

## Notre Dame Baseball Gameday Notes – vs. Michigan (May 12, 2004)

**THE ND-UM SERIES** - Notre Dame and Michigan are set to meet for the 117th time and for the 10th straight season (including a regular-season game and NCAA meeting in 1999) ... Michigan leads the all-time series 75-41 but ND has won seven of the last 10 (including the last five regular-season meetings) and three straight prior to losing the 2003 game (8-4) ... the most-common opponents in the ND baseball program include Northwestern (130 games), Michigan State (125), Wisconsin (119), Michigan (116) and Purdue (116, including ND win earlier this season) ... ND's first varsity baseball game was vs. Michigan on April 21, 1892 (6-4 ND win).

**IN THE MAINIERI ERA** - ND is 6-4 vs. Michigan during the nine previous seasons of the Mainieri era (5-2 at Old Kent/Fifth Third Park) ... Michigan won an epic game at OKP in 1996 (7-6, in 16 innings) while the Irish posted an 8-3 home win over the Wolverines late in the 1996 season ... Michigan won the 1997 game at OKP (5-3), with all the Michigan runs unearned after ND made three errors in the 7th ... ND's 9-1 win in '98 featured Tim Kalita's dominating 7.1 innings (2 H, UER, 3 BB, 5 Ks) ... the Irish then won the '99 game at OKP (14-4) before Michigan beat ND in the 1999 NCAAAs (11-5) at Eck Stadium ...the Irish then won in 2000, 5-4 in 11 innings, with [Matt Nussbaum](#) plating the tying run in the 9th and making the game-ending tag at the plate ... [Peter Ogilvie's](#) complete game (5 H, R, BB, 6 Ks) won the 2002 game, 9-1.

**RECAPPING THE 2003 GAME** – Michigan stretched to a 7-0 lead before claiming the 8-4 victory at Fifth Third Bank Ballpark ... ND battled back with three runs in the 3rd and one more in the 8th but the Irish left five runners on base from the 6th-8th innings (nine total LOB) to stall the comeback attempt ... sophomore LHP Drew Taylor picked up the win, after allowing three runs on eight hits and one walk over 5.2 innings (with two strikeouts) ... senior RHP Tim Leveque then recorded the final 10 outs for his second save of the season, allowing one run on four hits (with four Ks) ... senior RHP [Peter Ogilvie](#) suffered the loss in his third straight Baseball Bash start, allowing four runs on two hits and four walks (with three Ks) ... both of Michigan's runs in the third reached on walks, with two more walks leading to a 4-0 UM lead in the 4th ... ND's No. 1-3 batters combined to hit just 1-for-14 but the batters in the 6-9 spots sparked the offense, combining to hit 8-for-15 ... Michigan's three-run fifth then saw the Irish outfielders lose a fly ball in the lights, with Brock Koman reaching on the double as the Wolverines stretched to a 7-0 lead.

**RECAPPING THE 2002 ND-UM GAME** - The Irish used clutch performances from a number of players to overcome an early 3-0 deficit en route to a 7-4 victory (ND's 13th straight) ... Michigan scored in the 1st and added two more in the 2nd vs. [Peter Ogilvie](#) but managed just one run the rest of the way vs. winner [Grant Johnson](#) (3 IP, 11 BF, H, 2 BB, Ks) and close [J.P. Gagne](#) (4 IP, R, 3 H, 4 Ks), who started the 2000 Baseball Bash ... several ND players helped overcome just the third career 0-for-5 game for [Steve Stanley](#) and a 1-for-5 night from the [Brian Stavisky](#) ... 3B [Andrew Bushey](#) - who logged his 21st consecutive game without an error - put the Irish on the board in the 4th inning with a 2-run double off the wall in left-center ... [Matt Bok](#) added the go-ahead single (4-3) in the three-run top of the 6th while [Javi Sanchez](#) became the first player from either team to hit a home run in the last three Baseball Bashes, launching a 2-run shot over the leftfield wall (for a 7-3 lead in the 8th) ... [Kris Billmaier](#) hit 2-for-5 with a pair of runs scored ... Michigan LHP Rich Hill struck out all six batters he faced in the first two innings but the Wolverines went on to use five more pitchers ... RHP Phil Tognetti (3 IP, 3 R, 4 H, 2 BB) was tagged with the loss.

### Jeff Samardzija Stats

Year	GP/GS	W-L	SV	CG/ShO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	2B	3B	HR	AB	AVG	WP	HB	ERA
2004	14/3	3-2	1	0/0	43.1	34	14	11	11	24	1	0	1	162	.210	1	0	2.28

**Samardzija Quick Notes** – ranked 26th in the nation with a 2.14 ERA ... ND's first football/baseball two-sport athlete since CF Scott Sollmann (brother of current ND senior 2B Steve Sollmann) pulled double duty in the mid-1990s ... suffered tough-luck loss in his first start of the season (2-1 vs. St. John's) ... logged 22.1 innings without allowing a run, for a shutout streak that spanned 10 outings (he did not allow an earned run for 24 innings) ... made Sunday road starts vs. Georgetown and Pittsburgh after playing in ND football scrimmages the day before.

SAMARDZIJA'S 2004 GAME-BY-GAME (start vs. SJU)								
(Date)	Opp.	W-L (S)	IP	R/ER	H (HR)	K/BB	WP/HB	ERA
(2/28)	FLMEM		2.0	0/0	0 (0)	2/0	0/0	0.00
(3/6)	SIU-1		2.1	1/1	0 (0)	1/1	0/0	2.08
(3/8)	PSU-1		1.0	0/0	1 (0)	0/1	0/0	1.69
(3/11)	PSU-2	S	4.0	0/0	0 (0)	1/1	0/0	0.96
(3/23)	CMU		2.0	0/0	1 (0)	2/1	0/0	0.79
(3/27)	WVU-1	W	2.0	0/0	0 (0)	1/1	0/0	0.68
(3/28)	WVU-3		1.2	0/0	2 (0)	1/1	0/0	0.60
(4/4)	VILL-3		3.1	0/0	4 (0)	2/1	0/0	0.49
(4/7)	VALPO		1.0	0/0	1 (0)	0/0	0/0	0.47
(4/10)	BC-2		1.0	0/0	1 (0)	0/1	0/0	0.44
(4/12)	SJU-2	L	7.1	2/0	2 (0)	2/1	0/0	0.33
(4/18)	GU-3	W	4.2	3/2	6 (1)	5/0	0/0	0.84
(4/25)	PITT	L	4.0	8/8	11 (0)	4/2	1/0	2.73
(4/29)	MAN.	W	7.0	0/0	5 (0)	3/0	0/0	2.28
(5/9)	UConn	-	3.0	0/0	2 (0)	4/0	0/0	2.14
<b>Totals</b>		<b>3-2 (1)</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>14/11</b>	<b>36 (1)</b>	<b>28/11</b>	<b>1/0</b>	<b>2.14</b>

**MATT-CHING MASHERS** – There have been a high number of players named Matt on the Irish baseball team in the past few years and three of those players currently sit atop the team's RBI charts: junior 1B **Matt Edwards** (47 RBI), sophomore DH **Matt Bransfield** (47) and junior 3B **Matt Macri** (45), in addition to ranking 3rd-5th in batting avg. (Macri .349, Edwards .331, and Bransfield .331) ... Macri is the team leader in runs (61) and triples (6) while Bransfield's 11 home runs are two more than any other Irish player (Macri is next with 9, followed by Edwards with 8) ... eight other ND players during the 10-year Paul Maineri have gone by the familiar name, including current freshman LHP Matt Whittington, 2003 relief ace Matt Laird and three seniors from the 2002 CWS team: DH Matt Bok, RHP Matt Buchmeier and OF/1B Matt Strickroth ... South Bend native Matt Nussbaum played a number of positions during his ND career ('97-'00) while C Matt Prill and LHP Matt Arminio were one-year walk-ons with the Irish baseball program.

**FAR & WIDE** – Notre Dame's 2004 opening-day roster included players from 19 **different states/provinces**, led by four each from Florida, Illinois and Indiana, three each from California and New York, and a pair of players from Maryland, New Jersey, Ohio, Texas and Virginia ... the '04 roster also includes single players from Alabama, Colorado, Connecticut, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina and Ontario ... the 10-year Paul Maineri era has featured ND baseball players from 36 states/provinces, the above 19 plus: Minnesota, Washington, Kentucky, Tennessee, Arizona, Arkansas, Delaware, Georgia, Hawaii, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Oregon.

**LEFTSIDE LOCKDOWN** – Notre Dame's new-look leftside infield in 2004 has featured a stellar defensive combination in junior 3B **Matt Macri** and sophomore SS **Greg Lopez**, who have combined for 72 error-free games this season (40 for Macri, 32 for Lopez) ... 4 of Macri's 7 errors this season came in a pair of games vs. Texas-San Antonio and he did not make an error at the hot corner during the entire month of April (his only E came at SS, while Lopez was resting his sore back) ... the leftside infielders also have boosted their offensive production in 2004, with Macri owning a .349 batting avg., 9 home runs and 45 RBI (compared to a .273 combined avg. in the '02 and '03 seasons) while Lopez owns a team-best .362 batting avg. (112 points above his .250 avg. in '03) and a team-leading 13 doubles (after collecting no extra-base hits in '03).

**FOOL ME ONCE ...** – Notwithstanding the 10-run outburst in the 1st inning of the UConn series finale, the Notre Dame offense has struggled with early-game offense for most of the 2004 season, owning only a 49-26 edge in 1st-inning runs while outscoring the opponents just 164-106 (+58) in the 1st-4th innings (avg. of 3.5 runs) ... the Irish bats typically awake in the middle innings, with a +136 scoring edge (216-80, avg. of 4.6 runs) in the 5th-8th innings ... ND's only dominant early inning has been the 2nd (48-7) but the Irish actually have been outscored in the 3rd (43-32) and hold a narrow 35-30 edge in the 4th ... the Irish now hold a +769 combined scoring edge in the 6th (71-27) and 7th (50-15) innings.

**OH BOY, OBS!** – A popular measure of hitters' effectiveness is "OBS" (combined on-base and slugging percentages), with four Notre Dame players ranking among the BIG EAST's top-10 leaders in overall OBS:

Player	OVERALL			BIG EAST		
	OBS	On-Base Pct.	Slugging Pct.	OBS	On-Base Pct.	Slugging Pct.
1. PJ Hiser (Pitt., sr. DH)	1.237	.449	.788	(2nd) 1.155	.456	.699
2. Jeff Frazier (RU, jr. OF)	1.131	.464	.667	(3rd) 1.116	.487	.629
3. <b>Matt Macri</b> (ND, jr. 3B)	1.107	.467	.640	(7th) 1.010	.426	.584
4. <b>Matt Bransfield</b> (ND, so. DH)	1.062	.420	.642	(5th) 1.057	.416	.641
Jim Negrych (Pitt, fr., 2B)	1.062	.464	.598			
6. Jason Delaney (BC, jr., 1B)	1.023	.446	.577	(1st) 1.134		
7. Sean O'Brien (VT, fr.)	1.019	.550	.469	.972	.472	.500
8. <b>Steve Andres</b> (ND, jr. DH)	1.014	.472	.542	(7th) 1.021	.457	.564
Graig Badger (VT, sr. 2B)	1.014	.514	.500		.459	
10. <b>Craig Cooper</b> (ND, so. OF)	1.002	.421	.581	(4th) 1.077	.481	.596

... a big part of Andres' high OBS number is his team-leading 35 walks (2nd-most in the BIG EAST), putting him on pace for 48 walks (would rank 6th in ND record book and most since '94) ... the ND record for single-season OBS is the 1.295 posted by All-American CF Dan Peltier in 1989 (.513 OB, plus ND-record .783 slugging).

**SINGLE-DIGIT LOSERS** – Notre Dame (38-9) heads into the Michigan as one of nine Division I teams (out of 287) with single-digit losses ... just six teams – Stanford (37-7), East Carolina (40-7), Texas (45-8), Rice (34-8), Oral Roberts (37-8) and Albany (32-8) – have fewer losses than the Irish while Miami (35-9) and the College of Charleston (36-9) both have nine losses.

**BULLPEN BULLIES** – The Notre Dame bullpen will be looking to close the 2004 regular season with continued strong outings, as Irish relievers have combined to post a 3.05 ERA (nearly 1.2 runs below the starters' 4.22), a 16-1 record and a .223 opponent batting avg. in 2004 ... the '04 bullpen also has converted 11-of-12 save chances while letting just 25% of inherited baserunners come around to score ... one area that the relievers will be looking to improve is its walks and hit-batter totals (avg. of 3.7 BB/HBP per 9 IP).

**MARATHON MEN** – The two longest games in the 10-year history of Eck Stadium have lasted 15 innings and the Irish have won both of those marathons, besting West Virginia on May 3, 1998 (5-3) and Ball State last week (April 27; 7-6) ... then-freshman LF Alec Porzel's 2-run blast beat WVU in the '98 classic vs. WVU (signaling many more clutch hits to come from the future all-BIG EAST shortstop) ... Chris Niesel's 12 Ks and 8.1 shutout innings helped the Irish rally vs. Ball State (6-6) and Steve Andres delivered the leadoff triple before scoring on Craig Cooper's first-pitch, opposite-field single to right.

**GO THE DISTANCE** – The Irish are 20-5-1 in their last 26 extra-inning games, including 4-0 in 2004 (12-11 vs. Southern Illinois in 11; 5-3 at West Virginia in 7-inning game that went 10; 6-5 vs. Villanova in 10; and 7-6 vs. Ball State in 15).

**LOSING STREAKS RARE** – Notre Dame has suffered back-to-back losses just once all season (at Pittsburgh, on April 25) while the rally vs. Ball State helped the Irish avert what would have been their first 3-game losing streak since early in the 2003 season.

**20-to-1** – The 15-inning comeback win over Ball State included an Eck Stadium-record 20 strikeouts from the ND pitching staff ... more impressively, the Irish issued just one walk in the entire game and that base-on-balls was an intentional pass ... starter Tom Thornton (4) combined with relievers Chris Niesel (12) and Ryan Doherty (4) for the 20 Ks while Rico Bertucci also pitched in the game and joined the others in not issuing a conventional walk.

**WINNING TIGHT, WINNING BIG** – Notre Dame owns a 12-4 record in 2004 games decided by 1-2 runs (5-2 in 1-run games) while nearly 60% of the team's wins (22 of 38) have come by 5-plus runs.

**TRIPLE DOUBLES** – The Irish offense has pushed across double-digit runs 15 times this season while collecting 10-plus hits in 26 of 44 games (including 5 of the last 6) ... ND also has won by a margin of 10 or more runs in eight games during the '04 season.

**Notre Dame Pitching Staff Comparison**

	<u>ERA</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>Opp. Avg.</u>	<u>Opp. Slug. (HR)</u>	<u>K/BB</u>	<u>BB/9 IP</u>
<b>Starters</b>	4.22	22-8	.275	.376 (13)	2.49	2.40
<b>Bullpen</b>	3.05	16-1	.222	.338 (16)	2.72	2.91

**THE IRISH BULLPEN** (*players in italics are not on active roster*)

<b>Pitcher</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>W-L</b>	<b>GP/GS</b>	<b>SV</b>	<b>IP</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R/ER</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>2B-3B-HR</b>	<b>Avg.</b>	<b>WP/HB</b>	<b>Saves Conv.</b>	<b>Inher. Run. Scored</b>
Chris Niesel	0.00	0-0	3/0	0	10.1	7	1/0	1	16	4-0-0	.179	0/0	0-0	–
Derik Olvey	0.00	0-0	2/0	0	6.0	5	0/0	0	2	1-0-0	.227	0/1	0-0	–
Grant Johnson	0.00	0-0	1/0	0	2.0	2	0/0	1	2	1-0-0	.250	0/0	0-0	–
<i>Scott Bickford</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>2/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2.0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0-0-0</i>	<i>.143</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>1-of-2 (.500)</i>
Jeff Samardzija	0.96	0-0	12/0	1	28.0	18	4/3	8	19	0-0-1	.180	0/0	1-1	1-of-6 (.167)
Ryan Doherty	1.73	0-0	22/0	8	26.0	10	6/5	10	36	4-0-0	.115	0/5	8-9	1-of-17 (.059)
Mike Dury	2.13	0-0	10/0	0	12.2	14	4/3	4	8	1-0-2	.280	3/0	0-0	6-of-11 (.546)
Rico Bertucci	<i>2.31</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>10/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>4/3</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>0-1-1</i>	<i>.200</i>	<i>1/2</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>2-of-7 (.286)</i>
Tom Thornton	3.00	0-0	1/0	0	6.0	5	2/2	1	4	0-0-1	.217	0/1	0-0	–
Dan Kapala	3.25	0-0	20/0	1	27.2	29	12/10	8	32	4-1-4	.269	3/2	1-1	2-of-15 (.133)
Joe Thaman	3.63	0-0	19/0	1	34.2	23	14/14	13	25	4-0-5	.184	4/3	1-1	6-of-11 (.546)
Jess Stewart	10.80	0-0	2/0	0	1.2	3	2/2	1	1	0-0-0	.429	0/1	0-0	–
Tyler Jones	21.94	0-0	9/0	0	5.1	17	14/13	4	3	2-1-0	.531	0/0	0-0	0-of-2 (.000)
<i>Matt Whittington</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>3/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>5.0</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>0-0-0</i>	<i>.273</i>	<i>1/0</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>–</i>
<i>Chris Vasami</i>	<i>4.76</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>3/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>5.2</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>3/3</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1-0-1</i>	<i>.200</i>	<i>0/2</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>–</i>
<i>Cody Wilkins</i>	<i>45.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>1/0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>5/5</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1-0-1</i>	<i>.500</i>	<i>1/0</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>–</i>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>3.05</b>	<b>16-1</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>185.2</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>71/63</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>23-3-16</b>	<b>.223</b>	<b>13/17</b>	<b>11-12</b>	<b>19-of-71 (.268)</b>
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>7.70</b>	<b>2-11</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>166.0</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>176/142</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>43-6-20</b>	<b>.329</b>	<b>30/40</b>		

**DOHERTY EMERGES AS ALL-AMERICA CANDIDATE** – Sophomore RHP Ryan Doherty has filled the closer role held by All-American J.P. Gagne in 2003, with the 7-foot-1 Doherty turning in a mostly dominant season in which he has been nearly unhittable (.101, 8-for-79) to go along with a team-leading 1.88 ERA, 8 saves (tied for the BIG EAST lead), a 5-1 record, 34 Ks and 10 walks in 24 IP ... here are other notes on Doherty's stellar 2004 season:

- His strikeout average (12.46 Ks per 9 IP) is in range of the 46-year-old ND record set by Frank Carpin in 1958 (12.63).
- His low hit avg. (3.46 per 9 IP) is on record pace in ND history, well below the 4.83 hits per 9 IP allowed by Ed Lupton back in 1963.
- His only failed save conversion (8-of-9) came in the second game at Pittsburgh (April 25), when another impressive streak ended as he allowed a hit for the first time in 11 appearances (opponents were 0-for-31 vs. the big righthander in that span).
- He has not allowed an inherited baserunner to score (1-of-17) since allowing his first inherited baserunner of the season to score, vs. Southern Illinois on March 6.
- Struck out 4 of the 5 batters he faced to pick up win in 15-inning game vs. Ball State (7-6).
- Logged shutout streak that spanned 10 appearances and 11.0 IP (March 27-April 25).
- His 1.73 season ERA would rank 9th in the ND record book (5th-best since 1990)
- His 8 saves rank 6th on the ND single-season list, behind former teammate Gagne(13 in '03), current Eastern Kentucky pitching coach John Corbin (11 in 2000, 9 in '99), Mike Coffey (10 in '89) and Aaron Heilman (9 in '98).
- On pace for 31 appearances in 2004, which would rank 2nd in ND history behind Coffey's 37 in '89.

**ROADTRIPPERS DELUXE** – Notre Dame's nomadic 2004 season includes playing 29 of its first 48 games on the road, with only two weekends at home during that stretch (not counting finals week) ... the upcoming game vs. Michigan in Grand Rapids will give the Irish nearly 16,000 miles of travel this season (with potential postseason trips also still in the mix) ... here's the mileage breakdown for both air and ground transportation (the Irish traveled by bus to WVU and from SHU to Pittsburgh, plus bus trips to SIU and to Grand Rapids for the UM game):

<b>Destination</b>	<b>Round-Trip Mileage</b>
Los Angeles (via Atlanta) .....	4,638
Boca Raton, Fla. ....	2,570
San Antonio/Round Rock, Texas .....	2,317
Carbondale, Ill. ....	786
Morgantown, W.Va. ....	882
Bethesda, Md. ....	1,154
South Orange, N.J./Pittsburgh, Pa. ....	1,326
Storrs, Conn. ....	1,619
Grand Rapids, Mich. ....	235
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>15,527</b>

## FINALS FACTOR

	before	after	all games after
1995	2-3	(3-2)	3-2
1996	4-0	(4-2)	5-4
1997	5-0	2-0	4-2
1998	2-1	1-2	4-3
1999	4-1	3-0	7-7
2000	2-1	2-1	6-5
2001	2-1	2-1	6-5
2002	2-1	2-1	16-5
2003	1-2	1-2	9-6
2004	3-1		
	<b>27-11</b>	<b>20-11</b>	<b>60-39</b>

The Irish have lost at least one pre-finals game every year since '98 (16-8), lost at least one post-finals game every year since 2000 (7-5) ... pre and post-finals last five years combined (00-04): 17-11

## THE MAINIERI ERA BY MONTH

	Feb.	March	April	May	June	Total
1995	1-2	10-8	24-6	5-5	-	40-21
1996	3-3	14-4	18-7	9-4	-	44-18
1997	3-3	10-8	20-6	8-2	-	41-19
1998	1-1 Jan. /4-5 Feb.	10-3	20-3	6-5	-	41-17
1999	3-4	13-3	18-4	9-7	-	43-18
2000	2-1	14-4	20-6	10-7	-	46-18
2001	5-1	15-3-1	20-2	9-7	-	49-13-1
2002	1-2	11-8	19-2	14-3	5-3	50-18
2003	2-3	14-3	19-4	10-7	0-1	45-18
2004	6-0	13-3	16-6	3-0		38-9
<b>Totals</b>	<b>30-24</b> <b>(.556)</b>	<b>124-47-1</b> <b>(.724)</b>	<b>194-46</b> <b>(.803)</b>	<b>83-47</b> <b>(.639)</b>	<b>5-4</b> <b>(.556)</b>	

## Walks plus HBPs – strikeout margin

+9 – Steve Sollmann (13+6-10)  
+9 – Steve Andres (35+5-31)  
+5 – Matt Bransfield (16+8-19)  
+3 – Matt Macri (32+4-33)  
+3 – Javi Sanchez (14+10-21)  
+3 – Cody Rizzo (2+16-15)  
+2 – Matt Edwards (24+7-29)  
-1 – Craig Cooper (13+1-15)  
-2 – Sean Gaston (4+2-8)  
-4 – Greg Lopez (11+7-22)  
-5 – Zach Sisko (5+3-13)  
-8 – Danny Dressman (17+0-25)

**40-SOMETHING** – Notre Dame (35-9) is five wins shy of posting the program's 16th consecutive season with 40-plus wins, which could end up being the nation's longest active 40-win streak ... Florida State (30-17) has a 26-year streak of 40-win seasons on the line, as does Wichita State (33-12), while ND entered 2004 with the third-longest active 40-win streak ... Wichita State's streak includes multiple seasons in which the Shockers were able to play more than 56 regular-season games, due to playing exempted game in Hawaii ... Oklahoma State and Clemson previously had longer 40-win streaks than ND but their streaks ended in recent years.



**(1) #3 2B STEVE SOLLMANN (B:R)**

Senior ... 5-11/195 ... Cincinnati, Ohio/St. Xavier HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2001	61/61	221	52	80	9	2	5	36	30	4	29	4/6	23-34	21/.928	.440	.48-9	.362
2002	59/57	213	53	77	8	4	2	47	22	3	18	5/6	6-6	8/.969	.420	.465	.362
2003	61/61	255	67	98	16	5	4	40	25	1	23	2/4	38-48	8/.974	.438	.533	.384
2004	24/24	95	27	30	3	1	2	18	15	8	11	1/1	9-12	0/1.000	.445	.443	.316
<b>Career</b>	<b>205/203</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>12/17</b>	<b>76-100</b>	<b>37/.963</b>	<b>.435</b>	<b>.490</b>	<b>.364</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads team with 9 stolen bases while owning **3rd-best on-base pct. (.445)** ... missed 21 games due to jaw injury but ranks among team's per-game leaders in runs (2nd, 1.13), hits (3rd, 1.25) and RBI (5th, 0.75).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – had played in just 7 BIG EAST games, batting **.500 (12-for-24)** vs. WVU, Villanova and UConn (8 RBI, 8 R, HR, 3B, 2 2B, 6 BB, 2 HBP, 2 Ks, SF, SAC, 6-8 SB, .606 on-base, .792 slugging, 1.398 "OBS") ... his '03 BIG EAST reg.-season stats: .319, 20 RBI, 26 R, 3 HR, 9 2B, 10 BB, HBP, 12 Ks, 11 SB, 4 Es ... owns a .345 career batting avg. in all games vs. BIG EAST opponents (115-for-333, 59 RBI, 7 HR).

• **Surge Interrupted** – was riding 5-game hitting streak (10-for-19/.526) at the time of his fractured-jaw injury, midway through April 3 opener vs. Villanova ... now is **15-for-29 (.517) in his last 8 games** (10 RBI, 9 R, HR, 3B, 2 2B, 6 BB, 6 SB, 2 HBP, SAC, 2 Ks)

• **Career vs. Michigan** – hit just 4-for-14 (.286) in the 2001-03 Baseball Bash games vs. Michigan (3 R, BB, 2 Ks, 0-1 SB)

• **UConn Series** – 2nd on team with .500 batting (**5-for-10**) in three wins at UConn (4 RBI, 4 R, 2 BB, 2 HBP, 4-5 SB, K)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – owns a **.396 career batting** avg. in 45 games played **after finals** (78-for-197, 37 RBI, 47 R, 3 HR, 5 3B, 8 2B, 13 BB, 5 HBP, 18 Ks, 19 SB, 5 Es), including 16-for-50 (.320) in post-finals weekends ... hit .306 in 2001 post-finals games (2 RBI, 6 R, 3B, 4 BB, HBP, 4 SB, 6 Ks, E) ... 3rd on '02 team with .425 batting after finals (37-for-87, 24 RBI, 27 R, 2 HR, 3 3B, 4 2B, 6 BB, 3 HBP, 5 Ks, 4 SF, SAC, 4 SB, 2 Es) and then 2nd on '03 team with .405 batting after finals (30-for-74, 11 RBI, 14 R, HR, 3B, 4 2B, 3 BB, HBP, 7 Ks, SF, 11 SB, 2 E).

• **The X Factor** – ND owns a **157-45-1 (.776)** record over the '01-'04 seasons when Sollmann has been in the **starting lineup**, compared to just **25-13 (.658)** in games when he **did not start** ... most notably, the Irish were just 5-6 in '02 games when Sollmann did not start due to a quad pull (45-12 when he started in '02) and 15-6 this season when he was out with a fractured jaw (21-3 in '04 games started by Sollmann).

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – leads '04 team with **+12 margin** of walks (15) plus HBPs (8) minus strikeouts (11), with rest of the team at +8.

• **ND Record Book** – 4th in ND history for **career hits** (285), plus 3rd in fielding assists (570), **5th in stolen bases** (76), 6th in runs (199), 7th in triples (13), **8th in batting avg.** (.364) and 9th in ABs (784) ... next up on the ND hits list are Eric Danapilis (295; '90-'93) and Pat Pesavento (296; '86-'89) ... Steve Stanley's ND-record 385 hits rank 3rd in NCAA history ... one more triple would tie him for 3rd on that ND career list, behind his brother Scott's 24 from '94-'96 and J.J. Brock's 16 ('94-'98) ... his 570 assists trail only J.J. Brock's 619 and Pesavento's 617 ... others next up in the ND record book include Greg Layson's 80 SBs and Craig Counsell's 204 runs (then Danapilis' 205).

• **Multiple Threat** – joins teammate Matt Macri and six previous Irish stars (Ryan Topham, George Restovich, J.J. Brock, Alec Porzel, Paul O'Toole and Brian Stavisky) as only ND players ever to post **double-digit home runs (13) and triples (12)** in his career ... he and O'Toole are the only players from that list who **also have 40-plus stolen bases (72)**.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.300** (24-for-80) in '04 **outside Eck Stadium** (16 RBI, 24 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, 14 BB, 7 HBP, 9 Ks, SF, SAC, 9 SB) and **6-for-15** in limited action **at Eck** (2 RBI, 3 R, 2 2B, BB, HBP, 2 Ks) ... a **.349 career** hitter in 139 career **road** games, with just 16 Es (161-for-462, 75 RBI, 110 R, 9 HR, 8 3B, 9 2B, 56 BB, 53 Ks, 47 SB) ... a **.385 career** hitter at The **Eck** (124-for-322, 66 RBI in 90 GP, 90 R, 4 HR, 4 3B, 28 2B, 36 BB, 28 Ks, 29 SB, 21 Es).

• **Position/Batting Order** – all 23 of his 2004 starts have come at 2B, with 15 starts as leadoff batter and 9 in the 2-hole ... was the ND leadoff hitter 54 times in 2003, after hitting mostly in the 2nd spot for the 2002 CWS squad.

• **Airtight D** – BIG EAST's "best defensive 2B" (per *Baseball America*) has **yet to make an error** in 125 fielding chances this season ... closed '03 with just 2 Es in final 15 games ... made 21 Es as a freshman in '01, after converting from CF to 2B, before totaling just 8 Es in both '02 and '03 ... has averaged **9.0 games per error** during past three seasons.

• Owns **10 Multi-Hit** games in '04 and **4** with **Multi-RBI** ... has **87 career multi-hit** games (28 three-hit games, 6 four-hit games, six-hit game vs. South Alabama in '02 NAAs).

• **Honors** – ND's 11th non-senior (in '03) – from any sport – ever to earn All-America and Academic All-America (3.38 GPA, marketing major) ... also MVP at '02 NCAA South Bend Regional, three times all-BIG EAST (1st team '01), Freshman All-America, BIG EAST Rookie of Year, NCAA Fullerton Regional All-Tournament team ('03), ND Athletic's 2003 O'Connor Award (recognizing spirit, inspiration and courage) ... selected by Oakland A's in '03 draft.

**SOLLMANN GAME-BY-GAME****(Date) Opp. H-AB RBI Other**

(2/20) SDSU	..... 2-3	..... 0	..... 2 R, 2 BB, SB
(2/21) USC	..... 0-3	..... 0	..... BB
(2/27) WIN	..... 1-4	..... 1	..... 2 R, BB
(2/28) FAU	..... 0-4	..... 0	
(2/29) MINN	..... 2-4	..... 1	..... R, BB, HBP, K
(3/6) SIU-1	..... 0-5	..... 0	..... 2 R, HBP
(3/7) UTSA-1	..... 0-3	..... 0	..... 3 R, BB, SB, 2 HBP
(3/8) PSU-1	..... 2-5	..... 2	..... R, K
(3/9) UTSA-2	..... 2-6	..... 3	..... R
(3/11) PSU-2	..... 0-5	..... 0	..... 3 Ks
(3/12) AZ	..... 1-4	..... 0	..... 2 R, BB, 2 Ks
(3/13) T-TECH	..... 1-5	..... 1	..... R, 2B, SB
(3/20) SIU-2	..... 2-5	..... 0	
(3/21) SIU-3	..... 1-3	..... 1	..... 2 R, HR, BB, HBP
(3/23) CMU	..... 1-5	..... 0	..... 2 Ks
(3/24) DET	..... 0-2	..... 0	..... R, BB, HBP
(3/27) WVU-1	..... 3-4	..... 1	..... R, 3B, BB, SF
(3/27) WVU-2	..... 1-5	..... 0	..... K
(3/28) WVU-3	..... 1-2	..... 2	..... 2 R, HR, 3 BB, 2-3 SB
(3/31) WMU	..... 3-5	..... 1	..... R, CS
(4/3) VILL-1	..... 2-3	..... 2	..... R, 2 2B
(5/9) UConn-1	..... 0-1	..... 0	..... BB, 1-2 SB, 2 HBP
(5/9) UConn-2	..... 2-4	..... 1	..... R, 2 SB, SAC
(5/10) UConn-3	..... 3-5	..... 3	..... 3 R, BB, SB, K
(5/12) MICH			
(5/15) RU-1			
(5/15) RU-2			
(5/16) RU-3			
(5/18) UCF-1			
(5/19) UCF-2			
(5/21) VT-1			
(5/22) VT-2			
(5/23) VT-3			

**Sollmann's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	..... .393 (6th); HR, 2 BB, 3 HBP, 4 Ks
Bat. w/ Runners in Scor. Pos.	..... .341 (6th); HR, 2 2B, 10 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, GDP, SAC, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	..... .375 (3rd); 9 two-out RBI (7th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	..... .400/2-for-5 (6th); BB, 5 RBI, K, GDP, SF
Delivers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	..... 6 in 9 chances/.667 (6th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	..... 3/51

**(2) #5 3B MATT MACRI (B:R)**

Junior ... 6-2/190 ... Clive, IA/Dowling HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2002	17/16	68	10	14	3	0	1	13	7	0	24	2/0	1-2	0/1.000	.273	.294	.206
2003	60/60	214	41	63	15	5	4	35	26	6	47	0/7	6-9	19/.933	.386	.467	.294
2004	45/44	172	61	60	11	6	9	45	34	5	33	1/1	8-9	7/.952	.467	.640	.349
<b>Career</b>	<b>122/120</b>	<b>454</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>3/8</b>	<b>15-20</b>	<b>26/.941</b>	<b>.402</b>	<b>.507</b>	<b>.302</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks – leads Irish in runs (61), hits (60),** triples (6), total bases (110), **“OBS” (1.087),** games played (45) and starts (44) ... also 2nd on team in slugging pct. (.640), on-base pct. (.467), home runs (9) and walks (34), plus 3rd in batting (.349), RBI (45) and doubles (11).

• **Among BIG EAST Stat Leaders –** joins Rutgers’ Jeff Frazier as only players **ranked in top 10 of nine BIG EAST** categories: 1st in runs (61) and triples (6), 3rd in total bases (110), 4th in home runs (9), walks (35) and slugging (.640), 5th in RBI (45), 6th in on-base (.467), 10th in hits (55), 15th in batting (.349) ... his **1.107 “OBS”** (combined on-base and slugging) **rank 3rd,** behind Pittsburgh’s P.J. Hiser (1.237) and Frazier’s 1.131 ... in conference games only, he ranks 1st in runs (29) and triples (3), 3rd in HRs (4), and 7th in walks (14) and slugging (.584).

• **BIG EAST Stats –** hitting just **.299** (23-for-77) in '04 BIG EAST games (14 RBI, 29 R, .584 slugging, 4 HR, 3 3B, 4 2B, .426 on-base, 14 BB, 3 HBP, 17 Ks, SAC, 3 SB, 2 Es) ... his **2003 BIG EAST** regular-season stats: **.259,** 8 RBI, 13 R, HR, 2 3B, 8 2B, 11 BB, 21 Ks.

• **Recent Trends –** batting **10-for-24** (.417) with a **.958 slugging** pct., .548 on-base pct. and 1.506 OBS in his **last 6** games (5 RBI, 12 R, 2 HR, 2 3B, 3 2B, 5 BB, 2 HBP, 3 SB, 2 Es)

• **Career vs. Michigan –** hit **3-for-4** in 8-4 loss to UM in 2003 (RBI, 2 R, CS) ... did not play in the '02 game due to injury

• **UConn Series –** 5th on team with .385 batting (**5-for-17**) in three wins at UConn (**5 RBI, 7 R, 2 HR, 2 2B, 2 BB, HBP, SB, E**)

• **Monthly Report–** ranked 2nd on team with .358 batting in April (29-for-81, 18 RBI, 34 R, 4 HR, 5 3B, 4 2B, 20 BB, 3 HBP, 16 Ks, 5 SB, E) ... his **.333** batting in **Feb. and March** was 2nd on team (26-for-78, 22 RBI, 20 R, 3 HR, 3B, 5 2B, 12 BB, HBP, 17 Ks, 2 SB, 5 Es)

• **Post-Finals Stats –** hit just **.246 overall after '03 finals** (14-for-57, 12 RBI, 7 R, HR, 3B, 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 12 Ks, 2 SAC, SB, 6 Es)

• **Quality Trips to Plate –** ranks 3rd on '04 team with +6 margin of walks (34) plus HBPs (5) minus strikeouts (33), with rest of the team at +14.

• **Site Survey –** batting **.278** (30-for-108) in '04 **outside Eck Stadium** (26 RBI, 31 R, .519 slugging, 5 HR, 2 3B, 7 2B, .391 on-base, .910 “OBS”, 17 BB, 3 HBP, 23 Ks, SAC, 2 SB, 7 Es/.928) ... batting **team-best .469** (191 pts higher than road avg.) **at The Eck** in '04 (30-for-64, 19 RBI, 30 R, .844 slug., 4 HR, 4 3B, 4 2B, .583 OB, 1.427 “OBS”, 17 BB, 2 HBP, 10 Ks, SF, 6 SB, 1 E) ... a **.446 career batter at The Eck** (66-for-148, 33 RBI, 6 HR in 46 GP), nearly double his **career road avg. (.227,** 69-for-304, 58 RBI, 7 HR in 74 GP).

• **Position/Batting Order –** has made **42 starts at 3B,** plus 2 at SS (vs. Manchester and IPFW) ... hit mostly in 6-spot (7 games) and 7-spot (8) earlier in the season before making 19 recent starts in the 2-hole, after injury to Steve Sollmann ... also had made 4 starts batting 5th and 2 in 8-hole, plus **leadoff starts vs. Ball State and UConn** (3).

• Has posted **40 Error-Free** games in 2004, including 18 straight before error at SS vs. Cleveland State ... 4 of his 7 errors in '04 came in pair of games vs. Texas-San Antonio ... also posted 45 error-free games as Irish SS in '03.

• **ND Record Book Projection –** on **pace for 83 runs** (in 64-game season), **would rank 2nd** in ND history behind Pat Pesavento’s 88 in 1989.

• **Big day vs. Minnesota** included career-high hits (4) plus **6 RBI** and **5 R** (both 1 shy of tying ND records) ... 8th ND player known to have scored 5-plus runs in a game (3rd in ND record book to do so since 1901).

• **All-Tournament at FAU Classic** (.385, 5-for-13, 7 RBI, 7 R, HR, 3B, 2 BB) and **Alamo City Irish Baseball Classic** (.400, 6-for-15, BB, 3 RBI, 6 R, 2 2B)

• 2nd on team with **15 Multi-Hit** games (7 with 3-plus) while his **12 Multi-RBI** games are 3rd-most on team (has 2 of team’s 6 games with 5-plus RBI)

• Rated nation’s **#41 prospect** among 2004 college juniors, per *Baseball America* (4th overall college infielder on that list)

**MACRI GAME-BY-GAME**

(Date)	Opp.	H-AB	RBI	Other
(2/20)	SDSU	1-4	0	SB, 3 Ks
(2/21)	USC	2-3	1	2B, K
(2/27)	WIN	1-4	1	2 R, 2 BB
(2/28)	FLMEM	1-4	0	R, BB
(2/28)	FAU	0-3	0	
(2/29)	MINN	4-6	6	5 R, HR, 3B
(3/6)	SIU-1	3-6	1	3 R, K
(3/7)	UTSA-1	1-5	0	2 Es
(3/9)	UTSA-2	2-4	2	3 R, 2 2B, BB, 2 Es
(3/11)	PSU-2	3-4	3	
(3/12)	AZ	0-3	0	2 BB, K
(3/13)	T-TECH	1-5	2	2B, 3 Ks
(3/20)	SIU-2	1-4	2	R, HR
(3/21)	SIU-3	0-3	0	BB, HBP, 2 Ks
(3/23)	CMU	1-4	0	2 Ks
(3/24)	DET	1-1	3	3 R, HR, 3 BB, SF
(3/27)	WVU-1	0-4	0	SAC, 2 Ks
(3/27)	WVU-2	1-4	0	R, 2B, K
(3/28)	WVU-3	0-4	0	BB, K, E
(3/31)	WMU	3-3	0	R, BB, SB
(4/3)	VILL-1	2-3	2	3 R, 2 3B, HBP
(4/3)	VILL-2	2-4	1	2 R, 2 BB, SB, K
(4/4)	VILL-3	2-5	1	3 R, BB, SB, K
(4/6)	CHST	3-3	2	3 R, HR
(4/7)	VALPO	1-2	2	2B, 2 BB, SB
(4/10)	BC-1	1-4	1	R, 2B, 2 Ks
(4/10)	BC-2	3-4	1	3 R, HR
(4/12)	SJU-1	2-4	1	K
(4/12)	SJU-2	1-3	0	R, BB
(4/14)	OAK	0-3	0	2 R, 2 BB, K
(4/17)	GU-1	1-4	0	R, 2 BB
(4/17)	GU-2	0-4	0	2 R, BB, HBP
(4/18)	GU-3	1-5	0	R, 2 Ks
(4/21)	TOL	3-5	5	HR, 2B, 2 R
(4/23)	SHU-1	0-2	0	R, BB, K
(4/23)	SHU-2	0-4	0	K
(4/25)	Pitt-1	1-3	1	R, 3B, BB
(4/25)	Pitt-2	1-3	1	2 R, HR, 2 BB
(4/27)	BSU	0-5	0	R, 2 BB, 2 Ks
(4/28)	CLEV-ST	2-4	0	R, 3B, BB, E (@SS)
(4/29)	MAN	1-3	0	2 R, 2B, BB, SB, HBP
(4/30)	IPFW	2-4	0	2 R, 3B, BB, SB
(5/9)	UConn-1	0-4	0	
(5/9)	UConn-2	4-5	2	4 R, HR, 2 2B, BB, SB, E
(5/10)	UConn-3	1-4	3	3 R, HR, BB, HBP
(5/12)	MICH			
(5/15)	RU-1			
(5/15)	RU-2			
(5/16)	RU-3			
(5/18)	UCF-1			
(5/19)	UCF-2			
(5/21)	VT-1			
(5/22)	VT-2			
(5/23)	VT-3			

**Macri’s Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND’s Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct. ....	.472 (3rd); HR, 2 3B, 3 2B, 5 BB, HBP, 7 Ks
Bat. w/ Runners in Scor. Pos. ...	.387 (3rd); 2 HR, 3 3B, 4 2B, 13 BB, 2 HBP, 14 Ks, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs .....	.308 (6th); 14 two-out RBI (4th)
Batting Avg. w/. Bases Loaded .....	.333/2-for-6 (8th); HBP, 7 RBI, 3B, 2B, K
Delivers RBI w/. Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs .....	9 in 13 chances/.692 (5th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on .....	0/92

**(3) #12 DH MATT BRANSFIELD (B:R)**

Sophomore ... 6-1/200 ... Englewood, CO/Cherry Creek HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2003	33/17	71	13	22	3	0	0	10	3	3	19	2/1	0-0	0/1.000	.354	.352	.310
2004	43/38	148	36	49	9	2	11	47	16	9	21	2/0	0-1	0/1.000	.420	.642	.331
<b>Career</b>	<b>76/55</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>4/1</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0/1.000</b>	<b>.399</b>	<b>.548</b>	<b>.324</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads team in home runs (11), slugging pct. (.642) and RBI (47), ranking 2nd in total bases (95), 3rd in runs (36), hit-by-pitch (8) and games played (43), 4th in batting avg. (.331) and hits (49), and 5th in doubles (9), walks (16) and starts (38)

• **BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – ranks 2nd among BIG EAST players in home runs (11, behind Pittsburgh's P.J. Hiser's 17) ... also 3rd among BIG EAST players in RBI (47) and slugging pct. (.642) and 6th in total bases (95) ... his **1.062 "OBS"** (combined on-base and slugging) ranks **5th among BIG EAST players**, behind teammate Matt Macri (1.107) plus Pittsburgh's P.J. Hiser (1.237) and Jeff Frazier of Rutgers (1.131) ... in **BIG EAST games only**, he ranks **1st** among the conference's players in **HRs (6) and RBI (29)**, 2nd in runs (19 and total bases (50), 3rd in slugging (.641) and 10th in hits (27) ... his 1.057 OBS in BIG EAST games is 4th behind Hiser (1.155), BC's Jason Delaney (1.134) and Frazier (1.116).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 4th on team with .346 batting in '04 BIG EAST play (27-for-78, 29 RBI, 19 R, 6 HR, 5 2B, 7 BB, 3 HBP, 12 Ks, SF) ... hit .348 in limited duty during 2003 BIG EAST games (8-for-23, 3 RBI, 4 R, 3 2B, 2 BB, HBP, 3 Ks, 2 SF)

• **Recent Trends** – batting **.400 in last 6** games (10-for-25, 10 RBI, 7 R, HR, 2 3B, 3 2B, BB, 2 SF, HBP, 3 Ks ... last ND player with more HR in a season than Bransfield's current 11 was Brian Stavisky's 14 in 2000

• **Career vs. Michigan** – hit **2-for-4** in 8-4 loss to Michigan in '03 (RBI, K)

• **April Stats** – ranked 5th on team with **.337** batting (29-for-86, 28 RBI, 26 R, 6 HR, 2 3B, 6 2B, 12 BB, 5 HBP, 11 Ks) ... hit **.306 in Feb. and March** (15-for-49, 12 RBI, 7 R, 4 HR, 2B, 4 BB, 3 HBP, 8 Ks)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – ranked 5th on '03 team with .333 batting after finals (8-for-24, 2 RBI, 3 R, BB, HBP, 7 Ks)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – ranks 4th on '04 team with **+3 margin** of walks (16) plus HBPs (9) minus strikeouts (21), with rest of the team at +17.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.304** in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (24-for-79, 26 RBI, 15 R, .595 slugging, 6 HR, 3B, 5 2B, .385 on-base, .980 "OBS", 7 BB, 4 HBP, 13 Ks) ... batting **.362** (58 points higher) **at Eck Stadium** in '04 (25-for-69, 21 RBI, 21 R, .696 slugging, 5 HR, 2 3B, 4 2B, .458 on-base, 1.154 "OBS", 9 BB, 4 HBP, 8 Ks).

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made **32** of 38 starts at **DH**, plus 3 during pre-finals week at 1B and a start vs. Cleveland State at catcher (with earlier starts at LF and 3B) ... **15** of his starts have come as **cleanup** hitter, plus 8 in 3-hole and 6 each at both the 6th and 7th spots (2 in 5th spot, single start batting 8th).

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes LF Steve Andres (.300), SS Greg Lopez (.362), RF/LF Craig Cooper (.355) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.283) ... those five have combined to bat .328 (219-for-668) in the 2004 season, with 158 RBI, 27 HR, 6 3B, 41 2B, 160 R, 78 BB/110 Ks, 39 HBP and 19 SB.

• Owns **13 Multi-Hit** games (3rd on team) and **11 Multi-RBI** games (2nd on squad)

• **Summer Ball** – slated to play alongside teammate Scott Bickford with **Waynesboro Generals** of **Shenandoah Valley League** in summer of '04 ... hit .381 with 12 HRs while playing with wood-bat **Colorado Sox** in summer of '03

• **Academic All-America** candidate (3.34 cumulative GPA, as sociology major)

• One of several **top prep QBs** on 2004 Notre Dame team (also Matt Macri, Steve Andres, Mike Dury)

**BRANSFIELD GAME-BY-GAME**  
(Date) Opp. H-AB RBI Other

(2/21) USC	..... 2-3	..... 0	..... K
(2/27) WIN	..... 0-2	..... 0	
(2/28) FLMEM	.... 1-5	..... 2	..... R, K
(2/28) FAU	..... 0-2	..... 0	..... BB, K
(2/29) MINN	..... 0-0	..... 0	
(3/6) SIU-1	..... 1-2	..... 1	
(3/8) PSU-1	..... 0-2	..... 0	
(3/9) UTSA-2	..... 0-1	..... 0	..... HBP
(3/13) T-TECH	.... 0-4	..... 0	..... BB, K
(3/20) SIU-2	..... 2-3	..... 1	..... R, HR, HBP
(3/21) SIU-3	..... 0-0	..... 1	..... BB
(3/23) CMU	..... 1-4	..... 1	..... R, HR
(3/24) DET	..... 2-3	..... 3	..... R, HR, BB
(3/27) WVU-1	.... 1-6	..... 1	..... R, 2B, 2 Ks
(3/27) WVU-2	.... 1-4	..... 0	
(3/28) WVU-3	.... 1-4	..... 0	..... HBP, 2 Ks
(3/31) WMU	..... 3-4	..... 2	..... 2 R, HR
(4/1) HILLS	..... 0-5	..... 0	
(4/3) VILL-1	..... 2-4	..... 3	..... 2 R, HR
(4/3) VILL-2	..... 1-4	..... 1	..... BB
(4/4) VILL-3	..... 2-4	..... 3	..... R
(4/6) CHST	..... 1-2	..... 2	..... 2 R, HR, HBP, K
(4/7) VALPO	..... 2-4	..... 1	..... 2 R, 2 2B
(4/10) BC-1	..... 2-2	..... 0	..... R, HBP
(4/10) BC-2	..... 1-4	..... 0	..... R, 2 Ks
(4/12) SJU-1	..... 0-2	..... 0	..... R, BB
(4/12) SJU-2	..... 1-3	..... 1	..... BB, K
(4/14) OAK	..... 1-3	..... 1	..... 2 R, 2B, BB, HBP
(4/17) GU-1	..... 1-3	..... 2	..... 2 R, 2 BB, HBP
(4/17) GU-2	..... 3-6	..... 5	..... 3 R, 2 HR
(4/18) GU-3	..... 1-4	..... 0	..... R, BB, K
(4/21) TOL	..... 0-4	..... 0	..... BB, 2 Ks
(4/23) SHU-1	.... 1-3	..... 2	..... 2B, K
(4/23) SHU-2	..... 0-4	..... 0	..... K
(4/25) Pitt-1	..... 2-4	..... 2	..... 2 R, HR, 2B
(4/25) Pitt-2	..... 2-4	..... 2	..... R, HR, BB
(4/27) BSU	..... 1-5	..... 0	..... R, 2 BB, K
(4/28) CLEV-ST	.. 2-5	..... 1	..... R, 3B, 2B
(4/29) MAN	..... 0-3	..... 1	..... R, BB, SF
(4/30) IPFW	..... 3-4	..... 1	..... 2 R, 3B, HBP, K
(5/9) UConn-1	.... 1-3	..... 0	..... R, 2B
(5/9) UConn-2	.... 1-4	..... 2	..... SF
(5/10) UConn-3	.. 3-6	..... 5	..... 2 R, HR, 2B, 2 Ks
(5/12) MICH			
(5/15) RU-1			
(5/15) RU-2			
(5/16) RU-3			
(5/18) UCF-1			
(5/19) UCF-2			
(5/21) VT-1			
(5/22) VT-2			
(5/23) VT-3			

**Bransfield's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	..... .333 (7th); 2 HR, 3B, 2 2B, 5 BB, HBP, 4 Ks
Bat. w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	... .364 (4th); HR, 3B, 4 2B, 7 BB, 4 HBP, 8 Ks, 2 GDP, 2 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	..... .200 (7th); 13 two-out RBI (5th)
Batting Avg. w/. Bases Loaded	..... .222/2-for-9 (9th); 2 BB, 6 RBI, K, GDP
Delivers RBI w/. Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	.... 15 in 21 chances /.714 (4th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	..... 4/87



**(4) #36 LF STEVE ANDRES (B:L)**

Sophomore ... 5-10/190 ... Napa, CA/Justin Siena HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2003	43/29	104	26	28	2	2	4	22	19	9	27	3/0	2-3	1/.978	.415	.442	.269
2004	41/35	120	30	36	7	2	6	28	35	6	33	2/1	4-8	3/.940	.472	.542	.300
<b>Career</b>	<b>84/64</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5/1</b>	<b>6-11</b>	<b>4/.958</b>	<b>.446</b>	<b>.496</b>	<b>.286</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads team in **walks (35)** and **on-base pct. (.472)** while ranking 4th in home runs (6) and 5th in slugging pct. (.542)

• **Among BIG EAST Leaders** – his 1.014 “OBS” (combined on-base and slugging) ranks 8th among BIG EAST players ... also **2nd in BIG EAST with 35 walks** plus 4th in on-base pct. (.472) and 13th in home runs (6) ... his 1.021 OBS in conference games is 6th among BIG EAST players, also ranking 9th with .564 slugging and 19th with a .457 on-base pct. in BIG EAST games, plus 11th in walks (13).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 5th on team with .327 batting (18-for-55) in '04 BIG EAST games (14 RBI, 11 R, 2 HR, 3B, 5 2B, .564 slugging, .457 on-base, 1.021 “OBS”, 13 BB, HBP, 17 Ks, 3 SB, E) ... his '03 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .286, 7 RBI, 6 R, 9 BB, 2 HBP, 8 Ks, SF, SB

• **Recent Trends** – looking to snap out of **3-for-25 (.120) slump over last 7** games (7 RBI, 6 R, HR, 3B, 5 BB, 4 HBP, SB, 5 Ks)

• **Career vs. Michigan** – did not play in the 2003 game vs. Michigan (8-4 loss)

• **UConn Series** – hit just 1-for-8 while playing in two games at UConn (2 RBI, R, HBP, 2 Ks)

• **Month-by-Month** – hit **.300** in 2004 **April** games (21-for-71, 16 RBI, 17 R, 4 HR, 3B, 5 2B, 21 BB, 2 HBP, 20 Ks, SAC, SB, 2 Es) ... ranked **3rd on team** with **.333** batting in **Feb. and March** (14-for-42, 10 RBI, 12 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2 2B, 14 BB, 3 HBP, 11 Ks, SF, 2 SB, E)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit .286 after 2003 finals (12-for-42, 10 RBI, 9 R, 2 HR, 2B, 8 BB, HBP, 15 Ks, 2 SF, 2 Es)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – 2nd on '04 team with **+8 margin** of walks (35) plus HBPs (6) minus strikeouts (33), with rest of the team at +12.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.308 outside of Eck Stadium** in '04 (20-for-65, 16 RBI, 14 R, .554 slugging, 3 HR, 3B, 5 2B, .453 on-base, 1.007 “OBS”, 16 BB, 3 HBP, 20 Ks, 3 SB, 1 E/.909) ... batting **.291 at The Eck** in '04 (16-for-55, 12 RBI, 16 R, .527 slugging, 3 HR, 3B, 2 2B, .494 on-base, 1.021 “OBS”, 19 BB, 3 HBP, 13 Ks, SAC, SB, 2 Es/.949) ... hit just .205 at Eck (.269 overall) in '03 (8-for-39, 11 RBI, 7 R, HR, 3B, 6 BB, 7 Ks).

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made **27** of his 35 starts in **LF** (7 as DH, 1 at C) while hitting mostly in cleanup (10 games), 3-spot (8) and 5-spot (11), also making 4 starts as leadoff batter plus single starts in 2-hole and 6-hole

• **ND Record Book** – on pace for 48 walks (in 64-game season), would rank 6th in ND history ... could become first ND player with 45-plus walks since Ryan Topham (record 63) and Greg Layson (45) in '94.

• **Left-Coast Lounge** – one of three **California natives** who have started in '04 ND outfield, (also fr. CF Danny Dressman/San Jose, soph. RF/CF Cody Rizzo/Temecula)

• **All-Tournament** at Alamo City Classic (.462, 6-for-13, BB, 4 RBI, 3 R, HR, 2B)

• **As Pinch-Hitter** – has collected hits in 8 of his last 14 pinch-hit ABs with the Irish (8-for-20/.400 overall), including 4-for-9 in 2004 (2 RBI, HR, 2B, BB, K) ... the rest of the '04 team is just 2-for-33 in pinch-hit situations ... was 4-for-11 as a 2003 pinch-hitter (ended freshman season 4-for-5 in pinch-hit ABs).

• Owns **6 Multi-Hit** games and **8 Multi-RBI** games

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes DH Matt Bransfield (.331), SS Greg Lopez (.362), RF/LF Craig Cooper (.355) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.283) ... those five have combined to bat .328 (219-for-668) in the 2004 season, with 158 RBI, 27 HR, 6 3B, 41 2B, 160 R, 78 BB/110 Ks, 39 HBP and 19 SB.

• **Academic All-America** candidate with 3.40 cumulative GPA as business major

• **Summer Ball** – slated to play with **Solano** in **California League** (summer '04)

**ANDRES GAME-BY-GAME**

(Date) Opp.	H-AB	RBI	Other
(2/20) SDSU	1-3	0	BB, 2 Ks
(2/27) WIN	1-3	1	2 R, HR, BB, K
(2/28) FLMEM	1-2	2	BB, HBP, SF, K
(2/28) FAU	0-1	0	
(2/29) MINN	0-2	0	BB
(3/6) SIU-1	3-3	1	2B
(3/7) UTSA-1	2-5	2	HR, R, K, E
(3/8) PSU-1	0-1	0	R, BB
(3/9) UTSA-2	1-4	1	R, K
(3/11) PSU-2	1-2	0	R, BB, SB, K
(3/12) AZ	0-3	0	R, BB, HBP
(3/20) SIU-2	0-1	0	
(3/21) SIU-3	0-2	0	BB, 2 Ks
(3/24) DET	1-1	0	3 R, 2B, 2 BB, HBP
(3/27) WVU-2	1-3	2	R, 3B, BB, K
(3/28) WVU-3	1-3	1	2 BB, SB, K
(3/31) WMU	1-3	0	R, BB
(4/1) HILLS	1-2	2	R, HR, 3 BB, K
(4/3) VILL-1	2-5	2	R, HR, 3 Ks
(4/3) VILL-2	1-4	1	2B, BB, 2 Ks
(4/4) VILL-3	1-2	1	2 R, 3 BB
(4/6) CHST	1-4	1	R, BB
(4/7) VALPO	1-3	0	R, BB, K
(4/10) BC-1	1-4	0	E
(4/10) BC-2	2-3	1	R, BB, SB
(4/12) SJU-1	1-3	0	K
(4/12) SJU-2	0-1	0	
(4/14) OAK	1-3	0	R, BB, SAC, 2 Ks, E
(4/17) GU-1	2-3	2	2 R, HR, 2B, BB, K
(4/17) GU-2	1-2	1	2 R, 3 BB, K
(4/21) TOL	0-2	0	2 BB
(4/23) SHU-1	1-3	0	2B, K
(4/23) SHU-2	0-4	0	2 Ks
(4/25) Pitt-1	1-4	0	R, 2B, BB
(4/25) Pitt-2	2-4	1	2B, 2 Ks
(4/27) BSU	1-6	0	R, 3B, BB, K
(4/28) CLEV-ST	1-4	3	R, HR, 2 Ks
(4/29) MAN	0-3	0	R, HBP
(4/30) IPFW	0-2	1	R, 2 BB, HBP
(5/9) UConn-1	0-2	1	R, 2 BB, HBP
(5/9) UConn-2	0-4	0	2 Ks
(5/10) UConn-3	1-4	2	R, SB, HBP
(5/12) MICH			
(5/15) RU-1			
(5/15) RU-2			
(5/16) RU-3			
(5/18) UCF-1			
(5/19) UCF-2			
(5/21) VT-1			
(5/22) VT-2			
(5/23) VT-3			

**Andres' Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.500 (1st), 3 HR, 3B, 2B, 6 BB, 2 HBP, 7 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	.280 (8th); 2 HR, 3B, 2B, 20 BB, 3 HBP, 14 Ks, 2 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.300 (7th); 9 Two-Out RBI (7th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	.500/2-for-4 (3rd); BB, 4 RBI, 2 Ks, SF
Delivers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	7 in 13 chances /.538 (10th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	0/76

**(5) #15 C/2B JAVI SANCHEZ (B:R)**

Senior ... 6-2/205 ... Miami, FL/Christopher Columbus HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2001	9/2	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0/0	0-0	1/.750	.071	.000	.000
2002	66/65	231	50	65	7	3	5	29	24	5	32	1/8	1-1	28/.902	.360	.403	.281
2003	58/57	201	42	61	13	1	1	26	20	7	16	1/5	6-8	8/.982	.384	.393	.303
2004	43/43	161	32	49	11	0	1	32	15	10	22	5/2	1-4	9/.969	.387	.391	.304
<b>Career</b>	<b>176/167</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>7/15</b>	<b>8-13</b>	<b>46/.955</b>	<b>.370</b>	<b>.388</b>	<b>.289</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – ranks 2nd on team in times hit-by-pitch (10) and games started (43), plus 3rd in doubles (11) and games played (43) and 5th in runs scored (43) and RBI (32)

• **BIG EAST Stats** – hitting .296 in '04 BIG EAST action (21-for-71, 12 RBI, 12 R, 5 2B, 4 BB, 5 HBP, 10 Ks, SAC, SF, 6 Es) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .205, 5 RBI, 13 R, 3B, 2B, 8 BB, 4 HBP, 5 Ks

• **Career vs. Michigan** – hit a combined **3-for-7** in the 2002 and '03 Baseball Bash games vs. Michigan (3 RBI, 2 R, HR, SAC)

• **UConn Series** – hit just .231 (3-for-13) in three wins at UConn (R, BB, K)

• **Mr. Clutch** – ranks just 8th on team with .304 overall batting avg. but owns team-best .393 batting with runners in scoring position and .382 with 2 outs (2nd-best on team) ... also owns team-best .444 batting with double-clutch situation of 2 outs and runners in scoring position (13-for-27, 13 RBI, 3 2B)

• **Month-By-Month** – ranked **3rd on team** with **.338** batting in **April** (27-for-80, 22 RBI, 20 R, HR, 3B, 7 2B, 12 BB, 4 HBP, 18 Ks, 2 SB, 7 Es) ... hit **.279 in Feb. and March** (19-for-68, 10 RBI, 11 R, 4 2B, 13 BB, 14 Ks, 2 SF, 4 SAC, 2 SB, 2 Es)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – surged after final exams in previous two seasons, batting a combined **.356** (41-for-115) in **2002 and '03 post-finals** games (16 RBI, 30 R, 2 HR, 3B, 4 2B, 14 BB< HBP, 11 Ks, 8 SAC, 2 SB, 10 Es) ... hit .333 after '02 finals (23-for-69, 8 RBI, 19 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, 8 BB, HBP, 8 Ks, 3 SAC, SB, 7 Es) and then ranked 3rd on '03 team with .391 batting after finals (18-for-46, 8 RBI, 11 R, 3 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 3 Ks, 5 SAC, SB, 3 Es).

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – ranks 4th on '04 team with **+3 margin** of walks (15) plus HBPs (10) minus strikeouts (22), with rest of the team at +17.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.292** in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (28-for-96, 15 RBI, 17 R, HR, 6 2B, 10 BB, 7 HBP, 17 Ks, 2 SF, SAC, 4 Es/.978) ... hitting .323 in '04 games at Eck Stadium (21-for-65, 17 RBI, 15 R, 5 2B, 5 BB, 3 HBP, 5 Ks, SAC, SB, 5 Es/.954) ... his **career batting** avg. is 41 points higher on the **road (.306, 109-for-356, 6 HR, 53 R, 54 RBI in 99 GP)** than at Eck Stadium (.265, 66-for-249, HR, 61 R, 33 RBI in 92 GP), with 6 of his 7 HRs coming outside Eck Stadium.

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made most of his 43 starts **behind the plate (34)**, plus 4 at DH and 4 at 2nd base (subbing for injured Steve Sollmann) ... also had solid start at 3rd in early-season game vs. Penn State ... the bulk of his starts have been as the cleanup hitter (18) or 6-hole batter (10), also making starts in the 3rd (4), 5th (6) and 7th (5) spots.

• **12-Game Homestand** (3/31-4/14) – hit .366 (15-for-41, 10 RBI, 12 R, 3 2B, 4 BB, 2 HBP, 2 Ks, SAC, SB)

• Owns **12 Multi-Hit** games (5th on team) and **10 Multi-RBI** games (4th on squad)

• Serves as 2004 team **tri-captain** alongside senior 2B Steve Sollmann and junior RHP Chris Niesel

• 2003 **BIG EAST Tournament MVP** (8-for-11, 4 BB, 4 SAC, 6 RBI, 5 R) and an **NCAA Regional All-Tournament** pick (6-for-15, 2 RBI, 4 R)

**SANCHEZ GAME-BY-GAME**

(Date)	Opp.	H-AB	RBI	Other
(2/20)	SDSU	0-4	0	2 Ks
(2/21)	USC	0-2	0	SAC, K, E
(2/27)	WIN	3-5	2	2 R, 2B
(2/28)	FAU	1-4	1	R, HR, K
(2/29)	MINN	1-3	1	SF
(3/6)	SIU-1	4-6	0	2 R, 2B
(3/7)	UTSA-1	2-4	2	R, 2B, HBP, K
(3/8)	PSU-1	1-3	1	2B, BB, K
(3/9)	UTSA-2	0-4	0	R, 2 BB, K
(3/11)	PSU-2	1-2	0	2 R, 2 BB, E
(3/12)	AZ	0-5	0	
(3/13)	T-TECH	1-3	1	2 BB, K
(3/20)	SIU-2	0-2	0	R, BB, HBP
(3/21)	SIU-3	2-3	1	2 HBP
(3/23)	CMU	1-4	0	
(3/27)	WVU-1	0-5	0	
(3/28)	WVU-3	1-5	0	R, 2 Ks
(3/31)	WMU	1-4	1	BB
(4/3)	VILL-1	4-4	1	2 R, 2B
(4/3)	VILL-2	1-4	0	R, HBP, E
(4/4)	VILL-3	1-5	2	R, K
(4/6)	CHST	3-5	2	2 R, K
(4/7)	VALPO	1-4	0	2 R
(4/10)	BC-1	1-3	1	2B, BB
(4/10)	BC-2	1-2	2	R, BB, HBP, E
(4/12)	SJU-1	0-4	0	
(4/12)	SJU-2	1-3	0	2B, SAC, 2 Es
(4/14)	OAK	1-3	1	3 R, BB, SB
(4/17)	GU-1	2-3	1	2 R, 2B, HBP, K
(4/17)	GU-2	2-5	2	R
(4/18)	GU-3	1-4	1	HBP, K
(4/21)	TOL	0-4	0	
(4/23)	SHU-1	0-2	0	K, E
(4/23)	SHU-2	0-2	0	R, BB, HBP, 2 Ks, E
(4/25)	Pitt-1	2-2	2	CS, HBP, SF
(4/25)	Pitt-2	1-5	0	R, 2B, K
(4/27)	BSU	2-5	2	2 R, 2B, CS, 2 SF, K
(4/28)	CLEV-ST	0-2	1	BB, HBP, SF, K
(4/29)	MAN	2-4	2	R, 2B
(4/30)	IPFW	1-5	2	K, E
(5/9)	UConn-1	0-3	0	K
(5/9)	UConn-2	2-5	0	
(5/10)	UConn-3	1-5	0	R, BB
(5/12)	MICH			
(5/15)	RU-1			
(5/15)	RU-2			
(5/16)	RU-3			
(5/18)	UCF-1			
(5/19)	UCF-2			
(5/21)	VT-1			
(5/22)	VT-2			
(5/23)	VT-3			

**Sanchez's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.227 (10th); 2 2B, BB, HBP, 8 Ks
Bat. w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	.393 (1st); 4 2B, 6 BB, 5 HBP, 5 Ks, 2 GDP, 2 SAC, 5 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.382 (2nd); 13 two-out RBI (5th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	.400/4-for-10 (5th); BB, 8 RBI, GDP, SF
Delivers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	15 in 20 chances / .750 (2nd)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	2/86

**(6) #9 RF/LF CRAIG COOPER (B:R)**

Sophomore ... 6-2/105 ... Plainview, NY/Chaminade Prep

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2003	46/31	122	22	37	6	2	0	15	15	4	23	0/2	10-13	1/.977	.397	.385	.303
2004	42/30	124	28	44	8	1	6	33	14	1	16	1/2	8-10	2/.966	.421	.581	.345
<b>Career</b>	<b>88/61</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>1/4</b>	<b>18-23</b>	<b>3/.970</b>	<b>.409</b>	<b>.484</b>	<b>.323</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – ranks 2nd on team in batting avg. (.355), plus 3rd in slugging pct. (.581), 4th in RBI (33) and home runs (6) and 5th in total bases (72)

• **Among BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – second-half push has landed him 6th among BIG EAST slugging pct. leaders (.581), also ranking 10th with 1.002 “OBS” (combined on-base and slugging)

• **BIG EAST Stats – 2nd on team** with **.404** batting in '04 **BIG EAST** action (19-for-47, 10 RBI, 13 R, 2 HR, 3 2B, 7 BB, 8 Ks, 2 SB, 2 Es) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .345, 4 RBI, 6 R, 5 BB, 2 HBP, 5 Ks, 2 SB

• **Recent Trends** – has hits in 12 of his last 13 games (0-for-4 vs. IPFW)

• **Career vs. Michigan** – did not play in 2003 game vs, Michigan (8-4 loss)

• **UConn Series** – 3rd on team with .455 batting (**5-for-11**) in three wins at UConn (5 RBI, 4 R, HR, 2B, BB, SB, K)

• **Month-by-Month** – hit **team-best .388** (26-for-67) in month of **April** (19 RBI, 16 R, 4 HR, 3B, 2B, 9 BB, HBP, 10 Ks, 5 SB, 2 Es/.926), after batting just **.283 in Feb. and March** (13-for-46, 9 RBI, 8 R, HR, 4 2B, 4 BB, 5 Ks, SF, 2 SAC, 2 SB)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit 0-for-4 at Rutgers in weekend after 2003 finals (BB, K, SB, E)

• **Site Survey** – 3rd on team with **.343** batting in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (23-for-67, 17 RBI, 15 R, .537 slugging, 2 HR, 7 2B, .467 on-base, 1.004 “OBS”, 7 BB, 8 Ks, SF, 2 SAC, 3 SB, E) ... 2nd on team with **.368** batting in '04 games **at Eck Stadium** (21-for-57, 12 RBI, 10 R, .632 slugging, 4 HR, 3B, 2B, .446 on-base, 1.078 “OBS”, 7 BB, HBP, 8 Ks, 5 SB, 1 E/.957) ... his freshman season in 2003 included a better road batting avg. (.325, 12 RBI) than at home (.256, 3 RBI)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – has **-1 margin** of walks (14) plus HBPs (1) minus strikeouts (16), with rest of the team at +21.

• **12-Game Homestand** (3/31-4/14) – ranked 2nd on team with .429 batting in 10-2 stretch (15-for-35, 12 RBI, 10 R, 4 HR, 3B, 4 BB, 6 Ks, 3 SB)

• **Recent Trends** – hit 4 HRs in 6-game stretch (March 31-April 10, vs. WMU, Hillsdale, Chicago State and Valpo) ... 4 of his 6 HRs have been to the opposite field (RF)

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made 11 starts in LF and 19 in RF while batting anywhere from leadoff (3) to the 9-hole (9), plus starts in the 2nd (2), 5th (2), 6th (7) and 7th (7) spots

• Owns **11 Multi-Hit** games and **9 Multi-RBI** games (5th-most on squad)

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes LF Steve Andres (.300), SS Greg Lopez (.362), DH Matt Bransfield (.331) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.283) ... those five have combined to bat .328 (219-for-668) in the 2004 season, with 158 RBI, 27 HR, 6 3B, 41 2B, 160 R, 78 BB/110 Ks, 39 HBP and 19 SB.

• **Summer Ball** – slated to play for the **Cape Cod League's Brewster Whitecaps** during the **summer of 2004** ... hit .337 during the summer of '03 with the **Hays (Kan.) Larks** of the **Jayhawk League** (24 SB, 38 RBI, 5 HR, 5 3B)

COOPER GAME-BY-GAME			
(Date)	Opp.	H-AB	RBI Other
(2/20)	SDSU	0-0	0 R, SB
(2/21)	USC	0-3	0 K
(2/27)	WIN	1-5	0 R, 2B, BB, K
(2/28)	FLMEM	2-4	2 BB, K
(2/28)	FAU	1-3	0
(2/29)	MINN	1-1	2 R, BB, SAC
(3/6)	SIU-1	1-1	0 R, 2B
(3/8)	PSU-1	1-2	1 2 R, BB, SB, SF
(3/9)	UTSA-2	2-5	3 R, 2B, 2 Ks
(3/11)	PSU-2	0-0	0 SAC
(3/12)	AZ	1-5	0 2B
(3/13)	T-TECH	0-5	0
(3/20)	SIU-2	0-4	0
(3/21)	SIU-3	0-1	0
(3/23)	CMU	1-4	0
(3/27)	WVU-1	1-2	0
(3/27)	WVU-2	0-0	0
(3/31)	WMU	1-1	1 R, HR
(4/1)	HILLS	4-6	3 2 R, 3B, HR
(4/3)	VILL-2	2-3	0 2 R, 2 BB, SB
(4/4)	VILL-3	2-3	1 2 R, BB
(4/6)	CHST	1-3	4 R, HR
(4/7)	VALPO	2-4	1 R, HR, 2 SB, K
(4/10)	BC-1	1-3	0 R, BB, K
(4/10)	BC-2	0-5	0 4 Ks, E
(4/12)	SJU-1	0-2	0
(4/12)	SJU-2	1-3	0
(4/14)	OAK	1-2	2
(4/17)	GU-1	1-1	1
(4/17)	GU-2	0-1	0
(4/21)	TOL	1-1	0 HBP
(4/18)	GU-3	1-3	1 2 R, BB
(4/21)	TOL	1-1	0 HBP
(4/23)	SHU-2	2-4	0 R, 2B, K
(4/25)	Pitt-1	1-3	0 2B, K
(4/25)	Pitt-2	2-3	0 R, HR, BB, E
(4/27)	BSU	2-5	3 R, 2 BB, SB, K
(4/28)	CLEV-ST	1-5	0 K
(4/29)	MAN	1-3	0 2 R, 2B, BB
(4/30)	IPFW	0-4	1 SB
(5/9)	UConn-1	2-3	1 2 R, 2B, SB
(5/9)	UConn-2	1-3	0 R, BB
(5/10)	UConn-3	2-5	4 R, HR, K
(5/12)	MICH		
(5/15)	RU-1		
(5/15)	RU-2		
(5/16)	RU-3		
(5/18)	UCF-1		
(5/19)	UCF-2		
(5/21)	VT-1		
(5/22)	VT-2		
(5/23)	VT-3		

**Cooper's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct. ....	.400 (4th); 2 2B, 7 BB, 6 Ks
Batting w/ Runners in Scor. Pos. ....	.348 (5th); 2 HR, 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, GDP, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs .....	.409 (1st); 17 two-out RBI (2nd)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded .....	.600/6-for-10 (2nd); BB, 14 RBI, HR, 2B
Delevers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs .....	9 in 14 chances /.643 (8th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on .....	2/62

**(7) #14 1B MATT EDWARDS (B:R)**

Junior ... 6-2/195 ... Mechanicsville, VA/Justin Siena HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2002	9/8	31	3	9	1	0	0	4	3	1	6	0/0	1-1	6/.806	.371	.323	.290
2003	62/62	229	40	86	16	2	8	69	25	4	39	4/0	2-5	9/.973	.439	.568	.376
2004	45/43	166	39	55	12	1	8	47	25	7	33	4/0	4-4	3/.993	.431	.560	.331
<b>Career</b>	<b>116/113</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>150</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>8/0</b>	<b>7-10</b>	<b>18/.977</b>	<b>.431</b>	<b>.547</b>	<b>.352</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team in **RBI (47)** and games played (45), also ranking 2nd in hits (55), doubles (12), runs (39) and starts (43), 3rd in home runs (8), total bases (93) and walks (25), 4th in batting (.331), on-base pct. (.431) and slugging (.560) and 5th in HBP (7)

• **Among the BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – ranks 3rd among BIG EAST players in RBI (47), 6th in home runs (8), 7th in total bases (67) and 10th in runs scored (39)

• **BIG EAST Stats** – hitting just .282 in '04 BIG EAST games (20-for-71, 15 RBI, 15 R, 2 HR, 4 2B, 9 BB, 2 HBP, 20 Ks, SF, 3 SB) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .366, 26 RBI, 15 R, 3 HR, 3B, 6 2B, 10 BB, HBP, 14 Ks, 2 SB

• **Recent Trends** – has **3 HRs in last 5** games while batting **.412 (14-for-34)** in current **9-game hitting streak** (9 RBI, 9 R, 3 HR, 3 2B, 5 BB, 2 SB, 8 Ks, E)

• **Career vs. Michigan** – hit 0-for-4 in 2003 loss to Michigan (8-4; BB, K) ... did not play in '02 game vs. Michigan, due to injury.

• **UConn Series** – 4th on team with .417 batting (**5-for-12**) in three wins at UConn (3 RBI, 4 R, BB, SB, 4 Ks, E)

• **Month-by-Month** – ranked **3rd on team** with **.338** batting in **April** (25-for-74, 22 RBI, 20 R, HR, 3B, 7 2B, 12 BB, 4 HBP, 18 Ks, 2 SF, 2 BB, 1 E/.995) ... was 5th on team with **.313** batting in **Feb./March** (25-for-80, 22 RBI, 15 R, 5 HR, 5 2B, 12 BB, 3 HBP, 11 Ks, 2 SF, SB, E)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – led '03 team with **.407** batting after finals (24-for-59, 14 RBI, 12 R, HR, 3B, 3 2B, 6 BB, 14 Ks, 3 Es)

• **Site Survey** – 2nd on team with **.360** batting outside **Eck Stadium** in '04 (36-for-100, 27 RBI, 24 R, .600 slugging, 6 HR, 6 2B, .467 on-base, 1.067 "OBS", 17 BB, 4 HBP, 22 Ks, SF, 2 SB) ... batting just **.288** (172 points lower) at **Eck Stadium** in '04 (19-for-66, 20 RBI, 15 R, 2 HR, 3B, 6 2B, 8 BB, 3 HBP, 11 Ks, 3 SF, 2 SB, 2 Es/.988) .. hit .389 at The Eck in 2003 (35 RBI, 14 R, 4 HR, 8 2B, 13 BB, 11 Ks in 28 GP).

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – has **-1 margin** of walks (25) plus HBPs (7) minus strikeouts (33), with rest of the team at +21.

• **Position/Batting Order** – made first 38 starts at **1B** (now **41**) before starting at 3B vs. Manchester and IPFW ... bulk of his '04 starts have been as 3-hole hitter (27), plus 4 as the cleanup batter (3 in 5th spot, 2 in 6th, 6 in 7th, single start 8th)

• **ND Record Book Projection** – could make push to become 9th all-time ND player with 70-plus RBI in a season (64 pace, in 64 gms), after team-leading 69 RBI in '03

• **Tournament MVP** at FAU Classic (.417, 5-for-12, 2 BB, HBP, 4 RBI, 5 R, 2 HR, 2B) and **Alamo City** Irish Baseball Classic (.438, 7-for-16, 4 BB, 7 RBI, 4 R, HR, 2B) ... first Mainieri-era player to **homer in first AB** of season opener ('04 vs. San Diego St.).

• Owns team-best **17 Multi-Hit** games and **13 Multi-RBI** games (4 games with 4-plus RBI) ... has posted six 3-hit games (including 4 in first 13 games).

• His **2003 Honors** included ABCA 2nd team all-region and 1st team all-BIG EAST.

• Returned in 2003 after suffering **broken leg** early in 2002 (at Round Rock, Texas); **prep SS** who split time at 3B and 1B with the Irish in '03.

**EDWARDS GAME-BY-GAME (Date) Opp. H-AB RBI Other**

(2/20) SDSU .....	3-5	4	R, 2B, HR, K
(2/21) USC .....	0-3	0	BB, K
(2/27) WIN .....	3-4	2	R, 2B, BB, K
(2/28) FLMEM ....	0-0	0	
(2/28) FAU .....	2-4	2	R, 2 HR
(2/29) MINN .....	0-4	0	R, BB, HBP, K
(3/6) SIU-1 .....	2-6	0	R, K
(3/7) UTSA-1 .....	3-4	4	R, 2B, HR, SF, K
(3/8) PSU-1 .....	1-3	2	BB, K
(3/9) UTSA-2 .....	1-3	1	R,
(3/11) PSU-2 .....	1-4	0	K
(3/12) AZ .....	1-2	2	BB, HBP
(3/13) T-TECH ...	3-4	0	R, 2B, BB, K
(3/20) SIU-2 .....	0-3	0	BB
(3/21) SIU-3 .....	0-4	0	R, BB
(3/23) CMU .....	0-3	0	HBP, K
(3/24) DET .....	0-6	0	R, E
(3/27) WVU-1 .....	1-5	1	2B
(3/27) WVU-2 .....	1-4	0	
(3/28) WVU-3 .....	2-5	1	SB
(3/31) WMU .....	1-4	3	R, HR, SF, K
(4/3) VILL-1 .....	1-3	2	R, 2B, BB, SF, K
(4/3) VILL-2 .....	0-3	0	BB, K
(4/4) VILL-3 .....	2-4	1	R, BB, SB, 2 Ks
(4/6) CHST .....	2-2	4	R, 2B, SF
(4/7) VALPO .....	0-3	0	R, BB, E
(4/10) BC-1 .....	0-3	0	2 Ks
(4/10) BC-2 .....	1-4	2	2B, K
(4/12) SJU-1 .....	0-3	0	R
(4/12) SJU-2 .....	0-4	0	
(4/14) OAK .....	3-4	1	3 R, 3B, 2 HBP, K
(4/17) GU-1 .....	1-4	3	2 R, BB, 2 Ks
(4/17) GU-2 .....	2-4	0	2 R, 2 HBP, K
(4/18) GU-3 .....	2-4	1	2 R, BB, K
(4/21) TOL .....	2-4	2	2B, BB
(4/23) SHU-1 .....	0-3	0	R, 2 Ks
(4/23) SHU-2 .....	1-2	0	2 BB
(4/25) Pitt-1 .....	1-4	1	R, 2B, 3 Ks
(4/27) BSU .....	1-6	0	K
(4/28) CLEV-ST ..	2-3	0	R, 2B, BB
(4/29) MAN .....	3-4	5	3 R, HR, 2B
(4/30) IPFW .....	1-3	0	BB, SB
(5/9) UConn-1 .....	1-2	1	R, BB, K
(5/9) UConn-2 .....	2-5	1	2 R, HR, SB, K, E
(5/10) UConn-3 ..	2-5	1	R, HR, 2 Ks
(5/12) MICH			
(5/15) RU-1			
(5/15) RU-2			
(5/16) RU-3			
(5/18) UCF-1			
(5/19) UCF-2			
(5/21) VT-1			
(5/22) VT-2			
(5/23) VT-3			

**Edwards' Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct. .... .324 (8th); 2 HR, 3B, 3 BB, 2 HBP, 4 Ks  
 Bat. w/ Run. in Scor. Pos. .... .317 (7th); 3 HR, 7 2B, 9 BB, HBP, 14 Ks, 2 GDP, 4 SF  
 Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs ..... .333 (5th); 19 two-out RBI (1st)  
 Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded ..... .667/2-for-3 (1st); BB, 8 RBI, 2 2B, SF  
 Delivers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs .... 14 in 17 chances /.824 (1st)  
 Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on ..... 5/91

**(8) #17 CF/RF CODY RIZZO (B:R)**

Sophomore ... 6-1/200 ... Temecula, CA/Chaparral HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2003	58/56	191	53	60	11	1	4	38	11	28	33	3/1	1-2	4/.968	.425	.445	.314
2004	37/36	127	31	36	4	1	2	18	2	17	17	3/1	4-5	5/.935	.369	.378	.283
<b>Career</b>	<b>95/92</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>6/2</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>9/.956</b>	<b>.403</b>	<b>.418</b>	<b>.302</b>

- **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team with 17 times hit-by-pitch, also ranking 6th in runs scored (31)
- **BIG EAST Stats** – batting .277 in '04 BIG EAST action (18-for-65, 12 RBI, 12 R, HR, 3B, 4 2B, 8 HBP, 10 Ks, 2 SF, 2 SB, E) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .284, 14 RBI, 20 R, 2 HR, 3B, 3 2B, 6 BB, 10 HBP, 12 Ks, SB
- **Recent Trends** – looking to end **6-for-31 (.194)** slump with no multi-hit efforts in his **last 8 games** (2 RBI, 2 R, 2 HBP, 2 SB, 3 Ks, 2 Es)
- **Career vs. Michigan** – hit 2-for-4 in 2003 loss to Michigan (8-4; RBI)
- **UConn Series** – hit just 1-for-11 (.091) in three wins at UConn (2 RBI, R, HBP, 2 Ks)
- **Month-by-Month** – hit **.266 in April** (17-for-64, 10 RBI, 15 R, 2 HR, 3B, 3 2B, 2 BB, 8 HBP, 6 Ks, 2 SF, SAC, 3 SB, 2 Es/.941) after ranking as team's **2nd-best hitter** at **.356 in Feb. and March** (18-for-52, 6 RBI, 15 R, 2B, 8 HBP, 9 Ks, SF, SB, 2 Es)
- **Site Survey** – 4th on team with **.317 batting** in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (26-for-82, 12 RBI, 20 R, HR, 3 2B, 12 HBP, 13 Ks, SF, 3 SB, E) ... batting **.222** (95 points lower) **at Eck Stadium** in '04 (10-for-45, 6 RBI, 11 R, HR, 3B, 2B, 2 BB, 5 HBP, 4 Ks, 2 SF, SAC, SB, 4 Es/.875) ... his '03 season included .300 batting at The Eck (HR, 27 R, 27 GP) and .324 on the road (3 HR, 26 R, 31 GP).

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit .286 in action after 2003 finals (14-for-49, 9 RBI, 12 R, HR, 2 2B, 5 BB, 6 HBP, 7 Ks, E)

• **Position/Batting Order** – has split time between RF (23 starts) and CF (13) while batting mostly in the 5th (14 games) or 6th (11) spot in the batting order, plus 5 starts in 7-hole, 4 batting 8th and a single start in the 9-spot (and a leadoff start vs. IPFW)

• **ND Record Book** – already owns the **ND record** for **career hit-by-pitch (45)**, besting Craig DeSensi's 38 from '92-'95) while his 17 HBP in 2004 already are the 2nd-most season HBPs in the ND record book (his **28 HBPs in '03** broke Eric Danapilis' old record of 15 HBPs in '93) ... the NCAA record for career HBP is 92 by San Francisco's Tony Hurtado

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes LF Steve Andres (.300), SS Greg Lopez (.362), RF/LF Craig Cooper (.355) and DH Matt Bransfield (.333) ... those five have combined to bat .328 (219-for-668) in the 2004 season, with 158 RBI, 27 HR, 6 3B, 41 2B, 160 R, 78 BB/110 Ks, 39 HBP and 19 SB.

• **Left-Coast Lounge** – one of three **California natives** who has started in 2004 ND outfield, with the others including sophomore LF Steve Andres (Napa) and freshman CF Danny Dressman (San Jose)

• Owns **8 Multi-Hit** games and **4 Multi-RBI** games in 2004

• **Summer Ball** – slated to play with **North County** team in **Western League**, during summer of 2004

• Prep **soccer/baseball** two-sport star

• Hit **8 home runs** during 2003 **fall ball**

• **High school catcher** who has developed into stellar defensive OF (5 assists)

**RIZZO GAME-BY-GAME**

(Date) Opp.	H-AB	RBI	Other
(2/20) SDSU .....	1-4	0	SB, 2 Ks
(2/21) USC .....	2-3	0	2 R
(2/27) WIN .....	1-4	2	
(2/28) FAU .....	1-3	0	HBP
(2/29) MINN .....	1-5	0	3 R, HBP, K
(3/6) SIU-1 .....	2-5	2	2 R, HBP, K
(3/7) UTSA-1 .....	1-3	0	2 HBP
(3/8) PSU-1 .....	1-4	0	R
(3/9) UTSA-2 .....	2-3	0	3 R, HBP
(3/24) DET .....	0-2	1	SF, E
(3/27) WVU-1 .....	3-5	0	2 R
(3/27) WVU-2 .....	2-4	1	2B, K
(3/28) WVU-3 .....	0-4	0	HBP, 3 Ks
(3/31) WMU .....	1-3	0	2 R, HBP, K, E
(4/3) VILL-1 .....	1-3	2	R, K
(4/4) VILL-3 .....	0-2	1	SF
(4/6) CHST .....	1-2	0	2 R, HBP
(4/7) VALPO .....	0-4	0	2 Ks
(4/10) BC-1 .....	0-3	0	
(4/10) BC-2 .....	0-3	0	HBP
(4/12) SJU-1 .....	2-3	1	2 R, 2B, 3B
(4/12) SJU-2 .....	1-3	0	HBP
(4/14) OAK .....	0-2	0	2 R, BB, SAC
(4/17) GU-1 .....	2-3	1	3 R, 2B, SB, HBP
(4/17) GU-2 .....	1-3	1	HBP, SF, K
(4/18) GU-3 .....	1-4	1	R, HBP
(4/21) TOL .....	1-2	1	R, HR, HBP, E
(4/23) SHU-1 .....	0-3	0	K
(4/23) SHU-2 .....	2-4	2	2 R, HR, 2B
(4/25) Pitt-1 .....	1-4	0	K
(4/25) Pitt-2 .....	1-3	0	SB, CS, HBP
(4/27) BSU .....	1-6	0	
(4/28) CLEV-ST ..	1-3	0	E
(4/30) IPFW .....	1-4	0	R, BB, SB
(5/9) UConn-1 ..	1-3	1	
(5/9) UConn-2 ..	0-3	1	R, HBP, E
(5/10) UConn-3 ..	0-5	0	2 Ks
(5/12) MICH .....			
(5/15) RU-1 .....			
(5/15) RU-2 .....			
(5/16) RU-3 .....			
(5/18) UCF-1 .....			
(5/19) UCF-2 .....			
(5/21) VT-1 .....			
(5/22) VT-2 .....			
(5/23) VT-3 .....			

**Rizzo's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct. ....	.500 (1st); 2B, 4 HBP, K
Bat. w/ Runners in Scor. Pos. ....	.256 (9th); 3B, 2 2B, 6 HBP, 7 Ks, GDP, SAC, 3 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs .....	.227 (10th); 7 two-out RBI (10th)
Batting Avg. w/. Bases Loaded .....	.500/3-for-6 (3rd); 8 RBI, GDP, 3 SF
Delivers RBI w/. Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs .....	8 in 11 chances/.727 (3rd)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on .....	2/67

**(9) #4 SS GREG LOPEZ (B:R)**

Sophomore ... 6-0/185 ... Upper Arlington, OH/Upper Arlington HS

Year	GP/GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	HP	SO	SF/SH	SB	E/FLD	OB	SLG	AVG
2003	50/40	132	17	33	1	0	0	26	4	4	22	2/8	1-5	8/.917	.289	.258	.250
2004	43/41	149	35	54	13	0	2	32	11	7	23	3/6	3-4	14/.933	.424	.490	.362
<b>Career</b>	<b>93/81</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>5/14</b>	<b>4-9</b>	<b>22/.925</b>	<b>.362</b>	<b>.381</b>	<b>.310</b>

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team in **batting avg. (.362)**, **doubles (13)** and sac. bunts (6), also ranking 3rd in hits (54) and games played (43), 4th in runs (35), total bases (73) and starts (41), and 5th in RBI (29), on-base pct. (.424) and hit-by-pitch (7)

• **Among the BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – ranks 8th among BIG EAST players in batting avg. (.373, best among the league's shortstops) and doubles (13) ... also ranks 9th among BIG EAST players with .368 batting in conference games only ... **one of five** players in BIG EAST **top 10 for overall and conference batting** (also RU's Jeff Frazier, VT's Sean O'Brien, WVU's Lee Fritz and BC's Jason Delaney).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 3rd on team with .368 batting in '04 BIG EAST action (25-for-68, 8 RBI, 14 R, 7 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 10 Ks, 3 SAC, 2 SB, 6 Es) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .271, 10 RBI, 9 R, 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, 6 SAC, SB

• **Career vs. Michigan** – hit 1-for-3 in 2003 loss to Michigan (8-4; RBI, SAC, K)

• **UConn Series** – led team with .636 batting (**7-for-11**) in three wins at UConn (4 RBI, 4 R, 3 2B, SAC, K)

• **Month-by-Month** – hit just **.258** in **April** (16-for-62, 11 RBI, 10 R, 2 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 12 KS, 8 Es/.913) after team-best **.408** batting in **Feb./March** (31-for-76, 19 RBI, 21 R, 2 HR, 8 2B, 5 BB, 6 HBP, 10 Ks, 3 SF, 3 SAC, 3 SB, 6 Es)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit just .222 in 2003 action after finals week (4-for-18, RBI, 2 R, BB, 4 Ks, 2 SAC, 2 Es)

• **Site Survey** – batting team-best **.400** (40-for-100) in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (22 RBI, 25 R, 2 HR, 9 2B, 5 BB, 7 HBP, 15 Ks, 2 SF, 4 SAC, 3 SB, 9 Es/.931) ... batting .286 (114 points lower) at Eck Stadium in '04 (14-for-49, 10 RBI, 10 R, 4 2B, 6 BB, 8 Ks, SF, 2 SAC, 5 Es/.937) ... hit .263 at Eck Stadium in 2003 season (19 RBI) and .232 in '03 games outside The Eck (7 RBI)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – has **-5 margin** of walks (11) plus HBPs (7) minus strikeouts (23), with rest of the team at +25.

• **Recent Trends** – has yet to go hitless in three straight '04 games, with only two stretches of back-to-back hitless games.

• **Position/Batting Order** – all **41** of his starts have come at **SS** while batting mostly 8th (24), plus 16 starts as the 9-hole hitter and a single start in the 5-hole

• **Great Glove Man** – has posted **30 error-free** games in 2004 while making multiple errors just twice (3 vs. UTSA, 2 in first game at SHU)

• Owns **16 Multi-Hit** games (2nd-most on team) and **7 Multi-RBI** games

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes LF Steve Andres (.300), SS DH Matt Bransfield (.333), RF/LF Craig Cooper (.355) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.283) ... those five have combined to bat .328 (219-for-668) in the 2004 season, with 158 RBI, 27 HR, 6 3B, 41 2B, 160 R, 78 BB/110 Ks, 39 HBP and 19 SB.

• **Summer Ball** – slated to return to **Delaware (Ohio) Cows**, of the **Great Lakes League**, in summer of 2004

<b>LOPEZ GAME-BY-GAME</b>			
(Date)	Opp.	H-AB	RBI Other
(2/20)	SDSU	1-3	0 R, HBP, 2 Ks
(2/21)	USC	1-2	0 R, SB, HBP
(2/27)	WIN	<b>4-6</b>	<b>6</b> 2 R, 2B, <b>HR</b> , K
(2/28)	FLMEM	2-3	2 2 R, 2B, BB
(2/28)	FAU	0-3	0 K, E
(2/29)	MINN	1-5	2 K, SF
(3/6)	SIU-1	2-5	2 R, SAC, K, 3 Es
(3/7)	UTSA-1	1-5	0 R
(3/8)	PSU-1	2-4	1 R, K
(3/9)	UTSA-2	1-4	1 2 R, BB
(3/11)	PSU-2	1-3	0 HBP, SF
(3/12)	AZ	0-1	1 R, BB, HBP, SAC, K
(3/13)	T-TECH	1-2	0 2 R, HBP, K
(3/20)	SIU-2	1-3	1 R, <b>HR</b> , HBP, K
(3/21)	SIU-3	<b>3-5</b>	0 2B, K
(3/23)	CMU	2-4	0 2B, E
(3/24)	DET	1-3	1 R, 2B, BB
(3/27)	WVU-1	2-5	1 R, 2B
(3/27)	WVU-2	1-3	0 2B, SAC
(3/28)	WVU-3	<b>3-4</b>	0 <b>3 R</b> , 2B, BB, <b>2 SB</b> , E
(3/31)	WMU	1-3	1 R, SF
(4/3)	VILL-1	0-2	0 R, BB, E
(4/3)	VILL-2	0-4	0 BB, K
(4/4)	VILL-3	1-4	1 R
(4/6)	CHST	0-3	0 2 R, BB
(4/7)	VALPO	2-4	2 R, 2B, E
(4/10)	BC-1	0-3	0 K
(4/10)	BC-2	0-3	0 SAC, 2 Ks
(4/12)	SJU-1	<b>3-3</b>	1 2 R, 2B
(4/12)	SJU-2	2-3	0 K
(4/14)	OAK	0-1	2 BB, SAC, E
(4/17)	GU-1	2-4	2 2 R, K
(4/17)	GU-2	1-4	1 HBP, K
(4/18)	GU-3	2-4	0 E
(4/21)	TOL	1-4	1 RBI, E
(4/23)	SHU-1	0-2	0 <b>2 Es</b>
(4/23)	SHU-2	1-2	0 BB, E
(4/25)	Pitt-1	0-3	0
(4/25)	Pitt-2	0-4	0 2 Ks
(4/27)	BSU	1-5	1 BB, 2 Ks
(5/9)	UConn-1	2-3	1 2B
(5/9)	UConn-2	2-3	1 R, 2B, SAC
(5/10)	UConn-3	<b>3-5</b>	0 3 R, 2B, K
(5/12)	MICH		
(5/15)	RU-1		
(5/15)	RU-2		
(5/16)	RU-3		
(5/18)	UCF-1		
(5/19)	UCF-2		
(5/21)	VT-1		
(5/22)	VT-2		
(5/23)	VT-3		

**Lopez's Situational Hitting (Rank Among ND's Top 10 Regulars)**

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.394 (5th); 3 2B, 4 BB, 2 HBP, 4 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	.393 (1st); 4 2B, 2 BB, 2 HBP, 9 Ks, GDP, 3 SAC, 3 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.339 (4th); 13 two-out RBI (5th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	.333/2-for-6 (7th); 5 RBI, 2B, 2 Ks, GDP, SF
Deliver RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	12 in 20 chances /.600 (8th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	4/86

