....	16

ERA

Booth, Heather	1.58
Fuemmeler, Kenya	1.56
Bargar, Brittney	2.87

Innings Pitched

Booth, Heather	195.1
Bargar, Brittney	144.0
Fuemmeler, Kenya	18.0

Strikeouts

Booth, Heather	192
Bargar, Brittney	154
Fuemmeler, Kenya	11

Shutouts

Booth, Heather	7
Bargar, Brittney	4

New BIG EAST Conference unveiled in 2006 -

The BIG EAST Conference expansion, which officially took place this fall, has garnered most of its attention in men's basketball. The conference has quickly transformed into the top men's basketball league in the country, but the effect that expansion will have on softball cannot be overlooked. The BIG EAST welcomes three traditional softball powers into the conference this season with the addition of DePaul, Louisville and South Florida. All three of the new teams will compete to end Notre Dame's regular-season conference title streak which stands at 10 years entering the '06 campaign.

Combined with an already solid conference lineup, the BIG EAST is now arguably the top softball league east of the Mississippi River. With a new league alignment, the BIG EAST Championship - scheduled to be played in South Bend, Ind., beginning May 11 - will feature a new schedule. The top eight teams from the league standings will take part in a single-elimination, three-day tournament to determine the league's automatic berth in the NCAA Championship. The final game of that tournament will be shown live on CSTV.

Season schedule has been a challenge -

The 2006 season has been a challenge for the Irish, as the team has faced several teams ranked in the top 25, or just out of the national rankings.

According to the latest rankings, the Irish have faced (NFCA rankings first, followed by USA Softball) #21/22 Louisville, #10/10 Arizona State (3-2 victory), #4/4 Texas (6-5 loss), #6/7 Alabama (4-3 loss), #14/12 Oregon State (5-0 loss) and #17/17 Nebraska (5-3, eight-inning loss), #17/17 Northwestern (3-2 loss). The Irish also have faced DePaul (5-0 and 3-1 victories) and BYU (8-3 victory), who have both been in and out of the national polls this season and .

Notre Dame knocked off four ranked teams during the 2005 season. The Irish defeated #21 South Florida and #19 Florida on their first weekend of action (Feb. 12-13), then knocked off #5/6 Tennessee in its last game at the Palm Springs Classic. Notre Dame also defeated #15 Northwestern with a four-run rally in the bottom of the seventh on Tuesday, April 26, 2005.

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 Irish have defeated a total of 14 ranked teams during Gumpf's tenure. The most ranked wins for the Irish came in 2001, when the team defeated eight teams ranked in the national top 25.

One-run warriors - Notre Dame has played 19 one-run games this year. The team has posted a 9-10 record in those 19 games, meaning that 10 of the team's 18 losses this season have come by a single run.

Going back to March 3 (an extra-inning three-run loss to Nebraska), the Irish have lost just two games by more than one run (as 4-2 setback to Akron on April 5 and 7-4 loss to Purdue on April 26). During the team's trip to Southern California for spring break, the Irish played six consecutive one-run games, going 3-3 during the stretch with a win over #10 Arizona State and losses to #4 Texas (6-5), #6 Alabama (4-3) and at CS Fullerton (3-2 in eight innings).

- Notre Dame's one-run victories -

1-0 vs. Buffalo, 1-0 at Cal Poly SLO (G2), 3-2 vs. #10 Arizona State, 1-0 vs. Florida State, 2-1 at Western Michigan, 1-0 vs. Bowling Green, 1-0 vs. Eastern Michigan, 2-1 vs. Connecticut, 8-7 vs. Villanova.

- Notre Dame's one-run losses -

5-4 vs. Colorado State, 5-4 at Florida International, 2-1 at Tulsa, 2-1 vs. Stephen F. Austin (8), 3-2 at CS Fullerton (8), 6-5 vs. #4 Texas, 4-3 vs. #6 Alabama, 2-1 at Syracuse, 3-2 at #17/17 Northwestern , 2-1 (8) at #21/22 Louisville.

Notre Dame Team Highs

Team

Runs Scored

14vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)

Hits

21vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)

RBI

13vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)

Doubles

5vs. UNLV (2-18-06)

5vs. Kansas (3-4-06)

Triples

1five times

Home Runs

4vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)

Total Bases

37vs. Pittsburgh (4-9-06)

Stolen Bases

6vs. Western Michigan (3-26-06)

Assists

15vs. Bowling Green (3-29-06)

15vs. CS Fullerton (2-19-06)

Strikeouts Thrown

13vs. Stephen F. Austin (3-5-06)

Individual

Runs Scored

3.....four times

Hits

4Brown, twice

4Ruthrauff, twice

RBI

7.....Ruthrauff, vs. Pitt (4-9-06)

Doubles

2Ruthrauff, UNLV (2-18-06)

2.....Laing, three times

Home Runs

3.....Ruthrauff, vs. Pitt (4-9-06)

Total Bases

13.....Ruthrauff, vs. Pitt (4-9-06)

Walks

3.....Ruthrauff, vs. BYU (2-17-06)

3.....Hufnagle, vs. Buffalo (2-24-06)

Stolen Bases

2t h ree times

Putouts

13Ruthrauff, vs. CS Fullerton (2-19-06)

13Lenn, vs. Pitt (4-9-06)

Assists

7Schoonaert, vs. CS Fullerton (2-29-06)

7Laing vs. UConn (4-1-06)

Innings Pitched

11.0Booth vs. BGSU (3-29-06)

Strikeouts Thrown

12Bargar vs. Pitt (4-9-06)

Notre Dame takes some of the nation's top teams to the brink -

Just a quick glance at the nation's top 25 teams (as of April 12) will provide the true nature of Notre Dame's 2006 schedule. The Irish have faced seven teams ranked in the nation's top 25 (according to the NFCA top 25).

While the Irish have just one win against its seven ranked teams faced in 2006 - they have competed head-to-head with the nation's top teams and represented themselves well. Current NFCA ranking listed -

- #10 Arizona State - (W, 3-2) Notre Dame earned its biggest victory of the year and ended a 10-game winning streak for the Sun Devils ... the Irish took a 1-0 lead on a solo home run by Meagan Ruthrauff in the bottom of the second inning ... ASU answered with a home run of its own, a two-run shot by Mindy Cowles in the third inning ... ASU kept its one run lead until the bottom of the seventh when freshman Stephanie Mola reached on an error and scored on a walk-off two-run home run by Stephanie Brown.

- #2 Texas - (L, 6-5) Notre Dame led the Longhorns 5-1 entering the bottom of the fifth inning ... the Irish built their lead on two-run home runs from Mallorie Lenn (in the top of the first) and Katie Laing (in the top of the fifth) ... after allowing just one run over the first four innings, freshman Brittney Bargar allowed four runs in the bottom of the fifth inning ... the Longhorns won the game on a solo home run by pinch hitter Rachel Cook in the bottom of the sixth inning.

- #4 Alabama - (L, 4-3) In the next game on the Irish schedule after the near miss vs. Texas, Notre Dame led Alabama 2-0 in the top of the fourth inning ... Mallorie Lenn provided the big hit again with a two-run homer ... Alabama answered with three unearned runs in the bottom of the fourth inning off Heather Booth ... Bama's Jordan Praytor then provided the big hit with a solo home run in the bottom of the sixth ... that run proved to be the game-winner, as the Irish posted two runs in the top of the seventh on a home run from freshman Linda Kohan.

- #14 Nebraska - (L, 5-2 in eight) Taking on the Cornhuskers in Tulsa, Notre Dame rallied from a 1-0 deficit to take a 2-1 lead in the bottom of the fifth inning on an RBI double by Stephanie Brown and RBI single from Mallorie Lenn ... Nebraska answered with a sacrifice fly in the top of the seventh inning to extend the game ... the Cornhuskers eventually won the game in the bottom of the seventh, utilizing the international tiebreaker rule to score three unearned runs with two outs

- #13 Northwestern - (L, 3-2) Notre Dame took a 2-0 lead in the third inning against the Wildcats on an RBI single from Sara Schoonaert, followed by an RBI double by Mallorie Lenn ... NU answered back with a solo home run in the fifth inning ... the Irish held a 2-1 lead into the seventh inning, but a leadoff walk doomed Notre Dame and Northwestern was able to sneak out a 3-2 victory.

- #19 Louisville - (L, 2-1 in eight) The Irish held a 1-0 lead until the bottom of the seventh inning, when the Cardinals used a leadoff walk to score the tying run with no hits ... the Cardinals eventually won on a walk off home run to lead off the bottom of the eighth inning.

Deanna Gumpf nabs 200th win in record-setting style -

Notre Dame head coach *Deanna Gumpf* won her 200th game with the Irish in game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9 - and the Irish made sure the win would be remembered with a record-setting performance. As a team, Notre Dame pounded out 21 hits - matching the school record set back in 1992 against Rhode Island.

Two Irish players posted personal-best hit totals in the contest, with junior *Stephanie Brown* and senior *Meagan Ruthrauff* going four for five at the plate. Ruthrauff's big game drew much of the attention, however, as she set two school records in the contest by hitting three home runs and driving in seven runs.

Gumpf is now 211-87 in her career with the Irish and has led the team to five consecutive NCAA appearances and five consecutive BIG EAST regular-season titles during her tenure.

New coaching staff, new Gumpf Family addition -

Notre Dame unveiled its new coaching staff in a unique way this season. *Lizzy Lemire*, a 2001 Notre Dame graduate, has joined the staff and *Kris Ganeff* (Notre Dame '99) moves up into the first assistant role. The change came about with the decision of former Irish assistant coach Charmelle Green to take a job in Notre Dame's Student-Athlete Development Program.

The unusual twist to the story is that Irish head coach Deanna Gumpf missed Lemire's official debut with the team. Gumpf and her husband John welcomed their second child, Tatum Elizabeth, on Wednesday, Feb. 22. Deanna has rejoined the team full time on the road for its Spring Break trip to Southern California.

To aid in the pitching staff's development during Gumpf's pregnancy, former Irish assistant coach and 1993 Penn State graduate Dawn Austin returned to the team as a volunteer assistant coach this season.

Irish pile up a record 46 hits in three games -

The Notre Dame offense hit a lull over a four-game stretch from April 2-8. The Irish finished 2-2 during the four-game run and combined for 19 hits as a team. Starting with game two at Syracuse, the Irish offense seems to be finding its stride again.

Over a three-game stretch last weekend, all victories, Notre Dame amassed 46 hits (12 vs. Syracuse, 13 vs. Pittsburgh, 21 vs. Pittsburgh) - a school record for hits over three consecutive games.

Notre Dame had previously notched 40 hits in three consecutive games three times:

- 1996 vs. Rutgers (19), Rutgers (12) and Rutgers (9) - from 3-30 to 3-31
- 1998 vs. Loyola Chicago (13), vs. Loyola Chicago (14) and Rutgers (13) - from 3-26 to 3-28
- 2003 at Syracuse (11), Valparaiso (12) and Valparaiso (17) - from 4-19 to 4-23

The 2003 season also saw the Irish post the school record for consecutive games with 10 team hits - as Notre Dame won 10 games in a row from April 13 - April 23 and posted at least 10 hits in each game.

Irish have nine players with at least 10 RBI this season -

The 2006 Notre Dame softball team has nine players who have driven in at least 10 runs this season - that ties the 2004 and 2001 teams for second place all-time the program's history. The 1994 season saw 10 Irish players drive in at least 10 runs.

So far this season, Meagan Ruthrauff has driven in 38 runs, followed by Mallorie Lenn (33), Katie Laing (27), Linda Kohan (26), Sara Schoonaert (16), Stephanie Brown (19), Gessica Hufnagle (11), Erin Glasco (14) and Carissa Jaquish (11).

Irish compile a record-matching 21 hits in game two vs. Pittsburgh -

Notre Dame's offense exploded for 21 hits in game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9, in a 14-4 victory over the Panthers. The performance matched the school record for hits in a single game. Notre Dame posted 21 hits against Rhode Island on March 14, 1992.

The Irish and Panthers also combined for a Notre Dame record 32 hits in game two - breaking the previous combined hits record of 29 (in the same game against Rhode Island, 1992 and vs. St. Joseph's on April 17, 1990).

Irish toss three no-hitters in 2006, most for the program since 1994 -

Notre Dame's pitching staff has posted three no-hitters this season - the most for Notre Dame since Terri Kobata patrolled the pitching circle for Notre Dame back in 1994. In 1994, Kobata hurled eight no-hitters, part of 15 to her credit at Notre Dame.

In '06, Brittney Bargar posted the program's first eight-inning no hitter in a 2-1 victory over Connecticut on April 1. Heather Booth and Kenya Fuemmeler combined for a no-hitter at Western Michigan back on March 26 and just recently, Booth claimed her first career perfect game in Notre Dame's 8-0, five-inning victory over Rutgers on April 23.

Notre Dame continues its defensive prowess under Gumpf in 2006 -

The Irish defense has continued to be a dependable force for the team, as Notre Dame will enter this weekend's play with a .979 fielding percentage. Threatening the school mark of .974 by the 2003 team, the '06 squad has kept alive the tradition of solid defense since Deanna Gumpf took over the program in 2002. The 2003 (.974), 2002 (.971) and 2004 (.968) teams rank one-two-three on the single-season list at Notre Dame.

Irish boast two top hitters in conference play -

Entering this weekend's BIG EAST action, Notre Dame boasts the two top hitters (in terms of average) in conference play this season. In 12 games, junior *Stephanie Brown* is 32 for 58 (.552) with five home runs, nine RBI and 19 runs scored from the top of Notre Dame's lineup. Right behind her in the league batting average standings is senior *Meagan Ruthrauff*, who is 26 for 53 in conference play (.491) with seven HR, 20 RBI and 13 runs scored. She is tied for the conference lead in home runs (Syracuse's Alexis Switenko) with seven.

Ruthrauff breaks two long-standing Irish records in remarkable performance -

Senior 3B *Megan Ruthrauff* will see her name atop two single-game record categories after game two at Pittsburgh on Sunday, April 9.

Ruthrauff posted a personal-best four hits in game two - three of which left the park for home runs. She hit a solo shot to leftfield in the top of the first, had an RBI single in the fourth, added a solo shot in the sixth and put an exclamation mark on her day with a grand slam in the seventh inning.

Ruthrauff used all three fields for her home runs (one to left, one to center and one to right) and set the Notre Dame record for home runs in a single game (three) and RBI (seven).

The RBI record was first set in 2000 by '01 graduate Melanie Alkire. Alkire drove in six against San Diego State on March 12, 2000. The record was tied twice, once by '02 graduate Jarrah Myers at CS Northridge on March 11, 2001 and again by '05 graduate Liz Hartmann against Oakland on April 30, 2002.

The single-game home run record was held by nine different players - who accomplished the feat a combined 14 times. The most recent was by Hartmann, who hit two home runs against Nebraska on Feb. 14, 2004.

Ruthrauff earned her fifth career BIG EAST Player of the Week award for her performance over the weekend. Over a four-game conference stretch against Syracuse and Pittsburgh, Ruthrauff was nine for 13 with six runs scored, five home runs and 10 RBI.

Ruthrauff reaches career walks record -

Senior 1B *Meagan Ruthrauff*, Notre Dame's cleanup hitter the last three seasons, is not only a potent RBI producer (152 in three-plus years, third the all-time Notre Dame list), but she also has outstanding plate discipline.

Ruthrauff has drawn 106 walks during her career, surpassing matching Andrea Loman's (2000-03) previous Notre Dame career record of 87.

Ruthrauff has already drawn 26 free passes this season and ranks one-two on the single-season walk list at Notre Dame. In 2004, she drew a record 36 base on balls and followed up with 31 walks in 2005.

Booth becomes first Irish pitcher to log 800 innings pitched in memorable style -

Senior *Heather Booth* surpassed the 800 inning pitched barrier on Senior Day at Ivy Field, when she and her three classmates were honored for their four years of dedication on Sunday, April 23 against Rutgers. Booth made sure the day would be memorable, as she pitched her first career solo no-hitter and perfect game in Notre Dame's five-inning, 8-0 victory over the Scarlet Knights. Booth retired all 15 batters she faced, striking out four. She has two other combined no-hitters to her credit

A front line pitcher for the Irish since she stepped on campus in 2003, Booth could become the first Irish pitcher to pitch 800 innings and strikeout 800 batters. She needs 38 strikeouts this season to reach 800 in her career.

Booth now Notre Dame's most prolific pitcher -

While leading her team to a 7-0 victory over Pittsburgh in game one on Sunday, April 9, senior *Heather Booth* became Notre Dame's all-time leader in innings pitched with 773.1 - surpassing Jen Sharron's previous school mark of 772.1. Booth has been a front-line starter for the Irish since she arrived on campus four years ago and ranks in the top five for all of Notre Dame's significant pitching records.

Currently, Booth is first all-time in innings pitched (835.1), second in appearances (152), second in games started (125), tied for first in wins (88), first in complete games (79), fourth in shutouts (28) and third in strikeouts (779). See page nine of this notes package for a complete listing of Booth on the all-time statistical charts.

Laing approaching single-season doubles record, AGAIN -

Sophomore Katie Laing posted 17 doubles as a rookie last season to match current Irish assistant coach Lizzy Lemire (1999) and Jenn Giampaolo (1996) for the school record. After a slow start to the season, Laing has now reached 15 doubles - tied for sixth on the single-season list and Notre Dame and threatening the school record that she shares.

Already with 32 doubles in her career, Laing needs just two more to break into the all-time top 10 at Notre Dame in that category.

South Bend plays host to the 2006 BIG EAST Championship -

For the fourth time in the last five years, the BIG EAST Softball Championship will be held in a neutral/off-campus site in 2006.

After Salem, Va., served as the tournament's site in 2002 and 2003, the City of South Bend, Ind., will welcome the 2006 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 doubleheader in July of 2005.

Directions to the BIG EAST Championship -

The Belleville Complex is located on the far west side of South Bend, Ind., on Mayflower Road.

From the east/west: Take I80/90 Toll Road to the South Bend West/Plymouth 31 South Exit. Go south on US 31 to the Mayflower Road (north) exit. The complex is on the right after the exit.

From the south: Take US 31 north from Indianapolis, follow the US 31 By Pass west once you reach the South Bend city limits. Take the Mayflower Road exit (north) off the US 31 bypass. The complex is on the right after the exit.

From downtown South Bend: Take State Road 933 (Main Street) through downtown South Bend to Sample Street. Take a right on Sample Street and travel 3.5 miles on Sample to Mayflower Road. Take a left on Mayflower Road, the complex will be on your left.

From the University of Notre Dame: Take Eddy (Juniper) Street south - it will take a turn to the west and become Sample Street. Follow Sample Street across Main Street and continue on Sample for 3.5 miles to Mayflower Road. Take a left on Mayflower Road, the complex will be on your left.

Irish Players on the All-Time Charts

Most Doubles

1. Melanie Alkire (1998-01).....	49
2. Elizabeth Perkins (1994-97)	48
3. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current)	46
Jenny Kriech (1999-02)	45
5. Andrea Loman (2000-03)	44
Sara Hayes (1992-95)	44
7. Lizzy Lemire (1998-01)	43
8. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03).....	40
9. Meghan Murray (1994-97).....	39
10. Megan Ciolli (2002-05)	37

Most Home Runs

1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02)	36
2. Andrea Loman (2000-03)	31
3. Melanie Alkire (1998-01).....	30
4. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current)	29
5. Liz Hartmann (2002-05)	27
6. Sara Hayes (1992-95)	26
7. Mallorie Lenn (2003-current)	19
8. Stephanie Brown (2004-current)	17
9. Meghan Murray (1994-97).....	15
10. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03).....	14

Most RBI

1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02)	174
2. Melanie Alkire (1998-01)	167
3. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) ..	155
4. Andrea Loman (2000-03).....	148
5. Sara Hayes (1992-95).....	137
Liz Hartmann (2002-05)	131
7. Meghan Murray (1994-97)	129
8. Lizzy Lemire (1998-01)	126
9. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03).....	125
10. Lenn, Mallorie (2003-current)	104

Most Walks

1. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) ..	108
2. Andrea Loman (2000-03).....	87
3. Jarrah Myers (1999-02)	76

Most Stolen Bases

1. Megan Ciolli (2002-05)	76
2. Andrea Loman (2000-03).....	60
3. Katie Marten (1994-97)	58
4. Jenny Kriech (1999-02)	55
5. Kellie Middleton (2003-05)	45
6. Jarrah Myers (1999-2002)	43
7. Stephanie Brown (2004-current)	42
8. Jenn Giampaolo (1995-98)	41

Most Putouts

1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02)	1,337
2. Mallorie Lenn (2003-current).....	1,235
3. Stephanie Pinter (1991-94)	1,177
4. Kris McCleary (1996-99)	1,040
5. Sara Hayes (1992-95)	964
6. Amy Folsom (1989-92)	826
7. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) ..	806
8. Lisa Mattison (2000-03).....	768
9. Kelly Rowe (1995-98)	655

Most Pitching Appearances

1. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	154
2. Heather Booth (2003-current)	152
3. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	134
4. Angela Bessolo (1996-99)	125
5. Missy Linn (1989-92)	122

Most Games Started

1. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	132
2. Heather Booth (2003-current)	125
3. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	117
4. Missy Linn (1989-92)	97
5. Terri Kobata (1993-96)	94

Most Wins

1. Heather Booth (2003-current)	88
Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	88
3. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	79
Terri Kobata (1993-96)	79
5. Missy Linn (1989-92)	63

Most Complete Games

1. Heather Booth (2003-current)	79
2. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	76
3. Missy Linn (1989-92)	74
4. Terri Kobata (1993-96)	65
5. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	54

Most Shutouts

1. Terri Kobata (1993-96)	42
2. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	38
3. Missy Linn (1989-92)	29
4. Heather Booth (2003-current)	28
5. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	20

Most Innings Pitched

1. Heather Booth (2003-current)	835.1
2. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	772.1
3. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05).....	744.0
4. Missy Linn (1989-92)	670.0
5. Terri Kobata (1993-96)	630.0

Most Strikeouts

1. Terri Kobata (1993-96)	907
2. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)	790
3. Heather Booth (2003-current)	779
4. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01)	728
5. Angela Bessolo (1996-99)	445

Single Season Charts

Most Home Runs

1. Jarrah Myers (2002)	13
Melanie Alkire (2000)	13
3. Andrea Loman (2002)	12
Jarrah Myers (2000)	12
5. Meagan Ruthrauff (2004)	11
6. Meagan Ruthrauff (2006)	10
Melanie Alkire (1999)	10
Sara Hayes (1994)	10

Most Walks

1. Meagan Ruthrauff (2004)	36
2. Meagan Ruthrauff (2005)	31
3. Jarrah Myers (2002)	30
4. Meagan Ruthrauff (2006)	28
5. Andrea Loman (2002)	27
Jarrah Myers (2001)	27
7. Kelly Rowe (1997).....	26
8. Andrea Loman (2000)	25
9. Mia Faust (1989)	24

Most Stolen Bases

1. Megan Ciolli (2005)	33
2. Kellie Middleton (2005)	25
3. Katie Marten (1996)	21
4. Stephanie Brown (2006)	20
Megan Ciolli (2004)	20
Katie Marten (1995)	20
7. Jenny Kriech (2001)	19
8. Andrea Loman (2003)	18

Team Home Runs

1. 2002	54
2. 2003	49
3. 2004	39
4. 2000	36
5. 2006	35
6. 1999	29

Team Fielding Percentage

1. 2006978
2. 2003974
3. 2005969

2006 Notre Dame Softball Results

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L	ND Line/Opp. Line	Inn.	ND Record	Pitcher	GW Hit/Run
Feb. 17	Colorado St.	4-5	L	4-5-1/5-11-1	7	0-1	Booth (L, 0-1)	-
Feb. 17	BYU	8-3	W	8-11-1/3-5-2	7	1-1	Bargar (W, 1-0)	Lenn/Laing
Feb. 18	#14 Oregon St.	0-5	L	0-3-1/5-8-0	7	1-2	Booth (L, 0-2)	-
Feb. 18	at UNLV	6-4	W	6-11-0/4-6-2	7	2-2	Bargar (W, 2-0)	Jaquish/Northway
Feb. 19	vs. CS Fullerton	3-9	L	3-7-0/9-10-0	7	2-3	Booth (L, 0-3)	-
Feb. 24	vs. Buffalo	1-0	W	1-3-0/0-4-1	7	3-3	Bargar (W, 3-0)	-/Glynn
Feb. 24	at Fla. Intern.	5-0	W	5-5-0/0-2-3	(5)	4-3	Booth (W, 1-3)	Kohan/Hufnagle
Feb. 25	vs. Memphis	4-1	W	4-5-1/1-6-2	7	5-3	Booth (W, 2-3)	Kohan/Kotcheff
Feb. 25	at Fla. Intern.	4-5	L	4-6-1/5-7-2	7	5-4	Bargar (L, 3-1)	-
Mar. 3	vs. #17 Nebraska	2-5	L	2-7-1/5-6-0	(8)	5-5	Booth (L, 2-4)	-
Mar. 3	at Tulsa	1-2	L	1-4-1/2-5-1	7	5-6	Bargar (L, 3-2)	-
Mar. 4	vs. N. Iowa	10-1	W	10-8-1/1-7-2	(5)	6-6	Bargar (W, 4-2)	Ruthrauff/Kohan
Mar. 4	vs. Kansas	5-2	W	5-13-0/2-5-4	7	7-6	Booth (W, 3-4)	Kohan/Ruthrauff
Mar. 5	vs. SFA	1-2	L	1-9-2/2-7-0	(8)	7-7	Bargar (L, 4-3)	-
Mar. 12	at Cal Poly SLO	3-1	W	3-8-0/1-5-3	7	8-7	Booth (W, 4-4)	Brown/Kotcheff
Mar. 12	at Cal Poly SLO	1-0	W	1-3-0/0-6-3	7	9-7	Bargar (W, 5-3)	-/Smith
Mar. 15	at CS Fullerton	2-3	L	2-3-1/3-5-0	(8)	9-8	Booth (L, 4-5)	-
Mar. 16	vs. #10 Arz. St.	3-2	W	3-7-1/2-7-2	7	10-8	Bargar (W, 6-3)	Brown/Brown
Mar. 17	vs. Florida St.	1-0	W	1-3-0/0-3-1	7	11-8	Booth (W, 5-5)	Kotcheff/Brown
Mar. 18	vs. #4 Texas	5-6	L	5-5-1/6-10-1	7	11-9	Booth (L, 5-6)	-
Mar. 19	vs. #6 Alabama	3-4	L	3-3-1/4-8-1	7	11-10	Booth (L, 5-7)	-
Mar. 26	at W. Michigan	5-0	W	5-9-1/0-0-1	7	12-10	Booth (W, 6-7)	Schoonaert/Smith
Mar. 26	at W. Michigan	2-1	W	2-6-1/1-3-2	(8)	13-10	Bargar (W, 7-3)	-/Brown
Mar. 29	Bowling Green	1-0	W	1-5-1/0-3-1	(11)	14-10	Booth (W, 7-7)	Lenn/Kotcheff
Apr. 1	Connecticut*	9-0	W	9-11-0/0-4-1	(5)	15-10	Booth (W, 8-7)	-/Brown
Apr. 1	Connecticut*	2-1	W	2-6-2/1-0-1	(8)	16-10	Bargar (W, 8-3)	Ruthrauff/Mola
Apr. 2	Providence*	4-1	W	4-9-1/1-3-0	7	17-10	Booth (W, 9-7)	Lenn/Kotcheff
Apr. 2	Providence*	8-0	W	8-10-0/0-2-1	(6)	18-10	Bargar (W, 9-3)	Lenn/Brown
Apr. 4	E. Michigan	2-0	W	2-6-1/0-2-1	7	19-10	Booth (W, 10-7)	Schoonaert/Laing
Apr. 4	E. Michigan	1-0	W	1-5-1/0-2-0	7	20-10	Bargar (W, 10-3)	Ruthrauff/Kotcheff
Apr. 5	Akron	2-4	L	2-4-0/4-7-1	7	20-11	Bargar (L, 10-4)	-
Apr. 8	at Syracuse*	1-2	L	1-4-1/2-2-2	7	20-12	Booth (L, 10-8)	-
Apr. 8	at Syracuse*	7-5	W	7-12-0/5-13-2	(10)	21-12	Booth (W, 11-8)	Jaquish/Laing
Apr. 9	at Pittsburgh*	7-0	W	7-13-0/0-5-	7	22-12	Booth (W, 12-8)	-/Smith
Apr. 9	at Pittsburgh*	14-4	W	7-21-0/4-11-2	7	23-12	Bargar (W, 11-5)	Kohan/Kohan
Apr. 11	Ball State	6-0	W	6-9-0/0-2-1	7	24-12	Booth (W, 13-8)	Laing/Lenn
Apr. 13	DePaul*	5-0	W	5-11-1/0-5-0	7	25-12	Booth (W, 14-8)	Lenn/Brown
Apr. 13	DePaul*	3-1	W	3-7-0/1-4-3	7	26-12	Bargar (W, 12-5)	Laing/Lenn
Apr. 18	at #17 N'western	2-3	L	2-7-0/3-4-2	7	26-13	Booth (L, 14-9)	-
Apr. 19	Toledo	5-0	W	5-9-1/0-5-1	7	27-13	Bargar (W, 13-5)	Laing/Schoonaert
Apr. 22	Villanova*	8-7	W	8-13-1/7-10-2	7	28-13	Booth (W, 15-9)	Glasco/Jaquish
Apr. 22	Villanova*	8-3	W	8-8-0/3-8-1	7	29-13	Bargar (W, 14-5)	Glasco/Hufnagle
Apr. 23	Rutgers*	8-0	W	8-14-0/0-0-0	(5)	30-13	Booth (W, 16-9)	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
Apr. 23	Rutgers*	7-0	W	7-10-0/0-4-2	7	31-13	Bargar (W, 15-5)	Lenn/Smith
Apr. 26	Purdue	9-1	W	9-12-0/1-3-2	(6)	32-13	Booth (W, 17-9)	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
Apr. 26	Purdue	4-7	L	4-8-1/7-8-2	7	32-14	Bargar (L, 15-5)	-
Apr. 27	at Valparaiso	6-2	W	6-10-1/2-4-1	7	33-14	Booth (W, 18-9)	Ruthrauff/Schoonaert
Apr. 29	at USF	7-4	W	7-10-2/4-9-2	7	34-14	Booth (W, 19-9)	Brown/Brown
Apr. 29	at USF	3-7	L	3-12-1/7-11-0	7	34-15	Bargar (L, 15-6)	-
May 1	at #21 Louisville	1-2	L	1-4-2/2-5-3	(8)	34-16	Booth (L, 19-10)	-
May 1	at #21 Louisville	3-10	L	3-8-0/10-13-2	7	34-17	Bargar (L, 15-7)	-
May 2	Loyola Chicago	4-6	L	4-9-1/6-9-3	7	34-18	Bargar (L, 15-8)	-

2006 Notre Dame Softball Player Bio Updates -

Brittney Bargar • Fr. • RHP • 5-9 • Corona, CA • Corona H.S.

Career: Became the first Irish pitcher to win an eight-inning no-hitter vs. Connecticut on April 1 ... threw all eight innings of Notre Dame's 2-1 victory, striking out six and allowing one for her first collegiate no-hitter ... earned her first BIG EAST weekly award on Monday, April 5, as she was named the BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week.

2006: Notre Dame's No. 2 starting pitcher behind veteran Heather Booth ... a confident first-year player capable of solid pitching performances ... throws hard with good velocity ... posted the biggest victory of her young career over #10 Arizona State at the Judi Garman Classic, allowing seven hits, two runs and striking out seven in Notre Dame's 3-2 victory ... picked up her first career shutout victory in game two at Cal Poly SLO, scattering six hits, walking three and striking out eight in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory ... pitched well in a tough loss at Tulsa, allowing five hits, one earned run and striking out nine in a complete-game 2-1 loss ... earned a short victory vs. Northern Iowa, pitching the first three innings of a 10-1, five-inning Notre Dame win, allowing three hits and striking out five ... picked up her seventh victory at Western Michigan by logging her longest career appearance, going 7 1/3 innings while allowing just three hits, walking four and striking out six in an eventual 2-1 victory in game two of the doubleheader at WMU ... pitched into extra innings for the second consecutive outing and earned her first career no-hitter in game two against Connecticut ... struck out six, walked one and allowed an unearned run against the Huskies in Notre Dame's 2-1 victory ... pitched five innings and allowed two hits in game two against Providence, with the Irish eventually winning 8-0 in six innings ... dominated game two against Eastern Michigan, striking out a career-high 11 batters ... recorded the last seven outs of the 1-0 victory over EMU via strikeouts ... saw her six-game win streak come to an end with a 4-2 loss to Akron on April 5 ... the loss was the first in a month for the righthander ... posted a personal-best with 12 strikeouts in game two at Pittsburgh, but also allowed a season-high 11 hits in the contest ... settled down after a rough first inning (HBP, two WP) in game two against DePaul to earn the complete-game victory, allowing four hits, one run (earned) and six strikeouts ... sailed through the first six innings vs. Toledo to earn the victory, allowing four hits and striking out seven ... posted a BIG EAST shutout in game two vs. Rutgers, going the distance and allowing four hits while striking out three ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll on Monday, April 23 after going 3-0 during the week with a 1.05 ERA with 17 Ks in 20.0 IP.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-5-06)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-23-06)

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
2.87	15-8	29	23	11	4/3	0	144.0	145	68	59	54	154	7.49	.258

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
2.95	6-2	9	9	5	1/1	0	54.2	57	25	23	16	53	6.84	.269

Team Miscellaneous Stats

Multiple Hit Games

<u>Player</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Brown	11	3	3	-	17
Laing	14	2	-	-	16
Ruthrauff	13	1	2	-	16
Schoonaert	12	1	-	-	13
Lenn	9	3	-	-	12
Kohan	8	3	-	-	11

Multiple RBI Games

<u>Player</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Lenn	4	1	2	-	7
Ruthrauff	5	1	-	1	7
Kohan	5	2	-	-	7
Laing	2	3	-	-	5

Hitting Streaks

<u>Player</u>	<u>Season-High</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Stephanie Brown	11	April 22 - April 30
Mallorie Lenn	8	Feb. 25 - March 12
Katie Laing	8	April 8 - April 22
Sara Schoonaert	7	Feb. 25 - March 12
Meagan Ruthrauff	6	April 26 - current
Linda Kohan	6	April 19 - April 26
Alexandra Kotchreff	5	March 3 - March 12
Gessica Hufnagle	4	April 8 - April 13
Carissa Jaquish	4	April 8 - April 13
Stephanie Mola	4	April 8 - April 11
Erin Glasco	4	April 22 - April 26

LONGEST CURRENT - Meagan Ruthrauff - 6 - April 26 - current

Heather Booth • Sr. • RHP • 5-10 • Riverside, CA • Martin Luther King H.S.

Career: Ranks among Notre Dame's all-time top five in appearances, wins, innings pitched and strikeouts ... became Notre Dame's all-time leader in innings pitched with a complete-game shutout performance at Pittsburgh (game one) on April 9 ... followed up by becoming the first Irish pitcher to reach 800 innings pitched with a five-inning, perfect game performance vs. Rutgers on Senior Day at Ivy Field ... the perfect game also was her 77th complete game of her career, establishing a school record ... poised to become Notre Dame's all-time leader in appearances as well ... with a strong finish, could become just the second Irish pitcher to post 800 strikeouts in a career (currently has 752) ... 2003 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Third-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2004 Second-Team NFCA All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team ... brings a five-game win streak into this weekend's action at Syracuse and Pittsburgh ... did not allow an earned run in seven pitching appearances from March 25 - April 8.

2006: Staff ace for the Fighting Irish ... will carry much of the pitching load and provide leadership for Notre Dame's pair of rookie pitchers ... picked up first win of the season against Florida International (Feb. 24) with a five-inning complete-game shutout, striking out nine and allowing just two hits ... also picked up a complete-game victory over Memphis, scattering six hits, allowing one run and striking out 10 ... named adidas Golden Panther Invitational tournament MVP for her performance over three days, going 2-0 with a 0.47 ERA and 22 strikeouts in 15.0 IP ... took a hard-luck loss vs. #17 Nebraska, scattering six hits, allowing two earned runs and striking out seven in eight innings ... shut down a potent Kansas offense, picking up a complete-game victory with 7.0 IP, two earned runs and 10 strikeouts ... suffered a frustrating non-decision against Stephen F. Austin, allowing seven hits and striking out 11 in Notre Dame's 2-1, eight-inning setback ... it was the second consecutive 10 strikeout performance for the righthander ... evened record to 4-4 on the season with a complete-game five-hit performance at Cal Poly SLO, allowing five hits and striking out eight ... best outing of the early season might have come vs. Florida State, as Booth shut down the Seminoles in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory with three hits and 11 strikeouts ... the FSU game was suspended by rain in the fourth inning, but Booth returned the next day to earn the victory ... pitched well against #6 Alabama, striking out six and allowing three unearned runs in Notre Dame's eventual 4-3 loss ... earned second combined no-hitter of her career in game one at Western Michigan, throwing the first four innings, walking three and striking out five ... picked up second save of the season in game two at WMU, entering the game with one out in the bottom of the eighth inning with the Irish holding a one-run lead ... forced a pop up and then struck out the final batter of the game ... turned in the longest pitching performance of her career in a 1-0, 11-inning victory over Bowling Green ... worked 11.0 innings, walking two, striking out five and allowing just three hits ... forced 16 fly ball outs and 16 ground ball outs vs. the Falcons ... struck out five batters in four innings pitched in game one against Connecticut, winning Notre Dame's 9-0 game-one victory ... struck out eight and allowed just three hits (one unearned run) against Providence in game one ... shut down Eastern Michigan in game one, allowing just two hits and striking out six ... saw her five-game win streak come to an end with a tough 2-1 loss to Syracuse (game one) ... allowed only two hits in the loss to the Orange, but walked four and struck out just two ... did not allow a single runner to reach base over the final three innings of the Syracuse loss ... returned to form in game one at Pittsburgh, scattering five hits, walking two and striking out 11 for the third time in 2006 ... pitched four innings of no-hit softball against Ball State, picking up the win while striking out five ... earned the game-one victory over DePaul with a solid performance, scattering five hits, striking out six and allowing one walk in Notre Dame's 5-0 victory ... named BIG EAST pitcher of the week for the fifth time in her career and first time in 2006 on Monday, April 17 ... finished the week 2-0 with a 0.00 ERA, pitching four innings of no-hit softball against Ball State and picking up the complete-game shutout of DePaul ... touched for seven runs against Villanova on April 22, but quickly erased the bad feeling from that outing with her first career solo perfect game in game one against Rutgers ... on Senior Day (last home BIG EAST doubleheader), sat down all 15 batters she faced and struck out four in Notre Dame's 8-0, five-inning victory ... the perfect game marks the first solo no-hitter of Booth's career (two combined) and the team's third in 2006 ... shutdown Purdue in game one with 5.2 IP, three hits, two walks and seven strikeouts ... picked up her 18th win of the year at Valparaiso, pitching the first six innings and allowing three hits, one earned run and striking out three.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-17-06)

adidas Golden Panther Invitational Tournament MVP

2006 Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
1.58	19-10	37	29	18	7/3	2	195.1	137	59	44	80	192	6.89	.197

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
1.84	8-2	12	9	7	3/1	0	64.2	49	21	17	25	55	6.00	.202

Career Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
1.62	88-37	152	125	79	28/11	6	835.1	587	255	193	293	779	6.53	.196

Stephanie Brown • Jr. • OF • 5-6 • Chandler, AZ • Corona del Sol H.S.

Career: Consistent hitter who piled up at least 60 hits in each of her three years with the Irish ... tied former teammate Liz Hartmann for the Notre Dame freshman home run record, hitting seven in 2004 ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team ... 2004 NFCA Leadoff Classic All-Tournament Team ... has moved into the top-10 all-time in career home runs with 16 ... also ranked in the all-time top 10 for stolen bases with 42 in her career (7th) ... played second base as a rookie for the Irish in 2004.

2006: Returns to the top of the lineup as Notre Dame's leadoff hitter for the third consecutive season ... a three tool player capable of slapping, bunting and hitting for power ... has recently shifted to centerfield after starting the first 23 games of the season in rightfield ... earned a spot on the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team after posting three hits (including a home run against FIU) and scoring five runs during the two-day tournament ... two for four with an RBI double and run scored vs. #17 Nebraska ... ended up one for one with two RBI (on sacrifice flies) vs. Northern Iowa ... reached in all four at bats against Tulsa, going two for three (reached on an error and error on a sacrifice as well) ... provided the game-winning hit with a two-run single in the top of the seventh in game one at Cal Poly SLO, bringing the Irish back from a 1-0 deficit and eventually leading to the 3-1 victory ... provided Notre Dame's biggest hit of the season so far, crushing a two-run opposite field home run in the bottom of the seventh vs. #10 Arizona State for a walk-off hit in the 3-2 victory ... that walk-off home run highlighted a three for four performance against the Sun Devils ... one for three against both Florida State and Texas and also posted a stolen base against both teams ... piled up three hits in game one at Western Michigan, going three for four with two singles, an RBI double and a stolen base ... finished two for four with a double vs. Bowling Green ... piled up three hits in the doubleheader vs. Connecticut, hitting a solo home run in game two and scoring two runs ... finished four for six with four runs scored in the doubleheader vs. Providence ... named to the BIG EAST Conference weekly honor roll on Monday, April 5, going nine for 17 over the week (.529) with two runs, two doubles and two home runs ... two for five with two stolen bases and one run scored in game two at Syracuse (7-5 Irish win) ... posted a career-best four hits and scored three runs in game two at Pittsburgh ... shook off the effects of a shoulder injury to pile up six hits during the doubleheader sweep vs. DePaul ... was initially struck in the shoulder by a line drive foul ball while in the Irish dugout against Ball State ... missed the rest of the BSU contest, but returned in game one against DePaul to go four for four with two runs scored (matching her career-best for hits in a single game) ... ended up two for three in game two vs. DePaul ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll on Monday, April 17, after hitting 6-7 in the DH against DePaul ... led off the doubleheader with Villanova with a solo home run to leftfield ... finished three for four in game one vs. Villanova ... ended up two for three with two runs scored in game two against the Wildcats with a leadoff double ... missed the Rutgers doubleheader due to an illness ... returned to the lineup in game one against Purdue and went two for four with a run scored ... hit her first career grand slam, an opposite field shot in the top of the second inning to drive Notre Dame to a 7-4 game-one victory over South Florida ... came back in game two with another four for four performance against USF, logging four singles and scoring a run ... it was the second four-hit game of the year for Brown ... hit a solo home run in game two at #21 Louisville to highlight a two for three performance ... named to the BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll for the third time this season after her performances at USF and Louisville.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther Invitational All-Tournament Team

Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-5-06)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-17-06)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (5-1-06)

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.400	50-50	165	39	66	9	0	7	19	.582	19	.460	20-24	29	0	0	1.000

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.552	16-16	58	19	32	3	0	5	9	.862	6	.594	7-9	8	0	0	1.000

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.341	180-180	577	121	197	28	1	17	63	.482	53	.406	42-59	237	95	15	.957

Christine Farrell • Fr. • RHP • 5-8 • La Habra, CA • Sonora H.S.

2006: Freshman pitcher has yet to see action while working through recovery from offseason surgery.

Kenya Fuemmeler • Jr. • RHP • 5-7 • Salisbury, MO • Salisbury H.S.

2006: Veteran reliever who has set career highs for innings pitched and appearances already this season ... has thrown well off the bench for the Irish this season ... finished off Notre Dame's 10-1, five-inning victory over Northern Iowa, allowing four hits, a run and striking out three in 2.0 innings ... completed the final three innings of a combined no-hitter with senior Heather Booth in game one at Western Michigan ... walked two and forced six ground outs along with three fly outs in her three innings of action vs. the Broncos ... pitched one inning in Notre Dame's 9-0, five-inning win over Connecticut in game one ... also finished off Notre Dame's 9-0, six-inning victory over Providence in game two ... turned in a great relief appearance against Akron, entering the game with the Irish trailing 4-0 and shutting down the Zip offense over 2 1/3 innings, waling one and striking out one and allowing a single hit ... worked two solid innings against Ball State, pitching the fifth and sixth innings of Notre Dame's 6-0 victory.

2006 Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
1.56	0-0	12	0	0	0/5	0	18.0	12	4	4	13	11	4.28	.190

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
2.62	0-0	3	0	0	0/2	0	2.2	3	1	1	3	3	0.95	.273

Career Statistics:

<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>App</u>	<u>GS</u>	<u>CG</u>	<u>SHO/CBO</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>SO/7</u>	<u>B/Avg.</u>
1.64	1-0	18	0	0	0/7	0	25.2	22	9	6	18	16	4.4	.227

Erin Glasco • Fr. • C/DP • 5-7 • Johnston City, IL • Johnston City H.S.

2006: Left-handed hitter one of Notre Dame's top choices at designated player ... also the team's back up catcher in 2006 ... drove in two runs with an RBI single in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... picked up her fourth RBI of the season with a double in game one vs. Western Michigan (2-0 Irish victory) ... has started to show signs of breaking out of a season-long slump ... posted a walk-off single in the bottom of the seventh inning during to end game one against Villanova and cap Notre Dame's three-run rally in the inning ... crushed her first career home run off the Ivy Field scoreboard in game two against Villanova, driving in the winning run in Notre Dame's 8-3 victory ... ended another game with an RBI single, this time to push Notre Dame to an eight-run rule victory over Rutgers in game one ... finished two for three in game one against Rutgers ... added to Notre Dame's lead in game two against Rutgers with a two-RBI double (7-0 Irish victory).

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.204	47-42	113	3	23	6	0	1	14	.283	6	.262	0-0	64	6	1	.986

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.244	16-15	41	1	10	2	0	1	12	.366	2	.295	0-0	32	2	1	.971

Brittany Glynn • So. • OF • 5-3 • Seymour, CT • St. Joseph H.S.

2006: Provides depth in the outfield for the Irish ... one of the team's top pinch-running options ... has scored seven runs as a pinch runner in 2006 ... posted a memorable first career hit, hitting a two-run home run in the bottom of the sixth inning against Ball State ... the hit represented the first RBI, hit and extra-base hit of her career.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.250	31-0	4	11	1	0	0	1	2	1.000	0	.250	1-3	0	0	0	.000

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.000	15-0	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	.00	0	.000	1-1	0	0	0	.000

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.200	40-0	5	12	1	0	0	1	2	.800	0	.200	1-4	0	0	0	.000

Gessica Hufnagle • Jr. • OF • 5-6 • Middlebury, IN • Northridge H.S.

2006: Had made a switch from catcher to outfielder this season ... has rotated as one of Notre Dame's starting outfielders and is capable of outstanding athletic defensive plays ... broke open game one at Western Michigan with a two-out, two-RBI single up the middle to give the Irish a 4-0 lead in an eventual 5-0 victory ... carded first three-hit game of her career at Pittsburgh in game two, going three for five with a double and RBI ... one for three with a run scored vs. Ball State ... tacked on two insurance runs in the bottom of the sixth inning against Toledo with a two-out two-RBI single ... started at center-field for the first time in her career during the doubleheader vs. Rutgers, as regular starter Stephanie Brown was sidelined with an illness ... cracked her first career home run vs. Valparaiso on Thursday, April 27, highlighting a two for three performance at the plate.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.208	46-42	106	12	22	2	1	1	11	.274	12	.311	2-4	33	1	1	.917

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.237	16-15	38	4	9	1	0	0	2	.263	5	.356	1-1	13	1	0	1.000

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.193	128-67	171	27	33	3	1	1	15	.240	16	.277	6-9	226	14	6	.976

Carissa Jaquish • Jr. • INF • 5-6 • Highland, CA • Redlands East Valley H.S.

2006: Has the ability to play third base, outfield and catch for the Irish if necessary ... started in leftfield for the Irish at Cal Poly SLO ... has also been a catcher for the Irish during her career ... hit her first home run of the season in dramatic fashion, launching a two-run shot with one out in the top of the 10th inning to provide the winning margin in game two at Syracuse, Notre Dame taking the win 7-5 ... one for one with a two-RBI triple in game two at Pittsburgh ... logged third three-hit game of her career in game one against Villanova, finishing thee for three with two runs scored and an RBI ... the RBI was noteworthy, as it drove in the game-tying run during Notre Dame's three-run rally in the bottom of the seventh ... eventually scored the game-winning run on a single from teammate Erin Glasco in the team's 8-7 victory ... two for three with an RBI single in game one against Rutgers ... capped a five-run first inning in game one against Purdue with a two-run home run to rightfield, her second round tripper of the season ... also posted a double ingame two against the Boilermakers ... hit an RBI double in the first inning to drive in the first run of Notre Dame's 7-4 game-one victory at USF.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.221	36-24	77	11	17	3	1	2	11	.364	9	.310	0-1	8	5	2	.867

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.324	14-11	37	6	12	2	1	1	8	.514	4	.390	0-0	7	0	0	1.000

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.223	134-90	274	33	61	10	4	3	30	.321	23	.289	5-6	179	11	5	.974

Linda Kohan • Fr. • INF • 5-6 • Westminster, CA • Westminster H.S.

2006: Has appeared at both third base and first base for the Irish this season ... also the top option for the Irish at DP when not in the starting defensive alignment ... slammed three home runs in her first collegiate weekend of action, earning a spot on the BIG EAST Conference Softball Honor Roll ... first career hit for the Irish was a three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning against Colorado State ... finished two for three against BYU and was hit by a pitch ... two for three with a solo home run against UNLV ... posted a personal-best three hits against CS Fullerton, going three for four with a solo home run, double and two runs scored ... finished two for four with an RBI against Memphis ... two for four with an RBI double vs. Kansas ... broke out of an 0-22 slump with a solo home run in the top of the seventh inning in Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to #6 Alabama ... two for three with a single, double and run scored in game one at Western Michigan ... had a single hit in game two against the Broncos, finishing the doubleheader three for six ... smacked two doubles in the twin bill with Eastern Michigan, finishing two for three in the doubleheader with a walk ... drove in the only two runs of Notre Dame's 4-2 loss to Akron with a two-out RBI double in the bottom of the seventh inning ... two for three with two runs scored and a solo home run (her fifth of the season) in Notre Dame's 14-4 victory over Pittsburgh in game two ... two for two with a an RBI double, single and walk in Notre Dame's 6-0 win over Ball State ... drove in the third and fourth run of Notre Dame's game one victory over DePaul with a two-RBI double ... one for two with an RBI single vs. Toledo ... three for three and reached base four times in Notre Dame's come-from-behind victory over Villanova ... just missed the game-tying home run in the bottom of the seventh, drilling a double just off the top of the Ivy Field wall ... eventually scored the game-tying run on a double from Carissa Jaquish ... one for one with three RBI in game one against Rutgers ... hit a two-RBI double in the first inning against the Scarlet Knight and added a sacrifice fly ... fnished game one against Purdue three for four with two RBI, two singles and a double ... one for two with two runs scored at Valparaiso ... one for three with an RBI single in game two at #21 Louisville.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Softball Honor Roll (2-21-06)

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.280	52-52	150	19	42	12	0	5	26	.460	16	.371	0-0	255	36	7	.977

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.288	18-18	52	7	15	4	0	1	9	.423	6	.387	0-0	144	4	1	.993

Alexandra Kotcheff • Fr. • OF • 5-8 • Los Angeles, CA • The Marlborough School

2006: Stepped in as Notre Dame's starting centerfielder from day one ... will be out indefinitely after suffering a hand injury in game one at Syracuse ... steady on defense while finding her way offensively in 2006 ... has seen action in both the second and ninth spot in the Irish batting order ... has consistently produced since shifting to the second spot during spring break ... posted first multiple hit game of her career vs. Northern Iowa, going two for two with two RBI and two runs scored ... logged the first extra-base hit of her career at CS Fullerton, drilling a triple to the leftfield wall ... moved up to second in the lineup against Florida State and paid instant dividends, providing the game-winning RBI single up the middle in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory over the Seminoles ... also had an RBI single vs. #4 Texas ... three for four with three singles in game two at Western Michigan ... her single up the middle in the top of the eighth would have loaded the bases with one out, but was misplayed by the Bronco centerfielder and both Irish runs in the 2-1 victory scored on the play ... ended up two for five and scored the game-winning run in Notre Dame's 1-0, 11-inning victory over Bowling Green ... singled with one out in the bottom of the 11th and scored from first base on a double by Mallorie Lenn ... three for three in game one vs. Connecticut with two runs scored ... two for three with an RBI and run scored in game one vs. Providence ... with the scored tied at 0-0 in the bottom of the sixth inning in game two with Eastern Michigan, doubled to lead off the inning and eventually scored the game-winning run on an RBI single from teammate Meagan Ruthrauff ... one for two with a double in game one at Syracuse before leaving the contest after injuring her hand sliding into second base.

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.274	32-32	95	15	26	2	1	0	5	.316	0	.274	3-4	18	1	2	.905

Katie Laing • So. • 2B • 5-4 • Chandler, AZ • Corona del Sol H.S.

Career: Has been a starter at second base for the past two seasons ... tied the school record for single-season doubles (also held by current assistant coach Lizzy Lemire) with 17 in 2005 and is threatening that record again in '06 with 14 doubles so far ... 2005 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 NFCA Second Team All-Mideast Region ... capable of hitting for both average and power ... possesses great range at second base and is a consistent performer on defense.

2006: Two for two with a run scored, walk and stolen base against BYU ... ended up two for four with a run scored and double against UNLV ... also two for three with an RBI in game one against Florida International ... showed signs of breaking out of her season-long slump against CS Fullerton, crushing her first home run of the season to highlight a one for three performance ... two for three with a double against #10 Arizona State ... finished one for three with a two-run home run against #4 Texas at the Judi Garman Classic ... has shown signs of breaking out of her season-long slump since the beginning of the BIG EAST season ... two for three with a double, triple and three RBI in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... drove in three more runs and finished two for three in game two vs. Providence ... three for five with a run scored in the doubleheader vs. Eastern Michigan ... two for five in game two at Syracuse, including two doubles and one RBI ... doubled to lead off the top of the 10th inning against the Orange and scored the game-winning run on teammate Carrisa Jaquish's home run ... finished two for five with a run scored in game two at Pittsburgh ... two for three with a two-RBI triple and double vs. Ball State (6-0 Irish victory) ... chipped in two hits and an RBI in the doubleheader sweep of DePaul (two for six overall) ... one for three with a double and RBI vs. Toledo ... moved up to the top of the lineup to sub for leadoff hitter Stephanie Brown vs. Rutgers ... ended up three for three in game two against the Scarlet Knights with two doubles and two runs scored ... one for four with an RBI double in the first inning during game one against Purdue ... doubled in her first two at bats against Valparaiso, driving in three runs and finishing the game two for four ... three for four with three singles and a run scored in game one at USF ... two for four with an RBI single and run scored in game two against USF ... one for four with an RBI single in game two at #21 Louisville ... finished two for three with two runs scored and an RBI double vs. Loyola Chicago.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.296	52-52	169	18	50	15	3	2	27	.456	4	.324	7-9	102	119	6	.974

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.349	18-18	63	8	22	6	1	0	12	.476	0	.359	2-3	36	47	3	.965

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.302	113-111	338	48	102	32	4	5	50	.464	11	.334	13-16	222	196	13	.970

Mallorie Lenn • Sr. • C • 5-8 • Garden Grove, CA • Pacifica H.S.

Career: Has been a top option at starting catcher for the Irish since her freshman season ... a streaky hitter who has proven to be a tough out in postseason competition ... second all-time in Notre Dame history for put outs (1,235 currently) ... also ranks in the all-time top 10 at Notre Dame in home runs (seventh, 19) and RBI (10th, 104) ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (4-23-06)

2006: Has developed into a consistent RBI producer in the heart of Notre Dame's batting order ... the first three home run she hit this season have been multi-run shots (grand slam, two two-run home runs) ... crushed her first career grand slam in Notre Dame's victory over BYU ... ended up two for four with four RBI against the Cougars ... finished one for two with two walks against CS Fullerton at the UNLV Desert Classic ... finished three for seven in the doubleheader sweep at Cal Poly SLO ... finished two for three with a two-run home run vs. #4 Texas ... also launched a two-run home run vs. #6 Alabama at the Judi Garman Classic ... drilled a walk-off RBI double in the bottom of the 11th inning vs. Bowling Green, driving in Alexandra Kotcheff with the game-winning run ... finished two for three with three runs batted in and one double in game two vs. Providence (8-0 Irish victory) ... finished three for three in game one against Pittsburgh ... wrapped up the doubleheader against Pitt five for six at the plate with three runs scored, two RBI and three walks ... two for three with a double and run scored vs. Ball State ... broke game one against DePaul open with a two-RBI double in the fifth inning to put the Irish ahead to stay 2-0 ... singled and scored in game two and tacked on a big insurance run in the bottom of the sixth inning with a solo home run (her fourth of the season) ... finished the DePaul doubleheader three for seven with three RBI and two runs scored ... three for four with an RBI double at #17 Northwestern ... three for three with two runs scored and solo home run in game one against Rutgers ... followed up with four RBI in game two against Rutgers, one on a fielder's choice, two on and RBI double and one on a sacrifice fly ... named to the BIG EAST weekly honor roll for the first time in her career on Monday, April 23, hitting .474 during the week with seven RBI, two doubles and a home run ... continued her hot hitting in game one against Purdue, hitting a solo home run in the third inning ... came back in game two against the Boilers to go two for three with an RBI double ... missed five games for the Irish (DH at USF and at Louisville, single game vs. Loyola Chicago) due to a death in the family.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.333	46-46	144	16	48	11	0	6	33	.535	9	.378	0-0	304	19	0	1.000

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.422	14-14	45	10	19	4	0	2	15	.644	5	.471	0-0	81	5	0	1.000

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.277	224-221	629	51	174	37	1	19	104	.429	40	.325	4-5	1235	93	9	.993

Stephanie Mola • Fr. • OF • 5-5 • Naples, FL • St. John Neumann H.S.

2006: Provides the Irish with depth in the outfield and a left-handed bat off the bench ... consistent at putting the ball in play as a pinch hitter ... made her first career appearance of the season against BYU (one AB) ... game off the bench in a key situation against #10 Arizona State ... led off the bottom of the seventh inning by reaching on a fielding error at third base and eventually scored on Stephanie Brown's walk-off two-run home run ... logged her first career hit in her first career start (at designated player) in game two at Western Michigan ... started her first career game in the defensive lineup against Bowling Green, finishing 0-3 ... started in the outfield in game two vs. Connecticut ... with the scored tied in the bottom of the eighth 1-1, singled and eventually scored the winning run on teammate Mallorie Lenn's RBI double ... posted first multiple hit game of her career at Syracuse in game two, going two for five with a run scored ... finished the doubleheader at Pittsburgh two for seven with her first career RBI in game one.

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.185	24-16	54	6	10	0	0	0	2	.185	1	.200	0-2	5	0	1	.833

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.243	14-12	37	4	9	0	0	0	1	.243	1	.263	0-0	5	0	1	.833

Beth Northway • Fr. • INF/OF • 5-7 • Kentwood, MI • East Kentwood H.S.

2006: Working back into the lineup from offseason shoulder surgery ... will see action in the outfield or infield once she returns to full strength ... has made 22 pinch running appearances, scoring six runs ... posted her first at bat in game two at Pittsburgh ... also received an at bat against Villanova in game one, coming through for her first career hit (a single to short-stop) and RBI ... added another pinch hit single to lead off the top of the sixth inning in game two at Louisville.

2006/Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.667	27-0	3	8	2	0	0	0	1	.667	0	.667	4-4	0	0	0	.000

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.667	8-0	3	3	2	0	0	0	1	.667	0	.667	1-1	0	0	0	.000

Meagan Ruthrauff • Sr. • 1B/3B • 5-10 • La Mirada, CA • La Serna H.S.

Career: Started third season as Notre Dame's first base ... has shifted over to Notre Dame's starting third base since the end of Spring Break and performed well in the field ... has also seen time at DP, third base and shortstop during her career ... Notre Dame career leader in walks with 106 ... also ranks in the top 10 all-time in RBI (third, 152), home runs (fourth, 29), doubles (t-third, 45) and put outs (seventh, 804) ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team ... 2004 NFCA Second Team All-Mideast Region ... 2003 NFCA First Team All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team .

2006: A key contributor for the Irish both on offense and defense ... has made a successful switch to third base after starting the first 21 games of the season at first base ... earned three walks against BYU ... two for four with two double sand two RBI at UNLV ... hit first home run of the season against CS Fullerton ... one for three with an RBI and walk in game two against Florida International ... crushed a three-run home run in the top of the first inning vs. Northern Iowa ... two for four with an RBI single and double vs. Kansas ... two for three with a solo home run vs. #10 Arizona State, keying Notre Dame's eventual 3-2 upset victory ... drew two intentional walks in RBI situations against Bowling Green ... one for two with an RBI double in game one vs. Connecticut ... two for three in game one vs. Eastern Michigan ... exploded for nine hits and 10 RBI on Notre Dame's BIG EAST trip to Syracuse and Pittsburgh, earning the fifth BIG EAST Player of the Week award from the conference office ... one for two with an RBI and two walks (one intentional) at Syracuse in game one ... finished two for three with a run scored and RBI (along with two intentional walks) and a home run in game two at Syracuse ... two for three with two runs scored and RBI and solo home run in game one at Pittsburgh ... broke two Notre Dame long-standing records in game two at Pittsburgh ... became the first Irish player to hit three home runs in a single game, going four for five with seven RBI ... the seven RBI also set a school record for a single game ... scored three runs in the contest and hit home runs to all three fields (left, center and right) ... finished the weekend nine for 13 at the plate in BIG EAST play, scoring six runs and driving in 10 ... also was walked intentionally three times during the week ... two for three with an RBI single in game one against DePaul (5-0 Irish victory) ... two for three with two runs scored in Notre Dame's 5-0 win over Toledo ... kick started Notre Dame's three-run rally in the bottom of the seventh inning in game one against Villanova with a solo home run to centerfield - the Irish eventually won the game 8-7 ... one for three with a two-RBI double in game two against Villanova ... combined with Mallorie Lenn to hit back-to-back home runs in the fifth inning against Rutgers in game one, leading to an 8-0, eight-run rule victory ... finished game one vs. Rutgers three for three with two runs scored and two RBI ... torched Purdue pitching in game one, going four for four at the plate with two runs scored, two doubles and two RBI ... the game one performance against Purdue was her second four-hit game of the year ... two for four with two RBI and a run scored at Valparaiso ... one for four with an RBI single in game one at USF ... followed up by going two for three in game two at USF with a run scored ... two for four with an RBI single in the first inning of game one against #21 Louisville ... finished the DH at #21 Louisville two for two with a HBP and BB.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Player of the Week (4-9-06)

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.367	52-52	150	27	55	12	0	10	38	.647	28	.470	1-1	142	64	1	.995

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.491	18-18	53	13	26	5	0	7	20	.981	11	.582	1-1	11	28	1	.975

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.317	236-235	669	104	212	46	0	29	155	.516	108	.417	5-5	806	121	8	.991

Sara Schoonaert • Sr. • SS • 5-3 • Houston, TX • Clear Lake H.S.

Career: Third season as Notre Dame's starting shortstop ... consistent with the glove and starting to develop as an offensive threat in 2006 ... 2005 Third-Team All-BIG EAST.

2006: Has been consistent at the plate and with the glove so far this season ... two for four against BYU with a double, RBI and stolen base ... two for two in game two against Florida International with a double, walk and stolen base ... named to the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team ... two for four vs. #17 Nebraska ... posted third three-hit performance of her career against Kansas, going three for three with an RBI double, run scored and walk ... doubled and scored with one out in the top of the seventh inning against Stephen F. Austin, forcing the game into extra innings ... one for three with an RBI and single in game one at Western Michigan ... two for three with a double, RBI and run scored in game one vs. Connecticut ... finished the Providence doubleheader four for six at the plate with a run scored ... posted two hits in three consecutive games during BIG EAST play on April 8-9 ... two for five with two RBI, a double and stolen base at Syracuse in game two ... two for four with two RBI in game one at Pittsburgh ... capped off the doubleheader at Pitt four for nine with a two for five performance in game two, scoring two runs ... is currently adjusting to a move up the batting order to second with the injury loss of freshman Alexandra Kotcheff ... one for two with a run scored and two sacrifice hits in game one against DePaul ... one for three with a run scored in game two against the Blue Demons ... two for three with two singles and an RBI in a 5-0 victory over Toledo ... one for two with a run scored and sacrifice hit in game two vs. Villanova ... two for three with a run scored in a game-one, 8-0 victory over Rutgers ... two for three with a run scored vs. Loyola Chicago.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther All-Tournament Team

Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.273	52-52	161	24	44	8	0	0	16	.323	14	.330	11-16	88	83	8	.955

2006 BIG EAST Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.328	18-18	58	10	19	3	0	0	6	.379	4	.365	3-4	24	36	4	.938

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.249	230-184	486	84	121	21	5	0	49	.313	36	.303	27-42	306	265	33	.945

Sarah Smith • So. • OF • 5-7 • Oklahoma City, OK • Heritage Hall H.S.

2006: Returns as one of the team's top baserunner threats ... made her first career start in leftfield vs. Cal Poly SLO (game one) and posted her first career hit, finishing the game one for two ... also started in leftfield for the Irish at CS Fullerton ... picked up her third stolen base of the season vs. #4 Texas .. started in leftfield in game two vs. Eastern Michigan ... also started in leftfield in game two against DePaul ... started game two vs. Rutgers and logged her second hit of the year, a solid single to centerfield ... picked up her first two-hit game of her career in game two against Purdue, going two for three with a run scored and RBI ... was also one for three at Valparaiso.

2006 Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.294	48-8	17	16	5	0	0	0	1	.294	0	.294	3-5	4	0	1	.800

Career Statistics:

<u>Avg.</u>	<u>GP-GS</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>2B</u>	<u>3B</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>Slg%</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>OB%</u>	<u>SB-Att</u>	<u>PO</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>E</u>	<u>Fld%</u>
.250	92-8	20	30	5	0	0	0	1	.250	0	.250	6-12	4	0	1	.800