



Notre Dame Volleyball

10-time BIG EAST Champions • 14 Consecutive NCAA Tournament Appearances

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THIS WEEK IN NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL:

Louisville Invitational

Friday, November 24, 5 p.m.

Notre Dame (18-12, 10-4 BIG EAST) vs. No. 18

Ohio (27-3, 16-0 MAC)

Series: Notre Dame leads 1-0

Last Meeting: 9-11-92 (3-0 ND)

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NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL

(18-12, 10-4 BIG EAST)

AUGUST

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

SEPTEMBER

Shamrock Invitational (Notre Dame, Ind.)

1 Fri. Valparaiso (und.com) W, 3-1

2 Sat. Idaho (und.com) W, 3-1

#13 Missouri (CSTV, und.com) L, 2-3

3 Sun. #6 Santa Clara (und.com) L, 0-3

UNI Invitational (Cedar Falls, Iowa)

8 Fri. vs. Alabama W, 3-1

9 Sat. vs. Kansas State L, 0-3

at Northern Iowa (MediaCom) L, 2-3

Courtyard by Marriott Classic (Tempe, Ariz.)

15 Fri. vs. Butler W, 3-0

16 Sat. vs. Duke W, 3-1

17 Sun. at Arizona State L, 0-3

23 Sat. at Rutgers* W, 3-0

24 Sun. at Villanova* W, 3-1

30 Sat. at Seton Hall* W, 3-0

OCTOBER

6 Fri. Marquette (und.com)* W, 3-1

8 Sun. Syracuse (und.com)* W, 3-0

13 Fri. DePaul (und.com)* (Comcast) W, 3-0

16 Mon. at # 16 Hawai'i (KFVE) L, 0-3

17 Tue. at # 16 Hawai'i (KFVE) L, 1-3

20 Fri. Connecticut* W, 3-0

22 Sun. St. John's* (Comcast) L, 0-3

28 Sat. at Cincinnati* L, 0-3

29 Sun. at Louisville* (ESPNU) L, 0-3

NOVEMBER

3 Fri. at Georgetown* W, 3-0

5 Sun. at South Florida* W, 3-0

11 Sat. Pittsburgh* (und.com) L, 1-3

12 Sun. West Virginia* (und.com) W, 3-0

BIG EAST Championship (Cincinnati, Ohio)

17 Fri. at Cincinnati W, 3-2

18 Sat. vs. #24 St. John's W, 3-1

19 Sun. vs Louisville (CSTV) L, 2-3

Louisville Invitational (Louisville, Ky.)

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

DECEMBER

NCAA Championship

Nov. 30-Dec. 3 First & Second Rounds TBA

7-10 Round of 16 & Quarterfinals TBA

14 Thurs. Semifinals TBA

16 Sat. Finals (CSTV) TBA

Home matches in **bold** and in Joyce Center

All times are local to the event

und.com-indicates live internet audio broadcast

*= BIG EAST Match

THIS WEEK: The Irish (18-12, 10-4 BIG EAST) will have one more regular season match against No. 18 Ohio (27-3, 16-0 MAC) on Friday, Nov. 24 at 5 p.m. as part of the Louisville Invitational. A win would help Notre Dame in its bid to make the NCAA Tournament for the 15th consecutive season.

2006 Notre Dame Volleyball Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	Notes
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, Mich.	Season best three digs against Louisville
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, Calif.	Streak of five straight double-doubles
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, Ky.	Led team with 18k vs. Louisville (BE)
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, Calif.	Career Best 16k vs. Connecticut
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, Ky.	Will miss season due to preseason injury
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, Ind.	Career best five service aces at USF
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, Calif.	Has led team in assists 21 times
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, Ill.	10 kills at Georgetown
10	Adrianna Stasiuk** (c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, Ill.	Totaled 23k and 26d at Cincinnati (BE)
11	Danielle Herndon*** (c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, Fla.	Dig leader in 25/30 matches on year
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-7	Gibsonia, Pa.	Team leader in assists against Hawai'i (10/17)
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, N.D	Tallied career best 15 kills at USF
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, N.C.	Tallied two blocks against Hawai'i

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

* Notre Dame had a solid showing at the BIG EAST Tournament pulling the upset of fourth-seeded Cincinnati (3-2) and top-seeded St. John's (3-1), before falling to Louisville in a heartbreaking five game match.

* The win over Cincinnati was Notre Dame's first victory in five games this season.

* Irish improved their mark to 8-0 on Friday night and 6-2 in the first game of a road trip this season with the win over UC.

* Sophomore **Mallorie Croal** and junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** both had career performances in the Cincinnati win.

* Croal had a career-high 25 kills against Cincinnati. She also chipped in 14 digs.

* Stasiuk set a career best with 23 kills and a season best with her 26 digs. This was Stasiuk's 16th double-double of the season.

* Freshman **Christina Kaelin** came off the bench and contributed 12 kills in the last two games against the Bearcats.

* Junior **Ashley Tarutis** had a season best 56 assists in the win.

* Senior **Danielle Herndon** had a career effort with 34 digs against Cincinnati.

* The 110 digs against Cincinnati was a season best for the Irish.

* Notre Dame's four game victory over #24 St. John's was the first over a ranked opponent this season.

* **Mallorie Croal** continued her strong weekend with a team best 16 kills and personal best 19 digs versus the Red Storm.

* The win advanced Notre Dame to the BIG EAST Championship match for the 12th consecutive season.

* Both of Notre Dame setters tallied 20+ assists against St. John's, as **Ashley Tarutis** tallied 34 and **Jamel Nicholas** totaled 25.

* Freshman **Serinity Phillips** tied her career-best with eight blocks against the Red Storm.

* With the St. John's win, Notre Dame is now 7-2 in four game sets this season.

* The championship match meeting with Louisville was the second consecutive season that these two teams met.

* The loss was the first for Notre Dame this season after winning the first two games.

* Notre Dame and Coach Brown are still an impressive 24-3 in BIG EAST Tournament play.

* In the actual championship match both Notre Dame and Coach Brown are 9-3.

* Notre Dame drops to 17-3 when winning the first game

WEEKLY RANKINGS WRAP-UP

USA Today/CSTV Top 25 Poll (Nov. 20)

<i>Rank</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>2006 Record</i>	<i>Last Week</i>
1.	Nebraska	25-1	1
2.	Washington	24-3	4
3.	Stanford	23-3	2
4.	UCLA	26-3	6
5.	Penn State	27-2	5
6.	USC	23-4	4
7.	Florida	26-2	7
8.	Texas	21-5	8
9.	Utah	25-2	9
10.	Minnesota	21-7	12
11.	Wisconsin	22-6	10
12.	Hawai'i	23-5	13
13.	Oklahoma	24-5	14
14.	California	19-8	15
t-15.	Cal Poly	22-5	16
t-15.	LSU	24-5	11
17.	San Diego	23-5	17
18.	Ohio	27-3	18
19.	Ohio State	21-7	19
20.	BYU	24-4	20
21.	New Mexico State	31-2	21
22.	Purdue	21-8	23
23.	Santa Clara	20-7	22
24.	Pepperdine	15-10	25
25.	Duke	26-3	NR

Other receiving votes on two or more ballots: Long Beach State, **Louisville**, **St. John's**, Colorado, **Missouri**, Sacramento State, Oregon, **Bowling Green**, Iowa State
Bold= 2006 Opponent

RichKern.com Poll (Nov. 20)

<i>Rank</i>	<i>School</i>
1.	Washington
2.	Nebraska
3.	Stanford
4.	UCLA
5.	Penn State
6.	USC
7.	Florida
8.	Texas
9.	Minnesota
10.	Utah
11.	Wisconsin
12.	California
13.	Hawai'i
14.	Oklahoma
15.	LSU
16.	Ohio
17.	Cal Poly
18.	Ohio State
19.	San Diego
20.	BYU
21.	Purdue
22.	New Mexico State
23.	Santa Clara
24.	Long Beach State
25.	Pepperdine
26.	Oregon
27.	Duke
28.	Louisville
29.	St. John's
30.	Missouri

Bold=2006 Opponents

Volleyball Magazine Top 20 Poll (Nov. 6)

<i>Rank</i>	<i>School</i>
1.	Nebraska
2.	Stanford
3.	Penn State
4.	Washington
5.	UCLA
6.	Florida
7.	USC
8.	Utah
9.	Texas
10.	Wisconsin
11.	Hawai'i
12.	California
13.	LSU
14.	Minnesota
15.	Purdue
16.	Cal Poly
17.	San Diego
18.	New Mexico State
19.	BYU
20.	Ohio

BIG EAST Conference Preseason Awards

Player of the Year:

Ana Stewart, Sr., OH, Louisville

All-BIG EAST Team:

Diana Andreyko, Jr., OH, Pittsburgh*

Jenny Custer, Jr., OH/S, Cincinnati

Hui Ping Huang, So., MB, St. John's

Jamie Mueller, Sr., OH, Marquette

Jessie Nevitt, R-So., MB, Cincinnati*

Noel Olsen, Sr., S, Cincinnati

Kacey Sellers, Jr., OH, Villanova

Adrianna Stasiuk, Jr., OH, Notre Dame

Ashley Tarutis, Jr., S, Notre Dame

Kimberly Todd, Jr., OH, Marquette*

Lora Yankauskas, Sr., OH/RS, Rutgers

Anastasia Yartseva-Stewart, Sr., OH, Louisville

* - indicates unanimous selection

Times in Double Figures

	Kills	Digs	Blocks
10-Adrianna Stasiuk	48 (16)	66 (23)	1
2-Mallorie Croal	21 (14)	11 (7)	-
5-Ellen Heintzman	8	-	-
3-Christina Kaelin	13 (13)	-	-
9-Megan Fesl	8 (8)	7 (7)	-
4-Serinity Phillips	8 (8)	-	-
14-Justine Stremick	5 (5)	-	1 (1)
1-Madison Clark	-	1	-
8-Ashley Tarutis	-	37 (8)	-
11-Danielle Herndon	-	51 (24)	-
6-Kim Kristoff	-	-	-
12-Jamel Nicholas	-	3 (3)	-
15-Colleen Nolan	-	-	-
16-Tara Enzweiler	-	-	-

Career 20-Kill Matches

Christina Kaelin - 5 (5)

Adrianna Stasiuk - 4 (2)

Mallorie Croal - 1 (1)

Ellen Heintzman - 1

Career 20-Dig Matches

Danielle Herndon - 13 (12)

Adrianna Stasiuk - 7 (2)

Mallorie Croal - 1

Jamel Nicholas - 1 (1)

BIG EAST Conference Weekly Awards

Player of the Week:

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

Jessica Elley, Cincinnati, So., OH (9/4)

Jessica Buffum, Georgetown, So., OH (9/11)

Adrian Semrau, Villanova, Sr., MB (9/18)

Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, Jr., OH (9/25)

Patti Hardimon, St. John's, Sr., OH (10/2)

Jessie Nevitt, Cincinnati, So., MB (10/9)

Hui Ping Huang, St. John's, So., MB (10/16)

Patti Hardimon, St. John's, Sr., OH (10/23)

Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, Fr., OH (10/30)

Mallorie Croal, Notre Dame, So., OH (11/6)

Jessie Nevitt, Cincinnati, MB, So. (11/13)

Rookie of the Week:

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

Christina Kaelin, Notre Dame, OH (9/4)

Bridget Denson-Dorman, Connecticut, S (9/11)

Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, OH (9/18)

Meagan Dooley, Pittsburgh, MB (9/25)

Kim Kern, Pittsburgh, OH (10/2)

Serinity Phillips, Notre Dame, OH (10/9)

Meagen Dooley, Pittsburgh, MH, (10/16)

Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, OH (10/23)

Jamie Frey, Cincinnati, DS (10/30)

Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, Fr., OH (11/6)

Michelle Rossi, Pittsburgh, Fr., Fr./11/13)

Honor Roll:

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

Justine Stremick, Notre Dame, So., MB (9/4)

Danielle Herndon, Notre Dame, Sr., DS (9/11)

Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, Jr., OH (9/18)

Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, Jr., OH (10/2)

Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, Jr., OH (10/9)

Justine Stremick, Notre Dame, So., MB (10/16)

Mallorie Croal, Notre Dame, So. OH (11/25)

2006 BIG EAST Conference Standings (11/20)

Rk.	School	Conf.	%	Overall	%	Preseason	ND vs.
1.	St. John's	14-0	1.000	30-2	.938	4th	L, 0-3; W 3-1
2.	Louisville	13-1	.929	23-6	.793	2nd	L, 0-3; L 2-3
3.	Pittsburgh	10-4	.714	22-9	.710	5th	L, 1-3
	Cincinnati	10-4	.714	21-7	.750	3rd	L, 0-3; W 3-2
	Notre Dame	10-4	.714	18-12	.600	1st	-
	Marquette	10-4	.714	16-12	.571	6th	W, 3-1
7.	Connecticut	8-6	.571	19-11	.633	9th	W, 3-0
8.	South Florida	7-7	.500	12-16	.429	13th	W, 3-0
9.	Villanova	7-7	.500	16-15	.516	7th	W, 3-1
10.	Seton Hall	5-9	.357	16-14	.533	14th	W, 3-0
11.	Syracuse	5-9	.357	11-25	.306	8th	W, 3-0
12.	Georgetown	2-12	.143	8-19	.296	11th	W, 3-0
	Rutgers	2-12	.143	5-20	.200	10th	W, 3-0
	West Virginia	2-12	.143	3-28	.097	12th	W, 3-0
15.	DePaul	0-14	.000	5-25	.167	15th	W, 3-0

this season.

* **Christina Kaelin** continued her strong tournament with a team-high 18 kills.

* **Mallorie Croal** ended her tournament well with 12 kills and 14 digs- her third straight double-double in the BIG EAST.

* **Adrianna Stasiuk** recorded the 17th double-double of the season with 13 kills and 12 digs.

* Freshman **Kim Kristoff** set her career-high with nine kills against the Cardinals.

* **Coach Brown** was in her second year of coaching the Irish the last time Notre Dame and No. 18 Ohio squared off (1992).

* Notre Dame has now traveled 19,053.63 miles this season through the Cincinnati/BIG EAST trip back home.

* **Christina Kaelin** has 24 blocks this season but 10 (42 percent) are solo blocks, by far the highest percentage on the team.

* Three Notre Dame volleyball players have played in all 107 games this season (**Justine Stremick**, **Ashley Tarutis**, and **Danielle Herndon**). Another trends includes Notre Dame has used 10 different starting lineups this season, all of which have featured at least two freshman and some-

times as many as four.

* Junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** with her 22 double digit digs matches this season now has 66 in her career, which is fourth all-time in the double figure dig mark. She also has totaled 41 double-doubles, which is third all-time on that list.

* **Ashley Tarutis** with her 807 assists this season now has 3,530 assists in her career, which is fourth all-time having just passed **Taryn Collins**.

* Freshman **Christina Kaelin** with five 20+-kill matches this year is just out of the top-10 all-time for career matches with 20+ kills for the Irish.

* **Danielle Herndon** is quickly moving up the career digs list. She now has 1,238 digs in her career, which is good for fifth all-time. Herndon's 25 times leading the team in digs this season is second for Notre Dame having passed **Meg Henican** (2004) and **Christy Peters** (1993) over the weekend. Herndon's 547 digs this year is the third highest single season total in the record books for Notre Dame only six from tying **Meg Henican** (2004) for second.

* **Adrianna Stasiuk** has recorded 17 double-doubles in her 28 matches on the year.

2006 Notre Dame Leaders

As of 11/19

Kills

Adrianna Stasiuk.....	300
Mallorie Croal.....	292
Christina Kaelin.....	291

Hitting Percentage

Justine Stremick.....	313
Serinity Phillips.....	263
Mallorie Croal.....	236

Assists

Ashley Tarutis.....	807
Jamel Nicholas.....	558

Digs

Danielle Herndon.....	547
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	333
Ashley Tarutis.....	220

Blocks

Justine Stremick.....	149
Kim Kristoff.....	82
Serinity Phillips.....	72

Service Aces

Adrianna Stasiuk.....	28
Ashley Tarutis.....	28
Megan Fesl.....	26

Service Ace to Error Ratio

Megan Fesl.....	1.44 (26 A, 18 E)
Danielle Herndon.....	1.09 (25 A, 23 E)
Ashley Tarutis.....	1.07 (28 A, 26 E)

Service Percentage

Danielle Herndon.....	.952
Ashley Tarutis.....	.951
Megan Fesl.....	.947

Points

Adrianna Stasiuk.....	366.5
Mallorie Croal.....	348.0
Justine Stremick.....	311.5

* No individual Notre Dame player ranked among the top-10 in the BIG EAST in assists, yet the Irish thanks to both setters, **Jamel Nicholas** and **Ashley Tarutis**, were third in the conference in assists (14.55) during the regular season.

* **Justine Stremick** during the regular season was fifth in the conference in blocks per game with an average of 1.40. Her 24 solo blocks placed her among the conference leaders.

* **Justine Stremick's** 150 total blocks this year is nearly more than her next two teammates combined (154).

* **Danielle Herndon** finished fourth in the BIG EAST with her average of 5.01 digs per game during the regular season. The Irish ranked second in the BIG EAST with an average of 17.70 digs per game.

* The Irish remain second in the conference in kills per game 15.80, despite not having a single individual ranked among the top-10.

* In BIG EAST play only the Irish placed second in the league in hitting percentage (.266), third in service aces per game (1.76) and third in kills (16.27) and blocks (3.11).

* In conference play only, sophomore **Justine Stremick** finished fourth in the league in hitting percentage (.390)

* Notre Dame has had success on the first day of road trips going 6-2 in defeating Alabama, Butler, Rutgers, Seton Hall, Georgetown and Cincinnati.

* In neutral site matches, freshman **Christina Kaelin** has been outstanding with an averaged 3.55 kills per game. Notre Dame as a team is 4-2 in neutral site action.

* Notre Dame has yet to lose a Friday match 8-0 this season.

* Notre Dame completed its 2006 regular season home schedule ranking 14th nationally in attendance with an average of 1,849 fans per game.

* The Irish recently had a pair of players honored recently as both junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** and sophomore **Justine Stremick** were named to the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-District 5 Volleyball Team. Stasiuk was a first-team selection and Stremick was a third-teamer. Stasiuk will move on to Academic All-America ballot by virtue of her being a first-team member.

* With the victory over Seton Hall on Saturday, Sept. 30,

head coach **Debbie Brown** became only the 28th NCAA volleyball coach to reach the 500-win milestone. Her record now stands at 504-215 in her 22 years as collegiate head coach at Arizona State and Notre Dame.

* Head Coach **Debbie Brown** returns for her 16th season at the helm of volleyball program and signed a new contract extension in the off-season.

* Two additions to the coaching staff this season are former Virginia Tech head coach **Greg Smith** and **Kevin Lane**.

* Notre Dame takes on nine teams in 10 matches this season that were participants in the 2005 NCAA Volleyball Tournament.

* Notre Dame had four home matches on home football weekends this season and went 3-1 in with victories over Marquette, Syracuse and Connecticut and a loss to St. John's.

* **Danielle Herndon** is the lone senior on the team, the first time since 1983 that the Notre Dame roster has had only have one senior.

* Over the last 16 years, Notre Dame is an impressive 187-32 (.854) at the Joyce Center.

* The Fighting Irish have compiled an overall record of 129-10 (.928) including a record of 71-2 at the Joyce Center during regular season play against BIG EAST competition since joining the conference in 1995.

* This is the 35th anniversary of women's athletics at Notre Dame, in celebration the volleyball team and the female athletic teams at Notre Dame will wear special patches on their uniforms this season. There will also be a special celebration in April. For more information see the info located toward the back of this notes package.

SCOUTING OHIO: The Bobcats have established themselves as one of the top volleyball programs in the country ... after dropping a pair of matches to ranked opponents to start the season, Ohio has hit its stride and have won 27 of the last 28 matches including the current 20-match winning streak the Bobcats find themselves on ... Ohio sped through the MAC Tournament over the weekend defeating Eastern Michigan, Western Michigan and Bowling Green ... the Bobcats an experienced squad of four seniors ... the team has four primary attackers to watch led by the duo of freshman **Ellen Herman** and junior **Melissa Griffin** ... Herman has a team best 434 kills and is averaging 4.21 per game, while Griffin is right behind her with 414 kills (4.02 per

Notre Dame Volleyball Quick Facts

Location	Notre Dame, Indiana
Founded.....	1842
Enrollment.....	11, 417
Nickname	Fighting Irish
Colors	Gold and Blue
Conference	BIG EAST
Home Court.....	Joyce Center (11,418)
President.....	Rev. John I. Jenkins, C.S.C
Director of Athletics.....	Kevin White
Deputy Director of Athletics.....	Missy Conboy
Athletic Department Phone	(574) 631-6107

Irish Coaching Staff

Head Volleyball Coach.....	Debbie Brown
Alma Mater	Arizona State '82
Record at Notre Dame	392-134 (.746)/16 years
Career Record	509-217 (.701)/22 years
Assistant Coach.....	Greg Smith (1st season)
Smith's Alma Mater	Westmont College '90
Assistant Coach.....	Louella Lovely (4th season)
Lovely's Alma Mater	Cal Poly '97
Volunteer Assistant Coach .	Kevin Lane (1st season)
Student Manager	Megan McGuire (3rd season)

Program History

Overall Record	576-320(.642) 26 seasons
NCAA Championship Appearances.....	15
BIG EAST Regular Season Record	130-11 (.922)
BIG EAST Regular Season Championships.....	10
BIG EAST Championship Record.....	24-3 (.888)
BIG EAST Championship Titles	9
Winning Seasons.....	19
All-American Honorees	14
Academic All-Americans.....	3
All-BIG EAST Accolades.....	43
BIG EAST Coach of the Year Awards	5
BIG EAST Player of the Year Awards	6
BIG EAST Champ. Most Outstanding Awards.....	9

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game) ... the Bobcats have only lost one neutral site match all season (No. 3 Washington) ... the team hitting percentage for Ohio is .290 ... the team also is very effective at digging with a team average of 18.42 per game ... the head coach for Ohio is **Geoff Carlston** ... Carlston now in his fourth season at Ohio has a career record of 117-14 with the Bobcats.

SERIES VS. OHIO: This will be the second meeting between the Irish and the Bobcats, but the first since 1992 when the Irish were still members of the Midwest Collegiate Conference ... No. 24 at that time Notre Dame defeated Ohio 15-8, 15-7, 16-14 at the Joyce Center in the MCC-MAC Challenge ... this will be the second time ND has faced a team from the Mid-American Conference this season (Bowling Green is the other one) ... four Ohio natives have played for the Irish starting with **Mary Jo Hensler** (Cincinnati, Mother Mercy) from 1981-84 ... Notre Dame has a solid 41-15 record in volleyball against

CSTV/AVCA's Weekly Rankings

Date	ND Rank	Week's Event
Pre-Season	#21	W.- Bowling Green
Sept. 4	#23	L - #13 Missouri, #6 Santa Clara
Sept. 11	RV	W-Alabama; L- KSU, UNI
Sept. 18	-	W-Butler, Duke; L-ASU
Sept. 25	-	W-Rutgers, Villanova
Oct. 2	-	W- Seton Hall
Oct. 9	-	W-Marquette, Syracuse
Oct. 16	-	W-DePaul
Oct. 23	-	L- Hawaii (2), St. John's; W-UConn
Oct. 30	-	L, Cincinnati & Louisville
Nov. 6	-	W, Georgetown & South Florida
Nov.13	-	W, West Virginia; L-Pittsburgh
Nov. 20	-	W, Cin., #24 St. John's; L-Lou
Nov. 27	?	???
Dec. 4	?	???
Final	?	???

A WORTHY MILESTONE: The 2006-07 school year marks the 35th anniversary of women's athletics at Notre Dame. The athletic department together with the Notre Dame monogram club will mark the occasion with a year-long celebration, that culminates on April 26-27, 2007 with the "Weekend of Champions" celebration. All female student athletes at Notre Dame, including the volleyball team, will wear a logo patch on their uniforms this season. The logo will also be proudly displayed on media guides, banners, arena signs, street pole signs and in parking lots. The "Weekend of Champions"



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

the Mid-American Conference ... Debbie Brown is 23-2 in career against the MAC, including this year's 3-0 win over Bowling Green ... the last time Brown and Notre Dame were defeated by a school currently in the MAC was Miami of Ohio in 1991.

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

Notre Dame leads 1-0

Date	Place	W/L	Rank	Scores (ND First)
9-11-92	H!	W	24-	15-8, 15-7, 16-14

! - MCC-MAC Challenge (Notre Dame, Ind.)

A SOLID SHOWING: The Fighting Irish had a solid showing at the BIG EAST Championship pulling the upset of fourth-seeded Cincinnati and top-seeded St. John's before falling in five games to second-seeded Louisville.

NOTES FROM THE CINCINNATI MATCH: Notre Dame had several noteworthy performances from the Cincinnati match.

* The win over Cincinnati in the quarterfinals of the BIG EAST Tournament was the first five-game victory of the season for Notre Dame.

* Irish advanced to the semifinals of the BIG EAST Championship for the 12th consecutive season.

* Irish improved to 8-0 on Friday night matches this season.

* Notre Dame now sports a record of 6-1 all-time against Cincinnati.

* Irish improved to 6-2 on the first day of a road trip this season.

* Sophomore **Mallorie Croal** and junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** both had career performances.

* Croal's 25 kills led the team as she set a new career-high.

* Croal's 25 kill were the first time since Sept. '05 that an Irish player reached 25+ kills in a match.

* Stasiuk's 23 kills also were a career best effort for her, as were her 26 digs.

* This was the 16th double-double of the season for Stasiuk.

* This was the second time this season that two Irish players had reached the 20 kill mark (Kaelin and Stasiuk {Missouri 9/2})

* Freshman **Christina Kaelin** came off the bench and provided 12 kills in the last two games.

* Junior **Ashley Tarutis** had a season best 56 assists in the win.

* Senior **Danielle Herndon** set a career-best effort with 34 digs.

* Herndon's 34 digs ties **Jessica Fiebelkorn** (10/13/92) for the third most ever for a Notre Dame player in a five game match.

* With both Herndon and Stasiuk reaching the 25+ dig mark in the same match, this was the first time this has happened since '00 against Loyola Marymount.

* The Irish's 110 digs as a team was a season best effort.

NOTES FROM THE ST. JOHN'S MATCH: Notre Dame had a few noteworthy performances from the St. John's match.

Notre Dame in 2006

at home	8-4
away	6-6
on neutral courts.....	4-2
in three games	10-7
in four games.....	7-2
in five games	1-3
vs. ranked opponents.....	1-4
vs. BIG EAST teams.....	10-4
vs. non-conference teams.....	8-8
vs. AVCA Northeast Region	12-5
at night	7-4
during the day	11-8
in tournament play	7-5
on television	1-7
winning the first game.....	17-3
losing the first game	1-9
winning first two games	13-1
losing first two games	0-8
split first two games	4-3
leading 2-1 in games	7-3
trailing 2-1 in games	1-0
higher hitting percentage.....	18-1
lower hitting percentage.....	0-11
more kills	16-1
fewer kills.....	1-11
equal kills	1-0
more service aces	14-4
fewer service aces	3-7
equal service aces.....	1-1
more digs.....	14-3
less digs.....	4-8
equal digs	0-0
more blocks.....	14-4
less blocks.....	2-7
equal blocks	2-1
longest match winning streak.....	6
longest match losing streak	3
longest game winning streak.....	8
longest game losing streak	9
on Monday	0-1
on Tuesday	0-1
on Wednesday	0-0
on Thursday.....	0-0
on Friday	8-0
on Saturday	6-5
on Sunday.....	4-5
Most total points	257
ND, 127, Missouri 130	
Fewest total points	132
ND, 90, DePaul 42	

* With the win over No. 24 Saint John's, Notre Dame advanced to the championship match for the 12th consecutive season.

* **Mallorie Croal** again led the strong team effort with 16 kills while she also picked up a career-high 19 digs.

* Croal has now led the team in kills nine times this season.

* Both Irish setters **Ashley Tarutis** (34) and **Jamel Nicholas** (25) tallied over 20 assists against St. John's.

* Freshman **Serinity Phillips** had a solid performance with 14 kills and eight blocks. The eight blocks tied her career-high set against Syracuse on Oct. 8

* The Irish win over No. 24 St. John's was the first over a ranked opponent this season.

* Irish improved their record to 7-2 in four-game sets this season.

NOTES FROM THE LOUISVILLE MATCH: Notre Dame had a few noteworthy performances from the Louisville match.

* The teams met in the championship for the second consecutive season.

* This was the first time Notre Dame has lost this season after taking 2-0 lead in games won.

* Notre Dame and Coach Brown are now 24-3 all-time in BIG EAST Tournament play.

* In the actual championship match, Notre Dame and Coach Brown are now 9-3.

* Notre Dame drops to 17-3 when winning the first game this season.

* Freshman **Christina Kaelin** registered her third straight double-digit kills match with a team best 18.

* **Mallorie Croal** ended her tournament play well with 12 kills and 14 digs- her third straight double-double in the BIG EAST.

* Both Irish setters **Ashley Tarutis** and **Jamel Nicholas** went over 25 assists again. Tarutis led the team with 31 while Nicholas was right behind her with 27.

Career Irish Double-Doubles

Ashley Tarutis	36 (8)
vs. Valparaiso (27 assists, 13 digs)	
vs. Duke (22 assists, 14 digs)	
at Arizona State (19 assists, 10 digs)	
vs. Syracuse (26 assists, 14 digs)	
vs. Connecticut (30 assists, 10 digs)	
at Cincinnati (17 assists, 11 digs)	
at Cincinnati (54 assists, 11 digs) (BE)	
vs. #24 St. John's (34 assists, 11 digs) (BE)	
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	41 (17)
vs. Bowling Green (10 kills, 10 digs)	
vs. Valparaiso (20 kills, 14 digs)	
vs. Idaho (11 kills, 10 digs)	
vs. #13 Missouri (13 kills, 13 digs)	
at Northern Iowa (13 kills, 11 digs)	
vs. Butler (13 kills, 13 digs)	
at Arizona State (12 kills, 13 digs)	
at Rutgers (14 kills, 10 digs)	
at Villanova (12 kills, 15 digs)	
at Seton Hall (12 kills, 10 digs)	
vs. Marquette (13 kills, 20 digs)	
vs. Syracuse (15 kills, 11 digs)	
at. #16 Hawai'i (12 kills, 14 digs) (10-17)	
vs. Pittsburgh (14 kills, 17 digs)	
vs. West Virginia (11 kills, 10 digs)	
at Cincinnati (23 kills, 26 digs) (BE)	
vs. Louisville (13 kills, 12 digs) (BE)	
Megan Fesl.....	4 (4)
vs. Valparaiso (16 kills, 10 digs)	
vs. #13 Missouri (11 kills, 16 digs)	
vs. Butler (10 kills, 14 digs)	
at Arizona State (13 kills, 11 digs)	
Mallorie Croal.....	10 (7)
at Villanova (15 kills, 14 digs)	
at Cincinnati (10 kills, 13 digs)	
vs. Pittsburgh (13 kills, 17 digs)	
vs. West Virginia (13 kills, 17 digs)	
at Cincinnati (25 kills, 14 digs) (BE)	
vs. #24 St. John's (16 kills, 19 digs) (BE)	
vs. Louisville (12 kills, 14 digs) (BE)	
Jamel Nicholas.....	3 (3)
vs. Valparaiso (36 assists, 10 digs)	
vs. #13 Missouri (35 assists, 21 digs)	
vs. Duke (29 assists, 12 digs)	

()= number this season

* **Adrianna Stasiuk** recorded her 17th double-double of the season with 13 kills and 12 digs.

* Freshman **Kim Kristoff** set a career-high with nine kills against the Cardinals.

AGAINST THIS WEEK’S OPPONENTS:

No one on the current roster has ever played against Ohio, since the last match between these two school was in 1992, but **Christina Kaelin** did registered 24 kill against fellow Mid-American Conference school, Bowling Green on Aug. 26.

* **Debbie Brown** was in her second year as Notre Dame volleyball coach when she defeated the Bobcats in three games. The match was played up to 15, even before rally scoring.

THE PLACES WE’VE GONE: Following the trip to Cincinnati for Notre Dame, the Irish have logged 19, 053.63 miles this season through bus and planes to destinations.

A LONE BLOCKER: **Christina Kaelin** has 24 blocks this season, but 10 (42 percent) of which are solo blocks, which is by far the largest percentage of solo blocks on the team.

THE IRON GROUP: Three Fighting Irish players have taken the court in all 107 games this season (**Justine Stremick, Ashley Tarutis** and **Danielle Herndon**). This group of three can be dubbed the “Iron Women” for taking the court in every game played this season.

A CONSISTANT CHANGE: The Fighting Irish have now used 10 different lineups this season. Every single one of the lineups combinations has used at least two rookies and sometimes as many as four rookies have been starting at the same time.

A WEEKLY WATCH: These are the individual player both season and career stats to be on the lookout for this week.

* Junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** with her 22 double figure digs matches this season now has 66 in her career, which is fourth all-time only three behind **Jenny Birkner**. Her 17 double-doubles this season move her into third with 41 only one behind **Jessica Fiebelkorn** for second.

* Junior **Ashley Tarutis** with 807 assists this season now has 3,530 assists in her career, which is fourth on the Notre

BIG EAST REGULAR SEASON CONFERENCE LEADERS

INDIVIDUAL

Hitting Percentage

1. Ana Yartseva-Stewart, Louisville.....	.438
2. Jessie Nevitt, Cincinnati.....	.373
8. Justine Stremick, Notre Dame.....	.331

Kills

1. Kimberly Todd, Marquette.....	4.71
2. Marela Gurgel, South Florida	4.45
3. Lora Yankauskas, Rutgers.....	4.14

Assists

1. Noel Olson, Cincinnati.....	12.80
2. Bridget Denson-Dorman, Connecticut	12.70
3. Brittany Rahrer, Seton Hall.....	12.68

Aces

1. Marcela Gurgel, South Florida.....	0.55
2. Jenny Custer, Cincinnati	0.53
3. Gina Hedieman	0.52

Blocks

1. Jessie Nevitt, Cincinnati.....	1.73
2. Lecia Brown, Louisville.....	1.60
6. Justine Stremick, Notre Dame.....	1.40

Digs

1. Joscie Kaup, Syracuse.....	5.31
2. Jamie Frey, Cincinnati	5.27
4. Danielle Herndon, Notre Dame.....	5.01

TEAM

Hitting Percentage

1. Louisville295
4. Notre Dame.....	.228

Opponents Hitting Percentage

1. Cincinnati.....	.141
7. Notre Dame.....	.186

Assists

1. St. John’s.....	16.15
3. Notre Dame.....	14.55

Kills

1. St. John’s.....	17.53
2. Notre Dame.....	15.78

Blocks

1. Louisville	3.51
4. Notre Dame.....	2.97

Aces

1. Connecticut	2.08
7. Notre Dame.....	1.65

Digs

1. St. John’s.....	17.54
2. Notre Dame.....	17.52

Starting Line-up Records

- *Croal, Kaelin, Tarutis, Fesl, Stasiuk, Stremick, Herndon** 2-1
--Bowling Green, Alabama, *Kansas State*
- *Croal, Kaelin, Fesl, Stasiuk, Nicholas, Stremick, Herndon** 2-1
--Valparaiso, Idaho, *Missouri*
- *Croal, Kaelin, Phillips, Kristoff, Stasiuk, Nicholas, Herndon** 0-1
--*Santa Clara*
- *Croal, Kaelin, Fesl, Stasiuk, Nicholas, Enzweiler, Herndon** 0-1
--*Northern Iowa*
- *Phillips, Tarutis, Fesl, Stasiuk, Stremick, Enzweiler, Herndon** 1-0
--Butler
- *Kaelin, Kristoff, Fesl, Stasiuk, Nicholas, Stremick, Herndon** 1-0
--Duke
- *Phillips, Kristoff, Fesl, Tarutis, Stasiuk, Stremick, Herndon** 5-3
--*Arizona State*, Rutgers, Villanova, Seton Hall, Marquette, DePaul, *Hawai'i, Hawai'i*
- *Phillips, Fesl, Tarutis, Stasiuk, Stremick, Enzweiler, Herndon** 1-0
--Syracuse
- *Croal, Phillips, Kristoff, Tarutis, Stasiuk, Stremick, Herndon** 5-3
--Connecticut, *St. John's*, South Florida, *Pittsburgh*, West Virginia, Cincinnati, (t), St. John's (t), *Louisville(t)*
- *Croal, Phillips, Kristoff, Tarutis, Fesl, Stremick, Herndon** 1-1
--*Cincinnati*, Georgetown
- *Croal, Kaelin, Kristoff, Tarutis, Fesl, Stremick, Herndon** 0-1
--*Louisville*

*-libero

italics indicates loss

Dame assist list having just passed **Taryn Collins** for fourth place and only 122 behind **Kristen Kinder** for third place.

* Freshman **Christina Kaelin** with five 20+-kill matches this season is creeping up on the top-ten all-time at Notre Dame for 20+-kill matches in a career. Three former Notre Dame players (**Christi Girton**, **Kathy Cunningham** and **Mary Kay Waller**) hold the career mark of six 20+-kill matches.

* Senior **Danielle Herndon** is quickly moving up the Notre Dame digs list. She now has 1,238 career digs, which is good for fifth on the list. Herndon's 25 times leading the team in digs this season is second for Notre Dame just passing **Meg Henican** (2004) and **Christy Peters** (1993) in a single season. Herndon's 547 digs this year is third on Notre Dame's list for a single season only six from tying **Meg Henican** (2004) for second.

GETTING HER GROOVE BACK: Junior **Ashley Tarutis** has led the team in assists in 85 of the last 94 matches.

DOUBLING UP: Junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** has had a double-double in kills and digs in 17 of her 28 matches this season.

AN INTERESTING SITUATION: Notre Dame has switched up their two-setters junior **Ashley Tarutis** and **Jamel Nicholas** through much of the first 30 matches, where each one of them has led the team in assists in at least nine matches this season. Due in part to the two-setter approach no individual setter was ranked among the top-10 in the BIG EAST, but Notre Dame as a team placed third (14.55) in the conference in assists.

SENDING THEM BACK: Sophomore **Justine Stremick** placed sixth in the conference with her average of 1.40 blocks per game. Her 24 solo blocks are among the conference leaders in the BIG EAST.

A POINT SAVER: Senior **Danielle Herndon** finished the regular season fourth in the conference in digs per game at 5.01. The Irish were second the conference in digs per game (17.52).

MAKING A TEAM IMPACT: As a team the Irish

2006 Notre Dame All-Tournament Team Selections

<i>Player</i>	<i>Tournament</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Award</i>
Christina Kaelin	Shamrock Invitational	9/2	All-Tournament
Justine Stremick	Shamrock Invitational	9/2	All-Tournament
Danielle Herndon	UNI Invitational	9/9	All-Tournament
Adrianna Stasiuk	Courtyard by Marriott Classic	9/17	Co-Best Attacker
Justine Stremick	Courtyard by Marriott Classic	9/17	Best Blocker

climbed to second in the conference in kills per game at 15.78, despite not having any individual ranked among the top-10.

SHE STANDS ABOVE ALL: **Justine Stremick** is not only the tallest player on the team at 6'3", she also has nearly more blocks with 150 this season than her next two closest teammates (**Serinity Phillips** and **Kim Kristoff**) combined, who total 154 together.

A DIFFERENT SEASON: The Irish were a different team once league play started as they finished second in the BIG EAST in hitting percentage (.266). Notre Dame was also third in service aces per game (1.76). During regular season league play only, Notre Dame paced third in kills (16.27) and blocks per game (3.11)

GETTING IT DONE: Sophomore **Justine Stremick** finished fourth in the league in hitting percentage during regular season league only matches (.390).

FOUR IS ABOUT RIGHT: Notre Dame is a solid 7-2 this season when playing four games; so losing a game somewhere in the first three has ultimately been a key ingredient to success.

THE FIRST DAY IS OUR BEST: Notre Dame is 6-2 this season on the first day of a road trip, having defeated Alabama, Butler, Rutgers, Seton Hall and Georgetown and fallen to then No. 16 Hawai'i and Cincinnati. Sophomore **Mallorie Croal**, junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** and freshman **Megan Fesl** have led the charge. Croal has averaged 3.52 kills per game. Stasiuk is contributing 3.33 kills per game and 3.79 digs per game while Fesl has tallied 11 service aces.

FRIDAY IS VERY GOOD TO US: Notre Dame is now 8-0 on Friday match days. The Irish have defeated Valparaiso, Alabama, Butler, Marquette, DePaul, Connecticut, Georgetown and Cincinnati. The Cincinnati match was the

quarterfinals of the 2006 BIG EAST Championship. In those eight matches Notre Dame has 60 service aces (2.07 per game) to the oppositions 31. Freshman **Christina Kaelin** has enjoyed the Friday action as she is averaging 4.05 kills per game on Friday's this season. Junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** had steady performances on the first night of weekend's with an average of 3.07 kills per game and 4.14 digs per game.

SHE'S SWITZERLAND: In neutral site games this season freshman **Christina Kaelin** has been outstanding with a team leading average of 3.55 kills per game. The Irish are 4-2 in neutral site matches this season.

STASIUK AND STREMICK HONORED: The Irish had a pair of players honored recently as both junior **Adrianna Stasiuk** and sophomore **Justine Stremick** were named to *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District 5 Volleyball team. Stasiuk, a first-team selection with a 3.74 grade-point average as an accounting major, was named to the District 5 Volleyball team for the second time in her career. By virtue of her being a first-team selection she will move on to the Academic All-America ballot to be voted upon along with the 49 other first team members on the national ballot. Stremick was a third-team selection, as she had a 3.68 grade-point average as a science pre-professional major.

A SOLID RANKING: Notre Dame completed its 2006 home season ranking 14th nationally in attendance with an average of 1,849 fans per game and a total of 22,193 home fans saw the Irish play at the Joyce Center this season.

PACKING THEM IN: Aided by the football pep rally to follow, the attendance for Notre Dame's match against Marquette on Oct. 6 was listed at 5,743. That crowd was to that point the 15th largest nationally and the second biggest crowd ever for a Notre Dame volleyball match at home. That number of fans is behind only the 8,643 fans

that packed the Joyce Center for the Virginia Tech match on Nov. 7, 2003, which was also a pep rally match.

AN UNFORGETTABLE MILESTONE: With the victory over Seton Hall on Sept. 30, head coach **Debbie Brown** has now won 500 career matches in her 22-year career. She becomes only the 28th NCAA volleyball coach to ever attain 500 or more victories in a career.

A MEDIA FRIENDLY TEAM: The Irish have now played eight matches on television this season. Notre Dame dropped its first television match to then No. 13 Missouri on Sept. 2 and also fell to Northern Iowa on Sept. 9. The Irish picked up a TV win against DePaul on Oct. 13 before falling twice to then No. 16 Hawai'i on Oct. 16 and 17. The Irish then fell to St. John's in three games on Oct. 22. Notre Dame finished up their tough regular season TV schedule with a three game loss at the hands of Louisville on Sunday, Oct. 29. The Irish also took a five-game loss to Cardinals in the BIG EAST Championship Game, Nov. 19, which was shown on CSTV.

A NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN: Sophomore **Justine Stremick** controlled the action around the net against Idaho in the Shamrock Invitational. She tallied 14 blocks, including 11 block assists against the Vandals. Her 14 blocks in the four-game match is tied with **Mary Kay Waller** for the third most blocks by an Irish blocker.

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

NEW LEADERS: With the graduation of both captains from last season, the Notre Dame volleyball team has chosen two new leaders for this season. The new captains are senior **Danielle Herndon** and junior **Adrianna Stasiuk**.

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

NEW FACES: The Notre Dame volleyball team has reloaded with six highly touted freshman vying for playing time this season. The freshmen this year are **Tara Enzweiler**, **Megan Fesl**, **Christina Kaelin**, **Kim Kristoff**, **Jamel**

Nicholas and **Serinity Phillips**.

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

Christina Kaelin was named the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week on Aug. 28 and Sept. 4.

Justine Stremick and **Christina Kaelin** were both named to the Shamrock Invitational All-Tournament Team on Sept. 2.

Danielle Herndon was a member of the UNI Invitational All-Tournament Team, Sept. 9.

Adrianna Stasiuk and **Justine Stremick** both took home some hardware from the Courtyard by Marriott Classic. Stasiuk was named the Co-Best Attacker of the Tournament while Stremick was named the Best Blocker.

Adrianna Stasiuk was named the BIG EAST Player of the Week for the second time in her career on Sept. 25.

Serinity Phillips was the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week on Oct. 9.

Mallorie Croal was named the BIG EAST Player of the Week on Nov. 6.

Adrianna Stasiuk and **Justine Stremick** were both named to *ESPN The Magazine* District 5 volleyball teams. Stasiuk was a first-team selection while Stremick was a third-team member.

Adrianna Stasiuk and **Mallorie Croal** both earned BIG EAST first-team all-BIG EAST this season, while **Justine Stremick** was a second team selection for the first time in her career.

HOME FOOTBALL WEEKENDS: For the sixth time in seven years, the Notre Dame volleyball team played matches this season that preceded football pep rallies. The Irish started the home portion of BIG EAST play against Marquette with a 3-1 win on Oct. 6. The second pre-pep rally match also saw Notre Dame come up with a victory over conference rival Connecticut, 3-0 on Oct. 22.

AN EXCEPTIONAL CLASS: The six student-athletes who comprise the freshman class for the University of Notre Dame women's volleyball team this season – MB **Tara Enzweiler**, OH/OPP **Megan Fesl**, OH **Christina Kaelin**, MB **Kim Kristoff**, S **Jamel Nicholas** and OH/OPP **Serinity Phillips** – earned high praise before even stepping

on campus, as two publications ranked the group among the five best in the country. *Volleyball* magazine had Notre Dame third on its list of top recruiting classes appearing in the August issue, while PrepVolleyball.com placed the Irish fifth on a similar list. These cap off the accolades received by the group, which features four PrepVolleyball.com high school All-Americans, three *Volleyball* magazine Fab 50 selections, and two Gatorade State Players of the Year for volleyball.

Fesl, Kaelin, and Kristoff were on Volleyball’s Girls Fab 50 list of the top high school seniors in the nation, announced in April. It is the first time since 1997 (**Denise Boylan, Christi Girton, and Jo Jameyson**) – and just the third time ever – that Notre Dame has had three Fab 50 picks in the same class. The other instance was the 1994 group of **Angie Harris, Jaimie Lee, and Carey May**. The Irish are one of only five schools that have three or more on the Fab 50 list, joining Penn State (four), Pepperdine (three), Texas A&M (three), and Wisconsin (three). Notre Dame has now had 23 players earn Fab 50 designation since 1990, including at least one in 11 of the last 13 years.

SHE’S THE BOSS: Irish head coach **Debbie Brown** is now in her 16th season as the leader of the Notre Dame volleyball program. She has led the Irish to a 392-134 mark (.745), while holding an overall record of 509-217 (.701). Brown’s Notre Dame teams have earned 14 consecutive NCAA tournament bids, advancing to the quarterfinals in 1993 and the round of 16 in ‘94, ‘95, and ‘97. Her squads have won 20 or more matches 13 times. A 10-time conference coach of the year and the only five-time BIG EAST coach of the year (4 in the Midwestern Collegiate and one in the Pac-10), she has coached 12 Irish players to All-American honors. The Irish have also claimed 14 regular season conference titles (4 Midwestern Collegiate, 10 BIG EAST) and 13 league tournament titles (4 MCC, 9 BIG EAST) under her watch. A co-captain of the 1980 U.S Olympic volleyball team after winning a pair of national championships and earning All-American honors twice while playing at USC, Brown graduated from Arizona State in 1982 and coached her alma mater from 1983-88, helping the Sun Devils to five NCAA Tournaments.

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

<u>Game Winning Kills</u>	
Mallorie Croal	11
Adrianna Stasiuk	6
Christina Kaelin	5
Justine Stremick	4
Serinity Phillips.....	3
Megan Fesl.....	3
Tara Enzweiler	1
Kim Kristoff.....	1
<u>Match Winning Kills</u>	
Adrianna Stasiuk.....	3
Serinity Phillips.....	1
Christina Kaelin	1
Megan Fesl.....	1
Mallorie Croal	1
Justine Stremick.....	1

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

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

HOME SWEET HOME: Notre Dame’s Joyce Center has become one of the most difficult places in the nation for road teams to win at, especially since the arrival of head coach Debbie Brown in 1991. Over the last 16 seasons, Notre Dame has posted a 188-33 record (.851) home record. The Irish have put together some impressive winning streaks on the home court, winning 14 or more matches in a row at home on five different occasions, highlighted by a streak of 27 (1993-95), and 36 (2000-02) straight home victories. Notre Dame also won 74 in a row in regular season action against conference opposition from 1991-2004. On 15 different occasions Notre Dame has topped a ranked team at the Joyce Center, including five upsets of teams ranked in the top-10. During the Brown era Notre Dame holds a home record of 179-12 (.937) against unranked teams at home.

CLASS OF THE CONFERENCE: Notre Dame has experienced unprecedented success in the 11 years since joining the league in 1995. The Irish have compiled a 130-11 (.922)

regular season mark, highlighted by 10 titles and winning streaks of 45 and 35 consecutive matches. Notre Dame is 72-3 (.960) in BIG EAST regular-season contests in the Joyce Center. The Irish have won nine BIG EAST tournament championships, posting a mark of 24-3 (.888) in the event and reaching the final every season. The Fighting Irish have also dominated the conference awards; winning player-of-the-year honors six times and coach-of-the-year five times. On nine occasions an Irish player has been named to the league tournament's most outstanding player. Also, Notre Dame players have taken home 43 all-conference accolades, including 26 first team honors.

KEEPING UP WITH VOLLEYBALL: For the fastest results of Notre Dame volleyball matches call the Notre Dame sports hotline at (574) 631-3000 and choose #5 and #1. The hotline provides schedules and results information for all Irish varsity sports and serves as a supplement to the match recaps and weekly releases provided on the official athletic website at www.und.com. In addition, media members and fans can be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contacting sports information assistant Joe Prisco, at prisco.3@nd.edu. All requests for story ideas, interview access, match credentials and further information on Irish volleyball should also be directed to Prisco. Credential and interview requests should be made at least 24 hours in advance.

UP NEXT: Depending on the outcome of this week's match against Ohio, Notre Dame stands a chance of receiving an at-large bid into the 2006 NCAA Volleyball Tournament. The NCAA Division I Selection Show will take place on Sunday, Nov. 26 on ESPNEWS between 3-3:30 p.m.

2006 BIG EAST AWARD WINNERS

All-BIG EAST First Team

Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, Jr., OH
Azadeh Bouroumand, Pittsburgh, Sr., S
Mallorie Croal, Notre Dame, So., OH/OPP
Marcela Gurgel, South Florida, Fr., OH
Patti Hardimon, St. John's, Sr., OH
Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, Fr., OH
Jamie Mueller, Marquette, Sr., OH
Jessie Nevitt, Cincinnati, So., MB
Hui Ping Huang, St. John's, So., MH/OH
Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, Jr., OH/OPP
Ana Stewart, Louisville, Sr., MB
Kimberly Todd, Marquette, Sr., OH/MB

All-BIG EAST Second Team

Myanna Hellsten, Cincinnati, Sr., MB
Caitlin Rimgalia, St. John's, Sr., MH
Adrian Semrau, Villanova, Sr., MB
Noel Olson, Cincinnati, Sr., S
Justine Stremick, Notre Dame, So., MB
Wioleta Leszcynska, St. John's, Jr., RS/S
Bridget Denson-Dorman, Connecticut, Fr., S
Tricia Meyers, Seton Hall, So., MB
Kathleen Yee, St. John's, So., L
Latoya Blunt, St. John's, Jr., RS/OH
Monica Renfrow, Marquette, Jr., S
Meagen Dooley, Pittsburgh, Fr., OH

Player of the Year

Ana Stewart, Louisville, Sr., MB

Rookie of The Year

Tatyana Kolesnikova, Louisville, OH

Libero of the Year

Kathleen Yee, St. John's, So

Coach of the Year

Joanne Persico-Smith, St. John's

The Last Time ...

Team

- ... Notre Dame lost the first game in a win – 9/24/06, at Villanova
- ... Notre Dame lost the first 2 games in a win – 9/5/03, vs. Houston (@ Austin, TX)
- ... Notre Dame was down 2-1 in a win – 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... Notre Dame won the first game in a loss – 11/19/06, vs. Louisville (BIG EAST Championship) (@ Cincinnati, Ohio)
- ... Notre Dame won the first 2 games in a loss – 11/19/06, vs. Louisville (BIG EAST Championship) (@ Cincinnati, Ohio)
- ... Notre Dame was up 2-1 in a loss – 11/19/06, vs. Louisville (BIG EAST Championship) (@ Cincinnati, Ohio)
- ... Notre Dame beat a ranked opponent - 11/18/06, vs #24 St. John's (BIG EAST Semifinals) (@ Cincinnati, Ohio)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-10 opponent - 11/20/05, at #7 Louisville (3-2)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-five opponent - 9/25/93, vs. #3 Nebraska (3-1)

Kills

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - 9/2/06, vs #13 Missouri (L, 2-3/Shamrock Invitational), Mallorie Croal (14), Christina Kaelin (24), Megan Fesl (11), Adrianna Stasiuk (13) & Justine Stremick (14)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - never
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills - 12/9/05, vs. #12 Wisconsin (L, 2-3/NCAA round of 16 @ Texas A&M), Mallorie Croal (18), Lauren Kelbley (18), Lauren Brewster (17) & Adrianna Stasiuk (15)
- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills - never
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills - 9/9/06, vs. Northern Iowa (L, 2-3), Christina Kaelin (20)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills with 0 errors - 9/9/03, vs. Valparaiso (W, 3-0), Emily Loomis (24)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ kills - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Mallorie Croal (25) & Adrianna Stasiuk (23), (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ kills - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Mallorie Croal (25) (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ kills - 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Jenny Birkner (28), Angie Harris (26)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ kills - 10/29/00, at Connecticut (W, 3-2), Christi Girton (31)
- ... no Notre Dame players had 10+ kills - 10/13/06, vs DePaul (W, 3-0), leader: Christina Kaelin and Serinity Phillips (9)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills and 20+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Adrianna Stasiuk (23 kills, 26 digs)
- ... a Notre Dame player had a triple-double - 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) & Adrianna Stasiuk (14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks)

Digs

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs - 9/2/06, vs. Valparaiso (W, 3-1/Shamrock Invitational), Megan Fesl (10), Adrianna Stasiuk (14), Jamel Nicholas (10), Ashley Tarutis (13) & Danielle Herndon (24)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs - 10/1/96 vs. Ball State (L, 2-3), Lindsay Treadwell (19), Angie Harris (13), Jenny Birkner (13), Kristina Ervin (12), Jaimie Lee (12), Mary Leffers (10)
- ... 7 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs [Notre Dame record] - 10/13/92 vs. Bowling Green (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (34), Cynthia May (22), Shannon Tuttle (15), Alicia Turner (14), Brett Hensel (13), Christy Peters (13), Nicole Coates (13)
- ... 3 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 11/11/06, vs. Pittsburgh (L, 1-3), Mallorie Croal (17), Adrianna Stasiuk (17), Danielle Herndon (17)
- ... 4 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 9/4/05, vs. Arizona State (W, 3-2), Mallorie Croal (22), Meg Henican (21), Ashley Tarutis (18), Danielle Herndon (18)
- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs - 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31), Brett Hensel (17), Alicia Turner (17), Cynthia May (16)
- ... 6 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs [Notre Dame record] - 11/9/86, vs. Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Taryn Collins (31), Maureen Shea (23), Kathy Cunningham (19), Zanette Bennett (19), Mollie Merchant (16), Kathleen Morin (15)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ digs - 11/19/06 - vs. Louisville (L, 2-3), Danielle Herndon (23)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Danielle Herndon (34) & Adrianna Stasiuk (26), (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Danielle Herndon (34) & Adrianna Stasiuk (26), (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 25+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Danielle Herndon (34) & Adrianna Stasiuk (26), (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Danielle Herndon (34) (BIG EAST Quarterfinals)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 30+ digs - 9/5/92, vs. Kentucky (W, 3-2), Christy Peters (36), Jessica Fiebelkorn (31)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 35+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 - ND record)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 40+ digs - 12/1/05, vs. Dayton (W, 3-2/NCAA first round), Meg Henican (43 - ND record)
- ... Notre Dame had 80+ digs - 11/18/06, vs #24 St. John's (W, 3-1) (82) (BIG EAST Semifinals)

The Last Time ... (Continues)

... Notre Dame had 90+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2/BIG EAST Quarterfinals), 110
... Notre Dame had 100+ digs - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2/BIG EAST Quarterfinals), 110

Blocks

... a Notre Dame player had 10+ blocks - 9/2/06, vs. Idaho (W, 3-1/Shamrock Invitational), Justine Stremick (14)
... 2 Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 9/3/05, vs. #11 Texas (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (12), Carolyn Cooper (10)
... 3+ Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks - 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (11), Emily Loomis (11),
Adrianna Stasiuk (11), & Carolyn Cooper (10)
... a Notre Dame player had 15+ blocks - 10/11/87, vs. Minnesota (W, 3-1), Mary Kay Waller (16)
... a Notre Dame player had 4+ solo blocks - 10/20/06, vs. Connecticut (W, 3-0), Adrianna Stasiuk (4)
... a Notre Dame player had 5+ solo blocks - 9/8/90, vs. Saint Louis (W, 3-2), Jessica Fiebelkorn (6)
... Notre Dame had 20+ blocks - 9/2/06, vs. Idaho (W 3-1/Shamrock Invitational) (20.0)
... Notre Dame had 25+ blocks - 10/14/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 25.5
... Notre Dame had 30+ blocks - 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), 32

Aces

... a Notre Dame player had 5+ aces - 10/6/06, at South Florida (W, 3-0), Kim Kristoff (5)
... a Notre Dame player had 6+ aces - 10/6/06, vs. Marquette (W, 3-1), Adrianna Stasiuk (6)
... a Notre Dame player had 7+ aces - 10/20/95, vs. Syracuse (W, 3-0), Angie Harris (9)
... Notre Dame had 10+ aces - 10/6/06, vs. Marquette (W, 3-1), 11
... Notre Dame had 15+ aces - 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), 15
... Notre Dame did not have an ace - 10/22/06, vs. St. John's (L, 0-3) [had an ace in 224 straight before then and nine since then]

Hitting Percentage

... a Notre Dame player hit .500+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 11/17/06, at Cincinnati (W, 3-2), Christina Kaelin (12-2-18, .556) (BIG EAST Semifinals)
... a Notre Dame player hit .600+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 11/5/06, at South Florida (W, 3-0), Justine Stremick (15-0-20, .750)
... a Notre Dame player hit .700+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 11/5/06, at South Florida (W, 3-0), Justine Stremick (15-0-20, .750)
... a Notre Dame player hit .800+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 9/22/00, vs. Wyoming (W, 3-0), Malinda Goralski (10-0-12, .833)
... a Notre Dame player hit .900+ (min. 4 attacks/game) - 10/19/92, at Evansville (W, 3-0), Marilyn Cragin (11-0-12, .917)
... Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team - 9/23/06, at Rutgers (W 3-0) .415 (49-10-94)
... Notre Dame hit over .500 as a team - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .522 (53-6-90)
... Notre Dame hit over .300 as a team in a match longer than three games - 9/24/06, at Villanova (W, 3-1), .345 (74-17-165)
... Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team in a match longer than three games - 11/15/86, vs. Rhode Island (W, 3-1/North Star final @ Chicago)
... Notre Dame hit .500+ as a team in a game - 11/6/06, at South Florida (W, 3-0), .531 (19-2-32) in 2nd game
... Notre Dame hit .600+ as a team in a game - 10/15/05, at DePaul (W, 3-0), .812 (14-1-16) in 3rd game [ND record]
... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .300 as a team - 10/29/06, at Louisville (L, 0-3), .476 (56-7-103)
... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .350 as a team - 10/29/06, at Louisville (L, 0-3), .476 (56-7-103)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting - 11/12/06, at West Virginia (W, 3-0) .062 (36-27-146)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .000 team hitting - 11/19/05, vs. Cincinnati (W, 3-0/BIG EAST semifinals @ Louisville), -.057 (27-34-122)
... Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting - 11/9/01, vs. St. John's (W, 3-0), -.101 (23-33-99)
... Notre Dame hit less than .200 - 11/11/06, vs. Pittsburgh (L, 1-3) .156 (58-30-177)
... Notre Dame hit less than .100 - 9/9/06, vs. Kansas State (L, 0-3), .023 (41-38-129)
... Notre Dame hit less than .150 & won - 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .115 (36-21-131)

Assists

... a Notre Dame player had 60+ assists - 11/20/05, at Louisville (W, 3-2/BIG EAST final), Ashley Tarutis (62)
... a Notre Dame player had 70+ assists - 11/24/00, at #3 USC (L, 2-3), Denise Boylan (70)
... a Notre Dame player had 80+ assists - 10/8/00, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Denise Boylan (86)
... a Notre Dame player had 90+ assists - 10/13/95, at #25 Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Carey May (96)
... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ assists - 11/19/06, at Louisville (L, 2-3), Ashley Tarutis (31) & Jamel Nicholas (27) (BIG EAST Championship)

Player Profiles-High Marks

#1 Madison Clark, So., DS/S



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS:

DIGS: 10 (vs. Illinois State, 10/17/05)

BLOCKS:

ACES: 1 (vs. #16 Hawai'i, 10/16/06)

ASSISTS:

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS:

DIGS: 3, twice (MR: vs. West Virginia 11/12)

BLOCKS:

ACES: 1 (vs. #16 Hawai'i, 10/16)

ASSISTS:

#2 Mallorie Croal, So., OH/OPP



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 25 (vs. Cincinnati, 11/17/06; BE Quarterfinals)

DIGS: 22 (vs. Arizona State, 9/4/05)

BLOCKS: 6, twice (MR: at Cincinnati 10/28/06)

POINTS: 30.0, (vs. Cincinnati, 11/18/06; BE Quarterfinals)

ASSISTS: 6, (vs. West Virginia, 11/11/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 25 (vs. Cincinnati, 11/17; BE Quarterfinals)

DIGS: 19, (St. John's 11/18; BE Semifinals)

BLOCKS: 6, twice (MR at Cincinnati, 10/28)

POINTS: 30.0, (vs. Cincinnati, 11/18; BE Quarterfinals)

ASSISTS: 6, (vs. West Virginia, 11/11)

#3 Christina Kaelin, Fr., OH



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 24 twice (MR: vs. #13 Missouri 9/2/06)

DIGS: 7 (at Cincinnati 10/28/06)

BLOCKS: 4 (vs. Idaho, 9/2/06)

POINTS: 24.5 twice (MR: vs. #13 Missouri, 9/2/06)

ASSISTS: 1, five times (MR: vs. St. John's, 11/17/06; BE Semifinals)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 24 twice (MR: vs. #13 Missouri 9/2)

DIGS: 7 (at Cincinnati 10/28)

BLOCKS: 4 (vs. Idaho, 9/2)

POINTS: 24.5 twice (MR: vs. #13 Missouri, 9/2)

ASSISTS: 1, five times (MR: vs. St. John's, 11/17; BE Semifinals)

Player Profiles-High Marks

#4 Serinity Phillips, Fr., OH



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 16 (vs. Connecticut, 10/22/06)

DIGS: 9, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 11/3/06)

BLOCKS: 8, twice (MR vs. St. John's, 11/18/06; BE Semifinals)

POINTS: 18.5, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 11/18/06; BE Semifinals)

ASSISTS: 3, twice (MR vs. West Virginia, 11/12/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 16 (vs Connecticut, 10/22)

DIGS: 9, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 11/3)

BLOCKS: 8, twice (MR vs. St. John's, 11/18; BE Semifinals)

POINTS: 18.5, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 11/18; BE Semifinals)

ASSISTS: 3, twice (MR vs. West Virginia, 11/12)

#5 Ellen Heintzman, Jr., OH



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 22 (vs. Tennessee, 11/26/05)

DIGS: 9 (vs. Michigan, 8/27/05)

BLOCKS: 5, 3 times (MR vs. Cincinnati (BIG EAST) 11/19/05)

POINTS: 23.5 (vs. Tennessee, 11/26/05)

ACES: 3 (vs. Michigan, 8/27/05)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS:

DIGS:

BLOCKS:

POINTS:

ACES:

#6 Kim Kristoff, Fr., MB



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 9 (vs. Louisville, 11/19/06; BE Championship)

DIGS: 5, three times (MR at West Virginia, 11/12/06)

BLOCKS: 7 (vs. Pittsburgh, 11/11/06)

ACES: 5 (at South Florida, 11/5/06)

ASSISTS: 2, twice (MR: at Arizona State, 9/17/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 9 (vs. Louisville, 11/19/06; BE Championship)

DIGS: 5, three times (MR at West Virginia, 11/12)

BLOCKS: 7 (vs. Pittsburgh, 11/11)

ACES: 5 (at South Florida, 11/5/06)

ASSISTS: 2, twice (MR: at Arizona State, 9/17)

Player Profiles-High Marks

#8 Ashley Tarutis, Jr., S



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 9 (vs. Dayton (NCAA), 12/1/05)

DIGS: 19 (vs. #12 Wisconsin (NCAA), 12/9/05)

BLOCKS: 5 (vs. Villanova ('05 BIG EAST) & Cincinnati ('05 BIG EAST))

ACES: 4 (vs. West Virginia, 11/14/05)

ASSISTS: 65 (vs. Arizona State, 9/4/05)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 4, twice (MR: vs. West Virginia, 11/12)

DIGS: 14, twice (MR: vs. Syracuse, 10/8)

BLOCKS: 2, (at South Florida, 11/5)

ACES: 3, twice (at Georgetown, 11/3)

ASSISTS: 54 (vs. Cincinnati, 11/17)

#9 Megan Fesl, Fr., OH/OPP



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 16 (vs. Valparaiso, 9/1/06)

DIGS: 20 (vs. Duke 9/17/06)

BLOCKS: 3, three (MR vs. Seton Hall, 9/30/06)

ACES: 3, twice (MR: at South Florida, 11/5/06)

ASSISTS: 5 (vs. Bowling Green, 8/26/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 16 (vs. Valparaiso, 9/1)

DIGS: 20 (vs. Duke 9/17)

BLOCKS: 3, three (MR vs. Seton Hall, 9/30)

ACES: 3, twice (MR: at South Florida, 11/5/06)

ASSISTS: 5 (vs. Bowling Green, 8/26)

#10 Adrianna Stasiuk, Jr., OH/OPP



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 23 (at Cincinnati, 11/17/06, BE Quarterfinals)

DIGS: 29 (vs. USC, 9/9/05)

ACES: 6 (vs. Marquette, 10/6/06)

BLOCKS: 11 (vs. Illinois State, 10/13/04)

POINTS: 24.0, (vs Cincinnati 11/17/06, BE Quarterfinals)

ASSISTS: 9 (vs. Valparaiso, 9/7/04)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 23 (at Cincinnati, 11/17; BE Quarterfinals)

DIGS: 26 (vs. Cincinnati, 11/17, BE Quarterfinals)

ACES: 6 (vs. Marquette, 10/6)

BLOCKS: 5, twice (MR: vs. Connecticut, 10/22)

POINTS: 24.0, (vs Cincinnati 11/17; BE Quarterfinals)

ASSISTS: 4 (at Villanova 9/24)

Player Profiles-High Marks

#11 Danielle Herndon, Sr., DS/L



CAREER HIGHS:

DIGS: 34, vs. Cincinnati, 11/17/06; BE Quaterfinals
POINTS: 4 (vs. #12 Wisconsin (NCAA), 12/9/05)
ACES: 3, eight times (MR: at Georgetown, 11/3/06)
ASSISTS: 4, twice (MR: vs. Kansas State, 9/9/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

DIGS: 34, vs. Cincinnati, 11/17/06; BE Quaterfinals
POINTS: 3, twice (MR: at Northern Iowa, 9/9)
ACES: 3, eight times (MR: at Georgetown, 11/3/06)
ASSISTS: 4 (vs. Kansas State, 9/9)

#12 Jamel Nicholas, Fr., S



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 2 vs. Butler (9/15/06)
DIGS: 21 (vs. #13 Missouri, 9/2/06)
BLOCKS: --
ACES: 4 (at Rutgers, 9/23/06)
ASSISTS: 36 (vs. Valparaiso, 9/1/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 2 vs. Butler (9/15/06)
DIGS: 21 (vs. #13 Missouri, 9/2)
BLOCKS: --
ACES: 4 (at Rutgers, 9/23)
ASSISTS: 36 (vs. Valparaiso, 9/1)

#14 Justine Stremick, So., MB



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 15 (at South Florida, 11/5/06)
DIGS: 3 (at Northern Iowa, 9/9/06)
BLOCKS: 14 (vs. Idaho, 9/2/06)
POINTS: 19.0 (at # 16 Hawai'i, 10/17/06)
ASSISTS: 1, nine times (MR: vs. Louisville, 11/19/06; BE Championship)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 15 (at South Florida, 11/5)
DIGS: 3 (at Northern Iowa, 9/9)
BLOCKS: 14 (vs. Idaho, 9/2)
POINTS: 19.0 (at # 16 Hawai'i, 10/17)
ASSISTS: 1, nine times (MR: vs. Louisville, 11/19/06; BE Championship)

Player Profiles-High Marks

#16 Tara Enzweiler, Fr., MB



CAREER HIGHS:

KILLS: 5 (vs. Idaho, 9/2/06)

DIGS: 1, 10 times (MR vs. West Virginia, 11/12/06)

BLOCKS: 7 (vs. Bowling Green, 8/26/06)

ACES: 1, three times (MR: vs. Pittsburgh, 11/11/06)

ASSISTS: 1 twice, (MR: vs. Butler, 9/15/06)

SEASON HIGHS:

KILLS: 5 (vs. Idaho, 9/2)

DIGS: 1, 10 times (MR vs. West Virginia, 11/12)

BLOCKS: 7 (vs. Bowling Green, 8/26)

ACES: 1, three times (MR: vs. Pittsburgh, 11/11)

ASSISTS: 1 twice, (MR: vs. Butler, 9/15)

Notre Dame Active Career Leaders (top-Five)
(Through 11/13)

Games Played

1. Herndon	419
2. Tarutis	329
3. Stasiuk	308
4. Croal	154
5. Stremick	145

Matches Played

1. Herndon	119
2. Tarutis	91
3. Stasiuk	86
4. Croal	53
5. Stremick	50

Matches Started

1. Tarutis	84
2. Stasiuk	82
3. Croal	31
4. Stremick	26
5. Heintzman	25

Kills

1. Stasiuk	860
2. Croal	434
3. Kaelin	247
4. Heintzman	232
5. Stremick	209

Kills Per Game

1. Kaelin	3.43
2. Croal	2.82
3. Stasiuk	2.79
4. Fesl	2.66
5. Phillips	2.27

Attack Percent (minimum 100 attacks)

1. Stremick	.334
2. Phillips	.267
3. Tarutis	.235
4. Croal	.220
5. Kristoff	.212

Assists

1. Tarutis	3,411
2. Nicholas	487
3. Stasiuk	169
4. Herndon	69
5. Croal	43

Assists Per Game

1. Tarutis	10.37
2. Nicholas	5.66
3. Stasiuk	0.55
4. Fesl	0.49
5. Croal	0.28

Service Aces

1. Stasiuk	92
2. Tarutis	90
3. Herndon	57
4. Fesl	26
5. Nicholas	21

Digs

1. Herndon	1,157
2. Stasiuk	1,038
3. Tarutis	774
4. Croal	241
5. Fesl	179

Digs Per Game (Average)

1. Stasiuk	3.37
2. Herndon	2.76
3. Fesl	2.45
4. Tarutis	2.35
5. Nicholas	1.65

Blocks Solo

1. Stasiuk	49
2. Croal	24
3. Stremick	23
4. Kristoff	12
5. Heintzman	10
Kaelin	10

Block Assists

1. Stasiuk	176
2. Stremick	122
3. Tarutis	87
4. Croal	77
5. Kristoff	59

Total Blocks

1. Stasiuk	225
2. Stremick	145
3. Croal	121
4. Tarutis	92
5. Kristoff	71

Points

1. Stasiuk	1089
2. Croal	510.5
3. Tarutis	297.5
4. Stremick	293
5. Heintzman	270

Points Average

1. Kaelin	3.64
2. Stasiuk	3.54
3. Croal	3.31
4. Fesl	3.27
5. Phillips	2.75

2006 Notre Dame Women's Volleyball Roster

Numerical

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	High School/Club Team
1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, MI	Sturgis H.S./Dunes
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, CA	Mater Dei H.S./Golden West
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, KY	Assumption H.S./KIVA
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, CA	Valley Center H.S./Vintage
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, KY	Sacred Heart Academy/KIVA
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, IN	Brebeuf Jesuit Prep/Team Indiana
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Los Alamitos H.S./Golden West
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, IL	John Hersey H.S./Sports Performance
10	Adrianna Stasiuk**(c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South H.S./Sports Performance
11	Danielle Herndon***(c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, FL	Durant H.S./Tampa Bay Juniors
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-7	Gibsonia, PA	Pine-Richland H.S./Renaissance
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, ND	Langdon Area H.S./Stars Athletics
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-10	Raleigh, NC	Cardinal Gibbons H.S./Triangle

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

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

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

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

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

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

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1	Madison Clark*	So.	DS/S	5-9	Sturgis, MI	Sturgis H.S./Dunes
2	Mallorie Croal*	So.	OH/OPP	6-1	Villa Park, CA	Mater Dei H.S./Golden West
16	Tara Enzweiler	Fr.	MB	5-11	Raleigh, NC	Cardinal Gibbons H.S./Triangle
9	Megan Fesl	Fr.	OH/OPP	6-1	Arlington Heights, IL	John Hersey H.S./Sports Performance
5	Ellen Heintzman**	Jr.	OH	5-11	Louisville, KY	Sacred Heart Academy/KIVA
11	Danielle Herndon***(c)	Sr.	DS/L	5-8	Plant City, FL	Durant H.S./Tampa Bay Juniors
3	Christina Kaelin	Fr.	OH	5-10	Louisville, KY	Assumption H.S./KIVA
6	Kim Kristoff	Fr.	MB	6-1	Carmel, IN	Brebeuf Jesuit Prep/Team Indiana
12	Jamel Nicholas	Fr.	S	5-7	Gibsonia, PA	Pine-Richland H.S./Renaissance
4	Serinity Phillips	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Valley Center, CA	Valley Center H.S./Vintage
10	Adrianna Stasiuk**(c)	Jr.	OH/OPP	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Maine South H.S./Sports Performance
14	Justine Stremick*	So.	MB	6-3	Langdon, ND	Langdon Area H.S./Stars Athletics
8	Ashley Tarutis**	Jr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Los Alamitos H.S./Golden West

* – indicates monograms earned (c) – indicates team captains

Pronunciation guide:

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

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RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL MATCHES.....	(18-12)	(8-4)	(6-6)	(4-2)
CONFERENCE.....	(10-4)	(5-2)	(5-2)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(8-8)	(3-2)	(1-4)	(4-2)

##	STATS SUMMARY	ATTACK					SET		SERVE			DIG		BLOCKING					Points			
		G	K	K/G	E	TA	Pct	A	A/G	SA	SE	SA/G	RE	DIG	D/G	BS	BA	Total		B/G	BE	BHE
10	STASIUK, Adrianna	99	300	3.03	132	883	.190	38	0.38	28	40	0.28	42	333	3.36	14	49	63	0.64	3	3	366.5
2	CROAL, Mallorie	98	292	2.98	105	792	.236	40	0.41	15	38	0.15	17	189	1.93	12	58	70	0.71	3	3	348.0
3	KAELIN, Christina	83	291	3.51	139	811	.187	5	0.06	0	0	0.00	0	71	0.86	10	14	24	0.29	2	1	308.0
14	STREMICK, Justine	107	224	2.09	65	508	.313	6	0.06	0	0	0.00	0	23	0.21	27	123	150	1.40	12	1	312.5
4	PHILLIPS, Serinity	85	204	2.40	57	558	.263	25	0.29	3	7	0.04	1	84	0.99	8	64	72	0.85	3	0	247.0
9	FESL, Megan	82	201	2.45	98	535	.193	38	0.46	26	18	0.32	17	187	2.28	6	30	36	0.44	2	7	248.0
6	KRISTOFF, Kim	89	110	1.24	45	283	.230	9	0.10	18	17	0.20	0	55	0.62	13	69	82	0.92	12	4	175.5
8	TARUTIS, Ashley	107	35	0.33	8	81	.333	807	7.54	28	26	0.26	2	220	2.06	0	6	6	0.06	1	12	66.0
16	ENZWEILER, Tara	32	21	0.66	12	54	.167	2	0.06	3	2	0.09	0	10	0.31	3	21	24	0.75	4	1	37.5
12	NICHOLAS, Jamel	98	7	0.07	6	17	.059	558	5.69	21	25	0.21	2	159	1.62	0	0	0	0.00	0	12	28.0
11	HERNDON, Danielle	107	5	0.05	1	16	.250	35	0.33	25	23	0.23	29	547	5.11	0	0	0	0.00	1	5	30.0
15	NOLAN, Colleen	5	1	0.20	0	1	1.000	0	0.00	0	0	0.00	0	2	0.40	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
1	CLARK, Madison	29	0	0.00	0	2	.000	0	0.00	1	3	0.03	1	14	0.48	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	1.0
TEAM		17																				
NOTRE DAME.....		107	1691	15.80	668	4541	.225	1563	14.61	168	199	1.57	128	1894	17.70	93	434	310.0	2.90	43	49	2169.0
Opponents.....		107	1575	14.72	733	4467	.188	1422	13.29	129	195	1.21	168	1844	17.23	52	423	263.5	2.46	40	59	1967.5

TEAM STATISTICS	ND	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SCORE-BY-GAME	ATTEND	
ATTACK.....			8/26/06	BOWLING GREEN	W	3-0	30-24,30-28,30-26	1534	
Kills.....	1691	1575	+ 9/1/06	VALPARAISO	W	3-1	30-25,27-30,31-29,30-22	1154	
Errors.....	668	733	+ 9/2/06	IDAHO	W	3-1	30-21,30-25,27-30,30-15	592	
Total Attacks.....	4541	4467	+ 9/2/06	#13 MISSOURI	L	2-3	30-28,28-30,30-27,26-30,13-15	1154	
Attack Pct.....	.225	.188	9/3/06	#6 SANTA CLARA	L	0-3	18-30,23-30,23-30	797	
Kills/Game.....	15.8	14.7	# 9/8/06	vs Alabama	W	3-1	30-25,23-30,30-19,30-26	622	
SET.....			# 9/9/06	vs Kansas State	L	0-3	24-30,21-30,28-30	241	
Assists.....	1563	1422	# 9/9/06	at Northern Iowa	L	2-3	28-30,30-20,34-32,20-30,11-15	1242	
Assists/Game.....	14.6	13.3	\$ 9/15/06	vs Butler	W	3-0	30-23,30-19,30-21	-	
SERVE.....			\$ 9/16/06	vs Duke	W	3-1	30-27,19-30,30-24,30-25	-	
Aces.....	168	129	\$ 9/17/06	at Arizona State	L	0-3	20-30,20-30,28-30	706	
Errors.....	199	195	* 9/23/06	at Rutgers	W	3-0	30-23,30-13,30-16	86	
Attempts.....	2910	2668	* Sep 24	at Villanova	W	3-1	35-37,30-24,33-31,30-18	237	
Serve Pct.....	.932	.927	* 9/30/06	at Seton Hall	W	3-0	30-20,30-22,30-24	-	
Aces/Game.....	1.6	1.2	* 10/6/06	MARQUETTE	W	3-1	30-17,30-17,21-30,30-24	5743	
SERVE RECEPTIONS.....			* 10/8/06	SYRACUSE	W	3-0	30-25,30-22,30-22	1137	
Errors.....	128	168	* 10/13/06	DEPAUL	W	3-0	30-22,30-16,30-10	917	
Errors/Game.....	1.2	1.6	10/16/06	at #16 Hawaii	L	0-3	27-30,26-30,27-30	6136	
Attempts.....	2451	2685	10/17/06	at #16 Hawaii	L	1-3	28-30,25-30,30-22,23-30	6027	
Reception Pct.....	.948	.937	* 10/20/06	CONNECTICUT	W	3-0	30-12,30-24,30-27	4617	
DEFENSE.....			* 10/22/06	SAINT JOHN'S	L	0-3	30-32,24-30,22-30	1974	
Digs.....	1894	1844	* 10/28/06	at Cincinnati	L	0-3	20-30,28-30,22-30	382	
Digs/Game.....	17.7	17.2	* 10/29/06	at Louisville	L	0-3	14-30,22-30,19-30	852	
BLOCKING.....			* 11/3/06	at Georgetown	W	3-0	30-21,30-21,30-14	206	
Block Solo.....	93	52	* 11/5/06	at South Florida	W	3-0	30-14,30-19,30-19	339	
Block Assist.....	434	423	* 11/11/06	PITTSBURGH	L	1-3	30-10,25-30,24-30,31-33	1531	
Total Blocks.....	310.0	263.5	* 11/12/06	WEST VIRGINIA	W	3-0	30-19,30-21,30-17	1043	
Blocks Per Game...	2.9	2.5	11/17/06	at Cincinnati	W	3-2	30-28,25-30,28-30,30-26,15-9	507	
Block Errors.....	43	40	11/18/06	vs #24 Saint John's	W	3-1	30-23,30-28,28-30,30-20	272	
BALL HANDLING ERRORS	49	59	11/19/06	vs Louisville	L	2-3	30-26,30-25,24-30,17-30,12-15	236	
ATTENDANCE.....									
Total.....	22193	16720	+ Shamrock Invitational						
Dates/Avg Per Date	12/1849	12/1393	# UNI Invitational						
Neutral site #/Avg	6/228		\$ Courtyard by Marriott Classic						
Current win streak	0	-							
Home win streak...	1	-							

Notre Dame Match-By-Match Leaders

Match	Kills	Pt.	Digs	Blocks	Assists	Aces	Points
Bowling Green	24-Kaelin	.465-Kaelin	17-Herrdon	7-Enzweiler	27-Tarutis	2-Tarutis	24.5-Kaelin
Valparaiso	21-Kaelin	.348-Stremick	24-Herrdon	7-Stremick	36-Nicholas	3-Herrdon	22.5-Stasiuk
Idaho	12-Kaelin	.294-Stremick	25-Herrdon	14-Stremick	21-Nicholas	2-Herrdon	17.5-Stremick
#13 Missouri	24-Kaelin	.308-Stremick	29-Herrdon	5-Stremick	35-Nicholas	2-Nicholas/Fesl	24.5-Kaelin
#6 Santa Clara	8-Croal	.571-Stremick	9-Herrdon	2-three players	14-Nicholas	1-Croal	9.5-Croal
Alabama	20-Kaelin	.353-Croal	25-Herrdon	5-Stremick	27-Tarutis	2-Nicholas/Fesl	20.0-Kaelin
Kansas State	11-Croal	.240-Croal	21-Herrdon	9-Stremick	18-Tarutis	1-three players	14.0-Croal
Northern Iowa	20-Kaelin	.364-Phillips	19-Herrdon	6-Stremick	31-Tarutis	3-Tarutis/Herrdon	21.0-Kaelin
Butler	13-Stasiuk	.625-Kristoff	21-Herrdon	6-Stremick	31-Tarutis	4-Stasiuk, Fesl	18.5-Stasiuk
Duke	14-Stasiuk	.462-Kristoff	20-Fesl	5-Kristoff	29-Nicholas	4-Stasiuk	19.0-Stasiuk
Arizona State	13-Fesl	.278-Stremick	17-Herrdon	2-Kristoff/Croal	19-Tarutis	1-three players	14.0-Fesl
Rutgers	14-Stasiuk	1.000-Kristoff	10-Stasiuk	4-Stremick	21-Nicholas	4-Nicholas	16.5-Stasiuk
Villanova	15-Croal/Kaelin	.462-Croal	17-Herrdon	5-Kristoff	29-Tarutis	3-Nicholas	16.0-Kaelin
Seton Hall	12-Stasiuk	.429-Kristoff	19-Herrdon	5-Stasiuk/Stremick	16-Nicholas	3-Stasiuk	17.5-Stasiuk
Marquette	13-Stasiuk	.538-Stremick	23-Herrdon	6-Stremick	30-Tarutis	6-Stasiuk	21.5-Stasiuk
Syracuse	15-Stasiuk	.381-Fesl	24-Herrdon	8-Phillips	26-Tarutis	1-three players	16.0-Stasiuk
DePaul	9-Kaelin/Phillips	.667-Kaelin	11-Stasiuk	5-Stremick	22-Nicholas	2-Fesl/Herrdon	11.0-Kaelin
#16 Hawai'i	11-Croal	.571-Stremick	16-Herrdon	6-Kristoff	21-Tarutis	1-four players	12.5-Croal
#16 Hawai'i	14-Stremick	.636-Stremick	23-Herrdon	7-Stremick	26-Nicholas	2-Herrdon/Nicholas	19.0-Stremick
Connecticut	16-Phillips	.500-Phillips	15-Stasiuk	5-Stasiuk	30-Tarutis	3-Croal	18.5-Phillips
St. John's	12-Kaelin	.450-Fesl	14-Herrdon	5-Kristoff	27-Tarutis	-	13.0-Kaelin
Cincinnati	13-Kaelin	.286-Croal	22-Herrdon	7-Stremick	17-Tarutis	1-Fesl/Herrdon	13.5-Croal
Louisville	10-Croal/Stremick	.389-Stremick	8-Croal	2-Croal	29-Tarutis	1-Fesl/Tarutis	11.5-Croal
Georgetown	13-Croal	.417-Croal	11-Herrdon	4-Croal/Kristoff	29-Tarutis	2-Tarutis/Herrdon	15-Croal
South Florida	15-Stremick/Croal	.750-Stremick	10-Herrdon	7-Stremick	39-Tarutis	5-Kristoff	18.5-Stremick
Pittsburgh	15-Phillips	.353-Stremick	17-Herrdon.	5-Croal	46-Tarutis	2-Kristoff/Tarutis	17.0-Croal & Phillips
West Virginia	13-Croal	.438-Fesl	17-Croal/Herrdon	4-Stremick/Kristoff	29-Tarutis	2-Tarutis	14.0-Croal
Cincinnati	25-Croal	.556-Kaelin	34-Herrdon	4-Kristoff/Stremick	54-Tarutis	2-Herrdon/Croal	30.0-Croal
#24 St. John's	16-Croal	.455-Kristoff	24-Herrdon	8-Phillips	34-Tarutis	2-Kristoff/Tarutis	18.5-Phillips/Croal
Louisville	18-Kaelin	.316-Kristoff	23-Herrdon	8-Stremick	31-Tarutis	2-Kristoff	19.5-Kaelin