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2006 Notre Dame Softball

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

Notre Dame at Syracuse, Saturday, April 8, 12 noon

Notre Dame at Pittsburgh, Sunday, April 9, 12 noon

2006 Schedule (20-11)

February

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

March

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

April

| | | |
|----|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | *Connecticut | W, 9-0 (6), W, 2-1 (8) |
| 2 | *Providence | W, 4-1, W, 8-0 |
| 4 | Eastern Michigan | W, 2-0, W, 1-0 |
| 5 | Akron | L, 2-4 |
| 8 | *at Syracuse | 12:00 p.m. |
| 9 | *at Pittsburgh | 12:00 p.m. |
| 11 | Ball State | 5:00 p.m. |
| 13 | *#-/25 DePaul | 4:00 p.m. |
| 18 | at #15/16 Northwestern | 4:00 p.m. |
| 19 | Toledo | 5:00 p.m. |
| 22 | *Villanova | 12:00 p.m. |
| 23 | *Rutgers | 11:00 a.m. |
| 25 | at Valparaiso | 5:00 p.m. |
| 26 | Purdue | 4:00 p.m. |
| 29 | *at South Florida | 11:00 a.m. |
| 30 | *at #18/19 Louisville | 12:00 p.m. |

May

| | | |
|----|----------------------|------------|
| 2 | Loyola-Chicago | 5:00 p.m. |
| 6 | *at Seton Hall | 12:00 p.m. |
| 7 | *at St. John's | 11:00 a.m. |
| 11 | BIG EAST Champ. | TBA |
| 18 | NCAA Regionals | TBA |
| 25 | NCAA Super Regionals | TBA |
| 30 | Women's CWS | TBA |

All times local to site. * - indicates BIG EAST

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

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

Irish head back on the road as BIG EAST play continues -

The University of Notre Dame softball team (20-11) returns to the road this weekend to face Syracuse (18-14) and Pittsburgh (24-13) in BIG EAST Conference action. The twin doubleheaders will be the first league road challenge for the Irish in 2006 and Notre Dame will carry a 4-0 conference mark into the matchups.

Winners of nine of their last 10 games, Notre Dame is looking to bounce back from a 4-2 defeat at the hands of Akron on Wednesday, April 5.

Weekend coverage -

Syracuse offers live audio coverage and live stats at www.suathletics.com. For the Pittsburgh doubleheader, Gametracker can be viewed at both www.und.com and www.pittsburghpanthers.com.

Akron recap -

Akron ended Notre Dame's nine-game win streak and handed the Irish their first loss at home with a 4-2 win on Wednesday, April 5. Akron outhit the Irish 7-4 in the contest, doing much of the damage with two outs in the top of the third inning.

Notre Dame managed only one infield hit until the bottom of the seventh inning, when freshman *Linda Kohan* hit a two-run double to represent the final score.

ND series history vs. Syracuse -

Notre Dame leads the all-time series with Syracuse 11-1 ... the Orange posted its lone win at Ivy Field in 2002 ... the teams met three times last season, Notre Dame sweeping a doubleheader 6-1 and 7-3 at Ivy Field and eliminating Syracuse from the BIG EAST Championship with a 4-1 victory ... Notre Dame is 4-0 at Syracuse's Softball Stadium at Skytop.

Syracuse preview -

The Orange is 18-14 in 2006 and 7-1 in BIG EAST Conference play ... they are led on offense by Tonye McCorkle (.365 average, 16 RBI) and Alexis Switenko (.341, 11 HR, 26 RBI) ... Switenko has already established the Syracuse single-season home run record with 11 this season and has been named BIG EAST Player of the Week twice in '06 ... Erin Downey is the team's number one starting pitcher, posting a 12-12 record in '06 with a 3.33 ERA and 173 Ks in 147.1 innings ... Switenko has seen most of the remaining innings, going 6-1 with a 3.14 ERA ... Syracuse will be playing its first home games of the season on Saturday.

ND series history vs. Pittsburgh -

Notre Dame is 14-0 against Pittsburgh, sweeping all seven doubleheaders since the Panthers entered BIG EAST play in 1999 ... the Irish won 7-2 and 6-0 at Pittsburgh last season ... the Irish are 8-0 all-time at Trees Field.

Pittsburgh preview -

The Panthers are 24-13 this season and 7-1 in BIG EAST Conference action ... Jessica Dignon leads the team's offensive attack with a .350 batting average and has driven in 24 runs ... Lisa McGregor has the team's top power numbers, leading the squad with six home runs and 31 RBI ... Laura Belardinelli (11-4, 2.32 ERA) and Meghan Bostick (7-8, 2.59 ERA) have seen a majority of the innings for the Panthers in 2006 ... Pittsburgh is 8-2 at home in '06.

2006 University of Notre Dame Softball Numerical Roster

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

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '92, fifth season, 197-80)

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

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

Notre Dame's recent nine-game win streak -

Akron broke Notre Dame's nine-game win streak with a 4-2 victory on April 5, but the nine-game streak is worthy of a recap ... the Irish held their opponents to just three hits during the nine-game run ... the most hits Notre Dame surrendered were four in a five-inning victory over Connecticut (game one) ... Notre Dame posted two no-hitters during the string, a combined no-no at Western Michigan in game one (Heather Booth and Kenya Fuemmeler) and the program's first eight-inning no-hitter in game two vs. Connecticut ... Notre Dame struck out 64 batters during the streak (6.07 per seven innings) ... the team also won three extra inning contests during the run (2-1 in eight vs. Western Michigan, 1-0 in 11 vs. Bowling Green and 2-1 in eight vs. Connecticut) and ended two games early (9-0 in five vs. UConn, 8-0 in six vs. Providence).

Booth on fire in the pitching circle -

Senior **Heather Booth** has won her last five games started, completing three of them with two shutouts and adding in two combined shutouts ... she has not given up an earned run since the Irish returned from spring break (March 25) ... over that stretch, she has given up just 11 hits in 33.2 innings pitched (2.31 per game) and struck out 30 (6.32 per seven innings) ... Booth has led the team to a 0.48 ERA since spring break and a 9-1 record.

Notre Dame Sports Information

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

Photographs, statistics and feature ideas are available by contacting Wasielewski at (574) 631-7516 or via e-mail at Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

Requests to interview student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance. Credentials for home games can be obtained by calling Wasielewski.

Statistics, results and weekly releases (typically released on Wednesday of each week of the season) also are readily available on Notre Dame's official athletic site, www.und.com.

If you wish to be added to the Notre Dame softball weekly release distribution list, please send an e-mail to: Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

2006 USA Today/NFCA Top 25

April 5, 2006

| <u>Rnk</u> | <u>Team</u> | <u>Record</u> | <u>Pts.</u> | <u>Pvs.</u> |
|------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. | Texas (29) | 38-3 | 749 | 1 |
| 2. | UCLA (1) | 30-3 | 709 | 2 |
| 3. | Alabama | 32-4 | 678 | 4 |
| 4. | Arizona | 30-4 | 677 | 3 |
| 5. | Tennessee | 33-4 | 622 | 5 |
| 6. | Oregon State | 28-3 | 579 | 7 |
| 7. | California | 33-4 | 570 | 8 |
| 8. | Arizona St. | 37-3 | 540 | 9 |
| 9. | Stanford | 27-6 | 533 | 6 |
| 10. | Georgia | 32-9 | 468 | 10 |
| 11. | LSU | 35-5 | 450 | 11 |
| 12. | Michigan | 20-9 | 412 | 12 |
| 13. | La.-Lafayette | 29-6 | 391 | 13 |
| 14. | Washington | 26-10 | 341 | 14 |
| 15. | Northwestern | 22-8 | 327 | 16 |
| 16. | Texas A&M | 25-10 | 305 | 15 |
| 17. | Nebraska | 24-6 | 271 | 19 |
| 18. | Louisville | 23-5 | 190 | 20 |
| 19. | Auburn | 24-10 | 186 | 18 |
| 20. | Baylor | 22-14 | 185 | 21 |
| 21. | Oklahoma | 24-13-1 | 149 | 17 |
| 22. | North Carolina | 33-10 | 119 | 23 |
| 23. | Fresno State | 24-13 | 97 | 24 |
| 24. | Florida | 31-12 | 75 | NR |
| 25. | Mississippi St. | 30-11 | 40 | 22 |

Others receiving votes:

Georgia Tech (15), Southern Illinois (15), Missouri State (10), Long Beach State (9), Virginia Tech (5), NOTRE DAME (4), Texas State (4). Seven others received votes and listed on only one ballot.

bold indicates 2006 opponents**Notre Dame in the USA Today/NFCA Top 25**

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

Notre Dame softball on the small screen -

The University of Notre Dame softball team will be featured four times on cable television this season, with a possible fifth appearance in the BIG EAST Championship. Notre Dame's first appearance will be the first game of a doubleheader vs. DePaul on April 13. ESPNU will cover the first game of the doubleheader (4:00 p.m.) between the long-time regional rivals and new conference opponents.

ESPNU also will cover Notre Dame's first visit to USF as a conference opponent, picking up the first game of that doubleheader on Saturday, April 29 (11:00 a.m.).

Comcast Local (check your local listings for affiliates) will tape delay Notre Dame's contest vs. Ball State on Tuesday, April 11 at 5:00 p.m. Rebroadcast schedule is unknown at this time.

Notre Dame's road game at Louisville will also be televised in the Louisville, Ky., area with ABC affiliate WHAS picking up the broadcast.

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

2006 ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25

April 4, 2006

| <u>Rnk</u> | <u>Team</u> | <u>Record</u> | <u>Pts.</u> | <u>Pvs.</u> |
|------------|----------------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. | Texas (12) | 38-3 | 486 | 2 |
| 2. | Arizona (7) | 30-4 | 469 | 1 |
| 3. | UCLA (1) | 30-3 | 460 | 3 |
| 4. | Alabama | 32-4 | 456 | 4 |
| 5. | Tennessee | 33-4 | 403 | 6 |
| 6. | Oregon State | 28-3 | 402 | 7 |
| 7. | California | 33-4 | 376 | 8 |
| 8. | Stanford | 27-6 | 368 | 5 |
| 9. | Arizona State | 37-4 | 357 | 9 |
| 10. | La.-Lafayette | 29-6 | 288 | 11 |
| 11. | Georgia | 31-9 | 285 | 10 |
| 12. | LSU | 35-5 | 278 | 12 |
| 13. | Michigan | 20-9 | 259 | 13 |
| 14. | Washington | 26-10 | 248 | 14 |
| 15. | Northwestern | 22-8 | 243 | 15 |
| 16. | Nebraska | 25-6 | 195 | 19 |
| 17. | Texas A&M | 25-10 | 174 | 16 |
| 18. | Baylor | 22-14 | 126 | 20 |
| 19. | Louisville | 23-5 | 119 | 21 |
| 20. | Auburn | 24-10 | 111 | 17 |
| 21. | Oklahoma | 24-13-1 | 105 | 18 |
| 22. | Fresno State | 24-13 | 54 | 24 |
| 23. | S. Illinois | 23-5 | 51 | 25 |
| 24. | Virginia Tech | 28-8 | 41 | NR |
| 25. | DePaul | 14-7 | 37 | 23 |

Others receiving votes:

North Carolina (35), Florida (33), Mississippi State (25), Georgia Tech (8), **BYU** (3), **Colorado State** (2), Oregon (1), San Diego State (1), NOTRE DAME (1).

bold indicates 2006 opponents**Notre Dame in the ESPN.com/USA Softball Top 25**

Preseason: ORV (30th)
 Feb. 14: ORV (t-32nd)
 Feb. 21: not ranked
 Feb. 28: not ranked
 March 7: not ranked
 March 14: not ranked
 March 21: not ranked
 March 28: not ranked
 April 4: ORV (t-32nd)

2006 BIG EAST Conference Standings (as of March 26, 2006)

| <u>Team</u> | <u>BIG EAST</u> | | | | <u>OVERALL (Final)</u> | | | | | <u>ND outcome vs. opponent</u> |
|---------------|-----------------|-------------|----------|----------|------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------------------|
| | <u>W-L</u> | <u>Pct.</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>W-L-T</u> | <u>Pct.</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>N</u> | |
| NOTRE DAME | 4-0 | 1.000 | 4-0 | 0-0 | 20-11 | .645 | 7-0 | 6-3 | 7-7 | |
| South Florida | 4-0 | 1.000 | 4-0 | 0-0 | 32-18 | .640 | 20-8 | 0-3 | 12-7 | April 29 |
| Pittsburgh | 7-1 | .875 | 3-1 | 4-0 | 24-13 | .649 | 7-3 | 9-4 | 7-5 | April 9 |
| Syracuse | 7-1 | .875 | 3-1 | 4-0 | 18-14 | .562 | 3-1 | 5-3 | 10-10 | April 8 |
| Louisville | 3-1 | .750 | 3-1 | 0-0 | 23-5 | .821 | 10-4 | 7-0 | 6-1 | April 30 |
| DePaul | 3-1 | .750 | 3-1 | 0-0 | 16-9 | .640 | 4-1 | 0-4 | 10-4 | April 13 |
| Providence | 4-4 | .500 | 0-0 | 4-4 | 19-8 | .704 | 2-0 | 4-4 | 13-4 | W, 4-1; W, 8-0 (6) |
| Connecticut | 4-4 | .500 | 0-0 | 4-4 | 14-15 | .483 | 1-2 | 7-6 | 6-7 | W, 9-0 (5); W, 2-1 (8) |
| St. John's | 3-5 | .375 | 0-0 | 3-5 | 20-16 | .556 | 7-1 | 7-9 | 6-6 | May 7 |
| Rutgers | 1-7 | .125 | 1-7 | 0-0 | 6-25 | .194 | 1-7 | 1-3 | 4-15 | April 23 |
| Seton Hall | 0-8 | .000 | 0-0 | 0-8 | 16-20 | .444 | 4-1 | 3-12 | 9-7 | May 6 |
| Villanova | 0-8 | .000 | 0-8 | 0-0 | 6-23 | .207 | 4-12 | 0-4 | 2-7 | April 22 |

The top eight teams qualify for the 2006 BIG EAST Championship in South Bend, Ind.

2006 BIG EAST Weekly Awardwinners

Player of the Week

Jo Sherlock, OF, St. John's, Feb. 20
 Alexis Switenko, SS/P, Syracuse, Feb. 27
 Katie Pierce, SS, Seton Hall, March 6
 Tiffany Stewart, OF, South Florida, March 13
 Christie Chapman, SS, South Florida, March 20
 Elena Romero, UTL, Providence, March 26
 Alexis Switenko, SS/P, Syracuse, Apr. 5

Pitcher of the Week

Tracie Adix, DePaul, Feb. 20
 Bree Spence, South Florida, Feb. 27
 Kady Garrick, Louisville, March 6
 Catherine Bishop, Louisville, March 13
 Meghan Bostick, Pittsburgh, March 20
 Lisa Geer, St. John's, March 26
Brittney Bargar, Notre Dame, Apr. 5

Notre Dame BIG EAST Honor Roll Selections

Linda Kohan, Feb. 20
 Heather Booth, Feb. 27
 Stephanie Brown, April 5

New BIG EAST Conference unveiled in 2006 -

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

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

Irish captains -

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

Booth to continue climb up Notre Dame career charts -

Senior co-captain **Heather Booth**, a front-line starter for the Irish since she walked on campus four years ago, will continue her climb up the Irish career pitching charts this season. The single-season record holder for complete games (30 in '04), Booth's current all-time statistical ranking include second in appearances (137), tied for second in starts (113), fourth in wins (79), third in complete games (70), fourth in shutouts (24), second in innings pitched (755.1) and fourth in strikeouts (715).

See page seven of this notes package for a complete listing of Notre Dame's current players on several different all-time statistical rankings.

Notre Dame Statistical Leaders

as of April 6, 2006

Batting Average

| | |
|---------------------------|------|
| Brown, Stephanie | .351 |
| Lenn, Mallorie..... | .274 |
| Kotcheff, Alexandra | .269 |

Runs Scored

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| Brown, Stephanie | 22 |
| Kotcheff, Alexandra | 14 |
| Schoonaert, Sara | 10 |
| Ruthrauff, Meagan | 10 |

Hits

| | |
|---------------------------|----|
| Brown, Stephanie | 34 |
| Lenn, Mallorie..... | 26 |
| Kotcheff, Alexandra | 25 |

Doubles

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Brown, Stephanie | 7 |
| Schoonaert, Sara | 6 |
| Ruthrauff, Meagan | 6 |

Home Runs

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Kohan, Linda..... | 4 |
| Brown, Stephanie | 4 |
| Lenn, Mallorie..... | 3 |
| Ruthrauff, Meagan | 3 |

RBI

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Lenn, Mallorie..... | 19 |
| Ruthrauff, Meagan | 14 |
| Laing, Katie | 13 |

Stolen Bases

| | |
|------------------------|----|
| Brown, Stephanie | 14 |
| Schoonaert, Sara | 10 |
| Laing, Katie | 6 |

Walks

| | |
|-------------------------|----|
| Ruthrauff, Meagan | 16 |
| Brown, Stephanie | 12 |
| Schoonaert, Sara | 9 |

ERA

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| Fuemmeler, Kenya | 1.08 |
| Booth, Heather | 1.27 |
| Bargar, Brittney | 2.13 |

Innings Pitched

| | |
|------------------------|-------|
| Booth, Heather | 115.1 |
| Bargar, Brittney | 85.1 |
| Fuemmeler, Kenya | 13.0 |

Strikeouts

| | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Booth, Heather | 128 |
| Bargar, Brittney | 88 |
| Fuemmeler, Kenya | 9 |

Shutouts

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| Booth, Heather | 4 |
| Bargar, Brittney | 3 |

Season schedule has been/will be a challenge -

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

According to the latest rankings, the Irish will face (NFCA rankings first, followed by USA Softball) #-/25 DePaul #15/15 Northwestern and #18/19 Louisville. Notre Dame has already faced #10/10 Arizona State (3-2 victory), #4/4 Texas (6-5 loss), #6/7 Alabama (4-3 loss), #14/12 Oregon State (5-0 loss) BYU (8-3 victory), who has been in and out of the national polls this season and #17/17 Nebraska (5-3, eight-inning loss).

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

Under head coach Deanna Gumpf, the Irish have knocked off at least three ranked teams in three of four seasons (#25 South Florida, #4 Nebraska, #15 Oregon State in '02; #8 Nebraska, #14 Nebraska, #18 Nebraska in '04). The Irish have defeated a total of 14 ranked teams during Gumpf's tenure. The most ranked wins for the Irish came in 2001, when the team defeated eight teams ranked in the national top 25.

New coaching staff, new Gumpf Family addition -

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

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

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

Ruthrauff reaches career walks record -

Senior 1B *Meagan Ruthrauff*, Notre Dame's cleanup hitter the last three seasons, is not only a potent RBI producer (128 in three-plus years, tied for seventh on the all-time Notre Dame list), but she also has outstanding plate discipline.

Ruthrauff has drawn 94 walks during her career, surpassing matching Andrea Loman's (2000-03) previous Notre Dame career record of 87.

Ruthrauff has already drawn 14 free passes this season and ranks one-two on the single-season walk list at Notre Dame. In 2004, she drew a record 36 base on balls and followed up with 31 walks in 2005.

Ivy Field parking information -

Due to construction on Ivy Road, the access to Ivy Field is limited this season. For Saturday's doubleheader, Irish fans will be required to park at Frank Eck Stadium and walk to Ivy Field due to a home track meet. For the remaining games this season, the Alumni Field parking lot will be open (just south of the varsity soccer field and past the outfield wall of Frank Eck Stadium) and fans will be allowed to walk through Alumni Field to reach Ivy Field.

The University of Notre Dame softball team appreciates your patience with the access issues and thanks you for your continued support of Fighting Irish softball.

Notre Dame Team Highs

Team

Runs Scored

10vs. N. Iowa (3-4-06)

Hits

13vs. Kansas (3-4-06)

RBI

9vs. N. Iowa (3-4-06)

Doubles

5vs. UNLV (2-18-06)

5vs. Kansas (3-4-06)

Triples

1vs. BYU (2-17-06)

1vs. CS Fullerton (3-15-06)

Home Runs

2.....four times

Total Bases

19.....vs. UNLV (2-18-06)

Stolen Bases

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

Assists

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

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

Strikeouts Thrown

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

Individual

Runs Scored

3Brown, vs. FIU (2-25-06)

3.....Brown, vs. Providence (4-2-06)

Hits

3six times

RBI

4Lenn, vs. BYU (2-17-06)

Doubles

2Ruthrauff, UNLV (2-18-06)

Home Runs

114 times

Total Bases

7 ..Brown, vs. #10 Arizona St. (3-16-06)

7Kohan, vs. CS Fullerton (2-19-06)

Walks

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

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

Stolen Bases

2.....Brown, vs. Stephen F. Austin (3-5-06)

2Schoonaert, vs. WMU (2-26-06)

Putouts

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

Assists

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

Innings Pitched

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

Strikeouts Thrown

11.....Booth vs. Florida State (3-17-06)

11Booth vs. SFA (3-5-06)

11Bargar vs. EMU (4-4-06)

Ivy Field audio coverage -

Every 2006 Notre Dame home softball game will feature live audio coverage on www.und.com (*Fighting Irish All-Access* subscription required). This weekend's games will be called by assistant sports information director Alan Wasielewski and can be heard live on www.und.com. For those tuned into the Bowling Green game, power was lost in the Ivy Field pressbox during the extra innings contest. The problem has been addressed and live audio coverage will not be interrupted for this weekend's games.

Irish ALERT continues this weekend -

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

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

For softball, updates are sent when the weekly release is posted on www.und.com, when a schedule change pops up (delayed games, added games) and in the first, third, fifth and seventh innings of each Irish game.

Irish Players on the All-Time Charts

Most Doubles

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Melanie Alkire (1998-01)..... | 49 |
| 2. Elizabeth Perkins (1994-97) | 48 |
| 3. Jenny Kriech (1999-02) | 45 |
| 4. Andrea Loman (2000-03) | 44 |
| Sara Hayes (1992-95) | 44 |
| 6. Lizzy Lemire (1998-01) | 43 |
| 7. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) | 40 |
| Andria Bledsoe (2000-03) | 40 |
| 9. Meghan Murray (1994-97)..... | 39 |
| 10. Megan Ciolli (2002-05) | 37 |

Most Home Runs

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02) | 36 |
| 2. Andrea Loman (2000-03) | 31 |
| 3. Melanie Alkire (1998-01)..... | 30 |
| 4. Liz Hartmann (2002-05) | 27 |
| 5. Sara Hayes (1992-95) | 26 |
| 6. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) | 22 |
| 7. Mallorie Lenn (2003-current) | 16 |
| 8. Meghan Murray (1994-97)..... | 15 |
| 9. Stephanie Brown (2004-current) | 14 |
| Andria Bledsoe (2000-03) | 14 |
| 11. Megan Ciolli (2002-05) | 13 |

Most RBI

| | |
|--|------------|
| 1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02) | 174 |
| 2. Melanie Alkire (1998-01) | 167 |
| 3. Andrea Loman (2000-03) | 148 |
| 4. Sara Hayes (1992-95) | 137 |
| 5. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) .. | 131 |
| Liz Hartmann (2002-05) | 131 |
| 7. Meghan Murray (1994-97) | 129 |
| 8. Lizzy Lemire (1998-01) | 126 |
| 9. Andria Bledsoe (2000-03)..... | 125 |
| 10. Megan Ciolli (2002-05) | 101 |

Most Walks

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) | 96 |
| 2. Andrea Loman (2000-03) | 87 |
| 3. Jarrah Myers (1999-02) | 76 |

Most Putouts

| | |
|--|--------------|
| 1. Jarrah Myers (1999-02) | 1,337 |
| 2. Stephanie Pinter (1991-94) | 1,177 |
| 3. Mallorie Lenn (2003-current)..... | 1,139 |
| 4. Kris McCleary (1996-99) | 1,040 |
| 5. Sara Hayes (1992-95) | 964 |
| 6. Amy Folsom (1989-92) | 826 |
| 7. Meagan Ruthrauff (2003-current) .. | 794 |
| 8. Lisa Mattison (2000-03)..... | 768 |
| 9. Kelly Rowe (1995-98) | 655 |

Most Pitching Appearances

| | |
|--|------------|
| 1. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 154 |
| 2. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 137 |
| Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 134 |
| 4. Angela Bessolo (1996-99) | 125 |
| 5. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 122 |

Most Games Started

| | |
|--|------------|
| 1. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 132 |
| 2. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 117 |
| 3. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 113 |
| 4. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 97 |
| 5. Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 94 |

Most Wins

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 88 |
| 2. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 79 |
| Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 79 |
| Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 79 |
| 5. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 63 |

Most Complete Games

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 76 |
| 2. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 74 |
| 3. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 72 |
| 4. Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 65 |
| 5. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 54 |

Most Shutouts

| | |
|--|-----------|
| 1. Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 42 |
| 2. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 38 |
| 3. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 29 |
| 4. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 25 |
| 5. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 20 |

Most Innings Pitched

| | |
|--|--------------|
| 1. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 772.1 |
| 2. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 755.1 |
| 3. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05)..... | 744.0 |
| 4. Missy Linn (1989-92) | 670.0 |
| 5. Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 630.0 |

Most Strikeouts

| | |
|--|------------|
| 1. Terri Kobata (1993-96) | 907 |
| 2. Steffany Stenglein (2002-05) | 790 |
| 3. Jennifer Sharron (1998-01) | 728 |
| 4. Heather Booth (2003-current) | 715 |
| 5. Angela Bessolo (1996-99) | 445 |

2006 Notre Dame Softball Results

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Opponent</u> | <u>Score</u> | <u>W/L</u> | <u>ND Line/Opp. Line</u> | <u>Innings</u> | <u>ND Record</u> | <u>Pitcher</u> | <u>GW Hit/Run</u> |
|-------------|------------------|--------------|------------|--------------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Feb. 17 | Colorado St. | 4-5 | L | 4-5-1/5-11-1 | 7 | 0-1 | Booth (L, 0-1) | - |
| Feb. 17 | BYU | 8-3 | W | 8-11-1/3-5-2 | 7 | 1-1 | Bargar (W, 1-0) | Lenn/Laing |
| Feb. 18 | #14 Oregon St. | 0-5 | L | 0-3-1/5-8-0 | 7 | 1-2 | Booth (L, 0-2) | - |
| Feb. 18 | at UNLV | 6-4 | W | 6-11-0/4-6-2 | 7 | 2-2 | Bargar (W, 2-0) | Jaquish/Northway |
| Feb. 19 | vs. CS Fullerton | 3-9 | L | 3-7-0/9-10-0 | 7 | 2-3 | Booth (L, 0-3) | - |
| Feb. 24 | vs. Buffalo | 1-0 | W | 1-3-0/0-4-1 | 7 | 3-3 | Bargar (W, 3-0) | -/Glynn |
| Feb. 24 | at Fla. Intern. | 5-0 | W | 5-5-0/0-2-3 | 5 | 4-3 | Booth (W, 1-3) | Kohan/Hufnagle |
| Feb. 25 | vs. Memphis | 4-1 | W | 4-5-1/1-6-2 | 7 | 5-3 | Booth (W, 2-3) | Kohan/Kotcheff |
| Feb. 25 | at Fla. Intern. | 4-5 | L | 4-6-1/5-7-2 | 7 | 5-4 | Bargar (L, 3-1) | - |
| Mar. 3 | vs. #17 Nebraska | 2-5 | L | 2-7-1/5-6-0 | 8 | 5-5 | Booth (L, 2-4) | - |
| Mar. 3 | at Tulsa | 1-2 | L | 1-4-1/2-5-1 | 7 | 5-6 | Bargar (L, 3-2) | - |
| Mar. 4 | vs. N. Iowa | 10-1 | W | 10-8-1/1-7-2 | 5 | 6-6 | Bargar (W, 4-2) | Ruthrauff/Kohan |
| Mar. 4 | vs. Kansas | 5-2 | W | 5-13-0/2-5-4 | 7 | 7-6 | Booth (W, 3-4) | Kohan/Ruthrauff |
| Mar. 5 | vs. SFA | 1-2 | L | 1-9-2/2-7-0 | 8 | 7-7 | Bargar (L, 4-3) | - |
| Mar. 12 | at Cal Poly SLO | 3-1 | W | 3-8-0/1-5-3 | 7 | 8-7 | Booth (W, 4-4) | Brown/Kotcheff |
| Mar. 12 | at Cal Poly SLO | 1-0 | W | 1-3-0/0-6-3 | 7 | 9-7 | Bargar (W, 5-3) | -/Smith |
| Mar. 15 | at CS Fullerton | 2-3 | L | 2-3-1/3-5-0 | 8 | 9-8 | Booth (L, 4-5) | - |
| Mar. 16 | vs. #10 Arz. St. | 3-2 | W | 3-7-1/2-7-2 | 7 | 10-8 | Bargar (W, 6-3) | Brown/Brown |
| Mar. 17 | vs. Florida St. | 1-0 | W | 1-3-0/0-3-1 | 7 | 11-8 | Booth (W, 5-5) | Kotcheff/Brown |
| Mar. 18 | vs. #4 Texas | 5-6 | L | 5-5-1/6-10-1 | 7 | 11-9 | Booth (L, 5-6) | - |
| Mar. 19 | vs. #6 Alabama | 3-4 | L | 3-3-1/4-8-1 | 7 | 11-10 | Booth (L, 5-7) | - |
| Mar. 26 | at W. Michigan | 5-0 | W | 5-9-1/0-0-1 | 7 | 12-10 | Booth (W, 6-7) | Schoonaert/Smith |
| Mar. 26 | at W. Michigan | 2-1 | W | 2-6-1/1-3-2 | 8 | 13-10 | Bargar (W, 7-3) | -/Brown |
| Mar. 29 | Bowling Green | 1-0 | W | 1-5-1/0-3-1 | 11 | 14-10 | Booth (W, 7-7) | Lenn/Kotcheff |
| Apr. 1 | Connecticut* | 9-0 | W | 9-11-0/0-4-1 | 5 | 15-10 | Booth (W, 8-7) | -/Brown |
| Apr. 1 | Connecticut* | 2-1 | W | 2-6-2/1-0-1 | 8 | 16-10 | Bargar (W, 8-3) | Ruthrauff/Mola |
| Apr. 2 | Providence* | 4-1 | W | 4-9-1/1-3-0 | 7 | 17-10 | Booth (W, 9-7) | Lenn/Kotcheff |
| Apr. 2 | Providence* | 8-0 | W | 8-10-0/0-2-1 | 6 | 18-10 | Bargar (W, 9-3) | Lenn/Brown |
| Apr. 4 | E. Michigan | 2-0 | W | 2-6-1/0-2-1 | 7 | 19-10 | Booth (W, 10-7) | Schoonaert/Laing |
| Apr. 4 | E. Michigan | 1-0 | W | 1-5-1/0-2-0 | 7 | 20-10 | Bargar (W, 10-3) | Ruthrauff/Kotcheff |
| Apr. 5 | Akron | 2-4 | L | 2-4-0/4-7-1 | 7 | 20-11 | Bargar (L, 10-4) | - |

2006 Notre Dame Softball Player Bio Updates -

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

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

2006: Notre Dame's No. 2 starting pitcher behind veteran Heather Booth ... a confident first-year player capable of solid pitching performances ... throws hard with good velocity ... posted the biggest victory of her young career over #10 Arizona State at the Judi Garman Classic, allowing seven hits, two runs and striking out seven in Notre Dame's 3-2 victory ... picked up her first career shutout victory in game two at Cal Poly SLO, scattering six hits, walking three and striking out eight in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory ... pitched well in a tough loss at Tulsa, allowing five hits, one earned run and striking out nine in a complete-game 2-1 loss ... earned a short victory vs. Northern Iowa, pitching the first three innings of a 10-1, five-inning Notre Dame win, allowing three hits and striking out five ... picked up her seventh victory at Western Michigan by logging her longest career appearance, going 7 1/3 innings while allowing just three hits, walking four and striking out six in an eventual 2-1 victory in game two of the doubleheader at WMU ... pitched into extra innings for the second consecutive outing and earned her first career no-hitter in game two against Connecticut ... struck out six, walked one and allowed an unearned run against the Huskies in Notre Dame's 2-1 victory ... pitched five innings and allowed two hits in game two against Providence, with the Irish eventually winning 8-0 in six innings ... dominated game two against Eastern Michigan, striking out a career-high 11 batters ... recorded the last seven outs of the 1-0 victory over EMU via strikeouts ... saw her six-game win streak come to an end with a 4-2 loss to Akron on April 5 ... the loss was the first in a month for the righthander.

2006 Awards:

BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week (4-5)

2006/Career Statistics:

| <u>ERA</u> | <u>W-L</u> | <u>App</u> | <u>GS</u> | <u>CG</u> | <u>SHO/CBO</u> | <u>SV</u> | <u>IP</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>ER</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>SO</u> | <u>SO/7</u> | <u>B/Avg.</u> |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| 2.13 | 10-4 | 18 | 14 | 6 | 3/1 | 0 | 85.1 | 70 | 33 | 26 | 36 | 88 | 7.24 | .215 |

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

Career: Ranks among Notre Dame's all-time top five in appearances, wins, innings pitched and strikeouts ... poised to become Notre Dame's all-time leader in innings pitched, appearances and complete games ... with a strong finish, could become just the second Irish pitcher to post 800 strikeouts in a career ... 2003 BIG EAST Rookie of the Year ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Third-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2004 Second-Team NFCA All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team ... brings a five-game win streak into this weekend's action at Syracuse and Pittsburgh ... has not allowed an earned run in last seven pitching appearances.

2006: Staff ace for the Fighting Irish ... will carry much of the pitching load and provide leadership for Notre Dame's pair of rookie pitchers ... picked up first win of the season against Florida International (Feb. 24) with a five-inning complete-game shutout, striking out nine and allowing just two hits ... also picked up a complete-game victory over Memphis, scattering six hits, allowing one run and striking out 10 ... named adidas Golden Panther Invitational tournament MVP for her performance over three days, going 2-0 with a 0.47 ERA and 22 strikeouts in 15.0 IP ... took a hard-luck loss vs. #17 Nebraska, scattering six hits, allowing two earned runs and striking out seven in eight innings ... shut down a potent Kansas offense, picking up a complete-game victory with 7.0 IP, two earned runs and 10 strikeouts ... suffered a frustrating non-decision against Stephen F. Austin, allowing seven hits and striking out 11 in Notre Dame's 2-1, eight-inning setback ... it was the second consecutive 10 strikeout performance for the righthander ... evened record to 4-4 on the season with a complete-game five-hit performance at Cal Poly SLO, allowing five hits and striking out eight ... best outing of the early season might have come vs. Florida State, as Booth shut down the Seminoles in Notre Dame's 1-0 victory with three hits and 11 strikeouts ... the FSU game was suspended by rain in the fourth inning, but Booth returned the next day to earn the victory ... pitched well against #6 Alabama, striking out six and allowing three unearned runs in Notre Dame's eventual 4-3 loss ... earned second combined no-hitter of her career in game one at Western Michigan, throwing the first four innings, walking three and striking out five ... picked up second save of the season in game two at WMU, entering the game with one out in the bottom of the eighth inning with the Irish holding a one-run lead ... forced a pop up and then struck out the final batter of the game ... turned in the longest pitching performance of her career in a 1-0, 11-inning victory over Bowling Green ... worked 11.0 innings, walking two, striking out five and allowing just three hits ... forced 16 fly ball outs and 16 ground ball outs vs. the Falcons ... struck out five batters in four innings pitched in game one against Connecticut, winning Notre Dame's 9-0 game-one victory ... struck out eight and allowed just three hits (one unearned run) against Providence in game one ... shut down Eastern Michigan in game one, allowing just two hits and striking out six.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther Invitational Tournament MVP

2006 Statistics:

| <u>ERA</u> | <u>W-L</u> | <u>App</u> | <u>GS</u> | <u>CG</u> | <u>SHO/CBO</u> | <u>SV</u> | <u>IP</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>ER</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>SO</u> | <u>SO/7</u> | <u>B/Avg.</u> |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| 1.27 | 10-7 | 22 | 17 | 11 | 4/2 | 2 | 115.1 | 82 | 32 | 21 | 46 | 128 | 7.78 | .201 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>ERA</u> | <u>W-L</u> | <u>App</u> | <u>GS</u> | <u>CG</u> | <u>SHO/CBO</u> | <u>SV</u> | <u>IP</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>ER</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>SO</u> | <u>SO/7</u> | <u>B/Avg.</u> |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| 1.58 | 79-34 | 137 | 113 | 72 | 25/10 | 6 | 755.1 | 532 | 228 | 170 | 259 | 715 | 6.63 | .196 |

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

Career: Consistent hitter who piled up 131 hits (at least 60 each season) in her first two years with the Irish ... tied former teammate Liz Hartmann for the Notre Dame freshman home run record, hitting seven in 2004 ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Buckeye Invitational All-Tournament Team ... 2004 NFCA Leadoff Classic All-Tournament Team ... has moved into the top-10 all-time in career home runs with 14 ... played second base as a rookie for the Irish in 2004.

2006: Returns to the top of the lineup as Notre Dame's leadoff hitter for the third consecutive season ... a three tool player capable of slapping, bunting and hitting for power ... has recently shifted to leftfield after starting the first 23 games of the season in rightfield ... earned a spot on the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team after posting three hits (including a home run against FIU) and scoring five runs during the two-day tournament ... two for four with an RBI double and run scored vs. #17 Nebraska ... ended up one for one with two RBI (on sacrifice flies) vs. Northern Iowa ... reached in all four at bats against Tulsa, going two for three (reached on an error and error on a sacrifice as well) ... provided the game-winning hit with a two-run single in the top of the seventh in game one at Cal Poly SLO, bringing the Irish back from a 1-0 deficit and eventually leading to the 3-1 victory ... provided Notre Dame's biggest hit of the season so far, crushing a two-run opposite field home run in the bottom of the seventh vs. #10 Arizona State for a walk-off hit in the 3-2 victory ... that walk-off home run highlighted a three for four performance against the Sun Devils ... one for three against both Florida State and Texas and also posted a stolen base against both teams ... piled up three hits in game one at Western Michigan, going three for four with two singles, an RBI double and a stolen base ... finished two for four with a double vs. Bowling Green ... piled up three hits in the doubleheader vs. Connecticut, hitting a solo home run in game two and scoring two runs ... finished four for six with four runs scored in the doubleheader vs. Providence ... named to the BIG EAST Conference weekly honor roll on Monday, April 5, going nine for 17 over the week (.529) with two runs, two doubles and two home runs.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther Invitational All-Tournament Team

Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team

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

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
|-------------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| .351 | 31-31 | 97 | 22 | 34 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 12 | .546 | 12 | .420 | 14-14 | 20 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
|-------------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| .324 | 161-161 | 509 | 104 | 165 | 26 | 1 | 14 | 56 | .462 | 46 | .391 | 36-49 | 228 | 94 | 15 | .956 |

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

2006: Freshman pitcher has yet to see action while working through recovery from offseason surgery ... expected to see pitching time after Spring Break and work her way into Notre Dame's starting rotation.

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

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

2006 Statistics:

| <u>ERA</u> | <u>W-L</u> | <u>App</u> | <u>GS</u> | <u>CG</u> | <u>SHO/CBO</u> | <u>SV</u> | <u>IP</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>ER</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>SO</u> | <u>SO/7</u> | <u>B/Avg.</u> |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| 1.08 | 0-0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0/3 | 0 | 13.0 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 9 | 4.84 | .159 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>ERA</u> | <u>W-L</u> | <u>App</u> | <u>GS</u> | <u>CG</u> | <u>SHO/CBO</u> | <u>SV</u> | <u>IP</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>ER</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>SO</u> | <u>SO/7</u> | <u>B/Avg.</u> |
|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| 1.35 | 1-0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 0/5 | 0 | 20.2 | 17 | 7 | 4 | 13 | 14 | 4.85 | .218 |

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

2006: Left-handed hitter one of Notre Dame's top choices at designated player ... also the team's back up catcher in 2006 ... drove in two runs with an RBI single in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... picked up her fourth RBI of the season with a double in game one vs. Michigan (2-0 Irish victory).

2006/Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
|-------------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| .182 | 28-25 | 66 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 | .227 | 4 | .239 | 0-0 | 26 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |

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

2006: Provides depth in the outfield for the Irish ... one of the team's top pinch-running options ... has scored five runs as a pinch runner in 2006.

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
|-------------|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| .000 | 16-0 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | .000 | 0-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .000 | 25-0 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | .000 | 0-3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |

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

2006: Had made a switch from catcher to outfielder this season ... has rotated as one of Notre Dame's starting outfielders and is capable of outstanding athletic defensive plays ... broke open game one at Western Michigan with a two-out, two-RBI single up the middle to give the Irish a 4-0 lead in an eventual 5-0 victory.

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .161 | 26-23 | 56 | 6 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | .214 | 6 | .266 | 1-3 | 16 | 0 | 1 | .941 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .165 | 108-48 | 121 | 21 | 20 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 9 | .198 | 10 | .241 | 5-8 | 209 | 13 | 6 | .974 |

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

2006: Has the ability to play third base, outfield and catch for the Irish if necessary ... started in leftfield for the Irish at Cal Poly SLO ... has also been a catcher for the Irish during her career.

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .045 | 16-6 | 22 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .045 | 3 | .192 | 0-0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 1.000 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .205 | 113-72 | 219 | 24 | 45 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 20 | .279 | 17 | .271 | 5-5 | 171 | 11 | 3 | .984 |

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

2006: Has appeared at both third base and first base for the Irish this season ... also the top option for the Irish at DP when not in the starting defensive alignment ... slammed three home runs in her first collegiate weekend of action, earning a spot on the BIG EAST Conference Softball Honor Roll ... first career hit for the Irish was a three-run home run in the bottom of the seventh inning against Colorado State ... finished two for three against BYU and was hit by a pitch ... two for three with a solo home run against UNLV ... posted a personal-best three hits against CS Fullerton, going three for four with a solo home run, double and two runs scored ... finished two for four with an RBI against Memphis ... two for four with an RBI double vs. Kansas ... broke out of an 0-22 slump with a solo home run in the top of the seventh inning in Notre Dame's 4-3 loss to #6 Alabama ... two for three with a single, double and run scored in game one at Western Michigan ... had a single hit in game two against the Broncos, finishing the doubleheader three for six ... smacked two doubles in the twin bill with Eastern Michigan, finishing two for three in the doubleheader with a walk ... drove in the only two runs of Notre Dame's 4-2 loss to Akron with a two-out RBI double in the bottom of the seventh inning.

2006 Awards:

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

2006/Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .239 | 31-31 | 88 | 9 | 21 | 6 | 0 | 4 | 11 | .443 | 8 | .323 | 0-0 | 90 | 33 | 6 | .953 |

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

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

2006/Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .269 | 31-31 | 93 | 14 | 25 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 5 | .301 | 0 | .269 | 3-3 | 18 | 1 | 2 | .905 |

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

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

2006: Two for two with a run scored, walk and stolen base against BYU ... ended up two for four with a run scored and double against UNLV ... also two for three with an RBI in game one against Florida International ... showed signs of breaking out of her season-long slump against CS Fullerton, crushing her first home run of the season to highlight a one for three performance ... two for three with a double against #10 Arizona State ... finished one for three with a two-run home run against #4 Texas at the Judi Garman Classic ... has shown signs of breaking out of her season-long slump since the beginning of the BIG EAST season ... two for three with a double, triple and three RBI in game one vs. Connecticut (9-0 Irish victory) ... drove in three more runs and finished two for three in game two vs. Providence ... three for five with a run scored in the doubleheader vs. Eastern Michigan.

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .247 | 31-31 | 93 | 8 | 23 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 13 | .409 | 3 | .278 | 6-6 | 62 | 68 | 3 | .977 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .286 | 92-90 | 262 | 38 | 75 | 22 | 3 | 5 | 36 | .450 | 10 | .321 | 12-13 | 182 | 145 | 10 | .970 |

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

Career: Has been a top option at starting catcher for the Irish since her freshman season ... a streaky hitter who has proven to be a tough out in postseason competition ... 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team.

2006: Has shown signs of developing into consistent RBI producer in the heart of Notre Dame's batting order ... all three home run she has hit this season have been multi-run shots (grand slam, two two-run home runs) ... crushed her first career grand slam in Notre Dame's victory over BYU ... ended up two for four with four RBI against the Cougars ... finished one for two with two walks against CS Fullerton at the UNLV Desert Classic ... finished three for seven in the doubleheader sweep at Cal Poly SLO ... finished two for three with a two-run home run vs. #4 Texas ... also launched a two-run home run vs. #6 Alabama at the Judi Garman Classic ... drilled a walk-off RBI double in the bottom of the 11th inning vs. Bowling Green, driving in Alexandra Kotcheff with the game-winning run ... finished two for three with three runs batted in and one double in game two vs. Providence (8-0 Irish victory).

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .274 | 31-31 | 95 | 7 | 26 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 19 | .411 | 6 | .330 | 0-0 | 208 | 12 | 0 | 1.000 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .262 | 209-206 | 580 | 42 | 152 | 30 | 1 | 16 | 90 | .400 | 37 | .313 | 4-5 | 1139 | 86 | 9 | .993 |

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

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

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .118 | 10-5 | 17 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .118 | 0 | .118 | 0-1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | .667 |

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

2006: Working back into the lineup from offseason shoulder surgery ... will see action in the outfield or infield once she returns to full strength ... has made 14 pinch running appearances, scoring two runs.

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

Career: Started third season as Notre Dame's first base ... has shifted over to Notre Dame's starting third base since the end of Spring Break and performed well in the field ... has also seen time at DP, third base and shortstop during her career ... Notre Dame career leader in walks with 96 ... also ranks in the top 10 all-time in RBI, home runs, doubles and put outs ... 2003, 2004 First-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2005 Second-Team All-BIG EAST ... 2003 BIG EAST All-Rookie Team ... 2004 NFCA Second Team All-Mideast Region ... 2003 NFCA First Team All-Mideast Region ... 2004 FSU Invitational All-Tournament Team .

2006: Has started the season slow with the bat, but has been a consistent defensive player for the Irish ... has made a successful switch to third base after starting the first 21 games of the season at first base ... earned three walks against BYU ... two for four with two double sand two RBI at UNLV ... hit first home run of the season against CS Fullerton ... one for three with an RBI and walk in game two against Florida International ... crushed a three-run home run in the top of the first inning vs. Northern Iowa ... two for four with an RBI single and double vs. Kansas ... two for three with a solo home run vs. #10 Arizona State, keying Notre Dame's eventual 3-2 upset victory ... drew two intentional walks in RBI situations against Bowling Green ... one for two with an RBI double in game one vs. Connecticut ... two for three in game one vs. Eastern Michigan.

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .265 | 31-31 | 83 | 10 | 22 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 14 | .446 | 16 | .392 | 0-0 | 130- | 30 | 1 | .994 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .297 | 215-214 | 602 | 87 | 179 | 40 | 0 | 22 | 131 | .473 | 96 | .400 | 4-4 | 794 | 87 | 8 | .991 |

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

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

2006: Has been consistent at the plate and with the glove so far this season ... two for four against BYU with a double, RBI and stolen base ... two for two in game two against Florida International with a double, walk and stolen base ... named to the adidas Golden Panther Invitational all-tournament team ... two for four vs. #17 Nebraska ... posted third three-hit performance of her career against Kansas, going three for three with an RBI double, run scored and walk ... doubled and scored with one out in the top of the seventh inning against Stephen F. Austin, forcing the game into extra innings ... one for three with an RBI and single in game one at Western Michigan ... two for three with a double, RBI and run scored in game one vs. Connecticut ... finished the Providence doubleheader four for six at the plate with a run scored.

2006 Awards:

adidas Golden Panther All-Tournament Team

Best Western Airport Festival All-Tournament Team

2006 Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .267 | 31-31 | 90 | 10 | 24 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 9 | .333 | 9 | .333 | 10-12 | 55 | 40 | 4 | .960 |

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .243 | 209-163 | 415 | 70 | 101 | 19 | 5 | 0 | 42 | .313 | 31 | .299 | 26-38 | 273 | 222 | 29 | .945 |

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

2006: Returns as one of the team's top baserunner threats ... made her first career start in leftfield vs. Cal Poly SLO (game one) and posted her first career hit, finishing the game one for two ... also started in leftfield for the Irish at CS Fullerton ... picked up her third stolen base of the season vs. #4 Texas .. started in leftfield in game two vs. Eastern Michigan.

Career Statistics:

| <u>Avg.</u> | <u>GP-GS</u> | <u>AB</u> | <u>R</u> | <u>H</u> | <u>2B</u> | <u>3B</u> | <u>HR</u> | <u>RBI</u> | <u>Slg%</u> | <u>BB</u> | <u>OB%</u> | <u>SB-Att</u> | <u>PO</u> | <u>A</u> | <u>E</u> | <u>Fld%</u> |
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| .125 | 73-3 | 8 | 22 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .125 | 0 | .125 | 6-11 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |