

**2006 Notre Dame
Women's Soccer
(20-0-1; 10-0-1 BIG EAST)
(polls based on highest ranking)**

August

preseason exhibitions

16 vs. #8 Virginia (Traverse City) W, 3-0
17 Xavier W, 5-0

26 Iowa State W, 9-0
27 at #24 Mississippi W, 2-1

September

Inn at Saint Mary's ND Soccer Classic

1 #1 Santa Clara 3, Harvard 0
#1 Notre Dame 2, #19 USC 0
3 #19 USC 2, Harvard 0
#1 ND 3, #1 SCU 1(ESPN-U)

8 at TCU W, 2-0
10 at SMU (CSTV) W, 3-0
15 at DePaul* W, 5-0
17 at Michigan (Comcast Local) W, 2-0
22 at Cincinnati* canc. (lightning)
24 Louisville* W, 2-0
29 #6 West Virginia* W, 3-1

October

1 Pittsburgh* W, 5-0
6 Seton Hall* W, 5-0
8 Rutgers* W, 2-0
13 at Connecticut* T, 0-0
16 at Providence* (Cox-Sports) W, 5-0
20 at #9 Villanova* W, 4-2
22 at Georgetown* W, 1-0
24 at Cincinnati* W, 3-0
29 BIG EAST Quarterfinal
St. John's W, 3-0

November

3 BIG EAST Semifinals (at UConn)
#25 Marquette (ESPN-U) W, 2-0
5 BIG EAST Final (at UConn)
#18 Rutgers W, 4-2
(ESPN-U/BIG EAST affiliates)
10 NCAA First Round (campus sites)
Michigan vs. Wis.-Milwaukee 5:00
Notre Dame vs. Oakland 7:30
12 NCAA Second Round (1:00; at ND)
17 NCAA Third Round
-19 (campus sites)
24 NCAA Quarterfinals
-26 (campus sites)

December

NCAA College Cup (Cary,NC)
1 Semifinal
3 Final

* – BIG EAST Conference Game
All times local to site
Rankings indicate highest poll

2006 NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S SOCCER

vs. Oakland; NCAA First Round

Friday, Nov. 10 (7:30 EST) • Alumni Field (Notre Dame, Ind.)

The Notre Dame women's soccer team (20-0-1) – ranked No. 1 in all four national polls since early in the 2006 season – has been selected as one of four national No. 1 seeds and thus will have the chance to play at home through the first four rounds of the NCAA Championship, as long as the Irish can maintain their winning ways ... ND will open its quest for the program's third NCAA title (second in the past three years) on Friday night, Nov. 10, at Alumni Field, which will serve as the site of three total women's soccer games this weekend ... Friday's pair of first-round games will feature Wisconsin-Milwaukee versus Michigan at 5:00 p.m. EST, followed by ND versus Oakland (Mich.) at 7:30 ... the winners of those games then will return to Alumni Field for a second-round game on Sunday, Nov. 12, at 1:00 p.m. ... tickets are \$7 for adults and \$3 for children, students and senior citizens – with the first 100 Notre Dame/Saint Mary's/Holy Cross students admitted free of charge ... ND owns a 35-11-1 all-time record (.755) in the NCAAs (28-3-0 at Alumni Field) ... the Irish just won their 10th BIG EAST regular-season title and then won the BIG EAST Tournament for the ninth time, after a 2-0 semifinal vs. Marquette and 4-2 final vs. Rutgers (both at UConn).

HOW TO FOLLOW THE ACTION – Live audio and GameTracker stats for the ND games this weekend are linked at und.com, as is a live-stat link for the Michigan-UWM game ... fans are reminded of the new Irish Alert text-messaging system for free in-game updates of all ND sports (see the Irish Alert link on the und.com women's soccer page) ... the ND Sports Hotline has postgame wrapups after every game (574-631-3000, then option 4 and then option 2).

SEASON OF STREAKS – Notre Dame enters the Oakland game with:

- 243 straight wins when taking a 2-0 lead
- 97 consecutive games played by Jen Buczkowski
- 94 consecutive games played by Christie Shaner
- 37 straight home games without a loss (ND record; 36-0-1)
- 30 consecutive victories when scoring first
- 30 straight wins when Kerri Hanks scores a goal (spanning all of '05-'06 seasons)
- 26 consecutive home victories (three shy of tying ND record)
- 17 straight games holding the opponent to four shots on goal or fewer
- 10 straight wins at home in the postseason (all of 2004-06)
- 6 consecutive victories

TEAM QUICK NOTES – ND enters the NCAAs with an unbeaten record for the fourth time (the 1994, '97 and 2000 teams all started 23-0-1) ... the Irish own a nation-leading +60 scoring margin (67-7; 46-4 in 2nd half) and 16 shutouts (2nd in nation) ... ND has allowed just 43 total shots on goal (2.1/gm, pace for ND record) ... then-#1 Santa Clara was the only team with more than three SOG vs. ND in the regular season ... the score by #6 West Virginia on Sept. 29 was the only goal allowed by ND in a span covering 13 games and 1,137 minutes (shutout streaks of 545 and 592 minutes bookended the WVU goal) ... ND has 359 more total shots than its opponents (472-113) and 24 more goals (67) than its opponents' combined shots on goal (43) ... the senior class has helped ND win 91% of its games in the past four seasons (87-7-3), giving them the second-most wins of any senior class in the nation this season (UNC's seniors are 91-3-3) ... the seniors have yet to be out-shot in a game (avg. shot margin of 23-5 from '03-'06).

PLAYER QUICK NOTES – Sophomore F **Kerri Hanks**, riding a 7-game point streak, has scored (12) or assisted (13) on nearly 70% of ND's goals (25 of 37) in the past 12 games ... Hanks is averaging 1G per game (46) in her career and is 1A shy of becoming the 11th ND player to reach 30G-30A (she reached 100 career pts in 40 GP, tying an ND record, and became the quickest ND player to 40 goals in that game) ... Hanks (50 pts; 18G-14A) and freshman **Michele Weissenhofer** (43; 13G-17A) rank as the nation's top forward tandem (they are 2nd and 5th among the NCAA points leaders, with Weissenhofer the nation's assist leader and Hanks 3rd in goals) ... sophomore **Brittany Bock** (9G-5A) and junior **Amanda Cinalli** (9G-4A) round out a potent attack for the Irish, with their versatility allowing Bock to make a midseason shift from midfield to forward while Cinalli has dropped back into the mid-field ... five of Bock's goals have opened the scoring this season and held up as gamewinners (she has five goals in her past eight GP) ... Bock and sophomore D **Carrie Dew** missed the first four games of the season while competing with Team USA at the Under-20 World Championship (in Russia) ... senior M **Jen Buczkowski** has played all 97 games of the '03-'06 seasons, the 4th-longest streak of consecutive games played in ND history.

OPPONENT AND SERIES NOTES

INSIDE THE BRACKET – Notre Dame is the top seed in its portion of the NCAA bracket, with Penn State (15-4-3) the No. 2 seed, Rutgers (15-3-3) the 3rd seed and Colorado (12-5-4) the 4th seed in ND's quadrant of the bracket ... should the top-seeded teams advance to the third round (Nov. 17-19), Colorado then would head to Notre Dame with a bid to the quarterfinals on the line (tentatively Nov. 17 at Alumni Field; 7:30) ... if ND and PSU each advance to the quarterfinals, that game likely would be played at Alumni Field on the Friday night of Thanksgiving weekend (Nov. 24; 7:30) ... the other three national No. 1 seeds are North Carolina, Santa Clara and Texas – with ND and SCU lined up for a possible NCAA semifinal matchup on Dec. 1 in Cary, N.C. (that would be a rematch of the 2004 ND-SCU semifinal that was won by the Irish, 1-0, also at Cary's SAS Stadium).

CONFERENCE PRIDE – The BIG EAST Conference joined the Atlantic Coast Conference in placing seven teams (most from any conferences) into the 64-team NCAA field, representing the most BIG EAST teams ever to advance to the NCAAs ... the other BIG EAST participants in the 2006 NCAAs include Rutgers, West Virginia, Marquette, Villanova, Connecticut and Louisville ... the BIG EAST also joins the ACC with the most teams that will be serving as host sites this weekend (ND, UConn, Marquette and Rutgers).

WEARING THE BULLSEYE – The Irish are playing in the postseason as the nation's #1-ranked team for the fourth time (also '94, '96 and 2000).

20-20-20 ... – Notre Dame has reached 20 wins in each of the past four seasons and 11 times since 1994.

SPARKED BY DEFEAT – Since losing at Marquette midway through the 2005 season, Notre Dame has gone 33-1-1 in its past 35 games (only loss was to eventual 2005 NCAA champion Portland), with a 128-13 scoring margin in those games ... 12 of the goals allowed in that 35-game span have come from top-25 opponents ... ND now has logged 24 straight games vs. BIG EAST opponents without a loss (23-0-1), dating back to the Marquette loss.

WHAT'S AT STAKE – A win by Notre Dame over Oakland would:

- Give the Irish an unbeaten start through 22 games for the fourth time ... the 1994, 1997 and 2000 teams all were 23-0-1 before suffering their first losses
- Make the Irish 34-1-1 in their past 36 games, since losing at Marquette on 9/30/05
- Give the senior class an 88-7-3 career record (.913)
- Improve Randy Waldrum's record in eight seasons at ND to 162-23-6 (.864)
- Give Notre Dame a 37-1-1 record during the past two seasons ('05-'06) when Kim Lorenzen is in the starting lineup (5-2 when she was out in '05 due to illness)
- Improve Notre Dame's all-time NCAA Tournament record to 36-11-1 (.760), including 29-3-0 at home (67-13-1 in all postseason games/41-3-0 at home)

HOW THEY GOT HERE – **Oakland** (8-10-1) played its way into the NCAAs by beating Southern Utah in the Mid-Continent Conference semifinals (2-1) and then claiming the Mid-Con title in penalty kicks versus Western Illinois (4-3; after a 1-1 tie) ... **Wisconsin-Milwaukee** (16-3-1) was the Horizon League's regular-season champion but was upset by Detroit in the semifinals of its conference tournament (1-0; after a 4-1 quarterfinal win over Cleveland State) ... **Michigan** (9-7-5) beat Indiana in the Big Ten quarterfinals before losing to Penn State in a 2-0 semifinal game.

SERIES OPENER – Friday's game will be the first official meeting between Notre Dame and Oakland in women's soccer, although the Golden Grizzlies have played two previous games at Alumni Field ... Oakland jumped out to a 2-0 lead on Cincinnati in the first round of the 2001 NCAAs (at ND) before seeing the Bearcats rally for the 3-2 victory ... Oakland then lost to Michigan in the first round of the 2003 NCAAs (1-0, also at Alumni Field).

VISITOR'S CHALLENGE – Oakland will be attempting to do something that only three teams in the past 14 seasons (1993-2006) have managed to accomplish: beating the Irish in their first game ever vs. ND at Alumni Field ... since the start of 1993, teams facing ND at Alumni Field are just 3-42-1 (.076), including losses this season by Iowa State and USC ... ND's all-time record in series openers (regardless of site) is 77-25-2 (.750), including 43-5-0 since 1993 (.896) and 51-8-0 in all series opener played at home (.864; 26-3-0 since '93) ... the Irish are 5-1-0 in series openers that have come in the NCAAs.

FOUR-TEAM HOSTING HISTORY – The NCAA's 64-team format began in 2001 and Notre Dame has been a 1st/2nd-round host site each of the past six seasons ... Oakland joins Eastern Illinois as three-time NCAA visitors during that span:

Year – Participants (ND faced first team listed and then italicized team)

- 2001 – Eastern Illinois, *Cincinnati*, Oakland (Cincinnati advanced)
- 2002 – Ohio State, Eastern Illinois, *Purdue* (ND advanced)
- 2003 – Loyola Chicago, *Michigan*, Oakland (Michigan advanced)
- 2004 – Eastern Illinois, Dayton, *Wisconsin* (ND advanced)
- 2005 – Valparaiso, Bowling Green, *Michigan State* (ND advanced)
- 2006 – Oakland, Michigan, Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Notes: Michigan (2) joins Oakland as EIU as repeat visitors to Alumni Field during the current 64-team NCAA format ... the 18 teams listed above have come from the following conferences: Big Ten (6), Mid-Continent (4), Ohio Valley (3), Horizon (2), Mid-American (1), Atlantic-10 (1) and Conference USA (1).

VERSUS THE FIELD – Notre Dame owns a 10-0-1 record this season versus teams in the 2006 NCAA field (with a 26-6 scoring margin in those games), posting wins over USC (2-0), Santa Clara (3-1), SMU (2-0), Michigan (2-0), West Virginia (3-1), Louisville (2-0), Rutgers (2-0 and 4-2), Villanova (4-2) and Marquette (2-0) – plus the scoreless tie at UConn.

NOTRE DAME IN THE POSTSEASON

MCC Tournament	4-0-0 (all on road)
BIG EAST Tournament	27-2-0 (12-0-0 at home)
NCAA Tournament	35-11-1 (.755) (28-3-0 at home)
All Postseason Games	66-13-1 (.831) (40-3-0 at home/.930)

POSTSEASON NOTES

CAREER SCORING IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT

Amanda Cinalli	6G-2A (14 points), GWG, 10 GS,
Kerri Hanks	4G-1A (9 points), GWG, 4 GS
Jill Krivacek.....	2G-3A (7 points), GWG, 12 GP/10 GS
Brittany Bock.....	3G (6 points), 4 GP/2 GS
Jen Buczkowski.....	2G-1A (5 points), 12 GS
Michele Weissenhofer.....	1G-2A (5 points), 2 GS
Ashley Jones.....	1G-1A (3 points), 10 GP
Christie Shaner	1G-2A (4 points), 12 GP/10 GS
Susan Pinnick	1G-1A (3 points), GWG, 4 GP
Kim Lorenzen	1G-1A (3 points), 12 GS
Lizzie Reed.....	19 GP/1 GS
Lauren Karas	3 SV, 43 min., 2 GP

POSTSEASON POISE – Seniors Jen Buczkowski, Kim Lorenzen, Christie Shaner and Jill Krivacek have played in all 23 of ND's postseason games during the '03-'06 seasons, with Buczkowski and Lorenzen starting all 23 while Shaner and Krivacek have 21 career postseason starts ... junior Amanda Cinalli already has logged 19 career postseason starts.

CAREER SCORING IN THE POSTSEASON (BIG EAST & NCAA's)

Kerri Hanks.....	11G-6A (26 points), 2 GWG, 10 GS
Amanda Cinalli.....	8G-5A (21 points), 2 GWG, 19 GS
Brittany Bock	7G-5A (19 points), GWG, 10 GP/7 GS
Jen Buczkowski	5G-8A (18 points), 23 GS
Ashley Jones.....	3G-5A (11 points), 19 GP/3 GS
Jill Krivacek	2G-5A (9 points), GWG, 23 GP/21 GS
Christie Shaner	2G-3A (7 points), 23 GP/21 GS
Susan Pinnick	2G-2A (6 points), GWG, 10 GP
Kim Lorenzen	2G-2A (6 points), 23 GS
Lizzie Reed	1G-2A (4 points), 21 GP/1 GS
Lauren Karas.....	1 GA (0.25 GAA), 12 SV, 357 min., 7 GP/3 GS (3-0-0)

PROTECTING THE HOUSE – Notre Dame's 9-0-0 record at Alumni Field this season has included a 34-2 scoring edge (4 straight shutouts) plus the following statistical margins: 229-46 in total shots, 92-50 in shots on goal and 54-18 in corner kicks ... top scorers at Alumni Field this season have included: Kerri Hanks (22 pts; 8G-6A; 3 GWG), Michele Weissenhofer (21 pts; 6G-9A), Amanda Cinalli (13 pts; 5G-3A; GWG), Brittany Bock (10 pts; 4G-2A; 2 GWG), Jill Krivacek (8 pts; 2G-4A) and Jen Buczkowski (7 pts; 1G-5A).

FANTASTIC FOUR – Notre Dame and William & Mary are the only teams in the current NSCAA top-25 poll that have multiple double-digit goalscorers (2 each) ... Portland also has two players with 10-plus goals but one (Megan Rapinoe) is out for the season due to injury ... the Irish are close to having four players with 10-plus goals and currently have an unmatched four players with 9-plus goals ... eight previous ND teams have featured four-plus players with double-digit goals, most recently in 2003 (when Mary Boland had 12, Amanda Guertin 11, Katie Thorlakson 10 and Amy Warner 10).

NSCAA TOP-25 TEAMS

WITH MULTIPLE DOUBLE-DIGIT GOALSCORERS

Notre Dame (2) Kerri Hanks (18), Michele Weissenhofer (13)
 William & Mary (2) Claire Zimmeck (14), Donna Mataya (11)

NSCAA TOP-25 TEAMS

WITH MULTIPLE PLAYERS WHO HAVE NINE-PLUS GOALS

Notre Dame (4) Kerri Hanks (18G-14A), Michele Weissenhofer (13-17),
 Brittany Bock (9-5), Amanda Cinalli (9-4)
 Portland* Michelle Enyeart (16), Kendra Chandhoke (9)
 Texas A&M (2) Ashlee Pistorious (11), Suzzette Devloo (9)
 West Virginia (2) Deana Everett (18), Kim Bonilla (9)
 Florida Stacy Bishop (9), Ameera Abdullah (9)
 William & Mary (2) Claire Zimmeck (14), Donna Mataya (11)

* Note: Portland's Megan Rapinoe (10 goals) is out for the season due to injury ... the four ND players listed above have totaled 49G-40A (138 pts)

IRISH CLAIM ANOTHER TITLE – Last week's 4-2 win over Rutgers gave the ND women's soccer programs its ninth BIG EAST Tournament title in 12 years of league membership ... the Irish now are 27-2-0 all-time in the BIG EAST Tournament, winning every year from 1995-2006 except for 2002-04.

HANKS, LORENZEN NAMED MVPs – Sophomore F Hanks was named the offensive MVP of the BIG EAST Tournament, after totaling 3G-3A in the three games ... senior center back **Kim Lorenzen** fittingly was recognized as the tournament's defensive MVP.

BIG EAST'S BEST – Since joining the BIG EAST in the 1995-96 academic year, Notre Dame has produced the three individual teams that have totaled the most BIG EAST postseason titles during that span of 11-plus years: women's swimming and diving (10), **women's soccer (9)** and volleyball (9), followed by UConn women's basketball (8) and Pittsburgh men's swimming and diving (8).

RISING UP – **Michele Weissenhofer** scored both game-winning goals last-weekend (in the 2-0 BIG EAST semifinal vs. Marquette and 4-2 BIG EAST final vs. Rutgers), in addition to assisting on the gamewinning goal the previous week vs. St. John's in the BIG EAST quarterfinals (on a flip-throw) ... Weissenhofer has scored (3) or assisted (7) on half of ND's 20 gamewinning goals this season.

MISS NOVEMBER – Junior right back **Ashley Jones** has totaled 17 career points (4G-9A) and more than half of them (11) now have come in the postseason, with the junior Academic All-America candidate totaling three career goals and five assists in postseason play (including 2A in the 2006 BIG EAST title game vs. Rutgers).

EARLY WAKEUP CALLS – Prior to the recent games vs. Cincinnati, St. John's and Rutgers (in the BIG EAST title game), ND had scored multiple first-half goals in just three of its first 17 games this season (and never in back-to-back games) – before taking 2-0 leads into halftime versus both Cincinnati and St. John's ... the SJU game featured ND's quickest 2-0 lead (11:17) since the opener vs. Iowa State (8:33) while ND also claimed a quick 2-0 lead in the title game vs. Rutgers (9:40) ... the Irish still have not surrendered a 2-0 lead since the early 1990s, compiling 243 consecutive wins when claiming a 2-0 cushion.

SENIOR SALUTE

• Notre Dame's eight-member senior class has helped the Irish compile an **87-7-3** record spanning the '03-'06 seasons, for the second-best four-year win pct. (.912) in ND history, behind the class of 1998 (.921; from 1994-97) that was led by current USA National Team defender Kate (Sobrero) Markgraf and flank midfielder Holly Manthei (the NCAA all-time assist leader) ... a win over Oakland would push the senior class's win pct. to .912 ... UNC has the only current senior class with more career wins (91-3-3), among 310 D-I women's soccer teams.

• The seniors helped ND post a .939 win pct. (68-3-3) in regular-season games from '03-'06 while going 49-2-1 overall at home (.952) and helping set the ND record for home unbeaten streak (37/36-0-1, with 26 straight wins; both active) ... the seniors also are 33-1-2 (.931) in the month of October during their career and 38-5-2 away from home (29-4-1/.868 on the opponent's field).

• The seniors have combined to log 558 career games played (344 starts):

- mid. Jen Buczkowski (97 GP/91 starts)
- versatile D Christie Shaner (96/87)
- center back Kim Lorenzen (89/79)
- defensive midfielder Jill Krivacek (89/59)
- F/M Lizzie Reed (88/21)
- defensive mid. Claire Gallerano (47/6)
- forward Molly Iarocci (34/0)

'keeper Nikki Westfall (18/1; inj. in '06) ... Buczkowski, Shaner, Reed, Lorenzen and Krivacek have combined for 459 GP (337 starts) and could become the first five teammates from the same ND class all to appear in at least 90 career games (they join the 1999 seniors in having five with 88-plus GP) ... Shaner and Lorenzen (185 comb. GP/166 starts) form the veteran core of the Irish defense, as do Buczkowski and Krivacek (186 GP/150 GS) for the midfield ... those four – Buczkowski, Shaner, Lorenzen and Krivacek – have combined for 371 career games played and 316 starts.

• The seniors have played their roles in ND averaging 3.30 goals/gm (and a 0.48 GAA) in their careers, with 64 shutouts and 23 games with 1 GA in their 97 games (323-53/+270 scoring edge).

• The seniors have trailed in only 16 of their 97 career games, for just 6.5% of the total minutes from '03-'06 (558:01; avg. of 139 minutes trailing per season) ... the Irish have allowed three-plus goals in just three games of the seniors' career.

Four Years of Domination

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2003-06
Record	20-3-1	25-1-1	22-3-0	20-0-1	87-7-3
(Regular Season)	18-1-1	17-0-1	16-2-0	17-0-1	68-3-3
(Postseason)	2-2-0	8-1-0	6-1-0	3-0-0	19-4-0
	<i>four-year win pct.: 0.912 (.937 reg.-season)</i>				
Goals Per Game	3.04	2.54	4.40	3.19	3.30
Goals-Against Average	0.49	0.51	0.60	0.33	0.48
Avg. Scoring Margin	2.55	2.03	3.80	2.91	2.82
Shots Per Game	19.0	20.6	22.9	22.5	21.3
Shots Allowed/Game	4.8	5.7	5.0	5.4	5.2
Shot Margin	14.2	14.9	17.9	17.1	16.1
Shot On Goal Per Game	10.3	10.2	12.3	9.7	10.7
Shots On Goal Allowed/Game	2.2	2.6	2.2	2.0	2.3
Shots-On-Goal Margin	8.1	7.6	10.1	7.7	8.4
Shooting Percentage	.160	.126	.192	.142	.157
Shots Per Goal	6.2	8.0	5.2	7.0	6.5
Shots on Goal per Goal	3.4	3.9	2.8	2.4	3.1
Corner Kicks Per Game	4.7	5.9	7.0	6.3	6.0
Corner Kicks Allowed Per Gm	3.1	1.8	1.7	2.4	2.2
Average Corner-Kick Margin	1.6	4.1	5.3	3.9	3.7
Save Percentage	.774	.803	.722	.837	.790
Shutouts	15	16	17	16	64
Games w/ 0-1 GA	22	24	21	19	86
Games w/ 2 GA	1	3	2	2	8
Games w/ 3-plus GA	1	0	2	0	3
Overtime Record	2-0-1	1-0-1	1-0-0	0-0-1	4-0-3
1-Goal Game Record	4-3	10-1	1-1	2-0-0	17-5
Wins By 3-Plus Goals	11	9	21	8	49
Wins By 5-Plus Goals	5	2	10	5	22
Home Games	13-2-0	14-0-1	13-0-0	9-0-0	49-2-1
All Road Games	7-1-1	11-1-0	9-3-0	9-0-1	36-5-2
1st-Half Scoring	40-7	32-4	51-8	21-3	144-22
2nd-Half Scoring	31-5	38-10	58-7	46-4	173-26
Fouls Per Game	14.2	12.3	11.2	14.2	12.6
Yellow Cards (Red)	12 (0)	17 (0)	16 (0)	17 (0)	62 (0)

MOST D-I WOMEN'S SOCCER WINS DURING THE PAST FOUR SEASONS

(2003-06; prior to 2006 NCAAAs)

1. North Carolina 91-3-3
2. Notre Dame .. 87-7-3 (.912 win pct.; 2nd ND history behind .921/91-6-4, '94-'97)
3. UCLA 77-14-5
4. Penn State 75-10-6
5. Portland 74-10-8

MOST D-I WOMEN'S SOCCER WINS DURING THE PAST THREE SEASONS

(2003-06; prior to 2006 NCAAAs)

1. Notre Dame 67-4-2 (.932 win pct.; ND four-year record is .921)
2. North Carolina 64-3-3 (.936)
3. UCLA 57-12-2
4. Portland 56-7-6
- Penn State 56-7-3
6. Texas A&M 50-15-3
- Santa Clara 50-14-5

SENIOR SALUTE

BUCZKOWSKI PLAYS IN 97TH STRAIGHT – Senior M **Jen Buczkowski**, a 2004 and '05 All-American, has played in all 97 games of her career, the fifth-longest streak of consecutive games played in ND women's soccer history (see list below) ... senior D **Christie Shaner** is seventh on that list, with an active streak of **94** straight games played (plus 96 of 97 total games played) ... Buczkowski and Shaner have helped the Irish go 87-7-3 during their career (.912) ... Buczkowski is three games shy of becoming the sixth all-time ND player to appear in 100 career games ... by playing in five more games this season (26), Buczkowski would break the Irish record for career GP (101, shared by Meotis Erikson and Shannon Boxx) ... three other seniors are nearing 90 career GP: central D **Kim Lorenzen** (89), defensive M **Jill Krivacek** (89) and F/M **Lizzie Reed** (88) ... two ND juniors, F/M **Amanda Cinalli** and outside back **Ashley Jones**, have played in all 73 games of their careers (ND is 67-4-2 from '04-'06, for a .932 win pct. that puts them on pace to be the winningest class in ND history ... the top four-year win pct. in ND history is .921 (91-6-4; '94-'97).

NOTRE DAME CAREER GAMES PLAYED

1. Meotis Erikson (1997-2000; forward).....	101 (of 101)
Shannon Boxx (1995-98; midfielder)	101 (101)
3. Jenny Streiffer (1996-99; M/F)	100 (102)
Jen Grubb (1996-99; defender)	100 (102)
Holly Manthei (1994-97; M)	100 (101)
6. Kara Brown (1996-99; M/D).....	99 (102)
7. Monica Gerardo (1995-98; F)	98 (101)
Kate Fisher (1993-96; D).....	98 (98)
Jen Renola (1993-96; goalkeeper)	98 (98)
10. Jen Buczkowski (2003- ; M)	97 (97)
Kate Sobrero (1994-97; D).....	97 (101)
12. Christie Shaner (2003- ; D)	96 (95)
Vanessa Pruzinsky (1999-2003; D).....	96 (117)
Lindsey Jones (1998-2001; M/D).....	96 (97)
Jenny Heft (1996-99; F).....	96 (102)
Katie Thorlakson (2002-05; F)	95 (97)
Monica Gonzalez (1997-2001; F/D).....	95 (122)
Cindy Daws (1993-96; M)	94 (96)
19. Candace Chapman (2001-05; D/F)	92 (118)
Rosella Guerrero (1992-95; F).....	91 (91)
Amanda Guertin (2000-03; F)	91 (91)
Kelly Lindsey (1997-2000; D).....	91 (101)
Mia Sarkesian (1998-2001; M)	91 (97)
24. Anne Makinen (1997-2000; M)	90 (101)
LaKeysia Beene (1996-99; G).....	90 (102)
26. Kim Lorenzen (2003- ; D)	89 (97)
Jill Krivacek (2003- ; M).....	89 (97)
Michelle McCarthy (1992-95; F).....	89 (91)
29. Lizzie Reed (2003- ; M/D/F)	88 (97)

FOUR-YEAR PLAYERS FROM SAME CLASS WITH 88-PLUS CAREER GAMES

2003-06 (5)	Buczkowski (97), Shaner (96), Lorenzen (89), Krivacek (89), Reed (88)
1996-99 (5).....	Streiffer (100), Grubb (100), Brown (99), Heft (96), Beene (90)
1993-96 (3)	Fisher (98), Renola (98), Daws (94)
1997-2000 (3)	Erikson (101), Lindsey (91), Makinen (90)
1995-98 (2)	Boxx (101), Gerardo (98)
1994-97 (2)	Manthei (100), Sobrero (97)
1998-2001 (2).....	Jones (96), Sarkesian (91)
1992-95 (2)	Guerrero (91), McCarthy (89)

NOTRE DAME CONSECUTIVE GAMES PLAYED

1. Meotis Erikson (1997-2000).....	101 (of 101)
Shannon Boxx (1995-98)	101 (101)
3. Kate Fisher (1993-96)	98 (98)
Jen Renola (1993-96)	98 (98)
5. Jen Buczkowski (2003-)	97 (97)
6. Katie Thorlakson (2002-05).....	95 (97)
7. Christie Shaner (2003-).....	94 (97)

Note: Buczkowski could become the 10th ND player to appear in every game of her career (others, as listed above, include Erikson, Boxx, Renola, Fisher, Guertin, Guerrero and Thompson, plus Suzie Zilvitis' 82 GP from '88-'91 and Alison Lester's 81 GP from '90-'93)

- Midfielder **Jen Buczkowski** is a two-time All-American and was one of the final-15 candidates for the 2005 M.A.C. **Hermann Trophy** (she is one of four from that final-15 list who are back for 2006)

- Defender **Christie Shaner** is ND's fifth player ever named to the **all-BIG EAST team four times** (2nd team in 2003 and '05; 3rd team in 2004 and '06) – others are D Jen Grubb, M Anne Makinen, F Amy Warner and D/F Candace Chapman

- Four of the seniors previously have earned **all-BIG EAST** honors: **Buczkowski** (1st team in 2004, '05 and '06), **Shaner**, defensive midfielder **Jill Krivacek** (3rd team in '04, honorable mention in '06; also defensive MVP of '05 BIG EAST Tournament) and F/M **Lizzie Reed** (3rd team in '05) – with central D **Kim Lorenzen** named defensive MVP of the 2006 BET

- Buczkowski, Shaner, Krivacek and Lorenzen played key roles in the '04 **national-title** season (Lorenzen at right back, Shaner at left back)

- The eight players own an **average cumulative GPA of 3.44**, with all eight players above a 3.2 – and **seven at 3.39** or higher – while combining to pursue seven different majors:

- Claire Gallerano
(3.56 cum. GPA/American studies major)
- Molly Iarocci (3.55/management)
- Nikki Westfall
(3.47/entrepreneurship and Spanish)
- Christie Shaner (3.47/design)
- Kim Lorenzen (3.45/finance)
- Lizzie Reed (3.44/finance)
- Jen Buczkowski (3.39/marketing)
- Jill Krivacek (3.20/marketing)

Buczkowski, Shaner and Lorenzen were nominated for CoSIDA Academic All-America, with Buczkowski (third time in career) and Shaner (second time) named second team Academic All-District V

- **Lorenzen** is ND's **first solo team captain since** the program's first season (**1988**) and the Irish are **36-1-1** during the past two seasons **when she is in the starting lineup** (5-2 when she did not start in 2005, due to illness), with the lone loss in a recent Lorenzen start coming to eventual 2005 NCAA champion Portland (in the '05 NCAA quarterfinals)

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NOTRE DAME WOMEN'S SOCCER – BY THE NUMBERS

.755 (35-11-1)	ND's all-time NCAA Tournament win pct. (2nd in women's soccer history)
246-3-1 (.986)	ND's all-time record when scoring 3-plus goals (145-1-0 since 10/6/95)
243	Win streak when taking 2-0 lead (266-0-1 all-time)
161-23-6 (.863)	Randy Waldrum's record at ND
71-0-1	Home unbeaten streak vs. BIG EAST teams
70-3-3	Record in past 76 regular-season games
+60	Scoring margin in 2006 season (67-7)
49	Scoring streak that ended at UConn (10/13/06)
40-14-3	vs. NSCAA top-25 in Waldrum era
39	Games with 0-1 goals allowed in 2005-06
35	All-Americans (since 1994)
36-1-1	'05-'06 record with Kim Lorenzen starting
30-0-0	Record in '05 and '06 when Kerri Hanks scores
28	Wins in 2005-06 by 3-plus goals (in 46 GP)
27-2-0	All-time record in BIG EAST Tournament
23-0-0	Sunday record during the 2005 and '06 seasons
20	Notre Dame's current OT unbeaten streak (14-0-6)
19	Academic All-Americans (since '95; most in nation)
16	Shutouts posted by 2006 team (21 GP)
12	Notre Dame alums in the WUSA (2001-03)
10	BIG EAST regular-season titles (all but '98, '02)
9	BIG EAST tournament titles (1995-2001; 2005-06)
6-1-1	Record in NCAA quarterfinals (since '94)
5	Nat'l ranking for '03 freshman class (current seniors)
5	Starters remaining from 2004 national champs
4.4	2005 scoring average (goals/gm; led nation)
4.0	Semester GPAs posted by Ashley Jones in '04 and '05 fall (3.96 cum. GPA/accounting major)
3.42	Team's 2006 spring semester GPA (best among ND's 26 varsity teams)
3	Consecutive seasons that ND has been ranked #1
3	Multiple NCAA-title teams (UNC, ND, Portland)
2	Nat'l ranking for '04 freshman class (current juniors)

JONES ADVANCES TO ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICA BALLOT – Junior right back **Ashley Jones** (3.96 cumulative GPA, as an accounting major) has been named to the CoSIDA third team Academic All-District V team and now advances to the official Academic All-America ballot for the second straight year... senior left back **Christie Shaner** (3.47; design) and senior M **Jen Buczkowski** (3.45; marketing) each were named second team Academic All-District for the second time in their careers ... sophomore **F Brittany Bock** (3.45; business) and senior center back **Kim Lorenzen** (3.47; finance) rounded out ND's five nominations for the CoSIDA academic honors ... Jones, Shaner, Buczkowski and Lorenzen also recently were nominated for the NSCAA Scholar-Athlete awards.

FORD STEPS IN, LOREZTEN CONTINUES TO LEAD – Last weekend's action saw freshman **Haley Ford** again start alongside senior **Kim Lorenzen** at one of the central defender spots, in place of injured sophomore **Carrie Dew** (the '06 BIG EAST defensive player of the year and one of 33 candidates for the Hermann Trophy) ... Lorenzen's steady play and calm leadership played a key role in the semifinal shutout of Marquette, as ND totaled a 19-4 edge in total shots and owned a clear margin in quality scoring chances ... she then helped ND jump out to a 4-0 lead in the title game vs. Rutgers.

BOCK STARTING TO ROCK – Sophomore F/M **Brittany Bock** has six goals in her past eight games played ... eight of her 21 career goals have come on a variety of headers (also three rare header assists in her young career) ... Bock has 4G-5A in sixcareer BET games and she has gone over 50 points for her career (21G-14A).

BACK ON TRACK – Sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** has totaled 37 points (12G-13A) in the past 12 games, having a hand in nearly 70% of the team's goals in that span (25 of 37; 68%) ... six of her 14 assists have come on set plays (4 corner kicks, 2 free kicks) ... she remains on pace to set ND record for career goals/gm (1.00; would rank 17th in NCAA history) and points/gm (2.63; 21st) ... Hanks ranks 14th at ND in career points (121; 46G-29A) and 11th in goals (46).

A TRUE WINNER – Sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** has scored (5) or assisted (6) on 11 of ND's 20 game-winning goals this season ... Hanks also has scored (11) or assisted (9) on roughly half (20) of ND's 42 gamewinning goals during the past two seasons ... her 11 career GWGs and 31 career game-winning points put her on a four-year pace to break those ND records, held by Jenny Heft (19 GWGs) and Katie Thorlakson (56 GWP) ... Hanks has points in nine of 10 postseason games during her career (goals in eight).

MORE MILESTONES – **Kerri Hanks** (18G-14A) has reached 50 points for the second straight season, after totaling 71 points in 2004 ... he joins Cindy Daws (2), Monica Gerardo (2), Jenny Streiffer (3) and former teammate Katie Thorlakson (2) as the only ND players ever to reach 50 points in multiple seasons ... Hanks needs 2G-6A to become the 11th player in D-I history to reach 20G-20A ... an assist in the NCAA opener will place Hanks at the 30G-30A milestone quicker than any previous ND player (47 gms), aside from Streiffer (39).

JUMPING AHEAD – The BIG EAST title game saw **Kerri Hanks** score just 0:57 into that game vs. Rutgers, the quickest goal in 80 all-time postseason games for ND women's soccer ... it marked the second-quickest in any game of the Randy Waldrum era (since '99) and earliest since Oct. 20, 2001, when Melissa Tancredi scored just 27 seconds into a 7-0 win over St. John's ... current ND volunteer assistant coach Lindsey Jones had a hand in that goal, providing the secondary assist on a pass to Amanda Guertin ... the early strike marked the 13th time that Hanks has opened the scoring in a game with the Irish, already good for fourth on the Notre Dame list for career first-goals ... the Irish now have posted 30 straight wins when scoring first and are 30-0-0 during the past two seasons when Hanks scores a goal ... Jenny Heft (19), Rosella Guerrero (16) and Streiffer (15) are the only ND players with more career first-goals than Hanks (13).

RANDY WALDRUM QUOTES

Excerpts of Notre Dame head coach Randy Waldrum's postgame comments following the BIG EAST semifnal win over Rutgers follow below (see und.com for other quotes from Waldrum in the past week):

On the game's first score – "That was a world-class goal and we actually had made a mistake in their counter-attack. They kind of got in behind us but we won it back and countered out. Hanks made a great run, showing that great ability to make such sophisticated runs. When she got it in the left corner, all you need is one chance from her and it was a great delivery and then great finish on the score. You can't watch a game between Chelsea and Man-United and see goals better than that. It was a great turning point in the game."

On Kerri Hanks as a playmaker – "Hanks is developing greater vision to find teammates – it's something she's starting to hone in on and it puts her on that short list of the top players in the country. It's great to have a player who can score so many goals but who also set up her teammates. We always talk about finding players who have a great 'soccer brain' and who think about the game so tactically. Kerri is one of those players who 'get it' and tonight her runs were great, all of her free kicks from even 40 yards out were dangerous. She was on the money with her services and we put them under a lot of pressure with set pieces."

On Kim Lorenzen's value to the team – "Tonight you saw what I've been saying all along – that Kim Lorenzen is the player we can't do without. It's something that we see all the time. She had great covering position all night and she really has embraced the leadership of the team, especially with that back four. ... It's really frustrating to see a player like Kim go through her whole career playing at a high level and never get any sort of postseason recognition from the BIG EAST. It's as if our team gets punished for being good, because some players are going to be in the spotlight and they usually end up being the award winners. But we have plenty of others among the best in the conference. We always are going to have some great players be overlooked – but they all realize there is a bigger prize out there for the team as a whole and they just care about winning."

On the start of the game – "We started off a little slow and I was concerned at the beginning that Marquette's energy level was higher than ours. But once we got past the first 15 minutes, we played very well. We created a ton of chances and one of the things we didn't want to do was let them get in behind us. I was pretty pleased with that, although we made some bad decisions with the ball that created some counter chances for them. At the end of the day, we at least kept them in front of us. I thought Marcus [Roeders] really had his team ready to play. They are a hard team to play, very athletic, and they were prepared to play tonight. They are very tough off the counter-attack and did a really good job overall."

On Haley Ford's start at central back – "We've got to give Haley Ford some time to settle in at center back, because she has played mostly outside in the back this year and it's going to take a little bit of time to get that communication down with Kimmy Lorenzen. We still may end up with Christie Shaner playing some at the central spot but Haley gives you great pace at the position. Ultimately, that's what we recruited her for was to play centrally in the back."

On the rotating of the forwards – "It's a hard balance to want to rest players for a possible game on Sunday versus just worrying on the game at hand. We wanted a little more of a presence holding the ball up front and Courtney Rosen has done that for us, similarly to what Brittany Bock does. Courtney gives you another player up front who is comfortable on the ball and can strike a hard shot. Susan Pinnick has played well the past few weeks and really has done a good job simplifying things. If we've got the depth to do it, we need to be giving the starting forwards a little bit of a break. ... Amanda Clark was really good tonight, coming on to play in that defensive midfield spot in what was a very physical game. It's hard to find time in the midfield right now. She did a great job in giving Jill Krivacek some rest. Defensively, Clark is so good for us and as a great ballwinner."

On Amanda Cinalli's adjustment to the midfield – "Amanda Cinalli gives us a different presence to our midfield, because she is so mobile and athletic. She is so good running at people off the dribble. I've always liked to have something a little different with the players at each position. But there still will be times when we move her back up front. She clearly is developing into more of a playmaker out of the midfield. ... Cinalli's personality is all about the team and you will never hear from her about not getting an honor or not getting the attention. It's players like her that make good teams so good. You've always got to have players that do some special things for your team – like with Kerri Hanks as a pure goalscorer – but you also need ones like Cinalli and Clark who just want to do whatever the team needs. Cinalli never gets caught up in that other stuff. She just gives 100% all the time and you are not going to win championships without a handful of players on your team like that."

Looking back at the previous week – "It was a difficult week going into the quarterfinal game because of the makeup game with Cincinnati. It threw off our rhythm, with three games in five days to go along with a tough stretch of exams for many of the players. So we gave them two days off, because we thought it would be most beneficial at this time of the season. ... Looking back to last Sunday's game, St. John's is a much improved team from two years ago when we played them. It was a game where we could have scored two or three more goals. Our finishing could have been better. Our kids adjusted to the physical game and the opponent trying to take us out of what we like to do. You can see through the RPIs that everybody in the conference is better now and that's great for the conference. Ian [Stone] did a good job with his team this year."

On the recent set-play goals – "The set-play success that we are starting to rediscover is huge. In the 2004 championship season, we scored 12 goals in the NCAAs and four of them came on set pieces. This is a good time of year to be creating better opportunities off the set pieces. That really be a difference-maker."

TEAM NOTES

FOUR NOTRE DAME PLAYERS – MOST FROM ANY TEAM – UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR HERMANN TROPHY – Four Notre Dame women's soccer players (most from any team) currently are under consideration for the Missouri Athletic Club Hermann Trophy, which annually honors the nation's top player ... senior M **Jen Buczkowski** and sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** were among the original 25 players named to the M.A.C. Hermann preseason watch list and they now have been joined by two of their Irish teammates – senior defensive midfielder **Jill Krivacek** and sophomore center back **Carrie Dew** – among a group of 33 players on the current ballot ... the list typically is pared down to 10-15 players by mid-November and three finalists then are announced before the awarding of the trophy in early December ... the BIG EAST Conference features the most players (7) among the 33 candidates and six of those players are members of teams that competed in the BIG EAST semifinals ... in addition to the four ND players, West Virginia sophomore F Deanna Everett and Marquette junior G Laura Boyer were on hand last weekend at the BIG EAST semifinals... UConn senior D Nikki Cross, who joined Buczkowski and Hanks on the preseason list, is the seventh BIG EAST player on the current ballot ...

- UCLA (3) and Portland (3) join NF as the only teams with more than two players on the current M.A.C. Hermann Trophy ballot while three others (UNC, Florida State and William & Mary) have two players among the elite candidate list ... the 33 candidates include seven from BIG EAST Conference schools, plus six from the ACC, five from the Pacific-10, four out of the West Coast Conference, three from the Big 12, and two each from the Southeastern Conference and the Colonial Athletic Association ... the BIG EAST and ACC lead the way with players from four different teams on the updated candidate list.

- Dew is one of nine defenders among the 33 candidates, which also includes 11 midfielders, 10 forwards and three goalkeepers ... Buczkowski and Krivacek join the Portland duo of Megan Rapinoe and Angie Woznuk as the only midfield pairs from the same team on the M.A.C. Hermann ballot ... ND is the only team with at least one forward, midfielder and defender on the updated candidate list while UCLA's three candidates include a forward, midfielder and goalkeeper.

- Buczkowski and Hanks both were among the final-15 "semifinalists" for the 2005 M.A.C. Hermann Trophy and were two of just four players from that final-15 who returned this season (others are UNC forward Heather O'Reilly and Nebraska midfielder Brittany Timko, currently both seniors) ... Hanks and Dew are among the youngest players among the 33 players on the current ballot, which includes six other sophomores and UCLA freshman forward Lauren Cheney.

- The six candidates from the ACC include O'Reilly, UNC soph. M Yael Averbuch, FSU jr. F Sel Kuralay and sr. M India Trotter, Virginia jr. M Becky Sauerbrunn and Boston College sr. D Lauren Georges ... the five from the Pac-10 include Stanford sr. D Rachel Buehler, USC soph. F Amy Rodriguez and the three UCLA players (Cheney, jr. M Danesha Adams and jr. G Val Henderson) ... the WCC is represented by the three Portland players (Rapinoe, Woznuk and junior D Stephanie Lopez) and Santa Clara sr. D Marian Dalmy ... the Big-12 candidates include Timko, Kansas sr. D Holly Gault and Texas A&M jr. D Ashley Pistorious ... the other players on the ballot include: Tennessee sr. M Ali Christoph, Vanderbilt sr. G Tyler Griffin, the pair of William and Mary sophomores (M Danielle Collins and F Claire Zimmeck), Penn State sr. M Ali Krieger, Yale sr. D Christina Huang, Hofstra jr. D Sue Weber and UNC-Greensboro sr. D Shannon Donovan.

- Dew and ND sophomore F Brittany Bock spent the better part of eight months earlier this year training and competing with a U.S. Under-20 National Team squad that included five of the players currently being considered for the Hermann (UCLA's Adams, Cheney and Henderson, plus USC's Rodriguez and Portland's Lopez).

RUNNING THE SHOW – Senior M **Jen Buczkowski** has just one goal this season but her 10 assists are the second-highest season total of her career, behind the 11 during the 2004 national-title season ... her 74 career points (20G-34A) rank 23rd in ND history, one back of Stephanie Porter, and she stands 16th on the ND career assists list (34) ... by playing in the NCAA opener vs. Oakland, Buczkowski will tie Jen Renola and Kate Fisher for the third-longest streak of consecutive games played in ND history (98) ... Buczkowski's 91 career starts are tied with Kate Sobrero (Markgraf) for 10th in ND history ... Buczkowski totaled seven career assists in the BIG EAST Tournament, one shy of Katie Thorlakson's ND record ... Buczkowski is one of 23 all-time ND players to reach 20G-20A, as are sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** (46G-28A) and junior M/F **Amanda Cinalli** (29G-26A) ... Cinalli ranks 20th on the ND career scoring charts (84 points), three back of Jodi Hartwig.

RACKING UP THE W's – Junior G **Lauren Karas** is 31-1-1 in her ND career and owns a 0.33 season goals-against avg. that ranks 2nd in the nation and would set the ND record (LaKeysia Beene had a 0.36 GAA in 1997) ... Navy's Emie Barnes leads the nation with a 0.18 GAA.

JUST THE STATS – Notre Dame's statistical domination in the 2006 season includes: a 67-7 scoring margin that represents the 2nd-best scoring ratio (nearly 10-to-1) in ND history ('97 team was 15:1; 135-9); a 46-4 scoring domination in the 2nd half (2G by Villanova, on their field, and 2G by Rutgers late in the title game); only three deficits in 21 games, spanning 126 minutes of game time (6.6% of the total minutes this season); allowing just one team to come back and tie the game (Villanova); allowing no goals by unranked teams; 359 more total shot than its opponents (472-113); and just 43 shots on goal allowed (2.1/gm), giving the Irish 24 more goals than opponent shots on goal.

MAN WITH THE PLAN – Randy Waldrum's eight-year record at ND (161-23-6/.863) includes a .781 win pct. in "big games" (vs. NSCAA top-25 or postseason opponents; 61-16-3) ... the Irish are 67-5-3 all-time when playing as the NSCAA #1 team (spanning parts of seven seasons).

PLENTY OF FIREPOWER SET TO RETURN – Notre Dame is set to graduate two key defenders (Christie Shaner and Kim Lorenzen) and a pair of top possession midfielders (Jen Buczkowski and Jill Krivacek) but the team's non-seniors have combined to score 58 of the 67 goals this season (87%), meaning that the offensive firepower is set for 2007 and beyond ... in fact, the players who can return for the 2008 season have combined to score 70% of the goals this season (47 of 67): Kerri Hanks (18), Michele Weissenhofer (13), Brittany Bock (9), Carrie Dew (2), Susan Pinnick (1), Courtney Rosen (1) and Amanda Clark (1).

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CATCHING UP WITH THE IRISH – Senior M **Jen Buczkowski** had 1G-2A in the win over Seton Hall, making her the 22nd all-time ND player to reach 20 goals and 20 assists in her career ... Buczkowski has registered points in eight of the past 12 games (1G-10A), accounting for all 12 of her points this season ... her 74 career points place Buczkowski 23rd on the ND career points chart, a list that includes sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** (14th; 121) and junior F/M **Amanda Cinalli** (20th; 86) ... Cinalli (29G-26A) also is part of the 20G-20A club, as is Hanks (46G-29A; the 23rd to reach 20-20) ... freshman F **Michele Weissenhofer** (13G-17A) has points in 17 of 21 games this season and her 43 points rank 7th-best ever by an ND freshman (her 17A rank 4th-best by an ND rookie/most by an ND freshman since 1996) ... she is just the 8th Irish freshman with double-digit goals and assists in her debut season (Hanks, who had 28G-15A in '05, is the only other ND freshman since '97 to reach 10G-10A) ... Cinalli needs 1G-4A and Hanks needs 1A to join the ND 30G-30A club (a milestone reached by just 10 previous Irish players) ... senior defensive M **Jill Krivacek**'s 13 points this season (4G-5A) are six shy of matching her entire three-year total from '03-'05 (19; 5G-9A) ... five ND players currently recently were under consideration for Academic All-America honors: Buczkowski (3;39; marketing major), senior D **Christie Shaner** (3.49; design), sophomore F/M **Brittany Bock** (3.45; business), junior outside back **Ashley Jones** (3.96; accounting) and senior center back **Kim Lorenzen** (3.45; finance) – with Jones advancing to the final ballot (TBA).

SHUTDOWN DEFENSE – Notre Dame's strong team defense has limited its opponent to 43 combined shots on goal this season, in 21 games (2.1/gm) ... Santa Clara uncorked 10 SOG vs. the Irish on Sept. 3 (in a showdown of #1-ranked teams) but the other 20 opponents have combined for just 33 SOG (1.7/gm):

Opponent Shots On Goal vs. Notre Dame in 2006

0 (5)	USC, TCU, Louisville, Rutgers, Providence
1 (4)	DePaul, Pittsburgh, Seton Hall, Georgetown
2 (5)	Iowa State, Cincinnati, West Virginia, UConn, Villanova, Marquette
3 (3)	Mississippi, SMU, Michigan
4 (1)	St. John's, Rutgers (BET)
10 (1)	Santa Clara
Total (21 gms)	43 opponent shots on goal (2.1/gm)

NUMBER-ONE NOTES – Notre Dame is No. 1 in the NSCAA coaches poll for the seventh season in its history (also '94, '95, '96, 2000, '04, '05) ... ND is the only team to be No. 1 in the NSCAA poll each of the past three seasons ... Notre Dame is 67-5-3 when playing as the #1-ranked team in the NSCAA poll (46-3-3 in the regular season) ... ND is 40-14-3 vs. NSCAA top-25 teams in the Randy Waldrum era.

ANOTHER UNBEATEN REGULAR SEASON – The 2006 season marked the fifth time that Notre Dame has ended the regular season without a loss ... the 1994, 2000 and '04 teams also were 17-0-1 heading into the postseason while the 1997 team had an 18-0-1 regular season ... 2006 actually was the sixth time that the Irish have been unbeaten after 19 games, as the 2003 team was 18-0-1 before losing its final regular-season game that season.

STREAKS END, OTHERS CONTINUE – The recent 0-0 game at Connecticut ended the second-longest scoring streak in Notre Dame women's soccer history at 49 games ... it also halted ND's streak of scoring multiple goals in every game this season (13), tied for the third-longest multiple-goal streak in the program's history (the 1999 team scored 2-plus goals in 16 straight games) ... the 1996 and 2006 ND teams are the only Irish squads ever to score multiple goals in the first 13 games of the season ... the tie prevented ND from setting the program record for regular-season winning streak (would have been 21 games) ... despite the tie, ND reached the 14-game mark unbeaten for the sixth time in the program's history ... the Irish also remain unbeaten in their past 20 overtime games (14-0-6), dating back to the 1999 season-opening game with North Carolina (a 3-2, double-OT loss).

DEJA-VU ON FRIDAY THE 13TH – The tie at UConn duplicated the result from a game played nearly six years ago to the day (a 0-0 game on Oct. 21, 2000, also at Morrone Stadium) ... Notre Dame entered that 2000 and 2006 games at UConn as the nation's top-ranked team and had yet to lose prior to either game (the 2000 team started 16-0-0, the program's best season-opening win streak) ... ND still holds a significant edge (16-5-2; with four straight shutouts) in the all-time series with UConn but the Irish are just 3-2-3 in games versus the Huskies at Morrone Stadium ... Randy Waldrum's eight seasons as the Irish head coach include an 8-0-0 record versus UConn at ND's Alumni Field or neutral sites – but the Irish now are just 1-2-2 vs. the Huskies at Morrone Stadium during the Waldrum era.

WHO'S BACK, WHO'S GONE – Notre Dame lost four key regulars from the 2005 team, in All-Americans Katie Thorkelson (forward) and Candace Chapman (right back), along with the Academic All-America duo of goalkeeper Erika Bohn and midfielder Annie Scheffer, from the 2005 team that went 22-3-0, led the nation in scoring (4.40 goals per game) and allowed just 54 shots on goal all season ... top returners include two other All-Americans, senior midfielder **Jen Buczkowski** and sophomore forward **Kerri Hanks**, who both were among the final-15 candidates for the 2005 Hermann M.A.C. Trophy ... six others returned who have received all-BIG EAST honors, among them: versatile senior defender **Christie Shaner**, senior midfielder **Jill Krivacek**, junior forward **Amanda Cinalli**, sophomore midfielder **Brittany Bock**, sophomore central defender **Carrie Dew** and senior utility player **Lizzie Reed** ... the only returning starter who has yet to be honored by the BIG EAST is the highly underrated **Kim Lorenzen**, a senior center back who will serve as the team's solo captain in 2006 ... top candidates to fill the open starting spots included three juniors – forward **Susan Pinnick**, outside back **Ashley Jones** and goalkeeper **Lauren Karas** – plus freshman forward **Michele Weissenhofer**.

2006 BIG EAST SEASON HONORS

BIG EAST POSTSEASON HONORS OVERVIEW – Eight Notre Dame women's soccer players received 2006 all-BIG EAST Conference honors ... leading the way for the Irish were three of the major award winners, with sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** earning offensive player of the year, sophomore center back **Carrie Dew** taking defensive player-of-the-year honors and freshman F **Michele Weissenhofer** becoming the program's sixth player to be named rookie of the year (an honor Hanks earned in 2005) ... each of the above three players was named first team all-BIG EAST, as was senior M **Jen Buczkowski** ... ND's players on the second team included sophomore **Brittany Bock** and junior **Amanda Cinalli** (who each have split time this season at forward and midfielder) while senior left back **Christie Shaner** was named to the third team ... senior defensive midfielder **Jill Krivacek** rounded out the ND selections, as an honorable mention all-BIG EAST pick ... Shaner joined an elite group of five all-time Notre Dame players who have been first team all-BIG EAST in each of their four seasons ... Buczkowski and Cinalli each collected their third career all-BIG EAST honor while Hanks, Dew and Krivacek were tabbed all-BIG EAST for the second time ... Dew and Krivacek recently joined Hanks and Buczkowski among the 33 players who currently are being considered for the prestigious M.A.C Hermann Trophy.

FRESHMAN HONORS – **Weissenhofer** is the 10th ND freshman to be named first team all-BIG EAST (five others also have been forwards), with others including: F Monica Gerardo ('95), M Jenny Streiffer ('96), D Jen Grubb ('96), M Anne Makinen ('97), F Meotis Erikson ('97), F Amy Warner ('00), D Candace Chapman ('01), **Cinalli** ('04, at F) and **Hanks** ('05).

BEST OF THE BEST – The 2005 Notre Dame team became the first ever to produce four major BIG EAST award winners: Katie Thorlakson (top offensive player), Chapman (top defensive player), Buczkowski (top midfielder) and Hanks (rookie of the year) ... the 2006 ND honorees marked the sixth time that one team has taken home three major awards winners, with the previous awards hauls coming from three other ND teams led by BIG EAST coach of the year Randy Waldrum: in 1999 (defensive player Grubb, rookie Vanessa Pruzinsky), in '03 (defensive player Melissa Tancredi, rookie Shaner) and in '04 (Thorlakson and Tancredi) ... UConn's '95 team featured the BIG EAST coach (Len Tsantiris), offensive (Kerry Connors) and defensive (Sara Whalen) players ... the '97 season saw Seton Hall's Betty Ann Kempf named coach of the year while Kelly Smith was the top rookie and offensive player.

EIGHT IS ENOUGH? – Notre Dame is the only team ever to total eight or more all-BIG EAST selections in the same season, doing so six different times ... ND's 10 all-BIG EAST selections in 2005 is the most ever by one team, besting the nine from the '96 Irish squad ... the 1995, '97, '98 and '06 ND teams each have featured eight all-BIG EAST honorees ... West Virginia and UConn were second with five selections each on the 2006 all-BIG EAST teams, followed by Villanova (4), Louisville (3) and Rutgers (3) ... ND's impressive 1996 roster included six all-BIG EAST 1st-teamers – senior M Cindy Daws, freshman D Grubb, junior M Holly Manthei, senior G Jen Renola, junior D Kate Sobrero, freshman M Streiffer – plus three more on the second team: sophomore M Shannon Boxx, sophomore F Gerardo and senior F Amy VanLaecke (there were no 3rd-team or honorable-mention teams in '96).

FOUR-TIME HONOREES – Shaner is the fifth ND player to be named all-BIG EAST four times (2nd team in '03 and '05; 3rd team in '04 and '06) ... Grubb ('96-'99) and Makinen ('97-'00) each were first team all-BIG EAST in four straight seasons (the first players from any BIG EAST team ever to earn that distinction) ... F Amy Warner was a first-teamer in '00, '02 and '03 and a second-team pick in '01 while Chapman was first team in '01, '02 and '05 (all at D), plus third team in '04 (as a F; she missed '03 due to injury) ... six ND players have been first team all-BIG EAST three-plus times: Manthei ('95-'97), Grubb, Makinen, Warner, Chapman and Buczkowski ('04-'06).

FORWARD TRIO – Hanks, Weissenhofer and Cinalli/Bock are the sixth trio of forwards from the same team to earn all-BIG EAST honors, including four others from ND: Streiffer, Gerardo (both 1st team) and VanLaecke (2nd team) in '96 followed by Jenny Heft, Gerardo (both 1st team) and Streiffer (2nd team) in '98, then Thorlakson, Chapman and Hanks in '04, and most recently Thorlakson, Hanks and Cinalli in '05 ... Connecticut produced three first-team forwards in 1995 (Jana Carabino, Connors and Christy Rowe).

ONE-TWO PUNCH – Hanks and Dew pulled off the offensive/defensive double that had been achieved just three times previously in the 12-year history of the BIG EAST women's soccer awards (three straight by ND): by Connors and Whalen with the '95 and '96 UConn teams and then by Thorlakson and Tancredi in '04 and Thorlakson and Chapman in '05.

OVERLOOKED STANDOUT – Senior center back Kim Lorenzen, a four-year starter, once again was overlooked for all-BIG EAST honors, despite serving as Notre Dame's solo team captain in 2006 and being the backbone of a defense that now has allowed just seven goals and 43 shots on goal in 21 games this season.

BIG EAST AWARD HISTORY – A total of 25 ND players now have combined for 46 first team all-BIG EAST honors since '95, with that group including eight defenders combining for 15 first-team awards, four midfielders (12 awards), 10 forwards (16 awards) and four 'keepers ... Irish players have combined to win eight of the past 10 BIG EAST defensive player-of-the-year awards ... ND's previous recipients include Sobrero ('97) and Grubb ('98, '99), Chapman ('01, '05) and Tancredi ('03, '04) ... previous ND freshmen to be named the BIG EAST rookie of the year include: Gerardo ('95), Streiffer ('96), Pruzinsky ('99), Shaner ('03) and Hanks ('05).

DYNAMIC DUO – Notre Dame produced a pair of first-team forwards for the fourth consecutive season (Thorlakson and Hanks in '05; Thorlakson and Cinalli in '04; Warner and Mary Boland in '03).

REPEAT AFTER ME – ND's eight honorees include seven who earned previous all-BIG EAST honors: Buczkowski (1st team in '04 and '05), Shaner (2nd team in '03 and '05; 3rd team in '04), Cinalli (1st team in '04, 2nd team in '05), Hanks (1st team in '05), Bock (2nd team in '05), Krivacek (3rd team in '04) and Dew (honorable mention in '05).

2006 HONORS & AWARDS

Kerri Hanks (F. So.: Allen, Texas)

M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List
BIG EAST Offensive Player of Year
BIG EAST Tournament Offensive MVP
First Team All-BIG EAST
Soccer America and *SoccerTimes* National Player of the Week – week-7 (Oct. 2-8)
Soccer Buzz and *Top Drawer Soccer* National Player of the Week – week-7 (Oct. 2-8)
Soccer America and *Soccer Buzz* National Team of the Week – week-10 (Oct. 30-Nov. 5)
BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week – week-7 (Oct. 2-8)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll – week-9 (Oct. 16-22)
Soccer America Preseason All-American
Soccer Buzz Preseason All-American

Jen Buczkowski (M. Sr.: Elk Grove, Illinois)

M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List
First Team All-BIG EAST
CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-District V
Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament Team
NSCAA Scholar-Athlete nominee (TBA)

Carrie Dew (D. So.: Encinitas, California)

M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List (updated nominee)
First Team All-BIG EAST
Soccer Times National Player of the Week – week-5 (Sept. 18-24)
Soccer America / *TD Soccer* / *S. Buzz* National Teams of the Week – week-5 (Sept. 18-24)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week – week-5 (Sept. 18-24)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll – week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1); week-9 (Oct. 16-22)

Jill Krivacek (M. Sr.: Geneva, Illinois)

M.A.C. Hermann Trophy Watch List (updated nominee)
All-BIG EAST Honorable Mention
Soccer America National Team of the Week – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
Notre Dame Classic Defensive MVP

Michele Weissenhofer (F. Fr.: Naperville, Illinois)

BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Year
First Team All-BIG EAST
Soccer America National Player of the Week – week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
TD Soccer National Player of Week – week-4 (Sept. 11-17); week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
S. Times National Player of Week Runner-Up ("best of rest") – week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
Soccer Buzz National Team of the Week – week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week – week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
BIG EAST Rookie of Week – week-1 (Aug. 21-27); week-4 (Sept. 11-17)
Notre Dame Classic All-Tournament Team

Amanda Cinalli (M/F. Jr.: Maple Heights, Ohio)

Second Team All-BIG EAST
Soccer America National Player of the Week – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
Soccer Times National Player of Week Runner-Up ("best of the rest") – Aug. 28-Sept. 3
Soccer Buzz and *TD Soccer* National Teams of the Week – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Week – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
Notre Dame Classic Offensive MVP

Brittany Bock (F/M. So.: Naperville, Illinois)

Second Team All-BIG EAST
Top Drawer Soccer and *Soccer Buzz* National Teams of the Week – week-10 (Oct. 23-29)

Christie Shaner (D. Sr.: Ambler, Pennsylvania)

Third Team All-BIG EAST
CoSIDA Second Team Academic All-District V
Top Drawer Soccer – National Team of the Week – week-3 (Sept. 4-10)
BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll – week-3 (Sept. 4-10)
NSCAA Scholar-Athlete nominee (TBA)

Ashley Jones (M. Jr.: Westlake Village, California)

CoSIDA First Team Academic All-District V and Academic All-America nominee (TBA)
Soccer America National Team of the Week – week-4 (Sept. 11-17)
Top Drawer Soccer – National Team of the Week – week-4 (Sept. 11-17)
BIG EAST Defensive Player of the Week – week-4 (Sept. 11-17)
NSCAA Scholar-Athlete nominee (TBA)

Kim Lorenzen (D. Sr.: Naperville, Illinois)

BIG EAST Tournament Defensive MVP
BIG EAST Honor Roll – week-1 (Aug. 21-27); week-6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1); wk-7 (Oct. 2-6)
NSCAA Scholar-Athlete nominee (TBA)

Lauren Karas (G. Jr.: Flower Mound, Texas)

BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll – week-2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
Notre Dame Classic Goalkeeper MVP

NATIONAL PLAYER-OF-THE-WEEK QUARTET – Four different members of the 2006 Notre Dame women's soccer team have been named a national player of the week (most by any team):

Amanda Cinalli (F/M; Jr.)

Soccer America national player of week
Week 2 (Aug. 28-Sept. 3)
1G vs. USC (2-0), 2G-1A vs. SCU (3-1)

Carrie Dew (D; So.)

Soccer Times national player of week
Week 5 (Sept. 19-24)
GWG vs. LOU (ND all. 0 SOG, 1 CK)

Michele Weissenhofer (F; Fr.)

Soccer America; *Top Drawer Soccer*
Week 6 (Sept. 25-Oct. 1)
G-A vs. WVU (3-1), 2G vs. Pitts (5-0)

Kerri Hanks (F; So.)

Soccer America; *Soccer Times*
Week 7 (Oct. 2-8)
3G-1A vs. SHU (5-0), 2A vs. RU (2-0)

ACADEMIC ELITE – The Notre Dame women's soccer program's academic tradition includes the team's 3.42 GPA in the 2006 semester that represented the best among Notre Dame's 26 varsity programs ... several players are top candidates for national academic honors, led by junior D **Ashley Jones** and her 3.96 cumulative GPA as an accounting major (her 19 classes have produced 17 A grades and two A-minuses) ... other top candidates for academic honors include senior M **Jen Buczkowski** (3.39, marketing), senior D **Kim Lorenzen** (3.45, finance), senior D **Christie Shaner** (3.47, design), sophomore M **Brittany Bock** (3.45, business) and soph. D **Carrie Dew** (3.33, business).

RENOLA NAMED TO 25-YEAR ANNIVERSARY TEAM

– Former ND All-America goalkeeper **Jen Renola**, who headlined Notre Dame's 18 shutouts during the 1995 NCAA championship season (including all six postseason games), recently was named by the NCAA to its version of the Division I Women's Soccer 25th Anniversary Team ... the elite 11-player squad coincidentally includes players from all six of the teams that have won NCAA titles ... Renola was the NSCAA 1996 national player of the year and she went on to receive several other noteworthy honors, including the prestigious NCAA Top VIII Award, CoSIDA Academic All-American of the Year and the NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship (3.67 cumulative GPA, as a double major in English and computer applications ... the three-year All-American started all 98 games of her career from 1993-96 (87-8-3 record), with 62 shutouts (32 solo) ... the anniversary team included six forwards but just two midfielders and two defenders.

STATISTICAL LEADERS

NOTRE DAME AMONG THE NCAA STATISTICAL LEADERS

Michele Weissenhofer 1st in assists (17), 5th in points (54), 19th in goals (13)
Kerri Hanks 2nd in points (50), 4th in goals (18), 4th in assists (14)
Jen Buczkowski 15th in assists (10)
Lauren Karas 2nd in goals-against average (0.32)
Notre Dame 1st in scoring margin (+60; 67-7)
Notre Dame 2nd in goals-against average (0.33)
Notre Dame 6th in goals per game (3.19)
Notre Dame 2nd in shutouts (16)
Notre Dame 11th-most goals in a game (9, vs. Iowa State)
Notre Dame only D-I team (among 310) that has yet to lose

DOUBLE-DOUBLES – Notre Dame's **Michele Weissenhofer** (13G-17A) and **Kerri Hanks** (18G-14A) are two of just six players in the nation to reach 10 goals and 10 assists this season and they are the only players to reach both 13G and 13A ... there are only two other players in the 64-team NCAA Tournament field who have reached 10G-10A this season: Denver's Taryn Hemmings (16G-11A) and Navy's Megan Curry (12G-15A) ... others include Middle Tennessee's Holly Grogan (15G-12A) and Monmouth's Andrea Lopez (13G-10A) ... Hanks also had 28G-15A in 2005.

NCAA RECORD BOOK WATCH – Notre Dame's current 27-game home winning streak ranks ninth in NCAA history, behind: UNC's 84 ('86-'94) and 40 ('81-'84), Penn State's 39 ('01-'04), Santa Clara's 32 ('97-'00), UNC's 31 ('99-'02) and 29 ('96-'99), and ND's 29 ('99-'01) and 28 ('92-'95).

NCAA STAT NOTES – Notre Dame (3.19 gpg/6th; 0.33 GAA/2nd) joins Denver and Navy as teams that are ranked in the top-10 nationally for both scoring and defense ... the only team with more shutouts than ND (16) is Navy (18) ... ND is the nation's only unbeaten team ... the only player with more points than ND's **Kerri Hanks** (50) is Middle Tennessee's Kala Morgan (52) ... ND's **Michele Weissenhofer** is fifth on the NCAA scoring charts, behind Morgan, Hanks, Alabama A&M's Belinda Kanda (49) and Niagara's Brittany Bisnott (45) ... Morgan (22), Bisnott (21) and Kanda (20) are the only players with more goals than Hanks (18) ... ND's **Lauren Karas** owns the nation's 2nd-best goals-against avg. (0.32), behind Navy's Lizzie Barnes (0.17) ... Hanks has the most points and second-most goals of any player in the 2006 NCAA field (Weissenhofer has the third-most points among players in the 2006 NAAs) ... Weissenhofer's point and assists totals are the most among any freshman in Division I while her 13 goals rank 4th-most among the nation's freshmen, behind three players with 16 goals each (UCLA's Lauren Cheney, Portland's Michelle Enyeart and Colorado's Nikki Marshall).

ND RECORD BOOK PROJECTIONS – Notre Dame's current 0.33 team goals-against avg. is on pace to break the ND record of 0.36 (set in 1997) ... that 1997 team also holds the record for fewest goals allowed (9), with the 2006 team only yielding seven goals so far this season ... the Irish are allowing just 2.05 shots on goal per game, on pace to break that record (2.12, also in 1997) ... the 16 shutouts this season tie for 4th in ND history (the 1995 and '97 teams had 18 shutouts while the 2005 team posted 17) ... ND is allowing 5.4 total shots per game (would rank 4th in ND history, behind the 4.0 in '97, 4.8 in '03 and 5.0 in '05) ... the Irish posted nine wins on the opponent's field this season (one shy of the 1997 team's record total of 10).

NOTRE DAME AMONG THE BIG EAST STAT LEADERS (OVERALL)

Kerri Hanks 1st in points (50), goals (18) and shots (103), 2nd in assists (14) and gamewinning goals (5)
Michele Weissenhofer 1st in assists (16), 2nd in points (43) and shots (70), 3rd in goals (13)
Brittany Bock 2nd in gamewinning goals (5), 5th in goals (9) and shots (66), 7th in points (23)
Amanda Cinalli 5th in goals (9), 9th in points (22)
Jen Buczkowski 4th in assists (10)
Lauren Karas 1st in goals-against average (0.32), 4th in solo shutouts (10) and save pct. (.838)
Notre Dame 1st in goals (67), goals/gm (3.2), GAA (0.44), shutouts (16), shots/gm (22.5); 2nd in CKs/gm (6.3)

NOTRE DAME AMONG THE BIG EAST STAT LEADERS (CONFERENCE GAMES, regular-season)

Kerri Hanks 1st in points (31), goals (10), assists (11) and shots (56), 5th in gamewinning goals (2)
Michele Weissenhofer 2nd in assists (6), 3rd in points (22) and goals (8), 4th in shots (40)
Brittany Bock 1st in gamewinning goals (4), 2nd in shots (42), 4th in points (14), 5th in goals (5), 7th in assists (4)
Jen Buczkowski 2nd in assists (6)
Carrie Dew 5th in gamewinning goals (2)
Lauren Karas 2nd in goals-against average (0.31), 4th in solo shutouts (6)
Notre Dame 1st in scoring (3.2/gm), GAA (0.27), shots (23.9) and shutouts (9), 4th in CKs (5.4)

LONGEST HOME UNBEATEN STREAKS IN DIVISION-I WOMEN'S SOCCER HISTORY

1. North Carolina	84 (1986-94)
2. North Carolina	56 (1999-2004)
3. North Carolina	40 (1981-84)
4. Notre Dame	37 (2004-06; 36-0-1, active)
5. Santa Clara	32 (1997-2000)

RARE SCORELESS TIE – Notre Dame's 19-year women's soccer history includes just six scoreless ties in 442 total games played, with two coming at UConn (in 2000 and '06), also vs. Dayton in '91, North Carolina in '94, Stanford in '03 and Rutgers in '04 ... the 0-0 game vs. UNC (in St. Louis) halted the Tar Heels' NCAA-record winning streak at 92 games.

STATISTICAL LEADERS

POINTS	GP	G	A	Pts
1. Kerri Hanks	21	18	14	50
2. Michele Weissenhofer	21	13	17	43
3. Brittany Bock	16	9	5	23
4. Amanda Cinalli	21	9	4	22
5. Jill Krivacek	21	4	5	13
6. Jen Buczkowski	21	1	10	12
7. Ashley Jones	11	2	4	8
8. Susan Pinnick	20	1	5	7

GOALS	GP	G
1. Kerri Hanks	21	18
2. Michele Weissenhofer	21	13
3. Amanda Cinalli	21	9
Brittany Bock	16	9
5. Jill Krivacek	21	4
Lizzie Reed	16	2
Carrie Dew	14	2
6. Ashley Jones	21	2

GAME-WINNING GOALS	GP	GWG
Kerri Hanks	21	5
Brittany Bock	16	5
Michele Weissenhofer	21	3
Carrie Dew	14	2

One for Amanda Cinalli, Jill Krivacek and Amanda Clark (plus own-goal)

GAME-WINNING ASSISTS	GP	GWA
Michele Weissenhofer	6	
Kerri Hanks	6	
Jill Krivacek	2	
Jen Buczkowski	2	

One for Becca Mendoza, Ashley Jones, Susan Pinnick, Amanda Cinalli, Brittany Bock

GAME-WINNING POINTS	GWG	GWA	GW Pts
Kerri Hanks	5	6	16
Michele Weissenhofer	3	6	12
Brittany Bock	5	1	11
Jill Krivacek	1	2	4
Amanda Cinalli	1	1	3

ASSISTS	GP	A
1. Michele Weissenhofer	21	17
2. Kerri Hanks	21	14
3. Jen Buczkowski	21	10
4. Jill Krivacek	21	5
Brittany Bock	16	5
Susan Pinnick	20	5
7. Ashley Jones	21	4
Amanda Cinalli	21	4
9. Courtney Rosen	14	3

SHOTS	GP	Sh
1. Kerri Hanks	21	103
2. Michele Weissenhofer	21	70
3. Brittany Bock	16	66
4. Amanda Cinalli	21	50
5. Jen Buczkowski	21	31
6. Susan Pinnick	20	29
Courtney Rosen	14	29

SHOT PCT. (min. 15 shots)	Shot% (G-Shots)
1. Jill Krivacek	.190 (4-21)
2. Michele Weissenhofer	.186 (13-70)
3. Amanda Cinalli	.180 (9-50)
4. Kerri Hanks	.175 (18-103)
5. Brittany Bock	.136 (9-66)

SHOTS ON GOAL	GP	SOG
1. Kerri Hanks	21	48
2. Michele Weissenhofer	21	36
3. Brittany Bock	16	33
4. Amanda Cinalli	21	22

MINUTES PLAYED	GP	MP
1. Christie Shaner		1,711
2. Jen Buczkowski		1,638
3. Kerri Hanks		1,574
4. Kim Lorenzen		1,556
5. Ashley Jones		1,516
6. Jill Krivacek		1,489
7. Lauren Karas		1,468
8. Amanda Cinalli		1,404
9. Michele Weissenhofer		1,210
10. Brittany Bock		1,131

NOTRE DAME CAREER HIGHS

<u>Player</u>	<u>Goals</u>	<u>Assists</u>	<u>Points</u>
Kerri Hanks	4 (vs. Vermont in '05)	2 ('05-vs. DePaul, PC, G'town) ('06-vs. Pitt, Rutgers, Marquette)	8 (4G vs. Vermont in '05) 7 (3G-1A vs. UNH '05, SHU '06)
Jen Buczkowski	2 (vs. OK and LOY in '03)	2 ('04-Baylor, SHU, St. John's) ('06-Seton Hall, Rutgers/BET)	5 (2G-1A vs. Oklahoma in '03)
Amanda Cinalli	2 (vs. Baylor and Portland in '04) (Valparaiso in '05; SCU in '06)	2 ('04-vs. Michigan) ('05-UNH, UVm, CIN, GU/BET)	5 (2G-1A vs. BAY '04, SCU '06)
Brittany Bock	2 (vs. UNH and SHU in '05) (vs. St. John's in '06)	2 (vs. Mich. in '05; DePaul in '06) (G'town and UConn/both '05 BET)	4 (2G vs. UNH in '05) (1G-2A vs. UC/'05 BET; DP '06) (2G UNH and SHU in '05)
Kim Lorenzen			3 (1G-1A vs. St. John's in '04)
Lizzie Reed			3 (1G-1A vs. St. John's in '04)
Susan Pinnick			3 (1G-1A vs. Seton Hall in '05)
Ashley Jones		2 (vs. Rutgers/2006 BET)	
Weissenhofer ('06)	2 vs. Iowa State, DePaul and Pitt	2 vs. ISU, USC, TCU	6 vs. Iowa State (2G-2A)
Lauren Karas	9 saves vs. Santa Clara ('06), 7 vs. Louisville ('05)		

OFFENSIVE PLAYER QUICK FACTS

Pos. Player (Yr.; Hometown)

Notes

M/F #5 Amanda Cinalli (Jr.; Maple Hts, OH)

*2006: U.S. U-21 National Team, 2nd Team All-BIG EAST
2005: 3rd Team all-BIG EAST; 2004: Fr. All-Amer. (SA)/1st Tm All-BE*

• **2006 stats:** 9G (5th BE)-4A (22 pts/9th), 21 GP/17 GS ... nat'l player of week (*Soccer America*): 1G (header) vs. USC, 2G-1A vs. SCU ... tying goal at #24 Ole Miss (2-1), GT assist vs. WVU (also 1G) ... 1G vs. Mich., Rutgers, PC, RU (BET) ... 1A vs. LOU/VILL
• **Career:** 29G (17th ND history)-26A, 84 points (20th) ... 72 GP/61 GS ... 9 GWG Prep All-American; U.S. U-17 Nat'l Team
• **2005 stats:** 10G-17A (5th in nation), 37 points (3rd in BE) ... 25 GP/20 GS ... 4 GWG (vs. FL, G'town, UConn/BET, Valpo/NCAAs)
• **2004 stats:** 10G-5A, 25 points ... 27 GP/24 GS ... 4 GWG (1-0 at UConn and Villanova; in NCAAs vs. Eastern Illinois and Portland)
'05 **notes:** 2G vs. Valpo; G-2A vs. NH; G-A vs. FL, SHU, UConn/BET, Yale ... 2A vs. UVm, Cin., GU/BET ... GWA-UConn
'04 **notes:** became first ND freshman to score 1st goal of season and fourth ND player to score first 2G in opener (vs. Baylor)

F #2 Kerri Hanks (So.; Allen, TX)

Hermann Trophy Watch List (25); BIG EAST Offensive Player of the Year

'05: Hermann Trophy Final-15; NSCAA 2nd Team All-American; BIG EAST Rookie of Year (Soccer Buzz Nat'l Fr. of Yr.)

• **2006:** 18G (4th in nation)-14A (4th), 50 pts (2nd), 5 GWG, 103 shots, 21 GS; MVP of BET: 1G-1A vs. SJU, 2A vs. MARQ, 2A vs. RU (0:57-quickest ND goal ever in postseason) ... 2G vs. Iowa St. (quickest ever in ND opener; 1:19) ... Gwg at Ole Miss (2-1) ... 2G at SMU (GWG) ... 1G-1A at DP (GWA) ... tying goal vs. WVU, 1G-2A vs. Pitt ... BE and nat'l player of week (*SA/ST*) after 3G-1A vs. SHU and 2A vs. RU ... 1G-2A at PC, 2G-1A at VILL, 1A at GU (1-0), 1G-1A vs. CIN
• **Career:** 46G (12th ND history)-29A, 121 pts (13th), 238 shots (5.2/gm) ... 46 GP/43 GS ... 11 GWG ... 3 HT ... ND is 30-0-0 when she scores ('05 and '06) ... quickest @ND to 10G (4 GP), 30G (26), 40G (40) and 40 points (40)
• '05: 28G (3rd in nation; 4th all-time D-I fr.)-15A (8th nat.), 71 pts (2nd nat.), 135 shots ... 25 GP/22 GS ... 6 GWG ... SA nat'l POW (3G-1A vs. UNH, 4G vs. UVm; ND-record 7G in consec. gms) ... BE POW (G-A vs. Cin., G vs. UL) ... 2-time BE rookie of week (G vs. FL, 2G vs. MD; 1A vs. VU, 1G-2A vs. GU) ... 7-gm goal streak ... tied ND record w/ 4G vs. Vm; OT goal at RU; 2G-2A vs. DP; 2G-1A vs. GU (BET); 2G vs. Yale '04 signee; led U-19s w/ 22G (30 GP); USYS Golden Boot (top scorer) Award-'03, '05

F #7 Michele Weissenhofer (Fr.; Naperville, IL)

BIG EAST Rookie of the Year, 1st Team All-BIG EAST

• '06 **stats:** 13G (119th in nation)-17A (1st), 43 pts (5th), 21 GP/17 GS, 70 shots, 3 GWG, 6 GWA; pts in 17 gms
Notes: BE player of week/nat'l team of week (1G-1A vs. WVU, 2G vs. Pitt) ... BE rookie of week (2G-2A vs. ISU, GWA at Ole Miss) ... ND Classic all-tourn. (2A/flip throws vs. USC, GWA vs. SCU) ... 2A at TCU ... BE rookie of week/runner-up nat'l POW (*ST*): 2G-1A vs. DP, 1G-1A at MI ... GWG in BET vs. MARQ/RU ... 1A vs. UL, 1G-1A vs. SHU, 1G at PC, 2A vs. VILL, 1G vs. CIN, GWA vs. SJU (flip) Top scorer for Eclipse Select ('04 and '05 nat'l champs); led '05 Neuqua Valley HS team (state champs) with 26G

M #9 Jen Buczkowski (Sr.; Elk Grove, IL)

Hermann Trophy Watch List (25); Preseason BIG EAST Midfielder of Year

2004 and '05 NSCAA All-American; '05: Hermann Trophy Final-15, BIG EAST Midfielder of the Year

• '06: 1G-10A/12 pts, 21 GP/20 GS; 1,638 min. (2nd on tm; 78/gm); 1st team all-BIG EAST for third time in career ... all-tournament at ND Classic ... 1G-2A vs. SHU; 2A vs. Rutgers in BIG EAST title game ... 1A vs. Mich., WVU, Pitt, PC, CIN
• **Career stats:** 20G-34A (16th ND history), 74 pts (23rd) ... 95 consec. GP/89 GS ... 6 GWG "Pulls all the strings" for ND offense
• **2005 stats:** 7G-7A, 21 pts (8th BE) ... 25 GP/23 GS ... 2 GWG Played every minute w/ U.S. U-21 Nordic Cup champs ('05)
• **2004 stats:** 8G-11A, 27 pts (4th BE) ... 27 GP/25 GS ... 4 GWG (90th-minute at G'town; 2 vs. BC; at Michigan)
'05 **notes:** ND Classic def. MVP ... 1G-1A vs. Gonzaga, DePaul, G'town (BET), Marq. (BET) ... 1G: Mich., Marq., PC, 1A vs. Md. 1st team all-BIG EAST in '04; U.S. U-19 team; 69G-52A in 3-yr HS career; nation's #6 recruit in '03; prep All-American

F/M #10 Brittany Bock (So.; Naperville, IL)

U.S. U-20 Nat'l Tm ('06); Preseason 1st Tm all-BIG EAST (2nd tm in '05)

• **2006 stats:** 9G-5A (23 pts), 5 GWG, 16 GP/13 GS, 70 shots ... header goals vs. TCU, Pitt, PC (GWG) and SJU (2, GWG) ... 1G-1A vs. DePaul (GWG) ... 1A vs. WVU, SHU, RU (BET) ... GWG vs. RU and CIN ... 1G vs. MARQ ... dnp 4 games (U-20s)
• **Career:** 21G (8 on headers)-14A (56 pts), 5 GWG ... 40 GP/30 GS Versatile, can dominate as forward, att. mid. or def. mid
• '05: 12G-9A, 33 pts (4th BE), 24 GP/17 GS; NCAA gls: Valpo, Yale, Port.; 1G-2ABE final vs. CT; 2G-UNH, SHU; OT asst-RU ... 2A-GU/BET Former U.S. U-16/U-17/U-19 player ... 24G as prep sr. (state champs) ... national champ w/ Illinois ODP ('03)

M #14 Courtney Rosen (Fr.; Brecksville, OH)

Member of U.S. Under-17 National Team

• '06: 1G (vs. VILL), 3A (IS, RU, PC), 14 GP/5 GS; dnp 7 gm (foot inj.; 9/8-10/1) 22G-12A w/ Hathaway Brown HS st. champs

F/M #17 Susan Pinnick (Jr.; South Bend, IN)

Missed 2004 due to injury (club team van accident)

• **2006 stats:** 1G-5A (7 pts), 20 GP/3 GS (vs. Ole Miss, Pitt, PC) ... 1G-1A vs. Iowa State, 1A vs. DePaul, Mich. (GWA), SHU, PC
• **Career:** 8G-8A (24 points), 44 GP/4 GS
• **2005 stats:** 7G-3A, 17 pts, 24 GP/1 GS (vs. Gon.) goals vs. UNH (GW), Gon., Mich., USF, SHU, UConn/BET, Yale (GW) Prep All-American; U.S. U-17 Nat'l Team ... 76G-36A at St. Joe's HS; club Carmel Commotion was '03 nat'l r-up ('05 semi's)

F/M #15 Lizzie Reed (Sr.; Franklin Lakes, NJ)

2005: Third Team All-BIG EAST

• '06 **stats:** 2G (vs. Iowa State and DePaul)-1A (vs. DP), 5 pts, 16 GP • **Career:** 7G-7A, 21 points ... 88 GP (4th on tm)/22 GS
• '05 **stats:** 2G-3A, 7 pts ... 23 GP/3 GS (vs. UVm, Gon., USF) ... goals vs. SHU and PC; assists vs. UNH, UVm, Marq. (BET)
• '04 **stats:** 1G-2A, 4 points ... 28 GP/11 GS ... GWA at WVU (3-1), 1G-1A vs. SJU in BE quarters Prep All-American

M #20 Rebecca Mendoza (So; Garland, TX)

Member of Mexican Nat'l Team ... nation's #16 recruit (Student Sports)

• **2006 stats:** 1A (vs. Iowa State), 16 GP/4 GS (vs. Ole Miss, TCU, SMU, Pitt) • **Career:** 1G-1A, 31 GP/4 GS
• **2005 stats:** 1G (vs. GU), 15 GP (late arrival/nat'l team) helped Dallas Sting reach '05 USYSA nat'l semi's ... 77G-58A in 3 HS yrs

F #23 Molly Iarocci (Jr.; Carefree, AZ)

Her father Tony Iarocci was a catcher with the ND baseball team

2006: 1G (vs. SMU)-1A (vs. ISU), 10 GP ... **Career:** 2G-3A, 34 GP ... **2005:** 2A, 6 GP Arizona prep player of the year

DEFENSIVE PLAYER QUICK FACTS

Pos. Player (Yr.; Hometown) _____ Notes

DM #24 Jill Krivacek (Sr.; Geneva, IL) *Hermann Trophy Nominee; Def. MVP – '05 BET; '04: 3rd Team All-BE*
 • '06: 4G-5A/13 pt ... 21 GP/18 GS ... GWG-SCU (BE def. pl. of week), GTA-Ole Miss ... 1G-1A vs. ISU, 1A-LOU, 2A-SHU, 1G-VILL
 • **Career:** 9G-14A, 32 points (2G-5A in post.)... 87 GP/57 GS ... 4 GWG Imposing 5-foot-11 presence helps ND dominate in air
 • **2005 stats:** 2G-4A, 8 points ... 18 GP/12 GS ... GWG ... dnp 7 gm (Sept. 11-Oct. 2; bruised knee)
 • **2004 stats:** 1G-2A, 4 points ... 27 GP/23 GS 90th-minute CK header beat Wisconsin in NCAA 2nd round (1-0)
 • **'05 notes:** goal in opener vs. UNH; pts in final week of reg.-season vs. Vill. (GWG; 4-0), G'town (1A); 1A vs. G'town (BE quarters)

LB/CD #18 Christie Shaner (Sr.; Ambler, PA) *4-time All-BIG EAST Pick (2nd team in '03/'05; 3rd team 04/'06)*
 • **'06 stats:** 21 GP/20 GS, GT ast vs. WVU (BE honor roll); tm-best 1,711 min. (82/gm) Acad. All-District V (3.49 GPA/design)
 • **Career stats:** 3G-8A, 15 points ... 96 GP (94 straight)/87 GS ... team-high 5,491 minutes played during 2004-06 seasons (75/gm)
 • **2005 stats:** 5A (vs. FL, Mich., UConn/BET, Yale, Port.) ... 25 GP/24 GS ... 1,886 minutes played (2nd on team), 75 min./gm
 • **2004 stats:** 2G ... 27 GP/23 GS ... 82 minutes/gm (2nd on team) Header goals vs. WVU (3-1) and St. John's (BE QF)
Career: '05 – nat'l team of week (SA; 9/19) and BE def. POW (10/10); '04 – 2nd-team Acad. All-District
 One of nation's hardest tacklers; called into U.S. U-21 camps ('04); nation's #22-rated recruit in '03 (SA); prep All-American

CD #4 Kim Lorenzen (Sr.; Naperville, IL) *ND is 36-1-1 in her '05-'06 starts (154-14 scoring edge; 75 opp. SOG/2.0 per gm)*
 • **2006:** 20 GS; 1A vs. SHU; 1,556 min. played (74/gm); BET def. MVP; 3-time BIG EAST weekly honor roll
 • **Career:** 3G-5A, 11 points ... 89 GP/79 GS Academic All-America nominee (3.45 cum. GPA/finance)
 • **2005 stats:** 19 GP/18 GS ... missed six games (Sept. 9-25) due to mononucleosis... central D starter (right back in '03, '04)
 • **2004 stats:** 3G-4A ... 10 points ... 27 GP/21 GS, GWG (at West Virginia, 3-1) ... GW assist vs. BC (1-0), 1G-1A vs. St. John's (BE quarterfinal), goal vs. Eastern IL in NCAAs 2003 ODP nat'l ODP champs (Illinois), with Buczkowski, Krivacek and Bock

CD #19 Carrie Dew (So.; Encinitas, CA) *Hermann Trophy nominee; U.S. U-20 Team ('06); BIG EAST Def. POY ('06)*
 • **'06:** knee inj. vs. CIN (10/24); GWG-UL (BE def. POW/ST nat'l POW), GU; 1A-VU, 14 GP/12 GS ... 80 min/gm, dnp 4 gm (U-20s)
 • **2005:** 3G (vs. Maryland, Cin., UConn) ... 25 GS (Chapman only other to start every game) ... team-high 2,097 minutes (84/gm)
 HM all-BE; ND/SCU Classic '05 all-tour. 5-ft-9 ... U.S. U-16/U-17 nat'l tms ... nat'l champ S.D. Surf ('03), Cal-South ODP ('04)

OB #12 Ashley Jones (Jr.; Westlake Village, CA) *Academic All-America candidate (3.96 GPA/accounting)*
 • **'06:** 2G (LOU, PC)-4A, 21 GP/19 GS, GWA-SCU, A-Pitt, 2A-RU (BET); 1,516 min. (72/gm) ... BE def. POW/nat'l tm (SA), 9/11-17
 • **Career:** 4G-9A, 17 pts (3G-5A in post.) ... 73 GP/34 GS Key midfield reserve as freshman; emerged as left back in '05
 • **2005 stats:** 1G (vs. GU/BET)-1A (vs. UConn/BET), 25 GP/10 GS (at LB) All-tournament pick at Vermont and Santa Clara Classics
 • **2004 stats:** 1G-4A, 6 points ... 27 GP/6 GS ... goal in '04 BE title gm vs. UConn (1-2) ... ll her '04 assists set up GW goals (vs. TX-Tech, BC twice, UConn in NCAAs) ... #3 scorer on '04 Brazil trip (2G-3A) '04 nat'l titles w/ Cal-So. ODP, SoCal United

M/D #7 Amanda Clark (Fr.; Naperville, IL) *Captain of Eclipse Select (2004 and '05 national champs)*
 • **'06 stats:** GWG (header vs. USC), 21 GP/11 GS; 1,027 min. (49/gm) Versatile, hard-nosed player (can play DM, out./center D)

DM #21 Claire Gallerano (Sr.; Dallas, TX) *Team organizer for various community-service projects*
 • **2006 stats:** 11 GP/1 GS (vs. TCU) **Career stats:** 46 GP/6 GS
 • **2005 stats:** 17 GP/1 GS (vs. Vermont, South Florida, Seton Hall, Providence) Missed '05 spring (ankle injury)
 • **2004 stats:** 15 GP/1 GS (vs. TX-Tech) Dallas Texans product ('03 national champs)

D #8 Haley Ford (Fr.; Midland, TX) *Captain of 2006 USYS national U-18 club champions (Dallas Texans)*
 • **'06:** 21 GP/8 GS (TCU, Pitt, SHU, GU, PC; BET) Regularly commuted 12 hours roundtrip in youth-soccer (Midland to Dallas)

OB #26 Ashley Galovic (Fr.; Plano, TX) *Outside back who played for Solar Soccer Club*
 • **2006 stats:** 7 GP Joins Hanks, Gallerano, Karas, Mendoza and Ford as Texas natives on 2006 team

G #6 Lauren Karas (Jr.; Flower Mound, TX) *Most Valuable 'Keeper at '06 ND Classic (BE Honor Roll)*
 • **2006:** 0.33 GAA (2nd in nation) ... 31 SV, 6 GA (.838 save pct.) ... 20 GP/19 GS, 19-0-1 (15 shutouts/10 solo) ... has played 86% of team's minutes (1,635 of 1,910) ... career-best 9 SV vs. Santa Clara (3-1) ... ND record-pace for GAA (0.36, LaKeysia Beene, '97)
 • **Career:** 0.53 GAA (1st ND history; Liz Wagner 0.57) ... 61 SV/17 GA (.782) ... 46 GP/33 GS (31-1-1); 30 shutouts/14 solo
 • **2005 stats:** 0.60 GAA ... 19 SV/6 GA ... 18 GP/9 GS (8-1-0; wins over Mich., UConn) BIG EAST '05 GK of week (7 SV vs. LOU)
 • **2004 stats:** 1.24 GAA ... 11 SV/5 GA ... 8 GP/5 GS (4-0-0; win at ASU, off bench vs. Pitt) Gold Glove w. NTX ('04 ODP Nationals)

G #13 Kelsey Lysander (Fr.; San Diego, CA) *Helped lead San Diego Surf to 2006 USYS national semifinals*
 • **2006 stats:** 7 GP/2 GS (vs. Iowa State/win and TCU/no-decision), 0.33 GAA, 4 SV, 1 GA, 275:47

SITUATIONAL SUCCESS

MAGIC NUMBERS – The 3-goal mark has been virtually an automatic win for ND, with the Irish 243-3-1 all-time (.986) when scoring 3-plus, losing to N.C. State in '92 (4-3), UConn in '95 (5-4, OT) and at Georgetown in '02 (4-3), plus a 3-3 tie vs. Vanderbilt in '91... the Irish had won 88 straight when scoring 3-plus, before the GU loss (now 145-1-0 since 10/6/95) ... ND is 337-9-12 (.958) all-time when holding the opponent to 0-1 goals (139-3-5 since 9/9/99), including 62-0-2 spanning the 2004-06 seasons ... the Irish suffered 1-0 losses in 2002 (vs. eventual NCAA champ Portland) and '03 (at #1 Stanford) ... prior to the UP loss, ND had been 56-0-3 in the previous 59 games when allowing 0-1 GA (dating back to 1-0 loss to SMU in '99, playing minus All-American Anne Makinen) ... the program's 19-year history includes just 321 goals allowed in 435 games (0.74 GA/gm) ... the Irish have allowed more than one goal in only 78 games (18%) and have yielded 3-plus goals in just 35 all-time games (8%; including two 6-goal games by the opponent, four 5-goal and six 4-goal) ... 92% of ND's all-time games have seen the Irish hold the opponent to 0-2 goals, with a 359-26-16/.915 record in those games (ND is just 4-30-1/.129 all-time when allowing 3-plus).

IT TAKES TWO – Notre Dame's lone loss of 2004 saw the Irish claim a 1-0 lead at UConn in the BIG EAST title game ... the Irish had several cracks at the magical 2-0 cushion that has proven to be insurmountable in the 19-year history of ND women's soccer (instead, UConn rallied for the 2-1 win) ... the Irish now are 266-0-1 all-time when claiming a 2-0 lead and have won 243 straight games when stretching out to a 2-0 cushion, dating back to Sept. 15, 1991 (when Vanderbilt ultimately forced a 3-3 tie) ... there have been only two other games in the program's history when the Irish gave up a 2-0 lead (but still went on to win): a 4-3 win over UConn in the '96 BIG EAST title game (the Irish led 3-0) and a 3-2 win over Duke at a 1993 tournament in Houston ... the past 157 opponents to face a Feb-00 deficit versus the Irish have been unable to even tie the score (since the 1996 BIG EAST title game).

FRONTRUNNERS – The senior class has faced just 18 total deficits (in 16 games) during their 97-game career, with those deficits accounting for just 6.3% of the minutes from 2003-06 (558:01 of 8,835:49) ... ND has trailed for just 120:26 this season (in three games, all vs. top-25 teams), after deficits totaling 152:52 in 2005 (half came in the NCAA loss at Portland), just 99:17 in the 2004 national-title season, and 187:26 in 2003 ... seven deficits in the 2003-06 span have been 14 minutes or shorter while only five teams have led the Irish more than 45 minutes over that 97-game stretch (in '03 vs. Michigan for 59 and Boston College for 83; for 53 at Marquette in '05, plus 77 in quarterfinal loss at Portland; and for 51 minutes in '06 vs. Santa Clara) ... ND has come back to tie the game 11 times in the past four seasons and **Amanda Cinalli** has been involved in three tying goals (2G-1A):

Longest Deficits Faced by the Notre Dame Senior Class During Their Careers (*italics indicate games with multiple deficits*)

Deficit	Opponent	Date	Notes	Score	Gametying Goal (assists)	Final
82:28	Boston College	11/7/03	BIG EAST semifinal	0-1		1-2
76:01	at Portland	11/25/05	NCAA quarterfinal	0-1		1-3
58:17	<i>Michigan</i>	<i>11/29/03</i>		1-2		2-3
52:09	at Marquette	9/30/05		1-2		1-4
51:05	Santa Clara	9/3/06	matchup of #1 teams	0-1	Jill Krivacek (Amanda Cinalli)	3-1
40:18	Pittsburgh	9/24/04		0-1	Melissa Tancredi (Kim Lorenzen)	3-1
38:22	Michigan	11/16/03	NCAA second round	0-1		0-1
37:02	at Mississippi	8/27/06		0-1	Amanda Cinalli (Haley Ford)	2-1
32:19	West Virginia	9/22/06		0-1	Michele Weissenhofer (Brittany Bock)	3-1
27:04	Seton Hall	10/24/04		0-1	Candace Chapman (Jen Buczkowski; Annie Schefter)	3-1
17:47	at Santa Clara	9/9/05		0-1	<i>Own Goal</i>	1-2
13:40	UCLA	12/5/04	NCAA final (Cary, NC)	0-1	Katie Thorlakson	1-1 (4-3 PK)
12:04	at Arizona State	9/10/04		0-1	Candace Chapman	2-1
7:18	Arizona State	9/5/03		0-1	Mary Boland (Jen Buczkowski)	3-1
6:55	at Santa Clara	9/9/05		1-2		1-2
3:12	at Connecticut	11/2/04	BIG EAST final	1-2		1-2
1:01	<i>Michigan</i>	<i>11/29/03</i>		0-1	Amanda Guertin (Vanessa Pruzinsky)	2-3
0:59	at Georgetown	10/10/04		0-1	Amanda Cinalli (Maggie Manning; Annie Schefter)	2-1

GOING THE DISTANCE IN OT – Notre Dame is unbeaten in its past 20 overtime games (14-0-6) and 14-1-6 in OT during the Waldrum era (began with 3-2, double-OT loss to UNC in '99) ... the Irish had 26 games without overtime before the Oct. 13 scoreless tie at UConn (first OT since 1-0 win at RU on 10/7/05) ... ND has played to OT just three times in its past 62 regular-season games (56-4-2 in that stretch) and has played to OT just four times in its past 76 overall games (0-0 vs. Rutgers, on 10/22/04; 1-1 in the '04 NCAA title game vs. UCLA/4-3 in PKs; 1-0 at RU on 10/7/05) ... ND's 14 OT wins in the Waldrum era include OT goals from eight players (ND-record four from Amanda Guertin) ... **Kerri Hanks** is the only current ND player who has scored an overtime goal (2005, at Rutgers).

BIG-GAME PLAYERS – Notre Dame has won nearly 80% of its "big games" in the Randy Waldrum era ('99-06), with a 61-16-3 record (.781) when facing an NSCAA top-25 or postseason opponent.

SUNDAY, BLOODY SUNDAY – The Irish remain unbeaten in 2005-06 during Sunday games (23-0-0; with 21 of those being the second game of the weekend) while outscoring the opponents 91-6 in those games (as opposed to an 18-3-1 record and 83-16 scoring edge in Friday-night games during 2005 and '06).

EARLY LEADS – Notre Dame opened the season with a quick goal vs. Iowa State (by **Kerri Hanks** at 1:19, quickest ever in an ND opener) ... **Brittany Bock** then had the next quickest ND goals since the opener – vs. Providence (6:25) and St. John's (7:00) – before Hanks scored 57 seconds into the BIG EAST title game vs. Rutgers (the quickest postseason goal in ND history).

OFFENSE NOTES

STORMING BACK FROM INTERMISSION – Despite totaling just 21 first-half goals this season (in 21 games), the Irish have come out strong to start the second half ... ND has scored in the first 10 minutes of the second half 10 times this season, which factors out to 4.3 goals over a full 90 minutes ... sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** (4G-3A) has factored into seven of the 10 quick-strike goals in the second half while freshman F **Michele Weissenhofer** has been involved in four of those goals (1G-3A) ... senior M **Jill Krivacek** and sophomore M/F **Brittany Bock** both have 1G-1A in the first 10 minutes of the second half ... others with points early in the second half include jr. F/M **Amanda Cinalli** (2G), sr. M **Jen Buczkowski** (1A), sr. D **Christie Shaner** (1A) and soph. D **Carrie Dew** (1G).

Quick Goals to Start the Second Half

Time	Opponents	Goalscorer (Assists)	Half/Final
45:55	Georgetown	Drew (Hanks)	0-0/1-0
48:23	Rutgers	Cinalli (Hanks, Rosen)	1-0/2-0
48:38	at SMU	Kerri Hanks (-)	0-0/3-0
48:52	West Virginia	Weissenhofer (Bock)	0-1/3-1
49:35	at Providence	Cinalli (-)	2-0/5-0
52:00	at Mississippi	Hanks (Krivacek, Weis.)	0-1/2-1
53:39	at DePaul	Hanks (Weissenhofer)	1-0/5-0
54:12	Seton Hall	Hanks (Buczkowski)	2-0/5-0
54:27	at TCU	Krivacek (Weis.)	0-0/2-0
54:30	Pittsburgh	Bock (Shaner)	1-0/5-0

CLUTCH-GOAL SCORER – Senior defensive midfielder **Jill Krivacek** has scored just nine goals in her ND career but five of them have come in key situations, each giving the Irish their first goal of the game (all in the second half):

Jill Krivacek's Clutch Goals

- 8/31/03 – Scored early in second half to open scoring in 3-0 win over Wake Forest (at UConn)
- 11/14/04 – Headed in a 90th-minute Katie Thorkakson corner kick to best Wisconsin in NCAA second round (1-0)
- 10/21/05 – Her opening goal in the 58th minute opened the gates for a 4-0 win over Villanova
- 9/3/06 – Scored tying goal in 64th minute to spark 3-goal spurt in span of 8:55 vs. Santa Clara (1-1)
- 9/8/06 – Scored early in 2nd half to open scoring in 2-0 win at TCU

BIG WINS – The 4-1 win over #11 Florida in '05 marked the seventh time in the Waldrum era (since '99) that the Irish have defeated an NSCAA top-25 foe by 3-plus goals, followed by five more in '05: the 4-0 regular-season win over UConn (17th in the coaches poll), two big wins in the BIG EAST Tournament (3-0 vs. #11 Marquette, 5-0 vs. #15 UConn) and NCAA wins over #25 Michigan State (3-0) and #22 Yale (5-2) ... the 2005 season produced the most times (6) in one season that the Irish had defeated a top-25 team by 3-plus goals (the '97 team had five "big wins") ... other Waldrum-era big wins over NSCAA top-25 teams: vs. #16 Michigan in '99 (4-1), #2 Santa Clara (6-1) and #15 Washington (5-0, at Portland) in 2000, at #24 Miami in '01 (4-0), at #25 Maryland in '02 (5-2) and vs. #4 SCU in '04 (5-2).

Goals in a Season Opener

14-0 at Providence (1996)
12-0 at LaSalle (1993)
11-1 vs. New Hampshire, at UVm (2005)
9-0 vs. Iowa State (2006)
9-1 vs. Hartford, at Maryland (2003)

Quickest Goals in the Waldrum Era (since 1999)

0:27 Melissa Tancredi (10/12/01, vs. St. John's)
0:57 Kerri Hanks (11/5/06, vs. Rutgers/BE final)
0:57 Nancy Mikacenic (9/15/99, vs. Butler)
1:19 Kerri Hanks (8/26/06, vs. Iowa State)

PLENTY OF WEAPONS – Notre Dame's 67 goals this season have come from 14 different players (four with 9-plus): Kerri Hanks (18), Michele Weissenhofer (13), Amanda Cinalli (9), Brittany Bock (9), Jill Krivacek (4), Lizzie Reed (2), Ashley Jones (2), Carrie Dew (2) Susan Pinnick, Claire Gallerano (the first goal of her ND career), Amanda Clark, Molly Iarocci, Carrie Dew, Jen Buczkowski and Courtney Rosen (plus two own-goals).

BIG-GOAL TOTALS – The Irish have scored six-plus goals in 10 games spanning '05-'06 (none since '06 opener) and have scored five-plus in 14 games in the past two seasons ... ND has: notched three-plus goals in 33 of the 46 games during the 2005-06 seasons, gone 37-0-0 in '05-'06 when scoring multiple goals, and totaled 31 wins the past two seasons by a margin of 3-plus goals.

FIRST-STRIKE WEAPONS – In its past 86 games when scoring first, ND has gone 84-2-0 (2-1 loss to UConn in '04 BIG EAST title game; 4-1 loss at Marquette in '05) and is 44-1-0 in the past 45 when scoring first, including 30 straight wins ... **Kerri Hanks** posted her ninth career first-goal in the '06 opener vs. Iowa State, adding four more this season (vs. SMU, Seton Hall and Villanova and Rutgers in the BIG EAST title game) for 13 in her career ... **Brittany Bock** (5), **Carrie Dew** (2) Michele Weissenhofer (2), Amanda Clark and Jill Krivacek also have accounted for the ND first-goals in 2006.

OFFENSIVE MACHINE – Stretching from '92-'06, the Irish have scored in 95.2% of their games (339 of 356) ... since '94, ND has scored in 301 of 315 (.955; three shutouts in NCAA title games) – with goals in 225 of 234 regular-season games (.962) in that 13-year stretch ... ND saw its 31-game scoring streak (3rd in Irish history) end in '02 and a 49-game scoring streak (2nd) end in '06.

QUICK DRAW – A pass from **Becca Mendoza** to fellow sophomore **Kerri Hanks** yielded the quickest goal ever in a Notre Dame season opener (1:19), in the 9-0 win over Iowa State this season ... the previous record came in the first year of the program, when Mimi Suba assisted on a goal by Margaret Jarc at the 1:20 mark of a 1988 game with St. Joseph's (5-1) ... the Hanks goal vs. ISU was the third-quickest goal in any game during the eight-year Randy Waldrum era (since 1999) and quickest since Melissa Tancredi scored 27 seconds into a 2001 game with St. John's (Nancy Mikacenic scored 57 seconds into a 1999 game vs. Butler) – with Hanks then scoring even quicker in the BIG EAST title game vs. Rutgers (0:57; the quickest ND goal ever in a postseason game).

Quickest Goals in an ND Season Opener

- 1:19 – **Kerri Hanks** (2006, vs. Iowa State)
- 1:20 – Margaret Jarc (1988, vs. St. Joseph's)

SCORING STREAK ENDS ONE SHY OF 50 – Prior to the 0-0 tie at UConn on Oct. 13, Notre Dame was riding a 49-game scoring streak that ranks second-longest in the program's history and tops in the eight-year Randy Waldrum era ... the longest scoring streak in ND women's soccer history is 55 games (8/29/97-9/17/99) ... the recent scoring streak dated back to a scoreless tie with Rutgers on Oct. 22, 2004 ... ND now has scored in 56 of its past 57 games and 71 of 73, spanning the entirety of the '04-'06 seasons (the '03 season ended with a 1-0 loss to Michigan in the second round of the NCAAAs).

KERRI HANKS NOTES

CLIMBING THE RECORD BOOKS – Kerri Hanks has pushed her career point total to 112 (44G-27A), now ranking 14th on the ND career points list (next up is Amanda Guertin, with 123) ... Hanks is averaging better than 2.5 points per game for her career (2.61), well ahead of Streiffer's ND record (2.11) ... Hanks also is averaging 1.0 goals/gm for her career (Jenny Heft holds that record, at 0.83).

Career Goals Per Game (G/GP)

1. **Kerri Hanks** (2005-) 1.00 (46/46)
2. Jenny Heft (1996-99) 0.83 (80/96)

Career Points Per Game (P/GP)

1. **Kerri Hanks** (2005-) 2.63 (121/46)
2. J. Streiffer ('96-'99) 2.11 (211/100)

Career Points (G-A)

1. Jenny Streiffer ('96-'99)211 (70-71)
11. Shannon Boxx ('95-'98) 135 (39-57)
12. Alison Lester ('90-'93) 126 (45-36)
13. Amanda Guertin ('00-'02) ... 123 (48-27)
14. **Kerri Hanks** ('05-)121 (46-29)
15. Suzie Zilvitis ('88-'91) 112 (43-26)
16. Jodi Hartwig ('91-'94) 87 (27-33)
17. Amy Warner ('00-'03) 99 (37-25)
18. Tiffany Thompson ('91-'94) .. 91 (27-37)
19. Jodi Hartwig ('91-'94) 87 (27-33)
20. **Amanda Cinalli** ('04-) 84 (29-26)
21. Jen Grubb ('96-'99)..... 83 (15-53)
22. Stephanie Porter ('90-'93) 75 (31-13)
23. **Jen Buczkowski** ('03-)....74 (20-34)

Career Goals

1. Jenny Heft (1996-99)..... 80
10. Amanda Guertin (2000-03) 48
11. **Kerri Hanks** (2005-) 46
16. Amy VanLaecke (1994-96) 34
17. **Amanda Cinalli** (2004-) 28

Career Gamewinning Goals

1. Jenny Heft (1996-99)19
- Michelle McCarthy (1992-95) 19
9. Meotis Erikson (1997-2000) 13
10. **Kerri Hanks** (2005-) 11

Career Hat Tricks

1. Jenny Heft (1996-99)..... 6
2. Rosella Guerrero (1992-95)..... 5
- Monica Gerardo (1995-98) 5
4. Michelle McCarthy (1992-95) 4
5. **Kerri Hanks** (2005-)..... 3

GOAL GIRL – Kerri Hanks has posted multiple goals in 12 of her 46 games with the Irish and has scored the first goal of the game 13 times ... she has scored in 19 of the past 26 official fall games but had a rare three-game goal drought before 2G in the SMU game.

GOAL-PER GAME – Notre Dame sophomore **Kerri Hanks** is averaging 1.00 goals per game for her career, which would rank 17th in the NCAA record book, behind some fairly noteworthy names:

<u>Goals per Game</u>	<u>Player (School; Years)</u>
1.49	Kelly Smith (Seton Hall; 1997-99)
1.39	Tiffeny Milbrett (Portland; 1990-92, '94)
1.29	Lisa Cole (SMU; 1987-90)
1.29	Carin Jennings (UC Santa Barbara; 1983-86)
1.28	Danielle Garrett Fotopoulos (SMU/Florida, 1994-96, '98)
1.17	Christine Sinclair (Portland; 2001-02, '04-'05)
1.14	Kim Lynass (Washington State; 1990-93)
1.12	Mia Hamm (North Carolina; 1989-90; '92-'93)
1.11	Marilyn Marin (North Texas; 2000-03)
1.11	Sarah Comeaux (Mississippi; 1995-96)
1.06	Shannon MacMillan (Portland; 1992-95)
1.05	Jenn Stephenson (Campbell; 1994-97)
1.05	Missy Gregg (Dayton; 1999-2000)
1.04	Shauna Rohback (BYU; 1995-98)
1.03	Abby Wambach (Florida; 1998-2001)
1.02	April Heinrichs (UNC; 1983-86)
1.00	Kerri Hanks (Notre Dame, 2005-)

GOLDEN GOALS – Notre Dame is 30-0-0 in the 2005-06 seasons when Kerri Hanks scores a goal (12-3-1 when she fails to score).

KERRI IS SO VERY ... GOOD – Sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** registered her 10th career multiple-goal game (now 11) with 3G-1A in the win this season over Seton Hall ... the three goals produced her third career hat trick while the seven points were one shy of matching her career high ... 15 of her 50 points this season (5G-5A) came in front of the big crowds over the stretch of the final four regular-season home games ... Hanks (46G-29A; 121 pts) finds herself on an **extended pace to challenge** two impressive records in the Irish record book: the **80 career goals** by Jenny Heft and the **211 career points** (70G-71A) by her fellow class of 2000 member Jenny Streiffer ... Heft owns the Irish record for career hat tricks (6) while only three others – Rosella Guerrero (5), Monica Gerardo (5) and Michelle McCarthy (4) – have totaled more career hat tricks than Hanks (whose three HTs are tied with seven others, most recently class of '01 teammates Anne Makinen and Meotis Erikson) ... Hanks joins Guerrero, Gerardo and Makinen as the only ND players ever to total **three career hat tricks prior to their junior seasons** (each had three HTs in their first two seasons) ... the other five with three career hat tricks include Suzie Zilvitis, Stephanie Porter, Alison Lester, Cindy Daws and Streiffer ... Hanks had not posted a hat trick since opening week of the 2005 season, when she had 3G-1A vs. New Hampshire and 4G vs. Vermont (her top point totals with the Irish, in addition to Friday's 3G-1A vs. SHU) ... Hanks has **scored (11) or assisted (10) on 21 of ND's 42 gamewinning goals** during the past two seasons ... Hanks was named national player of the week by *Soccer America* and *Soccer Times* after her nine-point weekend vs. Seton Hall and Rutgers (2A) ... she also was the SA national player of the week as a freshman, after 3G-1A vs. New Hampshire and 4G vs. Vermont on the opening weekend of the 2005 season ... Hanks has been named BIG EAST offensive player of the week three times in her career: the two mentioned above, plus a midseason week in 2005 that saw her post 2G-1A vs. Cincinnati and 1G-1A vs. Louisville.

READY TO ROLL – Kerri Hanks has totaled five goals in two season-opening games with the Irish (3 vs. New Hampshire, 2 vs. Iowa State), despite totaling just 86 minutes of game action in those two games combined (56 off the bench vs. UNH in 2005 and 30 vs. ISU).

SPRINT TO 30 – Kerri Hanks already owned the ND records for being the quickest player to 10 career goals (4 games) and 20 career goals (18; also 2nd-fastest to 20G in a season) ... her pair of goals in the 2005 opener vs. Iowa State then made her the quickest to 30G, reaching that mark in 26 career games to finish just ahead of the pace set by Anne Makinen (who scored her 30th in her 27th game, during the 1998 season) ... Hanks is the 16th all-time ND player to reach the 30-goal mark ... others among ND's quickest to 30 goals have included Monica Gerardo (36 games), Jenny Streiffer (38), Michelle McCarthy (41), Jenny Heft (44), Rosella Guerrero (44) and Meotis Erikson (44) ... other 30-goal scorers in ND history are Susie Zilvitis (47 games), Amy VanLaecke (50), Amanda Guertin (53), Alison Lester (53), Cindy Daws (54), Katie Thorlakson (56), Amy Warner (56) and Shannon Boxx (67).

KERRI HANKS NOTES

Notre Dame Records Held by Kerri Hanks (25)

Career Goals Per Game 1.00
Career Points Per Game..... 2.63
Career Hat Tricks Prior to Jr. Season 3, shares record with three others

Goals in a Season..... 28 ('05), shares w/ Heft; 21st NCAA hist.
 Shots in a Season..... 135 (2005)
 Goals by a Freshman 28 (2005), 4th-most by D-I freshman
 Points by a Freshman 71 (28G-15A; 2005)
 Hat Tricks by a Freshman..... 2 (2005)
 Freshman Hat Trick In Opener 2005 (shares with Rosella Guerrero)
 Earliest Freshman Hat Trick (by date) Aug. 25, 2005 (at Vermont)

Goal Total in Consecutive Games..... 7 (2005; 3 vs. UNH, 4 at Vermont)
 Consecutive Hat-Trick Games 2 (2005), shares record with two others
 Goals in a Game 4 (2005 at Vermont), with four others
 Goals in a Half 3 ('05 at UVm), shares with nine others
 Goals in a Season Opener 3 (2005 vs. UNH), shares with six others
Quickest Goal in Postseason Game **0:57 ('06 BIG EAST final vs. Rutgers)**
 Goals in First Two Games of Season 7 (2005; 3 vs. UNH, 4 at Vermont)
 Goals in First Three Games of Season 8 (2005; 3 vs. UNH, 4 at Vermont, 1 vs. Florida), shares with Monica Gerardo
 Goals in First Four Games of Season 10 (2005; 3 vs. UNH, 4 at UVm, 1 vs. Florida, 2 vs. Md.), shares with Gerardo

Quickest to 10 Goals in Season/Career 4 games (2005)
 Quickest to 15 Goals in Season/Career 9 games (2005)
 Quickest to 30 Goals in Career..... 26 games
 Quickest to 40 Goals in Career..... 40 games, shares with Streiffer/Makinen
 Quickest to 100 Career Points 40 games (39G-22A)
 Teammates with 70-Plus Points with Thorlakson (both had 71, in '05); (one of two pairs w/ 70-plus in D-I history)

Notre Dame Categories in Which Kerri Hanks Ranks Second (9)

Points in a Season 71 (2005), 17th in NCAA history
 First Goals in a Season 8 (2005)
 Consec. Gm Start Season with Goal 4 (2005)
 Quickest to 20 Goals in Season/Career 18 games (2005); Heft in 15 GP in '98
 Shots in a Game 12 (three times in 2005)
 Goals in One Postseason 8 (2005)
 Consec. Postseason Games w/ Goal 6 (2005)
 Consecutive NCAA Games with a Goal 3 (2005)
 Goals in One BIG EAST Tournament 4 (2005)

Other Notre Dame Categories and Where Hanks Ranks (20)

Points in a Game 3rd (8; 4G vs. Vermont in 2005)
 Points in One Postseason..... 3rd (19/8G-3A in 2005)
 Goals in One NCAA Tournament 3rd (3, in 2005)
 Gamewinning Goals in One Postseason .. 3rd (2, in 2005)
Career First Goals **4th (13); Str. 15; Heft record w/ 19**
 Regular-Season Points in One Season 4th (52/20G-12A, in 2005)
 Consecutive Games with a Goal 4th (7; 2005)
 Career Hat Tricks 5th (3)
 Game-Winning Goals in a Season 6th (6; 2005)
 Points in One NCAA Tournament 6th (9, in 2005)
 Goals in One NCAA Tournament Game 6th (2, in 2005 vs. Yale)
Game-Winning Points in a Season **7th (16, 5 GWG-6 GWA; 2006)**
Game-Winning Assists in a Season **8th (6; 2006)**
Game-Winning Goals in a Season..... **10th (5; 2006)**
Career Gamewinning Goals **10th (11); Erikson 13; Heft/McCarthy 19**
Career Goals **11th (46); Guertin 48; record 80 by Heft**
First Goals in a Season **11th (5; 2006)**
Career Gamewinning Assists **11th (9)**
Career Gamewinning Points **13th (31; 11 GWG-9 GWA)**
Career Points..... **14th (121; 46G-29A); Guertin 123; Str. 211**

Became 24th all-time Notre Dame player to reach 20G-20A for her career (needs 4A to become 11th with 30G-30A)

THANKS FOR THE MEMORIES –

Sophomore F Kerri Hanks totaled 103 career points (40G-23A) in 40 games, tying the ND record for quickest to 100 points (Jenny Streiffer and Anne Makinen also reached 100 points in 40 GP) ... Hanks, who now holds 25 ND records, also joined Streiffer and Monica Gerardo as the only ND players to reach 40 career goals prior to their junior seasons ... Hanks (40) bested Streiffer's record for quickest to 40 goals (43) ... see text at the left for a look at the 25 various ND records Hanks already holds and where she ranks in other categories.

TWO TO WATCH –

Notre Dame sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** and senior M **Jen Buczkowski** again were among the 25 initial players named to the Hermann Trophy watch list for the 2006 season, with Hanks also collecting various pre-season All-America honors (plus BIG EAST preseason offensive player of the year, an honor she ended up receiving) ... Hanks and Buczkowski joined UNC forward Heather O'Reilly and Nebraska midfielder Brittany Timko as the only returners from the final-15 Hermann candidates in 2005 ... Hanks (the preseason BIG EAST offensive player of the year) and Buczkowski (picked to repeat as midfielder of the year) were joined by senior D **Christie Shaner** (the league's preseason defensive player of the year), junior F **Amanda Cinalli** and sophomore M **Brittany Bock** in comprising five of the 11 players who were named to the 2006 preseason all-BIG EAST team ... Hanks and Buczkowski ended up being 1st team all-BIG EAST for 2006 (Bock and Cinalli were 2nd team; Shaner 3rd team).

NATIONAL TEAMERS –

Notre Dame's 2006 squad boasts three (**Jen Buczkowski**, **Amanda Cinalli** and **Kerri Hanks**) who have played with the U.S. Under-21 National Team, two others – **Brittany Bock** and **Carrie Dew** – who reported a couple weeks late after wrapping up play with Team USA at the Under-20 World Championship, and two more (**Susan Pinnick** and **Courtney Rosen**) who are products of the Under-17 National Team ... sophomore **Becca Mendoza** is a member of the Mexican National Team.

MICHELE WEISSENHOFER NOTES

DOUBLE-DIGIT DEBUT – No ND freshman had double-digit goals from '01-'03 but **Amanda Cinalli** changed that with 10 in '04, followed by '05 rookie standouts **Kerri Hanks** (28) and **Brittany Bock** (12) and current freshman **Michele Weissenhofer** (13) ... Hanks and Bock gave ND multiple freshmen with double-digit goals for the seventh time (fifth set of freshmen with 12-plus goals):

ND Freshmen with 10-Plus Goals

1. Kerri Hanks ('05)	28
2. Anne Makinen ('97)	23
3. Meotis Erikson ('97).....	22
Jenny Streiffer ('96).....	22
5. Monica Gerardo ('95)	20
6. Cindy Daws ('93).....	16
7. Alison Lester ('90)	14
Suzie Zilvitis ('88)	14
9. Michele Weissenhofer ('06)	13
Stacia Masters ('93).....	13
Rosella Guerrero ('92).....	13
12. Brittany Bock ('05).....	12
Jenny Heft ('96)	12
Michelle McCarthy ('92).....	12
Amanda Guertin ('00).....	11
16. Amanda Cinalli ('04)	10
Amy Warner ('00).....	10
Monica Gonzalez ('97).....	10
Stephanie Porter ('90).....	10

ND Freshman Assist Leaders

1. Holly Manthei ('94)	30
2. Jenny Streiffer ('96).....	22
3. Cindy Daws ('93).....	20
4. Michele Weissenhofer ('06)	17
5. Kerri Hanks ('05)	15
Kara Brown ('96).....	15

ND Freshman Point Leaders

1. Kerri Hanks ('05)	71/28-15
2. Jenny Streiffer ('96).....	66/22-22
3. Anne Makinen ('97)	58/23-12
4. Meotis Erikson ('97)	56/22-12
5. Cindy Daws ('93).....	52/16-20
6. Holly Manthei ('94)	48/9-30
7. M. Weissenhofer ('06)	43/13-17
8. Jenny Heft ('96).....	36/12-12
9. Stacia Masters ('93)	35/13-9
Suzie Zilvitis ('93)	35/14-7

ND Freshmen w/ 10+ Gls/Assists

Jenny Streiffer ('96).....	22G-22A
Cindy Daws ('93).....	16G-20A
Kerri Hanks ('05).....	28G-15A
M. Weissenhofer ('06).....	13G-17A
Anne Makinen ('97).....	23G-12A
Meotis Erikson ('97)	22G-12A
Jenny Heft ('96).....	12G-12A

THE LITTLE HELPER – Freshman **Michele Weissenhofer** has totaled a nation-leading 17 assists, with her more noteworthy assists coming vs. USC (2A on flip-throws; 2-0), Santa Clara (primary pass on Amanda Cinalli's GWG in 3-1 win), TCU (2A; 2-0), Michigan (2-0), Louisville (primary assist on Carrie Dew's GWG; 2-0), West Virginia (1A; 3-1), Villanova (2A; 4-2), St. John's (flip-throw to open 3-0 win) and Marquette (2-0) ... Holly Manthei (three times) and Katie Thorlakson (twice) are the only ND players ever to total more than 23 assists in a season ... the 5-foot-4 Weissenhofer's 17 assists are more than triple Cinalli's freshman-year total in '04 (5) while Katie Thorlakson had just 3A as a freshman in '02 (she finished with 73 for her career, 2nd-most in NCAA history) ... **Kerri Hanks** had 15A in '05, part of her 71-point All-America rookie season ... the ND record for assists by a freshman is 30, by Manthei in '94 (she is the NCAA all-time assist leader, with 129) ... only three players in D-I women's soccer history have reached 30 assists in a season, including ND alums Manthei (44 in '96, 34 in '97, 30 in '94) and Thorlakson (35 in '05).

WEIS MOVES – The addition of **Michele Weissenhofer** (13G-17A) to the ND attack has helped overcome the loss of '06 grad. Katie Thorlakson, one of the top all-around offensive players in the history of collegiate women's soccer ... Weissenhofer is the eighth freshman in ND history to reach 10 goals and 10 assists in her first season and her 17 assists are fifth-most ever by an ND freshman (most since '96) ... **Kerri Hanks** (28G-15A in '05) is the only other ND freshman in the past nine seasons to post double-digit goals and assists ... others: Anne Makinen (23G-12A) and Meotis Erikson (22G-12A) in '97, Jenny Streiffer (22G-22A) and Jenny Heft (12G-12A) in '96, Monica Gerardo (20G-11A) in '95, and Cindy Daws (16G-20A) in '93 ... Weissenhofer (13G-17A) joins Streiffer (22-22), Daws(16-20) and Hanks (28-15) as the fourth ND freshmen to reach 13G-13A ...

DYNAMIC DEBUT – **Michele Weissenhofer** (2G-2A) became the sixth ND player (seven times) ever to factor into four-plus goals in a season opener, joining Jenny Streiffer (2G-5A vs. Providence in 1996; 14-0) and Kerri Hanks (3G-1A vs. UNH, '05; 11-1) as the only ND freshmen to start their career by scoring or assisting on four-plus goals in the opener ... Katie Thorlakson had 3G-2A vs. Baylor in 2004 (7-2) and 2G-4A as a senior in the 2005 UNH game (most points ever by an ND player in an opener, with 8) ... Rosella Guerrero (2G-2A vs. Rutgers in 1994; 6-0) and Mary Boland (3G-1A vs. Hartford in 2003; 9-1) both factored into fours goals in the opener of their junior seasons.

ROOKIE ROLLOUTS – The Randy Waldrum era has seen several other noteworthy debuts from ND freshmen:

- In '05, current soph. F **Kerri Hanks** had 3G-1A in the 11-1 opener vs. New Hampshire and added four goals in a 6-0 win over Vermont ... she earned national player of the week from *Soccer America*, after setting the Irish record for most goals in back-to-back games (7) and tying the ND record for goals in a game (4).
- In '04, current junior M/F **Amanda Cinalli** scored the first two goals in the opener vs. Baylor (7-2), adding an assist in that game and setting up a goal two days later vs. Eastern Illinois (3-0) ... Cinalli beame the fourth freshman to score ND's first goal of a season and fourth ND player to score the team's first two goals in a season.
- In 2001, F **Mary Boland** scored at the 6:54 mark in the 2-1 win over 8th-ranked Penn State – producing the second-earliest goal in a season opener ever posted by an ND freshman (now the 8th-quickest goal, by any ND player, in an opener).
- In 2000, forward **Amy Warner** erupted for a hat trick in the game-2 win over Providence (5-1), becoming the first ND freshman to record a hat trick since Anne Makinen had done so in the '97 BIG EAST title win over Connecticut (6-1) ... Warner – who was named BIG EAST rookie of the week – recorded the earliest date (Sept. 3) ever for a hat trick by an ND freshman, a mark later bested by Hanks (Aug. 26).

NOTRE DAME: "Home of the Assist Masters" – Michele Weissenhofer's NCAA-leading 17 assists put her on pace to become ND's next great playmaker ... seven players in D-I women's soccer history have totaled 66-plus career assists and more of them (4) have played for Notre Dame than all other teams combined (3) ... ND's assist elite include Holly Manthei (NCAA-record 129 assists from '95-'98), 2005 senior Katie Thorlakson (2nd, 73), Jenny Streiffer (4th, 71; '96-'99) and Cindy Daws (7th, 67; '93-'96) ... Thorlakson is the only player among the four from ND who has played the bulk of her career at forward (Manthei and Daws were midfielders; Streiffer shifted from M to F midway through her career) ... the NCAA record book includes four ND names in the top-5 for assists in a season: Manthei (44 in '96, 34 in '97, 30 in '94) and Thorlakson (35 in '05) ... former UNC great Mia Hamm had 33 assists in '92.

ROSTER NOTES

TALENT CONCENTRATION – Notre Dame's roster has tightened up a bit on its geographical reach in 2006, with six players from Texas (most notably soph. F **Kerri Hanks**, junior G **Lauren Karas** and freshman D **Haley Ford**) while six hail from the Chicago area: the senior trio of midfielders **Jen Buczkowski** and **Jill Krivacek** and center back **Kim Lorenzen**, plus former Neuqua Valley HS teammates **Brittany Bock** (soph. F/M), **Amanda Clark** (fr. M/D) and **Michele Weissenhofer** (fr. F) ... the roster includes three top players from southern California – junior outside back **Ashley Jones**, sophomore central D **Carrie Dew** and freshman G **Kelsey Lysander** ... the team includes players from nine states (also Arizona, Colorado, Indiana, New Jersey, Ohio and Pennsylvania) ... the '05 team featured players from 12 states and two Canadian provinces ... the program's all-time roster includes players from 30 states and three foreign counties.

WINDY-CITY TRIO NOW A SIX-PACK – Notre Dame's 2006 roster includes six players who grew up playing close to one another in the Chicago area, led by three seniors – play-making midfielder **Jen Buczkowski** (Elk Grove HS), central D **Kim Lorenzen** (Naperville North HS) and defensive midfielder **Jill Krivacek** (Geneva; Rosary HS) – who have been joined by sophomore F/M **Brittany Bock**, freshman frontrunner **Michele Weissenhofer** and freshman M/D **Amanda Clark** (all products of Naperville and Neuqua Valley HS):

- The older four helped lead the Illinois team to the Olympic Development national title in 2003 (Bock earned the Golden Boot Award while playing up an age group).
- Bock and Weissenhofer shared the team scoring lead (26 goals each) and Clark was the defensive enforcer for the NVHS 2005 state champs while Clark and Weissenhofer were leaders of the Eclipse Select club team that won 2004 and '05 national titles.
- Each of the Chicago veterans played key, but subtle, roles on the 2004 national-title squad, with Lorenzen's great versatility allowing her to play anywhere on the field (she scored the gamewinning goal in the 74th minute at #20 West Virginia and had the primary assist on Buczkowski's GWG vs. #20 BC).
- The 5-foot-11 Krivacek has fortified the defensive midfield while Buczkowski is the classic field general and ranked third on the 2004 team with 27 points (8G-11A).
- Bock (12G-9A) and Buczkowski (7G-7A) ranked 4th and 6th on the '05 team in scoring ... four of the Chicago players currently rank among the '06 team's top scorers: Weissenhofer (43 pts; 2nd), Bock (23; 3rd), Krivacek (13; 5th), Buczkowski (12; 6th).
- Buczkowski (97), Lorenzen (89) and Krivacek (89) have 89-plus career games played.

BIG & BRIGHT – The lone star state has deep ties to Notre Dame women's soccer (three coaches and six current players are Texas natives):

- Eighth-year ND head coach **Randy Waldrum** is a native of Irving, played at Midwestern State (Wichita Falls, Texas) from '77-'80, coached the men's teams at Austin College ('82) and Texas Wesleyan ('88), and coached the Baylor women from '96-'98 (he also was the Texas Longhorns club's director of coaching from '87-'89).
- 4th-yr. assistant **Dawn Greathouse** is an Allen native, played for Waldrum as the starting 'keeper at Baylor, and starred for Texas Longhorns and Region III/North Texas ODP.
- The third member of the Irish coaching staff, **Ben Waldrum**, is in his fourth season as a member of his father's staff ... the younger Waldrum played with: Midway HS in Hewitt (38G-21A in three-year varsity career, all-state as senior), North Texas ODP, Ft. Worth United (state semifinalist), West Texas A&M (three seasons included '00 team that finished 6th in nation) and the A-League's El Paso Sidekicks of the MISL ('02 and '03).
- Senior M **Claire Gallerano** (Dallas/Ursuline HS) helped lead the Dallas Texans to the '03 USYSA national club title (girls-18 division) ... sophomore F **Kerri Hanks** (Allen) – a 2004 signee who did not enroll at ND until the spring of '05, due to U-19 World Championship training with the U.S. – earned the USYS's Golden Boot Award as the tournament's top scorer with the '03 Dallas Texans ... she won the Golden Boot again in '05 as the Texans lost the girls-19 title game in PKs ... Hanks totaled 47 goals in two seasons at Allen HS before her U-19 duty (she set the Allen record for single-season goals, a mark previously held by ... Greathouse).
- Junior G **Lauren Karas** (Flower Mound HS) also has starred for the Dallas Sting and Texans club teams, plus Region III and North Texas ODP (she earned the Golden Glove Award with North Texas at the 2004 ODP nationals).
- Sophomore M **Becca Mendoza** (Garland) was a standout at North Garland HS (77G-58A in first three seasons) and helped lead the Dallas Sting to a 3rd-place finish at 2005 USYS Nationals (girls-18) while also playing for North Texas ODP in '03 and '04 (she dnp in '05 due to duties with Mexican National Team, as she holds dual citizenship).
- Freshman defenders **Haley Ford** (Midland) and **Ashley Galovic** (Plano East HS) round out a Texas contingent that accounts for nearly one-fourth of ND's 2006 roster ... Ford spent most of her youth-soccer career making a roundtrip commute of nearly 12 hours to compete with teams in the Dallas area (she captained the Dallas Texans to the 2006 USYS national title) ... Galovic played for the Solar Soccer Club (giving the 2006 Irish team players from the Texans, Sting and Solar).
- ND's all-time playing roster includes 19 Texas natives, notably: early scoring leader Stephanie Porter ('90-'93; Spring/Klein HS); steady midfielder Tiffany Thompson ('91-'94; Houston/Cypress Creek HS); clutch 'keeper Liz Wagner ('98-'01; Spring/Klein HS); All-America/Academic All-America defender Monica Gonzalez ('97-'01; Richardson/Plano East HS); and high-scoring forward Amanda Guertin ('00-'03; Grapevine HS).

FANS FILLING UP ALUMNI FIELD

Nearly 12,000 fans (11,905) were in attendance at Notre Dame during the final four regular-season home games, helping produce the current average home attendance of 2,183 that ranks third-best in the nation, behind perennial attendance leader Texas A&M (3,771) – which will serve as the host site for the 2007 College Cup final weekend – and defending NCAA champion Portland (3,408) ... other top attendance leaders (pre-NCAAs) include: BYU (2,070), North Carolina (1,629), Florida (1,590), Santa Clara (1,509), Connecticut (1,460), Florida State (1,393), Texas Christian (1,254), Texas (1,252), UCLA (1,158) and Georgia (1,142).

The near-capacity crowds started with the Sept. 29 showdown vs. #6 West Virginia, as 3,056 were on hand for that exciting night ... that attendance number technically is the highest in ND history ... the 1997 ND Adidas Classic had two attendance numbers of 3,330 (announced as sellouts, vs. UNC and Duke), but those numbers included four-game tournament passes (sold to fans of ND, UNC, Duke and UConn) ... two days after the WVU game, the Irish played in front of 2,681 versus Pittsburgh – yielding the highest official attendance for a Sunday game at Alumni Field (2,609 were on hand earlier this see to see ND and Santa Clara in a showdown between #1-ranked teams) ... a new top number was posted as 3,168 watched ND beat Seton Hall on Oct. 6, followed by another best Sunday crowd of 3,003 for the Oct. 8 game with Rutgers ... the first game of the Randy Waldrum era (a 2-1, double-OT loss to UNC on Sept. 3, 1999) drew 2,957 fans on a Friday night.

Top ND Women's Soccer Attendance Numbers In Alumni Field History

Fri./Sun.; Sept. 19/21, 1997

***3,300** Four-game tournament pack/one att. number (ND 2, UNC 2; ND 5, Duke)

Friday; Oct. 6, 2006

3,168 ND 5, Seton Hall 0

Friday; Sept. 29, 2006

3,056 ND 3, West Virginia 1

Sunday; Oct. 8, 2006

3,003 ND 2, Rutgers 0

Friday; Sept. 3, 1999

2,957 UNC 3, ND 2 (2 OT)

Sunday; Oct. 1, 2006

2,681 ND 5, Pittsburgh 0

Sunday; Sept. 3, 2006

2,609 ND 3, Santa Clara 1