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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL:

The Shamrock Invitational

Notre Dame, Indiana- Joyce Center

Friday, September 1st, 7 p.m.

#21 Notre Dame (1-0) vs. Valparaiso (3-0)

Series: Notre Dame leads 20-3 **Last Meeting:** 10/5/05 (ND 3-0)

Free Live Stats and Live Audio: www.und.com

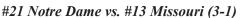
Saturday, September 2nd, 12:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

#21 Notre Dame vs. Idaho (0-3)

Series: 1-1

Last Meeting: 9/1/01 (ND 3-1)

Free Live Stats and Live Audio: www.und.com



Series: Missouri leads 1-0

Last Meeting: 10/18/85 (Mizz 3-0)

Television: College Sports Television (shown Sun-

day at 2 p.m.)

Live Stats and Live Audio: www.und.com

Sunday, September 3rd, 2 p.m. #21 Notre Dame vs. #6 Santa Clara

Series: Santa Clara 0-2

Free Live Stats and Live Audio: www.und.com



THIS WEEK: The Notre Dame volleyball team (1-0) has a very busy week of action as the 12th edition of the Shamrock Invitational begins this weekend. There will be a game before the opening game as Valparaiso (3-0) takes on visiting Broncos from Santa Clara (3-0) at 12:00 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 1 in the Joyce Center. The tournament officially kicks off at 4:30 p.m. as Idaho (0-3) and #13 Missouri (3-1) square off. The #21 Fighting Irish have the night cap against Valparaiso at 7 p.m. After a short break the tournament resumes the following day, Sept. 2 with a 10 a.m. match between #13 Missouri and Valparaiso. A matchup of #21 ND and Idaho follows at 12:30 p.m. Idaho and #13 Missouri will have the third match of the day at 4:30 p.m. The Shamrock Invitational concludes on Saturday evening with a College Sports Television televised match (the match will be tape delayed and shown on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m.) between #13 Missouri and the #21 Fighting Irish at 7 p.m.. The Irish busy slate comes to a close on Sunday afternoon, Sept. 3, with another marquee match-up as #6 Santa Clara and #21 Notre Dame take to the court at 2 p.m.

NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL (1-0, 0-0)

AUGUST

26 Sat. Bowling Green (und.com) W, 3-0 **SEPTEMBER**

Shamrock Invitational

1	Fri.	Valparaiso (und.com)	7 p.m.
2	Sat.	Idaho (und.com)	12:30 p.m.
		#13 Missouri (CSTV, un	nd.com) 7 p.m.

3	Sun.	#6 Santa Clara (und.com)	2 p.m.
	U	JNI Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iov	va)
8	Fri.	vs. Alabama	5 p.m.
9	Sat.	vs. Kansas State	10 a.m.
		at Northern Iowa	7 p.m.
	Sun	Devil Volleyball Classic (Tempe,	Ariz.)
15	Fri.	vs. Butler	5 p.m.
16	Sat.	vs. Duke	5 p.m.
17	Sun.	at Arizona State	2 p.m.
23	Sat.	at Rutgers*	12 p.m,
24	Sun	at Villanova*	2 n m

23	Sat.	at Rutgers*	12 p.m,
24	Sun.	at Villanova*	2 p.m.
30	Sat.	at Seton Hall*	2 p.m.

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7 p.m.
7 p.m.
7 p.m.
4 p.m.
2 p.m.
2 p.m.

NOVEMBER

29 Sun. at Louisville*

3	Fri.	at Georgetown*	8 p.m.
5	Sun.	at South Florida*	2 p.m.
11	Sat	Dittahungh* (und com)	2 n m
11	Sat.	Pittsburgh* (und.com)	2 p.m.

2 p.m.

BIG EAST Championship (Cincinnati, Ohio) 17 Fri. vs. Quaterfinals **TBA**

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l	18	Sat.	vs. Semifinals	TBA
l	19	Sun.	vs Finals (CSTV)	4 p.m.
l		<u>L</u> c	ouisville Invitational (Louisville	e, Ky.)

24 Fri. vs. Ohio 5:00 p.m.

DECEMBER

NCAA Championship

Nov. 30-Dec. 3 First & Second Rounds	TBA
7-10 Round of 16 & Quarterfinals	TBA
14 Thurs. Semifinals	TBA
16 Sat. Finals	TBA
Home matches in bold and in Joyce Center	
All times are local	

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und.com-indicates live internet audio broadcast

*= BIG EAST Match

	2006 Notre Dame Volleyball Roster					
No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	Notes
Retu	<u>urners</u>					
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, Mich.	Had 52 digs her freshman campaign
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, Calif.	Recorded 5 kills and 5 blocks vs. BG
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, Ky.	Started 17 matches last season
8	Ashley Tarutis***	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, Calif.	Holds single season ND assist mark
10	Adrianna Stasiuk** (c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, Ill.	Had a double-double vs. BG
11	Danielle Herndon*** (c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, Fla.	Lone senior on squad, had 17 digs vs. BG
13	Annie Morkis*	So.	DS	5-5	Orlando, Fla.	Will provide depth in the back row
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, N.D	5 kills, 4 blocks vs. Bowling Green
Nev	vcomers					
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, Ky.	Had 24 kills and .465% against BG
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, Calif.	Ranked 21st senior by PrepVolleyball.com
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, Ind.	All-American at Junior Olympics
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, Ill	. Top rated player in state of Illinois
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-7	Gibsonia, Pa.	15 assists, 6 digs vs. Bowling Green
15	Colleen Nolan	Fr.	DS	5-5	Vernon Hill, Ill.	Set h.s. school record for digs in a season
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, N.C.	First N.C. native to play volleyball for ND
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THE RADIO PLANS: Notre Dame's official website, und.com, will feature live Internet audio of all 12 home matches in 2006. Stephen Hinkel and Chris Masters, two former collegiate volleyball sports information directors and veterans of announcing Notre Dame volleyball will have the call for free all season long. Hinkel will on the air flying solo for this weekend's action.

REAL-TIME STATISTICS: All Irish home matches will have live-in game statistics courtesy of College Sports Online's GameTracker, via the Notre Dame athletic website, www.und.com.

QUICK HITS ABOUT THE IRISH: Below are some highlights of the note package. For more details on any topic, consult the remainder of the release.

- * Notre Dame opened the 2006 season on Saturday, August 26 with a 30-24, 30-28, 30-26 home victory over Bowling Green. Leading the Irish was freshman **Christina Kaelin** (24 kills, .465) and senior **Danielle Herndon** (17 digs), plus juniors **Ashley Tarutis** (27 assists, 2 service aces, 6 digs) and **Adrianna Stasiuk** (10 kills, 10 digs).
- * The win was Notre Dame's 16th consecutive to open a season.
- * Freshman **Christina Kaelin**'s (KAY-lynn) 24 kills in her first match is tied for the second most kills ever recorded by a Notre Dame volleyball player in a three-game match.

USA Today/CSTV Top 25 Preseason Poll (Aug. 8)

Rank	School	2006 Record	Final Rank
1.	Nebraska	0-0	_
2.	Penn State	3-0	2 5 1
2. 3.	Washington	1-1	1
4.	Stanford	1-0	13
4. 5.	Florida	2-0	3
6.	Santa Clara	3-0	4
7.	Hawai'i	2-0	9
8.	Texas	2-0	16
9.	Wisconsin	1-1	10
10.	UCLA	3-0	15
11.	Tennessee	3-0	6
12.	Louisville	2-1	11
13.	Missouri	2-1	8
14.	USC	3-0	19
15.	Ohio	0-2	14
16.	Purdue	4-0	17
17.	California	3-0	20
18.	Arizona	3-0	7
19.	Pepperdine	0-2	18
20.	San Diego	3-0	22
21.	NOTRE DAME	E 1-0	12
22.	Minnesota	0-0	21
23.	Ohio State	3-0	23
24.	Utah	1-1	T-25
25.	Kansas State	2-1	24

Other receiving votes on two or more ballots: Brigham Young, Long Beach State, Colorado, UC-Santa Barabara, LSU, New Mexico State, **Duke**, Loyola Marymount, Northwestern, Texas A&M, Maryland, Marshall, Saint Mary's, Wichita State, **Northern Iowa**, San Francisco, Colorado State, Virginia, Albany, Sacramento State, **Cincinnati**, Dayton, Georgia Tech, Western Kentucky

Bold= 2006 Opponent

BIG EAST Conference Preseason Awards

Player of the Year:

Anastasia Yartseva-Stewart, Louisville, Sr., OH

All-BIG EAST Team:

Diana Andreyko, Jr., OH, Pittsburgh* Jenny Custer, Jr., OH/S, Cincinnati Hui Ping Huang, So., MB, St. John's Jamie Mueller, Sr., OH, Marquette Jessie Nevitt, R-So., MB, Cincinnati* Noel Olsen, Sr., S, Cincinnati Kacey Sellers, Jr., OH, Villanova

Adrianna Stasiuk, Jr., OH, Notre Dame Ashley Tarutis, Jr., S. Notre Dame

Kimberly Todd, Jr., OH, Marquette* Lora Yankauskas, Sr., OH/RS, Rutgers Anastasia Yartseva-Stewart, Sr., OH, Louisville

* - indicates unanimous selection

<u>Times in </u>	Double .	Figures	·
	Kills	Digs	Blocks
10-Adrianna Stasiuk	33 (1)	45 (1)	1
5-Ellen Heintzman	8	-	-
2-Mallorie Croal	7	4	-
3-Christina Kaelin	1(1)	-	-
1-Madison Clark	-	1	-
8-Ashley Tarutis	-	29	-
11-Danielle Herndon	-	28 (1)	-
13-Annie Morkis	-	-	-
14-Justine Stremick	-	-	-
4-Serinity Phillips	-	-	-
6-Kim Kristoff	-	-	-
9-Megan Fesl	-	-	-
12-Jamel Nicholas	-	-	-
15-Colleen Nolan	-	-	-
16-Tara Enzweiler	-	-	-

Career 20-Kill Matches

Adrianna Stasiuk - 2

Ellen Heintzman - 1

Christina Kaelin - 1(1)

Career 20-Dig Matches

Adrianna Stasiuk - 5

Danielle Herndon - 2

Mallorie Croal - 1

BIG EAST Conference Weekly Awards

Player of the Week:

Azadeh Boroumand, Pittsburgh, Sr., S (8/28)

Rookie of the Week:

Christina Kaelin, Notre Dame, OH, (8/28)

- * Kaelin for her efforts was named the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week for the week ending Aug. 27.
- * Kaelin is the first Notre Dame BIG EAST Rookie of the Week since sophomore **Mallorie Croal** (KROLE) in Sept. 2005
- * Christina Kaelin is the current leader in the conference with her kills average of 8.00 per game
- * Fellow freshman **Tara Enzweiler** (ENZ-while-er) is the league leader in blocks per game (2.33)
- * Behind the strong setting of **Ashley Tarutis** (tuh-ROOdiss) and freshman **Jamel Nicholas** (juh-MEL), the Fighting Irish lead the conference is assists per game (16.33).
- * Junior outside hitter **Adrianna Stasiuk** (a-dree-ANN-uh stu-SHEWK) has always played well against Valparaiso with a kills average of 3.58 and a hitting percentage of .294.
- * Following the Bowling Green match, junior setter **Ashley Tarutis** has now led the team in assists 64 times in her career, or every match she has played in.
- * With senior **Danielle Herndon** leading the team in digs against Bowling Green with 17, it was only the 13th time over the last two years that someone other than former libero **Meg Heican** was the digs leader.
- * The last time Notre Dame played ranked team on consecutive days before this weekend was in 2003 to open the season against #10 Arizona and #5 Pepperdine.
- * The Fighting Irish have not been swept in a regular season match since the 2004 season against then #2 Nebraska.
- * Notre Dame has high hopes for the upcoming 2006 campaign as the squad returns three starters and eight monogram winners.

		2000	6 BIG	EAST Co	onference	Standings	
Rk.	School	Conf.	%	Overall	%	Preseason	ND vs.
1.	Pittsburgh	0-0	.000	4-0	1.000	5th	H- Nov. 11
	St. John's	0-0	.000	3-0	1.000	4th	H- Oct. 22
	Notre Dame	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000	1st	
	Connecticut	0-0	.000	1-0	1.000	9th	A- Oct. 20
5.	Louisville	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	2nd	A- Oct. 29
	Cincinnati	0-0	.000	2-1	.667	3rd	A- Oct. 28
7.	Rutgers	0-0	.000	2-2	.500	10th	H- Sept. 23
8.	Marquette	0-0	.000	1-2	.333	6th	H-Oct. 6
	Georgetown	0-0	.000	1-2	.333	11th	A- Nov. 3
	Seton Hall	0-0	.000	1-2	.333	14th	A- Sept. 30
	West Virginia	0-0	.000	1-2	.333	12th	H- Nov. 12
12.	Syracuse	0-0	.000	1-3	.250	8th	H-Oct. 8
13.	DePaul	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	15th	H- Oct. 13
	South Florida	0-0	.000	0-2	.000	13th	H- Nov. 5
	Villanova	0-0	.000	0-3	.000	7th	A- Sept. 24
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- * Last season ND went 30-4, including a mark of 13-1 in BIG EAST play, which tied them for conference regular season title.
- * Notre Dame won all three games at the BIG EAST Championship in Louisville, Ky. to take the championship title and the automatic berth in the NCAA Tournament for the ninth time
- * Notre Dame after defeating Dayton and Northwestern in the first two rounds of the NCAA Tournament, advanced to the round of 16 before falling to Wisconsin in five games all four defeats for Notre Dame during the 2005 season were the five-game variety.
- * The 2006 Fighting Irish were chosen as the favorites in the BIG EAST Conference for 11th time in 12 seasons
- * ND has not dropped an opening day match since before the **Debbie Brown** era in 1990.
- * The Irish will be led by their co-captains senior **Danielle Herndon** and junior **Adrianna Stasiuk**.
- * Also returning is junior setter **Ashley Tarutis**, who set a new school record with 1,573 assists last season.
- * Joining the strong nucleus this season is one the highest ranked freshman classes in the country (third by *Volleyball* Magazine and fifth by PrepVolleyball.com).

- * Head Coach **Debbie Brown** returns for her 16th season at the helm of volleyball program.
- * Two additions to the coaching staff this season are former Virginia Tech head coach **Greg Smith** and **Kevin Lane**.
- * The Fighting Irish enter the AVCA's preseason poll at #21, which is the highest preseason ranking for the squad since 2001 when the team was ranked 20th.
- * ND will take on nine teams in 10 matches this season that were participants in the 2005 NCAA Volleyball Tournament.
- * For the fourth consecutive season Notre Dame will have a television match, this time against #13 Missouri on CSTV on September 2.
- * ND has four matches on home football weekends this season.
- * **Danielle Herndon** is the lone senior on the team, the first time since 1983 that the Notre Dame roster will only have one senior.
- * Over the last 15 years Notre Dame is an impressive 181-29 (.861) at the Joyce Center.

	2006 Notre Dame Leaders
	Kills Christina Kaelin
	Adrianna Stasiuk10Mallorie Croal5Justine Stremick5
	Hitting Percentage
	Christina Kaelin
	Tara Enzweiler
	<u>Assists</u>
	Ashley Tarutis
	<u>Digs</u> Danielle Herndon17
	Adrianna Stasiuk 10
	Three tied
	Blocks
	Tara Enzweiler
	Mallorie Croal 5 Justine Stremick 4
	Service Aces
	Ashley Tarutis
	Mallorie Croal 1 Megan Fesl 1
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	Service Ace to Error Ratio Megan Feel (1, 0, F)
	Megan Fesl
	Ashley Tarutis
	Service Percentage
	Megan Fesl 1.000
	Danielle Herndon 1.000 Mallorie Croal 929
	Points Christina Kaelin
	Adrianna Stasiuk
	Mallorie Croal 9.0
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- * The Fighting Irish has compiled an overall record of 120-7 (.945) including a record of 67-1 at the Joyce Center during regular season play against BIG EAST competition since joining the conference in 1995.
- * This is the 35th anniversary of women's athletics at Notre Dame, in celebration the volleyball team and the female athletic teams at Notre Dame will wear special patches on their uniforms this season. There will also be a special celebration in April. For more information see the info located toward the back of this notes package.

SCOUTING VALPARAISO: The Crusader (3-0) began the 2006 campaign by winning all three matches at the Chicagoland Classic to take the crown ... Valpo has now won two in-season tournaments each of the last three seasons and have four more tournaments, including the Shamrock Invitational this weekend, remaining ... Freshman Angie **Porche** has made an impact with double figure kills in each of her first three games ... Valparaiso's two seniors on the squad have both played well in the first three games ... Jessie Fox leads the team with 42 kills and Alex Chism is averaging over five digs per game ... Valpo are the preseason choice for second in the Mid-Continent Conference despite having won the league three straight seasons and making the NCAA Tournament in each of the last three years ... this will be the last Crusaders season in the Mid-Continent Conference before they head to the Horizon League in 2007 ... Head Coach Carin Avery, a Mishawaka, Ind. native, has an impressive record of 106-31 at the helm of Valparaiso.

SERIES VS. VALPARAISO: ND and Valparaiso, formerly North Star Conference rivals, will meet for the ninth consecutive year and 24th time overall, which will place Valpo second among the most-common opponent in the history of ND varsity volleyball ... after VU won the first two meetings, ND won 18 in a row from 1981-2003 before the Crusaders prevailed 26-30, 30-24, 30-26, 24-30, 15-12 in the Joyce Center in 2004 ... the teams met again in the 2nd round of the 2004 NCAA's, with ND winning 30-21, 20-30, 30-28, 30-20 ... last season Notre Dame swept Valpo, 34-32, 30-21, 30-26 ... the Irish had posted 10 straight 3-0 wins before '04 and have won 39 of the last 43 games (overall games: ND 61, VU 12) ... this will be VU's fourth trip in as many years to the Joyce Center, where they are 1-9 ... ND's 20 victories vs. VU are the most against any opponent ... ND won all five North Star matches from 1983-87, as well as a pair in the NSC tournament in Chicago ('86 and '87) ... the '03 match saw a pair of ND records, as Jessica Kinder had 28 digs, the most-ever in a three-game contest, and Emily Loomis set a mark for most kills in a match without an error, with 24 ... in '84, ND had 17 aces in a three-game victory over Valpo, the most-ever for the Irish in any length match ... freshman Kim Kristoff (Carmel, Brebeuf Jesuit Prep, Team Indiana) is the only current Indiana native on the Irish roster.

ND-VALPO MATCH-BY-MATCH: See below the match scores of all previous contests between the Irish and Crusaders.

Date	Place	W/L	Ranks	Scores	(ND first)
9-22-80	A		L		9-15, 13-15
11-20-80	N@		L		2-15, 14-16
9-21-81	N^		W		11-15, 15-13, 15-7
11-10-82	A		W		15-9, 15-7, 12-15, 15-12
10-29-83	H*		W		15-10, 6-15, 15-8, 15-7
9-12-84	A*		W		15-2, 15-6, 15-10
11-7-85	H*		W		15-1, 15-6, 15-4
9-25-86	A*		W		15-1, 15-2, 15-5
11-14-86	$N\sim$		W		15-9, 15-2, 15-2
11-13-87	H*		W		15-6, 15-6, 13-15, 15-8
11-21-87	$N\sim$		W		15-6, 15-13, 15-6
10-8-91	Н		W		15-7, 15-9, 15-10
9-1-93	A		W	19-	15-2, 16-14, 15-10
9-1-94	Н		W	17-	15-2, 15-3, 15-4
9-1-98	A		W	16-	15-3, 15-4, 15-5
9-1-99	Н		W		15-4, 15-5, 15-2
9-12-00	A		W	25-	15-7, 15-8, 15-3
9-18-01	Н		W	24-	30-22, 30-12, 30-17
9-10-02	A		W		30-22, 30-24, 30-18
9-9-03	Н		W	15-	30-21, 30-17, 32-30
9-7-04	Н		L		30-26, 24-30, 26-30, 30-
					24, 12-15
12-3-04	N!		W		30-21, 20-30, 30-28, 30-
					20
10-5-05	Н		W :	10-	34-32, 30-21, 30-26

^{@ -} at Indiana Division II Tournament (Hammond, Ind.)

Note: Ranks column has Notre Dame rank at the time of the match.

SCOUTING IDAHO: The Vandals (0-3) had a tough opening weekend in the Oklahoma tournament, dropping all three matches to some very tough competition in Oklahoma, Arkansas and North Carolina ... Idaho is the preseason pick for fourth in the strong Western Athletic Conference ... The Vandals went 16-14 a year ago to secure a winning season for the third consecutive season ... Idaho returns their three top players from a year ago senior Saxony Brown (SAX-an-ee), Haley Larsen and Sarah Loney (LONE-ee) ... Larson and Loney were both selected to the WAC All-Freshman team ... Larsen was also a Second Team All-Conference Selection, as she led the Vandals with 385 kills ... Larsen has continued the strong play this season as she is the team leader with 37 kills ... Sophomore **Kelsey James** has worked as the primary setter for the first three matches ... the Vandals are led by Debbie Buchanan

Notre Dame Volleyball Quick Facts
Location
Founded
Enrollment
Nickname Fighting Irish
Colors Gold and Blue
Conference BIG EAST
Home Court Joyce Center (11,418)
PresidentRev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C
Director of AthleticsKevin White
Deputy Director of AthleticsMissy Conboy
Athletic Department Phone(574) 631-6107
Irish Coaching Staff
Head Volleyball CoachDebbie Brown
Alma Mater Arizona State '82
Record at Notre Dame375-122(.755)/16 years
Career Record492-205 (.706)/22 years
Assistant CoachGreg Smith (1st season)
Smith's Alma Mater Westmont College '90
Assistant Coach Louella Lovely (4th season)
Lovely's Alma MaterCal Poly '97
Volunteer Assistant Coach . Kevin Lane (1st season)
Student Manager Megan McGuire (3rd season)
Program History Overall Record
DIO LAST Champ. Most Outstanding Awards 9
Sports Information Department
Sports Information DirectorBernie Cafarelli
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^{^ -} Purdue-Calumet (Calumet, Ind.)

^{~ -} at North Star Conference Tournament (Chicago, Ill.)

^{! -} at NCAA Championship first round (Madison, Wis.)

who is now in her seventh season (90-90) ... the Idaho roster consists predominately of players that are from the west: with a player from Montana and British Columbia, two from Oregon, three from Idaho and four from California and Washington.

SERIES VS. IDAHO: This will be just the third-ever meeting between Notre Dame and Idaho ... the first match came in the 1989 Gonzaga Invitational in Spokane, Washington with Notre Dame falling 8-15, 15-4, 5-15, 7-15 ... ND tied the series by winning the second meeting at the Joyce Center in the 2001 Shamrock Invitational 30-28, 28-30, 30-22, 30-25 ... Julie Harris (McCall, McCall-Donnelly), a Byron V. Kanaley Award winner, who played from 1990-93 is the only Idaho native to play for the Irish ... Idaho is one of two school's from the Western Athletic Conference on the schedule this season (Hawai'i is the other) ... the last time ND squared off against a team from the WAC was in 2004 in a five-game win over Fresno State.

year marks the 35th anniversary of women's athletics at Notre Dame. The athletic department together with the Notre Dame monogram club will mark the occasion with a year-long celebration, that culminates on April 26-27, 2007 with the "Weekend of Champions" celebration. All female student athletes at Notre Dame, including the vollleyball team, will wear a logo patch on their uniforms this season. The logo will also be proudly displayed on media guides, banners, arena signs, street pole signs and in parking lots. The "Weekend of Champions"



at the end of April will mark the return of former female-student athletes to Notre Dame for the celebration. The weekend celebration will include an all-inclusive dinner on Friday evening, a golf outing and luncheon on Saturday afternoon followed by informal team specific events and a mass and brunch on Sunday. A keynote speaker is slated to address the attendees and at this time a video that chronicles the history of women's athletics at Notre Dame. Those interested in attending the "Weekend of Champions" can apply on-line or call Meg Henican at 574-631-2909 for details.

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9-9-89 N@ L 8-15, 15-4, 5-15, 7-15
9-1-01 H\$ W 20- 30-28, 28-30, 30-22, 30-25
@ - at Gonzaga Invitational (Spokane, Wa.)
\$ - Shamrock Invitational (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Note: Ranks column has Notre Dame rank-Idaho rank at the time of the match.

SCOUTING MISSOURI: The Tigers (3-1) have begun to establish themselves as one of the elite programs nationally. ... a year ago, Missouri went 25-5 and reached the NCAA Tournament's Sweet Sixteen for the first time in school history ... this season the Tigers opened the season with a drubbing of Alabama A &M with a combined margin of victory of 65 points ... Missouri then fell in three games to Long Beach State before regrouping with a three game victory over Villanova ... Missouri opened the home portion of the schedule with a 3-0 over Arkansas-Little Rock on Tuesday evening in front of a opening day record crowd of 1,855 ... the Tigers are one of the better home draws in volleyball with an average home attendance of more than 2,600 fans a match last year ... MU were picked third in the Big 12 this season behind two teams ranked among the topfive nationally (Nebraska and Texas) ... Missouri began the season ranked #13 in the AVCA's Preseason Coaches Poll .. the Tigers are led by the senior trio of Jessica Vander Kooi, Nicole Wilson and Abbie Booth ... Vander Kooi was among the Big 12's top four in kills, aces per game and digs per game last year ... the newcomers to keep an eye on are Lei Wang, Lindsey Hunter and Amanda Hantouli ... Wang has taken the starting setter position and is averaging better than 10 assists per game (10.92) ... Freshman Jessica Klein has tallied 13 service aces this season, including seven in a match against Villanova ... Vander Kooi, a Preseason All-Big 12 Selection, has lived up to her advance billing, as she is the team leader with 54 kills and is second with 45 digs ... the match-up with the Tigers will be shown taped delayed on CSTV on Sept. 3 at 6 p.m. ... the Tigers are led by husband-wife duo of Wayne and Susan Kreklow ... the Kreklow's have been coaching Missouri together for seven years, with Susan holding the official title of head coach

until 2005 and Wayne assuming the mantle at the start of last season ... the duo have compiled a record of 137-52 as head coaches at Missouri through the start of this season ... overall the duo has compiled a record of 646-162 in this their 20th overall season of coaching either separately or together.

SERIES VS. MISSOURI: Notre Dame and Missouri will be meeting in volleyball for only the second time ... the first match in 1985 saw Missouri prevail 3-1 ... the last time ND played a team from the Big XII Conference was last year's 3-0 win over Oklahoma in the UTSA Dome Rally ... Debbie Brown holds an 18-14 career record against current teams of the Big XII Conference ... ND and Missouri have met 14 times in other sports with Tigers holding a 9-5 advantage ... the majority of those match-ups have come in men's basketball (MU holds a 6-2 advantage).

ND-MISSOURI MATCH-BY-MATCH: See below for the match scores of the previous contest between the Irish and Tigers.

Date Place W/L Ranks Scores (ND first) 10-18-85 A L 15-9, 10-15, 11-15, 11-15

SCOUTING SANTA CLARA: The Broncos (3-0) are one the top program in all of college volleyball ... Santa Clara advanced all the way to NCAA Tournament semifinals a year ago before falling to the top seed Nebraska ... the Broncos have started the season well by winning the first three matches ... Junior middle blocker Anna Cmaylo has carried the team with 42 kills and a .623 hitting percentage ... she was named the All-Tournament Team of the Fresno Invitational and also took home Player of the Week honors in the West Coast Conference this past week ... fellow senior Kim McGiven has also played well this season with 43 kills, an average of 5.38 in the eight games she has played in ... Junior setter **Crystal Matich** has done an excellent job of setting up her attackers with 123 assists. an average of 13.67 a game and was award with the MVP award of the tournament ... Jon Wallace, now in his eighth year as the head coach at Santa Clara, has gone 159-58 including last years mark of 27-5

SERIES VS. SANTA CLARA: The Irish and the Broncos will meet for the first time since 1993 and the third time overall ... SCU has won each of the two previous meetings ... this will be the second trip for Santa Clara to the Joyce Center and the first match up of these two schools since 1993, when Santa Clara outlasted then #14 ND in five games in the Golden Dome Invitational ... the Broncos have won five of the seven games between the two schools ... the two schools first played each other in 1985 with SCU winning all three games ... Freshman outside hitter **Serenity Phillips** (Valley Center, Valley Center H.S.,

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Fewest total points
ND, 90, BG 78

Year	ND Record	ND Rank	Other Teams	Champion	MVP
2005	2-0		#11 Texas, Arizona State	Notre Dame	Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame
2003	2-1	15th	Indiana, Utah, South Carolina	Notre Dame	Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame
2002	3-0	25th	UW-Milwaukee, Cincinnati, Cal Poly	Notre Dame	Kristen Kinder, Notre Dame
2001	3-0	20th	Southwest Texas State, Florida Atlantic, Idaho	Notre Dame	Kim Fletcher, Notre Dame
2000	3-0		Fairfield, #15 BYU, Clemson	Notre Dame	Denise Boylan, Notre Dame
1999	2-1		Northwestern, #6 Pacific, Louisville	Pacific	Elsa Stegemann, Pacific
1998	1-1	16th	Georgia, #12 Colorado	Colorado	Sarah Lodge, Colorado
1997	2-1	17th	Louisville, Oral Roberts, #18 Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Amy Lee, Wisconsin
1996	3-0	9th	Central Florida, Toledo, South Carolina	Notre Dame	Jaimie Lee, Notre Dame
1994	3-0	17th	Western Michigan, Illinois-Chicago, Michigan State	Notre Dame	Christy Peters, Notre Dame
1993	3-0	16th	CS Northridge, William & Mary, #24 New Mexico	Notre Dame	Christy Peters, Notre Dame

Vintage) joins sophomore outsider hitter Mallorie Croal (Villa Park, Mater Dei H.S, Golden West) and junior setter Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Los Alamitos, Golden West) as the current California natives on the ND roster ... the state of California has contributed more players to the ND all-time roster (24) than an other state ... among the other California natives who have suited up for ND is Christy Peters, the all-time career kills leader at Notre Dame (1,683) and all-time games played leader Janelle Karlan (491).

ND-SANTA CLARA MATCH-BY-MATCH: See below the match scores of all previous contests between the Irish and Broncos.

Date	Place	W/L	Ranks	Scores (ND first)
10-22-85	A	L		12-15, 7-15, 10-15
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Note: Ranks column has Notre Dame rank-Santa Clara rank at the time of the match.

SHAMROCK INVITATIONAL HISTORY: This will be the 12th staging of the Shamrock Invitational. The event began in 1993 and has been held in Sept. in the Joyce Center every season except 1994 and 2004. Notre Dame holds a 27-4 (.871) all-time mark in the Shamrock Invitational and has been crowned the champion eight times, including each of the last five tournaments. With the two new teams this season, Valparaiso and Missouri), a total of 27 teams have taken part in the Shamrock Invitational, with only three (Louisville, South Carolina and this year Idaho) participating more than once. Including Missouri this season, seven nationally-ranked team have participated. This will be the eighth time that Notre Dame is ranked heading into the Shamrock. In the most recent staging, the Irish beat then #11 Texas and Arizona State on back-to-back days in five game sets to take the tournament title. Last season former Fighting Irish volleyball player Lauren Brewster became the second player ever named as the MVP twice,

the other being **Christy Peters** (1993 and '94). See chart on top of page of pdf for detailed history of the Shamrock Invitational.

SHE'S A CRUSADER ENEMY: Junior Adrianna

Stasiuk has had a solid career against the Crusaders from Valparaiso. In three career matches covering 12 games, Stasiuk has tallied 43 kills, an average of 3.58 per game, on a .294 hitting percentage. Last year in a 3-0 win over Valpo, Stasiuk tallied a double-double with 13 kills and 12 digs. Junior setter **Ashley Tarutis** also tallied a double-double performance with 40 assists and 16 digs.

IRISH VS. THE RANKED: This weekend when the Irish take on #13 Missouri and #6 Santa Clara in back-to-back matches will be the first time since 2003 (against #10 Arizona and #5 Pepperdine to start the season) that ND has played two ranked team on consecutive days. Notre Dame split the two matches in 2003 dropping the first match to Arizona in four and taking the match against Pepperdine in five games. The Santa Clara Broncos will be the highest ranked Irish opponent to visit the Joyce Center, since last October 29 when Louisville lost a five game set to the Irish.

A NICE START TO A CAREER: Freshman Christina Kaelin had a tremendous start to her freshman season as she led the team in kills with 24. Her 24 kills are tied for the second most assists ever recorded in a three game match behind only the 25 recorded by Angie Harris on Sept. 15, 1995. The Assumption High School graduate was the first Notre Dame volleyball player to register at least in 20 kills in a match since another Louisville native Ellen

Heintzman recorded 22 kills in a five game set against Tennessee on Nov. 26, 2005.

KAELIN NAMED BIG EAST ROOKIE OF THE

WEEK: Christina Kaelin after her fantastic performance of 24 kills in 43 attempts with only four errors against Bowling Green was named the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week on Aug. 28. Her hitting percentage of .465 is the highest a Fighting Irish volleyball player had registered that had at least 20 kills since Lauren Kelbley hit .688 with 24 kills against Loyola-Chicago last season. Kaelin's BIG EAST award was the first Rookie of the Week honor; the Fighting Irish have won since Mallorie Croal took home the honors on Sept. 5 of last season.

THE KIDS CAN PLAY: After the first week of action in the BIG EAST, two of Notre Dame's freshmen are leading the conference in a category. Outside hitter Christina Kaelin leads the conference with her kills average of 8.00 per game while fellow first year player Tara Enzweiler is the league leading blocker with her average of 2.33 blocks per game.

WORKING AS A TEAM: The Irish are the current leader in the BIG EAST in assists per game at 16.33 per game. Junior **Ashley Tarutis** and freshman **Jamel Nicholas** combined for 42 of the 49 assists against Bowling Green.

NOTRE DAME IN SEASON OPENERS: With a three game sweep of Bowling Green this season, Notre Dame has won its lidlifter for 16 consecutive season, every year since head coach **Debbie Brown** arrived on campus. The last time the Irish started the season 0-1 was in 1990, when they lost in four games to Montana in the Washington State Invitational.

A NEW TREND: When senior Danielle Herndon led the team with 17 digs against Bowling Green, it was only the 13th time over the last two seasons that someone other than former libero Meg Henican led the team in that category. Two other current members (Adrianna Stasiuk and Mallorie Croal) of the roster were among the 13 times. For Herndon it was the third time in her career that she was the team leader in digs.

A HARD TEAM TO DEFEAT: The only time Notre Dame has been defeated in less than five games in a non-NCAA Tournament match over the last three years in was a three-game loss to then #2 Nebraska in 2004. That stretch covers 56 matches and 204 games.

NEW LEADERS: With the graduation of both captains from last season, the Notre Dame volleyball team has chosen two new leaders for this season. The new captains are

BIG EAST CONFERENCE LEADERS

(All Matches of 8/27)

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2. Julie Pickard, Connecticut	
4. Ashley Tarutis, Notre Dame 0.6	7
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2. Jessica Moses, Pittsburgh	3
7. Mallorie Croal, Notre Dame 1.6	7
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senior Danielle Herndon and junior Adrianna Stasiuk.

WHO'S BACK? The Notre Dame volleyball team returns three starter and eight monogram winners from last year's squad. Among the returnees, besides Herndon and Stasiuk, is all-time single season assist record holder (1,573) junior setter Ashley Tarutis. Also returning is junior outside hitter Ellen Heintzman (HIGHNTZ-min), and sophomores Madison Clark, Mallorie Croal, Annie Morkis (MOH-kris) and Justine Stremick (STREM-ick).

NEW FACES: The Notre Dame volleyball team has reloaded with seven highly touted freshman vying for playing time this season. The freshmen this year are **Tara Enzweiler**, **Megan Fesl** (FEH-sul), **Christina Kaelin**, **Kim Kristoff** (pronounced CHRIS-toff), **Jamel Nicholas**, **Colleen Nolan** and **Serinity Phillips** (suh-REN-ih-tee).

IRISH ARE THE BIG EAST FAVORITE: For the 11th time in 12 seasons as a member of the BIG EAST, Notre Dame volleyball program was chosen as the preseason favorite in the BIG EAST Conference. The only season Notre Dame was not chosen as the favorite since entering the league was last season's second place prediction.

HONORS AND SELECTIONS: Junior outside hitter **Adrianna Stasiuk** and junior setter **Ashley Tarutis** were both chosen for the preseason All BIG-EAST squad.

WHERE WE RANK: The Fighting Irish enter the season ranked 21st in the CSTV/AVCA Preseason Poll. This is the highest preseason rank for ND since 2001 when they began the season 20th.

THAT'S A CHALLENGING SCHEDULE: Notre Dame has once again lined up one of the more challenging schedules in the country. Notre Dame will take on nine teams in 10 matches that were in the 2005 NCAA Tournament. The teams and round they were eliminated in goes as follows: Valparaiso (first round), Missouri (final eight), Santa Clara (semifinals), Alabama (first round), Kansas State (second round), Duke (second round), and Hawai'i (round of 16), Louisville (round of 16) and Ohio (round of 16).

IT JUST GETS TOUGHER: A closer look at the Notre Dame volleyball schedule reveals that out of 51 teams that are in the AVCA Preseason top-25 or received votes to be in the AVCA Preseason top-25, the Fighting Irish are schedule to play 10 matches against those nine teams. The ranked ND opponents in order of prediction are Santa Clara (#6), Hawai'i (#7), Louisville (#12), Missouri (#13), Ohio (#16), Kansas State (#25), Duke (received votes), Northern Iowa (received votes) and Cincinnati (received votes).

IN LIVING ROOMS EVERYWHERE: For the fourth time in as many season the Notre Dame volleyball team will have a game shown on College Sports Television. The Fighting Irish will have its match against #13 Missouri on Sept. 2 at the Shamrock Invitational at 7 p.m. taped delayed and shown by CSTV on Sept. 3 at 2 p.m. ND is one of only eight schools that has been part of the CSTV volleyball package every season since its inception. The others are (shown with '06 preseason national rankings) #1 Nebraska, #4 Stanford, #6 Santa Clara, #8 Texas, #19 Pepperdine, #24 Utah and Colorado State. The BIG EAST Champion game to be held on Nov. 19 at 4:00 p.m., which Notre Dame has played in for 11 consecutive seasons, will also be shown on CSTV this season.

HOME FOOTBALL WEEKENDS: For the sixth time in seven years, the Notre Dame volleyball team is scheduled to play matches this season that will precede football pep rallies. The start of the home BIG EAST play against Marquette on Oct. 6 at 4 p.m. will be the first of the two pre-pep rally matches for Notre Dame. Also on the schedule this season, the Connecticut match on Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. will take place before the pep rally for the UCLA game. Football-weekend guests will have the two other opportunities to see the Irish, all against BIG EAST competition. The day after the Stanford football game (Sunday, Oct. 8) Notre Dame will host Syracuse at 1 p.m., while Sunday, Oct. 22 will see the Fighting Irish hosting St. John's at 2 p.m.

ALL BY HERSELF: Senior **Danielle Herndon** is the lone senior on the 15-person team this season, which is the first time since 1983 (**Terese Henken**) that the Irish have only had one senior on the team.

AN EXCEPTIONAL CLASS: The seven student-athletes who comprise the freshman class for the University of Notre Dame women's volleyball team this season – MB Tara Enzweiler, OH/OPP Megan Fesl, OH Christina Kaelin, MB Kim Kristoff, S Jamel Nicholas, DS/L Colleen Nolan, and OH/OPP Serinity Phillips – earned high praise before even stepping on campus, as two publications ranked the group among the five best in the country. *Volleyball* magazine had Notre Dame third on its list of top recruiting classes appearing in the August issue, while PrepVolleyball.com placed the Irish fifth on a similar list. These cap off the accolades received by the group, which features four PrepVolleyball.com high school All-Americans, three *Volleyball* magazine Fab 50 selections, and two Gatorade State Players of the Year for volleyball.

Fesl, Kaelin, and Kristoff were on Volleyball's Girls Fab 50 list of the top high school seniors in the nation, announced in April. It is the first time since 1997 (**Denise Boylan, Christi Girton**, and **Jo Jameyson**) – and just the third

time ever – that Notre Dame has had three Fab 50 picks in the same class. The other instance was the 1994 group of **Angie Harris, Jaimie Lee**, and **Carey May**. The Irish are one of only five schools that have three or more on the Fab 50 list, joining Penn State (four), Pepperdine (three), Texas A&M (three), and Wisconsin (three). Notre Dame has now had 23 players earn Fab 50 designation since 1990, including at least one in 11 of the last 13 years.

AN INTELLIGENT BUNCH: The Notre Dame volley-ball team posted one of its highest grade-point averages on record for the academic year in 2005-2006 and was recognized as a recipient of the Game/Plan American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) Team Academic Award. The Irish, who had a spring team GPA of 3.380, were one of just 54 Division I Programs on the list and one of a group of 12 that also made the 2005 NCAA Tournament. The AVCA Team Academic Award honors college and high-school teams that display excellence in the classroom by maintaining at least a 3.30 cumulative team GPA on a 4.0 scale. The Irish were previously honored with the award in 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2004-05.

SHE'S THE BOSS: Irish head coach Debbie Brown is beginning her 16th season as the leader of the Notre Dame volleyball program. She has led the Irish to a 374-122 mark (.754), while holding an overall record of 491-205 (.705). Brown's Notre Dame teams have earned 14 consecutive NCAA tournament bids, advancing to the quarterfinals in 1993 and the round of 16 in '94, '95, and '97. Her squads have won 20 or more matches 13 times. A 10-time conference coach of the year and the only five-time BIG EAST coach of the year (4 in the Midwestern Collegiate and one in the Pac-10), she has coached 12 Irish players to All-American honors. The Irish have also claimed 14 regular season conference titles (4 Midwestern Collegiate, 10 BIG EAST) and 13 league tournament titles (4 MCC, 9 BIG EAST) under her watch. A co-captain of the 1980 U.S Olympic volleyball team after winning a pair of national championships and earning All-American honors twice while playing at USC, Brown graduated from Arizona State in 1982 and coached her alma mater from 1983-88, helping the Sun Devils to five NCAA Tournaments.

A NEW MAN IN PLACE: The Fighting Irish in 2006 will have a new assistant coach in place as **Greg Smith**, formerly the head man at Virginia Tech, has joined the Notre Dame volleyball family this season. Smith compiled a record of 81-94 (463), including 37-38 (.493) in his five years in command of the Hokies. Smith replaces **Robin Davis** who took the head position at Boise State. Also joining the volleyball coaching staff, as volunteer assistant is **Kevin Lane**. Lane is an experienced coach on several levels having most recently spent time at Indiana Universi-

ty-Purdue University at Fort Wayne, aiding the Mastodons to a runner-up finish at the National Independent University Tournament.

AN IMPRESSIVE STREAK: Notre Dame's current 14 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances is behind only seven other schools nationally (Stanford (25), Penn State (25), UC Santa Barbara (25), Nebraska (24), Long Beach State (19), USC (15) and Florida (15)) for consecutive appearances in the Big Dance.

HOME SWEET HOME: Notre Dame's Joyce Center has become one of the most difficult places in the nation for road teams to win at, especially since the arrival of head coach Debbie Brown in 1991. Over the last 15 seasons, Notre Dame has posted a 180-29 record (.861) home record. The Irish have put together some impressive winning streaks on the home court, winning 14 or more matches in a row at home on five different occasions, highlighted by a streak of 27 (1993-95), and 36 (2000-02) straight home victories. Notre Dame also won 74 in a row in regular season action against conference opposition from 1991-2004. On 15 different occasions Notre Dame has topped a ranked team at the Joyce Center, including five upsets of teams ranked in the top-10. During the Brown era Notre Dame holds a home record of 171-10 (.945) against unranked teams at home

CLASS OF THE CONFERENCE: Notre Dame has experienced unprecedented success in the 11 years since joining the league in 1995. The Irish have compiled a 120-7 (.945) regular season mark, highlighted by 10 titles and winning streaks of 45 and 35 consecutive matches. Notre Dame is 67-1 (.985) in BIG EAST regular-season contests in the Joyce Center. The Irish have won nine BIG EAST tournament championships, posting a mark of 22-2 (.917) in the event and reaching the final every season. The Fighting Irish have also dominated the conference awards; winning player-of the-year honors six times and coach-of-the-year five times. On nine occasions an Irish player has been named to the league tournament's most outstanding player. Also, Notre Dame players have taken home 40 all-conference accolades, including 24 first team honors.

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interview access, match credentials and further information on Irish volleyball should also be directed to Prisco. Credential and interview requests should be made at least 24 hours in advance.

UP NEXT: Another weekend brings with it the challenge of another tournament, this time the Fighting Irish will travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa to participate in the UNI Invitational from Sept. 8-9. The Irish will begin play on Friday, Sept. 8 against Alabama at 6 p.m. Notre Dame will have a pair of matches on Saturday, Sept. 9 against the tough pair of #25 Kansas State at 11 a.m. and North Iowa at 8 p.m. Alabama and Kansas State both earned berth's in the 2005 NCAA Tournament

The Last Time ...

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- ... Notre Dame lost the first game in a win 11/20/05, at Louisville (BIG EAST Championship final)
- ... Notre Dame lost the first 2 games in a win 9/5/03, vs. Houston (@ Austin, TX)
- ... Notre Dame was down 2-1 in a win -9/3/05, vs. Texas
- ... Notre Dame won the first game in a loss -11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame won the first 2 games in a loss -11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame was up 2-1 in a loss -11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (2-3)
- ... Notre Dame beat a ranked opponent 11/20/05, at #7 Louisville (3-2)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-10 opponent 11/20/05, at #7 Louisville (3-2)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-five opponent 9/25/93, vs. #3 Nebraska (3-1)

Kills

- 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Lauren Brewster (19), Adrianna Stasiuk (18), Mallorie Croal (15), Lauren Kelbley (13), Carolyn Cooper (11)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills never
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills 12/9/05, vs. #12 Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Mallorie Croal (18), Lauren Kelbley (18), Lauren Brewster (17), Adrianna Stasiuk (15)
- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills never
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills 8/26/06, vs. Bowling Green (W, 3-0), Christina Kaelin (24)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills with 0 errors 9/9/03, vs. Valparaiso (W, 3-0), Emily Loomis (24)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ kills 11/26/05, vs. Tennessee (L, 2-3), Ellen Heintzman (22), Lauren Kelbley (22)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ kills 9/9/05, vs. #8 USC (W, 3-1/@ San Antonio, TX), Lauren Kelbley (25)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ kills 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Jenny Birkner (28), Angie Harris (26)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ kills 10/29/00, at Connecticut (W, 3-2), Christi Girton (31)
- ... no Notre Dame players had 10+ kills 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), leader: Emily Loomis (9)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills and 20+ digs 9/21/00, vs. Loyola Marymount (W, 3-1), Kristy Kreher (32 kills, 27 digs)
- ... a Notre Dame player had a triple-double 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) & Adrianna Stasiuk (14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks)

Digs

- 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43), Adrianna Sta siuk (19), Danielle Herndon (13), Carolyn Cooper (11), Ashley Tarutis (10)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs 10/1/96 vs. Ball State (L, 2-3), Lindsay Treadwell (19), Angie Harris (13), Jenny Birkner (13), Kristina Ervin (12), Jaimie Lee (12), Mary Leffers (10)
- 7 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs [Notre Dame record] 10/13/92 vs. Bowling Green (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (34), Cynthia May (22), Shannon Tuttle (15), Alicia Turner (14), Brett Hensel (13), Christy Peters (13), Nicole Coates (13)
- ... 3 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20), Ashley Tarutis (19)
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs 9/4/05, vs. Arizona State (W, 3-2), Mallorie Croal (22), Meg Henican (21), Ashley Tarutis (18), Danielle Herndon (18)
- 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31), Brett Hensel (17), Alicia Turner (17), Cynthia May (16)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs [Notre Dame record] 11/9/86, vs. Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Taryn Collins (31), Maureen Shea (23), Kathy Cunningham (19), Zanette Bennett (19), Mollie Merchant (16), Kathleen Morin (15)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ digs 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ digs 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27), Adrianna Stasiuk (20)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ digs 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Meg Henican (27)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ digs 9/21/00, vs. Loyola Marymount (W, 3-1), Kristy Kreher (27), Marcie Bomhack (25)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ digs 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 ND record)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 30+ digs 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 35+ digs 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 ND record)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 40+ digs 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 ND record)
- ... Notre Dame had 80+ digs 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), (99)

The Last Time ... (Continues)

Notre Dame had 90+ digs - 12/9/05, vs. Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), 99 . . . Notre Dame had 100+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), 107 blocks . . . a Notre Dame player had 10+ blocks - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louisville), Lauren Brewster (11) 2 Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 9/3/05, vs. #11 Texas (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (12), Carolyn Cooper (10) 3+ Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (11), Emily Loomis (11), Adrianna Stasiuk (11), & Carolyn Cooper (10) a Notre Dame player had 15+ blocks - 10/11/87, vs. Minnesota (W, 3-1), Mary Kay Waller (16) a Notre Dame player had 4+ solo blocks - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Carolyn Cooper (4) a Notre Dame player had 5+ solo blocks - 9/8/90, vs. Saint Louis (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (6) Notre Dame had 20+ blocks - 10/17/05, at Illinois State (W, 3-1), 21.5 Notre Dame had 25+ blocks - 10/14/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 25.5 . . . Notre Dame had 30+ blocks - 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), 32 . . . Aces a Notre Dame player had 5+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6) a Notre Dame player had 6+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6) a Notre Dame player had 7+ aces - 10/20/95, vs. Syracuse (W, 3-0), Angie Harris (9) Notre Dame had 10+ aces - 9/16/05, at Tulane (W, 3-0), 12 Notre Dame had 15+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), 15 Notre Dame did not have an ace - 10/9/99, at Rutgers (W, 3-0) [have had an ace in 204 straight since then] Hitting Percentage a Notre Dame player hit .500+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 12/2/05, vs. Northwestern (W, 3-0/NCAA first round), Lauren Kelbley (13-1-23, .522) a Notre Dame player hit .600+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals, @ Louisville), Carolyn Cooper (11-0-16, .688) a Notre Dame player hit .700+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 9/28/03, vs. Georgetown (W, 3-0), Lauren Kelbley (12-017, .706) a Notre Dame player hit .800+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 9/22/00, vs. Wyoming (W, 3-0), Malinda Goralski (10-0-12, .833) a Notre Dame player hit .900+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 10/19/92, at Evansville (W, 3-0), Marilyn Cragin (11-0-12, .917) Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team - 11/2/05, vs. Saint Louis (W, 3-0), .417 (54-11-103) Notre Dame hit over .500 as a team - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .522 (53-6-90) . . . Notre Dame hit over .300 as a team in a match longer than three games - 11/20/04, vs. Boston College (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semis) Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team in a match longer than three games - 11/15/86, vs. Rhode Island (W, 3-1/North Star final @ Chicago) Notre Dame hit .500+ as a team in a game - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .812 (14-1-16) in 3rd game [ND record] Notre Dame hit .600+ as a team in a game - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .812 (14-1-16) in 3rd game [ND record] . . . a Notre Dame opponent hit over .300 as a team - 11/7/04, vs. Boston College (L, 0-3), .305 (46-10-118) a Notre Dame opponent hit over .350 as a team - 10/22/02, at #2 Hawai'i (L, 0-3), .373 (64-17-126) Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louis ville),-.057 (27-34-122) Notre Dame held an opponent under .000 team hitting - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louis ville), -.057 (27-34-122) Notre Dame held an opponent under -. 100 team hitting - 11/9/01, vs. St. John's (W, 3-0), -. 101 (23-33-99) Notre Dame hit less than .200 - 8/26/05, vs. Bowling Green (W, 3-0), .184 (52-25-147) Notre Dame hit less than .100 - 12/3/04, at Wisconsin (L, 0-3/NCAA 2nd round), -.015 (31-33-133) . . . Notre Dame hit less than .150 & won - 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .115 (36-21-131) Assists a Notre Dame player had 60+ assists - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Ashley Tarutis (62) a Notre Dame player had 70+ assists - 11/24/00, at #3 USC (L, 2-3), Denise Boylan (70)

a Notre Dame player had 80+ assists - 10/8/00, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Denise Boylan (86) a Notre Dame player had 90+ assists - 10/13/95, at #25 Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Carey May (96)

2 Notre Dame players had 20+ assists - 9/1/04, vs. Loyola Chicago (W, 3-1), Ashley Tarutis (25) & Kelly Burrell (23)

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2006 Notre Dame Volleyball Notre Dame Combined Team Statistics (as of Aug 27, 2006) All matches

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Irish Set to Reload in 2006

Heralded class of seven rookies aims for an immediate impact

A season ago, 16th-year head coach Debbie Brown parlayed one of her most talented and experienced rosters ever into an unforgettable season, as Notre Dame went 30-4 - posting the program's first 30-win season since 1994 (with all four defeats coming in fivegame affairs) - and advanced to the round of 16 of the NCAA Championship for the first time since 1997. The Irish, who got off to a 22-1 start, became the first school ever to crack the top five of the AVCA Coaches Poll (with an all-time high ranking of fifth) after being unranked in the preseason, spent a program-record 11 weeks in the top 10 of that listing, and finished ranked 12th. Notre Dame went 5-1 against top-15 squads, had a 15-match winning streak, and won both the regular-season championships in an expanded, tougherthan-ever BIG EAST Conference.

"Last year was a great season," says Brown. "It was a very fun year to be a part of. The start we got off to helped raise our confidence level and put us in a good position the rest of the year. One of the keys to our season was the way we played in the UTSA Dome Rally in San Antonio. We beat some tough opponents, including a few that were ranked in the top 10 [#8 USC and #6 Florida]. The confidence we built up in the first few weeks allowed us to play the way we did. That said, we still lost



Junior Ellen Heintzman is one of the most-experienced players on the Irish, having started 25 matches over the last two seasons at outside hitter.

conference first team, a BIG EAST tournament MVP award, eight BIG EAST statistical titles, and the 2003 NCAA Division I blocking crown. Plus, she was the first player in program history to be both an athletic and academic All-American.

"We lost five seniors off last year's team that helped us achieve so much – not only last season but throughout their careers at Notre Dame," says Brown. "They were an exceptional bunch of not only volleyball players but students, as well. Obviously, it will be a challenge as we attempt to replace the five players we've lost. The experience we lost will be the greatest challenge and the most difficult thing to replace."

The challenges will be all different for the veteran coach in 2006, as this year's squad boasts just one senior, making it the first Irish team in 23 years to be in that situation. Several key players from that record-setting '05 team are back in the fold, as five who started 15 or more matches a year ago will be among those looked upon to provide the veteran leadership this season. Also, at just the right time Brown has landed one of her best recruiting classes ever, as seven talented rookies will supplement the returning corps and have an ability to make immediate impacts on Notre Dame's fortunes.

"As always we have high expectations," says Brown. "It would be easy to

give the excuse that this is a rebuilding year, because of all the players we lost. But that's not our frame of mind going into the season. We are so excited about the freshmen we brought in – plus add to that our returning players and all the valuable experience they gained last season. Our goal this season is to not take a step back; we want to continue to take the program in an upward direction. I have very high expectations. I feel we are capable of competing with anyone in the country."

The schedule the Irish will face this season is indicative of that attitude. Ten of the regular-season matches will be against squads that qualified for the '05 NCAA Championship, including six against teams that reached the round of 16 and seven vs. ones that were in the AVCA top 25 at the end of the season. Among the toughest tests are Sept. 2 vs. Missouri (8th in AVCA poll; NCAA quarterfinals), Sept. 3 vs. Santa Clara (4th; semifinals), Sept. 9 vs. Kansas State (25th; second round), Oct. 16 and 17 at Hawai'i (9th; round of 16), Oct. 29 at Louisville (14th; round of 16), and Nov. 24 vs. Ohio in Louisville (14th; round of 16).

Plus, Notre Dame will look to keep its spot atop the BIG EAST Conference, which had one of its best volley-ball seasons ever in '05. The league had two teams ranked in the AVCA poll for the first time, with both Notre Dame and Louisville being ranked in the top 10 for much of the season. Both squads won 30 matches (no BIG EAST team had done that since 1994) and a total of six BIG EAST teams posted 20 victories, making it the only conference in the country to be able to boast that. Since joining the league in 1995, the Irish have won 10 regular-season championships (in 11 seasons), as well as nine tournament crowns.

Team Information

2005 Record

30-4 (13-1/1st in BIG EAST)

2005 Final National Rankings

12th - AVCA

11th - Volleyball Magazine

2005 BIG EAST Championship

Champion

QF - def.Villanova 28-30, 30-24, 30-26, 30-23 SF - def. Cincinnati 30-20, 30-20, 30-14

Final - def. Louisville 28-30, 31-29, 30-21, 23-30, 15-8

2005 NCAA Championship

Round of 16

1st - def. Dayton 30-21, 30-25, 26-30, 28-30, 15-13 2nd - def. Northwestern 30-27, 32-30, 30-28 R16 - lost to Wisconsin 25-30, 30-28, 25-30, 30-25, 9-15

All-America Honorees Returning

Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP) – Honorable Mention

Top Returnees

Mallorie Croal (So., OH/OPP) Ellen Heintzman (Jr., OH) Danielle Herndon (Sr., DS/L) Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP) Ashley Tarutis (Jr., S)

Monogram Winners Returning/Lost

2006 Captains

Danielle Herndon (Sr., DS) Adrianna Stasiuk (Jr., OH/OPP) some matches we feel we shouldn't have, but the most important thing was seeing the squad come through in the big matches and seeing the maturity of the team throughout the year."

That team was led by a talented quintet of seniors: setter Kelly Burrell, middle blockers Lauren Brewster and Carolyn Cooper, libero Meg Henican, and outside hitter Lauren Kelbley. They are one of the winningest classes in the history of Irish volleyball, having compiled a 98-28 record for a .778 winning percentage. They helped Notre Dame register a 50-6 mark against BIG EAST competition, leading the Irish to four consecutive regular-season titles and three tournament championships. Brewster and Kelbley started throughout their entire careers, and Henican was a three-year starter after being mostly a key reserve in her rookie season. Cooper started in her final two campaigns, while Burrell was a regular contributor as Notre Dame's second setter throughout her career.

Kelbley – three times tabbed honorable mention All-America by the AVCA – became just the third player in conference history to be named to the all-BIG EAST teams four times and was one of only two players in Division I to be an AVCA all-region selection in each of the last four campaigns. Henican – who finished her career with 22 of Notre Dame's 25 digs records (including those for digs in a match, season, and career) – was one of two liberos to be a first-team all-BIG EAST pick in 2005, after no libero had previously earned that honor. Brewster – a second-team AVCA All-American in 2005 after being a third-team selection as a junior – was one of the most decorated players in program history. Among the highlights were three selections to the all-

Match-by-Match Leaders

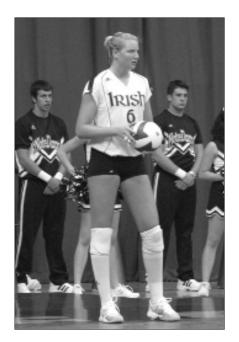
Match	Kills	Pct. (min. 5 kills)	Digs	Blocks	Assists#	Aces	Points
Michigan	16-Brewster	.412-Brewster	22-Henican	6-Brewster	40	3-Heintzman (1)/Kelbley	22-Brewster
#11 Texas	18-Brewster	.364-Cooper	20-Herndon	12-Brewster	51	2-Kelbley	25.5-Brewster
Arizona State	28-Brewster	.328-Brewster	22-Croal (1)	4Croal (1)/Kelbley/Cooper	65	1-5 players	31-Brewster
vs.#8 USC	25-Kelbley	.300-Henican (1)	29-Stasiuk	6-Brewster	56	3-Kelbley/Cooper	29-Kelbley
vs.Oklahoma	15-Brewster	.333-Cooper	12-Stasiuk/Herndon	10-Cooper	33	2-Kelbley	18-Brewster
vs.#6 Florida	20-Brewster	.455-Cooper	24-Stasiuk	7-Brewster	46	1-Henican/Cooper	24.5-Brewster
at Tulane	15-Kelbley	.412-Kelbley	19-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	36	3-Kelbley/Tarutis	21-Kelbley
vs.LSU	19-Croal	.208-Cooper	24-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	53	3-Kelbley	22.5-Croal
Seton Hall	14-Brewster	.448-Brewster	17-Henican	5-Cooper/Stasiuk	40	3-Stasiuk	17.5-Brewster
Loyola Chicago	24-Kelbley	.688-Kelbley	22-Henican	5-Cooper	41	4-Kelbley	31-Kelbley
at Syracuse	17-Croal	.400-Croal	26-Henican	7-Brewster	35	2-Brewster (2)	18-Croal
at Marquette	16-Brewster	.355-Stasiuk	21-Stasiuk	6-Cooper	51	3-Tarutis	19.5-Brewster
Valparaiso	13-Kelbley/Stasiuk	.244-Stasiuk	19-Henican	7-Brewster	40	1-Tarutis/Henican/Cooper	16-Kelbley/Brewster
at St. John's	17-Brewster	.400-Cooper	22-Henican	3-Kelbley/Cooper	55	3-Henican	19.5-Brewster
at Connecticut	16-Brewster	.500-Croal (2)	11-Stasiuk	5-Cooper/Brewster	42	3-Cooper	19.5-Brewster
at DePaul	15-Brewster	.636-Kelbley	10-Henican	5-Brewster	38	2-Kelbley/Stasiuk	19.5-Brewster
at Illinois State	20-Stasiuk	.349-Stasiuk (3)	19-Henican	8-Cooper/Brewster	51	1-Cooper	22.5-Stasiuk
South Florida	12-Brewster	.625-Cooper	13-Stasiuk	4-Brewster/Stasiuk	39	2-Stasiuk	14.5-Stasiuk
Georgetown	14-Stasiuk	.571-Brewster	15-Henican	8-Brewster	38	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Stasiuk	20.5-Stasiuk
#6 Louisville	21-Stasiuk	.366-Brewster	22-Henican	2-Brewster/Kelbley (3)	63	3-Kelbley/Herndon	22-Stasiuk
Cincinnati	13-Kelbley/Heintzman	.357-Kelbley	12-Henican/Herndon	8-Brewster	43	2-Kelbley/Cooper/Henican	15-Kelbley/Heintzman (1)
Saint Louis	14-Kelbley	.727-Cooper	14-Henican	4-Brewster	48	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Cooper	16-Kelbley
at West Virginia	17-Brewster	.481-Brewster	23-Henican	4-Brewster	41	3-Cooper	18.5-Brewster
at Pittsburgh	20-Brewster	.364-Brewster	17-Henican	7-Cooper	50	1-Tarutis/Henican (5)/Herndon	23.5-Brewster
Villanova	13-Kelbley	.455-Brewster	21-Henican	9Cooper	46	3-Herndon	17-Cooper
Rutgers	10-Kelbley/Stasiuk	.450-Brewster	14-Stasiuk (9)	4-Cooper (13)/Stasiuk (3)	38	2-Kelbley	13-Stasiuk
vs.Villanova (BE)	15-Brewster	.400-Brewster	19-Henican	8-Brewster	51	3-Stasiuk	20-Brewster
vs.Cincinnati (BE)	11-Cooper (1)	.688-Cooper (8)	18-Henican	11-Brewster	35	1-Kelbley/Tarutis/Cooper	13.5-Cooper (2)
at #7 Louisville (BE)	19-Brewster	.359-Brewster	25-Henican	7-Brewster	62	4-Cooper	24-Brewster
Rice	15-Brewster (15)	.556-Kelbley	19-Henican	7-Kelbley (4)	28	1-5 players/Cooper (12)/Burrell (1)	19-Brewster
Tennessee	22-Kelbley/Heintzman (2)	.412-Kelbley	32-Henican	8-Brewster	58	3-Stasiuk (7)	24.5-Kelbley (7)
Dayton (NCAA)	18-Croal	.333-Brewster (12)	43-Henican	9-Brewster	55	3-Tarutis	21-Croal (3)
N'western (NCAA)	16-Stasiuk (6)	.522-Kelbley	21-Henican	9-Brewster	46	1-Kelbley (15)/ Tarutis (11)/Herndon	19Stasiuk (6)
vs.#12 Wis. (NCAA)	18-Croal (3)/Kelbley (10)	.250-Kelbley (8)	27-Henican (23)	7-Brewster (22)	58	3-Herndon (6)	21.5-Brewster (17)

 $\underline{\textbf{Note}}\text{:} \ \textbf{Numbers in parentheses are number of times player has led Irish in that category this season.}$

^{#-}Ashley Tarutis has led Notre Dame in assists in every match this season.



Graduated senior Carolyn Cooper led the team in blocks 13 times in 2005.



Lauren Kelbley's senior class won 98 matches in her four-year career.

Even before they stepped onto campus, this freshman class earned high praise, as two publications ranked the group among the five best in the country. *Volleyball* magazine has Notre Dame an all-time high of third on its list of top recruiting classes (behind Penn State and Texas), while PrepVolleyball.com placed the Irish fifth on a similar list (behind Penn State, Texas, California, and Arizona).

"Awesome," says Brown. "That is the best word to describe this class. It is a group of quality people, quality athletes, and quality students. We are so excited about the class. They are a really competitive group, and they have all played at a really high level either on their clubs or in high school."

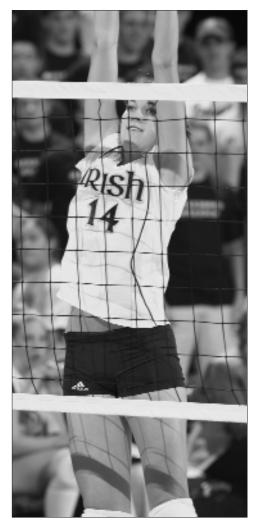
Three players - Megan Fesl, Christina Kaelin, and Kim Kristoff – were on Volleyball's Girls Fab 50 list of the top high school seniors in the nation, making Notre Dame one of just five schools (also Penn State, Pepperdine, Texas A&M, and Wisconsin) to have three or more on that list. It marks the first time since 1997 and just the third time overall (also in '94) that the Irish have had three Fab 50 selections in the same class. PrepVolleyball.com's Top 150 Senior Aces ranking of the top prep seniors had five Irish players on it: Kaelin (9th overall; first among Kentucky natives; Notre Dame's highest-ranked player since the list began in 2002). Fesl (14th; first among players from Illinois), Serinity Phillips (21st), Kristoff (86th), and Jamel Nicholas (in group between 100th and 150th). middle blocker Tara Enzweiler and defensive specialist Colleen Nolan round out the class, adding depth and diversity to the talented group.

"I realized the inexperience of the seven freshmen will at times play a factor, but we will counterbalance it with the talent the freshmen and returning players have," says Brown. "I think having so much youth can be a very big positive this year. These freshmen bring a certain sense of enthusiasm to the squad. Having that sort of excitement every day will be the sort of factor that can allow this season to have the feeling of being fresh and new."

The lone senior on this year's squad is Danielle **Herndon**, who has been a regular throughout her career as both a defensive specialist and libero. The last player to serve as the only senior on an Irish volleyball team was Terese Henken in the 1983 season, Notre Dame's first campaign as a member of a conference (the North Star Conference). Herndon has played in 325 of the 345 games over the past three seasons, with her 94.2% rate standing fifth in program history. She saw time in the libero during the early portions of each of the last three campaigns, but then each time settled into a role primarily as a back-row substitute. A year ago, she played in every game and made 21 starts at defensive specialist, finishing with 297 digs (2.40 per game). One of the team's most-accurate servers, she had 17 aces and only nine errors, with that 1.88 ace-to-error ratio standing as the best by a Notre Dame player since Jaimie Lee's 2.00 mark in 1996. Herndon has 691 digs in her career (2.12 per game), as well as 35 aces (with just 33 service errors).

"Danielle is our lone senior this year, and she will challenge for time in the libero spot," says Brown. "I think the experience she has gained in her first three years is going to benefit her and the team this year. The libero spot is up for grabs this season, and she is certainly a strong candidate. If not there, then she can also be used in the back row."

Among the experienced players on this year's squad, the most accomplished to this point is junior **Adrianna Stasiuk**, who started every match of her rookie campaign at opposite and then started at outside hitter during most of last season, after filling the libero position early in the year while still recovering from an offseason injury. Stasiuk – a flashy hitter and dynamic all-around player with a potent serve and the best defensive skills on the Irish – was named honorable mention All-America by the AVCA in '05 and was tabbed the Most Outstanding Player in the BIG EAST tournament. An AVCA all-region pick and second-team all-conference



Sophomore Justine Stremick will be thrust into a role as the team's veteran in the middle this season, as the only returning middle blocker from last year's squad that was sixth nationally in team blocking.

selection, she ranked among the top four on the team in six statistical categories – kills, digs, aces, blocks, assists, and points – in both of the last two seasons. Stasiuk was the Collegiate Volleyball Update National Player of the Week on Oct. 25 of 2005 and registered 15 double-doubles on the season (24 in her career), including in each of the final six contests. She was the only non-libero in the BIG EAST individual digs leaders (finished eighth) and became just the fourth different Notre Dame player ever to have 400 or more in a season. Stasiuk was a key reason the Irish led the BIG EAST in digging for the first time ever and finished in the national top 30. She also was one of the team's top receivers (.966 reception percentage), helping Notre Dame break the school record for aces allowed per game (0.80).

Midway through her career, she has an opportunity to threaten to become the second player in program history – along with two-time All-American Christy Peters (1991-94) – to post 1,500 career kills and digs. Through her first two seasons, she has accrued 604 kills (2.71 per game) and 758 digs (3.40 – third-best in Irish history) to go with 65 aces (0.29 – fifth-best in Notre Dame history), 166 blocks (0.74), and 135 assists (0.61) for 769.5 points (3.45). She has had double-digit digs 44 times in her career, which already places her tied for seventh on the all-time Notre Dame list in that category.

"Adrianna is a strong all-round player," says Brown. "We know she is a great passer and defensive player, as evidenced in her debut in the libero spot last year [when she had a career-high 29 kills vs. USC]. We would prefer to not have her in that role, but she stepped in and did a tremendous job last season. Her passing and ball con-

trol skills are going to be a huge part of the team's success this season. She continued to take her front row game to another level in the spring. She continues to show she can take on the best blockers and has shown tremendous leadership while doing it."

The one position where the Irish hold a great deal of experience is setter, as junior Ashley Tarutis has been the team's top performer there nearly from day one. Fiery and battle-tested, she has led Notre Dame to a 50-12 (.806) record in her career starts, including 6-2 against top-15 teams. A year ago, Tarutis broke the 10year-old Irish record for assists in a season, finishing with 1,573 (12.69 per game). She led Notre Dame to a .251 team hitting percentage and was named to the all-BIG EAST second team (no setters were on the first team). Tarutis helped the Irish lead the conference in assists in league action (15.55 - second-highest ND average ever in BIG EAST play) and rank second in hitting percentage (.289 - highest for Notre Dame since 2001) and kills (16.79 - second-highest school average ever). She ranked third on the team in digs a year ago (317; 2.56 per game) and has 30 career double-doubles to her credit. Tarutis has played in all 236 games over the past two seasons - the second-longest string of consecutive games played in program history - and has 2,723 assists (sixth-most in Irish history) for an average of 11.54 per game (third in Notre Dame history). She also has 584 digs (2.47) and 65 aces (0.28 - seventh-best in Irish his-

"Ashley is one of our team leaders, bringing tremendous energy to the court," says Brown. "She has continued to improve every year in terms of set location, technique, leadership, running the floor and all the additional factors that make her a great setter. Ashley is one of the players that teammates have commented on about how fun she is to watch, with the zest for the game she brings with her to the court every day."

The other member of the junior class on this year's squad, outside hitter **Ellen Heintzman**, also has been a key player for Notre Dame over the past two seasons. In both 2004 and '05, she saw time in the starting lineup, accruing a total of 25 starts. Last year, she made 17 starts, including 15 in a row late in the season, and finished with 147 kills (2.58 per game). Her top performance came in the regular-season finale against eventual NCAA semifinalist Tennessee, when she delivered a career-high 22 kills. Heintzman has played in 102 games in her career, pounding 232 kills (2.27) and also registering 64 digs and 56 blocks for 270 points (2.65).

"We are looking at Ellen primarily in an outside hitter role," says Brown. "She has shown improvement, but she also was hampered by injuries in the spring. She worked hard to get into top shape after missing the first spring tournament. We expect her to come in ready to compete for a spot on the outside for us."

The most-proven player in the sophomore class is **Mallorie Croal**, who split time with Heintzman as a starting outside hitter a season ago. She started 15 times, including in each of the NCAA tournament matches, and finished with 195 kills (2.79 per game) and 99 digs (1.41). Croal was tabbed to the Shamrock Invitational all-tournament team and had a collegiate-best 19 kills against LSU.

"Mallorie had a good freshman year," says Brown. "We were impressed with the poise she exhibited last year, especially in big matches. She never played like a freshman; she always played like someone that had a lot more experience. She worked hard in the spring on her hitting and developing shots. We feel she can be used on either the outside or the opposite. She hits well from the right side plus is good blocker that also sets well, so she is a strong candidate to play the right side."

The other Irish sophomores also played roles a season ago. **Justine Stremick** will be the lone returning middle blocker on the team, after seeing action in 52 games a year ago, registering seven kills and 15 blocks. In 2006, she will be the veteran in the middle and counted on to produce. **Madison Clark** played in 57 games, mostly as a defensive specialist, but occasionally in a setting role. She had 52 digs and 15 assists. **Annie Mokris** saw time in 13 games, making seven digs as a back-row substitute.



2006 Notre Dame Women's Volleyball Roster

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No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School/Club Team
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, MI	Sturgis H.S./Dunes
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, CA	Mater Dei H.S./Golden West
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, KY	Assumption H.S./KIVA
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, CA	Valley Center H.S./Vintage
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, KY	Sacred Heart Academy/KIVA
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, IN	Brebeuf Jesuit Prep/Team Indiana
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Los Alamitos H.S./Golden West
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, IL	John Hersey H.S./Sports Performance
10	Adrianna Stasiuk**(c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South H.S./Sports Performance
11	Danielle Herndon***(c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, FL	Durant H.S./Tampa Bay Juniors
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-8	Gibsonia, PA	Pine-Richland H.S./Renaissance
13	Annie Mokris*	So.	DS	5-5	Orlando, FL	Bishop Moore H.S./Orlando VB Acad.
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, ND	Langdon Area H.S./Stars Athletics
15	Colleen Nolan	Fr.	DS/L	5-6	Vernon Hills, IL	Stevenson H.S./Sky High
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, NC	Cardinal Gibbons H.S./Triangle

Head Coach: Debbie Brown (16th season, Arizona State '82)

Assistant Coaches: Greg Smith (1st season, Westmont College '90), Louella Lovely (4th season, Cal Poly '97)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Kevin Lane (1st season, IPFW '06)

Student Manager: Megan McGuire (3rd season, Notre Dame '07)

Athletic Trainer: Chantal Porter (10th season, Iowa State '94)

Strength and Conditioning Coach: Mike Joseph (4th season, Fairmont State '99)

Sports Information Director: Joe Prisco (1st season, Eastern Illinois '00)

Administrator: Missy Conboy (12th season, Notre Dame '82)

Alphabetical

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1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, MI	Sturgis H.S./Dunes
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12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-8	Gibsonia, PA	Pine-Richland H.S./Renaissance
15	Colleen Nolan	Fr.	DS/L	5-6	Vernon Hills, IL	Stevenson H.S./Sky High
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, CA	Valley Center H.S./Vintage
10	Adrianna Stasiuk**(c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South H.S./Sports Performance
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, ND	Langdon Area H.S./Stars Athletics
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Los Alamitos H.S./Golden West
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^{* –} indicates monograms earned

Pronunciation Guide:

Croal	KROLE
Enzweiler	ENZ-while-er
Fesl	FEH-sul
Heintzman	HIGHNTZ-min
Kaelin	KAY-lynn
Kristoff	CHRIS-toff
Mokris	MOH-kris
Jamel (Nicholas)	juh-MEL
Serinity (Phillips)	suh-REN-ih-tee
Adrianna Stasiuk	a-dree-ANN-uh stuh-SHEWK
Stremick	STREM-ick
Tarutis	tuh-ROO-diss



THE 2006 NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM: Sitting (from left): Annie Morkis, Colleen Nolan, Tara Enzweiler, Ashley Tarutis, Jamel Nicholas. (kneeling, from left): Kim Kristoff, Megan Fesl, Justine Stremick, Serinity Phillips, Mallorie Croal, Ellen Heintzman. (standing, from left): Athletic trainer Chantal Porter, assistant coach Louella Lovely, assistant coach Greg Smith, Madison Clark, Christina Kaelin, head coach Debbie Brown, Adrianna Stasiuk, Danielle Herndon, volunteer assistant coach Kevin Lane, student manager Leslie Vaughn, student manager Megan McGuire.

⁽c) – indicates team captain

Television Roster



Madison Clark DS/S • 5-9 • So. Sturgis, MI



Mallorie
Croal
OH/OPP • 6-1 • So.
Villa Park, CA



Christina Kaelin OH • 5-10 • Fr. Louisville, KY



A Serinity
Phillips
OH/OPP • 5-11 • Fr.
Valley Center, CA



5 Ellen Heintzman OH • 5-11 • Jr. Louisville, KY



6 Kim Kristoff MB • 6-1 • Fr. Carmel, IN



Ashley
Tarutis
S • 5-8 • Jr.
Long Beach, CA



9 Megan Fesl OH/OPP • 6-2 • Fr. Arlington Heights, IL



10 Adrianna Stasiuk OH/OPP • 5-10 • Jr. Park Ridge, IL



11 Danielle Herndon DS/L • 5-8 • Sr. Plant City, FL



12 Jamel Nicholas S • 5-7 • Fr. Gibsonia, PA



Annie Mokris
DS • 5-5 • So.
Orlando, FL



14 Justine Stremick MB • 63 • So. Langdon, ND



15 Colleen Nolan

DS/L • 5-6 • Fr.

Vernon Hills, IL



Tara
Enzweiler

MB • 5-10 • Fr.

Raleigh, NC



Debbie Brown
Head Coach

2005 Notre Dame Volleyball Notre Dame Combined Team Statistics (as of Aug 24, 2006) All matches

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BLOCKING					* Nov			Pittsbur	_			L	2-3				,27-30,	28-30	13-	15	406			
Block Solo	17	74	63		* Nov			VILLANOV	-		7	W	3-0				,30-23	-			1500			
Block Assist	53	34	445		* Nov	13		RUTGERS			7	M	3-0	30-2	23,30	0-19	,30-27				1554			
Total Blocks	441.	. 0	285.5	1	# Nov	18	vs	Villanov	ra		7	M	3-1	28-3	30,30	0-24	,30-26,	30-23			1217			
Blocks Per Game	3.	. 6	2.3	1	# Nov	19	vs	Cincinna	ti		7	M	3-0	30-2	20,30	0-20	,30-14				1156			
Block Errors	6	58	70		Nov	20		#7 Louis	ville	e	7	M	3-2				,30-21,	23-30	15-	8	1954			
BALL HANDLING ERRORS	5	59	94	9	k Nov	25		RICE			7	M	3-0				,30-13				1321			
ATTENDANCE					∛ Nov			TENNESSE	Œ			L	2-3		-		,28-30,				1421			
Total	2478		7220		2 Dec			DAYTON				M	3-2				,26-30,	28-30,	15-	13	878			
_	16/154		11/656		2 Dec			NORTHWES			7	M	3-0				,30-28		_	_	760			
Neutral site #/Avg	7/102			•	^ Dec	09	vs	#12 Wisc	onsir	ı		L	2-3	25-3	30,30	∪-28,	,25-30,	30-25,	9-1	5	414			
Current win streak		0	-				T	itationa			-L m1	1_				7	_							

^{\$ -} Shamrock Invitational; % - Irish Thanksgiving Invitational;

Home win streak...

[&]amp; - NCAA Championship; ! - UTSA Dome Rally (San Antonio, TX);

@ - Sugar Bowl Classic; ^ - NCAA Champ. (College Station, TX)

^{# -} BIG EAST Championship (Louisville, KY)