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NOTRE DAME

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

2001-02 Irish Schedule/Results (10-7, 4-2 BIG EAST)

November

6	Tues.	OGBM Legends (exh.)	W, 76-62
13	Tues.	Christian Bros. (exh.)	W, 87-39
18	Sun.	Valparaiso	W, 42-35
21	Wed.	at (20/22) Colorado State	L, 66-72
24	Sat.	at Arizona	L, 70-72
26	Mon.	Army	W, 89-57

December

2	Sun.	vs. (16/17) Michigan ^	L, 63-78
6	Thurs.	at (7/8) Purdue	L, 57-70
9	Sun.	USC	W, 62-49
12	Wed.	Western Michigan	W, 71-48
22	Sat.	Marquette	W, 60-33
28	Fri.	at Rice	L, 61-72
31	Mon.	DePaul	W, 79-50

January

2	Wed.	at Miami*	W, 69-65
5	Sat.	Providence*	W, 72-66
9	Wed.	Seton Hall*	W, 79-45
12	Sat.	at Villanova*	L, 59-60
19	Sat.	at Providence*	W, 69-41
21	Mon.	at (1/1) Connecticut* #	L, 53-80
26	Sat.	Virginia Tech* (BETV)	6 p.m.
29	Tues.	Syracuse*	7 p.m.

February

2	Sat.	at Seton Hall* (CN8)	2 p.m.
5	Tues.	at Pittsburgh*	7 p.m.
10	Sun.	Boston College*	1 p.m.
13	Wed.	St. John's*	7 p.m.
16	Sat.	at Rutgers* (BETV)	8 p.m.
19	Wed.	West Virginia*	7 p.m.
23	Sat.	at Georgetown	4 p.m.
26	Tues.	Villanova*	7 p.m.

March

2-	Sat.-	at BIG EAST Championship
5	Tues.	(Piscataway, N.J.)
15-	Fri.-	NCAA First and Second Rounds
18	Mon.	(campus sites)
23-	Sat.-	NCAA Regionals (Raleigh;
25	Mon.	Milwaukee; Ames, Iowa; Boise)
29-	Fri.-	NCAA Final Four
31	Sun.	(San Antonio, Texas)

Boldface indicates home game

Italics indicates exhibition game

* indicates BIG EAST Conference game

(x/y) indicates rankings in AP & ESPN/USA Today polls at tipoff

^ Women's College Basketball Showcase, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Game played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center

(BETV) Game to be televised as part of BIG EAST TV package

(CN8) Game to be televised by CN8, The Comcast Network

All times are local to site and subject to change

Game No. **18**

Notre Dame *Fighting Irish* (10-7, 4-2)

VS. (#16 AP/#17 ESPN/USA Today) **Virginia Tech Hokies** (15-3, 6-1)

The Date and Time: Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002, at 6 p.m. EST.

The Site: Joyce Center (11,418) in Notre Dame, Ind.

The TV Plans: BIG EAST TV live broadcast with **Leah Secondo** (play-by-play), **Margo Plotzke** (analysis) and **Bob Borts** (producer). The BIG EAST television network includes Fox Sports Chicago, the Madison Square Garden Network and Fox 21/27 (WFXR/WJPR) in Roanoke, Va.

The Radio Plans: All Notre Dame games are broadcast live on WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1620 in South Bend) with **Sean Stires** handling the play-by-play. These broadcasts also are available through the Notre Dame athletics website at www.und.com.

Real-Time Statistics: Live in-game statistics will be available for the Virginia Tech game through the Notre Dame (www.und.com) athletics website.

Websites: Notre Dame (www.und.com), Virginia Tech (www.hokiesportsinfo.com).

NOTRE DAME PLAYS HOST TO NO. 16/17 VIRGINIA TECH IN PIVOTAL BIG EAST MATCHUP

For the second time in as many games, Notre Dame will battle a ranked BIG EAST Conference team when No. 16/17 Virginia Tech comes to the Joyce Center Saturday for a 6 p.m. (EST) contest. The matchup will be televised live as part of the BIG EAST television package and will air on Fox Sports Chicago, the Madison Square Garden Network and Fox 21/27 (WFXR/WJPR) in Roanoke, Va.

Notre Dame (10-7, 4-2 BIG EAST) faces a critical challenge as it looks to remain in the thick of the conference title chase. The Irish also will be looking to extend the nation's longest homecourt winning streak, which currently stands at 46 games, and a 26-game home success string against BIG EAST opponents.

Virginia Tech (15-3, 6-1) had its 12-game winning streak snapped Wednesday night with a 75-59 loss at Syracuse. Senior swing player **Sarah Hicks** scored a game-high 18 points and sophomore center **Ieva Kublina** added 17 for the Hokies, who are tied for second place in the BIG EAST with Boston College, one game behind top-ranked Connecticut.

Kublina (13.6 ppg.) and Hicks (13.0 ppg.) are two of four Virginia Tech starters averaging in double figures. In fact, Kublina is one of three BIG EAST players to rank in the top 10 in the league in scoring, rebounding (7.6 rpg.), blocks (2.6 bpg.) and double-doubles (6). Junior swing player **Chrystal Starling** (13.1 ppg.) and senior post **Nicole Jones** (10.3 ppg.) round out a potent Hokie lineup.

Bonnie Henrickson is in her fifth season as the head coach at Virginia Tech, compiling an impressive 107-36 (.748) record during her tenure. However, she is 0-3 in her career against Notre Dame, dropping all three decisions last season.

LAST IRISH GAME

Connecticut 80, Notre Dame 53

Jan. 21, 2002

Hartford Civic Center (Hartford, Conn.)

Notre Dame (53)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Batteast	21	2-10	1-1	1-3	5	1	4	6
Barksdale	28	3-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	6
Joyce	10	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0
Ratay	26	4-11	1-2	0-0	5	0	0	9
Severe	25	2-6	0-1	1-1	1	7	4	5
Borton	20	2-6	0-0	1-2	5	0	2	5
Wicks	27	7-14	2-5	0-0	4	0	1	16
Flecky	14	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	3	2	2
Bustamante	17	1-4	0-1	2-2	1	1	1	4
Team					6			
Totals	200	22-58	4-12	5-8	33	12	16	53

Connecticut (80)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Cash	28	4-14	0-0	3-4	6	3	2	11
Williams	22	5-11	0-0	7-9	11	0	2	17
Jones	27	7-13	0-1	1-2	5	1	2	15
Taurasi	31	2-10	0-3	0-0	4	6	1	4
Bird	31	7-10	3-4	2-2	9	6	0	19
Valley, A.	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Conlon	21	2-6	1-3	0-0	2	1	1	5
Marron	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Battle	15	0-3	0-2	1-2	3	0	2	1
Moore	15	3-4	0-0	2-3	5	0	2	8
Team					6			
Totals	200	30-71	4-13	16-22	51	18	12	80

Notre Dame	21	32	--	53
Connecticut	40	40	--	80

FG Pct: Notre Dame 37.9, Connecticut 42.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 33.3, Connecticut 30.8. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 62.5, Connecticut 72.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 20, Connecticut 13. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 9 (Barksdale 6), Connecticut 9 (Cash 4). **Steals:** Notre Dame 10 (Severe 4), Connecticut 8 (Williams 4). **Attendance:** 16,294.

NOTRE DAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH



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ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

(Jan. 21)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (45)	20-0	1
2.	Tennessee	16-1	2
3.	Stanford	18-1	4
4.	Oklahoma	15-2	3
5.	Duke	15-3	6
6.	Vanderbilt	18-3	7
7.	South Carolina	17-2	8
8.	Louisiana Tech	12-3	10
9.	Wisconsin	16-2	5
10.	Purdue	14-3	11
11.	Kansas State	17-2	9
12.	Texas Tech	11-5	15
13.	Texas	13-3	12
14.	Iowa State	14-4	14
15.	Baylor	14-3	13
16.	Virginia Tech	15-2	21
17.	Georgia	13-4	16
18.	Florida	13-5	18
19.	Colorado State	15-3	20
20.	Colorado	13-6	22
21.	North Carolina	14-4	17
22.	Auburn	14-4	19
23.	Minnesota	14-3	—
24.	Boston College	14-3	25
25.	Old Dominion	11-5	24

ESPN/USA TODAY POLL

(Jan. 21)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (40)	20-0	1
2.	Tennessee	16-1	3
3.	Stanford	18-1	4
4.	Oklahoma	15-2	2
5.	Vanderbilt	18-3	5
6.	Duke	15-3	6
7.	South Carolina	17-2	8
8.	Wisconsin	16-2	7
9.	Louisiana Tech	12-3	10
10.	Iowa State	14-4	9
11.	Purdue	14-3	13
12.	Texas	13-3	12
13.	Texas Tech	11-5	16
14.	Baylor	14-3	11
15.	Kansas State	17-2	15
16.	Georgia	13-4	14
17.	Virginia Tech	15-2	20
18.	Florida	13-5	18
19.	Colorado	13-6	19
20.	North Carolina	14-4	17
21.	Colorado State	15-3	21
22.	Auburn	14-4	22
23.	Boston College	14-3	—
24.	LSU	10-6	25
25.	Minnesota	14-3	—

Boldface indicates 2001-02 Notre Dame opponents

SCOUTING THE IRISH

Notre Dame looks to write a new chapter in its rapidly-developing history as the Irish defend their first NCAA championship in 2001-02. Seven monogram winners, including two starters, return from last season's title-winning squad, giving head coach **Muffet McGraw** a broad foundation from which to build this year. In addition, the Irish welcome six talented freshmen to the fold, a group heralded as perhaps the finest recruiting class in school history and ranked as high as third by several national publications.

McGraw is in her 20th season as a college coach (15th at Notre Dame) with a 420-164 (.719) overall record and 332-124 (.728) mark while under the shadow of the Golden Dome. She has led the Irish to six straight NCAA Tournament appearances and eight overall — Notre Dame has advanced to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen four times, the Final Four twice and won the 2001 NCAA title, all in the last five seasons under McGraw's guidance. She was a near-unanimous choice as national coach of the year in 2000-01, winning top honors from the Atlanta Tipoff Club (Naismith Award), Associated Press, Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA), and Sports Illustrated for Women. She also was named the BIG EAST Coach of the Year, marking the third different conference to recognize McGraw as its top skipper since she took the reins at Notre Dame in 1987.

Both of Notre Dame's returning starters were honored by the BIG EAST coaches in their preseason balloting. Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** (5.1 ppg., 4.5 rpg.) was a second team preseason all-conference pick and brings explosive quickness and versatility to the Irish lineup, along with veteran leadership. As Notre Dame's only captain, she is being called upon to assume a greater mantle of responsibility in '01-02. After starting the first six games for the Irish, she moved into a reserve role for the next four games, picking up her first double-double of the year with season highs of 12 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan. She returned to the starting lineup beginning with the DePaul game. Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** (13.2 ppg., 5.3 rpg., .435 3FG%) was a first team preseason all-BIG EAST choice and is one of 30 finalists for the Naismith Award after setting an NCAA record for three-point percentage (.547) by a sophomore last season. On Dec. 6 at Purdue, she became the 19th player in school history to score 1,000 career points. She ranks 13th in the BIG EAST in scoring for all games, and 11th in conference games at 14.0 ppg.

Joining Ratay in the backcourt is sophomore **Le'Tania Severe** (7.0 ppg., 3.5 rpg., 4.9 apg.), who was hampered by injuries last season, appearing in just 22 games. However, she has confidently taken a larger role in the Irish offense this season, scoring a career-high 17 points against USC and matching her career best with eight assists against Western Michigan. She also ranks eighth in the BIG EAST Conference in assists and 13th in steals (1.82 spg.). Severe has moved to a reserve role in four of the last five games, posting a 2.09 assist-to-turnover ratio in that time and dealing out a game-high seven assists Monday at top-ranked Connecticut. Also spending time at the point has been sophomore **Jeneka Joyce** (3.8 ppg., 1.7 rpg.), who has started eight times for the Irish this season. Joyce has made 13 three-point field goals, one of four Notre Dame players to have at least 10 treys this year. Junior **Karen Swanson** (1.0 ppg., 0.4 rpg.) and **Jill Krause** (0.3 ppg., 0.4 rpg.) provide McGraw with additional flexibility in her point guard rotation. Freshmen **Allison Bustamante** (4.7 ppg., 2.1 rpg.) and **Kelsey Wicks** (5.4 ppg., 3.2 rpg.) provide the Irish with solid ballhandling and perimeter shooting depth. Bustamante scored a career-high 12 points and grabbed five rebounds at Providence, while Wicks is shooting a team-high .563 three-point percentage in BIG EAST games and posted a career-best 16 points Monday at No. 1 Connecticut.

LAST IRISH GAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH

Notre Dame 67, Virginia Tech 49
BIG EAST Tournament Semifinal
March 5, 2001
Gampel Pavilion (Storrs, Conn.)

Virginia Tech (49)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Hicks	31	2-9	1-7	1-1	6	5	3	6
Williams	33	5-22	0-1	5-5	7	0	3	15
Jones	12	0-1	0-0	2-4	3	1	3	2
Guameri	24	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	3
Wetzel	32	1-7	0-1	0-0	3	5	2	1
Owings	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Kublina	22	3-12	0-1	2-4	4	1	2	8
Lipton	9	1-2	1-2	0-0	0	1	2	3
Starling	21	1-6	0-3	1-2	3	0	4	3
Strother	13	3-3	0-0	1-2	1	0	4	7
Team					5			
Total	200	17-64	3-16	12-18	34	13	23	49

Notre Dame (67)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	30	6-12	0-0	0-0	6	0	1	12
Siemon	29	6-12	0-0	2-2	9	4	3	14
Riley	24	0-4	0-0	2-2	8	1	3	2
Ratay	33	3-8	1-2	7-8	4	3	2	14
Ivey	31	2-6	0-1	4-4	2	2	2	8
Severe	10	0-2	0-0	3-4	2	0	2	3
Joyce	17	2-6	2-4	2-2	1	0	0	8
Swanson	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Barksdale	16	1-3	0-0	4-5	9	0	2	6
Dunbar	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Leahy	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Team					6			
Total	200	20-55	3-7	24-27	48	10	16	67

Virginia Tech 17 32 -- 49
Notre Dame 36 31 -- 67

FG Pct: Notre Dame 36.4, Virginia Tech 26.6. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 42.9, Virginia Tech 18.8. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 88.9, Virginia Tech 66.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 13, Virginia Tech 9. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 9 (Riley 5), Virginia Tech 5. **Steals:** Notre Dame 5 (Ratay 3), Virginia Tech 4. **Attendance:** 10,027.

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NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
3	Ericka Haney (C)	G/F	6-0	Sr.	5.1	4.5	0.7 apg	13.3 ppg., 5.3 rpg. in three wins over VT last year
21	Jacqueline Batteast	F	6-1	Fr.	14.4	8.1	2.1 apg	Avg. 1.71 blocks per game (3.0 bpg. in last 2 gms.)
31	Amanda Barksdale	C	6-3	Jr.	4.5	2.9	3.4 bpg	Ranks fourth in nation in blocks (had 6 at UConn)
4	Le'Tania Severe	G	5-8	So.	7.0	3.5	4.9 apg	Had game-high seven assists off bench at UConn
22	Alicia Ratay	G	6-0	Jr.	13.2	5.3	2.0 apg	Team-high 14.0 ppg. during BIG EAST games

OFF THE BENCH FOR THE IRISH

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
5	Jeneka Joyce	G	5-9	So.	3.8	1.7	1.4 apg	Will miss Virginia Tech game with Achilles injury
10	Jill Krause	G	5-8	Fr.	0.3	0.4	0.1 apg	Scored first collegiate points (2) against Seton Hall
11	Karen Swanson	G	5-8	Jr.	1.0	0.4	0.4 apg	2 pts., 2 asst. in season-high 9 min. vs. Seton Hall
12	Teresa Borton	C	6-3	Fr.	6.9	5.1	1.0 apg	First career double-double (11p, 10r) at Providence
24	Kelsey Wicks	G	6-2	Fr.	5.4	3.2	0.4 apg	Poured in career-high 16 points at Connecticut
33	Katy Flecky	F	6-2	Fr.	3.7	2.8	0.9 apg	Second on team with .731 free throw percentage
44	Allison Bustamante	G	6-0	Fr.	4.7	2.1	0.5 apg	Tallied career-high 12 pts., 5 rebs. at Providence

Boldface denotes team statistical leaders // (C) denotes team captain

A pair of freshmen (and former Parade All-Americans) are making an immediate impact on the Notre Dame front line, as forward **Jacqueline Batteast** (14.4 ppg., 8.1 rpg.) and center **Teresa Borton** (6.9 ppg., 5.1 rpg.) started the first six games for the Irish. Batteast was named the 2001-02 preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year and her combination of speed, athleticism and perimeter shooting ability already make her a valuable weapon in the Irish arsenal. Already a four-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week, Batteast is one of only three players to rank in the top 10 in the BIG EAST in scoring (6th), rebounding (2nd), blocks (4th, 1.71) and double-doubles (2nd, 7), and she has claimed game-high scoring or rebounding honors seven times each. Meanwhile, at 6-3, Borton is a smooth and versatile post player with excellent mobility and a solid defensive presence. She has provided strong production off the bench in her last seven games, averaging 9.7 ppg. while shooting 70.7 percent (29-41) from the field, including .714 (25-35) in conference games. She chalked up her first career double-double with 11 points and a career-high 10 rebounds last Saturday at Providence.

Junior **Amanda Barksdale** (4.5 ppg., 2.9 rpg., 3.4 bpg.) was one of the nation's top shot blockers last season and has recovered nicely after missing Notre Dame's first four games with a stress reaction in her right leg. She notched seven blocks against USC and tied a school record with eight blocks against Marquette — those outings rank 1-2 in the BIG EAST this season and the Marquette performance ties for the fifth-best showing in the nation this season. She currently leads the BIG EAST and ranks fourth nationally in blocked shots after swatting six shots at UConn Monday afternoon. In addition, the lanky Barksdale is shooting a team-best .733 (11-15) from the field in conference games. Meanwhile, freshman **Katy Flecky** (3.7 ppg., 2.8 rpg.) was a two-time Miss Colorado Basketball and offers the Irish an physical presence in the post. She scored seven points in the win over Seton Hall on Jan. 9.

RECAPPING CONNECTICUT

Sue Bird scored 19 points and Tamika Williams added 17 to lead top-ranked Connecticut to an 80-53 win over defending national champion Notre Dame Monday afternoon at the Hartford Civic Center. Williams led a dominating inside game with 11 rebounds to help the Huskies (21-0, 7-0 BIG EAST) remain unbeaten.

Notre Dame beat UConn 90-75 last season in the national semifinals. But it was a much different Irish team that returned to defend its title, losing three starters from the championship squad, including All-American center Ruth Riley.

The Huskies managed to build a 40-21 first-half lead without much offensive production from their leading scorers. Swin Cash was 0-for-6 and Diana Taurasi hit just 1-of-7 in the first half. A tenacious Notre Dame defense kept UConn from shifting into its up-tempo game with seven steals and five blocks in the first half.

STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	ND	VT
Overall/BIG EAST record	10-7/4-2	15-3/6-1
AP/ESPN-USA Today ranking	arv/arv	16/17
SCORING		
Points scored per game	65.9	69.7
Points allowed per game	58.4	55.1
Field goal percentage	.436	.474
Three-point percentage	.405	.395
Free throw percentage	.653	.709
REBOUNDING		
Rebounds per game	41.8	38.7
Opponent rebs. per game	36.0	31.8
Rebounding margin	+5.8	+6.9
OTHER		
Assists per game	14.6	15.6
Turnovers per game	18.1	17.7
Assist/turnover ratio	0.81	0.88
Blocked shots per game	6.2	5.3
Steals per game	7.4	6.3

KEVIN WHITE RADIO SHOW

A weekly half-hour show featuring Notre Dame athletics director **Kevin White** began Sept. 9 on Chicago's ESPN Radio 1000. "The Kevin White Show" is scheduled to air from 10-10:30 p.m. Central time for 30 consecutive Sundays on ESPN radio (1000 AM in Chicago, www.espnradio1000.com). The show also can be heard in 35 states. White welcomes to the show a series of guests and prominent figures associated with college athletics, including administrators, coaches and media members.



**THE VIRGINIA TECH
SERIES**

Series: ND leads 3-0. **Games Played at Joyce Center:** ND leads 1-0.

<i>Date</i>	<i>Site</i>	<i>Result</i>	<i>Score</i>
1/3/01	Blacksburg, VA	W	75-64
1/13/01	Notre Dame, IN	W	75-55
3/5/01	Storrs, CT*	W	67-49

* - BIG EAST Tournament

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	217	72.3
Virginia Tech	168	56.0

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame, 3 games
McGraw vs. Virginia Tech: 3-0
ND Biggest Win: 20 (75-55 on 1/13/01)
VT Biggest Win: 0
ND Longest Win Streak: 3 (2001-present)
VT Longest Win Streak: 0

IRISH IN THE POLLS

Here's where Notre Dame has been ranked in both of the major national Top 25 polls during the 2001-02 season (arv - also receiving votes):

	AP	ESPN/USA Today
Preseason	15	14
Nov. 12	15	no poll
Nov. 19	15	15
Nov. 26	23	23
Dec. 3	arv	arv
Dec. 10	arv	arv
Dec. 17	arv	arv
Dec. 24	arv	arv
Dec. 31	arv	arv
Jan. 7	arv	arv
Jan. 14	arv	arv
Jan. 21	arv	arv

But, the Irish (10-7, 4-2) had shooting woes of their own, hitting just 2-of-15 in the first 12 minutes. The Irish also turned the ball over 10 times in the opening period, including their first three possessions.

Notre Dame's problems continued in the second half just as UConn was rediscovering its transition game. The Huskies opened the period with a 17-4 run as Williams had five points and two steals in the four-minute spurt. Cash added seven points in the run.

Last season, on Martin Luther King Day, the Irish beat UConn, 92-76 to knock the Huskies from the top spot. UConn beat Notre Dame, 78-76 at the buzzer for the Big East tournament title, but the Irish then rallied from a 16-point deficit to defeat the Huskies at the Final Four.

Cash, who was averaging 16 points a game, finished with 11 and had four blocks, while teammate Asjha Jones added 15. Taurasi, averaging 14 points per game entering Monday's contest, was held to a season-low four points, but she and Bird led UConn with six assists apiece. As a team, the Huskies were held to 42.3 percent shooting, nearly 10 percent below their season average, and 80 points, more than 10 under their season ratio.

Freshman guard **Kelsey Wicks** led Notre Dame with a career-high 16 points. Sophomore guard **Le'Tania Severe** dished out a game-high seven assists in a reserve role, while junior center **Amanda Barksdale** led all players with six blocks. The Irish bench also held a 32-14 scoring edge over their UConn counterparts.

THE NOTRE DAME-VIRGINIA TECH SERIES

Notre Dame and Virginia Tech had never met prior to last season, when the Hokies joined the BIG EAST Conference following a successful five-year run in the Atlantic 10 Conference. The Irish won all three meetings with their new BIG EAST sisters in 2000-01, claiming victories at Cassell Coliseum in Blacksburg (75-64), the Joyce Center (75-55) and the BIG EAST Tournament in Storrs, Conn. (67-49).

The first meeting proved to be the tightest of the three, as Virginia Tech rallied from a 10-point halftime deficit to pull within 64-61 with 3:34 to play. But, Notre Dame went on an 11-3 run to end the game and preserve the victory. **Ruth Riley** piled up 27 points, eight rebounds and six blocked shots to highlight the Irish effort.

In the return encounter, **Alicia Ratay** notched a double-double with 17 points and 10 rebounds, and **Ericka Haney** added 17 points and six boards as Notre Dame raced out to a 19-4 lead and kept the visitors at arm's length to remain unbeaten heading into its battle two days later with top-ranked Connecticut at the Joyce Center. However, the Irish did receive two major scares during the victory over the Hokies, as Riley went down with an ankle injury and **Kelley Siemon** suffered a broken hand. Both played against UConn, but Siemon missed the following three games as a result of her injury.

The two teams clashed for a third time in the semifinals of the BIG EAST Tournament, and unlike its first two games with Virginia Tech, Notre Dame struggled from the field, shooting 36.4 percent in the contest. However, the Irish defense stepped in to fill the void, limiting the Hokies to 17 first-half points and propelling Notre Dame into the conference championship game for the fourth time in six seasons. Ratay and Siemon each scored 14 points, while Haney added 12 for the Irish, who shot a season-best 88.9 percent (24-27) from the foul line in the win.

OTHER NOTRE DAME-VIRGINIA TECH SERIES TIDBITS

- Virginia Tech is one of five BIG EAST Conference schools against whom Notre Dame is undefeated. The others are Pittsburgh (10-0), Providence (10-0), St. John's (10-0) and West Virginia (8-0). The Irish already have swept its season series with Providence, and will face the other three teams next month.
- The Hokies are the fourth different ranked BIG EAST team to visit the Joyce Center since Notre Dame joined the conference in 1995-96. The other ranked conference foes have been Boston College, Connecticut and Rutgers.
- Two members of the Virginia Tech coaching staff have ties to a landmark win in Notre Dame women's basketball history. The Irish earned their first victory over a Top 10 opponent on Nov. 17, 1996, when they downed No. 6 Iowa, 61-50, at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in the second round of the preseason WNIT. The Hawkeyes were coached that day by current Virginia Tech assistant **Angie Lee**, and one of Lee's assistant coaches was current Hokie skipper **Bonnie Henrickson**.

IF NOTRE DAME WINS ...

- Notre Dame would register its first victory over a ranked opponent since downing No. 9/8 Purdue, 68-66, in the NCAA championship game on April 1, 2001, at the Savvis Center in St. Louis.
- The Irish would pick up their ninth win in the last 12 games since opening the season at 2-4.



- Notre Dame would register its 47th consecutive home victory, extending the nation's longest active home court winning streak.
- The Irish would lift their record to 52-3 (.945) against BIG EAST Conference opponents at the Joyce Center and stretch their current league winning streak at home to 27 games.
- Notre Dame would chart its seventh consecutive win over a ranked opponent at the Joyce Center, and raise its overall home ledger against Top 25 foes to 10-20 (.333).
- The Irish would claim their first win as an unranked team over a ranked opponent since a 74-59 triumph at No. 6/5 Texas Tech on March 15, 1998, in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.
- Notre Dame would move to 50-7 (.877) vs. BIG EAST opponents over the last three-plus seasons.
- The Irish would improve their overall record to 98-19 (.838) since the start of the '98-99 season.

IRISH INJURY REPORT (as of Jan. 25)

Out

Sophomore G **Jeneka Joyce** strained left Achilles' tendon (will be reevaluated Monday)

NOTRE DAME TO PLAY 300TH GAME AT JOYCE CENTER

Saturday's game against No. 16/17 Virginia Tech represents a milestone in Notre Dame women's basketball history. The Irish will be playing their 300th game at the Joyce Center, where they have amassed a 234-65 (.783) record since beginning play in 1977-78. The famed facility is currently the site of the nation's longest homecourt winning streak (46 games) and never has seen the Irish post a losing record while playing on its hardwood. In addition, the Joyce Center was the scene for several memorable women's basketball moments, including last year's 92-76 win over then-No. 1 Connecticut before the first sellout crowd in school history (11,418). That nationally-televised game also represented the first win for Notre Dame over a top-ranked team and it vaulted the Irish to No. 1 in both major polls for the first time in school history.

THE REAL "MUST SEE TV"

The Virginia Tech game marks the sixth television appearance for Notre Dame this season. The Irish are 1-4 on the small screen in '01-02, with three of those five games decided by four points or less. Two of those losses (Arizona and Villanova) were decided at the buzzer, while the Miami contest was tight throughout before Notre Dame held off the Hurricanes for the 69-65 victory.

THE BEASTS OF THE BIG EAST

Notre Dame is 93-17 (.845) in regular-season competition against the rest of BIG EAST Conference, owning the best conference winning percentage of any current member of the BIG EAST since joining the circuit for the 1995-96 campaign. The Irish also have won 49 of their last 56 regular-season conference games, and claimed a share of their first-ever BIG EAST regular-season championship in 2001. When including postseason competition (BIG EAST and NCAA tournaments), Notre Dame is 105-23 (.820) against league opponents — when factoring in these 18 postseason tilts, the Irish are 51-3 (.944) at home, 42-17 (.712) on the road and 12-6 (.667) at neutral sites all-time against BIG EAST foes.

ROOKIE RAMPAGE

Notre Dame fans have gotten a preview of things to come over the next four seasons in the last five games. The Irish freshman class has averaged 40.2 points and 17.6 rebounds, and is shooting 48.3 percent (73-151) from the field while leading their team to three wins in those five outings. During this three-week stretch, four of the six members of the Class of 2005 have made significant contributions to the Irish cause.

The latest standout performance from the Notre Dame rookie class came Monday in an 80-53 loss at No. 1 Connecticut. Freshman guard **Kelsey Wicks** came off the bench to score a career-high 16 points, hitting seven of 14 shots from the field in a career-best 27 minutes of action.

Two days earlier, a trio of freshmen keyed a 69-41 Notre Dame win at Providence. Forward **Jacqueline Batteast** finished with 14 points, while guard **Allison Bustamante** logged career highs of 12 points and five rebounds, and center **Teresa Borton** charted her first career double-double with 11 points and a career-high 10 rebounds against the Friars.

Notre Dame's 79-45 win over Seton Hall on Jan. 9 at the Joyce Center was significant, as all six Irish rookies cracked the scoring column for the first time this season. The sextet teamed up for 46 points and shot 60.7 percent (17-28) from the floor in the victory. Borton and Bustamante led the way for the Notre Dame newcomers — Borton tied a BIG EAST Conference rookie record by going 7-for-7 from the

IRISH MEDIA POLICIES

MUFFET MCGRAW INTERVIEWS

The best time for interviews with Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is Monday morning or by special appointment. Please contact the Notre Dame SID office at 574-631-7516 to make specific arrangements.

THE MUFFET MCGRAW SHOW

Muffet McGraw's half-hour, weekly television show is produced by LeSea Broadcasting and hosted by **Bob Nagle**. The show, now in its fifth season, is carried by WHME-TV (Channel 46) in South Bend and will air at 6:30 p.m. EST on Saturdays through the end of the season.

MORE MEDIA NOTES

- Irish practice sessions are generally open to the media, although the coaching staff may choose to close certain practices. Contact **Chris Masters** in the Notre Dame SID office for exact practice times and availability.
- All player interviews must be coordinated through the Notre Dame SID office. All player and coach interviews must be scheduled in advance — no interviews will be conducted on game days without special permission.
- Following games, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** and selected players will speak with the media in the football auditorium at the Joyce Center. The visiting coach and selected players may appear in the auditorium after the Notre Dame press conference. Media members should submit interview requests to Notre Dame SID staffers no later than four minutes before the end of the game. The Irish locker room is closed after every game, home and away.

RELEASES AVAILABLE VIA EMAIL

Media members interested in receiving Notre Dame women's basketball game notes and press releases via email should send requests to Assistant Sports Information Director **Chris Masters** at masters.5@nd.edu.

WEB SITE (www.und.com)

Notre Dame's official athletic department web site can be found at www.und.com, with the extensive offerings including live audio and real-time statistics for all Notre Dame home women's basketball games.



BIG EAST STANDINGS
(as of Jan. 26)

Pl.	Team	BIG EAST	Overall
1.	Connecticut	7-0	21-0
2.	Virginia Tech	6-1	15-3
	Boston College	6-1	15-3
4.	NOTRE DAME	4-2	10-7
	Syracuse	4-2	11-6
6.	Miami	5-3	12-6
7.	Villanova	4-3	10-7
8.	West Virginia	3-3	11-6
9.	Rutgers	3-4	6-11
10.	Providence	2-5	8-10
	Georgetown	2-5	10-8
12.	Seton Hall	1-6	9-9
	Pittsburgh	1-6	6-12
14.	St. John's	0-7	3-15

**BIG EAST
PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

Nov. 19	Swin Cash, Connecticut Trish Juhline, Villanova
Nov. 26	Julie McBride, Syracuse Sarah Hicks, Virginia Tech
Dec. 3	Diana Taurasi, Connecticut Kate Bulger, West Virginia
Dec. 10	Chanivia Broussard, Miami
Dec. 17	Meghan Saake, Miami Ieva Kublina, Virginia Tech
Dec. 24	Mandy Wittenmyer, Pittsburgh
Dec. 31	Swin Cash, Connecticut Kate Bulger, West Virginia
Jan. 7	Diana Taurasi, Connecticut Ieva Kublina, Virginia Tech
Jan. 14	Swin Cash, Connecticut Jaime James, Syracuse
Jan. 21	Shaquana Wilkins, Miami

**BIG EAST
ROOKIES OF THE WEEK**

Nov. 19	Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
Nov. 26	Sherell Sowho, West Virginia
Dec. 3	Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame
Dec. 10	Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame
Dec. 17	Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame Mary Lisicky, Georgetown
Dec. 24	Clare Droesch, Boston College
Dec. 31	Sherell Sowho, West Virginia
Jan. 7	Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame
Jan. 14	Erin Gibson, Virginia Tech
Jan. 21	Yolanda Paige, West Virginia

field and scoring 15 points, while Bustamante scored 11 points and made all four of her field goal attempts (2-2 from three-point land) in just 11 minutes.

The recent Notre Dame rookie uprising started on Jan. 5 in Notre Dame's 72-66 win over Providence. Batteast, Borton and Wicks proved to be a deadly combination, teaming up for 55 points in the victory, with all three posting (at the time) career-high point totals — Batteast had 26 points, while Borton tossed in 20 markers and Wicks added nine points. The trio also scored 44 of Notre Dame's first 46 points (including 41 in a row at one stretch), and single-handedly sparked a 22-2 run over a 7:36 span which gave the Irish a 42-23 lead late in the first half.

PINE TIME PLAYERS

One of the positives for Notre Dame this season has been its depth and the exceptional production it has received from its reserve unit this season. The Irish bench has averaged 22.9 points per game this year, accounting for 34.8 percent of Notre Dame's offensive output this season. In fact, the Irish have won the "Battle of the Benches" 10 times this season, going 7-3 when their reserves outscore the opposition.

Notre Dame's bench depth has been especially apparent since the start of BIG EAST Conference action earlier this month. The Irish second team has chalked up 31.8 points per game (compared to 19 ppg. for its opponents) and is logging 47.6 percent of Notre Dame's offensive production during league play. The Irish are 3-1 when their bench holds the scoring advantage, including a season-high 47 points in wins over Seton Hall (Jan. 9) and at Providence (Jan. 19).

IRISH BREAK OUT LONG-RANGE ARTILLERY AT MIAMI

Notre Dame put together a record-setting performance from the three-point line in its Jan. 2 win at Miami. The Irish connected on 13-of-24 (.542) three-point attempts in the game, setting a school record for the most triples in one game. The old mark was 12 against St. John's on Feb. 28, 1998 in the first round of the BIG EAST Conference Championship at Piscataway, N.J.

A TALE OF TWO SEASONS

Location, location, location — that's the mantra many real estate agents use, but it's also a phrase which could easily be applied to Notre Dame this season. Here's a look at the stark contrast which has developed between Irish fortunes at home and away from the cozy confines of the Joyce Center:

	<u>Joyce Center</u>	<u>Road/Neutral Sites</u>
Record	8-0	2-7
Points per game	69.2	63.0
Opponent points per game	47.9	67.8
Scoring margin	+21.3	(-4.8)
Field goal percentage	.457	.418
Opponent field goal percentage	.295	.389
Rebounds per game	46.8	37.4
Opponent rebounds per game	33.5	38.2
Rebound margin	+13.3	(-0.8)

LIGHTING THE WICKS

Freshman guard **Kelsey Wicks** quickly has developed into a valuable role player for Notre Dame. The Gillette, Wyo., product ranks fifth on the team in scoring (5.4 ppg.) and stands second on the squad with a .441 three-point percentage. She has been especially solid in BIG EAST Conference action, averaging 7.5 ppg. (fourth on the team) while shooting a team-best .563 from three-point range and .567 overall. Wicks turned in her best performance in an Irish uniform Monday afternoon at No. 1 Connecticut, scoring a career-high 16 points (7-14 FG) in a career-best 27 minutes.

IT'S BATTEAST, TO SAY THE LEAST

Although her college career is only 17 games old, freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** already is showing much of the potential which led the BIG EAST Conference coaches to vote her as the league's preseason Rookie of the Year. The South Bend, Ind., resident is a four-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week selection and is one of only three players to rank in the top 10 in the conference in scoring (6th, 14.4 ppg.), rebounding (2nd, 8.1 rpg.), blocked shots (4th, 1.71 bpg.) and double-doubles (2nd, 7th). She also has registered game-high scoring or game-high rebounding honors seven times each.



IRISH TRENDS IN '01-02

Day of the Week

Sunday	2-1
Monday	2-1
Tuesday	0-0
Wednesday	3-1
Thursday	0-1
Friday	0-1
Saturday	3-2

Time of Game

Day games (before 6 p.m local time)	7-4
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time)	3-3

Location

Home games	8-0
Road games	2-6
Neutral site games	0-1

Halftime score

Leading at the half	9-1
Trailing at the half	1-5
Tied at the half	0-1

Rebounding margin

Grab more rebounds than opponents	8-3
Grab fewer rebounds than opponents	2-4
Grab same number of rebounds as opponents	0-0

Field goal shooting

Higher pct. than opponent	10-4
Lower pct. than opponent	0-3
Same pct. as opponent	0-0
Shoot 45% or better	5-1
Shoot less than 45%	5-5
Hold opponent under 40%	9-3

Free throw margin

Make more free throws	5-1
Make fewer free throws	4-5
Make same number of free throws	1-1

Turnovers

Commit fewer turnovers	5-1
Commit more turnovers	4-6
Commit same number of turnovers	1-0

Final Margin

1-5 points	1-2
6-10 points	2-1
11-15 points	1-3
16-20 points	0-0
21+ points	6-1

Conference Affiliation

BIG EAST	4-2
Big Ten	0-2
Conference USA	2-0
Mid-American	1-0
Mid-Continent	1-0
Mountain West	0-1
Pacific-10	1-1
Patriot League	1-0
Western Athletic Conference	0-1

Month

November	2-2
December	4-3
January	4-2
February	0-0
March	0-0

HOW ABOUT THEM APPLES?

The state of Washington is famous for its apples. But in the eyes of Irish fans, the Evergreen State is becoming known for another export — freshman center **Teresa Borton**.

The Yakima, Wash., native has been a force in the last seven games, coming off the bench to average 9.7 points per game and an .707 field goal percentage (29-41) while sparking Notre Dame to a 5-2 record and four BIG EAST Conference triumphs. In fact, BIG EAST play certainly has agreed with Borton, who ranks third on the team with 10.0 ppg. in league games and is shooting 71.4 percent (25-35) from the field.

During her current power surge, Borton put together some of the finest games of her young career. She scored a career-high 20 points (9-11 FG) on Jan. 5 against Providence, then tied a BIG EAST rookie record by going 7-of-7 from the field and scoring 15 points four days later against Seton Hall. Then, she carded her first career double-double with 11 points and a career-high 10 rebounds, not to mention a career-best four assists in a 69-41 win last Saturday at Providence.

And, in a interesting twist, Borton's recent run of success has coincided exactly with her 19th birthday, which she celebrated seven games ago on Dec. 31 against DePaul!

FOR ALL LONG DISTANCE CALLS, DIAL "22"

On Jan. 2 at Miami, junior guard **Alicia Ratay** showed why she is still one of the nation's premier sharpshooters and has earned the nickname "Dead Eye Ratay." The Lake Zurich, Ill., native canned seven of nine three-point field goal attempts (a sharp .778 percentage) and finished with a season-high 23 points to lead the Irish to a victory in their BIG EAST Conference opener. The seven treys tied Ratay's career high — she went seven for seven from beyond the arc on Feb. 19, 2000 at Rutgers, a memorable game in which she nailed two threes in the final 25 seconds of regulation to force overtime, where Notre Dame prevailed, 78-74.

Ratay leads the Irish with a .435 three-point percentage (30-69), a mark which would rank second in the BIG EAST and 24th in the nation, but she has not made enough three-point goals to qualify. Her current ratio does puts her within striking distance of the NCAA record for three-point efficiency by a junior — **Cara Frey** of Harvard currently holds that mark with a .515 percentage in 1993. All of this comes on the heels of Ratay's effort last season, when she nailed 54.7 percent of her three-point tries, breaking the NCAA record for long-range efficiency by a sophomore.

In her career, Ratay is making approximately half of her long-distance attempts, hitting at a 49.9 percent clip (184-369) in her 85-game college career — that's good enough to set a new NCAA record for career three-point percentage, passing the current mark of .467 held by **Erin Maher** of Harvard. She already ranks fourth on Notre Dame's career three-point field goals made and attempted lists, and her career percentage is 75 points higher than her nearest challenger (**Kari Hutchinson**, .424, 1994-98).

BARKSDALE'S BLOCK PARTY

Junior center **Amanda Barksdale** has forced opponents to deal with rejection quite often this season. Although she missed Notre Dame's first four games with a stress reaction in her leg, she still leads the BIG EAST Conference and ranks fourth nationally with 3.4 blocks per game (44 rejections). The Friendswood, Texas, native also is coming off one of her best performances of the season, tallying six blocks in Monday's loss at No. 1 Connecticut. Those six rejections moved her into third place on Notre Dame's career blocks list with 136, passing **Shari Matvey**'s total of 133 swats from 1979-83.

Barksdale was in peak form last month, when she rang up a school-record eight blocks against Marquette on Dec. 22 and added seven rejections against USC on Dec. 9. Those single-game performances rank first and second in the BIG EAST and the Marquette outing is tied for the fifth-best total in the nation this season.

One of only five players in school history to reach the century mark in career rejections, Barksdale needs just five blocks to catch **Katryna Gaither** (141) for second place on Notre Dame's career blocks chart. In addition, she is averaging 1.79 blocks per game in her 76-game career, which is second in Irish history behind only 2001 consensus national player of the year, **Ruth Riley**, who averaged 2.82 swats per game from 1997-2001.

A SEVERE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE IRISH

Sophomore guard **Le'Tania Severe** has quickly adapted to her new role as a primary point guard for the Irish, filling the large shoes of All-American **Niele Ivey**. Through 17 games this season, Severe is third on the team with 7.0 points per game and leads the squad with 4.9 assists per game, ranking



'01-02 IRISH HONORS

Jacqueline Batteast (Fr., South Bend, Ind.)

Preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year
 Freshman All-America (WBB News Service)
 Top 21 New Players of Impact (Women's College Hoops.com)
 BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Dec. 3, 10 & 17, 2001; Jan. 7, 2002)

Ericka Haney (Sr., Toledo, Ohio)

Preseason All-BIG EAST Second Team

Alicia Ratay (Jr., Lake Zurich, Ill.)

Naismith Award Watch List
 Preseason All-BIG EAST First Team

**NOTRE DAME VS.
2001-02 OPPONENTS**

NON-CONFERENCE

Army	1-0
Arizona	2-1
Colorado State	0-1
DePaul	9-13
Marquette	23-4
Michigan	6-6
Purdue	4-10
Rice	1-1
USC	3-1
Valparaiso	15-0
Western Michigan	7-0
Total	71-37 (.657)

BIG EAST CONFERENCE

Boston College	6-3
Connecticut	2-13
Georgetown	15-1
Miami	12-2
Pittsburgh	10-0
Providence	10-0
Rutgers	7-8
St. John's	10-0
Seton Hall	10-2
Syracuse	12-1
Villanova	11-4
Virginia Tech	3-0
West Virginia	8-0
Total	116-34 (.773)
TOTAL VS. '01-02 OPPONENTS	187-71 (.725)

eighth in the BIG EAST Conference in the latter category. Entering the 2001-02 campaign, her career highs were seven points and two assists and she had played in just 22 games due to injury.

Severe has been adept at distributing the ball to her teammates, earning game-high assist honors in 12 games and dealing at least five assists nine times, including a career-high eight handouts against Purdue and Western Michigan and a game-best seven dimes Monday at No. 1 Connecticut. She also has proven to be a scoring threat when necessary, reaching double figures six times this season, including a career-high 17 points against USC.

Severe has been especially effective since she began coming off the bench for the Irish five games ago. The Pembroke Pines, Fla., product has come off the pine in four of those contests, averaging 5.8 assists per game with a 2.09 assist/turnover ratio (23:11) as a reserve.

NOTRE DAME AMONG NATIONAL ATTENDANCE LEADERS

Notre Dame is ranked seventh in the nation, according to the latest unofficial attendance figures released Monday by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Department. The Irish have averaged 7,407 fans for their eight home games, more than 1,000 ahead of last season's figures, when Notre Dame was ranked ninth in the country in attendance with an average of 6,376 fans per game.

A LITTLE COMPARISON SHOPPING

Prior to the 2001-02 season, Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** compared her team to the 1997-98 Irish squad. Through 17 games this season, that comparison seems to be holding true in several ways. Here's a look at some of the similarities between this year's club and the '97-98 unit:

	1997-98	2001-02
Previous season result (record)	NCAA Final Four (31-7)	NCAA Champion (34-2)
Starters/monogram winners lost	4/5	3/5
Freshmen on roster	4	6
Seniors on roster	2	1
Freshmen starters	2	2
17-game record (Top 25 opponents)	12-5 (3)	10-7 (4)
Final season result (record)	NCAA Sweet Sixteen (22-10)	?

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

With six freshmen making up half of this year's roster, Notre Dame is certainly going through some growing pains. However, the Irish rookies are getting a great deal of college experience this season, as evidenced by their production through 17 games of the 2001-02 campaign. Notre Dame's freshmen have accounted for 49.8 percent of the points (558 of 1121), 48.1 percent of the rebounds (342 of 711) and 41.0 percent of the minutes (1395 of 3400) recorded by the Irish this season. Additionally, Notre Dame started two freshmen (**Jacqueline Batteast** and **Teresa Borton**) in its first six games this year, and five of the six Irish rookies are averaging at least 11 minutes per contest.

CRASHING THE BOARDS

Despite losing its top two rebounders from last year (**Ruth Riley** and **Kelley Siemon**), Notre Dame doesn't appear to have broken stride in the rebounding department this season. The Irish have averaged 41.8 rebounds per game through 17 games in 2001-02, owning a +5.8 edge on the glass, which ranks third in the BIG EAST Conference and 35th in the nation this week.

Leading the charge on the boards for Notre Dame have been a pair of freshmen — forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is setting the pace at 8.1 rebounds per game (ranking second in the BIG EAST), while center **Teresa Borton** is third with 5.1 caroms per contest. Additionally, the Irish have been potent on the offensive glass, collecting 13.6 offensive rebounds per game. Batteast and Borton also are setting the pace in that category — Batteast has 45 offensive boards (2.65 org.), ranking ninth in the BIG EAST, while Borton has corralled 42 offensive caroms (2.47), placing 10th in the conference.

THE BEST OFFENSE IS A GOOD DEFENSE ...

Over the last five-plus seasons, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 95-1 (.990) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Curiously, the only time that notion didn't come to pass was last



season, when Rutgers handed Notre Dame a 54-53 loss, one of only two setbacks the Irish suffered en route to the 2001 national championship.

The Irish already have added to this total eight times during the 2001-02 season — Valparaiso (35 points), Army (57), USC (49), Western Michigan (48), Marquette (33), DePaul (50), Seton Hall (45) and Providence (41).

... BUT SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO SCORE IF YOU WANT TO WIN

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. Over the last five-plus seasons (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 80-3 (.964) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995 and a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998. Notre Dame contributed another win to that growing record when it rang up 89 points in a win over Army on Nov. 26.

NOTRE DAME MAKING A LIVING BEYOND THE ARC

The season-opening win over Valparaiso produced an offensive anomaly for Notre Dame. The Irish were held without a three-point field goal, breaking a streak of 50 consecutive games in which they had made at least one trey. Prior to that game, the last time Notre Dame had gone dry from beyond the arc was Jan. 26, 2000, at St. John's.

Notre Dame hasn't wasted any time in starting up a new three-point streak, canning 92 triples in its last 16 games (5.8 per game), including a school-record 13 treys at Miami on Jan. 2. The Irish have now made at least one three-pointer in 162 of their last 164 games, a streak dating back over four seasons.

FRESH FACES IN THE IRISH LINEUP

Notre Dame had a decidedly youthful look in its starting lineup when it opened the season Nov. 18 against Valparaiso, as freshmen **Jacqueline Batteast** and **Teresa Borton** got the nod at forward and center, respectively. In doing so, the pair were first rookie tandem in 20 years to start a season opener for the Irish — **Ruth Kaiser** and **Mary Beth Schueth** cracked the starting five in a 78-44 win over St. Joseph's (Ind.) on Dec. 2, 1981. Borton paced the Irish with 14 points and nine rebounds against Valparaiso, while Batteast scored two points and grabbed five boards against the Crusaders.

McGRAW REACHES COACHING MILESTONE AGAINST DEPAUL

Muffet McGraw coached her 450th game at Notre Dame on New Year's Eve against DePaul. She owns a 332-124 (.728) record in her 15th season with the Irish, making her the winningest coach in school history and fourth on the BIG EAST Conference career wins list behind Connecticut's **Geno Auriemma** (446), Rutgers' **Theresa Grentz** (434) and Villanova's **Harry Perretta** (427).

In addition, McGraw is the sixth coach to work 450 games at a BIG EAST Conference school. Besides the Notre Dame mentor, three of those coaches are still active in the league — Perretta (679), Auriemma (544) and Seton Hall's **Phyllis Mangina** (475). Grentz (584) and Virginia Tech's **Carol Alfano** (540) are the other BIG EAST skippers who reached that milestone.

THE END OF ONE STREAK ...

For the first time since the end of the 1997-98 season, Notre Dame was not ranked in either of the major national polls on Dec. 3. The exclusion snapped a 60-week run in the ESPN/*USA Today* coaches' poll and a 56-week stretch in the AP rankings. This week, the Irish earned five points in the Associated Press poll and four points in the ESPN/*USA Today* balloting.

... BUT THE CONTINUATION OF ANOTHER

Thanks to Kent State's loss at home to Rhode Island on Dec. 1, Notre Dame now owns the longest active home winning streak in the nation at 46 games. The Irish have not lost a game at the Joyce Center since Dec. 8, 1998, when Connecticut logged a 106-81 victory. Notre Dame's home winning streak next will be put to the test Saturday when the Irish play host to No. 16/17 Virginia Tech in a 6 p.m. (EST) contest at the Joyce Center.

RATAY NAMED NAISMITH CANDIDATE FOR SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR

Notre Dame junior guard **Alicia Ratay** has been selected as a preseason candidate for the 2001-02 Naismith College Basketball Player of the Year Award. It marks the second time in as many seasons that Ratay has been named to the 30-player preseason Naismith watch list.

RATAY JOINS IRISH 1,000-POINT CLUB

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** became the newest member of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club, joining that elite sorority with 12 points on Dec. 6 at Purdue. In addition to being the 19th Irish player to hit that milestone, Ratay is the eighth player to do so in less than three seasons, and the 15th student-athlete to turn the trick while spending part of her career under current head coach **Muffet McGraw**. Here's a look at the members of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club and where Ratay stands on that list:

Player, Years	Points
1. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	2,322
2. Katelyna Gaither (1993-97)	2,126
3. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	2,072
4. Karen Robinson (1987-91)	1,590
5. Trena Keys (1982-86)	1,589
6. Sandy Botham (1984-88)	1,460
7. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	1,439
8. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	1,430
9. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	1,373
10. Margaret Nowlin (1988-92)	1,298
11. Mary Beth Schueth (1981-85)	1,233
12. Letitia Bowen (1991-95)	1,205
13. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	1,202
14. Krissi Davis (1987-91)	1,194
15. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	1,138
16. Danielle Green (1995-2000)	1,106
17. Carrie Bates (1981-85)	1,060
18. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	1,034
19. Kelley Siemon (1997-2001)	1,006
— Ericka Haney (1998-present)	883

TOP JOYCE CENTER CROWDS

Rk.	Date	Opponent	Result	Atten.
T1.	1/15/01	#1 Connecticut	W, 92-76	11,418*
T1.	2/24/01	Georgetown	W, 65-53	11,418*
3.	3/19/01	Michigan (NCAA)	W, 88-54	9,597
4.	3/17/01	Alcorn St. (NCAA)	W, 98-49	8,553
5.	1/12/92	#2 Tennessee	L, 82-85	8,134
6.	11/18/01	Valparaiso	W, 42-35	7,960
7.	1/5/02	Providence	W, 72-66	7,804
8.	12/9/01	USC	W, 62-49	7,595
9.	2/12/00	St. John's	W, 94-51	7,530
10.	12/9/00	#6 Purdue	W, 72-61	7,330
11.	11/26/01	Army	W, 89-57	7,323
12.	12/12/01	Western Michigan	W, 71-48	7,310
13.	12/31/01	DePaul	W, 79-50	7,154
14.	12/22/01	Marquette	W, 60-33	7,132
15.	2/7/01	Pittsburgh	W, 72-58	7,025
16.	1/9/02	Seton Hall	W, 79-45	6,975
17.	1/7/94	#1 Tennessee	L, 70-105	6,886
18.	2/20/01	Miami	W, 81-43	6,533
19.	1/18/96	#3 Connecticut	L, 64-87	6,501
20.	1/23/99	St. John's	W, 99-60	6,384

* denotes capacity crowd
Bold denotes game played in 2001-02



**NEXT BIG EAST
TELECONFERENCE
SLATED FOR FEB. 4**

The BIG EAST Conference women's basketball coaches will hold three media teleconferences during the 2001-02 season, the second of which is scheduled for Monday, Feb. 4. Each of the 14 league head coaches will be available for eight minutes in a pre-arranged format.

Media representatives wishing to participate in the teleconference should contact Notre Dame assistant sports information director **Chris Masters** for the access phone number.

Here is a complete listing of the times when each BIG EAST coach will be available (all times EST and subject to change):

- 11:00 a.m. - Ferne Labati, Miami
- 11:08 a.m. - Pechone Stepps, St. John's
- 11:16 a.m. - Cathy Inglese, Boston College
- 11:24 a.m. - Mike Carey, West Virginia
- 11:32 a.m. - Bonnie Henrickson, Virginia Tech
- 11:40 a.m. - Jim Jabir, Providence
- 11:48 a.m. - Patrick Knapp, Georgetown
- 11:56 a.m. - Phyllis Mangina, Seton Hall
- 12:04 p.m. - Muffet McGraw, Notre Dame**
- 12:12 p.m. - Traci Waites, Pittsburgh
- 12:20 p.m. - C. Vivian Stringer, Rutgers
- 12:28 p.m. - Harry Perretta, Villanova
- 12:36 p.m. - Marianna Freeman, Syracuse
- 12:44 p.m. - Geno Auriemma, Connecticut

Ratay averaged 12.9 points and 5.1 rebounds per game last season, and set an NCAA record for three-point percentage (54.7 percent) by a sophomore on the way to third-team all-BIG EAST Conference honors — she was the only sophomore to make any of the three all-league squads. Ratay also is a former BIG EAST Rookie of the Year and was named an honorable mention All-American by the Associated Press in 2000. She will be looking to follow in the footsteps of her former teammate, **Ruth Riley**, who won the 2000-01 Naismith Award, becoming the first Notre Dame women's basketball player to be so recognized.

The Naismith Awards, in their 34th year, are given in honor of the inventor of the game of basketball — Dr. James Naismith. The awards program was founded by the Atlanta Tipoff Club, an organization dedicated to recognizing the achievements of student-athletes in basketball. The Awards, including Men's and Women's College Player of the Year, Men's and Women's Coach of the Year, Male and Female Prep Player of the Year and Men's and Women's Official of the Year, are determined by a vote of the Naismith Board of Selectors. In addition, the Board of Selectors, comprised of a select group of leading basketball coaches, journalists and administrators, honors a Men's and Women's Outstanding Contributor to Basketball. The 2001-02 Naismith Award will presented April 5, 2002 in Atlanta.

NOTRE DAME PICKED SECOND IN BIG EAST PRESEASON BALLOTING

Fresh off a share of their first-ever BIG EAST championship last season, the Irish have been picked to finish second in 2001-02 according to a preseason poll of the league's coaches which was released at BIG EAST Media Day on Oct. 25. Notre Dame claimed two first-place votes and 155 points overall, trailing only Connecticut (11 first-place votes, 167 points). Rutgers, Boston College and Villanova round out the top five, with VU picking up the remaining first-place vote.

Individually, junior guard **Alicia Ratay** was a first team preseason all-BIG EAST selection after earning third-team honors last year. The Lake Zurich, Ill., native set an NCAA record for three-point percentage by a sophomore last season (.547) and is the top returning scorer for the Irish in 2001-02 after charting 12.9 points per game a year ago.

Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** also was recognized by the conference coaches, earning second team preseason all-BIG EAST laurels. She joins Ratay as one of two starters back from last year's NCAA championship squad and averaged 11 ppg. and 5.7 rpg. during the '00-01 campaign.

In addition, freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** was chosen as the preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year. It was one in a series of early-season honors for the South Bend, Ind., product, who also was named a first team freshman All-American by the *Women's Basketball News Service* and was tabbed as one of the Top 21 "New Players of Impact" by Women's College Hoops.com.

OH CAPTAIN, MY CAPTAIN

This season, for only the fourth time in school history, Notre Dame has just one captain — senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney**. She is the first solo captain for the Irish since **Sheila McMillen** in 1998-99 and the second in head coach **Muffet McGraw's** 15-year tenure.

IRISH HAIL FROM SEA TO SHINING SEA

The 12 players on this season's Notre Dame roster hail from nine different states, including two each from Florida, Illinois and Ohio. Other states represented on the Irish roster include Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, Texas, Washington and Wyoming. The all-time Notre Dame women's basketball roster features players from 34 different states, including 23 during the **Muffet McGraw** era. Ironically, the most common home state on the Irish all-time roster — Michigan (14) — is not represented on this season's roster.

FUN WITH NUMBERS

This season, Notre Dame fans are seeing a pair of jersey numbers on the floor that haven't made an appearance in quite some time. Freshman guard **Kelsey Wicks** has chosen to wear No. 24, becoming the first Irish player since **Andrea Alexander** (1990-94) to sport those digits. In addition, freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is wearing No. 21 this season, a number which has not been modeled by an Irish player since All-American **Beth Morgan** wore the same jersey from 1993-97. Prior to Morgan, the last Notre Dame player to wear No. 21 was current Irish assistant coach **Coquese Washington**, who had the number from 1989-93.

IRISH CLOSING IN ON 500TH ALL-TIME VICTORY

Notre Dame is on the verge of becoming the 50th team in NCAA history, and the fourth BIG EAST



Conference school to post 500 career wins. The Irish currently have an all-time record of 496-223 (.690), putting them just four victories away from the magic mark. However, Notre Dame is in a dogfight with several other schools to see who will be the next to reach the 500-win plateau. Here's a look at the standings in the race to 500 wins (through games of Jan. 24):

School	Career Wins	Next Game
Missouri	497	1/26 vs. Colorado
NOTRE DAME	496	1/26 vs. Virginia Tech
Maine	495	1/27 vs. New Hampshire
Illinois State	494	1/26 vs. SW Missouri State
Florida International	493	1/26 at New Orleans
Middle Tennessee	493	1/26 at Arkansas-Little Rock

NOTRE DAME AMONG RECENT WINS LEADERS

Notre Dame has won 150 games in the last five-plus seasons, which stands as the fifth-most wins of any school in the country during that time. Here's where the Irish rank in terms of their wins since the start of the 1996-97 campaign (through games of Jan. 24):

TEAM	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	Total
1. Connecticut	33	34	29	36	32	21	185
2. Tennessee	29	39	31	33	31	16	179
3. Louisiana Tech	31	31	30	31	31	13	167
4. Old Dominion	34	29	28	29	21	12	153
5. NOTRE DAME	31	22	26	27	34	10	150

NOW THAT'S A HOME COURT ADVANTAGE

Notre Dame is looking to continue some impressive streaks in 2001-02. The Irish have won a school-record 46 consecutive games at home, which became the longest active streak in the nation when Kent State's 43-game run came to an end Dec. 1 with a loss to Rhode Island. The Irish have not lost at home in more than three years, dating back to a defeat at the hands of top-ranked Connecticut on Dec. 8, 1998. Notre Dame also has a 51-3 (.944) record (including a current 26-game winning streak) in BIG EAST play at the Joyce Center, with Connecticut the only league team to solve the Irish at home.

In addition, Notre Dame sports a five-year, 29-game non-conference winning streak at the Joyce Center — a stretch that includes victories over a trio of sixth-ranked teams (UCLA and Duke in 1998-99 and Purdue in 2000-01), as well as 25th-ranked Illinois in '98-99. Notre Dame's last non-conference loss at the Joyce Center came way back on Dec. 9, 1996, when 19th-ranked Wisconsin toppled the Irish, 81-69. Overall, the Irish are 70-2 (.972) at the Joyce Center in their last 72 home games, with the only losses coming to Connecticut.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, sporting a 234-65 (.783) mark at the venerable facility. Last season, the Irish were a perfect 15-0 for the second year in a row. The 15 victories are a school record for home wins in a season and the first time Notre Dame teams have been undefeated at home during the regular season. Also, since joining the BIG EAST Conference in time for the 1995-96 season, **Muffet McGraw's** squad is 84-4 (.955) at the Joyce Center.

SEASON TICKET SALES REACH ALL-TIME HIGH FOR IRISH

Attendance at Notre Dame women's basketball games in 2000-01 increased nearly 88 percent compared to the previous season — and indications suggest another significant jump is underway for the 2001-02 campaign. Coming off the 2001 NCAA championship, there have been more than 6,700 season tickets sold to the general public and University faculty and staff for the '01-'02 women's basketball season. That's compared to 2,700 a year ago and 940 in 1999-2000 — a jump of nearly 150 percent over last season, and a whopping 700 percent rise in just two years.

The sale of season tickets for the '01-02 campaign actually began midway through Notre Dame's 2001 championship season. All seats are reserved for Irish women's games for the first time this season — all seating in previous years had been general admission.

The Irish ranked ninth nationally in attendance last year at 6,376 fans per game, compared to 3,392 in 1999-2000. Notre Dame also recorded the first two women's basketball sellouts in school history, as 11,418 fans packed the Joyce Center for victories over top-ranked Connecticut and Georgetown.

All eight of Notre Dame's home games in 2001-02 have attracted more than 6,900 fans, placing them among the top 20 crowds in school history (see chart on page 9). In fact, all of the top 20 crowds in the Notre Dame record book have occurred during the 15-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw**.

BIG EAST COACHES' PRESEASON POLL

- Connecticut (11) 167
- NOTRE DAME (2) 155**
- Rutgers 143
- Boston College 125
- Villanova (1) 112
- Virginia Tech 111
- Georgetown 102
- Miami 86
- Seton Hall 75
- Syracuse 59
- Providence 56
- Pittsburgh 41
- St. John's 23
- West Virginia 19

2001-02 Preseason Player of the Year

Sue Bird, Sr., G, 5-9, Connecticut

2001-02 Preseason Rookie of the Year

Jacqueline Batteast, Fr., F, 6-1, Notre Dame

Preseason All-BIG EAST First Team

*Sue Bird, Connecticut, G, Sr.
 Rebekkah Brunson, Georgetown, F, So.
 Swin Cash, Connecticut, F, Sr.
 Becky Gottstein, Boston College, F, Sr.
 Trish Juhline, Villanova, G, Jr.
Alicia Ratay, Notre Dame, G, Jr.

** - unanimous selection*

Preseason All-BIG EAST Second Team

Chanivia Broussard, Miami, F, So.
 Davalyn Cunningham, Rutgers, F, Sr.
Ericka Haney, Notre Dame, G/F, Sr.
 Asjha Jones, Connecticut, F, Sr.
 Diana Taurasi, Connecticut, G, So.



MCGRAW DEVELOPING EXTENSIVE COACHING "FAMILY TREE"

Much has been made of the coaching roots which develop throughout the women's basketball world. Several long-time head coaches such as Virginia's **Debbie Ryan**, Tennessee's **Pat Summitt** and Vanderbilt's **Jim Foster** have helped produce a new generation of talented young coaches. In fact, back when he was the skipper at St. Joseph's (Pa.) in 1982, Foster was the mentor for an eager assistant coach named **Muffet McGraw**.

Now 20 years later, McGraw has created her own "family tree" of bright and energetic coaching minds through her tenures at Lehigh (1982-87) and Notre Dame (1987-present). No less than 16 of her former players and/or assistants currently hold coaching positions either at the high school or college level.

Here's a look at the roster of former McGraw players/assistants and where they now are coaching:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Current position</u>
Sandy Botham*^ ..	Head coach, Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Heidi Bunek*	Head coach, Arrowhead HS (1)
Liz Feeley^+	Head coach, Smith College
Bill Fennelly^	Head coach, Iowa State
David Glass^	Head coach, Virginia Commonwealth
Sandy Hume+	Head coach, New Jersey HS system
Kari Hutchinson*	Asst. coach, Baltimore HS system
Kristin Knapp*	Assistant coach, Ball State
Sara Liebscher*	Asst. coach, Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Colleen Matsuhara^	Assistant coach, USC
Sheila McMillen*	Assistant coach, Northwestern
Beth Morgan*	Asst. coach, Virginia Commonwealth
Mollie Peirick*	Asst. coach, St. Cecilia Academy (2)
John Sutherland^	Assistant coach, Marshall
Kathleen Weber^	Head coach, UNC-Asheville
Coquese Washington*	Assistant coach, Notre Dame

* - former Notre Dame player
 ^ - former Notre Dame assistant
 + - former Lehigh player
 (1) - located in Milwaukee, Wis.
 (2) - located in Nashville, Tenn.

NOTRE DAME FACES TOUGH SCHEDULE IN 2001-02

Notre Dame is slated to play 10 teams which reached the postseason as part of a rugged schedule this year. On the docket are seven 2001 NCAA Tournament squads and five teams (Connecticut - 1/1, Purdue - 10/11, Virginia Tech - 16/17, Colorado State - 19/21 and Boston College - 24/23) which are ranked in the Top 25 in the latest Associated Press and ESPN/*USA Today* coaches' polls. In addition, three other Irish opponents (DePaul, Michigan and USC) are receiving votes in one or both of the major polls this week.

IRISH ON THE SMALL SCREEN

Notre Dame is getting a good deal of face time in 2001-02, playing on television at least eight times, including a pair of nationally-televised contests — Nov. 21 at Arizona (Fox Sports Net) and Jan. 21 at Connecticut (ESPN). The Irish also will make two regional television appearances this season — Jan. 2 at Miami (Fox Sports Florida) and Feb. 2 at Seton Hall (CN8, The Comcast Network).

In addition, Notre Dame will appear three times as part of the BIG EAST regular-season television package, playing host to Virginia Tech (Jan. 26) and traveling to Villanova (Jan. 12) and Rutgers (Feb. 16). All three of those games will be telecast live on Fox Sports Chicago as part of the league's TV deal. The BIG EAST Championship semifinals on March 4 also will be aired on the BIG EAST TV package, while the conference title game on March 5 will be broadcast live on ESPN2.

Additionally, the Dec. 6 rematch of the 2001 NCAA championship game between Notre Dame and Purdue was televised live statewide by LeSea Broadcasting, which includes WHME-TV (Channel 46) in South Bend and WHMB-TV (Channel 40) in Indianapolis.

NOTRE DAME RECEIVES COMMITMENTS FROM PAIR OF TOP 25 PROSPECTS

Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** announced Nov. 15 that two of the nation's top high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their careers with the Irish, signing national letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2002. **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, OH/Chaminade-Julienne HS) and **Courtney LaVere** (Ventura, CA/Buena HS) both committed to the Irish during the early signing period.

Duffy, a 5-7 guard, averaged 17 points per game last season for Chaminade-Julienne High School in Dayton, Ohio. She was a 2001 first-team Division I all-state selection and earned honorable mention All-America accolades from *Street & Smith's*. Additionally, *Student Sports* tabbed her as a junior All-America selection. She was rated as high as No. 24 in the country by the All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) and No. 29 by *School Sports*.

LaVere, a 6-3 forward, tallied 13.8 points and eight rebounds per game last season for Buena High School in Ventura, Calif. She also shot 54 percent from the field and 73 percent from the free throw line for BHS, which was ranked in the top 10 nationally throughout the 2000-01 season by *USA Today*. In addition, LaVere was an All-America honoree by both *USA Today* and *Street & Smith's* last year, and she already has been selected as a preseason third-team All-American for the '01-02 campaign by *School Sports*. Like Duffy, LaVere also was a first-team all-state selection last season. She is a consensus top-15 player according to all of the major recruiting services — No. 10 by the Blue Star Index, No. 13 by *School Sports* and No. 15 by ASGR.

The additions of Duffy and LaVere have given Notre Dame one of this year's top 10 recruiting classes, according to at least two major recruiting outlets. The *Women's Basketball Journal*, in conjunction with ASGR, has pegged the Irish Class of 2006 at No. 5 in the nation. Meanwhile, the Blue Star Index ranked the latest group of Irish signees eighth in the nation, marking the sixth consecutive year in which Blue Star has placed Notre Dame's recruiting class among the Top 20 in the country.

KRAUSE FEATURED IN "CONFESSIONS OF A FRESHMAN"

Freshman guard **Jill Krause** is giving fans an inside look at the 2001-02 Irish women's basketball team through regular diary entries on the Notre Dame athletic website, www.und.com. Entitled "Confessions of a Freshman," the Glenview, Ill., native is detailing her journey as a first-year player on the defending NCAA championship squad. Her diary entries may be accessed either from the front page or the women's basketball page on the Notre Dame website.

HANEY SHINES ON BIG EAST ALL-STAR TEAM

For the second time in as many years, Notre Dame sent a player with the BIG EAST Women's Basketball All-Star Team, as guard/forward **Ericka Haney** joined the squad for its six-game swing of Germany



**NOTRE DAME AMONG
BEST IN ATHLETE
GRADUATION RATES**

The University of Notre Dame ranks among the top NCAA Division I-A institutions in five major graduation rate categories — all student-athletes, football players, male student-athletes, female student-athletes and African-American student-athletes — according to statistics released this fall by the NCAA.

The 2001 NCAA Graduation Rates Report, the 11th-such survey issued by the association, covers students who enrolled between 1991 and 1994 at Division I institutions, including 114 in Division I-A. The NCAA bases graduation rates on the raw percentage of student-athletes who entered an institution and graduated within six years. Students who leave or transfer, regardless of academic standing, are considered non-graduates.

Using the NCAA formula, Notre Dame graduated a four-year average of 85 percent of its student-athletes, fourth behind Northwestern (92 percent), Duke (91) and Stanford (88).

Among student-athletes who complete all four years of athletic eligibility at Notre Dame, not considering those who leave or transfer, 99 percent earn their degrees. The national average for Division I-A schools is 58 percent.

Notre Dame graduated 90 percent of all women competing in varsity athletics, to rank fifth in that category behind leader Northwestern at 98 percent. Among men, Notre Dame's 82 percent rate is fourth behind Duke at 90 percent, Northwestern at 88 percent and Stanford at 85 percent.

Notre Dame graduated 73 percent of its African-American student-athletes, ranking behind only Duke, Vanderbilt, Stanford, Northwestern and Rice.

Here are the top institutions in some of the major categories:

ALL STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Northwestern 92%
- 2. Duke 91%
- 3. Stanford 88%
- 4. **NOTRE DAME 85%**

FEMALE STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Northwestern 98%
- 2. Stanford 93%
- 3. Duke 92%
- 4. Vanderbilt 91%
- 5. **NOTRE DAME 90%**

AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENT-ATHLETES

- 1. Duke 84%
- 2. Vanderbilt 82%
- 3. Stanford 81%
- 4. Northwestern 80%
- 5. Rice 78%
- 6. **NOTRE DAME 73%**

last summer. Haney followed in the footsteps of **Niele Ivey**, who helped lead the BIG EAST All-Stars to a 5-1 record during a junket through Canada in the summer of 2000.

Haney paced the BIG EAST squad, which was led by Syracuse head coach **Marianna Freeman**, to an unbeaten 6-0 record during its tour, scoring a team-high 18 points in a 103-57 win over Ludwigsburg/Malmsheim in the final game of the trip.

Haney finished with a team-high 13.0 points per game and collected 4.5 rebounds per game during her European vacation. She also scored in double figures in five of the All-Stars' six wins.

RILEY RECEIVES NCAA TODAY'S TOP VIII AWARD

Former Notre Dame All-American and Academic All-American **Ruth Riley**, the consensus national player of the year in women's basketball in 2001 and already winner of an NCAA postgraduate scholarship, was named a recipient of the NCAA Today's Top VIII Award on Dec. 13. The Today's Top VIII Award winners are a group of distinguished student-athletes from the 2001 calendar year who were recognized for athletics, academic achievement, character and leadership at the 37th annual NCAA Honors Dinner Jan. 13 in Indianapolis.

In addition to their athletics accomplishments, the NCAA Today's Top VIII recipients earned numerous academic honors, volunteered countless hours to community projects and served as role models for their academic institutions and to their peers.

A two-time *Associated Press* first team All-American, Riley was selected as the 2001 BIG EAST Player of the Year and the AP and Naismith Women's College Player of the Year after helping lead Notre Dame to its first national title last spring. Off the court, Riley was selected as the Verizon Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year after being named first team Academic All-American for two consecutive years.

Riley averaged 19 points and eight rebounds a game, leading Notre Dame to a 34-2 record. The former Irish center is the only player in Notre Dame history to score more than 2,000 points and grab more than 1,000 rebounds.

An eight-time Dean's List selection at Notre Dame, Riley graduated in May 2001 with a 3.64 grade-point average in psychology and sociology. She was also selected as the BIG EAST women's basketball scholar-athlete of the year and the BIG EAST women's scholar-athlete of the year for all sports. Riley received the university's highest scholar-athlete honor when she was awarded the Byron V. Kanaley Award at the 2001 Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet.

Last April, she was chosen in the first round of the 2001 WNBA Draft, going fifth overall to the Miami Sol. In her inaugural professional season in south Florida, Riley averaged 6.8 points, 4.1 rebounds and 1.44 blocks per game (ninth in the league) while helping Miami, a second-year expansion franchise, qualify for the WNBA playoffs.

REMINDER — SOUTH BEND AREA CODE CHANGE

The area code for north central Indiana, including South Bend, Elkhart and Mishawaka, has changed from 219 to 574, effective Jan. 15. Please be aware that all University of Notre Dame athletic department phones also have switched over to this new area code. The 219 area code still will be active through June 15, although callers will be reminded of the change to the new 574 area code.



IRISH CAREER RECORDS

Scoring Average

1. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	18.6
2. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	16.6
3. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	15.8
4. Heidi Bunek (1985- 89)	14.5
5. Trena Keys (1982-86)	14.3
6. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	13.4
7. Karen Robinson (1987-91)	13.1

Three-Point Field Goals Made

1. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	249
2. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	231
3. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	190
4. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	184
5. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	128

Three-Point Field Goals Attempted

1. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	650
2. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	628
3. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	469
4. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	369
5. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	342
6. Lisa Kuhns (1985-86, 87-90)	262
7. Coquese Washington (1989-93)	231
8. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	216
9. Jeneka Joyce (2000-present)	115
10. Sherisha Hills (1998-99)	114

Three-Point Field-Goal Percentage (min. 50 att.)

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	.499
2. Kari Hutchinson (1994-98)	.424
3. Niele Ivey (1996-2001)	.405
4. Sherri Orlosky (1990-94)	.394
5. Lisa Kuhns (1986, '88-90)	.389
6. Sheila McMillen (1995-99)	.383
7. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.377
8. Jeneka Joyce (2000-present)	.374
9. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.368
Sara Liebscher (1987-91)	.368

Free Throw Percentage (min. 75 att.)

1. Alicia Ratay (1999-present)	.856
2. Mollie Peirick (1994-98)	.819
3. Beth Morgan (1993-97)	.814

Blocked Shots

1. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	370
2. Katryna Gaither (1993-97)	141
3. Amanda Barksdale (1999-pres.)	136
4. Shari Matvey (1979-83)	133

Blocked Shot Average

1. Ruth Riley (1997-2001)	2.82
2. Amanda Barksdale (1999-pres.)	1.79
3. Shari Matvey (1980-83)	1.22
4. Heidi Bunek (1985-89)	1.12
Trena Keys (1982-86)	1.12

Boldface indicates current players

NCAA AND BIG EAST STATISTICAL LEADERS

Here's where the Irish players and team stand in the most recent NCAA statistics report (through games of Jan. 21) and BIG EAST Conference statistics report for all games and conference games (through games of Jan. 25):

Team Rankings	NCAA	All Games	Conference Games
Scoring Offense		8th at 65.9	4th at 66.8
Scoring Defense	26th at 58.4	6th at 58.4	5th at 59.5
Scoring Margin		6th at +7.5	5th at +7.3
FT Percentage		12th at .653	8th at .695
FG Percentage		7th at .436	2nd at .472
FG Percentage Defense	8th at .347	2nd at .347	3rd at .369
3-Point FG Percentage	11th at .405	3rd at .405	1st at .446
3-Point FG Pct. Defense	not kept	2nd at .262	2nd at .260
Rebounding		2nd at 41.8	10th at 36.7
Rebounding Defense	not kept	7th at 36.0	6th at 35.5
Rebounding Margin	35th at +5.8	3rd at +5.8	6th at +1.2
Blocked Shots	not kept	1st at 6.24	1st at 6.67
Assists	not kept	9th at 14.65	6th at 14.5
Steals	not kept	12th at 7.41	t-9th at 7.0
Turnover Margin	not kept	14th at (-3.59)	13th at (-4.5)
Assist/Turnover Ratio	not kept	8th at 0.81	6th at 0.83

Individual Rankings	NCAA	All Games	Conference Games
Scoring		Batteast, 6th at 14.4	Ratay, 11th at 14.0
		Ratay, 13th at 13.2	Batteast, t-17th at 12.5
Rebounding		Batteast, 2nd at 8.1	Batteast, 14th at 6.5
FG Percentage		Batteast, 12th at .417	
Assists		Severe, 8th at 4.88	Severe, 8th at 4.33
FT Percentage			Ratay, 7th at .818
			Batteast, t-12th at .750
Steals		Severe, 13th at 1.82	
3-Point FG Made		Ratay, 12th at 1.76	Ratay, 11th at 1.67
Blocks	Barksdale, 4th at 3.4	Barksdale, 1st at 3.38	Barksdale, 2nd at 2.67
		Batteast, 4th at 1.71	Batteast, 4th at 1.83
Assist/Turnover Ratio			Severe, 12th at 1.3
Offensive Rebounds		Batteast, 9th at 2.65	
		Borton, 10th at 2.47	
Defensive Rebounds		Batteast, 2nd at 5.41	Batteast, 10th at 4.5
			Ratay, t-13th at 4.0
Double-Doubles		Batteast, 2nd at 7	
		Borton, t-22nd at 1	
		Haney, t-22nd at 1	

2001-02 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results

Overall Record: 10-7 (Home: 8-0, Away: 2-6, Neutral: 0-1); BIG EAST Conference Record: 4-2

----- Notre Dame Highs -----											
Date	ND NR	Opp NR	Opponent	ND Result	W-L	Record	BEC	Scorer	Rebounder	Assists	Attendance
Nov. 18	15/14		VALPARAISO	W 42-35	W1	1-0		Borton-14	two with 9	Severe-4	7,960
Nov. 21	15/15	20/22	at Colorado State	L 66-72	L1	1-1		Ratay-16	Batteast-11	Severe-5	6,749
Nov. 24	15/15		at Arizona	L 70-72	L2	1-2		Ratay-19	Haney-9	Severe-6	3,335
Nov. 26	23/23		ARMY	W 89-57	W1	2-2		Batteast-18	Batteast-12	Severe-4	7,323
Dec. 2	23/23	16/17	(1) vs. Michigan	L 63-78	L1	2-3		Ratay-19	Batteast-9	Severe-6	6,482
Dec. 6		7/8	at Purdue	L 57-70	L2	2-4		Ratay-12	Severe-8	Severe-8	8,786
Dec. 9			USC	W 62-49	W1	3-4		Batteast-19	two with 7	Severe-4	7,595
Dec. 12			WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 71-48	W2	4-4		Batteast-20	two with 10	Severe-8	7,310
Dec. 22			MARQUETTE	W 60-33	W3	5-4		Batteast-11	Batteast-12	Severe-4	7,132
Dec. 28			at Rice	L 61-72	L1	5-5		Batteast-23	Batteast-10	Severe-5	1,602
Dec. 31			DEPAUL	W 79-50	W1	6-5		Batteast-25	Batteast-14	two with 4	7,154
Jan. 2			at Miami*	W 69-65	W2	7-5	1-0	Ratay-23	Batteast-13	Batteast-6	1,094
Jan. 5			PROVIDENCE*	W 72-66	W3	8-5	2-0	Batteast-26	Batteast-9	Severe-6	7,804
Jan. 9			SETON HALL*	W 79-45	W4	9-5	3-0	Ratay-18	Wicks-10	Severe-7	6,975
Jan. 12			at Villanova*	L 59-60	L1	9-6	3-1	Ratay-22	two with 7	Ratay-4	2,259
Jan. 19			at Providence*	W 69-41	W1	10-6	4-1	Batteast-14	Borton-10	Borton-4	1,750
Jan. 21		1/1	(2) at Connecticut*	L 53-80	L1	10-7	4-2	Wicks-16	three with 5	Severe-7	16,294
Jan. 26			VIRGINIA TECH*								
Jan. 29			SYRACUSE*								
Feb. 2			at Seton Hall*								
Feb. 5			at Pittsburgh*								
Feb. 10			BOSTON COLLEGE*								
Feb. 13			ST. JOHN'S*								
Feb. 16			at Rutgers*								
Feb. 19			WEST VIRGINIA*								
Feb. 23			at Georgetown*								
Feb. 26			VILLANOVA*								

BIG EAST Championship (Louis Brown Athletic Center, Piscataway, N.J.)

March 2	First Round
March 3	Quarterfinals
March 4	Semifinals
March 5	Championship

NCAA First & Second Rounds (Campus sites TBA)

March 15 & 16	First Round
March 17 & 18	Second Round

NCAA Regionals (East - Raleigh, N.C.; Mideast - Milwaukee, Wis.; Midwest - Ames, Iowa; West - Boise, Idaho)

March 23	Semifinals
March 25	Finals

NCAA Final Four (Alamodome, San Antonio, Texas)

March 29	Semifinals
March 31	Championship

CAPS denotes home game

**BIG EAST Conference game*

(1) Women's College Basketball Showcase (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

(2) Game played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center

NR - Indicates Notre Dame and opponent national rankings in the Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls at tipoff

NOTRE DAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH

2001-02 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 10-7 (Home: 8-0, Away: 2-6, Neutral: 0-1)

<i>Player</i>	<i>GP-GS</i>	<i>Min.-Avg.</i>	<i>FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>3FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>FT-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>OR</i>	<i>DR</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>	<i>PF-DQ</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>
Jacqueline Batteast	17-17	476-28.0	93-223	.417	21-57	.368	38-53	.717	45	92	137	8.1	44-1	36	43	29	24	245	14.4
Alicia Ratay	17-17	571-33.6	77-171	.450	30-69	.435	41-48	.854	26	64	90	5.3	22-0	34	33	3	16	225	13.2
Le'Tania Severe	17-13	470-27.6	34-85	.400	4-11	.364	47-72	.653	11	49	60	3.5	38-0	83	73	10	31	119	7.0
Teresa Borton	17-6	358-21.1	50-96	.521	0-0	.000	18-38	.474	42	44	86	5.1	34-0	17	18	4	7	118	6.9
Kelsey Wicks	16-0	226-14.1	31-68	.456	15-34	.441	9-13	.692	18	33	51	3.2	25-0	6	17	0	9	86	5.4
Ericka Haney	17-13	330-19.4	38-95	.400	0-0	.000	10-19	.526	28	49	77	4.5	25-0	12	35	7	12	86	5.1
Allison Bustamante	11-0	124-11.3	18-37	.486	9-16	.563	7-12	.583	2	21	23	2.1	13-0	6	8	3	5	52	4.7
Amanda Barksdale	13-11	221-17.0	26-46	.565	0-0	.000	7-13	.538	11	27	38	2.9	29-1	7	14	44	3	59	4.5
Jeneka Joyce	17-8	301-17.7	22-52	.423	13-36	.361	8-17	.471	5	24	29	1.7	11-0	23	25	0	5	65	3.8
Katy Flecky	15-0	187-12.5	18-46	.391	0-0	.000	19-26	.731	14	28	42	2.8	26-0	14	22	6	9	55	3.7
Karen Swanson	7-0	36-5.1	2-8	.250	0-3	.000	3-4	.750	0	3	3	0.4	4-0	3	3	0	0	7	1.0
Jill Krause	7-0	24-3.4	1-3	.333	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	3	3	0.4	1-0	1	4	0	0	2	0.3
Monique Hernandez	11-0	76-6.9	1-12	.083	0-1	.000	0-2	.000	3	2	5	0.5	9-0	7	5	0	5	2	0.2
Team									26	41	67	3.9			8				
Notre Dame	17	3400	411-942	.436	92-227	.405	207-317	.653	231	480	711	41.8	281-2	249	308	106	126	1121	65.9
Opponents	17	3400	349-1006	.347	74-282	.262	221-340	.650	243	369	612	36.0	290-4	218	247	62	156	993	58.4

2001-02 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Conference Only

BIG EAST Conference Record: 4-2 (Home: 2-0, Away: 2-2)

<i>Player</i>	<i>GP-GS</i>	<i>Min.-Avg.</i>	<i>FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>3FG-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>FT-A</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>OR</i>	<i>DR</i>	<i>Tot.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>	<i>PF-DQ</i>	<i>A</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>S</i>	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Avg.</i>
Alicia Ratay	6-6	199-33.2	28-62	.452	10-21	.476	18-22	.818	8	24	32	5.3	8-0	11	12	2	6	84	14.0
Jacqueline Batteast	6-6	159-26.5	24-71	.338	6-17	.353	21-28	.750	12	27	39	6.5	18-1	16	13	11	7	75	12.5
Teresa Borton	6-0	132-22.0	25-35	.714	0-0	.000	10-16	.625	12	15	27	4.5	8-0	6	7	2	1	60	10.0
Kelsey Wicks	6-0	97-16.2	17-30	.567	9-16	.563	2-3	.667	4	17	21	3.5	7-0	2	6	0	6	45	7.5
Allison Bustamante	6-0	84-14.0	12-21	.571	5-9	.556	6-9	.667	1	12	13	2.2	7-0	4	5	2	5	35	5.8
Ericka Haney	6-6	110-18.3	12-25	.480	0-0	.000	1-3	.333	6	13	19	3.2	3-0	4	14	2	2	25	4.2
Le'Tania Severe	6-2	140-23.3	5-15	.333	0-1	.000	15-24	.625	1	13	14	2.3	14-0	26	20	3	10	25	4.2
Amanda Barksdale	6-6	98-16.3	11-15	.733	0-0	.000	1-2	.500	3	10	13	2.2	12-0	2	5	16	0	23	3.8
Katy Flecky	5-0	67-13.4	5-15	.333	0-0	.000	3-4	.750	3	6	9	1.8	11-0	5	7	2	3	13	2.6
Jeneka Joyce	6-3	92-15.3	3-12	.250	3-10	.300	3-5	.600	1	7	8	1.3	2-0	9	8	0	2	12	2.0
Karen Swanson	2-0	14-7.0	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	2-2	1.000	0	0	0	0.0	1-0	2	1	0	0	2	1.0
Jill Krause	2-0	8-4.0	1-2	.500	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	1	1	0.5	1-0	0	3	0	0	2	1.0
Team									9	15	24	4.0			4				
Notre Dame	6	1200	143-303	.472	33-74	.446	82-118	.695	60	160	220	36.7	92-1	87	105	40	42	401	66.8
Opponents	6	1200	133-360	.369	25-96	.260	66-108	.611	90	123	213	35.5	111-3	81	78	25	62	357	59.5

2001-02 Single Game Highs & Lows

NOTRE DAME HIGHS

Points (Game)	89 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Points (Half)	47 vs. Army (1st half), 11/26/01
Field Goals Made	33 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Field Goal Attempts	77 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Field Goal Percentage (<i>min. 25 attempts</i>)	58.0 (29-50) vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
Three-Point Field Goals Made	13* at Miami, 1/2/02
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	28* vs. Army, 11/26/01
Three-Point Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	60.0 (6-10) vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Free Throws Made	24 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throw Attempts	34 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throw Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	81.8 (9-11) at Villanova, 1/12/02
Rebounds	60 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Personal Fouls	26 at Rice, 12/28/01
Assists	20, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
Turnovers	26 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	13 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01
Steals	13 vs. USC, 12/9/01

OPPONENT HIGHS

Points (Game)	80, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Points (Half)	45, Michigan (1st half), 12/2/01
Field Goals Made	30, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Field Goal Attempts	71, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Field Goal Percentage (<i>min. 25 attempts</i>)	50.0 (29-58), Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	8, twice (MR: Villanova, 1/12/02)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	28, DePaul, 12/31/01
Three-Point Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	70.0 (7-10), Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throws Made	26, Rice, 12/28/01
Free Throw Attempts	40, Rice, 12/28/01
Free Throw Percentage (<i>min. 10 attempts</i>)	100.0* (20-20), Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	51, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Personal Fouls	26, Providence, 1/5/02
Assists	23, Michigan, 12/2/01
Turnovers	27, USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	9, Connecticut, 1/21/01
Steals	17, Miami, 1/2/02

* denotes school record

NOTRE DAME LOWS

Points (Game)	42 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Points (Half)	18 vs. Valparaiso (2nd half), 11/18/01
Field Goals Made	14 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Attempts	43 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Percentage	32.6 (14-43) vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	0 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	2 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Three-Point Percentage	00.0 (0-2) vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Free Throws Made	5 at Connecticut, 1/21/01
Free Throw Attempts	8 at Connecticut, 1/21/01
Free Throw Percentage	42.9 (6-14) vs. Marquette, 12/22/01
Rebounds	28, twice (MR: vs. Providence, 1/5/02)
Personal Fouls	9, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)
Assists	8 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Turnovers	11 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Blocked Shots	1 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Steals	3 at Villanova, 1/12/02

OPPONENT LOWS

Points (Game)	33, Marquette, 12/22/01
Points (Half)	12, Western Michigan (1st half), 12/12/01
Field Goals Made	10, Marquette, 12/22/01
Field Goal Attempts	47, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Percentage	18.5 (10-54), Marquette, 12/22/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	1, four times (MR: Providence, 1/19/02)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	7, Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Percentage	5.0 (1-20), Providence, 1/19/02
Free Throws Made	4, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Free Throw Attempts	11, three times (MR: Villanova, 1/12/02)
Free Throw Percentage	33.3 (4-12), Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	20, Villanova, 1/12/02
Personal Fouls	10, Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Assists	5, DePaul, 12/31/01
Turnovers	8, Villanova, 1/12/02
Blocked Shots	1, twice (MR: DePaul, 12/31/01)
Steals	6, three times (MR: Providence, 1/19/02)

2001-02 Miscellaneous Statistics

Starting Combos (F-F-C-G-G) & W-L Marks All Games vs. BIG EAST teams

Batteast, Haney, Borton, Ratay, Severe	2-4	0-0
Batteast, Joyce (G), Barksdale, Ratay, Severe	3-1	0-0
Batteast, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Joyce	3-1	3-1
Batteast, Haney, Barksdale, Ratay, Severe	2-1	1-1

Complete Games Played: 1 (Ratay) // Opponents: 3
Most Minutes: 40 (Alicia Ratay vs. Valparaiso, 11/18)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 43 (Batteast 14, Ratay 13, Severe 6, Borton 4, Bustamante 2, Barksdale 1, Haney 1, Joyce 1, Wicks 1) // Opponents: 44
20-29-Point Games: 7 (Batteast 4, Ratay 2, Borton 1) // Opponents: 4
Game-High Scoring Honors*: 12 (Batteast 7, Ratay 4, Borton 1)
Team-High Scoring Honors*: 17 (Batteast 8, Ratay 7, Borton 1, Wicks 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 10 (Batteast 7, Borton 1, Haney 1, Wicks 1) // Opponents: 5
Game-High Rebounding Honors*: 15 (Batteast 7, Haney 3, Borton 2, Ratay 2, Wicks 1)
Team-High Rebounding Honors*: 24 (Batteast 12, Borton 3, Haney 3, Ratay 3, Severe 2, Wicks 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 0
Game-High Assist Honors*: 14 (Severe 12, Borton 1, Ratay 1)
Team-High Assist Honors*: 17 (Severe 13, Ratay 2, Batteast 1, Borton 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 9 (Batteast 7 - CSU, ARMY, WMU, MARQ, RICE, DEP, MIA; Borton 1 - PC (2); Haney 1 - WMU) // Opponents: 4
Points/Assists: 0 // Opponents: 0

Largest Lead

ND: 35, twice — 71-36 (4:34, 2nd) and 73-38 (3:31, 2nd) vs. Seton Hall (ND 79-45), 1/9
Opp: 37, twice — 76-39 (5:29, 2nd) and 78-41 (3:27, 2nd) at UConn (UC 80-53), 1/21

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 8, twice — 10-2 (15:57, 1st) & 12-4 (14:00, 1st) at Providence (ND 69-41), 1/19

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: 1 (36-35) at Miami (ND 69-65), 1/2

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 11, twice — 38-27 (17:18, 2nd) and 42-31 (14:56, 2nd) at Villanova (VU 60-59), 1/12

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 6 (31-25) at Villanova (VU 60-59), 1/12

* totals may not equal games played due to ties

NOTRE DAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH

The Last Time It Happened ...

Notre Dame recorded a

30-point win was on 1/9/02 — ND 79, Seton Hall 45 (34 points)*
40-point win was on 3/17/01 — ND 98, Alcorn State 49 (49 points)* (*NCAA Tournament First Round*)
50-point win was on 3/4/01 — ND 89, Georgetown 33 (56 points) (*BIG EAST Tournament Quarterfinal at Storrs, Conn.*)
30-point loss was on 1/7/94 — Tennessee 105, ND 70 (35 points)*

Notre Dame shot

60% on FGs was on 2/27/01 — 63.5% (33-52) at Pittsburgh (ND 82-63)
65% on FGs was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*
90% on FTs was on 1/9/97 — 91.7% (11-12) vs. West Virginia (ND 103-58)*

Notre Dame

won 10 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
won 15 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
won 20 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight
lost 5 games in a row was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (*across two seasons*)
 * lost 5 games in a row (*one season*) was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight
scored 100 points was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90)*
 * scored 100 points on the road never
 * scored 100 points at a neutral site was on 11/24/89 vs. Liberty (ND 113-35) (*Rotary Classic at Orlando, Fla.*)
 * scored 100 points & lost never
allowed 100 points was on 12/8/98 (Connecticut 106, ND 81)*
scored less than 50 points was on 11/18/01 (ND 42, Valparaiso 35)*
allowed less than 50 points was on 1/19/02 (ND 69, Providence 41)
played an overtime game was on 3/6/00 (Rutgers 81, ND 72) (*BIG EAST Tournament Semifinal at Storrs, Conn.*)
 * played a multiple-overtime game was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)
won on a "last second" shot was on 1/14/95 (ND 67, Detroit 65 — Letitia Bowen putback at 0:01)
lost on a "last second" shot was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)
had six double-figure scorers was on 1/23/99 (ND 99, St. John's 60) — Danielle Green 20, Sheila McMillen 20, Ericka Haney 16, Sherisha Hills 13, Ruth Riley 13, Niele Ivey 12*
had seven double-figure scorers was on 2/6/97 (ND 90, Syracuse 73) — Rosanne Bohman 16, Mollie Peirick 15, Katryna Gaither 14, Kari Hutchinson 11, Sheila McMillen 11, Beth Morgan 11, Jeannine Augustin 10
had two double-figure rebounders was on 12/12/01 (ND 71, Western Michigan 48) — Jacqueline Batteast 10, Ericka Haney 10*
had two 20-point scorers was on 1/5/02 (ND 72, Providence 66) — Jacqueline Batteast 26, Teresa Borton 20*
had three 20-point scorers was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23*
made 10 three-point field goals was on 1/2/02 (ND 69, Miami 65) — 13-24 (54.2%) on threes (**tied school record**)
committed less than 10 turnovers was on 2/2/01 (ND 81, Boston College 65) — 9 turnovers*
committed 25 turnovers was on 12/9/01 (ND 62, USC 49) — 26 turnovers*
forced 25 turnovers was on 12/9/01 (ND 62, USC 49) — 27 turnovers*

An Irish player had

25 points was on 1/5/02 — Jacqueline Batteast (26) vs. Providence (ND 72-66)*
30 points was on 3/26/01 — Ruth Riley (32) vs. Vanderbilt (ND 72-64) (*NCAA Midwest Regional Final at Denver, Colo.*)
35 points was on 2/22/00 — Ruth Riley (36) vs. Miami (ND 83-68)*
40 points was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) (**school record**)
15 rebounds was on 2/17/01 — Kelley Siemon (15) at Rutgers (RU 54-53)
20 rebounds was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DU 80-77)
10 assists was on 1/15/01 — Niele Ivey (10) vs. Connecticut (ND 92-76)*
5 blocks was on 1/21/02 — Amanda Barksdale (6) at Connecticut (UC 80-53)
5 steals was on 12/9/01 — Jacqueline Batteast & Le'Tania Severe (5) vs. USC (ND 62-49)*
a "double-double" was on 1/19/02 — Teresa Borton (11 pts., 10 reb.) at Providence (ND 69-41)
a "triple-double" was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17 pts., 12 reb., 10 asst.) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)*
20 pts & 10 rebs was on 12/31/01 — Jacqueline Batteast (25 pts., 14 reb.) vs. DePaul (ND 79-50)*
20 pts & 20 rebs was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25 pts., 20 reb.) at DePaul (DU 80-77)

An opposing player had

25 points was on 11/24/01 — Elizabeth Pickney (27), Arizona (UA 72-70)
30 points was on 1/28/98 — Jen Beisel (30), Villanova (VU 70-54)*
35 points was on 1/16/95 — Angela Simpson (37), Northwestern State (La.) (NSU 103-93) (*NWIT Semifinal at Amarillo, Texas*)
10 rebounds was on 1/21/02 — Tamika Williams (11), Connecticut (UC 80-53)
15 rebounds was on 3/30/01 — Kelly Schumacher (17), Connecticut (ND 90-75) (*NCAA National Semifinal at St. Louis, Mo.*)
20 rebounds was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)
10 assists was on 2/17/01 — Tasha Pointer (10), Rutgers (RU 54-53)
5 blocks was on 2/7/01 — Bettina Love (6), Pittsburgh (ND 72-58)*
5 steals was on 1/9/02 — Cecilia Lindqvist (5), Seton Hall (ND 79-45)
a "double-double" was on 1/21/02 — Tamika Williams (17 pts., 11 reb.), Connecticut (UC 80-53)
a "triple-double" was on 1/24/89 — Diana Vines (23 pts., 11 reb., 12 stl.), DePaul (DU 83-62)
20 pts & 10 rebs was on 12/6/01 — Mary Jo Noon (21 pts., 13 reb.), Purdue (PU 70-57)

* denotes Notre Dame home game

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31 Amanda Barksdale Center, Junior, 6-3, Friendswood, TX (Clear Brook)

Has played in 13 games (11 starts) this season, averaging 17 minutes per game ... charting 4.5 points, 2.9 rebounds and 3.4 blocks per game ... missed first four games with a stress reaction in her right leg ... leads BIG EAST Conference and ranks fourth nationally in blocked shots ... stands second in BIG EAST with 2.7 bpg. in league games ... shooting team-best .733 (11-15) from field in BIG EAST play ... has notched at least four blocks in seven games ... nearly posted triple-double against Marquette, finishing with 10 points (tying her career high), eight rebounds and a career-best eight blocks (tying the school record) ... made first career start against USC, tallying seven blocks (five in first half) ... also recorded 100th career block against USC, becoming fifth player in school history to reach century mark ... outings against Marquette and USC stand as top two single-game performances in BIG EAST this season ... Marquette outing also tied for fifth-best in nation in 2001-02 ... recorded six blocks in a career-high 28 minutes at No. 1 Connecticut ... ranks second in school history with 1.79 blocks per game and third with 136 career blocks (needs five to catch Katryna Gaither for second place).

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	10 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	10, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 12/22/01)
Field Goals	5 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	Same
Free Throws	2, twice (MR: at Rice, 12/28/01)	4, twice (MR: vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01)
Rebounds	8 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	11 vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01
Assists	2, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)	2, four times (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
Steals	1, three times (MR: at Rice, 12/28/01)	2, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/12/00)
Blocks	8* vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	Same
Minutes	28 at Connecticut, 1/21/02	Same

* denotes school record

21 Jacqueline Batteast Forward, Freshman, 6-1, South Bend, IN (Washington)

Preseason BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Year ... Four-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Dec. 3, 10, 17 & Jan. 7) ... has started all 17 games for the Irish as a true freshman, averaging 28 minutes per game ... leads team in scoring (14.4 ppg.) and rebounding (8.1 rpg.) — only BIG EAST freshman to do so — and ranks second on team with 1.71 blocks per game ... ranks sixth in BIG EAST in scoring, second in rebounding, fourth in blocked shots, and second in double-doubles (7) — one of only three BIG EAST players to appear in top 10 in all four categories ... has scored in double figures in 14 games ... earned game-high scoring and game-high rebounding honors seven times each ... paired with Teresa Borton as the first rookie tandem to start a season opener in 20 years ... picked up her first career double-double with 13 points and 11 rebounds at Colorado State ... notched double-double with 18 points and 12 rebounds against Army ... carded double-double with 20 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan ... despite missing most of first half with foul trouble, still logged her fourth double-double of year with 11 points and 12 rebounds against Marquette ... registered fifth double-double with 23 points (10-16 FG) and 10 rebounds at Rice ... recorded sixth double-double with 25 points and career-high 14 rebounds vs. DePaul ... compiled seventh double-double with 12 points and 13 rebounds in BIG EAST opener at Miami ... scored career-high 26 points and bagged nine rebounds vs. Providence ... notched 14 points and three blocks at both Villanova and Providence.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	26 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Field Goals	10, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
3-pt Field Goals	3 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Free Throws	11 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Rebounds	14 vs. DePaul, 12/31/01
Assists	6 at Miami, 1/2/02
Steals	5 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocks	4 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Minutes	39 at Miami, 1/2/02

12 Teresa Borton Center, Freshman, 6-3, Yakima, WA (West Valley)

Has played in all 17 games for the Irish, starting six as a true freshman and averaging 21.1 minutes per outing ... carding 6.9 points and 5.1 rebounds per game, ranking fourth and third on team, respectively ... averaging 10 ppg. and shooting .714 (25-35) vs. league opposition ... joined Jacqueline Batteast as the first freshman duo to start a season opener for Notre Dame in 20 years ... nearly posted a double-double in her first college game, finishing with game highs of 14 points and nine rebounds against Valparaiso ... almost had double-double at Colorado State, tallying nine points and eight rebounds .. matched season high with nine rebounds vs. Army ... hauled in seven rebounds against Western Michigan ... came off bench to score eight points against DePaul ... added seven points and four rebounds at Miami ... made first seven shots from field and finished with career-high 20 points (9-11 FG) against Providence ... tied BIG EAST rookie record by going 7-of-7 from the field (15 points) vs. Seton Hall ... collected first career double-double with 11 points and career-high 10 rebounds, along with career-best four assists at Providence ... averaging 9.7 ppg. and shooting 70.7 percent (29-41) from floor in last seven games, a streak which began on her 19th birthday (Dec. 31) against DePaul.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	20 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Field Goals	9 vs. Providence, 1/5/02
Free Throws	4 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	10 at Providence, 1/19/02
Assists	4 at Providence, 1/19/02
Steals	1, six times (MR: vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02)
Blocks	1, four times (MR: vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02)
Minutes	34 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01

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44 Allison Bustamante Guard, Freshman, 6-0, Miami, FL (Our Lady of Lourdes)

Has appeared in 11 games, averaging 11.3 minutes per outing ... notching 4.7 points and 2.1 rebounds per game ... owns top three-point percentage (.563) on team ... tallied six points and four rebounds in 14 minutes against Army ... also drilled first career three-point field goal against Army ... missed next four games (Dec. 2-12) after suffering high right ankle sprain in practice Nov. 28 ... made impressive comeback from injury with six points (2-of-3 from three-point line) and four rebounds against Marquette ... had successful outing in return to her hometown of Miami, scoring eight points and hitting two clutch three-pointers against the Hurricanes ... notched 11 points vs. Seton Hall ... set new career highs with 12 points, five rebounds and 31 minutes played at Providence ... saw extensive time as point guard at Connecticut ... shooting .571 from field (.556 from three-point line) and averaging 5.8 ppg. in league games.

Season/Career Highs	
Points	12 at Providence, 1/19/02
Field Goals	4, twice (MR: at Providence, 1/19/02)
3-pt Field Goals	2, three times (MR: vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02)
Free Throws	3 at Providence, 1/19/02
Rebounds	5 at Providence, 1/19/02
Assists	2 at Miami, 1/2/02
Steals	2, twice (MR: at Connecticut, 1/21/02)
Blocks	2 at Providence, 1/19/02
Minutes	31 at Providence, 1/19/02

33 Katy Flecky Forward, Freshman, 6-2, Lone Tree, CO (Highlands Ranch)

Has appeared in 15 games for Notre Dame, averaging 12.5 minutes per game ... tallying 3.7 points and 2.8 rebounds per game ... had solid return to home state with six points and eight rebounds at Colorado State ... carded career-high nine points and six rebounds in season-best 28 minutes at Arizona .. chalked up seven points (3-5 FG) and six rebounds in win over Marquette ... matched career best with nine points and led team with career-high four assists vs. DePaul ... scored seven points against Seton Hall.

Season/Career Highs	
Points	9, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
Field Goals	3, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 12/31/01)
Free Throws	5 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	8 at Colorado State, 11/21/01
Assists	4 vs. DePaul, 12/31/01
Steals	2, twice (MR: at Providence, 1/19/02)
Blocks	2 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01
Minutes	28 at Arizona, 11/24/01

3 Ericka Haney Guard/Forward, Senior, 6-0, Toledo, OH (Central Catholic)

Preseason second-team all-BIG EAST pick ... has appeared in all 17 games this season, starting 13 times and averaging 19.4 minutes per game ... logging 5.1 points and 4.5 rebounds per contest ... only captain for Notre Dame in 2001-02, just the second solo captain for the Irish in the Muffet McGraw era ... charted six points and five rebounds in season-opening win over Valparaiso ... corralled game-high nine rebounds at Arizona ... had seven points and six rebounds against Army ... rang up season-high eight points at Purdue ... came off bench to card six points, six rebounds and season-high two blocks against USC ... picked up first double-double of season (and sixth of career) with season highs of 12 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan ... collected seven rebounds (four offensive) and season-high three assists at Rice ... returned to starting lineup against DePaul and grabbed six rebounds ... added eight points (4-5 FG) and six boards against Seton Hall ... compiled nine points and seven rebounds at Villanova.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	12 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	21 vs. Marquette, 12/21/00
Field Goals	6 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	10 vs. Marquette, 12/21/00
Free Throws	3 vs. Marquette, 12/22/01	7 vs. Connecticut, 3/30/01
Rebounds	10 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	14 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Assists	3 at Rice, 12/28/01	5 vs. Georgia, 11/24/00
Steals	2, three times (MR: at Rice, 12/28/01)	4 vs. St. John's, 1/23/99
Blocks	2 vs. USC, 12/9/01	3, twice (MR: vs. Miami, 2/22/00)
Minutes	33, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)	39 vs. Rutgers, 2/17/01

5 Jeneka Joyce Guard, Sophomore, 5-9, Topeka, KS (Washburn Rural)

Has played in all 17 games (eight starts) for Notre Dame, averaging 17.7 minutes per outing ... logging 3.8 points and 1.7 rebounds per game ... has made 13 three-point field goals, one of four Irish players with at least 10 treys this season ... tallied seven points and three assists in win over Army ... poured in season-high 11 points on 4-of-8 shooting (including three three-point field goals) against Michigan ... tossed down nine points and three more treys at Purdue ... made first career start against USC, hitting all three of her shots and finishing with seven points in a career-high 33 minutes ... grabbed career-high four rebounds vs. Marquette ... notched nine points and added season highs of four rebounds and four assists in BIG EAST opener at Miami.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	11 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01	14 vs. Michigan, 3/19/01
Field Goals	4 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01	5, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 3/19/01)
3-pt Field Goals	3, twice (MR: at Purdue, 12/6/01)	4 vs. Michigan, 3/19/01
Free Throws	3 at Miami, 1/2/02	3, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)
Rebounds	4, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)	Same
Assists	4 at Miami, 1/2/02	5 vs. Georgetown, 3/4/01
Steals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3, three times
Blocks	None	1, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 3/19/01)
Minutes	33 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same

10 Jill Krause Guard, Freshman, 5-8, Glenview, IL (Regina Dominican)

Has played in seven games for the Irish this season, averaging 0.3 points and 0.4 rebounds per game ... made first collegiate appearance against Army, grabbing two rebounds ... dished out first career assist vs. DePaul ... scored first career points on first career basket against Seton Hall.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	2 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
Field Goals	1 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
3-pt Field Goals	None
Free Throws	None
Rebounds	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Assists	1 vs. DePaul, 12/31/01
Steals	None
Blocks	None
Minutes	6 vs. Army, 11/26/01

22 Alicia Ratay
Guard, Junior, 6-0, Lake Zurich, IL (Lake Zurich)

Preseason Naismith Award candidate ... preseason first-team all-BIG EAST selection ... has started all 17 games for Notre Dame, averaging a team-high 33.6 minutes per game ... leads team with .435 three-point percentage, and second in scoring (13.2 ppg.) and rebounds (5.3 rpg.), and third in assists (2.0 apg.) ... also has made a team-high 30 three-point field goals ... ranks 13th in BIG EAST in scoring and 12th in three-point field goals made (1.76 per game) ... has sparkled in BIG EAST play, ranking 11th in scoring (14.0 ppg.) and three-point field goals made (1.67 per game), and seventh in free throw percentage (.818) ... has scored in double figures in 13 games this season, earning game-high scoring honors four times ... nearly came up with a double-double in the season opener against Valparaiso, finishing with 11 points and nine rebounds while playing all 40 minutes ... rang up a game-high 16 points (6-7 FT) at Colorado State ... connected for team-best 19 points (3-5 from three-point range) and added seven rebounds at Arizona ... canned 4-of-6 three-point attempts and scored 12 points in victory over Army ... matched season-high with 19 points and grabbed seven rebounds against Michigan ... became 19th Notre Dame player to score 1,000 career points with her 12-point night at Purdue (now ranks 15th on ND career list with 1,123 points)... posted 16 points and tied for team lead with season-high four assists against DePaul ... erupted for season-best 23 points and tied career high with seven three-point field goals (on nine attempts) at Miami — seven treys also equals most by BIG EAST player this season ... registered 22 points and tied her career high by making all seven free throw attempts at Villanova.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	23 at Miami, 1/2/02	32 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Field Goals	8, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)	12 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
3-pt Field Goals	7 at Villanova, 1/2/02	7, twice (MR: at Miami, 1/2/02)
Free Throws	7 at Villanova, 1/12/02	7, three times (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)
Rebounds	9 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01	12 vs. St. John's, 2/12/00
Assists	4, three times (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)	7 vs. Butler, 12/1/99
Steals	3 at Miami, 1/2/02	5 at Florida International, 12/19/99
Blocks	1, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/12/02)	2, twice (MR: vs. Boston College, 2/3/01)
Minutes	40 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01	44 at Rutgers, 2/19/00

4 Le'Tania Severe
Guard, Sophomore, 5-8, Pembroke Pines, FL (Ft. Lauderdale)

Has appeared in all 17 games (13 starts) at point guard, playing 27.6 minutes per night ... ranks third on team with 7.0 points per game and leads squad with 4.9 assists per outing, ranking eighth in BIG EAST in latter category ... also stands 13th in conference in steals (1.82 spg.) ... has scored in double figures six times, the first double-digit outings of her career ... has handed out five-or-more assists in nine games ... made first career start in season opener vs. Valparaiso, tallying seven points, six rebounds, four assists and two blocks ... cracked double figures for first time with 15 points on 6-of-12 shooting (including trio of three-point field goals) at Colorado State ... added 12 points (8-10 FT) and six assists at Arizona ... chipped in with 13 points vs. Army ... dished out six assists against Michigan ... broke personal records with eight rebounds, eight assists and 37 minutes played at Purdue ... notched new career highs with 17 points and five steals against USC ... matched career best with eight assists against Western Michigan ... scored 10 points (6-6 FT) at Rice ... came off bench for first time this season against Providence, responding with five points and six assists ... added seven assists in reserve role vs. Seton Hall ... scored 13 points as substitute at Providence ... dealt a game-high seven assists in 25 minutes off the bench at Connecticut ... has come off the pine in four of last five games for Irish, averaging 5.8 assists per game with a 2.09 assist/turnover ratio (23:11) as a reserve.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	17 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same
Field Goals	6, twice (MR: vs. USC, 12/9/01)	Same
3-pt Field Goals	3 at Colorado State, 11/21/01	Same
Free Throws	8 at Arizona, 11/24/01	Same
Rebounds	8 at Purdue, 12/6/01	Same
Assists	8, twice (MR: vs. W. Michigan, 12/12/01)	Same
Steals	5 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same
Blocks	2, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 12/22/01)	Same
Minutes	37 at Purdue, 12/6/01	Same

11 Karen Swanson
Guard, Junior, 5-8, Westlake, OH (Westlake)

Has played in seven games this season, averaging 1.0 ppg. and 0.4 rpg. ... made first appearance of year against Army, matching her career high with five points in seven minutes ... played six minutes against DePaul ... logged two points and career-high two assists in season-high nine minutes against Seton Hall.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	5 vs. Army, 11/26/01	5, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Field Goals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	2, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
3-pt Field Goals	None	1, three times (MR: at West Va., 1/24/01)
Free Throws	2 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02	3, twice (MR: vs. Miami, 2/20/01)
Rebounds	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00
Assists	2 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02	Same
Steals	None	2, twice (MR: vs. Providence, 2/1/01)
Blocks	None	None
Minutes	9 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02	11 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00

24 Kelsey Wicks
Guard, Freshman, 6-2, Gillette, WY (Campbell County)

Has played in 16 games for the Irish this season, averaging 14.1 minutes per contest ... tallying 5.4 points and 3.2 rebounds per game while shooting 44.1 percent from three-point range (.563 in BIG EAST games) ... carded nine points and sank first career three-point field goal at Arizona ... tallied eight points, including two three-point field goals, and pulled down four rebounds against DePaul ... added nine points against Providence ... charted eight points and career-best 10 rebounds in career-high 27 minutes vs. Seton Hall ... made career-high three three-point field goals and carded nine points at Providence ... poured in career-high 16 points (7-14 FG) at top-ranked Connecticut ... since starting season 2-of-9 from three-point arc, she has made 13 of her last 25 three-point attempts (52 percent).

	Season/Career Highs
Points	16 at Connecticut, 1/21/02
Field Goals	7 at Connecticut, 1/21/02
3-pt Field Goals	3 at Providence, 1/19/02
Free Throws	4 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	10 vs. Seton Hall, 1/9/02
Assists	1, five times (MR: at Providence, 1/19/02)
Steals	2 at Providence, 1/19/02
Blocks	None
Minutes	27, twice (MR: at Connecticut, 1/21/02)

NOTRE DAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH

Notre Dame 42, Valparaiso 35
Nov. 18, 2001
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Valparaiso (35)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Schober	38	3-6	1-3	3-6	9	1	2	10
Nieuwveen	25	2-6	0-0	0-2	6	1	5	4
Knoester	25	2-4	2-3	0-0	0	1	4	6
Hammel	19	1-7	1-6	0-0	1	2	3	3
Gray	40	2-13	0-1	0-2	9	1	3	4
Boone	30	2-5	1-4	1-2	9	3	2	6
McIntosh	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	2	0
Springer	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Frede	18	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	2
Team					1			
Totals	200	13-47	5-18	4-12	35	9	22	35

Notre Dame (42)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	33	2-6	0-0	2-5	5	1	3	6
Batteast	32	1-8	0-1	0-0	5	1	2	2
Borton	34	5-9	0-0	4-7	9	0	3	14
Severe	34	2-6	0-1	3-7	6	4	1	7
Ratay	40	3-10	0-0	5-5	9	1	0	11
Joyce	6	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	1	0	0
Hernandez	7	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Wicks	10	1-2	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	2
Flecky	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	14-43	0-2	14-25	41	8	9	42

Valparaiso 20 15 -- 35
Notre Dame 24 18 -- 42

FG Pct: Notre Dame 32.6, Valparaiso 27.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 00.0, Valparaiso 27.8. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 56.0, Valparaiso 33.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 19, Valparaiso 19. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3 (Severe 2), Valparaiso 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 9, Valparaiso 9 (Gray 4). **Attendance:** 7,960.

Colorado State 72, Notre Dame 66
Nov. 21, 2001
Moby Arena (Fort Collins, Colo.)

Notre Dame (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	24	2-8	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	4
Batteast	22	5-10	2-3	1-2	11	1	4	13
Borton	24	4-12	0-0	1-2	8	1	3	9
Severe	36	6-12	3-5	0-3	2	5	4	15
Ratay	39	4-15	2-9	6-7	4	3	1	16
Joyce	11	0-0	0-0	2-3	1	2	1	2
Hernandez	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	0
Wicks	17	0-4	0-2	1-2	4	0	2	1
Flecky	16	2-4	0-0	2-2	8	1	2	6
Bustamante	0+	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					6			
Totals	200	23-65	7-19	13-21	46	13	21	66

Colorado State (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Augsburger	29	4-13	0-5	2-3	6	2	3	10
English	35	4-12	4-8	1-3	3	6	1	13
Gorton	35	6-11	0-0	2-3	7	2	3	14
Borton	23	2-5	2-4	2-2	5	0	0	8
Narkiewicz	29	4-6	0-1	4-6	7	1	3	12
Ferrucho	11	2-3	0-0	2-3	1	1	2	6
Campbell	20	2-5	1-2	0-1	1	0	0	5
Jenkins	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	3	0
Strecker	14	2-4	0-1	0-0	6	0	3	4
Team					3			
Totals	200	26-59	7-21	13-21	39	12	18	72

Notre Dame 33 33 -- 66
Colorado State 39 33 -- 72

FG Pct: Notre Dame 35.4, Colorado State 44.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 36.8, Colorado State 33.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 61.9, Colorado State 61.9. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 13, Colorado State 11. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 1, Colorado State 8 (Augsburger 3). **Steals:** Notre Dame 4, Colorado State 4. **Attendance:** 6,749.

Arizona 72, Notre Dame 70
Nov. 24, 2001
McKale Center (Tucson, Ariz.)

Notre Dame (70)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	21	1-5	0-0	1-2	9	1	3	3
Batteast	25	5-13	2-5	0-0	4	1	4	12
Borton	30	1-4	0-0	1-3	4	3	4	3
Severe	31	2-4	0-0	8-10	2	6	2	12
Ratay	38	8-13	3-5	0-0	7	3	1	19
Joyce	9	1-4	1-2	0-0	2	0	1	3
Hernandez	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Wicks	15	2-3	1-1	4-4	2	1	1	9
Flecky	28	2-4	0-0	5-5	6	0	2	9
Team					5			
Totals	200	22-51	7-13	19-24	41	15	18	70

Arizona (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Warren	34	3-6	0-0	0-0	7	2	2	6
Pickney	35	8-13	0-0	11-11	8	1	1	27
Taylor	21	0-4	0-0	2-2	1	2	3	2
Grzyb	14	1-5	0-0	0-0	0	1	4	2
Brase	33	3-11	3-7	0-0	2	5	4	9
Allen	28	3-11	2-5	0-0	4	3	4	8
Wheeler	33	4-14	3-10	7-7	4	2	3	18
Roberson	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team					3			
Totals	200	22-65	8-26	20-20	30	16	21	72

Notre Dame 35 35 -- 70
Arizona 35 37 -- 72

FG Pct: Notre Dame 43.1, Arizona 33.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 53.8, Arizona 30.8. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 79.2, Arizona 100.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 21, Arizona 12. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Arizona 3 (Pickney 2). **Steals:** Notre Dame 4 (Severe 2), Arizona 9 (Wheeler 4). **Technical Foul:** Notre Dame bench. **Attendance:** 3,335.

Notre Dame 89, Army 57
Nov. 26, 2001
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Army (57)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
McKinnon	21	2-4	0-0	5-7	1	2	2	9
Macfarlane	31	6-14	0-0	1-1	8	1	4	13
McPhatter	7	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	1	0
Canelli	32	3-12	2-4	2-2	3	1	1	10
Saal	25	3-9	1-4	1-1	2	1	2	8
Gassman	10	1-7	0-2	0-1	1	0	0	2
Edwards	3	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	1	0	1
Brent	11	2-2	0-0	3-3	3	1	0	7
Soeung	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
Holden	10	1-4	0-0	1-4	1	0	1	3
Arnold	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Helu	35	1-6	0-1	0-0	5	4	1	2
Buchholz	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Pagano	5	1-1	0-0	0-1	0	0	1	2
Team					6			
Totals	200	20-60	3-11	14-21	31	14	14	57

Notre Dame (89)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	15	3-7	0-0	1-1	6	0	2	7
Batteast	28	7-18	2-8	2-4	12	2	2	18
Borton	21	3-6	0-0	1-2	9	2	2	7
Severe	26	4-7	1-2	4-4	4	4	3	13
Ratay	23	4-7	4-6	0-0	4	2	1	12
Joyce	14	3-6	1-4	0-0	2	3	1	7
Krause	6	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	0
Swanson	7	2-4	0-2	1-1	2	1	2	5
Hernandez	17	1-3	0-0	0-0	3	3	1	2
Wicks	10	2-7	1-4	2-2	3	0	2	7
Flecky	19	2-4	0-0	1-2	4	2	4	5
Bustamante	14	2-7	1-2	1-2	4	1	1	6
Team					5			
Totals	200	33-77	10-28	13-18	60	20	21	89

Army 31 26 -- 57
Notre Dame 47 42 -- 89

FG Pct: Notre Dame 42.9, Army 33.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 35.7, Army 27.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 72.2, Army 66.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 15, Army 17. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 5 (Batteast 4), Army 1. **Steals:** Notre Dame 12, Army 6. **Attendance:** 7,323.

Michigan 78, Notre Dame 63
Dec. 2, 2001
Women's College Basketball Showcase
Van Andel Arena (Grand Rapids, Mich.)

Notre Dame (63)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	22	2-6	0-0	0-0	4	0	4	4
Batteast	32	5-17	3-8	4-4	9	1	1	17
Borton	20	1-4	0-0	0-0	1	0	3	2
Severe	30	2-6	0-1	1-2	1	6	3	5
Ratay	37	6-11	2-7	5-5	7	2	2	19
Joyce	23	4-8	3-7	0-0	2	1	0	11
Hernandez	15	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	2	2	0
Wicks	12	1-4	0-1	0-2	2	1	1	2
Barksdale	9	1-2	0-0	1-2	0	0	3	3
Team					2			
Totals	200	22-59	8-25	11-15	28	13	19	63

Michigan (78)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Pool	33	6-12	0-2	1-1	1	1	1	13
Smith	33	6-9	0-0	0-0	6	3	2	12
Bies	22	4-9	0-0	10-11	12	4	4	18
Jara	18	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	5	0	2
Ingram	39	8-15	3-5	3-5	2	3	2	22
Hauser-Price	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Oesterle	10	0-2	0-0	1-2	1	2	2	1
Gandy	27	1-5	0-0	2-3	9	4	1	4
Mason	16	3-5	0-0	0-0	3	1	3	6
McPhilamy	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	29-58	3-7	17-22	40	23	15	78

Notre Dame 27 36 -- 63
Michigan 45 33 -- 78

FG Pct: Notre Dame 37.3, Michigan 50.0. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 32.0, Michigan 42.9. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 73.3, Michigan 77.3. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 11, Michigan 13. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Michigan 3. **Steals:** Notre Dame 6, Michigan 6 (Ingram 4). **Attendance:** 6,482.

Purdue 70, Notre Dame 57
Dec. 6, 2001
Mackey Arena (West Lafayette, Ind.)

Notre Dame (57)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	13	3-9	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	8
Batteast	37	5-8	0-1	0-0	4	4	3	10
Borton	22	1-5	0-0	0-0	6	0	4	2
Severe	37	1-6	0-0	4-6	8	8	3	6
Ratay	36	5-10	1-4	1-1	2	2	3	12
Joyce	28	3-5	3-4	0-0	3	1	2	9
Hernandez								

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Notre Dame 62, USC 49

Dec. 9, 2001

Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

USC (49)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Krause	24	0-4	0-0	0-0	5	1	4	0
Hoffman	28	3-8	1-3	3-6	6	1	4	10
Elmore	32	5-11	0-0	1-1	7	3	3	11
Hollans	28	5-13	0-3	0-0	8	2	1	10
Alexander	13	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	0
Cheeks	29	2-7	0-2	2-2	1	3	2	6
Smith-Hams	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0
Woodward	28	3-10	0-3	2-3	6	1	3	8
Mitchell	11	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	2
Gipson	3	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Team					5			
Totals	200	20-61	1-12	8-12	39	14	20	49

Notre Dame (62)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	36	7-14	0-0	5-7	7	2	1	19
Barksdale	26	1-4	0-0	1-2	4	0	2	3
Severe	32	6-12	0-0	5-8	7	4	1	17
Joyce	33	3-3	0-0	1-2	2	0	1	7
Ratay	39	2-10	1-4	5-5	6	1	3	10
Haney	12	3-5	0-0	0-0	6	1	0	6
Krause	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Swanson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Borton	13	0-2	0-0	0-1	2	0	1	0
Hernandez	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Flecky	6	0-3	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	22-54	1-4	17-25	41	9	10	62

USC	22	27	--	49
Notre Dame	33	29	--	62

FG Pct: Notre Dame 40.7, USC 32.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 25.0, USC 8.3. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 68.0, USC 66.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 26, USC 27. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 10 (Barksdale 7), USC 4 (Mitchell 3). **Steals:** Notre Dame 13 (Batteast, Severe 5), USC 13 (Hoffman, Elmore 3). **Attendance:** 7,595.

Notre Dame 71, Western Michigan 48

Dec. 12, 2001

Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Western Michigan (48)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Deurloo	28	2-8	0-0	1-2	5	2	0	5
Koetsier	33	2-12	0-1	2-3	5	2	1	6
Jilian	13	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0
Gallert, Bri.	36	2-5	2-4	1-2	1	2	1	7
Rost	29	3-17	2-13	2-2	1	1	2	10
Koerber	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Harris	19	5-12	2-5	0-0	3	0	1	12
Gallert, Bro.	14	1-2	1-1	0-0	2	1	1	3
Samuelson	10	0-2	0-1	0-0	0	1	1	0
Hillstrom	1	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	2
Crisman	16	1-1	0-0	1-2	4	0	1	3
Team					5			
Totals	200	17-62	7-25	7-11	29	10	10	48

Notre Dame (71)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	29	9-17	2-4	0-0	10	3	1	20
Barksdale	16	2-4	0-0	2-2	4	0	1	6
Severe	26	2-4	0-0	0-0	2	8	1	4
Joyce	22	2-4	1-2	1-3	3	2	0	6
Ratay	24	4-7	2-2	0-0	6	3	1	10
Haney	25	6-12	0-0	0-0	10	0	2	12
Krause	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Swanson	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	0
Borton	12	2-4	0-0	0-2	7	0	1	4
Hernandez	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	0
Wicks	21	2-6	1-2	0-0	6	1	4	5
Flecky	11	0-3	0-0	4-4	2	0	1	4
Team					5			
Totals	200	29-63	6-10	7-11	56	19	13	71

W. Michigan	12	36	--	48
Notre Dame	32	39	--	71

FG Pct: Notre Dame 46.0, Western Michigan 27.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 60.0, Western Michigan 28.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 63.6, Western Michigan 63.6. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 20, Western Michigan 12. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7 (Barksdale 4), Western Michigan 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 8 (Batteast 3), Western Michigan 7 (Gallert, Bri. 3). **Attendance:** 7,310.

Notre Dame 60, Marquette 33

Dec. 22, 2001

Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Marquette (33)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Klug	23	0-8	0-0	0-2	6	0	1	0
Weaver	15	0-2	0-0	2-4	2	2	2	2
Seffern	20	1-2	0-0	3-4	4	0	1	5
Johnson	22	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	1	1	0
Alsdurf	27	1-14	1-4	0-0	6	0	1	3
Gales	14	1-7	0-2	1-2	0	1	1	3
O'Grady	14	1-5	0-2	3-4	2	1	0	5
Juedes	11	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	2
Stieber	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Schwerman	19	3-5	1-2	1-2	0	1	1	8
Bogott	11	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	2	2
Zawodny	14	1-5	0-0	1-2	2	0	3	3
Team					6			
Totals	200	10-54	2-12	11-20	33	6	13	33

Notre Dame (60)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	16	5-12	0-2	1-2	12	1	2	11
Barksdale	20	5-7	0-0	0-0	8	2	1	10
Severe	29	2-5	0-1	0-0	4	4	0	4
Joyce	21	1-4	1-4	0-0	4	2	0	3
Ratay	27	1-5	0-1	0-0	3	1	0	2
Haney	15	2-3	0-0	3-4	2	2	1	7
Krause	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Swanson	4	0-3	0-1	0-0	0	0	0	0
Borton	13	2-4	0-0	1-4	6	3	2	5
Hernandez	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Wicks	18	2-3	1-2	0-0	3	0	0	5
Flecky	13	3-5	0-0	1-4	6	1	2	7
Bustamante	11	2-5	2-3	0-0	4	0	1	6
Team					2			
Totals	200	25-57	4-14	6-14	54	16	10	60

Marquette	13	20	--	33
Notre Dame	37	23	--	60

FG Pct: Notre Dame 43.9, Marquette 18.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 28.6, Marquette 16.7. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 42.9, Marquette 55.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 23, Marquette 20. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 13 (Barksdale 8), Marquette 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 11, Marquette 13 (Gales 3). **Attendance:** 7,132.

Rice 72, Notre Dame 61

Dec. 28, 2001

Autry Court (Houston, Texas)

Notre Dame (61)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Batteast	35	10-16	2-4	1-2	10	3	4	23
Barksdale	25	2-6	0-0	2-4	5	1	3	6
Severe	29	2-7	0-0	6-6	6	5	4	10
Joyce	22	1-2	0-1	0-2	2	0	3	2
Ratay	39	6-12	2-5	0-0	5	1	1	14
Haney	25	1-6	0-0	0-2	7	3	2	2
Borton	15	2-5	0-0	0-1	3	1	2	4
Hernandez	4	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	2	0
Wicks	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0
Flecky	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Bustamante	2	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	2	0
Team					2			
Totals	200	24-56	4-11	9-19	40	14	26	61

Rice (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
James	20	2-11	1-3	2-2	1	1	1	7
Hayes	28	8-13	0-0	2-3	12	1	4	18
McIntosh	36	2-4	0-0	6-13	8	3	0	10
Lawson	31	0-3	0-1	5-8	3	3	4	5
Liggett	23	2-8	0-2	4-4	2	2	1	8
Rigg	18	1-4	1-2	3-6	4	1	0	6
Maynard	19	2-9	2-4	4-4	3	2	1	10
Brown	9	2-3	2-2	0-0	1	1	1	6
Inman	16	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	1	2
Team					6			
Totals	200	20-57	6-14	26-40	42	15	13	72

Notre Dame	26	35	--	61
Rice	35	37	--	72

FG Pct: Notre Dame 42.9, Rice 35.1. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 36.4, Rice 42.9. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 47.4, Rice 65.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 20, Rice 12. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 9 (Barksdale 4), Rice 6 (Hayes 3). **Steals:** Notre Dame 7, Rice 10. **Attendance:** 1,602.

Notre Dame 79, DePaul 50

Dec. 31, 2001

Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

DePaul (50)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Kustok	26	0-3	0-2	2-2	4	1	4	2
Williams	31	6-27	3-16	2-4	5	2	2	17
Smith, J.	38	0-5	0-0	0-0	9	1	1	0
Sobieszczyk	32	2-5	2-4	0-0	6	0	2	6
Lewis	23	0-2	0-0	1-3	4	0	4	1
Forsberg	16	1-5	1-5	2-2	0	0	1	5
Towers	9	1-2	0-0	2-4	4	0	2	4
Dant	25	4-10	0-1	7-9	3	1	3	15
Smith, K.	0+	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	0
Team					4			
Totals	200	14-59	6-28	16-24	39	5	20	50

Notre Dame (79)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	6	0	2	2
Batteast	27	10-19	2-4	3-4	14	1	2	25
Barksdale	12	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	2	2	2
Severe	19	0-1	0-0	1-2	4	3	3	1
Ratay	30	6-9	3-5	1-3	5	4	1	16
Joyce	21	1-4	0-2	1-1	0	2	0	3
Krause	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0
Swanson	6	0-0	0-0					

NOTRE DAME VS. VIRGINIA TECH

Notre Dame 72, Providence 66
Jan. 5, 2002
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Providence (66)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Simmonds	25	1-6	0-0	1-2	8	2	3	3
Trippany	24	1-5	0-0	2-2	5	0	3	4
Vozab	14	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	2	1	3
Freeburg	11	1-2	1-1	0-0	0	1	2	3
Epstein	37	5-10	1-2	2-3	6	2	3	13
Quinn	5	1-1	1-1	0-0	0	0	0	3
Blackwell	20	3-5	1-2	0-0	2	2	5	7
Kilgore	28	7-16	1-1	4-4	5	1	5	19
Shoop	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hawley-Stewart	21	4-9	1-2	0-0	6	2	3	9
Wheeler	13	1-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	1	2
Team								3
Totals	200	25-59	7-10	9-11	37	13	26	66

Notre Dame (72)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	22	2-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	4
Batteast	36	7-16	1-3	11-12	9	4	2	26
Barksdale	14	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	0	4	2
Joyce	19	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	1	0	0
Ratay	36	1-8	0-4	4-6	4	4	1	6
Severe	26	0-1	0-0	5-10	3	6	3	5
Borton	26	9-11	0-0	2-4	2	0	2	20
Wicks	15	3-5	1-3	2-2	1	0	0	9
Bustamante	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	1	0
Team								2
Totals	200	23-47	2-11	24-34	28	15	13	72

Providence	29	37	--	66
Notre Dame	42	30	--	72

FG Pct: Notre Dame 48.9, Providence 42.4. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 18.2, Providence 70.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 70.6, Providence 81.8. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 15, Providence 17. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7 (Barksdale 5), Providence 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 6, Providence 8. **Attendance:** 7,804.

Notre Dame 79, Seton Hall 45
Jan. 9, 2002
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Seton Hall (45)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Lindqvist	29	3-9	0-2	2-6	3	4	1	8
Thomas	25	4-12	0-0	5-9	3	0	4	13
Murray	36	5-8	0-0	2-4	5	0	3	12
Langelier	31	0-6	0-3	1-2	4	2	4	1
Burgess	20	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	2	0	0
Dueland	7	1-3	0-2	4-4	2	1	0	6
Carroll	19	1-6	1-3	0-3	2	1	2	3
Phillip	12	0-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	0
Smith	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2
Bush	15	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0
Team								2
Totals	200	15-52	1-10	14-28	26	11	18	45

Notre Dame (79)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	23	4-5	0-0	0-1	6	2	0	8
Batteast	21	1-6	0-3	1-2	4	3	0	3
Barksdale	8	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	3	0
Joyce	8	1-2	1-1	0-0	1	0	0	3
Ratay	27	6-10	1-2	5-7	6	0	0	18
Severe	24	0-2	0-0	2-4	3	7	4	2
Krause	5	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	1	2
Swanson	9	0-0	0-0	2-2	0	2	0	2
Borton	19	7-7	0-0	1-2	4	2	2	15
Wicks	27	3-5	2-3	0-0	10	1	4	8
Flecky	18	2-6	0-0	3-4	3	0	4	7
Bustamante	11	4-4	2-2	1-2	2	1	3	11
Team								5
Totals	200	29-50	6-11	15-24	46	19	21	79

Seton Hall	18	27	--	45
Notre Dame	39	40	--	79

FG Pct: Notre Dame 58.0, Seton Hall 28.8. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 54.5, Seton Hall 10.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 62.5, Seton Hall 50.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 18, Seton Hall 12. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 3, Seton Hall 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 6, Seton Hall 13 (Lindqvist 5). **Attendance:** 6,975.

Villanova 60, Notre Dame 59
Jan. 12, 2002
The Pavilion (Villanova, Pa.)

Notre Dame (59)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	33	4-10	0-0	1-1	7	0	1	9
Batteast	20	6-13	2-3	0-0	5	1	5	14
Barksdale	19	4-4	0-0	1-2	4	1	0	9
Severe	26	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	1	1	0
Ratay	39	7-13	1-2	7-7	7	4	1	22
Joyce	16	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	3	0	0
Borton	18	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	2
Wicks	11	1-2	1-1	0-1	2	0	1	3
Flecky	14	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0
Bustamante	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Team								2
Totals	200	23-49	4-7	9-11	34	12	9	59

Villanova (60)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Mix	32	4-11	0-1	3-3	7	4	2	11
Druckemiller	13	0-3	0-3	0-0	1	1	0	0
Baker	32	2-4	0-1	2-2	3	0	2	6
Riley	38	6-9	0-0	0-2	2	5	3	12
Davis	34	4-6	4-6	0-0	1	2	3	12
Harris	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Juhline	31	6-14	4-9	3-4	4	3	3	19
Rediger	11	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hilgenberg	4	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Nash	4	0-1	0-1	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team								2
Totals	200	22-49	8-21	8-11	20	15	15	60

Notre Dame	31	28	--	59
Villanova	25	35	--	60

FG Pct: Notre Dame 46.9, Villanova 44.9. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 57.1, Villanova 38.1. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 81.8, Villanova 72.7. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 14, Villanova 8. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7 (Batteast 3), Villanova 6. **Steals:** Notre Dame 3, Villanova 10 (Juhline 4). **Technical Fouls:** Villanova bench. **Attendance:** 2,259.

Notre Dame 69, Providence 41
Jan. 19, 2002
Alumni Hall (Providence, R.I.)

Notre Dame (69)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	5	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Batteast	22	3-10	0-0	8-10	3	1	4	14
Barksdale	11	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	2
Joyce	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	1	1	0
Ratay	32	2-7	0-2	2-2	4	0	3	6
Severe	25	3-5	0-0	7-9	4	3	1	13
Krause	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Swanson	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Borton	28	4-7	0-0	3-4	10	4	1	11
Wicks	14	3-4	3-4	0-0	4	1	1	9
Flecky	12	1-4	0-0	0-0	0	0	4	2
Bustamante	31	4-9	1-3	3-5	5	0	1	12
Team								4
Totals	200	21-51	4-9	23-30	37	10	18	69

Providence (41)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Simmonds	28	3-11	0-1	0-4	8	0	3	6
Freeburg	25	1-8	0-5	2-3	3	4	3	4
Trippany	35	2-7	0-2	4-4	10	0	4	8
Blackwell	26	1-7	0-4	0-0	1	3	5	2
Epstein	35	5-13	1-5	4-6	6	1	4	15
Vozab	10	1-4	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	2
Quinn	10	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	0	1	0
Horvath	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Kilgore	10	0-5	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0
Shoop	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	0
Keefe	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hawley-Stewart	8	0-1	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	2
Wheeler	2	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Copeland	5	1-1	0-0	0-1	1	0	0	2
Team								8
Totals	200	14-60	1-20	12-20	44	8	25	41

Notre Dame	32	37	--	69
Providence	27	14	--	41

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.2, Providence 23.3. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 44.4, Providence 5.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 76.7, Providence 60.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 15, Providence 19. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 10 (Batteast 3), Providence 4. **Steals:** Notre Dame 10 (Severe 3), Providence 6 (Freeburg 3). **Attendance:** 1,750.

Connecticut 80, Notre Dame 53
Jan. 21, 2002
Hartford Civic Center (Hartford, Conn.)

Notre Dame (53)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	12	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Batteast	21	2-10	1-1	1-3	5	1	4	6
Barksdale	28	3-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	6
Joyce	10	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0
Ratay	26	4-11	1-2	0-0	5	0	0	9
Severe	25	2-6	0-1	1-1	1	7	4	5
Borton	20	2-6	0-0	1-2	5	0	2	5
Wicks	27	7-14	2-5	0-0	4	0	1	16
Flecky	14	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	3	2	