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# NOTRE DAME

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

### 2001-02 Irish Schedule/Results (4-4, 0-0 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	1 p.m.
28	Fri.	at Rice	7 p.m.
31	Mon.	DePaul	1 p.m.

#### January

2	Wed.	at Miami* (FSF)	7 p.m.
5	Sat.	Providence*	1 p.m.
9	Wed.	Seton Hall*	7 p.m.
12	Sat.	at Villanova* (BETV)	Noon
19	Sat.	at Providence*	2 p.m.
21	Mon.	at Connecticut* # (ESPN)	3 p.m.
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

\* 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 to be played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center

(ESPN) Game to be televised by ESPN

(FSF) Game to be televised by Fox Sports Florida

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

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

All times are local to site and subject to change

### Game No. 9 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (4-4) vs. Marquette Golden Eagles (5-5)

**The Date and Time:** Saturday, Dec. 22, 2001, at 1 p.m. EST.

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

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

**Real-Time Stats:** Live in-game statistics will be available for the Marquette game through the Notre Dame (www.und.com) and Marquette (www.gomarquette.com) athletics websites.

**Websites:** Notre Dame (www.und.com), Marquette (www.gomarquette.com)

#### NOTRE DAME RETURNS FROM EXTENDED HIATUS TO BATTLE MARQUETTE

With final exams now firmly in the rearview mirror, Notre Dame turns its attention back to the basketball court Saturday for a 1 p.m. (EST) matchup with Conference USA member Marquette at the Joyce Center. At 4-4, the Irish, winners of their last two contests, will be out to extend their 42-game home winning streak, the longest active skein in the nation, and a 27-game non-conference home winning string which dates back more than five years.

Marquette (5-5) comes to town on a hot streak, having won its last three ball games, including a 63-60 squeaker at Arkansas State Wednesday night. Senior guard **Kristi Johnson** tossed in a team-high 17 points, including four three-point field goals, to lead the Golden Eagles. Marquette held a double-digit lead into the early stages of the second half before ASU rallied and pulled within a point in the final four minutes. However, MU hung tough and used clutch free throw shooting to seal the victory.

The Golden Eagles have been a virtual mirror image of Notre Dame this season, facing a difficult non-conference schedule which has included three ranked opponents. Marquette also has been in some tight spots this season, with four games decided by three points or less. In fact, one of those nailbiters was a 56-55 loss to nationally-ranked Wisconsin, a game in which MU led by 16 points in the second half before the Badgers clawed back for the win.

Junior forward **Rachel Klug** is the only Marquette player scoring in double figures, averaging 13.7 points per game while shooting 57.4 percent from the field. In the backcourt, Johnson has shown veteran leadership, averaging a team-high 2.8 assists per game while hitting a team-best 19 three-pointers. Senior center **Sarah Zawodny** is the top rebounder for the Golden Eagles at 6.2 caroms per game despite playing less than 19 minutes per night.

Marquette head coach **Terri Mitchell** has a 104-53 (.662) record in her sixth season at the Golden Eagle helm. She is 0-2 all-time against Notre Dame.

#### LAST IRISH GAME

**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			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>17-62</b>	<b>7-25</b>	<b>7-11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>48</b>

#### 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
Flechy	11	0-3	0-0	4-4	2	0	1	4
Team					5			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>29-63</b>	<b>6-10</b>	<b>7-11</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>71</b>

**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.



ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL  
(Dec. 17)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (41)	10-0	1
2.	Tennessee (4)	7-0	2
3.	Oklahoma	10-0	3
4.	Vanderbilt	10-1	4
5.	Iowa State	9-0	5
6.	Stanford	8-1	6
7.	Purdue	8-1	7
8.	Baylor	10-0	9
9.	Duke	8-2	8
10.	Georgia	7-0	10
11.	Louisiana Tech	3-3	11
12.	Texas Tech	5-2	12
13.	Michigan	9-1	14
14.	Colorado	9-2	13
15.	Wisconsin	9-1	15
16.	North Carolina	9-1	17
17.	Colorado State	8-1	18
18.	North Carolina State	6-3	16
19.	Texas	7-1	19
20.	Florida	6-3	20
21.	Tulane	9-1	22
22.	Auburn	10-0	25
23.	South Carolina	8-1	23
24.	LSU	4-3	21
25.	Old Dominion	4-3	24

ESPN/USA TODAY POLL  
(Dec. 17)

Rk.	Team	Record	Last Week
1.	Connecticut (37)	10-0	1
2.	Tennessee (3)	7-0	2
3.	Vanderbilt	10-1	3
4.	Oklahoma	10-0	4
5.	Iowa State	9-0	6
6.	Stanford	8-1	5
7.	Purdue	8-1	7
8.	Georgia	7-0	9
9.	Duke	8-2	8
10.	Baylor	10-0	11
11.	Louisiana Tech	3-3	10
12.	Colorado	9-2	12
13.	Michigan	9-1	15
14.	Texas Tech	5-2	14
15.	Colorado State	8-1	16
16.	North Carolina	9-1	17
17.	North Carolina State	6-3	13
18.	Wisconsin	9-1	19
19.	Texas	7-1	18
20.	Florida	6-3	20
21.	Tulane	9-1	22
22.	South Carolina	8-1	24
23.	LSU	4-3	21
24.	Penn State	6-3	23
25.	Auburn	10-0	—

**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 15th year at Notre Dame with a 326-121 (.729) record and has led the Irish to six straight NCAA Tournament appearances and eight overall. 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** (6.3 ppg., 5.4 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 has moved into a reserve role in the last two games, picking up her first double-double of the year with season highs 12 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan. Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** (13.6 ppg., 5.6 rpg.) 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.

Joining Ratay in the backcourt is sophomore **Le'Tania Severe** (9.9 ppg., 4.0 rpg, 5.6 apg), who was hampered by injuries last season, appearing in just 22 games, but has confidently taken control of the Irish offense this season. She scored a career-high 17 points against USC and matched her career best with eight assists against Western Michigan. She also ranks fifth in the BIG EAST Conference in assists. Juniors **Monique Hernandez** (0.3 ppg., 0.6 rpg.) and **Karen Swanson** (1.7 ppg., 1.0 rpg.), along with sophomore **Jeneka Joyce** (5.6 ppg., 1.9 rpg.) give McGraw tremendous flexibility in her guard rotation. Joyce has started the last two games for the Irish, the first starting assignments of her career, and she is shooting 57.7 percent from the field (15-of-26) in her last five games. Additionally, freshmen **Allison Bustamante** (3.0 ppg., 2.0 rpg.) **Jill Krause** (0.0 ppg., 0.7 rpg.) and **Kelsey Wicks** (4.0 ppg., 3.3 rpg.) provide the Irish with solid ballhandling and perimeter shooting depth. Bustamante is slated to return to action Saturday against Marquette after recovering from a high left ankle sprain she suffered in practice on Nov. 28.

A pair of freshmen (and former Parade All-Americans) are making an immediate impact on the Notre Dame front line, as forward **Jacqueline Batteast** (13.9 ppg., 7.8 rpg.) and center **Teresa Borton** (5.1 ppg., 5.8 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. Batteast was named the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week for the third consecutive time on Monday after notching a career-high 20 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan. Meanwhile, at 6-3, Borton is a smooth and versatile post player with excellent mobility and a solid defensive pres-

LAST IRISH GAME VS. MARQUETTE

Notre Dame 75, Marquette 56  
December 21, 2000  
U.S. Cellular Arena (Milwaukee, Wis.)

Notre Dame (75)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Haney	31	10-12	0-0	1-2	5	2	2	21
Leahy	30	3-10	0-0	0-0	5	2	2	6
Riley	25	6-11	0-0	6-6	10	3	3	18
Ratay	27	3-6	2-3	2-2	6	0	5	10
Ivey	34	6-10	4-5	2-4	5	6	2	18
Severe	18	0-2	0-0	0-0	2	1	3	0
Swanson	5	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0
Hernandez	18	0-5	0-0	2-2	2	0	0	2
Barksdale	8	0-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Dunbar	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0
Team					3			
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>28-59</b>	<b>6-8</b>	<b>13-16</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>75</b>

Marquette (56)

Player	min	fg-a	3fg-a	ft-a	reb	ast	pf	tp
Williams	14	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	1	0
Seffern	15	0-1	0-0	0-0	3	0	2	0
Zawodny	23	0-7	0-0	6-8	7	2	0	6
Johnson	26	2-7	1-4	1-1	1	1	0	6
Weaver	23	1-5	0-0	3-6	5	0	2	5
Gales	10	3-5	1-2	0-0	2	0	5	7
Cuff	3	0-3	0-0	0-0	3	0	0	0
O'Grady	9	2-5	0-1	2-3	0	0	0	6
Klug	12	1-1	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	2
Stieber	15	2-4	0-0	0-0	4	0	0	4
Schwerman	12	1-5	0-1	1-1	0	1	0	3
Bogott	11	2-3	0-0	0-1	3	0	2	4
Bowman	25	6-16	1-6	0-0	5	0	0	13
Team					1			
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-63</b>	<b>3-15</b>	<b>13-20</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>56</b>

Notre Dame	47	32	--	75
Marquette	32	24	--	56

**FG Pct:** Notre Dame 47.5, Marquette 31.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 75.0, Marquette 20.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 81.3, Marquette 65.0. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 15, Marquette 15. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 6, Marquette 2. **Steals:** Notre Dame 7, Marquette 7. **Attendance:** 2,412.

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### NOTRE DAME'S PROBABLE STARTING LINEUP

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
21	Jacqueline Batteast	F	6-1	Fr.	<b>13.9</b>	<b>7.8</b>	1.9 apg	Three-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week
31	Amanda Barksdale	C	6-3	Jr.	4.5	3.0	<b>4.0 bpg</b>	Averaging nearly one block per minute
4	Le'Tania Severe	G	5-8	So.	9.9	4.0	<b>5.6 apg</b>	Tied career high with eight assists vs. WMU
5	Jeneka Joyce	G	5-9	So.	5.6	1.9	1.3 apg	Shooting 57.7 percent from field in last five games
22	Alicia Ratay	G	6-0	Jr.	13.6	5.6	2.1 apg	Leads BIG EAST with .957 free throw pct. (22-23)

### OFF THE BENCH FOR THE IRISH

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	PPG	RPG	Other	Notes
3	Ericka Haney (C)	G/F	6-0	Sr.	6.3	5.4	0.9 spg	First double-double of year vs. WMU (12p, 10r)
10	Jill Krause	G	5-8	Fr.	0.0	0.7	—	Has appeared in three games (2 reb. vs. Army)
11	Karen Swanson	G	5-8	Jr.	1.7	1.0	0.3 apg	Tied career high with five points against Army
12	Teresa Borton	C	6-3	Fr.	5.1	5.8	0.8 apg	Over half (24) of her 46 rebounds are offensive
23	Monique Hernandez	G	5-9	Jr.	0.3	0.6	0.8 apg	Dished out two assists in eight minutes vs. WMU
24	Kelsey Wicks	G	6-2	Fr.	4.0	3.3	0.4 apg	Career-high six rebounds against WMU
33	Katy Flecky	F	6-2	Fr.	3.7	3.1	0.6 apg	Second on team in FT percentage (.923, 12-13)
44	Allison Bustamante	G	6-0	Fr.	3.0	2.0	0.5 apg	Returns vs. Marquette after Nov. 28 ankle sprain

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

ence. She showed tremendous promise in her first collegiate game against Valparaiso, scoring a game-high 14 points and grabbing a game-best nine rebounds. Junior **Amanda Barksdale** (4.5 ppg., 3.0 rpg., 4.0 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 got her first career start against USC and responded by matching her career high with seven blocks. Meanwhile, freshman **Katy Flecky** (3.7 ppg., 3.3 rpg.) was a two-time Miss Colorado Basketball and offers the Irish a physical presence in the post. She also has proven to be highly effective from the free throw line, hitting 92.3 percent of her charity tosses (12-of-13), including all four against Western Michigan.

### RECAPING WESTERN MICHIGAN

Freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** posted her third double-double of the season with a career-high 20 points and 10 rebounds to pace Notre Dame to a 71-48 win over Western Michigan Dec. 12 before a crowd of 7,310 at the Joyce Center. The victory was the 42nd consecutive home triumph for the Irish, extending the nation's longest active home court winning streak.

Senior guard/forward **Ericka Haney** added season highs of 12 points and 10 rebounds, charting her first double-double of the year and sixth of her career. Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** chipped in with 10 points for Notre Dame, which remains unbeaten in seven career meetings with Western Michigan.

**Curleta Harris** came off the bench to score a team-high 12 points for WMU (2-7). **Casey Rost** contributed 10 points for the Broncos, who shot just 27.4 percent (17-of-62) from the field, the lowest ratio by an Irish opponent this season.

The game was virtually even through the first 10 minutes of play. Western Michigan took an early 5-3 lead, but Notre Dame bounced back with five of the next points to move in front by two with 15:39 left in the first half. The two teams then went nearly basket-for-basket over the next five minutes, culminating with a turnaround jumper by Bronco forward Kristin Koetsier, which cut the Irish lead to 16-12 at the 10:28 mark. As it turned out, those would be the final points WMU would score in the first half.

Notre Dame put the Broncos on their heels in the latter stages of the period, going on a 16-0 spurt over the final 10:13 to take a 32-12 lead at the half. The Irish shot a season-best 60 percent from the floor in the opening 20 minutes, while holding Western Michigan to an opponent season-low 12 points on 17.9 percent shooting (5-for-28).

In the second half, Notre Dame preserved its lead, never letting the visitors get closer than 17 points and opening up its largest lead at 56-27 with 10:26 remaining. On offense, the Irish cooled off somewhat in the second half, but still shot a season-high 46 percent from the field and 60 percent from the three-point line. Notre Dame also wound up outscoring Western Michigan, 38-14 in the paint and tallied 13 points in transition.

### STATISTICALLY SPEAKING

	ND	MU
Overall record	4-4	5-5
AP/ESPN-USA Today ranking	ar/arv	NR

#### SCORING

Points scored per game	65.0	64.3
Points allowed per game	60.1	61.5
Field goal percentage	.403	.375
Three-point percentage	.384	.329
Free throw percentage	.678	.706

#### REBOUNDING

Rebounds per game	43.6	41.9
Opponent rebs. per game	35.8	36.2
Rebounding margin	+7.8	+5.7

#### OTHER

Assists per game	14.0	14.8
Turnovers per game	18.3	17.2
Assist/turnover ratio	0.77	0.86
Blocked shots per game	4.9	4.6
Steals per game	7.8	8.1

### 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](http://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 MARQUETTE SERIES**

Series: ND leads 22-4. Games Played at Joyce Center: ND leads 13-1.

Date	Site	Result	Score
2/3/78	Milwaukee, WI	L	41-66
2/3/79	Notre Dame, IN	W	60-57
2/2/80	Notre Dame, IN	L	46-67
1/10/81	Milwaukee, WI	L	55-62
1/10/82	Minneapolis, MN*	W	50-36
1/30/82	Notre Dame, IN	W	60-43
2/25/83	Milwaukee, WI	W	74-50
11/22/83	Notre Dame, IN	W	96-63
12/13/85	Milwaukee, WI	W	90-46
1/13/86	Notre Dame, IN	W	75-42
1/31/87	Notre Dame, IN	W	95-60
2/28/87	Milwaukee, WI	W	77-53
1/26/88	Notre Dame, IN	W	88-51
2/20/88	Milwaukee, WI	W	79-69
12/7/88	Notre Dame, IN	W	70-66
12/9/89	Milwaukee, WI	W	87-67
1/18/90	Notre Dame, IN	W	81-64
12/21/90	Notre Dame, IN	W	109-56
1/19/91	Milwaukee, WI	W	91-73
11/27/91	Notre Dame, IN	W	83-68
12/1/92	Milwaukee, WI	L	62-66
12/1/93	Notre Dame, IN	W	90-76
2/1/95	Milwaukee, WI	W	87-66
12/8/95	Notre Dame, IN	W	84-62
1/2/00	Notre Dame, IN	W	75-60
12/21/00	Milwaukee, WI	W	75-56

\* - Dial Classic

Series Scoring	Total	Average
Notre Dame	1980	76.2
Marquette	1545	59.4

Current Win Streak: Notre Dame, 5 games

McGraw vs. Marquette: 13-1

ND Biggest Win: 53 (109-56 on 12/21/90)

MU Biggest Win: 25 (66-41 on 2/3/78)

ND Longest Win Streak: 16 (from 1982-91)

MU Longest Win Streak: 2 (from 1980-81)

**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

**THE NOTRE DAME-MARQUETTE SERIES**

Notre Dame and Marquette will be playing for the 27th time on the hardwood in what has been one of the most frequent series in school history. Beginning with the formation of the Irish program in 1977-78, the two teams met in 18 of the next 19 seasons before going on a three-year hiatus from 1996-98. The series restarted in 1999 and has continued ever since.

Notre Dame holds a 22-4 edge in the all-time series and a 13-1 advantage at the Joyce Center. Marquette actually won three of the first four games in the series, but the Irish have since claimed 21 of the last 22 meetings between the two teams, including the last 12 matchups at the Joyce Center. In fact, the Golden Eagles have not defeated Notre Dame since a 66-62 win in Milwaukee to open the 1992-93 season, downing an Irish team captained by current Notre Dame assistant **Coquese Washington**. The only Marquette victory at the Joyce Center came on Feb. 2, 1980, when the visitors earned a 67-46 win over the Irish.

The two squads last met on Dec. 21, 2000, at the brand-new U.S. Cellular Arena in Milwaukee, with Notre Dame walking out a 75-56 victor. Guard/forward **Ericka Haney**, the lone senior on this year's club, poured in a career-high 21 points, connecting on her first 10 shots from the floor as the Irish jumped out to an early double-digit lead and made it stand up the rest of the way. Consensus national player of the year **Ruth Riley** notched a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds and All-America guard **Niele Ivey** also tossed in 18 points for Notre Dame, which held Marquette to 31.7 percent shooting for the contest.

The last time the Golden Eagles came to the Joyce Center, the Irish posted a 75-60 win on Jan. 2, 2000 behind 19 points and 12 assists from Ivey and 18 points and nine rebounds from Riley.

**OTHER NOTRE DAME-MARQUETTE SERIES TIDBITS**

- The 22 victories by Notre Dame and the 26 series games both tie school records. The Irish also have 22 series wins against Detroit and have played Dayton 26 times as well.
- Marquette has topped the 70-point mark just twice against Notre Dame. Conversely, the Irish have scored at least 70 points against the Golden Eagles 19 times, all in the last 20 series meetings.
- Marquette head coach **Terri Mitchell** was an assistant with the Golden Eagles the last time they defeated Notre Dame on Dec. 1, 1992.
- Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** is 13-1 (.929) in her career against Marquette.

**NOTRE DAME-MARQUETTE CONNECTIONS**

- **Maria Zawodny**, the sister of Marquette senior center **Sarah Zawodny**, is a freshman at Notre Dame and is enrolled in the First Year of Studies.
- Sarah Zawodny attended Chaminade-Julienne High School in Beavercreek, Ohio, the same school where recent Notre Dame signee **Megan Duffy** is currently a senior.

**IF NOTRE DAME WINS ...**

- The Irish would earn their sixth consecutive win, 13th consecutive home victory and 22nd win in the last 23 meetings with Marquette.
- Notre Dame would register its 43rd consecutive home victory, extending the nation's longest active home court winning streak.
- The Irish would chalk up their 28th consecutive non-conference win at the Joyce Center, a streak which dates back more than five years (Dec. 9, 1996 - L, 81-69 vs. No. 19/13 Wisconsin).
- Notre Dame would extend its winning streak over Conference USA opponents to eight games.
- The Irish would improve their overall record to 92-16 (.852) over the last three-plus seasons.

**IRISH INJURY REPORT (as of Dec. 21)**

**Probable**

Junior C **Amanda Barksdale** ..... Stress reaction - right leg (played vs. WMU)  
 Freshman G **Allison Bustamante** ..... High left ankle sprain - Nov. 28 (DNP last four games)

**NOTRE DAME AGAINST CONFERENCE USA**

Notre Dame is 42-20 (.677) against the current members of Conference USA, playing more games against C-USA opponents than any other league outside of the BIG EAST Conference (122 games). The Irish have won seven consecutive games against C-USA competition, having not lost to the league since joining the BIG EAST for the 1995-96 season. DePaul was the last current C-USA member to defeat Notre Dame, winning 96-87 on Jan. 16, 1995, in Chicago.



**BATTLING THE BADGER STATE**

Notre Dame is 27-8 (.771) all-time against teams from the state of Wisconsin, with the majority of those games coming against Saturday's opponent, Marquette. The Irish also hold series leads against the state's flagship school, Wisconsin (3-2), as well as Wisconsin-Green Bay (1-0) and Wisconsin-Milwaukee (1-0). Interestingly, Wisconsin-La Crosse, a Division III institution, is the only school from the Badger State to hold a series lead on Notre Dame, having defeated the Irish in their only meeting, 80-57, on March 15, 1980 in the AIAW National Tournament in La Crosse, Wis.

**DEFENDING YOUR LIFE**

Notre Dame has turned up the defense in its last two games, holding USC and Western Michigan to less than 50 points each while limiting them to a combined .301 field goal percentage (37-for-123). In addition, the Irish blocked a season-high 10 shots in the win over USC (seven by Amanda Barksdale, the fourth-highest total in the nation this year), and collected 56 rebounds against Western Michigan, the second-highest total for the Irish this season.

Notre Dame also has extended its defensive clamps to the three-point line, where opponents are now a paltry 9-of-50 (.180) over the last three games, including a 1-of-13 performance by seventh-ranked Purdue on Dec. 6.

And, against Western Michigan, the Irish held the Broncos to just 12 first-half points and a .179 field goal percentage (5-of-28). It was the fewest points allowed in a half by Notre Dame since Georgetown tallied 10 in the quarterfinals of last season's BIG EAST Championship. It also marked the second time this season the Irish had held an opponent to under 20 points in one half — Notre Dame held Valparaiso to just 15 points in the second half of its season-opening win on Nov. 18.

**BATTEAST NAMED BIG EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK FOR THIRD TIME**

Freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** was selected as the BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Week for the third consecutive week, the league office announced Monday. She is the third Irish player to win the award in three consecutive weeks, joining junior guard **Alicia Ratay** (Feb. 7-21, 2000) and 2001 consensus national player of the year **Ruth Riley** (Jan. 12-26, 1998) as the only Notre Dame players to pull off that feat. Batteast also is the sixth BIG EAST athlete to earn three consecutive Rookie of the Week honors.

Batteast, the 2001-02 preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year, posted her third double-double of the season, collecting a career-high 20 points and 10 rebounds to pace Notre Dame to a 71-48 win over Western Michigan on Dec. 12 at the Joyce Center. Batteast also was 9-of-17 from the field (2-of-4 from three-point range) and added three assists and three steals in 29 minutes, helping the Irish extend the nation's longest active home winning streak to 42 games.

**JOYCE JUMPING INTO THE FRAY**

Sophomore guard **Jeneka Joyce** has been a potent weapon for Notre Dame in the last five games. The Topeka, Kan., native has averaged 8.3 points per game while shooting 57.7 percent (15-of-26) from the field in that five-game stretch. She also tossed in a season-high 11 points on Dec. 2 in a loss to No. 16/17 Michigan.

Joyce has been rewarded with starting assignments against USC and Western Michigan, the first of her career. She has responded by averaging 6.5 ppg. and shooting 71.4 percent (5-of-7) from the floor in her two starts. This season, she leads the Irish in field goal (.533) and three-point (.474) percentage.

**BARKSDALE'S BLOCK PARTY**

Junior center **Amanda Barksdale** already has opponents dealing with rejection through the first month of the season. Although she missed Notre Dame's first four games with a stress reaction in her leg, she still leads the Irish with 16 blocked shots (4.0 per game). She was at her best on Dec. 9 in a win over USC, capitalizing on her first career start by matching her career high with seven blocks, including five in the first half alone.

In her career, Barksdale has 108 career blocks, making her only the fifth player in school history to reach the century mark in career rejections. She is averaging 1.61 blocks per game in her three-year 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.

**IRISH MEDIA POLICIES**

**McGRAW INTERVIEWS**

The best time for **Muffet McGraw** interviews is Monday morning or by special appointment. Please contact the Notre Dame SID office at 219-631-7516 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 the South Bend market and will air at 6:30 p.m. EST on Saturdays through the end of the basketball 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 by contacting Masters. All player and coach interviews should be scheduled in advance — no interviews will be conducted on game days.
- 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](mailto:masters.5@nd.edu).

**WEB SITE ([www.und.com](http://www.und.com))**

Notre Dame's official athletic department web site can be found at [www.und.com](http://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 Dec. 21)

Pl.	Team	BIG EAST	Overall
1.	Connecticut	1-0	10-0
	Miami	1-0	6-2
	Virginia Tech	1-0	6-2
	Syracuse	1-0	6-3
	Rutgers	1-0	4-5
6.	Georgetown	0-0	7-2
	Boston College	0-0	6-2
	Villanova	0-0	4-3
	<b>NOTRE DAME</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>4-4</b>
10.	Providence	0-1	6-3
	Seton Hall	0-1	6-3
	West Virginia	0-1	6-4
	Pittsburgh	0-1	3-7
	St. John's	0-1	2-8

**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	Chanivra Broussard, Miami
Dec. 17	Meghan Saake, Miami Ieva Kublina, Virginia Tech

**BIG EAST ROOKIES OF THE WEEK**

Nov. 19	Yolanda Paige, West Virginia
Nov. 26	Sherell Sowho, West Virginia
Dec. 3	<b>Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame</b>
Dec. 10	<b>Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame</b>
Dec. 17	<b>Jacqueline Batteast, Notre Dame</b> Mary Lisicky, Georgetown

**ALICIA ALMOST AUTOMATIC FROM THE LINE**

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** has been nearly perfect from the free throw line this season, making 22 of 23 charity tosses to lead the BIG EAST Conference (and rank fourth nationally) with a sparkling .957 free throw percentage. The Lake Zurich, Ill., native also has made 13 consecutive free throws, dating back to her final two shots at Colorado State on Nov. 21. Additionally, since the start of last season, she has made 90.6 percent of her foul shots (87-of-96).

Ratay is Notre Dame's career free throw percentage leader by a wide margin, connecting on 86.8 percent of her charities (171-of-197) in her three-year tenure with the Irish. **Mollie Peirick** (1994-98) is second on the career free throw percentage list with an .819 ratio.

**TWO MORE IRISH GAMES SLATED FOR TELEVISION**

The Notre Dame games at Miami on Jan. 2 and Seton Hall on Feb. 2 now are scheduled to be televised regionally. The Miami contest will air on Fox Sports Florida, while the Seton Hall tussle will be shown on CN8, The Comcast Network in Philadelphia. Check your local listings for broadcast times and availability.

**NOTRE DAME AMONG NATIONAL ATTENDANCE LEADERS**

Notre Dame is ranked seventh in the nation, according to the latest unofficial attendance figures compiled Monday by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Department. The Irish have averaged 7,547 fans for their four home games, nearly 1,200 more than last season, when Notre Dame was ranked ninth in the country in attendance with an average of 6,376 fans per game.

**IRISH HOPING TO ENJOY ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME**

After a rugged first month of the season that saw Notre Dame face three ranked opponents and play four of its first six games away from home, the schedule now appears to balance out over the next month. The Irish are in the midst of a stretch where they play six of eight games at the Joyce Center, including a three-game, 13-day homestand which concludes Saturday against Marquette. After the contest with the Golden Eagles, the Irish will have another six days off for the Christmas holidays before coming back next Friday with a visit to Rice.

**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 eight 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:

	<b>1997-98</b>	<b>2001-02</b>
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
Eight-game record (ranked opponents)	4-4 (3)	4-4 (3)
Final season result (record)	NCAA Sweet Sixteen (22-10)	??

**IRISH GOING THROUGH BASIC TRAINING**

For the sixth time in the last eight seasons, Notre Dame played three ranked opponents in its first seven games, going 0-3 against Colorado State, Michigan and Purdue (all away from home). However, recent history has shown that these early-season tests have proven invaluable later in the year — during this stretch, the Irish have gone on to make six consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances, reaching the Sweet Sixteen four times and the Final Four twice, including the 2001 national championship. Additionally, in the previous seven seasons (1995-2001), Notre Dame has gone on to win 20 games each year, carding four 25-win campaigns and two 30-win seasons.

**NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK**

With six freshmen on 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 eight games of the 2001-02 campaign. Notre Dame's freshmen have accounted for 40.8 percent of the points (212 of 520), 45.6 percent of the rebounds (159 of 349) and



**IRISH TRENDS IN '01-02**

**Day of the Week**

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

**Time of Game**

Day games (before 6 p.m local time) .....	3-2
Night games (6 p.m. or later local time) .....	1-2

**Location**

Home games .....	4-0
Road games .....	0-3
Neutral site games .....	0-1

**Halftime score**

Leading at the half .....	4-0
Trailing at the half .....	0-3
Tied at the half .....	0-1

**Rebounding margin**

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

**Field goal shooting**

Higher pct. than opponent .....	4-2
Lower pct. than opponent .....	0-2
Same pct. as opponent .....	0-0
Shoot 45% or better .....	1-0
Shoot less than 45% .....	3-4
Hold opponent under 40% .....	4-2

**Free throw margin**

Make more free throws .....	2-0
Make fewer free throws .....	1-3
Make same number of free throws .....	1-1

**Turnovers**

Commit fewer turnovers .....	2-1
Commit more turnovers .....	1-3
Commit same number of turnovers .....	1-0

**Final Margin**

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

**Conference Affiliation**

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

**Month**

November .....	2-2
December .....	2-2
January .....	0-0
February .....	0-0
March .....	0-0

38.8 percent of the minutes (620 of 1600) recorded by the Irish this season. Additionally, Notre Dame has started at least two freshmen (**Jacqueline Batteast** and **Teresa Borton**) in its first six games this year, and four of the six Irish rookies are averaging at least 12 minutes per contest.

**A SEVERE DEVELOPMENT**

Sophomore guard **Le'Tania Severe** has quickly adapted to her new role as the starting point guard for the Irish, filling the large shoes of All-American **Niele Ivey**. Through eight games this season, Severe is third on the team with 9.9 points per game and leads the squad with 5.6 assists per game, ranking fifth 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 proven to be a scoring threat when necessary, pouring in a career-high 17 points in a win over USC Dec. 9. She also has been adept at distributing the ball to her teammates, handing out at least five assists five times, including a career-high eight assists Dec. 6 at Purdue and Dec. 12 against Western Michigan.

**IT'S BATTEAST, TO SAY THE LEAST**

Freshman forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is already showing flashes of the potential which led the BIG EAST coaches to vote her as the league's preseason Rookie of the Year. The South Bend, Ind., resident, who was chosen as the BIG EAST Rookie of the Week for the third consecutive time on Monday, has posted three double-doubles this season (Colorado State, Army and Western Michigan) and has scored in double figures in seven of Notre Dame's eight games. This season, Batteast leads the team in scoring at 13.9 points per game (which is tied for 10th in the BIG EAST Conference) and rebounding at 7.8 boards per outing, good for fourth in the BIG EAST. She also is ranked among the league leaders in field goal percentage (15th, .419) and blocked shots (6th, 1.38 bpg.).

**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 43.6 rebounds per game in their first eight games of 2001-02, owning a +7.8 edge on the glass, which ranks 28th in the nation according to the latest NCAA statistical reports.

Leading the charge on the boards for Notre Dame have been a pair of freshmen — forward **Jacqueline Batteast** is setting the pace at 7.8 rebounds per game (ranking fourth in the BIG EAST Conference), while center **Teresa Borton** is second with 5.8 caroms per contest. In fact, five different players are averaging at least four rebounds per game. Additionally, the Irish have been potent on the offensive glass, collecting 16 offensive rebounds per game. Batteast and Borton also are setting the pace in that category with 25 and 24 offensive caroms, respectively — figures which rank seventh and eighth in the BIG EAST.

**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 91-1 (.989) 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 four times during the 2001-02 season, turning the trick their four home games vs. Valparaiso (35 points), Army (57), USC (49) and Western Michigan (48).

**... 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.



'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)

**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 .....	8-13
<b>Marquette .....</b>	<b>22-4</b>
Michigan .....	6-6
Purdue .....	4-10
Rice .....	1-0
USC .....	3-1
Valparaiso .....	15-0
Western Michigan .....	7-0
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>69-36 (.657)</b>

**BIG EAST CONFERENCE**

Boston College .....	6-3
Connecticut .....	2-12
Georgetown .....	15-1
Miami (Fla.) .....	11-2
Pittsburgh .....	10-0
Providence .....	8-0
Rutgers .....	7-8
St. John's .....	10-0
Seton Hall .....	9-2
Syracuse .....	12-1
Villanova .....	11-3
Virginia Tech .....	3-0
West Virginia .....	8-0
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>112-32 (.778)</b>

**TOTAL VS. '01-02 OPPONENTS .... 181-68 (.727)**

**NOTRE DAME MAKING A LIVING BEYOND THE ARC**

Notre Dame has established itself as one of the top three-point shooting teams in the nation over the last three seasons. The Irish led the nation in three-point percentage last year, hitting 46.4 percent of their shots from long distance — in fact, over the last six seasons, Notre Dame has averaged better than 10 three-point attempts per game. The Irish also set a new school record with 28 three-point tries in their win over Army on Nov. 26.

However, this year's 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 didn't waste time in starting up a new three-point streak, canning 43 triples in their last seven games (6.1 treys per game). The Irish have now made at least one three-pointer in 153 of their last 155 games, a streak which stretches back more than 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 the Crusaders, while Batteast scored two points and grabbed five rebounds against Valparaiso.

**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* poll and a 56-week stretch in the AP rankings. This week, the Irish earned six points in the Associated Press poll and 15 points in the ESPN/*USA Today* poll.

**... 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 41 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 on Wednesday when the Irish welcome Western Michigan to 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 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





**RATAY JOINS IRISH  
1,000-POINT CLUB**

Junior guard **Alicia Ratay** is 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. Katryna 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. Danielle Green (1995-2000) .....	1,106
16. Carrie Bates (1981-85) .....	1,060
17. Mollie Peirick (1994-98) .....	1,034
18. <b>Alicia Ratay (1999-present)</b> .....	<b>1,022</b>
19. Kelley Siemon (1997-2001) .....	1,006
— <b>Ericka Haney (1998-present)</b> .....	<b>847</b>

**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
<b>6.</b>	<b>11/18/01</b>	<b>Valparaiso</b>	<b>W, 42-35</b>	<b>7,960</b>
<b>7.</b>	<b>12/9/01</b>	<b>USC</b>	<b>W, 62-49</b>	<b>7,595</b>
8.	2/12/00	St. John's	W, 94-51	7,530
9.	12/9/00	#6 Purdue	W, 72-61	7,330
<b>10.</b>	<b>11/26/01</b>	<b>Army</b>	<b>W, 89-57</b>	<b>7,323</b>
<b>11.</b>	<b>12/12/01</b>	<b>W. Michigan</b>	<b>W, 71-48</b>	<b>7,310</b>
12.	2/7/01	Pittsburgh	W, 72-58	7,025
13.	1/7/94	#1 Tennessee	L, 70-105	6,886
14.	2/20/01	Miami	W, 81-43	6,533
15.	1/18/96	#3 Connecticut	L, 64-87	6,501
16.	1/23/99	St. John's	W, 99-60	6,384
17.	1/31/01	Providence	W, 64-44	6,131
18.	1/13/01	Virginia Tech	W, 75-55	5,873
19.	3/19/00	G. Wash. (NCAA)	W, 95-60	5,521
20.	2/6/99	Seton Hall	W, 77-49	5,231

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

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 has been named a first team freshman All-American by the *Women's Basketball News Service* and has been 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 13 players on this season's Notre Dame roster hail from 10 different states, including two each from Florida, Illinois and Ohio. Other states represented on the Irish roster include Colorado, Indiana, Kansas, New Mexico, 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 490-220 (.690), putting them just 10 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 Dec. 20):

School	Career Wins	Next Game
Missouri .....	493 .....	12/22 vs. Illinois (at St. Louis)
Maine .....	491 .....	12/22 vs. Rhode Island
<b>NOTRE DAME</b> .....	<b>490</b> .....	<b>12/22 vs. Marquette</b>
Illinois State .....	490 .....	12/22 vs. Western Illinois
Middle Tennessee .....	488 .....	12/23 at Xavier
Dayton .....	484 .....	12/21 at Arkansas
LaSalle .....	483 .....	12/21 at Bucknell



**NOTRE DAME AMONG BEST IN 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%**

**NOTRE DAME AMONG RECENT WINS LEADERS**

Notre Dame has won 144 games in its last five-plus seasons, the fifth-most wins of any school in the country. Here's where the Irish rank in terms of their wins over the last five-plus seasons (through games of Dec. 20):

TEAM	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	Total
1. Connecticut	33	34	29	36	32	10	174
2. Tennessee	29	39	31	33	31	8	171
3. Louisiana Tech	31	31	30	31	31	3	157
4. Old Dominion	34	29	28	29	21	5	146
5. <b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>144</b>

**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 42 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 49-3 (.942) record in BIG EAST games at the Joyce Center, with Connecticut the only league team to solve the Irish at home.

Notre Dame also sports a five-year, 27-game non-conference winning streak at the Joyce Center — a streak 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 67-2 (.971) at the Joyce Center in their last 69 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. The Irish own a 230-65 mark for a .780 winning percentage since that first season. Last year, 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 80-4 (.952) 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 in order for the 2001-02 campaign. Coming off the 2001 NCAA championship, there already 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 four of Notre Dame's home games in 2001-02 have attracted more than 7,300 fans, placing them among the top 15 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**.

**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 NCAA Tournament squads, including four (Connecticut - 1/1, Purdue - 7/7, Michigan - 13/13 and Colorado State - 17/15) which are ranked in the Top 25 in the latest Associated Press and ESPN/*USA Today* polls. In addition, six Irish opponents (Boston College, DePaul, Miami, Rice, Rutgers and Virginia Tech) are receiving votes in one or both of the major rankings 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) are the first players to commit 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 already have given Notre Dame one of this year's top 10 recruiting classes, according to at least one recruiting outlet. The Blue Star Index has ranked the latest group of Irish signees sixth 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.

**BOOK ON NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON MAKES PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT**

Fans of Notre Dame women's basketball will be able to relive the 2000-01 NCAA championship season in a new book by **Mark Bradford** entitled "Nice Girls Finish First." The book, which hit store shelves Dec. 10, is the story of how the Irish and head coach **Muffet McGraw** put together a squad of truly remarkable young women, some of whom overcame great odds, to win the national championship last April. Included in the book are in-depth interviews with members of the Notre Dame senior class and starting lineup, giving an unique perspective on what it goes into putting together a championship team.

Bradford is a sportswriter for the *South Bend Tribune*, and also has done freelance work for the Associated Press and *Indianapolis Star*. The Mishawaka, Ind., resident has covered Notre Dame football and men's and women's basketball for the last six years.

**KRAUSE FEATURED IN "CONFESSIONS OF A FRESHMAN"**

Freshman guard **Jill Krause** is giving fans an inside look at the 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

**BIG EAST COACHES' PRESEASON POLL**

1.	Connecticut (11)	167
2.	<b>NOTRE DAME (2)</b>	<b>155</b>
3.	Rutgers	143
4.	Boston College	125
5.	Villanova (1)	112
6.	Virginia Tech	111
7.	Georgetown	102
8.	Miami	86
9.	Seton Hall	75
10.	Syracuse	59
11.	Providence	56
12.	Pittsburgh	41
13.	St. John's	23
14.	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.



**RUTH RILEY TO RECEIVE  
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 post-graduate 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 will be recognized at the 37th annual NCAA Honors Dinner, January 13, 2002, in Indianapolis, for athletics, academic achievement, character and leadership.

In addition to their athletics accomplishments, the NCAA Today's Top VIII recipients have earned numerous academic honors, have volunteered countless hours to community projects and have 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. She also was awarded with an NCAA postgraduate scholarship.

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 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.

Recognition for the group at the Honors Dinner is in conjunction with the NCAA Convention in Indianapolis. CBS Sports broadcaster **Clark Kellogg** will serve as master of ceremonies for the event. Kellogg, a graduate of Ohio State University, was a standout basketball player at his alma mater and the 1982 No. 1 draft pick of the NBA's Indiana Pacers.

Germany this 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 helped the BIG EAST, 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.

**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 Dec. 17) and BIG EAST Conference statistics report for all games and conference games (through games of Dec. 19):

<b>Team Rankings</b>	<b>NCAA</b>	<b>All Games</b>	<b>Conference Games</b>
Scoring Offense		11th at 65.0	
Scoring Defense		5th at 60.1	
Scoring Margin		9th at +4.9	
FT Percentage		10th at .678	
FG Percentage		10th at .403	
FG Percentage Defense	30th at .361	3rd at .361	
3-Point FG Percentage	32nd at .384	4th at .384	
3-Point FG Pct. Defense	not kept	3rd at .263	
Rebounding		2nd at 43.6	
Rebounding Defense	not kept	7th at 35.8	
Rebounding Margin	28th at +7.8	4th at +7.8	
Blocked Shots	not kept	4th at 4.88	
Assists	not kept	10th at 14.00	
Steals	not kept	11th at 7.75	
Turnover Margin	not kept	t-12th at (-3.12)	
Assist/Turnover Ratio	not kept	8th at 0.77	

<b>Individual Rankings</b>	<b>NCAA</b>	<b>All Games</b>	<b>Conference Games</b>
Scoring		Batteast, t-10th at 13.9	
		Ratay, 13th at 13.6	
Rebounding		Batteast, 4th at 7.8	
FG Percentage		Batteast, 15th at .419	
Assists		Severe, t-5th at 5.62	
FT Percentage	Ratay, 4th at .957	Ratay, 1st at .957	
Steals		Severe, t-10th at 2.00	
3-Point FG Made		Ratay, 10th at 1.88	
Blocks		Batteast, t-6th at 1.38	
Offensive Rebounds		Batteast, 7th at 3.12	
		Borton, t-8th at 3.00	
Defensive Rebounds		Batteast, 10th at 4.62	

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

**Overall Record: 4-4 (Home: 4-0, Away: 0-3, Neutral: 0-1); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0**

----- 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	
Dec. 22			MARQUETTE								
Dec. 28			at Rice								
Dec. 31			DEPAUL								
Jan. 2			at Miami*								
Jan. 5			PROVIDENCE*								
Jan. 9			SETON HALL*								
Jan. 12			at Villanova*								
Jan. 19			at Providence*								
Jan. 21			(2) at Connecticut*								
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. MARQUETTE

# 2001-02 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics

**Overall Record: 4-4 (Home: 4-0, Away: 0-3, Neutral: 0-1); BIG EAST Conference Record: 0-0**

Player	GP-GS	Min.-Avg.	FG-A	Pct.	3FG-A	Pct.	FT-A	Pct.	OR	DR	Tot.	Avg.	PF-DQ	A	T	B	S	Pts.	Avg.
Jacqueline Batteast	8-8	241-30.1	44-105	.419	11-30	.367	12-17	.706	25	37	62	7.8	18-0	15	22	11	15	111	13.9
Alicia Ratay	8-8	276-34.5	36-83	.434	15-37	.405	22-23	.957	17	28	45	5.6	12-0	17	17	1	8	109	13.6
Le'Tania Severe	8-8	252-31.5	25-57	.439	4-9	.444	25-40	.625	6	26	32	4.0	18-0	45	38	4	16	79	9.9
Ericka Haney	8-6	165-20.6	22-58	.379	0-0	.000	6-10	.600	14	29	43	5.4	17-0	3	13	4	7	50	6.3
Jeneka Joyce	8-2	146-18.3	16-30	.533	9-19	.474	4-9	.444	3	12	15	1.9	6-0	10	13	0	3	45	5.6
Teresa Borton	8-6	176-22.0	17-46	.370	0-0	.000	7-17	.412	24	22	46	5.8	21-0	6	8	1	4	41	5.1
Amanda Barksdale	4-2	67-16.8	7-16	.438	0-0	.000	4-7	.571	4	8	12	3.0	11-1	0	7	16	1	18	4.5
Kelsey Wicks	7-0	92-13.1	9-29	.310	3-12	.250	7-10	.700	11	12	23	3.3	12-0	3	6	0	2	28	4.0
Katy Flecky	7-0	87-12.4	7-19	.368	0-0	.000	12-13	.923	7	15	22	3.1	9-0	4	12	2	3	26	3.7
Allison Bustamante	2-0	14-7.0	2-7	.286	1-2	.500	1-2	.500	0	4	4	2.0	1-0	1	1	0	0	6	3.0
Karen Swanson	3-0	12-4.0	2-5	.400	0-2	.000	1-1	1.000	0	3	3	1.0	3-0	1	1	0	0	5	1.7
Monique Hernandez	8-0	62-7.8	1-10	.100	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	3	2	5	0.6	6-0	7	4	0	3	2	0.3
Jill Krause	3-0	9-3.0	0-1	.000	0-0	.000	0-0	.000	0	2	2	0.7	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0.0
Team									14	21	35	4.4							3
<b>Notre Dame</b>	<b>8</b>		<b>188-466</b>	<b>.403</b>	<b>43-112</b>	<b>.384</b>	<b>101-149</b>	<b>.678</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>43.6</b>	<b>134-1</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>520</b>	<b>65.0</b>
Opponents	8		172-476	.361	35-133	.263	102-148	.689	107	179	286	35.8	133-1	111	121	28	65	481	60.1

## 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> )	46.0 (29-63) vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	10 vs. Army, 11/26/01
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	19 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Free Throw Attempts	25, twice (MR: vs. USC, 12/9/01)
Free Throw Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	79.2 (19-24) at Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	60 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Personal Fouls	23 at Purdue, 12/6/01
Assists	20 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Turnovers	26 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	10 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Steals	13 vs. USC, 12/9/01

### OPPONENT HIGHS

Points (Game)	78, Michigan, 12/2/01
Points (Half)	45, Michigan (1st half), 12/2/01
Field Goals Made	29, Michigan, 12/2/01
Field Goal Attempts	65, Arizona, 11/24/01
Field Goal Percentage ( <i>min. 25 attempts</i> )	50.0 (29-58), Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	8, Arizona, 11/24/01
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	26, Arizona, 11/24/01
Three-Point Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	33.3 (7-21), Colorado State, 11/21/01
Free Throws Made	20, Arizona, 11/24/01
Free Throw Attempts	29, Purdue, 12/6/01
Free Throw Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	100.0* (20-20), Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	43, Purdue, 12/6/01
Personal Fouls	22, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Assists	23, Michigan, 12/2/01
Turnovers	27, USC, 12/9/01
Blocked Shots	8, Colorado State, 11/21/01
Steals	13, USC, 12/9/01

\* 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 ( <i>min. 25 attempts</i> )	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 ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	00.0 (0-2) vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Free Throws Made	7, twice (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
Free Throw Attempts	10 at Purdue, 12/6/01
Free Throw Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	56.0 (14-25) vs. Valparaiso, 12/2/01
Rebounds	28 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Personal Fouls	9 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Assists	8 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Turnovers	11 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Blocked Shots	1 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Steals	4, twice (MR: at Arizona, 11/24/01)

### OPPONENT LOWS

Points (Game)	35, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Points (Half)	12, Western Michigan (1st half), 12/12/01
Field Goals Made	13, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Attempts	47, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goal Percentage ( <i>min. 25 attempts</i> )	27.4 (17-62), Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Three-Point Field Goals Made	1, twice (MR: USC, 12/9/01)
Three-Point Field Goal Attempts	7, Michigan, 12/2/01
Three-Point Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	7.7 (1-13), Purdue, 12/6/01
Free Throws Made	4, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Free Throw Attempts	11, Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Free Throw Percentage ( <i>min. 10 attempts</i> )	33.3 (4-12), Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	29, Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Personal Fouls	10, Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Assists	9, Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Turnovers	10, Purdue, 12/6/01
Blocked Shots	1, Army, 11/26/01
Steals	6, Michigan, 12/2/01

## 2001-02 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Biography Updates

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

Has played in four games (two starts) this season, averaging 16.8 minutes per game ... charting 4.5 points, 3.0 rebounds and 4.0 blocks per game ... turned in solid all-around performances against Purdue and Western Michigan, recording six points, four rebounds and four blocks in 16 minutes in both contests ... made first career start against USC, playing a career-high 26 minutes and matching her career best with seven blocks (five in first half) ... also recorded 100th career block against USC, becoming fifth player in school history to reach century mark ... missed first four games with a stress reaction in her right leg.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	6, twice (MR: vs. W. Michigan, 12/12/01)	10 vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01
Field Goals	3 at Purdue, 12/6/01	3, four times (MR: at Purdue, 12/6/01)
Free Throws	2 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01	4, twice (MR: vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01)
Rebounds	4, three times (MR: vs. WMU, 12/12/01)	11 vs. Alcorn State, 3/17/01
Assists	None	2, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 3/19/01)
Steals	1 at Purdue, 12/6/01	2, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 2/12/00)
Blocks	7 vs. USC, 12/9/01	7, twice (MR: vs. USC, 12/9/01)
Minutes	26 vs. USC, 12/9/01	Same

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

**Preseason BIG EAST Rookie of the Year ... Three-time BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (Dec. 3, 10 & 17) ...** has started all eight games for the Irish as a true freshman, averaging 30.1 minutes per game ... leads team in scoring (13.9 ppg.) and rebounding (7.8 rpg.) and ranks second on team with 1.4 blocks per game ... ranks 10th in BIG EAST in scoring, fourth in rebounding and sixth in blocked shots ... has scored in double figures in her last seven games ... 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 ... also drained first two three-pointers of her career at CSU ... notched double-double with 18 points and 12 rebounds against Army ... tallied first seven points of game against Michigan, finishing with 17 points and nine rebounds ... carded double-double with career-high 20 points and 10 rebounds against Western Michigan ... has shot 53.8 percent (21-39) from the field in her last three games.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	20 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Field Goals	9 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
3-pt Field Goals	3 vs. Michigan, 12/2/01
Free Throws	5 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Rebounds	12 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Assists	4 at Purdue, 12/6/01
Steals	5 vs. USC, 12/9/01
Blocks	4 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Minutes	37 at Purdue, 12/6/01

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

Has played in all eight games for the Irish, starting six as a true freshman and averaging 22 minutes per outing ... carding 5.1 points and 5.8 rebounds per game — latter figure is second on team ... 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.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	14 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Field Goals	5 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Free Throws	4 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01
Rebounds	9, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Assists	3 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Steals	1, three times (MR: vs. Michigan, 12/2/01)
Blocks	1 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Minutes	34 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01

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

Made first collegiate appearance against Colorado State, seeing less than one minute of action ... tallied six points and four rebounds in 14 minutes against Army ... also drilled first career three-point field goal against Army ... suffered high ankle sprain in practice (Nov. 28), causing her to miss last four games ... scheduled to return for Marquette game.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	6 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Field Goals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01
3-pt Field Goals	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Free Throws	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Rebounds	4 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Assists	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Steals	None
Blocks	None
Minutes	14 vs. Army, 11/26/01

## NOTRE DAME VS. MARQUETTE

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

Has appeared in seven games for Notre Dame, averaging 12.4 minutes per game ... tallying 3.7 points and 3.1 rebounds per game ... also second on team with .923 free throw percentage (12-13) ... saw first collegiate action against Valparaiso, recording a steal in four minutes ... had solid return to home state with six points and eight rebounds in 16 minutes at Colorado State ... carded season-high nine points and six rebounds in season-best 28 minutes at Arizona .. collected season-best two assists and first career blocked shot in win over Army ... sat out Michigan game after suffering a concussion in practice Nov. 28 ... made all four of her free throws against Western Michigan.

	Season/Career Highs
Points	9 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Field Goals	2, three times (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Free Throws	5 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	8 at Colorado State, 11/21/01
Assists	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Steals	1, three times (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
Blocks	1, twice (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
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 eight games this season, starting six times and averaging 20.6 minutes per game ... averaging 6.3 points and 5.4 rebounds per contest ... the 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 ... rang up 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.

	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	2, twice (MR: at Purdue, 12/6/01)	7 vs. Connecticut, 3/30/01
Rebounds	10 vs. W. Michigan, 12/12/01	14 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Assists	1, three times (MR: vs. USC, 12/9/01)	5 vs. Georgia, 11/24/00
Steals	2, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)	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 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01	39 vs. Rutgers, 2/17/01

### 23 Monique Hernandez Guard, Junior, 5-9, Rio Rancho, NM (Cibola)

Has appeared in all eight games for the Irish, averaging 7.8 minutes per contest while playing primarily as a defensive stopper ... picked up an offensive rebound at Colorado State ... turned in superb all-around effort vs. Army, finishing with two points, three rebounds, three assists and two steals in 17 minutes — three assists and two steals tied her career highs ... dished out two assists against Michigan ... notched two assists against Western Michigan.

	Season Highs	Career Highs
Points	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	10 at Seton Hall, 1/21/01
Field Goals	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01	5 at Seton Hall, 1/21/01
3-pt Field Goals	None	1 at Purdue, 12/8/99
Free Throws	None	4 vs. USC, 12/28/00
Rebounds	3 vs. Army, 11/26/01	5 vs. Villanova, 12/6/00
Assists	3 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3, four times (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Steals	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	2, five times (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Blocks	None	2, vs. Georgetown, 1/29/00
Minutes	17 vs. Army, 11/26/01	25 at Seton Hall, 1/21/01

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

Has played in all eight games (two starts) for Notre Dame, averaging 18.3 minutes per outing ... logging 5.6 points and 1.9 rebounds per game ... owns top field goal (.533) and three-point (.474) percentages on team ... knocked down a pair of free throws and handed out two assists at Colorado State ... canned first three-point field goal of the season and added two rebounds at Arizona ... tallied season-high seven points and dished out three assists in win over Army ... poured in 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 ... averaging 8.3 points per game and shooting 57.7 percent (15-26) from the floor in her last five contests.

	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	2 at Colorado State, 11/21/01	3 vs. West Virginia, 1/24/01
Rebounds	3, twice (MR: vs. W. Michigan, 12/12/01)	3, six times (MR: vs. WMU, 12/12/01)
Assists	3 vs. Army, 11/26/01	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 three games for the Irish this season ... made first collegiate appearance against Army, grabbing two rebounds.

	<b>Season/Career Highs</b>
Points	None
Field Goals	None
3-pt Field Goals	None
Free Throws	None
Rebounds	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01
Assists	None
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 eight games for Notre Dame, averaging a team-high 34.5 minutes per game ... second on team in scoring (13.6 ppg.), assists (2.1 apg) and third in rebounds (5.6 rpg.) and three-point percentage (.405) ... also has made a team-high 15 three-point field goals ... leads BIG EAST in free throw percentage (.957); also ranks 13th in scoring and 10th in three-point field goals made (1.88 per game) ... has scored in double figures in all eight games this season and 38 of her last 44 games ... also has reached double digits in scoring 58 times in her 76-game college career ... 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 18th on ND career list)... has made 13 consecutive free throws dating back to her final two tosses against Colorado State.

	<b>Season Highs</b>	<b>Career Highs</b>
Points	19, twice (MR: vs. Michigan, 12/2/01)	32 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
Field Goals	8 at Arizona, 11/24/01	12 vs. North Carolina, 12/4/99
3-pt Field Goals	4 vs. Army, 11/26/01	7 at Rutgers, 2/19/00
Free Throws	6 at Colorado State, 11/21/01	7, twice (MR: vs. Virginia Tech, 3/5/01)
Rebounds	9 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01	12 vs. St. John's, 2/12/00
Assists	3, three times (MR: vs. WMU, 12/12/01)	7 vs. Butler, 12/1/99
Steals	2, three times (MR: vs. WMU, 12/12/01)	5 at Florida International, 12/19/99
Blocks	1 at Arizona, 11/24/01	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 started all eight games at point guard for Notre Dame, playing 31.5 minutes per night ... ranks third on team with 9.9 points per game and leads squad with 5.6 assists per outing ... ranks fifth in BIG EAST in assists and 10th in steals (2.0 spg) ... has scored in double figures four times, the first double-digit outings of her career ... 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.

	<b>Season Highs</b>	<b>Career Highs</b>
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 vs. Valparaiso, 11/18/01	Same
Minutes	37 at Purdue, 12/6/01	Same

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

Has played in three games this season ... made first appearance of year against Army, matching her career high with five points in seven minutes of playing time.

	<b>Season Highs</b>	<b>Career Highs</b>
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	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3, twice (MR: vs. Miami, 2/20/01)
Rebounds	2 vs. Army, 11/26/01	3 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00
Assists	1 vs. Army, 11/26/01	1, three times (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Steals	None	2, twice (MR: vs. Providence, 2/1/01)
Blocks	None	None
Minutes	7 vs. Army, 11/26/01	11 vs. Fordham, 11/27/00

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

Has played in seven games for the Irish this season, averaging 13.1 minutes per contest ... tallying 4.0 points and 3.3 rebounds per game ... carded season-high nine points (2-3 FG, 4-4 FT) and sank first career three-point field goal at Arizona ... notched seven points in victory over Army ... grabbed season-high six rebounds in season-best 21 minutes against Western Michigan.

	<b>Season/Career Highs</b>
Points	9 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Field Goals	2, three times (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
3-pt Field Goals	1, three times (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
Free Throws	4 at Arizona, 11/24/01
Rebounds	6 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01
Assists	1, twice (MR: vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01)
Steals	1, twice (MR: vs. Army, 11/26/01)
Blocks	None
Minutes	21 vs. Western Michigan, 12/12/01



# JOYCE CENTER • NOTRE DAME, IND.

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			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>20-61</b>	<b>1-12</b>	<b>8-12</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>49</b>

## 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			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>22-54</b>	<b>1-4</b>	<b>17-25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>62</b>

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
Jillian	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			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>17-62</b>	<b>7-25</b>	<b>7-11</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>48</b>

## 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			
<b>Totals</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>29-63</b>	<b>6-10</b>	<b>7-11</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>71</b>

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.