

Notre Dame Baseball Gameday Notes – at UConn (May 9, 2004)

BIG EAST RACE ENTERS FINAL WEEKS – Six teams enter the final three weeks of the BIG EAST baseball schedule as the top contenders for the four-team BIG EAST Tournament (May 27-29, at Commerce Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater, N.J.) ... final standings are based on conference win pct. (not "games back"), meaning that a 19-5 finisher would rank ahead of a 20-6 team ... rainout makeup days are limited for some of the upcoming series (due to finals and graduation schedules, plus the BIG EAST Tournament) ... the ND-UConn series has Tuesday, May 11 available as a makeup day ... all of the May 22-23 series will not have makeup days, due to the BET ... head-to-head record is the first tiebreaker ... here's a look at the BIG EAST race that tightened with BC's sweep on Saturday at WVU:

UPDATED BIG EAST STANDINGS (includes May 8 games)

Team	BE Record	Overall	Remaining Series
1. Pittsburgh	14-5 (.737)	32-12	SHU (5/9), UConn (5/15-16), SJU (5/22-23)
2. Rutgers	13-5 (.722)	28-16	Bye, @ND (5/15-16), VILL (5/22-23)
3. Notre Dame	12-5 (.706)	35-9	@UConn (5/9-10), RU (5/15-16), VT (5/21-23)
4. St. John's	13-7 (.650)	30-16	Bye, SHU (5/15-16), at Pitt (5/22-23)
5. Boston College	10-7 (.588)	24-22	@WVU (5/9), VT (5/15-16), @SHU (5/22-23)
6. Virginia Tech	10-10 (.500)	25-21	Bye, @BC (5/15-16), @ND (5/21-23)

Other BIG EAST Records: West Virginia (8-14), UConn (6-11), Villanova (7-13), Seton Hall (6-13), Georgetown (7-16)

Saturday's Scores: BC swept WVU (1-0, 15-9), Pitt swept SHU (3-2, 13-7)

Head-to-Head Tiebreakers: RU over Pitt and VT (rained out vs. BC) ... Pitt over ND, BC, VT ... SJU over RU, BC, VT ... ND-SJU and ND-BC split head-to-head.

Probable Game-1 Starter – Chris Niesel Career Stats

Year	GP/GS	W-L	SV	CG/ShO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	2B	3B	HR	BF	AVG	WP	HB	ERA
2002	14/11	4-0	2	0/0	72.1	68	33	27	18	62	17	0	7	307	.241	2	4	3.36
2003	15/15	9-1	0	1/1	98.1	86	34	29	19	87	15	2	2	402	.232	5	3	2.65
2004	13/10	5-2	0	0/0	68.1	81	36	33	14	61	14	0	2	294	.306	2	8	4.35
Totals	42/36	18-3	2	1/1	239.0	235	103	89	51	210	46	2	11	1003	.256	9	15	3.35

Quick Notes on Niesel – his .857 career win pct. (18-3) would rank 4th in the ND record book and best since 1914 ... owns 4.11 career K-to-walk ratio that is just shy of the ND record (4.00, by Alan Walania from '90-'93) ... his 2003 honors included second team All-America and BIG EAST player of the year ... coming off career-best 12 Ks in 8.1 shutout IP of relief vs. Ball State (10 groundouts) ... 5th ND pitcher with 3-plus double-digit K games in his career (also 10 vs. SIU in '02, 11 vs. Villanova in '03) ... his 4.36 season K-to-BB ratio would rank 8th in ND record book ... his career walk avg. (1.92 BB per 9 IP) would rank 5th in ND history ... 8th on ND career Ks list, 4 back of Tim Kalita ... previous ND pitchers with 3-plus double-digit K games include Aaron Heilman (7), Danny Tamayo (5), Tim Kalita (5) and David Sinnes (3).

NIESEL'S 2004 GAME-BY-GAME (relief vs. UTSA, OAK, BSU)								
(Date) Opp.	W-L (S)	IP	R/ER	H (HR)	K/BB	WP/HB	ERA	
(2/20) SDSU	W	5.2	1/1	8	9/1	1/1	1.59	
(2/27) WIN	W	7.0	5/5	6	5/2	1/0	1.42	
(3/6) SIU-1	-	3.0	0/0	2	0/1	0/1	4.02	
(3/9) UTSA-2	-	1.0	0/0	10 (1)	1/0	0/0	3.78	
(3/12) ARIZ	W	7.0	2/2	7	6/1	0/0	3.42	
(3/20) SIU-2	L	5.0	6/6	7	3/2	0/0	4.71	
(3/27) WVU-1	-	7.0	3/3	7	5/2	0/1	4.54	
(4/3) VILL-1	W	5.0	6/5	7	5/2	0/4	5.09	
(4/10) BC-1	L	4.1	5/4	1	4/0	0/0	5.40	
(4/14) OAK	-	1.0	1/0	1	3/1	0/0	5.28	
(4/17) GU-2	W	8.0	4/4	11 (1)	3/0	0/1	5.17	
(4/23) SHU-1	-	6.0	2/2	8 (1)	5/2	0/0	4.95	
(4/27) BSU	-	8.1	0/0	4 (0)	12/0	0/0	4.35	

Probable Game-2 Starter – Grant Johnson Career Stats (dnp in '03 due to shoulder injury)

Year	GP/GS	W-L	SV	CG/ShO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K	2B	3B	HR	BF	AVG	WP	HB	ERA
2002	18/14	9-5	0	0/0	101.1	94	45	39	44	86	20	1	5	444	.249	5	9	3.46
2004	9/8	2-0	0	0/0	26.2	18	8	7	14	23	4	0	2	115	.184	1	2	2.36
Totals	27/22	11-5	0	0/0	128.0	112	53	46	58	109	24	1	7	559	.235	6	11	3.23

Johnson Quick Notes – has been eased back into full-time duty, while completing comeback from 2003 shoulder surgery ... earned Freshman All-America honors and pitched for Team USA in 2002 ... key member of that '02 freshman class that was ranked #1 in the nation (per *Baseball America*) ... his best '04 outing came vs. St. John's (7-1; 5 IP, 2 H, 3 Ks, HB).

JOHNSON'S 2004 GAME-BY-GAME (relief vs. SDSU)								
(Date) Opp.	W-L (S)	IP	R/ER	H (HR)	K/BB	WP/HB	ERA	
(2/20) SDSU	2.0	0/0	2 (0)	2/1	0/0	0.00	
(3/8) PSU-1	1.0	0/0	1 (0)	1/2	0/0	0.00	
(3/21) SIU-3	2.0	1/0	2 (0)	1/2	0/1	0.00	
(3/28) WVU-3	2.0	1/1	5 (0)	1/0	1/0	1.29	
(4/4) VILL-3	4.0	0/0	0 (0)	3/3	0/0	0.82	
(4/12) SJU-1	5.0	0/0	2 (0)	3/0	0/1	0.56	
(4/18) GU-3	3.0	3/3	3 (0)	2/2	0/0	1.89	
(4/25) at Pitt-2	4.2	3/3	3 (2)	6/2	0/0	2.66	
(4/30) IPFW	3.0	0/0	0 (0)	4/2	0/0	2.36	

MIGHTY MATT AT THE BAT – 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** (44 RBI), junior 3B **Matt Macri** (40) and sophomore DH **Matt Bransfield** (40) ... Macri is the team leader in batting avg. (.346), runs (54) and triples (6) while Bransfield's 10 home runs are three more than any other Irish player (Macri has 7) ... eight other ND players during the 10-year Paul Mainieri 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 Mainieri 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 infielder in 2004 has featured a stellar defensive combination in junior 3B **Matt Macri** and sophomore SS **Greg Lopez**, who have combined for 67 error-free games this season (38 for Macri, 29 for Lopez) ... 4 of Macri's 6 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 team-best .346 batting avg. (compared to a .273 combined avg. in the '02 and '03 seasons) while Lopez is third on the team at .341 (nearly 100 points above his .250 avg. in '03).

FOOL ME ONCE ... – The Notre Dame offense has struggled with early-game offense this season, owning just a 38-24 edge in 1st-inning runs while outscoring the opponents just 143-100 (+43) in the 1st-4th innings (avg. of 3.3 runs) ... the Irish bats typically awake in the middle innings, with a +141 scoring edge (209-68, avg. of 4.7 runs) in the 5th-8th innings ... ND's only dominant early inning has been the 2nd (40-7) but the Irish actually have been outscored in the 3rd (39-32) and hold a narrow 33-30 edge in the 4th ... the Irish now hold a +76 combined scoring edge in the 6th (65-23) and 7th (49-15) innings.

OH BOY, OBS! – A popular measure of hitters' effectiveness is "OBS" (combined on-base and slugging percentages, with Notre Dame sophomore LF Steve Andres owning a 1.130 OBS in 2004 BIG EAST games (.492 OB, .638 slugging) that ranks 2nd behind Pittsburgh senior DH P.J. Hiser (1.186) among the conference's players ... Andres' 1.058 overall OBS (.487 OB, .571 slug.) is 4th among BIG EAST players, behind Hiser (1.202), Rutgers junior OF Jeff Frazier (1.133) and ND junior 3B Matt Macri (1.074; .464 OB/.610 slug.) ... ND sophomore DH Matt Bransfield is just behind Andres, with a 1.055 overall OBS (.425 OB, .630 slug.) ... Bransfield (1.042; .427 OB, .615 slug.) also nearly ranks 5th in OBS during conference games, narrowly trailing BC's Jason Delaney (1.043) and RU's Nick Cerulo (1.048) while Frazier (1.116) and SHU's Anthony Seratelli (1.113) are 2nd and 3rd on that list behind Hiser and Andres ... 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 47 BBs (would rank 7th 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 (35-9) heads into the UConn series 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 3.13 ERA (more than one run below the starters' 4.19), a 16-1 record and a .220 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 3.9 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.

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 – Last week's 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 (20 of 35) 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

	ERA	W-L	Opp. Avg.	Opp. Slug. (HR)	K/BB	BB/9 IP
Starters	4.19	19-8	.253	.377 (12)	2.59	2.40
Bullpen	3.13	16-1	.220	.340 (16)	2.57	3.03

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

Pitcher	ERA	W-L	GP/GS SV	IP	H	R/ER	BB	K	2B-3B-HR	Avg.	WP/HB	Saves	Inher. Run.
												Conv.	Scored
Chris Niesel	0.00	0-0	3/0 0	10.1	7	1/0	1	16	4-0-0	.179	0/0	0-0	0/0
Derek Olvey	0.00	0-0	2/0 0	6.0	5	0/0	0	2	1-0-0	.227	0/1	0-0	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	0/0
<i>Jeff Samardzija</i>	<i>1.08</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>11/0 1</i>	<i>25.0</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>4/3</i>	<i>8</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>0-0-1</i>	<i>.178</i>	<i>0/0</i>	<i>1-1</i>	<i>1-of-6 (.167)</i>
Ryan Doherty	1.88	0-0	21/0 8	24.0	8	6/5	10	34	4-0-0	.101	0/4	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	2.45	0-0	9/0 0	11.0	8	4/3	0	9	0-1-1	.205	1/2	0-0	1-of-5 (.200)
<i>Tom Thornton</i>	<i>3.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>1/0 0</i>	<i>6.0</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2/2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>0-0-1</i>	<i>.217</i>	<i>0/1</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>0/0</i>
Dan Kapala	3.42	0-0	19/0 1	26.1	29	12/10	8	29	4-1-4	.279	3/2	1-1	2-of-13 (.154)
Joe Thaman	3.63	0-0	18/0 1	34.2	21	14/14	13	25	4-0-5	.171	4/3	1-1	4-of-9 (.444)
Jess Stewart	10.80	0-0	2/0 0	1.2	3	2/2	1	1	0-0-0	.429	0/1	0-0	0/0
Tyler Jones	21.60	0-0	8/0 0	5.0	15	13/12	4	3	2-1-0	.517	0/0	0-0	0-of-2 (.000)
<i>Matt Whittington</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>3/0 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>0/0</i>
<i>Scott Bickford</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>2/0 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>
<i>Chris Vasami</i>	<i>4.76</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>3/0 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>0/0</i>
<i>Cody Wilkins</i>	<i>45.00</i>	<i>0-0</i>	<i>1/0 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>0/0</i>
Totals	3.13	16-1	114 11	178.1	147	70/62	60	154	23-3-16	.220	13/16	11-12	16-of-65 (.246)
Opponents	7.89	2-11	3	154.0	217	167/135	103	102	40-6-18	.333	29/38		

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 (12.75 Ks per 9 IP) is on pace to best the 46-year-old ND record set by Frank Carpin in 1958 (12.63).

* His low hit average (3.00 per 9 IP) also 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 a shutout streak that spanned 10 appearances and 11.0 innings, from March 27-April 25.

* His 1.88 season ERA would rank 13th 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.

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).

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) ... this weekend's trip to UConn and 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):

Destination	Round-Trip Mileage
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
Total	15,527

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		
	27-11	20-11	60-39

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			35-9
	30-24	124-47-1	194-46	80-47	5-4	

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.

UCONN CAREER VS. ND

Russ D'Argento: 5-for-15 (2 RBI, 3 R, HR, 5 BB, 2 HBP, SB, 2 Ks, E)
Malozzi: 8-for-24 (2 HBP, 4 RBI, 4 R, 2B, 5 Ks, CS)
Maler: 4-for-12 (2 Ks, E)
Dempsey: 0-for-5, 2 Ks
Leonard: 9-for-30 (7 RBI, 5 R, HR, 2B, SAC, SF, HBP, 8 Ks, PB)
Mocerino: 4-for-24 (2 RBI, 3B, 2 2B, 2 BB, SAC, 6 Ks, E)
Peluso: 1-for-4 (R, K)
Tokarz: 1-for-12 (RBI, 2 R, HBP, SAC, 3 Ks, 4 Es)

James (01): 2.1 IP, 2 H, 3 R/ER, 2 BB, WP, loss in 01

Vs. Niesel in '02

Leonard ... KS, HR-8/2 RBI, L-6
Mocerino ... 2B-RL/RBI, 1-3, KS
MAlozzi ... 1-3, 6-3, KL
Tokarz ... 1-3/bunt, 4-3, 4-3

Vs. Niesel in '03

Malozzi – 5-3, 4-3, 2B-LC/2 RBI/R
Maler – 4-3, 1B-rs, KS
Leonard – 1B-LL, F-8, L-4
Mocerino – F-9, 5-3, F-9
Peluso – KS, 1B-MI/r, 6-3
D'Argento – P-6, BB/R, F-8

vs. Johnson 02

Leonard – KL, KS, KL
Mallozzi – 1-3, KS
Mocerino – F-9, 5-3

vs. Doherty in '03

Dempsey – KS
Leonard – 5-3
Mocerino – F-7
D'Argento – P-1/bunt
Malozzi – 1B-LL

Vs. James in '03

Sanchez – FC/RBI
Macri – F-7
Murray – KS

Vs. Norton '03

Sollmann – BB/R, KS, 1B-7/rbi/SB
Rizzo – 1B-LS, KS, f-9/SF/RBI
Edwards – F8. 1B-MI/SB
Sanchez – P6, HBP
Macri – E6F, 2B-7/R
Murray – KS, KS/WP/R
Lopez – 3U, E1T/SAC/R

(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	21/21	85	23	25	3	1	2	14	13	6	10	1/0	5-7	0/1.000	.419	.424	.294
Career	202/200	774	195	280	36	12	13	137	90	14	80	12/16	72-95	37/.962	.399	.490	.362

• **2004 Team Ranks** – owns team's 5th-best on-base pct. (.419) while ranking 3rd on team with 5 stolen bases ... has missed 21 games due to jaw injury but ranks 2nd on team in hits per game (1.19) and runs per game (1.10).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – had played in just 4 BIG EAST games prior to injury, batting 7-for-14 in those games vs. WVU and Villanova (4 RBI, 4 R, HR, 3B, 2 2B, 4 BB, K, SF, 2 SB) ... 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 .341 career batting avg. in all games vs. BIG EAST opponents (110-for-323, 55 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 ... also had totaled 5 R, HR, 3B, 2 2B, 4 BB, 2 SB and just 1 K in those 5 games (3 vs. WVU, 1 vs. WMU, 1 vs. VU).

• **Career vs. UConn** – missed three-game series at UConn in 2002 due to quad pull (ND suffered a rare three-game sweep) while batting .350 in six other previous games vs. UConn (7-for-20, 3 RBI, 6 R, 2 2B, 5 BB, 2 Ks, 2 SB) ... hit 4-for-9 in 2003 sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium (RBI, 4 R, 2B, 3 BB, K, 2 SB, E).

• **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) ... hit .306 in 2001 post-finals games (2 RBI, 6 R, 3B, 4 BB, HBP, 4 SB, 6 Ks, E) ... ranked 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).

• **Weekend After Finals** – hit combined 11-for-40 (.275) in three previous post-finals weekends (9 RBI, 8 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2 2B, 3 HBP, 7 Ks, 2 SB, E) ... hit .385 at Boston College in 2001 post-finals weekend (3 R, 3 SB, SF, 3 Ks, E) and .364 at Villanova after '02 finals (4-for-11, 7 RBI, 4 R, HR, 3B, 2 2B, 2 HBP, 2 Ks, SF) but then just .125 at Rutgers after '03 finals (2-for-16, 2 RBI, R, HR, HBP, 2 Ks, SB).

• **The X Factor** – ND owns a 154-45-1 (.773) record over the '01-'04 seasons when Steve 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 (18-3 in '04 games started by Sollmann).

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – leads '04 team with +9 margin of walks (13) plus HBPs (6) minus strikeouts (10), with rest of the team at +12.

• **ND Record Book** – 4th in ND history for career hits (280) and fielding assists (561), 5th in stolen bases (72), 6th in runs (195), 7th in triples (13) and 9th in batting avg. (.362) and ABs (774) ... next up on the ND hits list are Eric Danapilis (295; '90-'93) and Pat Pesavento (296; '86-'89) while Steve Stanley's ND-record 385 hits also 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) ... also one fielding assist shy of tying Alec Porzel for 3rd (behind 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 .271 (19-for-70) in '04 outside Eck Stadium (12 RBI, 20 R, 2 HR, 3B, 2B, 12 BB, 5 HBP, 8 Ks, SF, 5 SB) and 6-for-15 in limited action at The Eck (2 RBI, 3 R, 2 2B, BB, HBP, 2 Ks) ... a .345 career hitter in 136 career road games, with just 16 Es (156-for-452, 71 RBI, 105 R, 9 HR, 8 3B, 9 2B, 54 BB, 52 Ks, 43 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 21 of his 2004 starts have come at 2B, with 10 starts as leadoff batter and 6 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 110 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 8.8 games per error during past three seasons.

• Owns 8 multi-hit games in '04 and 3 with multi-RBI ... has collected 85 career multi-hit games (27 three-hit games, 6 four-hit games, six-hit game vs. South Alabama in '02 NCAAs).

• **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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.485 (6th); HR, BB, 3 HBP, 4 Ks
Batting w/ Runners in Scoring Pos.	.314 (7th); HR, 2 2B, 10 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, GDP, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.346 (3rd); 5 two-out RBI (10th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	.250/1-for-4 (9th); BB, 3 RBI, K
Delivers RBI w/ Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	6 in 9 chances/.667 (6th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	3/44

(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	42/41	159	54	55	9	6	7	40	32	4	33	1/1	7-8	6/956	.464	.610	.346
Career	119/117	441	105	132	27	11	12	88	65	10	104	3/8	14-19	25/942	.399	.492	.299

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads Irish in batting avg. (.346), runs (54), hits (55), triples (6), total bases (97), games played (42) and starts (41) ... also 2nd on team in slugging pct. (.610), on-base pct. (.464), RBI (40), home runs (7) and walks (32), plus 4th in doubles (9).

• **Among BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – leads conference in runs (54) and triples (6), plus 3rd in walks (32), 4th in on-base (.404), 5th in RBI (40), 7th in home runs (7), 11th in hits (55), 14th in batting (.346) ... his 1.074 "OBS" (combined on-base and slugging) ranks 3rd, behind Pittsburgh's P.J. Hiser (1.202) and Jeff Frazier of Rutgers (1.133) ... in conference games only, he ranks 1st in runs (22) and triples (3).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – hitting just .281 (18-for-64) in '04 BIG EAST games (9 RBI, 22 R, .500 slugging, 2 HR, 3 3B, 4 2B, .410 on-base, 12 BB, 2 HBP, 17 Ks, SAC, 2 SB, E) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .259, 8 RBI, 13 R, HR, 2 3B, 8 2B, 11 BB, 21 Ks.

• **Week Prior to Finals** – ranked 3rd on team with .313 batting (5-for-16) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State, Manchester and IPFW (6 R, 2 3B, 2B, 5 BB, HBP, 2 Ks, 2 SB, E at SS)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit just .167 (2-for-12) in 4 GS (2 RBI, 4 R, HR, 3B, 4 BB, 2 Ks)

• **April Stats** – 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)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit **team-best .308 at Rutgers** in first weekend after 2003 finals (4-for-13, 2 RBI, BB, 2 Ks, E) but ultimately 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)

• **Career vs. UConn** – hit .286 (4-for-14) in 6 GS vs. the Huskies during the '02 and '03 seasons (3 RBI, 3 R, HR, 2B, 2 BB, 8 Ks) ... the only BIG EAST teams he faced in '02 were UConn and WVU (missed rest of season due to injury).

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – ranks 4th on '04 team with +3 margin of walks (32) plus HBPs (4) minus strikeouts (33), with rest of the team at +18.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.258** (23-for-89) in '04 **outside Eck Stadium** (19 RBI, 21 R, .404 slugging, 2 HR, 3B, 5 2B, .359 on-base, .763 "OBS", 12 BB, 2 HBP, 23 Ks, SAC, SB, 5 Es/.926), including 5-for-37/.135 with no RBI in BIG EAST road games (8 BB, HBP, 9 R, HR, 3B, 2B, 8 Ks, SAC) ... batting **team-best .469** (211 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), double his **career road avg. (.223, 64-for-287, 53 RBI, 5 HR in 71 GP)**.

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made 39 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 start vs. Ball State.

• Has posted 36 **Error-Free** games in 2004, including 18 straight before error at SS vs. Cleveland State ... 4 of his 6 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 79 runs (in 64-gm season), would rank 4th in ND history behind Pat Pesavento (88 in '89, 81 in '88) and Dan Peltier (81 in '89).

• 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)

• Owns team-best 15 **Multi-Hit** games (7 with 3-plus) while his 10 **Multi-RBI** games are 3rd-most on team (has 2 of team's 5 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	1	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			
(5/9)	UConn-2			
(5/10)	UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.485 (3rd); HR, 2 3B, 2 2B, 5 BB, HBP, 7 Ks
Batting w/ Runners in Scoring Pos.	.386 (3rd); 3 3B, 4 2B, 11 BB, 2 HBP, 14 Ks, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.298 (8th); 14 two-out RBI (3rd)
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 (4th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	0/80

(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	40/35	135	33	44	7	2	10	40	16	8	19	1/0	0-1	0/1.000	.425	.630	.326
Career	73/52	206	46	66	10	2	10	50	19	11	38	3/1	0-1	0/1.000	.402	.534	.320

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads team in home runs (10) and slugging pct. (.630), ranking 2nd in RBI (40) and total bases (85), 3rd in runs (33), hit-by-pitch (8) and games played (40), 4th in on-base pct. (.425) and 5th in batting avg. (.326), hits (44), doubles (7), walks (16), starts (35)

• **BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – ranks 2nd among BIG EAST players in home runs (10, behind Pittsburgh's P.J. Hiser's 15) ... also 6th among BIG EAST players in RBI (40), 3rd in slugging pct. (.630) and 5th in total bases (85) ... his 1.055 "OBS" (combined on-base and slugging) ranks 5th among BIG EAST players, behind teammates Matt Macri (1.074) and Steve Andres (1.058) plus Pittsburgh's P.J. Hiser (1.202) and Jeff Frazier of Rutgers (1.133) ... in BIG EAST games only, he ranks 1st among the conference's players in HRs (5) and RBI (22), 4th in slugging (.615) and runs (16), and 5th in total bases (40).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 3rd on team with .338 batting in '04 BIG EAST play (22-for-65, 22 RBI, 16 R, 5 HR, 3 2B, 7 BB, 3 HBP, 10 Ks)

• **Week Prior to Finals** – 2nd on team with .353 batting (6-for-17) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State, Manchester and IPFW (3 RBI, 5 R, 2 3B, 2B, 3 BB, HBP, 2 Ks, SF)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – 2nd on team with .333 batting (5-for-15) in 4 GS (6 RBI, 3 R, 2 HR, 2 2B, BB, 2 Ks)

• **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)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – ranked 5th on '03 team with .333 batting after finals (8-for-24, 2 RBI, 3 R, BB, HBP, 7 Ks), including 2-for-4 at RU in first weekend after '03 finals (K)

• **Career vs. UConn** – hit 3-for-5 in 2 GP/1 GS during '03 series sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium (RBI, R)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – ranks 3rd on '04 team with +5 margin of walks (16) plus HBPs (8) minus strikeouts (19), with rest of the team at +16.

• **Site Survey – batting .259** in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (15-for-58, 15 RBI, 9 R, .448 slugging, 3 HR, 3B, 2 2B, .368 on-base, .816 "OBS", 6 BB, 4 HBP, 11 Ks) ... batting **.362** (87 points higher) **at Eck Stadium** (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 29 of 35 starts at DH, plus 3 starts last week at 1B and a start vs. Cleveland State at catcher (with earlier starts at LF and 3B) ... 13 of his starts have come as cleanup hitter, plus 7 in the 3-hole and 6 each at both the 6th and 7th spots (2 in 3rd 5th spot, single start batting 8th).

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes LF Steve Andres (.313), SS Greg Lopez (.341), RF Craig Cooper (.345) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.302) ... those five have combined to bat .326 (200-for-614) in the 2004 season, with 140 RBI, 25 HR, 6 3B, 35 2B, 147 R, 77 BB/102 Ks, 37 HBP and 17 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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.361 (8th); 2 HR, 3B, 2 2B, 5 BB, HBP, 4 Ks
Bat. w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.340 (4th); HR, 3B, 3 2B, 7 BB, 4 HBP, 7 Ks, 2 GDP, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs257 (10th); 9 two-out RBI (6th)
Batting Avg. w/. Bases Loaded222/2-for-9 (10th); 2 BB, 6 RBI, K, GDP
Delivers RBI w/. Runner on 3rd and Less Than 2 Outs	14 in 19 chances /.737 (3rd)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	4/80

(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	39/33	112	29	35	7	2	6	26	35	5	31	2/1	3-7	3/.938	.487	.571	.312
Career	82/62	216	55	63	9	4	10	48	54	14	58	5/1	5-10	4/.957	.453	.509	.292

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads team in walks (35) and on-base pct. (.487) while ranking 3rd in home runs (6) and slugging pct. (.571), 4th in total bases (64) and 5th in doubles (7)

• **Among BIG EAST Leaders** – his 1.130 “OBS” (combined on-base and slugging) ranks 3rd among BIG EAST players, behind Pittsburgh’s PJ Hiser (1.202) and Jeff Frazier of Rutgers (1.133) ... also 2nd in BIG EAST with 35 walks and .487 on-base pct., plus 5th in slugging (.571) and 8th in home runs (6) ... his 1.130 OBS in conference games is tops among BIG EAST players (Seton Hall’s Anthony Seratelli is next, at 1.113), also ranking 2nd with a .492 on-base and .639 slugging pct. in BIG EAST games, plus 6th in walks (13) and 11th in batting avg. (.362).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 2nd on team with .362 batting (17-for-47) in '04 BIG EAST games (12 RBI, 10 R, 2 HR, 3B, 5 2B, .638 slugging, .492 on-base, 1.130 “OBS”, 13 BB, 15 Ks, 2 SB, E) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .286, 7 RBI, 6 R, 9 BB, 2 HBP, 8 Ks, SF, SB

• **Week Prior to Finals** – hit just .133 (2-for-15) vs. Ball St., Cleveland St., Manchester and IPFW (4 RBI, 4 R, HR, 3B, 3 BB, 2 HBP, 3 Ks)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit .286 (4-for-14) in 4 GS (RBI, R, 3 2B, BB, 5 Ks, SF)

• **April Stats** – hit .300 in the month (21-for-71, 16 RBI, 17 R, 4 HR, 3B, 5 2B, 21 BB, 2 HBP, 20 Ks, SAC, SB, 2 Es)

• **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), including .250 at Rutgers on first weekend after finals (2-for-8, 2 RBI, R, HR, 2 BB, 3 Ks, SB)

• **Career vs. UConn** – went 0-for-1 in lone at-bat vs. Huskies during '03 season

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – leads '04 team with +9 margin of walks (13) plus HBPs (6) minus strikeouts (10), with rest of the team at +12.

• **Site Survey** – batting **.320 outside of Eck Stadium** in '04 (16-for-50, 13 RBI, 12 R, .600 slugging, 3 HR, 3B, 3 2B, .485 on-base, 1.085 “OBS”, 15 BB, 2 HBP, 16 Ks, 2 SB, 1 E/.889) ... 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 Stadium (.269 overall) in '03 (8-for-39, 11 RBI, 7 R, HR, 3B, 6 BB, 7 Ks).

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made 23 of his 30 starts in LF (6 as DH, 1 at C) while hitting mostly in cleanup (8 games), 3-spot (6) and 5-spot (10), also making 4 starts as leadoff batter, 1 in 2-hole and 1 in 6-hole

• **ND Record Book** – on pace for 51 walks (in 64-gm season), would rank 3rd in ND history behind All-American Ryan Topham’s 63 in '94 and Pat Pesavento’s 61 in '89 ... could become first ND player with 45-plus BB since Topham 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-30 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 6 **Multi-RBI** games

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes DH Matt Bransfield (.326), SS Greg Lopez (.341), RF Craig Cooper (.345) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.302) ... those five have combined to bat .326 (200-for-614) in the 2004 season, with 140 RBI, 25 HR, 6 3B, 35 2B, 147 R, 77 BB/102 Ks, 37 HBP and 17 SB.

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

• **Summer Ball** – slated to play with Solana 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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.500 (2nd), 3 HR, 3B, 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 6 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	.283 (9th); 2 HR, 3B, 2B, 20 BB, 3 HBP, 13 Ks, 2 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.324 (5th); 9 Two-Out RBI (6th)
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	6 in 11 chances /.545 (10th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	0/70

(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	40/40	148	31	46	11	0	1	32	14	10	21	5/2	1-4	9/.966	.395	.405	.311
Career	173/164	593	123	172	39	4	7	87	59	22	71	7/15	8-13	46/.954	.372	.391	.290

• **2004 Team Ranks** – stands 2nd among BIG EAST players in doubles (11), hit-by-pitch (10) and starts (40), plus 3rd in games played (40), 4th in RBI (32), hits (46) and runs (31)

• **BIG EAST Stats** – hitting .310 in '04 BIG EAST action (18-for-58, 12 RBI, 11 R, 5 2B, 3 BB, 5 HBP, 9 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

• **Week Prior to Finals** – hit .313 (5-for-16) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State, Manchester and IPFW (team-best 7 RBI, 3 R, 2 2B, BB, HBP, 3 Ks, 3 SF, CS, E)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit just .273 (3-for-11) in 4 GS (2 RBI, 2 R, 2B, BB, HBP, 4 Ks, SF, CS, 2 Es)

• **April Stats** – ranked 3rd on team with .338 hitting in the month (27-for-80, 22 RBI, 20 R, HR, 3B, 7 2B, 12 BB, 4 HBP, 18 Ks, 2 SB, E)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – has 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, 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).

• **First Weekend After Finals** – hit .300 vs. Villanova on weekend after '02 finals (3-for-10, 4 R, BB, K, E), then .200 at Rutgers after '03 finals (2-for-10, R, 2 BB, K, E)

• **Career vs. UConn** – hit .316 (6-for-19) in 6 GS vs. the Huskies during 2002 and '03 seasons (3 RBI, 5 R, 3B, 2 BB, K)

• **Quality Trips to Plate** – ranks 4th on '04 team with +3 margin of walks (14) plus HBPs (10) minus strikeouts (21), with rest of the team at +18.

• **Site Survey** – batting .289 in '04 games outside Eck Stadium (22-for-76, 13 RBI, 15 R, HR, 5 2B, 9 BB, 7 HBP, 15 Ks, SF, SAC, 4 Es/.972) ... 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, 103-for-337, 6 HR, 51 R, 52 RBI in 75 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 x

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made most of his starts behind the plate (31), 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 (17) or 6-hole batter (10), also making starts in the 3rd (4), 5th (4) 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 11 **Multi-Hit** games (5th on team) and 10 **Multi-RBI** games (3rd 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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.244 (10th); 2 2B, BB, HBP, 7 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.407 (1st); 4 2B, 5 BB, 5 HBP, 5 Ks, 2 GDP, 2 SAC, 5 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.412 (1st); 15 two-out RBI (2nd)
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	2/82

(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	39/27	113	24	39	7	1	5	28	13	1	15	1/2	7-9	2/.964	.414	.558	.345
Career	85/58	235	46	76	13	3	5	43	28	5	38	1/4	17-22	3/.969	.405	.468	.323

• **2004 Team Ranks** – entered SHU doubleheader ranked 2nd on '04 team in batting avg. (.356), plus 4th in slugging pct. (.567; 8th BIG EAST) and 5th in home runs (4)

• **BIG EAST Stats** – leads team with .389 batting in '04 BIG EAST action (14-for-36, 5 RBI, 9 R, HR, 2 2B, 6 BB, 7 Ks, SB, 2 Es) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .345, 4 RBI, 6 R, 5 BB, 2 HBP, 5 Ks, 2 SB

• **Week Prior to Finals** – hit just .235 (4-for-17) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State, Manchester and IPFW (4 RBI, 3 R, 2B, 3 BB, 2 Ks, 2 SB)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – led team with .500 batting (5-for-10) in 3 GS (2 RBI, 2 R, HR, 2 2B, BB, 2 Ks, E)

• **April Stats** – 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)

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

• **Career vs. UConn** – delivered RBI single in his only at-bat during '03 series sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium

• **Site Survey** – batting .300 in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (15-for-50, 10 RBI, 10 R, .400 slugging, 5 2B, .357 on-base, .757 "OBS", 5 BB, 6 Ks, SF, 2 SAC, 2 SB) ... batting .368 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)

• **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)

• **Position/Batting Order** – has made 10 starts in LF and 17 in RF while batting anywhere from leadoff (3) to the 9-hole (9), plus starts in the 2nd (2), 5th (1), 6th (5) and 7th (7) spots

• Owns 9 **Multi-Hit** games and 8 **Multi-RBI** games (5th-most on squad)

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes DH Matt Bransfield (.326), SS Greg Lopez (.341), LF Steve Andres (.312) and CF/RF Cody Rizzo (.302) ... those five have combined to bat .326 (200-for-614) in the 2004 season, with 140 RBI, 25 HR, 6 3B, 35 2B, 147 R, 77 BB/102 Ks, 37 HBP and 17 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			
(5/9)	UConn-2			
(5/10)	UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.407 (4th); 2 2B, 6 BB, 5 Ks
Batting w/ Runners in Scoring Pos.	.318 (6th); 2 HR, 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, GDP, SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.375 (2nd); 14 two-out RBI (3rd)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded	.556/5-for-9 (2nd); BB, 12 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	2/58

(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	42/40	154	35	50	12	1	6	44	24	7	29	4/0	3-3	2/.995	.429	.532	.325
Career	113/110	414	78	145	29	3	14	117	52	12	74	8/0	6-9	17/.977	.430	.536	.350

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team in RBI (38), games played (36) and started (34), also ranking 2nd in doubles (9) and total bases (68), 3rd in home runs (5), runs (30), hits (41), walks (21) and hit-by-pitch (7), 4th in on-base pct. (.425) and 5th in slugging pct. (.507).

• **Among the BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – entered SHU doubleheader ranked 3rd among BIG EAST players in RBI (38, behind RU's Jeff Frazier's 45), 5th in total bases (67), 7th in home runs (5) and 9th in walks (20) ... also ranked 7th in RBI during conference games (11).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – hitting just .254 in '04 BIG EAST games (15-for-59, 12 RBI, 11 R, 4 2B, 8 BB, 2 HBP, 16 Ks, SF, 2 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

• **Week Prior to Finals** – led team with .438 batting (7-for-16) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State, Manchester and IPFW (5 RBI, 4 R, HR, 2 2B, 2 BB, K, SB)

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit just .222 (2-for-9) in 3 GS (RBI, 2 R, 2 BB, 5 Ks)

• **April Stats** – ranked 3rd on team with .338 batting during month of 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)

• **Career vs. UConn** – hit 5-for-10 in '03 series sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium (5 RBI, R, 2 2B, BB, K, SB) ... dnp vs. UConn in '02 due to injury.

• **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) ... hit just .222 at Rutgers on weekend after 2003 finals (2-for-9, 2 R, 2B, 2 BB, 3 Ks)

• **Site Survey** – 3rd on team with .357 batting outside Eck Stadium in '04 (30-for-84, 23 RBI, 19 R, .560 slugging, 4 HR, 5 2B, .476 on-base, 1.036 "OBS", 16 BB, 4 HBP, 15 Ks, SF, SB) ... batting just .288 (169 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 combined .389 at Eck in '02 and '03.

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

• **ND Record Book Projection** – could make push to become 9th all-time ND player with 70-plus RBI in a season (68 pace), after team-leading 69 RBI in 2003

• Named **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 a season opener ('04 vs. San Diego State).

• Owns team-best 15 **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	2 R, 2B, BB, K
(2/28) FLMEM	0-0	0	
(2/28) FAU	2-4	2	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	2 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	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	2 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	2 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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.324 (9th); 2 HR, 3B, 3 BB, 2 HBP, 3 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.	.322 (5th); 3 HR, 7 2B, 8 BB, HBP, 13 Ks, 2 GDP, 4 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.333 (4th); 18 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	5/86

(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	34/33	116	30	35	4	1	2	16	2	16	15	3/1	4-5	4/.944	.387	.405	.302
Career	92/89	307	83	95	15	2	6	54	13	44	48	6/2	5-7	8/.960	.411	.430	.309

- **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team with 15 times hit-by-pitch, also ranking 4th in runs scored (29)
- **BIG EAST Stats** – 5th on team with .315 batting in '04 BIG EAST action (17-for-54, 10 RBI, 11 R, .481 slugging, HR, 3B, 4 2B, 7 HBP, 8 Ks, 2 SF, 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
- **Week Prior to Finals** – hit just .231 (3-for-13) in action vs. Ball State, Cleveland State and IPFW (R, BB, SB, E)
- **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit .286 (4-for-14) in 4 GS (2 RBI, 2 R, HR, 2B, HBP, 2 Ks, SB)
- **April Stats** – hit .266 during month of 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)
- **Career vs. UConn** – hit 2-for-9 in '03 series sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium (RBI, R, 2 Ks)
- **Site Survey** – 2nd on team with **.359 batting** in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (23-for-64, 10 RBI, 19 R, HR, 3 2B, .440 on-base, 10 HBP, 10 Ks, SF, 2 SB) ... batting **.222** (137 points lower) **at Eck Stadium** in '04 (10-for-45, 6 RBI, 11 R, HR, 3B, 2B, 2 BB, 5 HBP, 4 Ks, 2 2 SF, SAC, SB, 4 Es/.875) ... his '03 season included .300 batting at The Eck (1 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) ... batted hit just .167 at Rutgers on weekend after 2003 finals (2-for-12, R, HR, BB, HBP, 3 Ks)
- **Position/Batting Order** – has split time between RF (22 starts) and CF (11) while batting mostly in the 5th (14 games) or 6th (11) spot in the batting order, plus 4 starts in 7-hole, 2 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 (46, besting Craig DeSensi's 38 from '92-'95) while his 16 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 DH Matt Bransfield (.326), SS Greg Lopez (.341), LF Steve Andres (.312) and RF Craig Cooper (.345) ... those five have combined to bat .326 (200-for-614) in the 2004 season, with 140 RBI, 25 HR, 6 3B, 35 2B, 147 R, 77 BB/102 Ks, 37 HBP and 17 SB.
- **Left-Coast Lounge** – one of three **California natives** starting in 2004 ND outfield, with the others including sophomore LF Steve Andres (Napa) and freshman CF Danny Dressman (San Jose)
- **Summer Ball** – slated to play with North County team in Western League, during summer of 2004
- Owns 8 **Multi-Hit** games and 4 **Multi-RBI** games in 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 (4 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			
(5/9) UConn-2			
(5/10) UConn-3			
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.	.533 (1st); 2B, 3 HBP, K
Batting w/ Runners in Scoring Pos.	.256 (10th); 3B, 2 2B, 6 HBP, 7 Ks, SAC, 3 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs	.231 (10th); 6 two-out RBI (9th)
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	7 in 10 chances/.700 (4th)
Grounded Into DP/ABs w Runners on	2/62

(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	40/38	138	31	47	10	0	2	30	11	7	22	3/5	3-4	14/.929	.409	.457	.341
Career	90/78	270	48	80	11	0	2	56	15	11	44	5/13	4-9	22/.925	.352	.359	.296

• **2004 Team Ranks** – leads '04 team in batting avg. (.365), doubles (10), sac. bunts (5), games played (37) and games started (35), also ranking 2nd in runs (31) and hits (46), 3rd in on-base pct. (.432) and hit-by-pitch (7), and 4th in total bases (62) and RBI (29)

• **Among the BIG EAST Stat Leaders** – Entered SHU doubleheader ranked 7th among BIG EAST players in batting avg. (.373), plus 6th in RBI (29), runs (31) and doubles (10), and 8th in hits (45) ... only 5 players were ranked in more of the 12 BIG EAST overall categories: RU's Jeff Frazier (10) and Graig Badger (8), ND teammate Matt Macri (10), and Pitt's Ben Copeland (8) and PJ Hiser (7) ... in conference games only, he ranked 5th in doubles (4), 6th in batting (.370) and hits (17), and 8th in runs (10).

• **BIG EAST Stats** – 4th on team with .316 batting in '04 BIG EAST action (18-for-57, 6 RBI, 10 R, 4 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 9 Ks, 2 SAC, 2 SB, 7 Es) ... his 2003 BIG EAST regular-season stats: .271, 10 RBI, 9 R, 2B, 4 BB, HBP, 5 Ks, 6 SAC, SB

• **Week Prior to Finals** – played only in Ball State game (1-for-5, RBI, BB, 2 Ks) before resting sore back in next three games.

• **Previous BIG EAST Weekend** (at SHU, Pitt) – hit just .091 (1-for-11) in 4 GS (BB, 2 Ks, 3 Es)v

• **April Stats** – hit .258 during the month (16-for-62, 11 RBI, 10 R, 2 2B, 6 BB, HBP, 12 KS, 8 Es/.913)

• **Career vs. UConn** – hit 4-for-8 in '03 series sweep of the Huskies (3-2, 11-4, 6-3) at Eck Stadium (3 RBI, 2 R, K, CS)

• **Post-Finals Stats** – hit .222 in action after '03 finals (4-for-18, RBI, 2 R, BB, 4 Ks, 2 SAC, 2 Es) ... batted just .200 at Rutgers on weekend after 2003 finals (2-for-10, RBI, BB, K, 2 SAC, CS, E)

• **Site Survey** – batting team-best **.402** (33-for-82) in '04 games **outside Eck Stadium** (20 RBI, 21 R, 2 HR, 6 2B, 5 BB, 7 HBP, 12 Ks, 2 SF, 3 SAC, 3 SB, 9 Es/.923) ... batting .286 (116 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)

• **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 38 of his starts have come at SS while batting mostly 8th (23), plus 14 starts as the 9-hole hitter and a single start in the 5-hole

• **Great Glove Man** – has posted 27 error-free games in 2004 while making multiple errors just twice (3 vs. UTSA, 2 in first game at SHU)

• Owns 13 **Multi-Hit** games (3rd-most on team) and 7 **Multi-RBI** games

• Part of **Sophomore Class Fantastic Five** that includes DH Matt Bransfield (.326), RF/CF Cody Rizzo (.302), LF Steve Andres (.312) and RF Craig Cooper (.345) ... those five have combined to bat .326 (200-for-614) in the 2004 season, with 140 RBI, 25 HR, 6 3B, 35 2B, 147 R, 77 BB/102 Ks, 37 HBP and 17 SB.

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

LOPEZ GAME-BY-GAME			
(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	4-6	6 2 R, 2B, HR , 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, HR , HBP, K
(3/21)	SIU-3	3-5	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	3-4	0 3 R , 2B, BB, 2 SB , 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	3-3	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 2 Es
(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		
(5/9)	UConn-2		
(5/10)	UConn-3		
(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 11 Regulars)

Leadoff On-Base Pct.379 (5th); 2 2B, 4 BB, 2 HBP, 4 Ks
Batting w/ Run. in Scor. Pos.390 (2nd); 4 2B, 2 BB, 2 HBP, 9 Ks, GDP, 3 SAC, 3 SF
Batting Avg. w/ Two Outs308 (7th); 12 two-out RBI (5th)
Batting Avg. w/ Bases Loaded333/2-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	4/84

