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NOTRE DAME

2002-03 Men's Basketball Game Notes

2002-03 Notre Dame Schedule/Results (5-1, 0-0)

NOVEMBER

1	Fri.	ILLINOIS ALL-STARS (Ex.)	W, 107-77
11	Mon.	EA SPORTS ALL-STARS (Ex.)	W, 81-64
17	Sun.	BELMONT~	W, 76-48
18	Mon.	IUPUI+	W, 89-45
22	Fri.	BUCKNELL	W, 73-42
25-	Mon.-	vs. Furman@	W, 75-50
26	Tue.	vs. Creighton@	L, 75-80
30	Sat.	ALBANY	W, 90-55

DECEMBER

2	Mon.	MARQUETTE	7:00 p.m.
7	Sat.	vs. Maryland!	3:30 p.m.
8	Sun.	vs. George Washington/Texas!	1:00/3:30 p.m.
14	Sat.	DEPAUL	5:00 p.m.
22	Sun.	CANISIUS	1:00 p.m.
30	Mon.	VANDERBILT	7:30 p.m.

JANUARY

4	Sat.	vs. Valparaiso#	1:00 p.m.
6	Mon.	at Pittsburgh*	7:00 p.m.
12	Sun.	SETON HALL*	12:00 p.m.
14	Tue.	RUTGERS*	7:30 p.m.
18	Sat.	at Kentucky	2:00 p.m.
21	Tue.	at Providence*	7:30 p.m.
25	Sat.	at Boston College*	2:00 p.m.
29	Wed.	WEST VIRGINIA*	7:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY

1	Sat.	GEORGETOWN*	12:00 p.m.
5	Wed.	at Seton Hall*	7:30 p.m.
9	Sun.	PITTSBURGH*	3:30 p.m.
15	Sat.	at Syracuse*	1:00 p.m.
18	Tue.	at West Virginia*	7:00 p.m.
22	Sat.	VIRGINIA TECH*	1:00 p.m.
24	Mon.	CONNECTICUT*	7:00 p.m.

MARCH

1	Sat.	at Rutgers*	4:00 p.m.
4	Tue.	SYRACUSE*	7:00 p.m.
8	Sat.	at Georgetown*	4:00 p.m.
12-	Wed.	at BIG EAST Championship	TBA
15	Sat.	(Madison Square Garden — New York, N.Y.)	
20-	Thur.-	NCAA First and Second Rounds	
23	Sun.		
28-	Thur.-	NCAA Regionals	
30	Sun.		

APRIL

5 &	Sat. &	NCAA Final Four Championship	
7	Mon.	(Louisiana Superdome- New Orleans, La.)	

* — BIG EAST Conference game
~ — Guardians Classic (First Round)
+ — Guardians Classic (Second Round)
@ — Guardians Classic -Semifinal/Championship Round (Kansas City, Mo.)
! — BB&T Classic (Washington, D.C.)
— United Center (Chicago, Ill.)
() — indicates Associated Press and ESPN/USA Today rankings at time of game

All times local to site.

Game No. **7** (13/13) **MARQUETTE Golden Eagles (4-0)** **at NOTRE DAME Fighting Irish (5-1)**

Date: Monday, December 2, 2002

Place: Joyce Center (11,418)

Times: 7:00 p.m. (EST)

Television: ESPN2 — Sean McDonough (play-by-play analyst) and Bill Raftery (color analyst)

Radio: Host Communications Inc. (Jack Lorri, Jack Nolan) originates the Notre Dame Radio Network (includes WNDV 92.9 FM and 1490 AM in South Bend, Ind./Michiana Region; WBIG 1250 AM in Chicago, Ill.; ESPN 950 AM in Indianapolis, Ind.; WGL 1250 AM in Fort Wayne, Ind.; WEFM 95.9 FM in Michigan City, Ind.; WVHI 1330 AM in Evansville, Ind.; and WLUV 1520 AM in Rockford, Ill.). All radio broadcasts can also be heard through the World Wide Web at www.und.com.

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SCOUTING THE IRISH —

Notre Dame (5-1) renews its rivalry with 13th-ranked Marquette (4-0) this evening in the 104th meeting between the two institutions. The Irish own a 74-29 advantage in the series and have faced the Golden Eagles more than any other opponent in their 97-plus year history. Tonight's meeting is the first since Marquette's 72-48 victory on November 21, 1997 in Milwaukee, Wis. The Golden Eagles have won three of the last four matchups in the series that was first played on January 31, 1920.

The Irish enter the game coming off a 90-55 victory over Albany. Tonight's game opens up a tough three-game stretch for Notre Dame this week as the Irish could face three ranked opponents in consecutive outings. Following tonight's game, Coach Mike Brey's squad heads to Washington, D.C. for the BB&T Classic at the MCI Center. Notre Dame is scheduled to meet 11th-ranked Maryland in first round action on Saturday, December 7 at 3:30 p.m. and then will play either third-ranked Texas or George Washington in a consolation or championship matchup.

Tonight's game is the fourth home game for the Irish and first road test on an opponent's home floor for Marquette. The Golden Eagles defeated Villanova 73-61 in the season opener at Madison Square Garden and then earned wins over Coppin State (64-46), Texas-San Antonio (80-68) and Eastern Illinois (97-74).

Notre Dame opened up the season by playing six games in the month of November, marking the second straight year the Irish played that many contests in the first month of the season. Last year, Brey's squad finished with a perfect 6-0 slate during the month of November. Notre Dame is 14-1 under Brey during the

LAST IRISH OUTING

Notre Dame 90, Albany 55 November 30, 2002 Joyce Center Notre Dame, IN

Albany (55)

Player	min	fg	fga	ft	fta	reb	ast	pf	tp
Levine	35	4	12	6	7	5	3	3	15
Wyatt	17	1	4	1	1	2	0	2	3
Johnson	35	4	10	1	2	6	1	0	11
Opng	30	2	6	0	0	2	6	1	4
Wilson	35	5	14	1	2	6	4	1	13
Banks	8	0	1	0	0	3	0	1	0
Pipikis	3	0	2	0	0	4	0	0	0
Barnes	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peterson	16	2	8	0	0	6	0	3	6
Knotts	20	1	5	0	1	0	0	0	3
Team						3			
Totals	200	19	62	9	13	37	14	11	55

Notre Dame (90)

Player	min	fg	fga	ft	fta	reb	ast	pf	tp
Cornette	13	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	0
Miller	30	9	14	1	1	7	1	1	22
Francis	28	5	9	5	6	15	1	3	15
Thomas	33	6	14	0	0	0	7	2	14
Carroll	31	6	15	0	0	5	2	2	17
Quinn	18	2	6	0	0	2	5	2	6
Cornett	8	3	4	0	2	2	1	1	6
Macura	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	2
Jones	16	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	0
Lustig	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Timmermans	18	2	3	1	2	4	0	0	5
Markwood	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team						4			
Totals	200	35	69	7	11	43	23	16	90

Albany	26	29	--	55
Notre Dame	47	43	--	90

FG Pct: Notre Dame 50.7, Albany 30.6. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 44.8, Albany 38.1. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 63.6, Albany 69.2. **3-PT FG:** Notre Dame 13, Albany 9. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 14, Albany 14; **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7, Albany 1; **Steals:** Notre Dame 14, Albany 8. **Attendance:** 10,699.

2002-03 Rankings

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Week #3 —Nov. 25-Dec. 1)

	LW
1. Arizona	1
2. Kansas	2
3. Texas	3
4. Alabama	4
5. Pittsburgh	5
6. Duke	6
7. Florida	8
8. Oklahoma	7
9. Michigan State	9
10. Oregon	10
11. Maryland	12
12. Connecticut	14
13. Marquette	16
14. UCLA	15
15. Kentucky	17
16. Xavier	11
17. Georgia	18
18. Missouri	20
19. Indiana	22
20. Gonzaga	21
21. Cincinnati	23
22. Tulsa	25
23. Mississippi St.	12
24. Minnesota	24
25. Wisconsin	NR

ESPN/USA TODAY (Week #3 —Nov. 25-Dec. 1)

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1. Arizona	1
2. Kansas	2
3. Texas	5
4. Duke	6
5. Pittsburgh	4
6. Alabama	8
7. Florida	7
8. Oklahoma	3
9. Oregon	9
10. Michigan State	10
11. Maryland	15
12. Connecticut	14
13. Marquette	19
14. UCLA	12
15. Xavier	11
16. Kentucky	17
17. Missouri	18
18. Georgia	16
19. Cincinnati	20
20. Indiana	21
21. Gonzaga	22
22. Minnesota	24
23. Mississippi St.	13
24. Tulsa	NR
25. Illinois	25

bold indicates 2002-03 opponent

Franklin, Ball State and Indiana to a combined 129 points. It also was the first time since the 1983-84 season that Notre Dame held three opponents to under 50 points.

Notre Dame is averaging 79.7 points per game and its average margin of victory is 26.4 points. The Irish held its first three opponents — Belmont, IUPUI and Bucknell — to under 30 percent shooting. Bucknell shot 21.1 percent from the field against the Irish, converting just 12-37 field goals attempts and made just five field goals in the second half. The 12 field goals are the fewest made by an Irish opponent since Fordham made 13 in a 60-45 Notre Dame victory January 2, 1994. Albany also shot just 30.6 percent from the field, converting just 19 of its 62 field goal attempts.

Matt Carroll (Horsham, Pa.) leads the team in scoring with a 17.7 scoring average and is the third leading rebounder at 6.0 rebounds per game. He has scored 20-plus points in two games this season — versus IUPUI (26 points) and Creighton (20 points). Carroll closed out the 2001-02 campaign by scoring 20 points in Notre Dame's final four outings, and with his 20-point outing against the Blue Jays on Tuesday night, has now scored 20-plus points in six of his last 10 games in an Irish uniform dating back to last season. He also recorded his first double double of the season against Creighton after finishing with 10 rebounds. He also leads the team with 2.7 steals per game.

Chris Thomas (Indianapolis, Ind.) finished with 14 points (all in the second half) against Albany, but prior to that game, had scored 20-plus points in each of Notre Dame's last three outings against Bucknell, Furman and Creighton. He is the second-leading scorer averaging 16.5 points per game. Thomas tallied a season-high 22 points against Creighton. In addition, Thomas is averaging 6.3 assists per contest and is second on the team with 14 steals.

Senior **Dan Miller (Mt. Holly, N.J.)**, who sat out last year after transferring to Notre Dame following three seasons at Maryland, also is averaging 15.4 points and 7.5 rebounds per game. He is coming off the best outing of his career after scoring a career-high 22 points in Saturday's win over the Great Danes. It's the second 20-point outing for the Miller who also finished with 20 points in Notre Dame's win over Furman in the semifinals of the Guardians Classic. He recorded the first two double doubles of his career in the first two games of the season, scoring 19 points and grabbing 10 rebounds against Belmont, followed by a 17-point and 11-rebound effort against IUPUI. Prior to his first two contests in an Irish uniform, Miller did not record a double double in his previous 104 career outings. Miller's 20-point performance against the Paladins equalled a previous career best while he was at Maryland. He has scored in double figures in five of six games already this season. While at Maryland, he scored in double figures 19 times.

Freshman **Torin Francis (Roslindale, Mass.)** leads the team in double doubles this season with three following his recent 15-point and 15-rebound outing against Albany. He is averaging 9.0 points and a team-best 10.0 rebounds. Francis grabbed 20 rebounds in Notre Dame's win over Bucknell — the most rebounds ever by an Irish rookie. He also had 11 points in the contest for his second double double of the season. Francis registered his first career double double with 16 points and 11 rebounds versus IUPUI.

Tom Timmermans (Driehuis, Netherlands) will make his first career start in tonight's game. The Irish center, who was bothered by a lower back strain to start the season, has played well off the bench in Notre Dame's last two games. Timmermans logged a season-best 21 minutes against Creighton and finished with six points and six rebounds. In the Albany game, he played 18 minutes and finished with five points and four rebounds. Timmermans is averaging 3.7 points and 4.0 rebounds.

Jordan Cornette (Cincinnati, Ohio) started the first five six games of the season. He has had a real impact for the Irish on the defensive end of the floor. Cornette is averaging 3.5 points and 5.5 rebounds, in addition to 4.2 blocked shots. In the Belmont game, Cornette registered his first career double double with an unlikely combination of 13 rebounds and a Notre Dame and Joyce Center record 11 blocked shots. Against the Jaguars, he continued his blocked-shot assault with eight. His 25 blocked shots this season already surpasses the 17 he had all of last year.

Junior swingman **Torrian Jones (Fairless Hills, Pa.)** scored a season-high 13 points on six-for-eight shooting from the field against Bucknell. He is averaging 6.0 points and 2.2 rebounds. He has come off the bench in all six games and is averaging 18.5 minutes. Against Furman, he equalled his season-high playing 21 minutes and scored nine points on three-of-four shooting from the field. In addition, he made a career-best four steals.

Rookie **Chris Quinn (Dublin, Ohio)** has been an offensive spark for the Irish. He is averaging 4.8 points in 15.5 minutes off the bench. Quinn played a career-high 21 minutes in the loss to Creighton and scored netted a personal best nine points. In 18 minutes of action against Albany, he finished with six points and season bests of five assists and five steals.

2002-03 BIG EAST COACHES' PRESEASON POLL

East Division

	Pts.
1. Connecticut (9)	85
2. Boston College (2)	71
3. Villanova (2)	67
4. St. John's (1)	66
5. Miami	46
6. Providence	31
7. Virginia Tech	19

West Division

	Pts.
1. Pittsburgh (12)	90
2. Georgetown	72
3. Syracuse (2)	68
4. NOTRE DAME	59
5. Rutgers	41
6. Seton Hall	36
7. West Virginia	19

BIG EAST Preseason Player of the Year:

Brandin Knight — Pittsburgh

BIG EAST Preseason Rookie of the Year:

Carmelo Anthony — Syracuse

Preseason All-BIG EAST First Team:

Troy Bell — Boston College

Marcus Hatten — St. John's

Brandin Knight — Pittsburgh

Emeka Okafor — Connecticut

Darius Rice — Miami

Michael Sweetney — Georgetown

Preseason All-BIG EAST Second Team:

Andre Barrett — Seton Hall

Gary Buchanan — Villanova

Jerome Coleman — Rutgers

James Jones — Miami

Chris Thomas — Notre Dame

Ricky Wright — Villanova

NOTRE DAME STARTING LINEUP:

No.	Player	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	Class	2002-03 Statistics			Notes:
						PPG	RPG	Other	
21	Dan Miller	SF	6-8	220	Sr.	16.5	7.5	32.5 minutes per game	Career-high 22 points vs. Albany
34	Torin Francis	PF	6-10	240	Fr.	9.0	10.0	3 double doubles	Irish freshman record 20 rebounds vs. Bucknell
50	Tom Timmermans	C	6-11	253	Jr.	3.7	4.0	21 minutes vs. CU	Scored six points and grabbed six rebounds vs. Creighton
1	Chris Thomas	PG	6-1	182	So.	16.5	1.5	6.3 assists per game	Netted 20 points in three of last four games
13	Matt Carroll	SG	6-6	212	Sr.	17.7	6.0	16 steals, 14 assists	Has 20-plus points in six of his last 10 outings

NOTRE DAME OFF THE BENCH:

No.	Player	Pos	Ht.	Wt.	Class	2002-03 Statistics			Notes:
						PPG	RPG	Other	
2	Chris Quinn	G	6-2	178	Fr.	4.8	0.7	15.5 minutes per game	Played a season-high 21 minutes in loss to Creighton
4	Omari Peterkin	F/C	6-8	260	Fr.	--	--	--	Member of US Virgin Island Junior National Team
11	Rick Cornett	F	6-8	244	Fr.	3.2	2.0	--	Has come off the bench in five of the six games
12	Jordan Cornette	F	6-9	235	So.	3.5	5.5	25 blocked shots	ND and Joyce Center record 11 blocked shots vs. Belmont
15	Jere Macura	F	6-9	230	Sr.	0.8	0.6	4.2 minutes per game	Has played in five of the six games
20	Torrian Jones	G	6-4	195	Jr.	6.0	2.2	62.5 FG Pct.	Netted season-high 13 points against Bucknell
24	Dan Lustig	G	6-5	195	Sr.	1.0	0.0	Played in three games	First year walk-on
51	Chris Markwood	G	6-4	202	Jr.	0.0	0.2	--	Has come off the bench in five of the six games

GUARDIANS CLASSIC RECAP (Kanas City, Mo.) —

vs. **Furman (semifinal):** Chris Thomas and Dan Miller scored 20 points each to lead the Irish to lead the Irish into the championship game with a 75-50 victory over Furman in the semifinals. Notre Dame its fourth straight opponent to 50 points and under as the Paladins shot 40.0 percent from the field and 11.1 percent from three-point range.

The Irish connected on 26-60 from the field (43.3 percent) and shot 66.7 percent (8-12) from three-point range. Matt Carroll, who finished with 15 points and six rebounds, was three-of-six from beyond the arc. Torin Francis grabbed a game-high nine rebounds.

Notre Dame held an 18-14 advantage with 9:44 remaining in the first half, but used a 21-9 run to close out the half for a 39-23 halftime advantage.

Furman outscored the Irish 8-0 to begin the second half to close the lead to eight (39-31) with 17:20 remaining, but Notre Dame countered with a 12-2 run of its own to break open the game. The final 25-point outcome was the largest point differential of the contest.

vs. **Creighton (championship):** The Irish fell to the Blue Jays 80-75 in the championship game. Chris Thomas and Matt Carroll, both named to the Guardians Classic All-Tournament Team, scored 22 points and 20 points, respectively, as the only two Irish players in double figures.

Creighton shot a blistering 62.0 percent from the field (31-50) and 58.8 percent (10-17) from three-point range. Its the best that any team has ever shot against a Mike Brey-coached Irish team. In addition, the Blue Jays owned a 36-29 advantage on the boards.

Creighton led for most of the first half before the Irish grabbed used a 21-10 to grab a seven-point lead (35-28) with 3:02 remaining before halftime. The Blue Jays, however, outscored the Irish 10-0 to close out the first half and grab a three-point halftime advantage (38-35).

The Blue Jays led by as many as 10 in the second half (54-44) with 14:01 remaining. Notre Dame grabbed its first lead of the second half (75-74) with 1:35 remaining on Thomas' three-pointer, but the Irish were held scoreless in the final minute of the game. Creighton tied the game at 75-75 with 24 seconds remaining and then nailed a three-pointer and a free throw which sealed the victory.

GUARDIANS CLASSIC RECAP (NOTRE DAME REGIONAL) —

vs. **Belmont:** Dan Miller recorded his first double double of his career in his debut in an Irish uniform as he scored a game-high 19 points and grabbed 10 rebounds, while Jordan Cornette blocked a school and Joyce Center record 11 blocked shots. In addition, he grabbed a career-best 13 rebounds.

Cornette broke the school record of eight blocked (set by LaPhonso Ellis in 1992) and Joyce Center mark of 10 (set by Bill Walton of UCLA in 1973). Several of his blocked shots came in a decisive 30-5 run. Notre Dame was leading 26-21 with 2:57 remaining before halftime and closed out the first half with a 14-0 run that gave the Irish a 40-21 halftime lead.

Notre Dame held Belmont to just eight points in the first 12:30 of the contest in building a 37-point advantage (66-29). The Irish held the Bruins to just 28.1 shooting accuracy from the field and forced 17 turnovers.

Matt Carroll and Chris Thomas each finished with 15 points each. Thomas also had eight assists in the game.

Notre Dame's 19 blocked shots also established new school and Joyce Center records.

vs. **IUPUI:** Matt Carroll scored 26 points as he hit four-of-eight three-point attempts, while Dan Miller registered his second straight double double as he netted 17- points and grabbed 11 rebounds in leading the Irish to an 89-45 victory over IUPUI. Torin Francis registered his first career double double as he tossed in 16 points and grabbed 10 boards. Chris Thomas finished with 11 assists and eight points.

Notre Dame used a late first-half run to finish off the Jaguars. The Irish ended the first half with an 18-5 run and then opened the second half with a 20-6 run to the put the game out of reach.

The Jaguars shot 24.3 percent for the game and made just seven baskets (on 36 attempts), while shooting 19.4 percent in the second half. Notre Dame forced 17 turnovers and blocked 13 shots in the game.

Notre Dame finished the game by shooting 54.6 percent from the field and 50.0 percent from three-point range.

HEAD COACH MIKE BREY —

Mike Brey is in his third year as the Notre Dame head coach and eighth in the collegiate ranks. He was named the 17th head coach in the program's history on July 14, 2000, following five seasons (1995-2000) as

2002-03 Mike Brey Teleconferences

(All Teleconferences will begin at 10:00 a.m. EST)

Wednesday, November 13, 2002
(Guardians Classic)

Wednesday, November 20, 2002
(Bucknell/Guardians Classic)

Friday, November 29, 2002
(Albany/Marquette)

Wednesday, December 4, 2002
(BB&T Classic)

Wednesday, December 11, 2002
(DePaul)

Wednesday, December 18, 2002
(Canisius)

Friday, December 27, 2002
(Vanderbilt)

Thursday, January 2, 2003
(Valparaiso/Pittsburgh)

Thursday, January 9, 2003
(Seton Hall/Rutgers)

Thursday, January 16, 2003
(Kentucky/Providence)

Thursday, January 23, 2003
(Boston College/Villanova)

Thursday, January 30, 2003
(West Virginia/Georgetown)

Thursday, February 6, 2003
(Pittsburgh)

Wednesday, February 12, 2003
(Syracuse/West Virginia)

Thursday, February 20, 2003
(Virginia Tech/Connecticut)

Wednesday, February 26
(Rutgers/Syracuse)

Thursday, March 6
(Georgetown)

Monday, March 10
(BIG EAST Tournament)

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(*teleconference dates subject to change)

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head coach at the University of Delaware, where he led the Blue Hens to an overall record of 99-52. **Brey owns a 47-22 mark (.681) with the Irish.** He is the first coach in Notre Dame history to lead his teams to consecutive 20-win campaigns and NCAA tournament appearances in his first two seasons. Last year, he led his team to a 22-11 record and 10-6 mark in BIG EAST play after guiding the 2000-01 Irish to the 2000-01 BIG EAST West Division crown with an 11-5 record and finishing with a 20-10 overall record. Five of his eight teams have advanced to postseason competition (four NCAA and one NIT appearances). **Since his arrival, he has led Notre Dame to a 21-11 mark in BIG EAST play during the regular season for a .656 winning percentage.** In the two-year period from 2000-02, the Irish's BIG EAST wins are matched only by Boston College and Connecticut. His 21 wins after only two seasons rank as the third-best total in conference history. Only four other BIG EAST coaches, including St. John's mentor Mike Jarvis, have ever posted a better winning percentage in their first two seasons in the league. **Brey has an overall record of 146-74 (.663) as a head coach.** Among active BIG EAST coaches, Brey's 22-13 record (including regular season and championship contests) for a .629 winning percentage ranks him fourth behind Jarvis, Jim Boeheim and Jim Calhoun and sixth all-time.

THE CAPTAINS —

Matt Carroll, Jere Macura and Dan Miller are serving as captains for the 2002-03 campaign. It marks the second straight year that the Irish will have had tri-captains. Carroll, a three-year starter owns a 12.0 career scoring average in 99 games played. As a junior, he finished with a 14.0 career scoring average and ended the 2001-02 campaign by registering four straight 20-point outings in BIG EAST and NCAA tournament competition. Macura has played in 76 career games and owns a 3.7 scoring average. This is Miller's first season of competition with the Irish.

SERIES RECORD VS. MARQUETTE —

Notre Dame plays its oldest rival tonight in the 104th meeting between the two teams. The Irish lead the series 74-29. The two schools have not played each other since November 21, 1997 in Milwaukee, Wis., as the Golden Eagles defeated the Irish 72-48. Marquette has won two straight and has been victorious in three of the last four games. Notre Dame's last win in the series was on Feb. 17, 1994 as the Irish earned a 68-58 decision. The Irish own a 42-10 record at home against Marquette and have won 12 of the 18 meetings at the Joyce Center. The Golden Eagles' picked up a 65-63 victory on their last visit to the Joyce Center (Feb. 25, 1995). The first game between the two teams was played on January 31, 1920 (a 23-22 Marquette victory). Notre Dame's longest win streak has been 12 games (on two occasions — 1927-32 and 1983-89).

IRISH IN SEASON OPENERS —

With its win over Belmont, Notre Dame is 80-18 (.816) all-time in season openers and has won four straight. The last time an Irish team lost a season opener was prior to the start of the 1998-99 campaign as the Irish dropped a 76-65 decision to Miami of Ohio at home. Notre Dame is 3-0 in season openers under Mike Brey.

TOUGH STRETCH —

Tonight's game against No. 13 Marquette begins a tough three-game stretch for the Irish over the next six days. Following tonight's game, Notre Dame plays in the BB&T Classic in Washington, D.C., and is set to face No. 11 Maryland in first round action on Saturday, December 7 and then will take on either No. 3 Texas or George Washington the following day in the consolation or championship game.

REMEMBER NOVEMBER —

For the second straight year, Notre Dame played six games during the month of November and finished up the first month of the season with a 5-1 record. Last year, the Irish completed the first month of the season with a perfect 6-0 slate. It marked the most wins ever by a Notre Dame team in the month of November and the third time in the program's history that the Irish played six games during that month. Notre Dame also played six games in the month of November during both the 1999-2000 and 1998-99 campaigns and finished with 4-2 and 2-4 marks, respectively. Under Irish head coach Mike Brey, Notre Dame owns a 14-1 mark in November.

HOME SWEET HOME —

Since the inaugural season (1968-69) playing in the Joyce Center, Notre Dame owns a 410-122 record all-time for a .771 winning percentage. The Irish are 25-8 (.756) at the Joyce Center during Mike Brey's two seasons, and since the 1996-97 campaign, own a 75-27 mark for a 73.5 winning percentage.

THE IRISH ALL-TIME —

The 2002-03 campaign marks the 98th season of men's basketball at Notre Dame. Irish teams have posted 1510-829 record all-time for a .646 winning percentage.

RECORDS FALL AGAINST BELMONT —

Notre Dame's win over Belmont in the season opener, produced several new Irish records.

- The 19 blocked shots the Irish had as a team set the school and Joyce Center mark, eclipsing the old mark of 12. The team total ties for third all-time on the NCAA blocked shots list with Seton Hall (November of 2000).
- **Jordan Cornette's** 11 blocked shots broke the school record of eight set by LaPhonso Ellis in 1992 in an NIT game versus Kansas State. He also established a new Joyce Center record, breaking the record of 10 set by UCLA's Bill Walton on January 27, 1973.

2002-03 BIG EAST Coaches Teleconference

**Media wishing to participate should phone:
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Dates:

Thurs., December 12	Thurs., January 16
Thurs., January 30	Thurs., February 13
Thurs., February 27	Mon., March 10

The schedule of coaches is (all times Eastern):

11:00 a.m. Jay Wright, Villanova
11:08 a.m. Mike Brey, Notre Dame
 11:16 a.m. Al Skinner, Boston College
 11:24 a.m. Jim Calhoun, Connecticut
 11:32 a.m. Mike Jarvis, St. John's
 11:40 a.m. Ben Howland, Pittsburgh
 11:48 a.m. Jim Boeheim, Syracuse
 11:56 a.m. Perry Clark, Miami
 12:04 p.m. John Beilein, West Virginia
 12:20 p.m. Gary Waters, Rutgers
 12:28 p.m. Tim Welsh, Providence
 12:36 p.m. Craig Esherrick, Georgetown
 12:44 p.m. Ricky Stokes, Virginia Tech

Irish All-Time vs. 2002-03 Opponents

Team	Record
Albany	1-0
Belmont	1-0
Boston College	9-9
Bucknell	2-0
Canisius	18-4
Connecticut	3-7
Creighton	19-18
DePaul	48-41
Furman	1-0
Georgetown	8-6
George Washington	0-0
IUPUI	1-0
Kentucky	17-39
Marquette	74-29
Maryland	8-8
Pittsburgh	24-20
Providence	6-8
Rutgers	9-8
Seton Hall	8-6
Syracuse	15-14
Texas	0-1
Valparaiso	36-3
Vanderbilt	3-4
Virginia Tech	1-1
West Virginia	17-7
Total	329-233 (.585)

IRISH SPELL SUCCESS — D-E-F-E-N-S-E —

Notre Dame's strong defensive showing in its first six games has resulted in five Irish wins. In the first four games of the season, the Irish held Belmont, IUPUI, Bucknell and Furman to 50 points and under, while Albany scored just 55. Notre Dame opponents are shooting just 33.1 percent from the field and 32.7 percent from three-point range. Notre Dame held its first three opponents — Belmont, IUPUI and Bucknell — to just 45.0 point per game and a 24.6 field goal percentage accuracy after making a combined 48 of 195 field goal attempts. The Irish held those three opponents to a three-game point total of 135 — that's the fewest points allowed by an Irish team to start the season since the 1946-47 campaign when Notre Dame first three opponents — Franklin, Ball State and Indiana — were held to a combined 129 points. The last time an Irish team held three opponents in consecutive outings to under 50 points was during the 1983-84 season when Notre Dame lost to Northwestern (40-36) and then defeated Lehigh (68-46) and Cornell (55-48). The last time a Notre Dame team began the season by holding three straight opponents to under 50 points was the 1944-45 campaign.

KEEPING IT CLOSE —

Under Irish head coach Mike Brey (spanning 69 games), Notre Dame teams have never suffered a loss greater than 16 points. The Irish's 11 losses last season were by a combined total of 49 points for an average margin of defeat of 4.45 points. Only one loss (versus Georgetown - 83-73) was by double figures, while eight of those setbacks were by five points or less. In the 22 losses the Irish have suffered under head coach Mike Brey over the course of the last two-plus seasons, only four have been by a double-digit margin. In his first season (2001-01), Brey's squad lost 10 games by a combined 85 points with its biggest loss coming against Connecticut (16 points) in a 75-59 setback.

IRISH SET TO MEET DEFENDING NATIONAL CHAMPIONS —

Notre Dame will play defending national champion Maryland in the first round of the BB&T Classic at the MCI Center in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, December 7 at 3:30 p.m. Texas and George Washington will meet in the first game of the tournament at 1:00 p.m. The consolation game will take place at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 8, followed by the championship tilt at 3:30 p.m. Raycom/Comcast will televise all four games of the tournament. Notre Dame's matchup with Maryland will mark the 30th time an Irish squad has faced a team that had won the national title the previous year.

THOMAS NAMED TO WOODEN AND NAISMITH LISTS —

Sophomore point guard **Chris Thomas** is one of 50 preseason candidates for the 2003 John R. Wooden Award, which is annually presented to the nation's top men's basketball player. He also was named as a preseason candidate (one of 30) for the 2002-03 Naismith College Basketball Player of the Year Award, which is presented annually by the Atlanta Tipoff Club. Thomas is among five sophomores chosen to the Wooden Award list and is one of five BIG EAST players selected to the Naismith List.

THERE'S NO SLOWING HIM DOWN —

Matt Carroll ended the 2001-02 campaign by scoring 20 points in Notre Dame's two BIG EAST and two NCAA tournament games. Carroll has continued that streak by scoring 20-plus points in two of the first six games of the season. He had a 26-point outing against IUPUI and then scored 20 points in loss to Creighton which marked the sixth 20-point effort that he has had in his last 10 games in an Irish uniform. Carroll has scored 20-plus points 12 times during his career.

MILLER TIME —

After sitting out the 2001-02 campaign following his transfer to Notre Dame from Maryland in the summer of 2001, **Dan Miller** has made the most of first six games in an Irish uniform. He has recorded double doubles in the Belmont and IUPUI contest and has scored in double figures in all but one contest (Creighton). Miller also has registered 20-point outings in two of the last three games — 20 points versus Furman and a career-high 22 points versus Albany. Against Belmont, he had 19 points and 10 rebounds and came back against the Jaguars to score 17 points and grab 11 rebounds. In his three seasons with the Terrapins (104 career games), he did not record a double double and never grabbed more than seven rebounds in a game; he also had scored in double figures just 19 times and had only finished with 20 or more points on one occasion.

CARROLL CLOSING IN ON IRISH THREE-POINT RECORD —

Former Notre Dame standout David Graves (1998-2002) set the Irish three-point mark last season with 259, but it is likely that **Matt Carroll** will break that record at some point during the 2002-03 campaign. Carroll is third on the all-time list with 217, needing just 43 to break the record. Ryan Hoover (1992-96) currently is second with 248. In 105 career games played, Carroll has averaged 2.07 three-pointers per game.

FANTASTIC FRANCIS —

Rookie **Torin Francis** is averaging 9.0 points and a team-leading 10.0 rebounds through Notre Dame's first six games and has registered a team-high three doubles — versus IUPUI, Bucknell and Albany. Against the Jaguars, Francis scored 16 points and grabbed 10 rebounds for his first career double double, and followed that with 11 points and 20 rebounds against the Bison. The 20 rebounds were the most ever by an Irish freshman and the most since former Irish All-American Troy Murphy grabbed 20 rebounds against Seton Hall on January 8, 2001. In the win over the Great Danes on Saturday, he had 15 points and 15 rebounds.

BREY SHOWS IRISH THE WAY ON THE ROAD —

Notre Dame played just 13 homes games during the 2001-02 campaign, but found life on the road to be rather friendly. The Irish were 8-4 in contests played on the opponent's home floor and were 5-3 in neutral site contests for an overall record of 13-7 away from the Joyce Center. In Brey's first season, Notre Dame was 6-4 on the road and 2-2 in neutral site games for an overall record of 8-6. In two-plus seasons under Brey, Notre Dame has a 14-8 (.636) road mark and 8-6 (.571) mark in neutral site contests. Over the past two-plus seasons, Irish teams have compiled a 22-14 (.611) record playing away from home.

IRONMAN —

Matt Carroll played in his 100th career game in Notre Dame's win over Belmont and has seen action in 105 career games in an Irish uniform. He has started all but eight of those games and has missed just one contest (Miami (Fla.) on the road last season) because of an ankle injury in 106 career games. It is likely that he will break David Graves' (1998-02) games played career mark of 130.

119 AND COUNTING —

Heading into tonight's game against Furman, Notre Dame has hit at least one three-pointer in 119 straight games, which dates back to the 1998-99 campaign. The last time the Irish did not make a three-pointer was in a 101-70 loss to Connecticut in the Hartford Civic Center (Jan. 12, 1999) as Notre Dame finished 0-7 in the contest from three-point range. The Pittsburgh game on Jan. 26, 2002, marked the 100th consecutive game in which the Irish hit a three-pointer. Notre Dame made a season-high 14 against Rutgers on Feb. 6, 2002.

NOTRE DAME'S NAME GAME —

A quick glance at the Notre Dame roster can be confusing with three players whose first name begins with Chris; two players whose last name sounds the same, but is spelled differently; and two other players whose first names are nearly identical.

First off, three of Notre Dame's guards are named Chris — there's Chris Markwood (a junior), Chris Thomas (a sophomore) and Chris Quinn (a freshman). Both point guards, Thomas and Quinn wear jersey numbers 1 and 2, respectively, while Markwood dons No. 51.

Then, there's the frontline duo of sophomore Jordan Cornette and freshman Rick Cornett. Jordan wears No. 12 and Rick's jersey number is 11.

Very little separates the first names of junior Torrian (pronounced tour-REE-in) Jones and freshman Torin (tur-rin) Francis.

In addition, there are two players named Dan — senior forward Dan Miller and senior guard Dan Lustig, who joined the team this season as a walk-on.

Next year's roster could be even more confusing with two Omaris — current rookie Omari Peterkin and incoming freshman Omari Isreal.

ONE OF JUST 12 —

Getting back into the NCAA tournament the last two seasons has put Notre Dame in rather elite company as the Irish were one of just 12 schools to win at least one NCAA game in both 2001 and 2002. The list also includes: Arizona, Cincinnati, Duke, Illinois, Kansas, Kent State, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, Stanford and UCLA.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION —

Head coach Mike Brey and the Irish once again will receive tremendous exposure with 10 nationally-televised games on CBS, ABC, ESPN and ESPN2. Notre Dame was featured on national television 16 times in the regular season during the past two seasons.

THE NATIONAL LINEUP

Mon., Dec. 2 vs. Marquette (7:00 p.m.) — ESPN2
 Mon., Jan. 6 at Pittsburgh (7:00 p.m.) — ESPN
 Sat., Jan. 18 at Kentucky (2:00 p.m.) — CBS
 Sat., Jan. 25 at Boston College (2:00 p.m.) — ESPN
 Sun., Feb. 9 vs. Pittsburgh (3:30 p.m.) — ABC
 Sat., Feb. 15 at Syracuse (1:00 p.m.) — ESPN
 Mon., Feb. 24 vs. Connecticut (7:00 p.m.) — ESPN
 Sat., Mar. 1 at Rutgers (4:00 p.m.) — ESPN2
 Tue., Mar. 4 vs. Syracuse (7:00 p.m.) — ESPN2

TAKING CARE OF THE BALL —

During the 2000-01 and 2001-02 campaigns (63 games), Notre Dame averaged 18.3 assists and just 13.7 turnovers for a 1.34 assist-to-turnover ratio. The Irish ranked third last season with a 1.45 assist-to-turnover ratio and ninth in '01-'02 with a 1.23 ratio. Notre Dame's 629 assists last season were second-most in school history — the 1999-2000 team had 643 assists in 37 games for a 17.4 assist per game average. Against Bucknell and Furman, Notre Dame had more turnovers than assists, which marked just the third and fourth time that has happened in the last 39 contests. During the 2001-02 season, only twice did the Irish have more turnovers than assists. Notre Dame had 23 assists and turned the ball over just 14 times against Albany. This season, Notre Dame owns a 1.25 assist-to-turnover ratio.

JONES PROVIDES THE SPARK —

Torrian Jones has been a spark for Notre Dame off the bench this season; it's been his defensive presence that has ignited the Irish. Against Bucknell, it was his offensive play that helped produce the win as he scored 13 points (on 6-8 shooting from the field) while playing a season-high 21 minutes. Against Furman, he also played 21 minutes and scored nine points, while making a career-high four steals. He is averaging 6.0 points and 2.2 rebounds.

IN THE SPIRIT OF GIVING —

Chris Thomas continues to be one of Notre Dame's most unselfish players. As a freshman, he ranked fifth nationally with a 7.64 assist average. Already this season, Thomas is averaging 6.3 assists in the first six Irish games. His 11 assists against IUPUI marked the 10th time in 39 career games that he dished off 10-plus assists in a game.

TWENTY SOMETHING —

Chris Thomas has scored 20-plus points in three of Notre Dame's last four games. He had three straight 20-point outings for the first time in his career against Bucknell, Furman and Creighton. Thomas had 20 points against the Bison and Paladins and then tossed in a season-high 22 points in the loss to the Blue Jays in the championship game of the Guardians Classic. Last season, he began his career by registering 24 and 22 points in the first two games of the season versus New Hampshire and Cornell. He also had back-to-back 20-plus point outings against Rutgers (32) and Georgetown (22) and West Virginia (26) and Miami (32). Thomas has scored 20-plus points in 12 of his 39 career games.

MAKING THE "QUINN"-ESSENTIAL POINT —

Freshman Chris Quinn has played in all six games for the Irish and had his best outing of the season in Notre Dame's loss to Creighton as he came off the bench to play 20 minutes (tying a personal high) to score nine points as he connected on three-of-four shots from three-point range. Against Albany, he finished with six points, five assists and five steals in 18 minutes. He is averaging 15.5 minutes and 4.8 points. In addition, he is shooting 52.6 percent from the field (10-19) and 56.3 percent from three-point range (9-16).

TOM TERRIFIC —

A lower back problem forced Tom Timmermans to miss three games this season, but the junior center has been impressive for the Irish in the last two outings. His strong play will earn him his first career start tonight against Marquette. After missing the first two contests against Belmont and IUPUI, he played nine minutes against Bucknell and finished with two rebounds. He did not see action against Furman, but played 21 minutes in the loss Creighton and had six points and six rebounds. In the win over Albany, he played 18 minutes off the bench and finished with five points and four rebounds.

DECISIVE FIRST-HALF RUNS —

In the first four games of the season — Belmont, IUPUI, Bucknell and Furman — it was runs in the final eight minutes of the first half that were the catalysts for the rest of the game in leading the Irish to victory.

- Against Belmont, Notre Dame led 26-21 with 2:57 remaining and closed out the half with a 14-5 run for a 40-21 halftime advantage.
- In the IUPUI game, Notre Dame trailed 23-22 with 6:34 left before the game, but used a 18-5 run to gain a 40-28 halftime lead.
- Leading by seven (23-16) with 4:41 remaining in the first half, Notre Dame outscored Bucknell 17-5 for a 40-21 halftime lead.
- Notre Dame leads Furman 23-17 with 7:49 remaining in the half before a 16-6 run breaks it open as the Irish grab a 16-point (39-23) halftime advantage.

Irish Record

By Day

On Sundays:	1-0
On Mondays:	2-0
On Tuesdays:	0-1
On Wednesdays:	0-0
On Thursdays:	0-0
On Fridays:	1-0
On Saturdays:	1-0

By Time

Night Games:	3-1
Day Games:	2-0

By Location

Home Games:	4-0
Road Games:	0-0
Neutral Games:	1-1

By Halftime Score

Lead at halftime:	5-0
Trail at halftime:	0-1
Tied at halftime:	0-0

By Rebound Margin

Outrebounding opponents:	4-0
Outrebounded by opponents:	1-1
Same number of rebounds:	0-0

By Field Goal Shooting

Shoot better from field:	5-0
Shoot worse from field:	0-1
Shoot same from field:	0-0
Shoot 50% or better:	2-0
Shoot less than 50%:	3-1
Keep opponents under 50%:	5-0
Keep opponents under 40%:	4-0

By Free Throw Margin

Hit more free throws:	3-1
Hit fewer free throws:	2-0
Same number of free throws:	0-0

By Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers:	5-1
Commit more turnovers:	0-0
Commit same number of turnovers:	0-0

By Margin

One-point games:	0-0
Two-point games:	0-0
Three-point games:	0-0
Four-point games:	0-0
5-10 point games:	0-1
11-20 point games:	0-0
21-30 point games:	2-0
31+point games:	3-0

By Conference

America East	1-0
Atlantic Sun	1-0
Mid-Continent	1-0
Missouri Valley	0-1
Patriot League	1-0
Southern Conference	1-0

By Month

In November	5-1
In December	0-0
In January	0-0
In February	0-0
In March	0-0

Irish Double Doubles in 2002-03

Matt Carroll (1)	vs. Creighton (20 pts., 10 rebs.)
Jordan Cornette (1)	vs. Belmont (13 rebs., 11 blks.)
Torin Francis (3)	vs. IUPUI (16 pts., 11 rebs.)
	vs. Bucknell (11 pts., 20 rebs.)
	vs. Albany (15 pts., 15 rebs.)
Dan Miller (2)	vs. Belmont (19 pts., 10 rebs.)
	vs. IUPUI (17 pts., 11 rebs.)

BROTHERLY LOVE —

Three members of the Notre Dame squad have brothers playing at other Division I schools. **Matt Carroll's** brother Pat is a sophomore at St. Joseph's (Pa.); **Jordan Cornette's** brother Joel is a senior at Butler; and **Jere Macura** has a brother Petar who is a freshman at IUPUI. Jere and Petar both saw action on the floor at the same time in Monday night's matchup.

LUSTIG ADDED TO IRISH ROSTER —

Senior **Dan Lustig** has joined the Irish as a walk-on for the 2002-03 campaign. The 6-5, 195-pound guard hails from Alexandria, Ind., and attended Alexandria Monroe High School. He led his high school prep team to the 1998 Indiana Class II-A state championship and an appearance in the semifinals in 1999. A member of the Irish Guard, he is the sixth family member of nine children to attend Notre Dame. He will wear No. 24 this season.

ND-DEPAUL GAME TIME MOVED —

The Notre Dame-DePaul game, originally scheduled for a 7:30 p.m. tip on Saturday, December 14, has been pushed up to a 5:00 p.m. start. The game will be televised by WGN in Chicago and will be the 90th meeting between the two schools.

KEVIN WHITE RADIO SHOW —

A weekly half-hour talk show featuring Notre Dame athletics director Kevin White airs on Chicago's ESPN Radio 1000 (1000 AM in Chicago, www.espnradio1000.com). In its third season, "The Kevin White Show" can be heard in 35 states Thursdays at 9:00 p.m. Central time. White welcomes to the show a series of guests and prominent figures associated with college athletics, including administrators, coaches and media members.

SPORTS ILLUSTRATED RANKS NOTRE DAME 15TH —

In the October 7, 2002 issue of *Sports Illustrated*, Notre Dame was ranked the 15th best Sports College among Division I schools for the 2001-02 school year. Texas and Stanford finished first and second, respectively. SI combined a variety of factors in arriving at its 2002 rankings, which included performance during the school year in five sports (baseball, football, hockey and men's and women's basketball); position in the '01-'02 Sears Cup NCAA all-sports standings; number of varsity, club and intramural sports; range of recreational facilities; and whether or not spirit-boosting events like Midnight Madness were held.

USA TODAY/NCAA ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD —

Notre Dame received a 2002 *USA Today*/NCAA Academic Achievement Award for graduating 90 percent of its freshmen student-athletes who enrolled in 1995. Now in its second year, the awards were presented in late September of 2002 to 10 institutions with the highest overall graduation rates for scholarship student-athletes who began college in the 1995-96 academic year. Rice University finished with a rate of 91 percent, one percentage higher than Notre Dame, Stanford and Duke.

IRISH INK TWO IN EARLY SIGNING PERIOD —

Notre Dame head coach Mike Brey signed two players to national letters of intent during the early signing period — **Colin Falls**, a 6-4, 200-pound shooting guard out of Park Ridge, Ill., and **Omari Isreal**, a 6-8, 210-pound forward from Rockville, Md. Falls averaged 24.0 points, 5.5 rebounds and 4.0 assists during his junior season at Loyola Academy in Wilmette, Ill. In addition, he captured first-team all-Chicago Catholic League honors for the second consecutive year, while also earning second-team all-state accolades. Isreal averaged 18.5 points, 9.0 rebounds and 3.0 blocked shots in his junior season at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Wheaton, Md. An all-Washington Catholic Athletic Conference (WCAC) second-team selection each of the last two years, he earned first team all-county honors from both the *Montgomery County Journal* and *Montgomery County Gazette*.

BASKETBALL LUNCHEON SET FOR JANUARY 28, 2003 —

The second of two Notre Dame basketball luncheons will be held on Tues., January 28 at noon. Mike Brey and several Irish players will be featured at the event. Tickets are \$16.00 each and can be ordered by writing to the Notre Dame Athletics Business Office, 112 Joyce Center, Notre Dame, Ind., 46556. Checks may be made payable to the University of Notre Dame. Reservation forms are also available at the Joyce Center ticket windows. Telephone reservations are not accepted. For information call 574-631-5031.

TOUGH TICKET AT THE JOYCE CENTER —

Notre Dame's first official sellout of the season was against Bucknell. Before the start of the 2002-03 campaign, it was announced that six of Irish's 16 home games had already sold out. In addition, all 3,150 student ticket packages sold out in a record 36 hours after being put on sale. The six sellouts already equalled the total number at the Joyce Center during the entire 2001-02 campaign. The last time Notre Dame has seven or more sellouts in a season was during the 1994-95 season when nine game drew a capacity crowd of 11,418 at the Joyce Center. The upcoming games already sold out are: Marquette (Dec. 2), DePaul (Dec. 14), Georgetown (Feb. 1), Pittsburgh (Feb. 9), Virginia Tech (Feb. 22) and Connecticut (Feb. 24). There are a limited number of bleacher seats remaining for the Syracuse contest on March 4.

DRAFT ANALYSIS —

Former Irish standout Ryan Humphrey was chosen as the 19th overall pick in the 2002 NBA Draft, marking the second straight year Notre Dame has had a player chosen in the first round. In 2001, former two-time consensus All-American Troy Murphy was tabbed as the 14th pick overall. Humphrey became the 12th Irish player in the program's history to be chosen in the first round. Notre Dame is one of just four schools (the others include Duke, Indiana and Stanford) to have had at least one player chosen in the first round of each of the last two NBA drafts.

2002-03 BIG EAST STANDINGS (through games of Nov. 30)

<u>East Division</u>	Overall Record	BIG EAST Record
Miami	3-0	0-0
Connecticut	2-0	0-0
St. John's	2-0	0-0
Virginia Tech	3-1	0-0
Villanova	3-2	0-0
Providence	2-1	0-0
Boston College	1-1	0-0
<u>West Division</u>	Overall Record	BIG EAST Record
Georgetown	3-0	0-0
Pittsburgh	3-0	0-0
NOTRE DAME	5-1	0-0
Rutgers	2-1	0-0
West Virginia	2-1	0-0
Seton Hall	1-1	0-0
Syracuse	1-1	0-0

2002-03 BIG EAST WEEKLY AWARDS

Player of the Week:

Nov. 25 Terry Taylor (VT)

Rookie of the Week:

Nov. 25 Carmelo Anthony (SU)

2002-03 Player Bio Updates

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CHRIS THOMAS

Guard, So., 6-1, 182, Indianapolis, IN (Pike)

Second-leading scorer on team averaging 16.5 points...leads the team with 6.3 assists per game...scored 20-plus points in consecutive games versus Bucknell, Furman and Creighton, marking the first time in his career that he has scored 20-plus points in three straight contests...tied Dan Miller for game-high scoring honors versus Furman as he finished with 20 points, three assists and four steals...had team-high 22 points against Creighton, in addition to four assists and five steals...leading scorer against Bucknell as he finished with 20 points, which marked the 10th 20-plus outing of his career...finished with 14 points (all in the second half), seven assists and three steals against Albany...scored 15 points and dished off eight assists versus Belmont...finished with eight points and 11 assists in win over IUPUI...has scored in double figures in 29 of 39 career games and has dished off 10-plus assists in 10 career contests...has registered 20-plus points in 12 career games...**named to the Guardians Classic All-Tournament Team.**

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CHRIS QUINN

Guard, Fr., 6-2, 178, Dublin, OH (Dublin Coffman)

Averaging 4.8 points in six games off the bench...netted a personal best nine points off the bench in 20 minutes of action against Creighton...shot three-of-four from the field against the Blue Jays — all from three-point range...scored six points and registered career-bests of five assists and five steals against Albany in 18 minutes off the bench...scored eight points, dished off three assists and made four steals in collegiate debut versus Belmont...added six points against IUPUI as he connected on both of his three-point attempts...also dished off three assists in the game...also played 20 minutes in the season opener versus Belmont.

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OMARI PETERKIN

Forward/Center, Fr., 6-8, 260, St. Thomas, VI (Antilles School)

Has not seen action this season.

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RICK CORNETT

Forward, Fr., 6-8, 244, Country Club Hills, IL (Homewood Christian Academy)

Played in Notre Dame's first four games, but did not see action in the loss to Creighton...has seen action in five of six contests off the bench...averaging 3.2 points and 2.0 rebounds...scored a career-high six points in win over Albany and grabbed two rebounds in eight minutes of action...played 11 minutes and scored four points in win over Belmont...also finished with four points in IUPUI game...had two blocked shots against Furman.

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JORDAN CORNETTE

Forward, So., 6-9, 235, Cincinnati, OH (St. Xavier)

Averaging 3.5 points, 5.5 rebounds and 4.2 blocked shots as a starter in the five games...registered first career double double with career-highs of 13 rebounds and 11 blocked shots versus Belmont...the 11 blocked shots broke the school record of eight set by LaPhonso Ellis in 1992 and the Joyce Center mark of 10 established by UCLA's Bill Walton in 1973...played 30 minutes against the Bruins and also dished off four assists...blocked eight shots in 23 minutes of action versus IUPUI and grabbed six rebounds, scored four points and made three steals...scored four points in win over Bucknell...had a season-high seven points in 31 minutes of action against Creighton...had four points and six rebounds against Furman...came up with three blocked shots in 13 minutes versus Albany.

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MATT CARROLL

Guard, Sr., 6-6, 212, Horsham, PA (Hatboro-Horsham)

Leading scorer averaging 17.7 points, 6.0 rebounds, 2.4 assists and 2.8 steals...has registered six 20-point outings in his last 10 games (dating back to the end of last year when he scored 20 points in the final four games of the season)...netted 26 points on 8-14 shooting from the field and 4-8 accuracy from three-point range against IUPUI...also finished with five rebounds, six assists and two steals in 32 minutes of action...scored 20 points in loss to Creighton...registered his first double double of the season in the contest (and third of his career) as he also grabbed 10 rebounds...scored 15 points, grabbed five rebounds and made four steals in 24 minutes in season opener versus Belmont...scored 13 points and grabbed five rebounds in win over Bucknell...scored 15 points, grabbed six rebounds, and made three steals against Furman...finished with 17 points and five rebounds in win over Albany as he connected on 5-10 three-point attempts versus the Great Danes...has scored in double figures in 69 of 105 career games...**along with teammate Chris Thomas, was selected to the Guardians Classic All-Tournament Team...named MVP of Guardians Classic Notre Dame Regional.**

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JERE MACURA

Forward, Sr., 6-9, 225, Split, Croatia

Has played in five of six contests...did not see action versus Creighton...scored two points, grabbed one rebound and blocked a shot in four minutes of action in win over IUPUI...had two points off the bench against Albany.

20

TORRIAN JONES

Guard, Jr., 6-4, 195, Fairless Hills, PA (Pennsbury)

Has come off the bench to average 18.5 minutes in Notre Dame's first six games...averaging 6.0 points and 2.2 rebounds...played 21 minutes in the win over Furman and finished with nine points on 3-4 shooting and made a career-high four steals...scored a season-high 13 points on 6-8 shooting against Bucknell...in the season opener against Belmont, finished with six points and two assists in 16 minutes and followed that with six points, five rebounds and two steals against IUPUI...dished off a season-high three assists versus Albany.

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DAN MILLER

Forward/Guard, Sr., 6-8, 220, Mt. Holly, NJ (Rancocas Valley)

Sat out all of the 2001-02 campaign after transferring to Notre Dame from Maryland...averaging 16.5 points and 7.5 rebounds...scored 19 points of his career-high 22 points versus Albany...connected on 9-14 shots from the field and was three-of-six from three-point range...also grabbed seven rebounds versus the Great Danes...registered his first 20-point effort of the season when he tied his previous personal personal best with a 20-point effort against Furman as he connected on 7-14 shots from the field and 5-6 from the free throw line in playing a season-high 37 minutes...it marked the fourth straight game in double figures...had four-game double-figure scoring streak snapped as he was held to nine points against Creighton, but finished with a season-best five assists...registered two double double efforts in the first two games of the season...prior to those two contests, had not had a double double in 104 career games...finished with 17 points and a career-high 11 rebounds against Belmont in 34 minutes and had 19 points and 10 boards in win over IUPUI...connected on 7-10 shots from the field versus the Bruins...scored 12 and grabbed and grabbed eight rebounds in win over Bucknell...has netted double figures in five of six outings and 24 times during his career.

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DAN LUSTIG

Guard, Sr., 6-5, 195, Alexandria, IN (Alexandria Monroe)

Played in both the Belmont and IUPUI games...did not play in the Bucknell game because of injury...scored the first point of his career when he nailed a three-pointer against Albany.

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TORIN FRANCIS

Forward, Fr., 6-10, 240, Roslindale, MA (Tabor Academy)

A starter in each of Notre Dame's first five games and is averaging 9.0 points and a team-leading 10.0 rebounds...in addition, he is averaging 24.0 minutes per game...became the first Irish freshman to grab 20 rebounds in a game in win over Bucknell...leads Notre Dame with three double doubles...his most recent came in Saturday's outing against Albany as he scored 15 points and grabbed 15 rebounds...registered his second double double of the season with 11 points and 20 rebounds in the contest.....in collegiate debut, played 30 minutes and scored seven points, grabbed four rebounds and blocked four shots...registered the first double double of his career with 16 points and 10 rebounds in 28 minutes versus IUPUI...had five points and nine rebounds in win over Furman.

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TOM TIMMERMANS

Center, Jr., 6-11, 253, Driehuis, Netherlands (Blue Ridge School-Va.)

Missed three games this season with a lower back strain...came off the bench and played 21 minutes against Creighton (tying a career best)...finished with six points and six rebounds in the contest, in addition to a career-high two steals...played nine minutes, scored three points and grabbed two rebounds versus Bucknell in his first action of the season...sidelined for the first two games due to a lower back strain and did not appear in the Furman game...played 18 minutes in win over Albany and finished with five points and four rebounds.

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CHRIS MARKWOOD

Guard, Jr., 6-4, 202, South Portland, ME (South Portland)

Came off the bench in Notre Dame's first four games, but did not see action against Creighton...has played in five games...grabbed a rebound against IUPUI.

2002-03 Career/Season Highs

#1 Chris Thomas

	Career	Season
Points:	32 vs. Rutgers (2-6-02) vs. Miami (2-23-02)	22 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals:	10 vs. Rutgers (2-6-02)	9 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals Attempted:	20 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	20 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field-Goal Pct:	.714 (10-14) vs. Rutgers (2-6-02)	.571 (8-14) vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Three-Point Field Goals:	7 vs. Rutgers (2-6-02)	3 on three occasions
Three Field Goals Attempted:	11 vs. Villanova (1-6-02) vs. Kentucky (1-19-02)	7 vs. Bucknell (11-22) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	.857 (6-7) vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	.750 (3-4) vs. Belmont (11-17)
Free Throws:	12 vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	4 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Free Throws Attempted:	12 vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	4 on three occasions
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on 15 occasions	1.000 on three occasions
Rebounds:	9 vs. Duke (3-16-02)	3 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Assists:	13 vs. Hawaii Pacific (11-23-01)	11 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Blocked Shots:	2 vs. Seton Hall (1-26-02)	1 on five occasions
Steals:	11 vs. New Hampshire (11-16-01)	5 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Minutes:	60 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	39 vs. Furman (11-25)

#2 Chris Quinn

	Career/Season
Points:	9 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals:	3 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals Attempted:	4 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field-Goal Pct:	.750 (3-4) vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Three-Point Field Goals:	3 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Three Field Goals Attempted:	4 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 (2-2) vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Free Throws:	—
Free Throws Attempted:	—
Free-Throw Percentage:	—
Rebounds:	2 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Assists:	5 vs. Albany (11-30)
Blocked Shots:	—
Steals:	5 vs. Albany (11-30)
Minutes:	20 vs. Belmont (11-18) vs. Creighton (11-26)

#11 Rick Cornett

	Career/Season
Points:	6 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals:	3 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	4 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field-Goal Pct:	.750 (3-4) vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goals:	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	—
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	—
Free Throws:	2 vs. Belmont (11-17) 2 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Free Throws Attempted:	2 on three occasions
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 vs. Belmont (11-17) 1.000 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Rebounds:	2 on five occasions
Assists:	1 vs. Albany (11-30)
Blocked Shots:	2 vs. Furman (11-25)
Steals:	—
Minutes:	11 vs. Belmont (11-18)

#12 Jordan Cornette

	Career	Season
Points:	11 vs. Georgetown (1-21-02)	7 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals:	5 vs. Georgetown (1-21-02)	3 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals Attempted:	9 vs. New Hampshire (11-16-01)	4 on three occasions
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 on 10 occasions	1.000 on two occasions
Three-Point Field Goals:	2 vs. West Virginia (2-20-01)	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	4 vs. West Virginia (2-20-01)	—
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 vs. Providence (3-2-02)	—
Free Throws:	3 vs. Hawaii Pacific(11-23-01)	1 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Free Throws Attempted:	4 vs. Hawaii Pacific(11-23-01)	3 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 (1-1) vs. Cornell (11-19-01) 1.000 (2-2) vs. Rutgers (2-14-02)	.333 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Rebounds:	13 vs. Belmont (11-17-02)	13 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Assists:	3 vs. Seton Hall	2 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Blocked Shots:	11 vs. Belmont (11-17-02)	11 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Steals:	4 vs. Belmont (11-17-02)	4 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Minutes:	32 vs. Seton Hall (1-26-02)	31 vs. Creighton (11-26)

#13 Matt Carroll

	Career	Season
Points:	30 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	26 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Field Goals:	9 vs. Mississippi (3-16-01) vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	8 vs. IUPUI (11-18) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals Attempted:	18 vs. Georgetown (1-21-02) vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	18 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Field-Goal Pct:	.818 (9-11) vs. Mississippi (3-16-01)	.571 (8-14) vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Three-Point Field Goals:	6 vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	5 vs. Albany (11-30)
Three Field Goals Attempted:	11 vs. Providence (2-23-00)	10 vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 on three occasions	.500 (5-10) vs. Albany (11-30)
Free Throws:	11 vs. Canisius (12-22-00)	6 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Free Throws Attempted:	12 vs. Canisius (12-22-00)	6 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on 19 occasions	1.000 (6-6) vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Rebounds:	12 vs. Duke (3-16-02)	10 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Assists:	9 on two occasions	6 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Blocked Shots:	1 on 19 occasions	1 on three occasions
Steals:	4 vs. Long Island (12-29-00) vs. Belmont (1-17-02)	4 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Minutes:	55 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02)	37 vs. Furman (11-25)

#15 Jere Macura

	Career	Season
Points:	16 vs. Cornell (11-19-01)	2 vs. IUPUI (11-18) vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals:	7 vs. Cornell (11-19-01)	1 vs. IUPUI (11-18) vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	9 vs. New Hampshire (1-26-01) vs. Cornell (11-19-01)	1 on three occasions
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 on three occasions	1.000 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Three-Point Field Goals:	3 on two occasions	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	6 vs. Pittsburgh (1-22-00)	—
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 on three occasions	—
Free Throws:	5 vs. Indiana (11-30-99)	—
Free Throws Attempted:	7 vs. Villanova (2-8-00)	2 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on four occasions	1.000 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Rebounds:	8 vs. Indiana (11-30-99)	1 on three occasions
Assists:	2 on seven occasions	—
Blocked Shots:	4 vs. Loyola Marymount (1-2-00)	1 vs. IUPUI (11-18) vs. Albany (11-30)
Steals:	2 vs. St. Peter's (12-31-99)	1 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Furman (11-25)
Minutes:	33 vs. Indiana (11-30-99)	12 vs. Belmont (11-17)

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#20 Torrian Jones

	Career	Season
Points:	17 vs. Miami(2-23-02)	13 vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Field Goals:	6 vs. Miami (2-23-02)	6 vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Field Goals Attempted:	9 vs. Miami (2-23-02)	8 vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 on three occasions	.750 (6-8) vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Three-Point Field Goals:	2 vs. Loyola (11-22-00)	1 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Furman (11-25)
Three Field Goals Attempted:	3 vs. Cornell (11-19-01) vs. Hawaii Pacific (11-23-01)	2 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 on three occasions	1.000 (1-1) vs. Furman (11-25)
Free Throws:	5 vs. Miami (2-23-02)	2 vs. Furman (11-25)
Free Throws Attempted:	8 vs. Miami (2-23-02)	2 on three occasions
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on six occasions	1.000 (2-2) vs. Furman (11-25)
Rebounds:	10 vs. Monmouth (11-25-01)	5 vs. IUPUI (1-18)
Assists:	5 vs. Long Island (12-29-00)	3 vs. Albany (11-30)
Blocked Shots:	4 vs. Loyola Marymount (1-2-00)	1 vs. Belmont (1-17)
Steals:	4 vs. Furman (11-25-02)	4 vs. Furman (11-25)
Minutes:	29 vs. Miami (2-23-02)	21 vs. Bucknell (11-22) vs. Furman (11-25)

#21 Dan Miller

	Career	Season
Points:	22 vs. Albany (11-30-02)	22 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals:	9 vs. Virginia (3-4-00) vs. Albany (11-30-02)	9 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	14 vs. Furman (11-25-02) vs. Albany (11-30-02)	14 vs. Furman (11-25) vs. Albany (11-30-02)
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 on two occasions	.700 (7-10) vs. IUPUI (1-18)
Three-Point Field Goals:	4 vs. Duke (2-9-00)	3 vs. Albany (11-30)
Three Field Goals Attempted:	13 vs. Clemson (1-22-00)	6 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	1.000 on two occasions	1.000 (1-1) vs. Furman (11-25)
Free Throws:	7 vs. Belmont (11-17-02)	7 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Free Throws Attempted:	9 vs. Belmont (11-17-02)	9 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on 16 occasions	1.000 (1-1) vs. Albany (11-30)
Rebounds:	11 vs. IUPUI (11-18-02)	11 vs. IUPUI (11-18-02)
Assists:	8 vs. Fairleigh Dickinson(11-22-99)	5 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Blocked Shots:	2 vs. UMBC (12-13-00) 2 vs. Duke (2-9-00)	1 vs. Belmont (11-17) 1 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Steals:	4 vs. San Francisco (11-7-99) 4 vs. Winthrop (12-7-99)	3 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Minutes:	40 vs. Virginia (3-4-00)	37 vs. Furman (11-25)

#24 Dan Lustig

	Career/Season
Points:	3 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals:	1 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	2 vs. Albany (11-30)
Field-Goal Pct:	.500 (1-2) vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goals:	1 vs. Albany (11-30)
Three Field Goals Attempted:	2 vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	.500 (1-2) vs. Albany (11-30)
Free Throws:	—
Free Throws Attempted:	—
Free-Throw Percentage:	—
Rebounds:	—
Assists:	—
Blocked Shots:	—
Steals:	—
Minutes:	2 vs. Belmont (11-17) vs. Albany (11-30)

#34 Torin Francis

	Career/Season
Points:	16 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Field Goals:	8 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Field Goals Attempted:	13 vs. IUPUI (11-30)
Field-Goal Pct:	.615 (8-13) vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Three-Point Field Goals:	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	—
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	—
Free Throws:	5 vs. Albany (11-30)
Free Throws Attempted:	6 vs. Albany (11-30)
Free-Throw Percentage:	.833 (5-6) vs. Albany (11-30)
Rebounds:	20 vs. Bucknell (11-22)
Assists:	2 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Blocked Shots:	4 vs. Belmont (11-17)
Steals:	2 vs. Albany (11-30)
Minutes:	29 vs. Bucknell (11-22)

#50 Tom Timmermans

	Career	Season
Points:	6 vs. Colgate (12-30-01) vs. Creighton (11-26-02)	6 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field Goals:	2 on five occasions	2 vs. Creighton (11-26) vs. Albany (11-30)
Field Goals Attempted:	5 on three occasions	5 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 on four occasions	.667 (2-3) vs. Albany (11-30)
Three-Point Field Goals:	—	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	2 on two occasions	2 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	—	—
Free Throws:	3 vs. Vermont (12-21-00) vs. Duke (3-16-02)	2 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Free Throws Attempted:	4 vs. Vermont (12-21-00)	2 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 on six occasions	1.000 (2-2) vs. Creighton (11-26)
Rebounds:	6 on three occasions	6 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Assists:	2 vs. Albany (11-30-02)	2 vs. Albany (11-30-02)
Blocked Shots:	1 on five occasions	1 vs. Bucknell (11-22) vs. Albany (11-30)
Steals:	2 vs. Creighton (11-26-02)	2 vs. Creighton (11-26)
Minutes:	21 vs. Georgetown (2-9-02) vs. Creighton (11-26-02)	21 vs. Creighton (11-26)

#51 Chris Markwood

	Career	Season
Points:	2 on three occasions	—
Field Goals:	1 on two occasions	—
Field Goals Attempted:	1 on four occasions	—
Field-Goal Pct:	1.000 (1-1) on two occasions	—
Three-Point Field Goals:	—	—
Three Field Goals Attempted:	1 vs. West Virginia (2-20-02)	—
Three-Point Field Goal Pct.:	—	—
Free Throws:	2 vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	—
Free Throws Attempted:	2 vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01) vs. DePaul (11-24-01)	—
Free-Throw Percentage:	1.000 (2-2) vs. UT-Chattanooga (11-24-01)	—
Rebounds:	2 vs. Army (11-28-01)	1 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Assists:	5 vs. Monmouth (11-25-01)	1 vs. IUPUI (11-18)
Blocked Shots:	1 vs. Cornell (11-19-01)	—
Steals:	1 on four occasions	—
Minutes:	14 vs. Monmouth (11-25-01)	3 vs. IUPUI (11-18)