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NOTRE DAME VOLLEYBALL

(18-8, 9-1)

#### SEPTEMBER

1	Wed.	(25) Loyola Chicago	W, 3-1
3	Fri.	(25) Nebraska (2)	L, 0-3
4	Sat.	(25) Nebraska (2)	L, 2-3
7	Tue.	Valparaiso	L, 2-3

#### Cal Poly Invitational (San Luis Obispo, CA

10	⊢rı.	vs. Fresno State	VV, 3-2
11	Sat.	vs. Sacramento State	W, 3-0
11	Sat.	at Cal Poly	W, 3-0

#### Gamecock Invitational (Columbia, SC)

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17	Fri.	vs. Michigan State	W, 3-1
18	Sat.	vs. USC (2)	Cancelled
19	Sun.	at South Carolina (CSTV)	L, 1-3
28	Tue.	at Michigan (und.com)	L, 1-3

#### **OCTOBER**

2	Sat.	*at Syracuse	W, 3-0
9	Sat.	*at Rutgers	W, 3-0
10	Sun.	*at Seton Hall	W, 3-1
13	Wed.	Illinois State (und.com)	W, 3-2
19	Tue.	at Utah (14)	W, 3-0
20	Wed.	at Brigham Young	L, 2-3
24	Sun.	*St. John's	W, 3-0
30	Sat.	*at Georgetown	W, 3-0
31	Sun.	*at Villanova	W, 3-0

#### NOVEMBER

5	Fri.	*Connecticut (und.com)	W, 3-1
7	Sun.	*Boston College	L, 0-3
12	Fri.	*Pittsburgh (und.com)	W, 3-0
14	Sun.	*West Virginia	W, 3-0
16	Tue.	Northern Iowa (und.com)	L, 2-3

# BIG EAST Championship (Pittsburgh, PA)

20	Sat.	vs. Boston College (semifinals	) W, 3-1
21	Sun.	at Pittsburgh (final)	W, 3-0

#### Baden Thanksgiving Tournament (Long Beach, CA)

26	Fri.	vs. UC Irvine	5:00
27	Sat.	at Long Beach State	7:00

#### **DECEMBER**

2-5 NCAA 1st/2nd Rounds (campus sites) 10-11 NCAA Regionals (campus sites)

16 NCAA Semifinals (Long Beach, CA)18 NCAA Final (Long Beach, CA)3:00

NOTE: Number in parentheses to left of opponent is Notre Dame AVCA national ranking at time of match; number to right of opponent is its AVCA national ranking at time of match.

Home matches in **bold** and held in Joyce Center. All times are local.

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All home matches will feature live scoring via www.und.com.

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Friday, November 26

American (23-5) at Long Beach State (21-5), 2:00 p.m. Notre Dame (18-8) vs. UC Irvine (18-9), 5:00 p.m. Kentucky (12-16) at Long Beach State, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, November 27

American vs. Kentucky, 5:00 p.m. Notre Dame at Long Beach State, 7:00 p.m.

- Live Audio: www.longbeachstate.com

IRISH HEAD TO LONG BEACH FOR FINAL WEEKEND OF REGULAR SEASON: The University of Notre Dame women's volleyball team (18-8), fresh off claiming an automatic bid to its 13th consecutive NCAA tournament via claiming the BIG EAST championship last weekend, will head to Long Beach, Calif., for the Baden Thanksgiving Tournament in The Pyramid this weekend. The Irish will tune up for the NCAAs by taking on a pair of probable qualifiers -- facing UC Irvine (18-9) on Friday at 5 p.m. (PST) and host Long Beach State (21-5) on Saturday at 7 p.m. -- before

**THE RADIO PLANS:** A live internet audio broadcast of Saturday's match with Long Beach State will be available via its official athletics website, www.longbeachstate.com.

the NCAA Championship bracket is revealed on Sunday at 6:45 p.m. (EST) on ESPNews.

NCAA SELECTION SHOW SET FOR SUNDAY AT 6:45 P.M. (EST) ON ESPNEWS: The full 64-team field for the 2004 NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball Championship will be revealed on Sunday at 6:45 p.m. (EST) on ESPNews. Action will begin at 16 campus sites from Dec. 2-5 and will continue with regional action Dec. 10-11 at four predetermined sites (Louisville, Minneapolis, Seattle, and Green Bay) before culminating Dec. 16 and 18 in Long Beach, Calif.

**HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS NOTES PACKAGE:** Below are some of the top points from this notes package. For more details on any topic, consult the remainder of this release.

- \* Notre Dame has won 13 of its last 16 and 17 of 22 following a 1-3 start. The Irish stand at 18-8 on the season and are 18th in the Rich Kern Percentage Index (RKPI), which approximates the NCAA's RPI. Notre Dame is the only team that is in the top 23 in the RKPI, but is not ranked or listed (appearing on two or more ballots) in the AVCA poll.
- \* The Irish are first in the Northeast Region in the RichKern.com/AVCA Division I Region Rankings, with Pittsburgh next at 39th. Notre Dame ranks fifth among the eight region leaders, but is the only one who is not ranked or listed (appearing on two or more ballots) in the AVCA poll.
- \* Notre Dame has won seven in a row and 12 of its last 13 (the loss coming in five games) when playing with its complete lineup. Junior OH **Lauren Kelbley**, the team's kill average leader and a second-team all-BIG EAST honoree, missed three matches late in the season due to a foot injury, and the Irish dropped two of those contests.
- \* The Irish won the BIG EAST Championship for the eighth time in 10 years of league membership, defeating Boston College (3-1) and defending champion Pittsburgh (3-0) on
- \* Junior MB **Lauren Brewster** was named the BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player, finishing with 27 kills (3.68) on .319 hitting to go with a tournament-high 14 blocks (2.00). Other standouts for the Irish in the event were junior OH **Lauren Kelbley**, who had 34 kills (4.86) on a .387 hitting mark, and junior captain L **Meg Henican**, who had 45 digs (6.43).
- \* By winning the BIG EAST tournament, Notre Dame secured the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship. The Irish will make their 13th consecutive trip to the NCAA tournament and 14th overall. Heading into this year, only nine other Division I schools (Stanford, Penn State, UC Santa Barbara, Pacific, Nebraska, Long Beach State, USC, and Florida) had qualified for each of the last 12 NCAA Championships.
- \* The streak of 13 consecutive NCAA appearances is the second-longest among Notre Dame's varsity sports, behind only fencing.
- \* Notre Dame also claimed its ninth BIG EAST regular-season title in 10 years, by going 9-1 in league play, with seven 3-0 victories. The lone blemish on the Irish mark was a 3-0 defeat at home against Boston College on Nov. 7. That loss ended Notre Dame's 58-0 run in home regular-season BIG EAST matches since joining the conference in 1995 and its 74-match winning streak in the Joyce Center in regular-season league play (previous loss came in 1990).
- \* The Irish became the first outright regular-season BIG EAST champion ever to be shut out of the conference's major awards. Junior MB **Lauren Brewster**, one of two unanimous selections, was Notre Dame's sole first-team all-BIG EAST honoree (marking just the second time ever that the league's outright champ failed to place multiple players on the first team), while junior OH **Lauren Kelbley** was a second-team selection, and senior OH **Emily Loomis** was tabbed honorable mention. All three gained all-league accolades for the third consecutive year.
- \* Notre Dame is in the top 10 in Division I in team block average for the fourth consecutive season.

# 2004 Notre Dame Volleyball Roster

No	. Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	Hometown	Notes
Pro	obable Starters (first p	osition	listed is project	ed starti	ng spot)	
1	Emily Loomis***	Sr.	OH/MB/OPP	6-1	Fort Wayne, IN	Ranks 7th in ND history in kills (1,262)
6	Lauren Kelbley**	Jr.	OH/MB	6-1	Bascom, OH	4.86 kills on .387 hitting in BIG EAST Championship
8	Ashley Tarutis	Fr.	S	5-8	Long Beach, CA	Career-high 63 asists vs. Northern Iowa
9	Carolyn Cooper**	Jr.	MB/OPP	6-1	Houston, TX	Career-high 14 kills on .455 hitting vs. West Virginia
10	Adrianna Stasiuk	Fr.	OPP/OH	5-10	Park Ridge, IL	Ranks in top four on team in seven statistical categories
12	Lauren Brewster**	Jr.	MB	6-3	Brentwood, TN	BE Tourn. MVP; 1st-team all-BIG EAST; Led BE in blks
4	Meg Henican** (c)	Jr.	L/OH	5-9	New Orleans, LA	20+ digs in each of last 5 matches (6.44 per game)
Re	<u>serves</u>					
2	Leah Nedderman**	Sr.	OH	5-10	Grapevine, TX	Foot injury will sideline her for the season
3	Kelly Burrell**	Jr.	S	5-10	Phoenix, AZ	Shares time as ND setter; started first 2 matches
5	Ellen Heintzman	Fr.	OH/OPP	5-11	Louisville, KY	2.54 kills in 3 matches starting for Kelbley
7	Kelly Corbett***	Sr.	DS/L	5-10	Mountain View, CA	Made first start of season vs. Northern Iowa
11	Danielle Herndon*	So.	DS/L	5-7	Plant City, FL	2.50 digs over last three matches (12-UNI, 7-BC, 11-UP)
13	Laura Bresnahan	Fr.	MB/OPP	6-0	Elmhurst, IL	Made collegiate debut vs. Cal Poly; played in 3 matches
16	Julie McElroy	So.	OH/MB/OPP	6-0	Ames, IA	Joined team in spring '04; played in 5 matches

The Irish, who led the nation in 2003 (3.72), head into the weekend at eighth with a 3.32 average. Junior MB **Lauren Brewster**, who was first in individual blocking last season (1.78), is 25th in 2004 with a 1.52 average.

- \* Standing 5-5 at the end of September, Notre Dame made a lineup switch, moving senior **Emily Loomis** from middle blocker to outside hitter (where she played her first two collegiate seasons) and inserting junior MB **Carolyn Cooper** into the lineup. Since then, the Irish are 13-3, with two of the defeats coming in five games and two of them coming without kill average leader OH **Lauren Kelbley**.
- \* Junior MB Lauren Brewster has established herself as one of the top all-around defensive players in the country. *She is one of only two Division I players averaging over 1.50 blocks (1.52) and 1.50 digs (2.15) per game.* The other is Texas A&M's Melissa Munsch (1.67 blocks, 3.09 digs), a second-team All-American in 2003.
- \* Junior captain L **Meg Henican** needs just 26 digs to break the Irish record for digs in a season. The current record is 500 by **Christy Peters** in 1993. Henican's 4.90 dig average is on pace to shatter Peters' record of 4.10 from that season. Henican ranks seventh all-time with 1,077 career digs. \* Freshman S **Ashley Tarutis**, who has started each of the last 24 matches and helped the Irish lead the BIG EAST in hitting percentage in league play (.254), is a Long Beach native. She played her prep volleyball at Los Alamitos High School, and also was active for the Golden West Volleyball
- \* Notre Dame and UC Irvine will be meeting for the first time.
- \* Long Beach State and Notre Dame will meet for the first time since 1997. LBSU has won all four previous meetings with the Irish, taking 12 of 13 games. This is the first time the Irish will face an unranked Beach team.
- \* Notre Dame is making its third trip to Long Beach State. The Irish hit The Beach on fall break in 1995 and over Thanksgiving for tournament action in 1997.
- \* Irish head coach **Debbie Brown** and 18-year Long Beach assistant **Debbie Green-Vargas** were teammates on the 1980 U.S. Olympic team.
- \* Notre Dame has had more volleyball players from California (22) than from any other state, including current senior DS **Kelly Corbett** (Mountain View) and freshman S **Ashley Tarutis** (Long Beach).
- \* After playing just 17 matches against current Big West Conference teams in the first 24 years of Irish varsity volleyball, Notre Dame has three Big West foes on this year's schedule. The Irish beat 10th-place Cal Poly in three games in the Cal Poly Invitational in September, and they will face fourth-place UC Irvine and second-place Long Beach State this weekend.
- \* Notre Dame has struggled over Thanksgiving weekend, going just 2-12 -- all away from home -since 1992 in contests during the weekend between the conference tournament and the NCAAs. All 12 defeats came against nationally-ranked teams, while the lone wins came against Washington State in the 1999 Community Bank Classic in Stockton, Calif., in 1999 and vs. LSU in the 2001 Florida Volleyball Challenge in Gainesville.
- \* Notre Dame is well-represented in the BIG EAST leaders, as at least one Irish player appears in the top 10 of all 14 categories. In all, there are 21 Notre Dame student-athletes listed, an average of 1.5 per category. Among the top performances are junior MB Lauren Brewster winning the blocking title in conference matches (1.66) for the third consecutive year, while finishing second in hitting percentage (.326), as well as freshman OPP Adrianna Stasiuk ranking second in aces in league play (0.44). Junior L Meg Henican is third in digs in both overall (4.90) and conference play (6.00), while Brewster also leads the conference in overall blocking (1.52) and Stasiuk is second in aces (0.37). In team categories, the Irish were first in league play in hitting percentage (.254) and opponent hitting percentage (.134) for the sixth year in a row. Notre Dame also was tops in blocking for the fifth time in six years, and the Irish lead the league in overall blocking (3.32) and are second in kills (15.34) and assists (13.92).
- \* Junior captain L Meg Henican has had 10+ digs in 25 of 26 matches this season (24 in a row)

# USA Today/CSTV Top 25 Coaches' Poll (Nov. 22)

No.	School	Pts.	W-L	LW
1.	Hawai'i (37)	1,570	26-0	2
2.	Nebraska (23)	1,559	25-1	3
2.	Washington (5)	1,505	23-1	1
4.	Penn State	1,450	25-2	4
5.	Minnesota	1,335	26-4	5
6.	USC	1,285	18-4	6
7.	Stanford	1,210	21-6	9
8.	Ohio State	1,172	25-3	7
9.	Colorado State	1,120	25-3	8
10.	Tennessee	997	29-2	12
11.	Texas	963	23-3	11
12.	Florida	860	25-4	10
13.	San Diego	773	21-4	15
14.	California	714	15-10	14
15.	Saint Mary's (CA)	660	23-3	16
16.	UCLA	627	17-9	17
17.	UC Santa Barbara	589	23-3	18
18.	Texas A&M	579	17-7	13
19.	Utah	416	23-5	19
20.	Louisville	396	26-2	21
21.	Arizona	300	17-9	22
22.	Florida A&M	243	26-2	24
23.	Kansas State	228	18-9	20
24.	Missouri	172	18-7	25
25.	Santa Clara	117	18-7	23

Others receiving points and listed on two or more ballots: Ohio 103, Rice 32, Georgia Tech 31, Wisconsin 28, **Long Beach State 25**, Wichita State 23, Illinois 12, Loyola Marymount 11.

**Bold** indicates 2004 Notre Dame opponent. ( ) - first-place votes

# 2004 BIG EAST Conference Awards

Postseason
Tournament Most Outstanding Player
Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB

Regular Season

Player of the Year Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH Libero of the Year Allison Anderson, Boston College, So., L Rookie of the Year Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, OH Coach of the Year Jing Pu, Syracuse All-BIG EAST First Team Jamie Hadenfeldt, UConn, Sr., OH \*Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB \*Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh, Jr., OH Jackie Ahlers, St. John's, Jr., MH Kelly Duan, Syracuse, Jr., RS \* - denotes unanimous selection All-BIG EAST Second Team Katie Andersen, Boston College, Sr., OH Allison Anderson, Boston College, So., L Sara Albert, Georgetown, Sr., MB Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame, Jr., OH Kristen Conway, Syracuse, Jr., OH Alison Zemanski, West Virginia, Sr., MB Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST Verena Rost, Boston College, Jr., S Emily Loomis, Notre Dame, Sr., OH Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, Fr., OH Megan McGrane, Pittsburgh, Jr., L Lora Yankauskas, Rutgers, So., OH Aila Dommestrup, Syracuse, Jr., S

#### Preseason

All-BIG EAST Team
Jamie Hadenfeldt, UConn, Sr., OH
Sara Albert, Georgetown, Sr., MB
Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB
Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame, Jr., OH
Emily Loomis, Notre Dame, Sr., OH
Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH
Jackie Ahlers, St. John's, Jr., MH

# Players/Rookies of the Week

Sept. 6
P-Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH
P-Sara Albert, Georgetown, Sr., MB
R-Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, OH
Sept. 13

Sept. 13
P-Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB
R-Stephanie Olsen, Villanova, S

Sept. 20 P-Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH R-Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, OH Sept. 27

P-Jackie Ahlers, St. John's, Jr., OH R-Lisa Tedder, St. John's, S Oct. 4

P-Alison Zemanski, W. Virginia, Sr., MB R-Sade Chambers, Connecticut, MH Oct. 11

P-Allison Anderson, Boston Coll, So., L R-Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, OPP Oct. 18

Oct. 18
P-Megan Miller, Pittsburgh, Sr., MH
R-Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame, OPP
Oct. 18

P-Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB R-Jen Malcolm, Syracuse, MB Nov. 1

P-Meg Henican, Notre Dame, Jr., L R-Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh, OH Nov. 8

P-Lora Yankauskas, Rutgers, So., OH R-Cheryl Cobbina, Syracuse, Fr., OH Nov. 15

P-Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame, Jr., MB R-Jen Malcom, Syracuse, MB and 59 times in her career. She also has had 20 or more digs 11 times -- including in each of the last five matches -- in 2004, including posting totals of 24+ in three-game matches on five occasions. On Oct. 10, she set the Notre Dame record for digs in any-length match with 37 in four games at Seton Hall.

- \* Junior OH Lauren Kelbley has had 10+ kills 19 times this season and has hit the 20-kill plateau five times.
- \* Senior OH **Emily Loomis** ranks seventh on Notre Dame's all-time kill list with 1,262. Next up is 2000 graduate **Christi Girton**, who has 1,286. Loomis also has had 10+ kills in 70 career matches, which is tied for the third-highest mark in program history. She has played 405 of 415 games during the last four seasons, which is on pace to set an Irish record for percentage of games played (.976).
- \* Junior MB Lauren Brewster ranks second in Notre Dame history in career hitting percentage (.316) and block average (1.66).
- \* Notre Dame, led by junior L **Meg Henican** and freshman OPP **Adrianna Stasiuk**, is allowing just 0.98 aces per game in 2004. It is the second-lowest mark in Irish history behind last year's 0.94, for which Henican was largely responsible, as well.
- \* Notre Dame won a total of six BIG EAST weekly honors this season. The Irish were the only team to have multiple players -- juniors MB Lauren Brewster and L Meg Henican -- named the league's player of the week, as well as the only squad to have three different student-athletes earn weekly honors. Brewster was a three-time player of the week, tying for conference-high honors in that category, while OPP Adrianna Stasiuk was tabbed rookie of the week twice in a row, making her one of three players to win that award on multiple occasions. Brewster has been named the league player of the week six times during her career, the most-ever by a Notre Dame player.
- \* Notre Dame is 8-3 (.727) when playing on its opponent's home court, with the lone defeats coming at South Carolina, Michigan, and Brigham Young. The highlight of that record was a 3-0 upset of then-#14 Utah on Oct. 19, which snapped the Utes' school-record 12-match winning streak and handed them their first home defeat in more than a year. The Irish are also 4-0 in neutral site meetings, giving them a 12-3 record away from the Joyce Center.
- \* Only five Irish opponents are under .500 this season, meaning that 23 of Notre Dame's 28 pre-NCAA contests will be with squads that currently have winning records.
- \* Notre Dame is 18-0 when posting a higher hitting percentage than its opponent and 0-8 when hitting worse than its foe. In all, each of the last 30 Irish matches have been won by the team with the higher hitting mark. The last exception was on Nov. 16, 2003, when Notre Dame lost in five games at Pittsburgh despite holding a .215-.170 hitting advantage. The last time the Irish overcame worse hitting to win was Sept. 13, 2003, when they beat Utah in five games, but were outhit .220-.138.
- \* The Irish are 16-0 when having as many or more kills than their opponents this season.
- \* Though it rarely happens -- the Irish have been outblocked just seven times in 56 matches over the past two seasons -- Notre Dame has trouble winning when it gets outblocked. The Irish are 0-5 in 2004 when finishing with fewer blocks than the opposition. In all, Notre Dame has lost eight straight when being outblocked, dating back to a win against Connecticut in the semifinals of the 2002 BIG EAST tournament despite a 10-9 block disadvantage.
- \* Notre Dame had lost 10 consecutive matches when dropping the first game before rallying for a 3-1 win against Boston College in the semifinals of the BIG EAST tournament.
- \* Prior to losing to Northern Iowa (ND outdig the Panthers 83-81) on Nov. 16, Notre Dame had won 28 in a row when holding an advantage in digs. The previous loss came in five games on Nov. 15 at Miami, even though the Irish had a 76-73 dig margin.
- \* Notre Dame ranks 18th in Division I in volleyball attendance, attracting 1,513 per match to the Joyce Center.
- \* The Irish have played six five-game matches this season, winning twice.
- \* The Irish have won 40 consecutive matches when taking a 2-0 lead, dating back to Sept. 18, 2002.
- \* Notre Dame is 11-2 in matches played during the day, but just 7-6 at night.

**SNAPSHOT OF THE IRISH:** Notre Dame's women's volleyball program has experienced a wealth of success since the arrival of head coach Debbie Brown in 1991. In her 13+ seasons, Brown has guided Notre Dame to a winning record every year (and 20+ wins in each year but one), compiling a 341-117 (.743) mark. The Irish have earned 13 consecutive berths to the NCAA Championship, including a '93 quarterfinal finish and three trips to the round of 16 (1994, '95, and '97). Since joining the BIG EAST Conference in '95, Notre Dame has dominated the league, winning nine regular-season and eight tournament titles in 10 years. Overall, the Irish are 107-6 (.947) in regular-season BIG EAST play and 19-2 (.905) in conference tournament action. Notre Dame is 60-1 (.984) in BIG EAST regular-season matches in the Joyce Center. The 2004 Irish team returned nine monogram winners and four starters from last year's squad that was 23-7 and finished 24th in the national rankings after peaking at 12th. The Irish also led the nation in blocks per game (3.72, with second-place Cornell at 3.52) and have three of their top four blockers back for the '04 campaign.

Offensively, Notre Dame features three players who were named honorable mention All-America last season and who constitute the only trio in school history to register 350+ kills apiece in the same season. Senior OH **Emily Loomis** (LOU-miss), the 2002 BIG EAST Championship's Most Outstanding Player and a fourth-year starter, became the 14th player in Irish history to register 1,000+ career kills late in `03. She currently stands seventh with 1,262 and has a chance to finish among the top five on the Notre Dame career kills list. Loomis played middle blocker for the first 10 matches of 2004 before moving to outside hitter. Junior MB **Lauren Brewster** -- one of just two Division I players to be averaging over 1.50 blocks (1.52) and 1.50 digs (2.15) -- led the country in

2004 BIG EAST Conference Standings							
(records as of 11/25)							
Rk. School Conf. % Overall % Preseason ND vs.						ND vs.	
1.	<b>\$*Notre Dame</b>	9-1	.900	18-8	.692	1st	_
2.	Pittsburgh	8-2	.800	21-8	.724	2nd	W, 3-0; W, 3-0
2.	Syracuse	8-2	.800	25-7	.781	9th	W, 3-0
4.	Boston College	6-4	.600	20-12	.625	6th	L, 0-3; W, 3-1
4.	Connecticut	6-4	.600	17-11	.607	3rd	W, 3-1
6.	Rutgers	4-6	.400	16-10	.615	8th	W, 3-0
6.	Georgetown	4-6	.400	17-12	.586	7th	W, 3-0
6.	West Virginia	4-6	.400	18-13	.581	11th	W, 3-0
9.	Villanova	3-7	.300	9-18	.333	5th	W, 3-0
10.	Seton Hall	2-8	.200	9-23	.281	10th	W, 3-1
11.	St. John's	1-9	.100	15-14	.517	4th	W, 3-0
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individual blocking in `03 (1.78 per game), and her career block average of 1.66 is second-best in school history, while she also ranks second in attack percentage (.316). She was tops in BIG EAST play in blocks (1.66) to claim her sixth conference statistical crown (also blocking in league and overall matches in `02 and `03, hitting percentage in BIG EAST play in `03), which is the most-ever by a Notre Dame player. Brewster, the only Irish returning starter playing in the same position she did a vear ago, has been the league's player of the week three times this season and ranks 25th nationally in blocking. She leads the Irish in kills (355/3.66), attack percentage (.312), points (466/4.80), and blocks. Brewster, who had a triple-double against Illinois State (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) had a streak of 15 consecutive matches with 11+ kills snapped on Oct. 30. Her classmate, OH Lauren Kelbley (KELL-blee), is one of only three juniors in Division I to earn all-region honors from the AVCA in each of her first two seasons. In `02, she was the rookie of the year for both the AVCA's Northeast Region and the BIG EAST Conference. Her career hitting percentage of .303 currently ranks as the fifth-best in school history. Notre Dame's leader in kill average (323/3.76), Kelbley has had 15 or more kills 11 times this season (20+ on five occasions), and she became the first Irish player in almost four years to pound 25 or more kills in a match, doing so against Seton Hall on Oct. 10. The other veteran in the Irish starting lineup is junior MB Carolyn Cooper, who was Notre Dame's top front-row sub for the last two seasons before moving into the lineup on Oct. 2. She has provided a boost to Notre Dame's blocking, as she is averaging 1.38 per game as a starter, and the team is averaging 3.77 blocks.

With the graduation of AVCA honorable mention All-American **Kristen Kinder**, setter was the biggest hole to fill for this year's Notre Dame team. Freshman S **Ashley Tarutis** (tuh-ROO-tiss), a two-time All-American for Los Alamitos High School and the Golden West Volleyball Club in California, took over as Notre Dame's starting setter in the third match of the season and nearly led the Irish to an upset of #2 Nebraska (3-2 loss). Junior S **Kelly Burrell** (burr-ELLE), who has been a reserve the past two seasons including as part of the 6-2 offense run by the Irish early in `03, also has been rotating with Tarutis, typically playing in two of the six rotations in Notre Dame's 5-1 offense. The duo combined to give Notre Dame the top hitting mark (.254) in conference action this season.

Another rookie, OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (stuh-SHEWK), completes the Irish starting lineup. A "Fab 50" selection playing for Maine South High School and the Chicago-area Sports Performance Volleyball Club, she ranks among Notre Dame's top four in six statistical categories. After missing a triple-double by just a single assist on Sept. 7 against Valparaiso, Stasiuk became the first Irish player since 1998 to register one, clinching it in three games against Illinois State before finishing with 14 kills, 11 digs, and 11 blocks. She was tabbed the BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Week in consecutive weeks, on Oct. 11 and 18. Junior captain L Meg Henican (HENN-ih-kin) is in the midst of the best defensive season in Notre Dame history, as she is on pace to shatter the school record for season digs (475, record is 500) and dig average (4.90, record is 4.10) and is just 70. She began the season starting at outside hitter, but injuries forced her into the libero jersey. She led Notre Dame to the league's lowest opponent hitting percentage in BIG EAST matches (.134). On Oct. 10 at Seton Hall, she registered 37 digs in four games to break the 12-year-old Notre Dame record for digs in any-length match and become the first Irish player since 1993 to have 30+ digs in a contest. She also has had 24 or more digs in three-game matches five times this season, after that had been accomplished just twice in the first 24 years of varsity volleyball. She also became just the second libero ever to be named BIG EAST Player of the Week. Her 3.74 career dig average is the best in Irish history, and she has hit the 20-dig plateau 11 times this season (including in each of the last five matches), while failing to notch 15 digs only five times in 26 matches.

Among Notre Dame's top subs are freshman OH Ellen Heintzman (HIGHNTZ-min), senior DS Kelly Corbett (CORE-bit), and sophomore DS Danielle Herndon (HURN-din). Heintzman, a five-time AAU All-American for the Kentucky Indiana Volleyball Academy (KIVA), has seen some time in the starting lineup at both outside hitter and libero, and she had her best collegiate match vs. Michigan State, ending up with 15 kills on .444 hitting. Corbett and Herndon have seen time as

# **BIG EAST Leaders**

All Matches (as of 11/15)

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1.	Sara Albert, Georgetown
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1.	Jackie Ahlers, St. John's5.45
7.	Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame
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1.	Azadeh Boroumand, Pittsburgh12.79
8.	Ashley Tarutis, Notre Dame10.06
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1.	Shley Lancaster, Georgetown0.39
2.	Adrianna Stasiuk, Notre Dame0.37
2. 6.	Lauren Kelbley, Notre Dame0.33
Bloc	
1.	Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame1.52
2.	Alison Zemanski, West Virginia1.46
10.	Emily Loomis, Notre Dame1.09
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1.	Megan McGrane, Pittsburgh6.35
3.	Meg Henican, Notre Dame4.90
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4.	Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame4.80
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Notre Dame listings in **bold**.

# Irish Weekly Rankings

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Week	AVCA	Kern.com	RKPI
preseason	25	23	none
Sept. 6	arv(26)	23	149
Sept. 13		arv(33)	45
Sept. 20		arv(36)	25
Sept. 27			27
Oct. 4			29
Oct. 11			28
Oct. 18			27
Oct. 25	arv(31)		24
Nov. 1	arv(32)		23
Nov. 8			23
Nov. 15			20
Nov. 22			18

Notes: Numbers in parentheses are listings, but not actual rankings. arv = also receiving votes. RKPI is the Rich Kern Percentage Index, which approximates the NCAA's RPI.

# **BIG EAST Leaders**

Conference Matches (Final) **INDIVIDUAL** 

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2. Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame	
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# Irish in Double Figures

	<u>Kills</u>	<u>Digs</u>	<u>Blocks</u>						
4-Meg Henican	2 (4)	25 (59)							
12-Lauren Brewster	22 (49)	8 (8)	1 (13)						
6-Lauren Kelbley	19 (59)		(1)						
10-Adrianna Stasiuk	12	17	1						
1-Emily Loomis	13 (70)	1 (15)	1 (1)						
8-Ashley Tarutis		11	-						
5-Ellen Heintzman	4								
11-Danielle Herndon		3 (12)							
9-Carolyn Cooper	2 (2)		1 (1)						
Note: Career totals in parentheses.									

#### 20-Kill Matches

Lauren Kelbley (5): 25 at Seton Hall; 24 at Michigan; 22 vs. Valparaiso; 20 vs. Boston College (BIG EAST semis); 20 vs. Illinois State Lauren Brewster (1): 27 vs. Northern Iowa

#### 20-Dig Matches

Meg Henican (11): 37 at Seton Hall; 26 vs. Sacramento State; 26 at Villanova, 25 vs. Pittsburgh; 25 vs. Pittsburgh (BIG EAST final); 24 vs. West Virginia; 22 vs. Loyola Chicago; 22 vs. Fresno State; 22 vs. Northern Iowa; 20 vs. Valparaiso; 20 vs. Boston Colleg (BIG EAST semis) defensive specialists after the latter started the season as Notre Dame's libero.

IRISH-ANTEATERS SERIES NOTES: This will be the first-ever meeting between the schools ... Notre Dame has previously played six other current members of the Big West (UC Santa Barbara. CS Northridge, Cal Poly, Idaho, Long Beach State, and Pacific) ... UCI is one of three Big West teams on ND's '04 slate, along with Cal Poly and LBSU ... freshman Ashley Tarutis, who played for Los Alamitos High School and the Golden West Volleyball Club, is from Los Alamitos, which is just 25 miles from Irvine ... Notre Dame has had more volleyball players from California (22) than from any other state, also including current senior Kelly Corbett (Mountain View, near San Jose) ... UCI's Kelly Wing, who was ninth in Division I in kills (5.74), earned third-team All-America accolades from the AVCA in 2003 ... Ashlie Hain finished ninth in assists (13.64), while Sami Cash was 38th in hitting percentage (.363) ... the Anteaters were 19th in team assists (15.05).

IRISH-49ERS SERIES NOTES: Notre Dame and The Beach will play for the first time since 1997 and the fifth time overall ... LBSU has won each of the previous four meetings, taking 12 of the 13 games ... this will be Notre Dame's third trip to Long Beach ... three of the previous four matches have seen both teams carrying national rankings ... ND has never faced a Long Beach team ranked lower than 14th, and three times The Beach has been in the top three when taking on the Irish ... LBSU was #1 in the most recent contest, in 1997, a 15-3, 15-13, 15-5 decision ... the teams first met in the 1992 Golden Dome Invitational in the Joyce Center, with Long Beach winning in three games to snap a 16-match home winning streak for the Irish ... they played again the following year at the Reebok Invitational in Chicago before the Irish made trips to Long Beach in 1995 and '97 ... in '95, 12th-ranked ND captured the second game 15-9, but #14 LBSU rallied for the victory to hand Notre Dame its only four-match losing streak of the Debbie Brown era ... LBSU is one of three Big West teams on ND's '04 slate, along with Cal Poly and UC Irvine ... freshman Ashley Tarutis, who played for Los Alamitos High School and the Golden West Volleyball Club, is from Los Alamitos, which is just 12 miles from Long Beach ... Notre Dame has had more volleyball players from California (22) than from any other state, also including current senior Kelly Corbett (Mountain View, near San Jose) ... in the '93 match, Notre Dame's Christy Peters had 24 kills, which is tied for the second-most for an Irish player in a three-game match ... Jillian Mazzarella was 37th in Division I in assists (12.58) in 2003, while Erika Chidester was 46th in kills (4.55)

HEAD COACH DEBBIE BROWN: Irish head coach Debbie Brown is in her 14th season at the helm of the Notre Dame program. She has led the Irish to a 341-117 (.744) mark, while holding a 458-200 (.695) overall record. Brown's Notre Dame teams have earned 13 consecutive NCAA tournament berths, advancing to the quarterfinals in 1993 and the round of 16 in '94, '95, and '97. Her squads have won 20 or more matches 12 times. A nine-time conference coach of the year (4 BIG EAST, 4 Midwestern Collegiate, 1 Pac-10), she has coached eight Irish players to All-America honors, while 35 have gained all-BIG EAST mention since 1995. The Irish also have claimed 13 regular-season conference titles (4 Midwestern Collegiate, 9 BIG EAST) and 12 league tournament crowns (4 MCC, 8 BIG EAST). A captain of the 1980 U.S. Olympic volleyball team after winning a pair of national championships and earning All-America honors twice while playing at USC, Brown graduated from Arizona State in 1982 and coached her alma mater from 1983-88, helping the Sun Devils to five NCAA tournaments.

IRISH CLAIM EIGHTH BIG EAST TOURNAMENT TITLE; BREWSTER TABBED MVP: Notre Dame posted wins against Boston College (3-1) and defending champion Pittsburgh (3-0) last weekend in the Panthers' Fitzgerald Field House en route to winning the BIG EAST Championship for the eighth time in 10 years of league membership. Junior MB Lauren Brewster was named the BIG EAST Championship Most Outstanding Player, finishing with 27 kills (3.68) on .319 hitting to go with a tournament-high 14 blocks (2.00). Other standouts for the Irish in the event were junior OH Lauren Kelbley, who had 34 kills (4.86) on a .387 hitting mark, and junior captain L Meg Henican, who had 45 digs (6.43). With the victory, the Irish earned the league's automatic bid to the NCAA Championship.

IRISH CLIMB TO 18th IN RKPI: After winning the BIG EAST Championship last weekend, Notre Dame moved up two spots to 18th in the Rich Kern Percentage Index (RKPI), which approximates the NCAA's RPI formula. The Irish -- who passed Georgia Tech and Kansas State this week -- are by far the top team in the AVCA Northeast Region, with Pittsburgh coming in second at 39th. Notre Dame is the only team that is in the top 23 in the RKPI, but is not ranked or listed (appearing on two or more ballots) in the AVCA poll. Notre Dame ranks fifth among the eight region leaders, but is the only one who is not ranked or listed (appearing on two or more ballots) in the AVCA poll.

IRISH SET FOR 13TH CONSECUTIVE NCAA TOURNAMENT: As champion of the BIG EAST tournament. Notre Dame has secured an automatic bid to the NCAA Championship, which begins Dec. 2-5 on campus sites. It is the 13th consecutive year that the Irish will participate in the NCAAs, and only eight Division I schools have a chance to match that streak by earning spots when this year's field is announced. Of those teams, UC Santa Barbara and Nebraska also already have claimed automatic bids, while Stanford, USC, and Penn State have a chance to do so this weekend, and figure to garner at-large selections if they do not. The other schools -- Pacific, Long Beach State, and Florida -- also are expected to participate as at-large entrants.

NOTRE DAME CLAIMS NINTH BIG EAST REGULAR-SEASON TITLE IN 10 YEARS: Notre Dame finished 9-1 in BIG EAST Conference action to claim its ninth regular-season championship in 10 years since joining the league. The lone blemish was a loss against Boston College on Nov. 7. The only year the Irish did not win the BIG EAST regular-season title was 1998, when they were third. In 2003, Notre Dame was a co-champion with Pittsburgh.

BREWSTER, KELBLEY, LOOMIS EARN THIRD-YEAR ALL-BIG EAST HONORS: Notre Dame juniors MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and OH Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio/Hopewell-Loudon H.S.) and senior OH Emily Loomis (Fort Wayne, Ind./Bishop Luers H.S.) all gained all-BIG EAST accolades for the third consecutive year, when the conference's annual awards, based on by voting by the conference's head coaches, were revealed Nov. 19. Brewster was a firstteam selection for the second consecutive year, while Kelbley was on the second team, and Loomis was honorable mention. Notre Dame also became the first outright BIG EAST regular-season champion ever to be shut out of the league's major awards. Brewster was one of just two players to be unanimous first-team selections. A three-time BIG EAST Player of the Week who led the league in blocking for the third consecutive year and is the only player in the conference to be averaging over 1.00 blocks and 1.00 digs per game, she became just the sixth Notre Dame player - and first middle blocker - to be tabbed first-team all-BIG EAST on multiple occasions. In that elite group, she is joined by OPP Jenny Birkner ('95, '96), OH Jaimie Lee ('95, '96, '97), OH Angie Harris ('95, '97), S Denise Boylan ('99, '00), and OPP Kristy Kreher ('00, '01). Brewster also was an honorable mention selection as a rookie in 2002. Kelbley became the first Irish player ever to be named to one of the two all-BIG EAST teams in each of her first three campaigns, despite missing three late-season matches due to injury. She also was a second-team honoree - and the league's rookie of the year - in 2002 before moving up to the first team a season ago. Loomis was tabbed honorable mention after being a second-team selection in 2003 and a first-team honoree as a sophomore.

Despite a late-season injury that caused her to miss 40 percent of the BIG EAST season and vanish from the conference-only league leaders, senior MH Megan Miller was named the BIG EAST Player of the Year. She was just the second competitor to garner the honor without playing on a team that won at least a share of the regular-season BIG EAST championship. The other was Miami's Valeria Tipiana, the 2002 winner even though the Hurricanes finished second to the Irish during the regular season. Pittsburgh OH Diana Andreyko was tabbed the BIG EAST Rookie of the Year, while Boston College's Allison Anderson was named Libero of the Year, and Syracuse's Jing Pu was Coach of the Year. The Panthers, as the lone team to win multiple major awards and the only squad to have four players earn all-league honors, dominated the awards for the second year in a row. In 2003, Pittsburgh - then league co-champions with Notre Dame - won three major awards and had four allconference selections. In addition to being the first outright champions to come up empty in the major awards, Notre Dame was just the second solo champ to place only one player on the all-BIG EAST first team, joining the 2002 Irish squad. It also marked only the second time that an outright champion had fewer than four players gain all-league accolades since the BIG EAST began recognizing three teams in 1996. The other was the Irish squad in that initial year, which also had just three selec-

BREWSTER ONE OF THE TOP ALL-AROUND DEFENSIVE PLAYERS IN DIVISION I: Although she is also one of Notre Dame's top offensive weapons, junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) has established herself as easily the top defensive middle blocker/hitter in the BIG EAST Conference and one of the best in the country. In fact, Brewster is one of only two players in the country to be averaging over 1.50 blocks (1.52) and 1.50 digs (2.15) per game. The other is Texas A&M's Melissa Munsch (1.67 blocks, 3.09 digs), a second-team All-American in 2003. Brewster also is the only player in the BIG EAST to be averaging more than 1.00 blocks and 1.00 digs per game. She is by far the best in the conference in combined block and dig average, at 3.65. Georgetown's Sara Albert is next at 2.29 (1.42 blocks, 0.87 digs), and West Virginia's Alison Zemanski ranks third at 2.19 (1.46 blocks, 0.73 digs). BIG EAST Player of the Year Megan Miller of Pittsburgh, the top offensive middle in the league, has a combined block-dig average of 1.63 per game (0.89 blocks, 0.74 digs).

HENICAN JUST 26 AWAY FROM BREAKING SEASON DIGS RECORD: Junior captain L Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) is in the midst of the most impressive defensive season ever for an Irish player. She has 475 digs in 2004, putting her just 26 from breaking the Notre Dame record of 500 by Christy Peters in 1993. Her average of 4.90 per game is on pace to shatter Peters' program-best mark of 4.10 from that season. Henican has had 20+ digs 11 times, including in each of the last five matches. She set a school record for digs in any-length match with 37 against Seton Hall on Oct. 10, and she has had 24+ digs in three-game affairs five times.

BREWSTER, IRISH CONTINUE DOMINANT BLOCKING: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and Notre Dame's blocking game have once again been a key to Notre Dame's success. After leading the nation in team blocking (3.72) in 2003 -- thanks largely to Brewster being tops in Division I in individual blocking (1.78) -- the Irish are tops in the BIG EAST and eighth nationally in blocking this season, with an average of 3.32 per game. Brewster is 25th individually with an average of 1.52. Notre Dame is more than one-half block per game better than the rest of the conference, as St. John's ranks second in the BIG EAST with an average of 2.76.

BREWSTER BECOMING THE TOTAL PACKAGE: After a 2003 campaign in which she led the

# 2004 Notre Dame Leaders

(as of 11/25)
<u>Kills</u>
Lauren Brewster
Lauren Kelbley323 (3.76)
Emily Loomis
Hitting %
Lauren Brewster
Lauren Kelbley
Kelly Burrell250
<u>Assists</u>
Ashley Tarutis
Kelly Burrell
Adrianna Stasiuk
<u>Digs</u>
Meg Henican
Adrianna Stasiuk
Ashley Tarutis
<u>Blocks</u>
Lauren Brewster
Emily Loomis
Carolyn Cooper
Service Aces
Adrianna Stasiuk
Lauren Kelbley
Ashley Tarutis
Service Ace-to-Error Ratio
Lauren Brewster
Lauren Kelbley0.85 (28 A, 33 E)
Ashley Tarutis0.79 (26 A, 33 E)
Service Percentage
Danielle Hemdon
Ashley Tarutis930 (438-471)
Lauren Brewster
<u>Points</u>
Lauren Brewster
Lauren Kelbley
Adrianna Stasiuk
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# **NCAA Automatic Qualifiers**

America East: Albany (#49) ACC: Maryland (#60)

Atlantic Sun: Jacksonville (#179) Atlantic-10: Dayton (#99) BIG EAST: Notre Dame (#18) Big Sky: Sacramento State (#75)

Big South: Winthrop (#48)

Big Ten: Penn St. or Minnesota or Ohio St.

Big XII: Nebraska (#2/2)

Big West: UC Santa Barbara (#17/13)

Colonial: Towson (#56)

Conference USA: Louisville (#20/27)

Horizon: Loyola Chicago (#91)

Ivy: Yale (#101)

Metro Atlantic: Iona (#194) Mid-American: Ohio (#26/20) Mid-Continent: Valparaiso (#51) Mid-Eastern: Florida A&M (#22/61)

Missouri Valley: tournament this weekend Mountain West: Colorado State (#9/21)

Northeast: Long Island (#121) Ohio Valley: Eastern Kentucky (#71) Pac-10: Washington or USC or Stanford

Patriot: American (#64) SEC: Tennessee (#10/7) Southern: Charleston (#52) Southland: Texas State (#40) SWAC: Alabama A&M (#147) Sun Belt: New Mexico State (#78)

West Coast: San Diego (#9) WAC: Hawai'i (#1/1)

Note: Numbers in parentheses are AVCA/RKPI rankings. 2004 Notre Dame opponents in bold.

# Notre Dame in 2004 ...

(2003 records in parentheses)

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BIG EAST in hitting percentage and blocks and was tops in Division I in the latter category en route to being a first-team all-conference and all-region selection, as well as an honorable mention AVCA All-American, junior MB **Lauren Brewster** (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) has followed that up with a 2004 season in which she has become a more complete player. While still averaging about 3.60 kills and over 1.50 blocks a game on .310+ hitting, her third collegiate season has seen Brewster's defensive and serving production rise. In 2003, she rarely played when her position rotated into the back row, instead subbing out for the libero or a defensive specialist. But in '04, Brewster's increased defensive skills have earned her more back-row time, which has translated into more than a 300% increase in her digging. Brewster is one of four Irish players averaging over 2.00 digs per game in 2004, coming in with 2.15, after she averaged only 0.68 as a sophomore. In her first two seasons combined, Brewster accumulated 130 total digs and her career high was seven, but she has 209 in 26 matches in '04, including 12 matches over her previous career-best total. Her serving also has improved in both consistency and potency. She has 25 aces this season for an average of 0.286 per game that is fourth on the team. Brewster has committed just 28 errors for a team-best ace-to-error ratio of 0.89. In 2003, she turned in 27 aces, while making 42 errors for a ratio of just 0.64.

BREWSTER, KELBLEY LEAD MAJOR IRISH PRESENCE IN BIG EAST LEADERS: Juniors MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and OH Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio/Hopewell-Loudon H.S.) are leading an Irish contingent that has representatives among the top 10 in all of the 14 official statistical categories. Brewster and Kelbley are the only two players in the league listed in the top 10 in three different categories in both overall and conference action. In league action, Brewster finished first in blocks (1.66), second in hitting percentage (.326), and sixth in points (4.75), while Kelbley was fifth in points (4.77), eighth in hitting percentage (.278), and 10th in kills (3.92). In overall action, Brewster is first in blocks (1.52), fourth in points (4.80), and sixth in hitting percentage (.312), while Kelbley is sixth in aces (0.33), seventh in points (4.49), and seventh in kills (3.76).

BREWSTER-LED IRISH SNAP #14 UTAH'S SCHOOL-RECORD WINNING STREAK: Behind 18 kills on .567 hitting from junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.), Notre Dame swept #14 Utah on Oct. 19 in Salt Lake City to snap the Utes' 12-match winning streak, which was the longest in school history, and deal them a home loss for the first time in more than a year. The Utes had not lost since Sept. 7 and were riding a winning streak that had featured victories against both #6 UCLA and #7 Colorado State. The Irish win snapped Utah's 13-match home winning streak and marked its first home defeat since a 3-1 decision against Colorado State on Sept. 27, 2003. Notre Dame beat a ranked team in three games for the first time since 1995, when the seventh-ranked Irish topped #15 Colorado by 3-0 scores on back-to-back nights in the Joyce Center on Sept. 23 and 24. It was just the second time in school history -- in addition to beating #21 Hawai'i on Oct. 22, 1992 -- that the Irish beat a ranked team in three games on their home court.

BREWSTER CRANKS CAREER-HIGH 27 KILLS vs. NORTHERN IOWA: In picking up the slack for the injured Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio/Hopewell-Loudon H.S.), junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) slammed a career-best 27 kills on Nov. 16 against Northern Iowa. She did it on a career-high 55 swings for a .273 hitting percentage, while flirting with a triple-double (nine digs, eight blocks). Brewster's kill total was the most for an Irish player since Christi Girton had 31 vs. Connecticut in 2000.

HENICAN, IRISH CONTINUE REIGN AS BIG EAST'S TOP DEFENSE: Notre Dame's defense, led by junior captain L Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.), established itself as the finest in the BIG EAST Conference for the sixth consecutive season. Since the league began tracking opponent hitting percentage in 1999, the Irish have finished first in the category all five years. This season, Notre Dame holds a hefty advantage heading into the final weekend, as the Irish allowed BIG EAST foes to manage a hitting mark of only .134. The next-best performance was .174 by Syracuse.

IRISH WELL-REPRESENTED IN BIG EAST WEEKLY AWARDS: Notre Dame players have regularly been recognized by the conference office this season, as Irish competitors have garnered a total of six weekly honors, including one in four consecutiv weeks from Oct. 11-Nov. 1. Notre Dame is the only school to have multiple players -- juniors MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and L Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) -- be named the BIG EAST Player of the Week, and also stands as the lone institution to have three different student-athletes earn weekly honors, as OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, III./Maine South H.S.) was the league's rookie of the week on Oct. 11 and 18. Brewster was a three-time player of the week.

**LOOMIS SEVENTH IN CAREER KILLS:** Senior OH **Emily Loomis** (Fort Wayne, Ind./Bishop Luers H.S.), who ranks in the top 10 in program history in 11 different categories, heads into this weekend with 1,262 kills and ranking seventh on the all-time list. Next up on that list for Loomis is 2000 graduate **Christi Girton**, who had 1,286 kills.

**HENICAN SIXTH IN CAREER DIGS:** Junior captain L **Meg Henican** (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.), who will likely break the Notre Dame records for digs in a season this weekend, already stands sixth on the Irish career digs list, with 1,077. Next up is two-time BIG EAST Player of the Year **Jaimie Lee** (1994-97), with 1,142.

HENICAN, STASIUK ANCHOR STELLAR SERVE-RECEIVING UNIT: Notre Dame's servereceiving unit, which is anchored by junior captain L Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) and freshman OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, III./Maine South H.S.), has proven to be one of the best in Irish history. Opponents are averaging just 0.98 service aces per game in 2004, an average that trails only the number posted by last year's squad, which also was led by Henican. In 2003, opponents averaged just 0.94 aces per game. Stasiuk has made just 41 receiving errors this season, or one in every 2.37 games. Henican has been even more solid, committing only 30 reception errors, an average of one in every 3.23 games. Only five times in 26 matches this season has Henican made multiple reception errors.

HENICAN'S 37 DIGS BREAK 12-YEAR-OLD SCHOOL RECORD: Irish junior libero and captain Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) broke the 12-year-old school record for most digs in any-length match by registering 37 in a four-game affair at Seton Hall on Oct. 10. Henican dug just four Pirate attack attempts in the first game, but then scrambled for a dozen in game two, 11 in the third game, and 10 in the final frame to end up with a total 11 better than her previous career high (26 vs. Sacramento State in the Cal Poly Invitational on Sept. 11). Her performance - an average of 9.25 digs per game - broke the school record of 36 digs, done by Christy Peters on Sept. 5, 1992, against Kentucky in a five-game match. The previous Irish record for digs in a four-game match was 35 by Jessica Fiebelkorn, set that same month, on Sept. 18, 1992, at Purdue. No player had managed even 30 digs in any-length match since a 31-dig performance by Peters in 1993 at Arizona State.

BREWSTER TABBED BIG EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK FOR SIXTH TIME: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) was named the BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week on Nov. 15 for the third time this season and sixth time in her career. She led the Irish to a pair of 3-0 wins that clinched their ninth BIG EAST regular-season title and was near-perfect on offense, making just two errors, while averaging 4.17 kills on .469 hitting to go with 3.17 digs, and 2.17 blocks. Brewster had 12 kills on 22 errorless swings for a .545 hitting mark vs. Pittsburgh, barely missing a triple-double by ending with 12 digs and eight blocks. She then had 13 kills on .407 hitting and seven digs against West Virginia.

Brewster's second honor came on Oct. 25 after helping Notre Dame to a pair of victories, including a sweep of #14 Utah on the Utes' home floor to snap their school-record 12-match winning streak. The Brentwood, Tenn., native was the catalyst of that upset, notching 18 kills on .567 hitting to lead Notre Dame to its third win against a top-15 foe in as many seasons. In three matches during the week, Brewster converted half of her attack attempts for kills, ending with 44 (4.00 per game) on a .409 hitting percentage. She added 22 digs, an average of 2.00 per game, and 10 blocks to go with 52.5 points (4.77).

On Sept. 13, Brewster gained the honor after helping Notre Dame go unbeaten to capture the championship of the Cal Poly-Best Western Royal Oak Invitational. Brewster, who was named the tournament's MVP, notched three double-doubles in four matches during the week, ending with 60 kills, an average of 3.75 per game, on a .336 hitting percentage. She also averaged 1.62 blocks (3 BS, 23 BA) and 2.56 digs (41 total) per game and had 78.5 points (4.91 per game).

Brewster is the only Irish player to be named the BIG EAST Player of the Week more than five times. She was one of only two players (also Pittsburgh middle hitter Megan Miller) to have been named the player of the week on multiple occasions in 2004.

HENICAN BECOMES JUST SECOND LIBERO TO BE NAMED BIG EAST PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Junior captain and libero Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) was named the BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week on Nov. 1 after helping Notre Dame to a pair of 3-0 road victories in league action over the weekend. Henican, just the second libero ever to win the award, averaged 6.33 digs per game - including 26 against Villanova on Sunday - in leading a defensive effort that held opponents to a .116 attack percentage. No libero had been named the BIG EAST Player of the Week since the inclusion of the position in the college game, beginning in 2002, until Allison Anderson of Boston College did so on Oct. 11 of this season.

BREWSTER, STASIUK NOTCH TRIPLE-DOUBLES vs. ILLINOIS STATE: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and freshman OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, III./Maine South H.S.) both notched triple-doubles in Notre Dame's five-game victory against Illinois State on Oct. 13. Stasiuk clinched hers in the third game and ended with 14 kills, 11 digs, and 11 blocks, while Brewster finished with 17 kills, 13 digs, and 11 blocks. It was the second time this season that a Division I team had multiple triple-doubles in the same match (Dartmouth's Kathryn Hirsch and Elise Krieger did it against Army on Sept. 17), but the accomplishment of dual triple-doubles that do not include assists is extremely rare. Since 2002, teams in Division I had featured multiple tripledoubles nine times, but none of the players involved in those sported 10+ blocks, as all of them checked in with double-digit assists. Of all the triple-doubles in Division I in 2004, only three previously had consisted of kills, digs, and blocks. Prior to Wednesday, no Irish player had registered a tripledouble since Dec. 4, 1998, when a pair of Notre Dame competitors also accomplished the feat. In that match, a four-game, NCAA first-round win over Eastern Washington, Kristy Kreher, then just a rookie, had 24 kills on .541 hitting to go with 14 digs and 14 assists, while senior Lindsay Treadwell registered 11 kills, 16 digs, and 10 blocks.

# Irish Opponents

(as of 11/21)

Wins #19/31 Utah (23-5, 13-1 Mountain West), 3-0 #39 Pittsburgh (21-8, 8-2 BIG EAST), 3-0 #39 Pittsburgh (21-8, 8-2 BIG EAST), 3-0 #58 Michigan State (12-14, 7-11 Big Ten), 3-1 #73 Rutgers (16-10, 4-6 BIG EAST), 3-0 #74 Illinois St. (21-8, 13-5 Missouri Valley), 3-2 #75 Sacramento St. (25-7, 11-3 Big Sky), 3-0 #80 Boston College (20-12, 6-4 BIG EAST), 3-1 #84 Connecticut (17-11, 6-4 BIG EAST), 3-1 #85 Syracuse (25-7, 8-2 BIG EAST), 3-0 #89 Fresno State (15-13, 6-7 WAC), 3-2 #91 Loyola Chicago (22-8, 10-4 Horizon), 3-1 #110 Georgetown (17-12, 4-6 BIG EAST), 3-0 #123 St. John's (15-14, 1-9 BIG EAST), 3-0 #128 West Virginia (18-13, 4-6 BIG EAST), 3-0 #143 Villanova (9-18, 3-7 BIG EAST), 3-0 #198 Seton Hall (9-23, 2-8 BIG EAST), 3-1 #200 Cal Poly (5-22, 3-15 Big West), 3-0 Losses #2/2 Nebraska (25-1, 18-0 Big 12), 3-2 #2/2 Nebraska (25-1, 18-0 Big 12), 3-0 #36 Michigan (19-10, 9-9 Big Ten), 3-1 #51 Valparaiso (29-4, 14-0 Mid-Con.), 3-2 #59 Northern Iowa (22-9, 13-5 Mo. Valley), 3-2 #68 South Carolina (12-14, 5-11 SEC), 3-1 #80 Boston College (20-12, 6-4 BIG EAST), 3-0 #97 BYU (18-11, 10-6 Mountain West), 3-2 Remaining Matches #30/25 Long Beach St. (21-5, 13-5 Big West) #43 UC Irvine (17-8, 10-6 Big West) Notes: ND match score follows each team's record.

# Top '04 Performances vs. ND

Rankings are AVCA poll (below #25 unofficial)/Rich

Kern Percentage Index (RKPI). Notre Dame is 18th

20+ Kills

in the RKPI.

26, Jennifer Gandolph, Michigan

24, Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh

23, Nichol Amberg, Loyola Chicago

21, Laura Rowen, Northern Iowa

20, Sarah Pavan, Nebraska (9/4)

20, Rachael Tink, Northern Iowa

.500+ Hitting (5+ kills)

.722 (14-1-18), Sara Albert, Georgetown

.688 (11-0-16), Dani Mancuso, Nebraska (9/4)

.562 (11-2-16), Melissa Elmer, Nebraska (9/3) .529 (10-1-17), Melissa Whaley, Pittsburgh (BE)

.500 (12-2-20), Lauren Ford, South Carolina

.500 (9-1-16), Kelsey Johnson, Boston Coll.

20+ Digs

29, Sara Silcox, Valparaiso

25, Jessi Novak, Valparaiso

23, Megan McGrane, Pittsburgh (BE)

22, Allison Anderson, Boston Čollege (BE)

21, Allison Anderson, Boston College

20, Nichol Amberg, Loyola Chicago

20, Christianna Reneau, Fresno State

20, Jessie Janik, Illinois State

20, Diana Andreyko, Pittsburgh (BE)

60+ Assists

74, Erin Hirsch, Northern Iowa

66, Lisa Gamalski, Michigan

64, Dani Busboom, Nebraska (9/4)

62, Lauren Richards, Brigham Young

61, Katie Bova, Valparaiso

10+ Blocks

12, Lindsy Hartsock, Brigham Young

10, Trista Humpal, Northern Iowa

25+ Points

26.5, Jennifer Gandolph, Michigan

25.5, Nichol Amberg, Loyola Chicago

20-20 Matches

Nichol Amberg, Loyola Chicago (23 K, 20 D)

Note: No player has had 5+ aces or a triple-double against

Notre Dame this season.

#### Irish Record Book INDIVIDUAL -- CAREER Percentage of Matches Played Janelle Karlan ('90-93) ......(145-145) 1.000 Jenny Birkner (93-96) ......(140-140) 1.000 Lauren Brewster ......(88-88) 1.000 1. Lindsay Treadwell (95-98) ......(132-133) .992 6. Emily Loomis .....(115-116) .991 Percentage of Games Played 1. 3. Lauren Brewster ......(305-319) .956 6. Janelle Karlan (1990-93) . . . . . . . . (491-529) . . . . . . . . 5. 6. Kill Average 6. 10. Lauren Brewster ........(9/4-10/24/04) 15 Matches With Team-High Kills Emily Loomis 35 Marilyn Cragin (1989-92) 35 Jessica Fiebelkom (1989-92) 35 11. Matches With 10+ Kills Christy Peters (1991-94) ......80 Lauren Kelbley .......59 8. 9 M.K. Waller (1985-88)/C. Girton (1997-2000) ...52 Matches With 20+ Kills 8. Kathy Cunningham (1985-88) . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6 8. 8. Emily Loomis ......6 Attack Attempts 3. 5. Hitting Percentage Lauren Brewster .......316 3 5. 6. <u>Assists</u> 8. 9. 8. 10. Lauren Brewster .................................0.243 <u>Digs</u> 6. Dig Average (min. 500 digs) 3. Solo Blocks 6. Lauren Brewster .......69 Total Blocks 8. Block Average Lauren Brewster 1.66 Mary Leffers (1996-99) 1.45 Jennifer Rouse (1993-96) 1.11 3.

TARUTIS, BURRELL HELP IRISH LEAD BIG EAST IN HITTING: For the sixth consecutive season and eighth time in 10 years, Notre Dame finished first in team hitting percentage in BIG EAST matches, with a .254 mark, thanks in large part to freshman S Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Calif./Los Alamitos H.S.) and junior S Kelly Burrell (Phoenix, Ariz./Xavier College Prep School).

BROWN NOTCHES 450TH CAREER VICTORY IN UPSET OF #14 UTAH: Notre Dame head coach Debbie Brown, in her 20th year as a collegiate head coach, claimed her 450th career victory when the Irish upset #14 Utah 3-0 in Salt Lake City on Oct. 19. Brown, who sports a 458-200 (.695) joined an elite club of just 31 active Division I coaches who have registered 450+ victories as head coaches. Only three coaches in that group (Alabama's Judy Green-19th, Arkansas' Chris Poole-19th, Florida's Mary Wise-18th) have coached for fewer seasons than Brown. The 14th-year Irish mentor (after six seasons at Arizona State) came into the season ranking 22nd among active Division I coaches in winning percentage.

BREWSTER POSTS MATCH HIGHS IN FIVE CATEGORIES IN LEADING ND OVER MICHIGAN STATE: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) had one of the best all-around performances of her career, leading all players in the match in five different statistical categories in helping Notre Dame to its first win against Michigan State since 1994 on Sept. 17 in the Gamecock Invitational. Brewster had match highs in kills (17), hitting percentage (.500), service aces (4), blocks (4), and points (23). She made just two attack errors and no service errors in setting a career high for service aces. Brewster also was third on the Irish with nine digs.

BREWSTER'S SIX ACES BEST FOR IRISH PLAYER SINCE 1995: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) turned in the best serving performance of her career against South Carolina on Sept. 19 in the championship match of the Gamecock Invitational. She finished with six service aces, including four on a single rotation in game three to set her career high for the second match in a row (4 vs. Michigan State on Sept. 17). Her performance marked the best serving performance by an Irish player since Angie Harris had a school-record nine aces on Oct. 20, 1995, against Syracuse. Brewster's total - which was further accentuated by her having only one service error - is tied for the second-highest mark ever by an Irish player in a four-game match. In the two matches of the Gamecock Invitational, she had 10 aces and only one error.

KELBLEY BECOMES FIRST ND PLAYER IN NEARLY FOUR YEARS TO NOTCH 25+ KILLS: Junior OH Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio/Hopewell-Loudon H.S.) had a career-best 25 kills on Oct. 10 at Seton Hall. She took the lion's share of swings, ending with just eight attack errors on a career-high 56 attempts for a .304 percentage and 26 points. Kelbley started slowly, converting 10 attempts into only three kills in the first game. But she rebounded to have eight kills on .353 hitting in the following frame and then notch seven kills apiece in each of the final two games, hitting better than .305 on both occasions. It marked the second time in four matches that Kelbley set her career high (after tying it once earlier this season). She had 24 kills at Michigan on Sept. 28 to better her previous best output by two. It also was the most kills for an Irish player since Oct. 29, 2000, when Christi Girton notched 31 in a five-game victory at Connecticut.

STASIUK REPEATS AS BIG EAST ROOKIE OF THE WEEK: Freshman OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Ill./Maine South H.S.) became the first Irish player ever to be named the BIG EAST Conference Rookie of the Week in consecutive weeks. She was first honored on Oct. 11 after helping Notre Dame to a pair of conference victories on the road against Rutgers and Seton Hall. The Park Ridge, Ill., native averaged 3.43 kills per game on a .302 hitting mark, while contributing 3.29 digs to an Irish defense that held its opponents to an attack percentage of only .166. The opposite won the Oct. 18 award after becoming the first Irish student-athlete since 1998 to register a triple-double, as she finished with 14 kills, 11 digs, and a collegiate-high 11 blocks in Notre Dame's five-game victory over Illinois State, the lone Irish match of the week. She clinched the triple-double in the third game and added a pair of service aces, including one to end the marathon second game (34-32). She matched her season high with 21.5 points and more than doubled her previous collegiate high in blocks, which was five.

STASIUK ONE ASSIST SHY OF TRIPLE-DOUBLE vs. VALPO: Rookie OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Ill./Maine South H.S.) nearly registered a triple-double on Sept. 7 in the five-game match against Valparaiso. She finished with a season-high 16 kills (on .342 hitting) to go with 15 digs and nine assists in Notre Dame's loss to the Crusaders. Stasiuk also had a pair of service aces and was in on five blocks for a total of 21.5 points. She has started every match for the Irish in `04 and ranks among the team's top three in every statistical category.

BREWSTER'S STREAK OF MATCHES WITH 11+ KILLS ENDS AT 15: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) managed only nine kills on Oct. 30 at Georgetown, which ended her streak of consecutive matches with double-digit kills at 15. It stands as the fourth-longest streak of matches with 10+ kills in Irish history.

BREWSTER BOASTING A TRIO OF und.com PRIMETIME PERFORMANCES: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) currently holds the distinction of being the only Notre Dame student-athlete to have already been honored three times in the inaugural season of und.com Primetime Performances, which recognize the top few performances by Irish student-ath-

letes each week. Brewster initially earned the honor -- along with freshman OPP **Adrianna Stasiuk** (Park Ridge, III./Maine South H.S.) -- on Oct. 18 after both players notched triple-doubles (the first for Notre Dame since 1998) against Illinois State. Brewster gained the honor again on Oct. 25 after a week in which she had 18 kills on .567 hitting in helping Notre Dame to a 3-0 upset of #14 Utah on the Utes' home floor. She then was tabbed again on Nov. 22 after being named the tournament MVP in helping the Irish to their eighth BIG EAST Championship title. Junior L **Meg Henican** (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.) was recognized on Nov. 15 after averaging 8.17 digs in helping Notre Dame to sweeps of Pittsburgh and West Virginia en route to the BIG EAST regular-season title.

IRISH UPSET A TOP-15 FOE FOR THIRD STRAIGHT SEASON: Notre Dame's 3-0 upset of #14 Utah in Salt Lake City on Oct. 19 marked the third consecutive season that Notre Dame has upset a top-15 squad. Last year, the Irish notched a four-game win in a neutral-site match against #10 Arizona, and the '02 team beat #10 Pepperdine 3-2 in the final of the Golden Dome Invitational.

**STASIUK FLIRTS WITH SCHOOL HITTING RECORD vs. ST. JOHN'S:** Freshman OPP **Adrianna Stasiuk** (Park Ridge, Ill./Maine South H.S.) was extremely efficient in the 3-0 win against St. John's on Sunday, ending up with 11 kills on just 14 swings for a .643 attack percentage. For a time, she was challenging the school record for hitting in a match (.923 by Mary Kay Waller vs. DePaul in 1986), as she finished game two with 11 kills and no errors on 12 attempts, a mark of .917. She then was blocked and committed an error on her only two swings in the final game. Stasiuk's hitting mark was a collegiate high for her, besting her previous high (.458 vs. Sacramento State) by nearly .200. It also stands as the second-best hitting mark by any Notre Dame player in '04.

**NOTRE DAME WINS FIVE STRAIGHT FOR 14TH CONSECUTIVE SEASON:** Notre Dame won five matches in a row from Oct. 2-19, defeating Syracuse, Rutgers, Seton Hall, Illinois State, and #14 Utah. This is the 14th consecutive season -- a span that covers every year since head coach Debbie Brown took over the program -- in which the Irish have had a winning streak of at least five matches.

TV STARS: The Oct. 20 match against Brigham Young was televised live by BYU Television, marking the third time in an eight-match span that the Irish were on TV. It also was the fourth time in less than a year that Notre Dame has been televised. Most recently, the Sept. 28 match between Notre Dame and Michigan was televised by Comcast Sports Local and shown on a tape-delayed basis in southeast Michigan. That was the second time in as many matches that the Irish were featured on television, as the championship match of the Gamecock Invitational, in which South Carolina claimed a 3-1 victory, was shown nationally by College Sports Television (CSTV) as part of its "Sunday Night Spikes" national match-of-the-week package. This week also marks the fourth the third time in the last 23 matches that Notre Dame has been televised, as the Irish beat then-league rival Miami in three games late last season in a match that was part of CSTV's inaugural "Sunday Night Spikes" series.

BREWSTER TABBED CAL POLY INVITE MVP, KELBLEY ON ALL-TOURNEY TEAM: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) was tabbed the tournament MVP for helping Notre Dame to the championship of the Cal Poly-Best Western Royal Oak Invitational, while fellow junior OH Lauren Kelbley (Bascom, Ohio/Hopewell-Loudon H.S.) gained mention on the all-tournament team. Brewster finished the three-match Cal Poly Invite with 42 kills, an average of 3.82 per game, on a tournament-high .372 hitting percentage. She also was in on 18 blocks (1.64) and scrambled for 28 digs (2.55), while serving up four aces (0.36). She was in the tournament leaders in four categories, ending up first in hitting percentage, second in blocks, fourth in kills (the only non-OH in the top six), and fifth in aces. Kelbley led all players in the event in both kill average (44/4.00) and ace average (7/0.64), while ranking behind only two of her teammates with a .265 hitting percentage. She also added 10 blocks (0.91).

BREWSTER, TARUTIS EARN GAMECOCK INVITATIONAL ALL-TOURNAMENT HONORS: Junior MB Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.) and freshman S Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Calif./Los Alamitos H.S.) were named to the all-tournament team after helping Notre Dame to a runner-up finish in the Gamecock Invitational. Brewster finished with 3.75 kills on .365 hitting to go with 1.25 service aces, 2.62 digs, 0.88 blocks, and 5.44 points per game. She led all players in five statistical categories on Friday vs. Michigan State and then turned in the top serving performance for an Irish player since 1995 by notching six aces vs. the tournament host. For the tournament, Brewster had 10 aces -- four on a single rotation in the third game against USC -- and only one service error in 47 times serving. Tarutis ended up with 10.00 assists per game in helping the Irish hit .212 for the tournament, and she added 1.75 digs and 0.38 aces. Against MSU, the rookie led Notre Dame to a .289 hitting mark that was its second-highest of the season and its best in a match longer than three games since Nov. 7, 2003.

IRISH CHAMPIONS AGAIN: Notre Dame dropped just two games in claiming the title at the Cal Poly-Best Western Invitational, Sept. 10-11. It meant that 2004 is the fifth consecutive season in which the Irish have captured at least one in-season tournament championship. In 2003, Notre Dame won both the Longhorn Classic in Austin, Texas, and its own Shamrock Invitational. The Irish also won the Shamrock Invitational from 2000-02 and were the champions of the 2000 Lady Seminole Classic in Tallahassess. Fla., and the `02 Golden Dome Invitational at home.

IRISH MATCH FOUR-GAME SCHOOL RECORD WITH 15 ACES VS. GAMECOCKS: Despite

# Irish Record Book

	INDIVIDUAL SEASON Percentage of Games Played
1.	10 players
1. 1.	Lauren Brewster
1.	Meg Henican(97-97) 1.000
1.	Ashley Tarutis(97-97) 1.000
10	Kill Average
10.	Mary Kay Waller (1988)
	Matches With Team-High Kills
9.	Angie Harris (1994)
9.	Mary Kay Waller (1986)
_	Lauren Brewster12
	Matches With 10+ Kills
10.	Three players
_	Lauren Brewster
	Matches With 20+ Kills
3.	J. Lee ('97)/A. Harris ('95)/A. Turner ('89) 6
<b>6.</b> 6.	<b>Lauren Kelbley</b>
0.	Hitting Percentage
10.	Marilyn Cragin (1991)
-	Lauren Brewster312 Service Aces
10.	Angie Harris (1996)
10.	Kristen Kinder (2001)
-	Adrianna Stasiuk
9.	Ace Average Mary Kay Waller (1988)
10.	Adrianna Stasiuk0.3711
11.	Jennifer Slosar (1989)
1.	Digs Christy Peters (1993)
2.	Meg Henican475
	Dig Average
<b>1.</b> 2.	Meg Henican         .4.90           Christy Peters (1993)         .4.10
۷.	Combined Digs
3.	Jessica Fiebelkorn/Christy Peters ('91)813
<b>4.</b> 4.	Meg Henican/Adrianna Stasiuk773 Meg Henican/Jessica Kinder (2003)773
٦.	Block Average
8.	Mary Kay Waller (1986)
<b>9.</b> 10.	Lauren Brewster         1.52           Malinda Goralski (2000)         1.47
10.	Maiii ua Goraiski (2000)
	TEAM SEASON
_	Record on Opponent's Court
5. <b>–</b>	1986(13-4) .765 <b>2004(8-3) .727</b>
	Five-Game Matches
4.	1993, 1998
_	2004
3.	1988
4.	1998
-	2004
3.	1994
4.	2004
5.	1999
5.	<u>Service Ace-to-Error Ratio</u> 1990
_	2004
4	Dig Average
4. <b>5.</b>	1994
6.	1985
_	Block Average
5. <b>–</b>	2001
	Low Opponent Ace Average
1.	2003
<b>2.</b> 3.	<b>2004</b>
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losing, Notre Dame served up 15 aces against South Carolina in the title match of the Gamecock Invitational. That sum matched the school record for aces in a four-game match. Notre Dame previously posted 15 aces on Oct, 14, 1994 at Texas and on Sept. 9, 1995 against Kentucky in Bloomington, Ind. In addition to a team-leading six aces from Lauren Brewster (Brentwood, Tenn./Brentwood H.S.), the Irish also got three aces from junior captain L Meg Henican (New Orleans, La./Isidore Newman H.S.), and two each from freshman S Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Calif./Los Alamitos H.S.), sophomore DS Danielle Herndon (Plant City, Fla./Durant H.S.), and freshman OPP Adrianna Stasiuk (Park Ridge, Ill./Maine South H.S.). Notre Dame committed just eight service errors and finished with 26 aces (3.25 per game) and just 15 service errors in eight games of the tournament.

IRISH JUST MISS BIGGEST UPSET IN SCHOOL HISTORY: On Sept. 4, Notre Dame took a two-games-to-one lead against #2 Nebraska, but could not hold on, eventually losing 15-10 in the fifth game. The Huskers would have been the highest-ranked team ever to lose to the Irish, but their 1993 squad still holds that distinction, as Notre Dame upset #3 Nebraska in four games in the Golden Dome Invitational in the Joyce Center. Nonetheless, the five-game loss marked a significant improvement for the Irish against the nation's very best teams. Only once in 11 previous contests against squads ranked #1 or #2 had Notre Dame managed to win a game -- in a four-game loss to #2 Florida in 1997 in the Joyce Center.

TARUTIS TURNS IN TERRIFIC TOTALS: Freshman S Ashley Tarutis (Long Beach, Calif./Los Alamitos H.S.) made her first start on Sept. 4 vs. #2 Nebraska -- after playing only in the back row in the first two matches of the season -- and responded by nearly leading Notre Dame to its biggest victory (in terms of national rankings) in the program's history. She helped the Irish to hitting percentages over .425 in two games, as well as a .244 mark for the match. Tarutis finished with 51 assists and 14 digs, as well as six kills on .357 hitting. Her assist total was the most for an Irish freshman in a match since Denise Boylan had 73 on Dec. 13, 1997, against Wisconsin in the round of 16 of the NCAA Championship. Tarutis' six kills were the most for a Notre Dame freshman setter since Shannon Tuttle notched six against Bowling Green on Oct. 13, 1992.

**LET'S PLAY FIVE ... AGAIN:** Notre Dame has played six five-game matches during 2004, losing four of them. A trio of them came in a seven-day span, as for just the second time in the 25-year history of the program, Notre Dame played three consecutive five-game affairs. The Irish lost to #2 Nebraska in the Joyce Center on Sept. 4 (15-11 in the fifth) and then, four days later, fell 15-12 in the fifth to Valparaiso. On Sept. 10, Notre Dame defeated Fresno State (15-12 in the fifth) in the opening match of the Cal Poly-Best Western Royal Oak Invitational. The only previous streak of three straight five-game matches came from Nov. 16-24, 1991. The Irish also beat Illinois State (15-10 in the fifth) in five at home on Oct. 13, lost at Brigham Young (15-11 in the fifth) on Oct. 20, and fell at home vs. Northern Iowa (15-13 in the fifth) on Nov. 16.

HOME, SWEET HOME: Notre Dame's Joyce Center has become one of the most difficult places in the nation for road teams to win, especially since the arrival of head coach **Debbie Brown** in 1991. Over the last 13 years, Notre Dame has posted a 165-28 (.855) home record. The Irish have pieced together a variety of impressive winning streaks on their home floor, winning 14 or more in a row on five different occasions, highlighted by 27 consecutive home wins from 1993-95 and a program-best 36-match winning streak from 2000-02. Notre Dame had won 74 consecutive regular-season conference matches (58-0 vs. the BIG EAST) in the Joyce Center, with its last defeat coming in 1990, before a loss to Boston College on Nov. 7. The Irish, who have topped 13 ranked teams - including four top-10 squads - at home, also hold a 158-9 (.946) record against unranked teams in the Joyce Center, including a 52-match winning streak (1998-2002)

CLASS OF THE CONFERENCE: Notre Dame has experienced unprecedented success in the 10 years since joining the BIG EAST Conference in 1995. The Irish have compiled a 107-6 (.947) regular-season mark, highlighted by nine titles and winning streaks of 45 and 35 consecutive matches. Notre Dame is 61-1 (.984) in BIG EAST regular-season matches in the Joyce Center, and the Irish have won eight BIG EAST tournament championships, posting a 19-2 (.905) mark in the event and reaching the final every year. Notre Dame also has dominated the conference awards, winning player-of-the-year honors six times and the coach-of-the-year award on four occasions. In eighth instances, Irish players have been named the league tournament's most outstanding player. Also, Notre Dame student-athletes have garnered 35 all-conference accolades, including 21 first-team honors, which account for more than one-third of the first-team selections during the span.

KEEPING UP WITH ND VOLLEYBALL: For the fastest results of Notre Dame volleyball matches, call the Notre Dame sports hotline at (574) 631-3000 and choose #5 and #1. The hotline provides schedules and result information for all Irish varsity sports and serves as a supplement to the match recaps and weekly releases provided on the official athletics website at www.und.com. The hotline is the first medium updated with results of each Notre Dame volleyball match. Once again, www.und.com will be the best place for in-depth coverage of Irish volleyball. Live scoring of all home matches, as well as live internet broadcasts of six contests supplement the regular match previews and recaps. In addition, media members and fans may be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contacting assistant sports information director Bo Rottenborn at Rottenborn.2@nd.edu. All requests for story ideas, interview access, match credentials, and further information on Irish volleyball should similarly be directed to Rottenborn. Credential and interview requests should be made at least 24 hours in advance.

# Irish Double-Doubles Lauren Brewster -- Season: 8, Career: 14 18 kills, 13 digs ......Valparaiso 14 kills, 13 digs . . . . . . vs. Fresno St. 15 kills, 11 digs .....vs. Sac. St. 13 kills, 12 digs . . . . . . at S. Carolina 17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks ... Illinois State 14 kills, 11 digs . . . . . at BYU 12 kills, 12 digs . . . . . Pittsburgh 19 kills, 11 digs . . . . . . . . vs. B.C. (BE) Kelly Burrell -- Season: 0, Career: 2 Meg Henican -- Season: 2, Career: 4 10 kills, 20 digs . . . . . Loyola Chicago 11 kills, 15 digs .....#2 Nebraska (9/4) Emily Loomis -- Season: 2, Career: 14 18 kills, 11 blocks . . . . . . . . Illinois State 15 kills, 12 digs . . . . . . . . Northern Iowa Adrianna Stasiuk -- Season: 8 16 kills, 15 digs . . . . . . . . . . Valparaiso 15 kills, 11 digs . . . . . . vs. Fresno St. 14 kills, 17 digs . . . . . vs. Sac. St. 15 kills, 14 digs . . . . . . at Seton Hall 14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks ... Illinois State 13 kills, 13 digs . . . . . at BYU 13 kills, 18 digs ......Connecticut 10 kills, 14 digs . . . . . vs. Pitt (BE) Ashley Tarutis -- Season: 11 25 assists, 14 digs . . . . . Loyola Chicago 51 assists, 14 digs . . . . . . . #2 Nebraska 47 assists, 17 digs ......Valparaiso 49 assists, 18 digs .....vs. Fresno St. 37 assists, 10 digs .....vs. Sac. St. 51 assists, 17 digs . . . . . . . . Illinois State

# **NCAA** Leaders

44 assists, 11 digs ......Connecticut

41 assists, 10 digs .....Pittsburgh

25 assists, 10 digs . . . . . . . . Boston College

63 assists, 12 digs . . . . . . . Northern Iowa

53 assists, 12 digs . . . . . . . vs. B.C. (BE)

(as of 11/21)

INDIVIDUAL							
Hitting	g Percentage						
1. 3.	Maria Andonova, Florida A&M						
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1. 3.	Stacey Gordon, Ohio State						
Assis	te						
1.	Lindsey Laband, Georgia Tech15.32						
10.	Ashlie Hain, UC Irvine						
Block							
1.	Melissa Elmer, Nebraska						
25.	Lauren Brewster, Notre Dame1.52						
<b>Digs</b>	,						
1.	Beckey Dreher, Oral Roberts7.06						
<u>Aces</u>	•						
1.	Jana Milin, MdEastern Shore						
26.	Kelly Wing, UC Irvine						
	TEAM						
	g Percentage						
1.	Florida A&M						
13.	UC Irvine287						
<u>Kills</u>							
1.	Georgia Tech						
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	UC Irvine16.46						
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# Notre Dame Match-by-Match Leaders

at Pittsburgh (BE)	vs. Bost. Coll. (BE)	Northern Iowa	West Virginia	Pittsburgh	Boston College	Connecticut	at Villanova	at Georgetown	St. John's	at Brigham Young	at #14 Utah	Illinois State	at Seton Hall	at Rutgers	at Syracuse	at Michigan	at South Carolina	vs. Michigan State	at Cal Poly	vs. Sacramento St.	vs. Fresno State	Valparaiso	#2 Nebraska	#2 Nebraska	Loyola Chicago	Match
14-Kelbley (13)	20-Kelbley (12)	27-Brewster (12)	14-Cooper (1)	14-Kelbley (11)	11-Brew(11)/Heintzman(1)	16-Kelbley (10)	9-Loomis (2)	12-Kelbley (9)	12-Brewster (10)	14-Brewster (9)	18-Brewster (8)	20-Kelbley (8)	25-Kelbley (7)	13-Brewster (7)	11-Brewster (6)	24-Kelbley (6)	13-Brewster (5)	17-Brewster (4)	13-Brewster (3)	15-Kelbley (5)/Brewster (2)	17-Kelbley (4)	22-Kelbley (3)	18-Brewster (1)	10-Kelbley (2)	15-Loomis (1)/Kelbley (1)	Kills
.343-Kelbley (5)	.524-Cooper (4)	.273-Brewster (10)	.455-Cooper (3)	.545-Brewster (9)	.211-Cooper (2)	.714-Tarutis (1)	.250-Loo(4)/Brew(8	.429-Cooper (1)	.643-Stasiuk (3)	.333-Loomis (3)	.567-Brewster (7)	.318-Brewster (6)	.361-Loomis (2)	.500-Brewster (5)	.348-Brewster (4)	.404-Kelbley (4)	.273-Kelbley (3)	.500-Brewster (3)	.684-Brewster (2)	.458-Stasiuk (2)	.286-Stasiuk (1)	.365-Kelbley (2)	.452-Brewster (1)	.381-Kelbley (1)	.316-Loomis (1)	Pct. (min. 5 kills)
25-Henican (23) 7-Brewster (21)	20-Henican (22) 7-Brewster (20)	22-Henican (21) 8-Brewster (19)	24-Henican (20) 7-Cooper (6)	25-Henican (19) 8-Brewster (18)	15-Henican (18) 4-Brewster (17)	18-Stasiuk (2) 5-Brewster (16)	) 26-Henican (17) 5	12-Henican (16) 5-Brewster (14)	10-Henican (15) 6-Brewster (13)	15-Henican (14) 6-Cooper (4)	10-Henican (13) 6-Cooper (3)	17-Tarutis (1)	37-Henican (12) 5-Cooper (2)	10-Henican (11) 4-Brewster (11)	16-Henican (10)	19-Henican (9) 6-Brewster (9)	15-Henican (8)	15-Henican (7)	17-Henican (6)	26-Henican (5)	22-Henican (4)	20-Henican (3) 8	15-Henican (2)	12-Stasiuk (1)	22-Henican (1)	Digs I
<sup>7</sup> -Brewster (21)	<sup>7</sup> -Brewster (20)	3-Brewster (19)	7-Cooper (6)	3-Brewster (18)	1-Brewster (17)	5-Brewster (16)	.250-Loo(4)/Brew(8) 26-Henican (17) 5-Brew(15)/Coop(5)/Kelb(1) 26-Tarutis (19)	5-Brewster (14)	3-Brewster (13)	3-Cooper (4)	3-Cooper (3)	11-Brew(12)/Loom(3)/Stas(1)51-Tarutis (14)	5-Cooper (2)	1-Brewster (11)	16-Henican (10) 7-Brewster (10)/Cooper (1)	3-Brewster (9)	3-Brewster (8)	4-Brewster (7)	6-Brewster (6)	5-Brewster (5)	7-Brewster (4)/Loomis (2)	8-Brewster (3)	7-Brewster (2)	5-Loomis (1)	7-Brewster (1)	Blocks
34-Tarutis (26)	53-Tarutis (25)	63-Tarutis (24)	39-Tarutis (23)	41-Tarutis (22)	25-Tarutis (21)	44-Tarutis (20)	26-Tarutis (19)	31-Tarutis (18)	34-Tarutis (17)	38-Tarutis (16)	31-Tarutis (15)	)51-Tarutis (14)	46-Tarutis (13)	27-Tarutis (12)	25-Tarutis (11)	39-Tarutis (10)	36-Tarutis (9)	44-Tarutis (8)	29-Tarutis (7)	37-Tarutis (6)	49-Tarutis (5)	47-Tarutis (4)	51-Tarutis (3)	11-Burrell (1)/Tarutis (2	25-Tarutis (1)	Assists
1-Kelbley (11)	1-Tarutis (6)	1-Tarutis(5)/Stasiuk(10)/Brewster(9)	4-Tarutis (4)	2-Stasiuk (9)	1-Stasiuk (8)/Brewster (8)	2-Brewster (7)	2-Tarutis (3)	2-Kelbley (10)/Stasiuk (7)	2-Kelbley (9)/Tarutis (2)	3-Stasiuk (6)	2-Kelbley (8)/Stasiuk (5)	4-Kelbley (7)	2-Henican (4)/Stasiuk (4)	1-Kelb(6)/Tarutis(1)/Coop(1)/Hen(3)	2-Stasiuk (3)/Henican (2)	1-Loo(1)/Hen(1)/Kelb(5)/Brew(6)	6-Brewster (5)	4-Brewster (4)	4-Kelbley (4)	2-Kelbley (3)	3-Brewster (3)	2-Kelbley (2)/Stasiuk (2)	1-Brewster (2)	11-Burrell (1)/Tarutis (2) 2-Kelbley (1)/Brewster (1)	5-Stasiuk (1)	Aces
15-Kelbley (11)	22.5-Brewster (13)	32.5-Brewster (12)	18.5-Cooper (1)	17-Kelb(10)/Brew(11)	14-Brewster (10)	20-Kelbley (9)	11-Loomis (2)	15-Kelbley (8)	15.5-Brewster (9)	17-Stas(1)/Brew(8)	20-Brewster (7)	25-Kelb(7)/Loo(2)	26-Kelbley (6)	15-Brewster (6)	15.5-Brewster (5)	27-Kelbley (5)	20.5-Brewster (4)	23-Brewster (3)	18-Kelbley (4)	19.5-Kelbley (3)	21-Brewster (2)	27.5-Kelbley (2)	24.5-Brewster (1)	12-Kelbley (1)	20-Loomis (1)	Points

Note: Numbers in parentheses are number of times player has led Irish in that category this season.

# Season Highs & Lows In a Match

	In a Match											
Catego	ry	ND High	ND Low	Opp. High	Opp. Low	ND Ind. High	Opp. Ind. High					
Points	3G	90-11 times	64-Boston College	90-#2 Neb. & B.C.	53-St. John's	-	-					
Won	4G	116-at Seton Hall	103-at South Carolina	119-Michigan	85-Connecticut	_	-					
	5G	133-vs. Fresno State	112-#2 Nebraska	132-Northern Iowa	116-Fresno St.	_						
Kills	3G	59-vs. Sacramento St.	33-#2 Nebraska	53-Pittsburgh (BE)	32-Cal Poly	18-Brewster (#14 Utah)	24-Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh					
	4G	77-at Seton Hall	56-at South Carolina	80-Michigan	53-Connecticut	25-Kelbley (at Seton Hall)	26-Jennifer Gandolph, Michigan					
	5G	78-Northern Iowa	59-at BYU	86-Northern Iowa	66-Fresno State	27-Brewster (N. Iowa)	21-Laura Rowen, Northern Iowa					
Attack	3G	30-Boston College	12-at Georgetown	35-Villanova	10-Boston College	9-Brewster (#2 Nebraska)	12-Yankauskas (RU) & Semrau (VU)					
Errors	4G	32-at South Carolina	16-vs. Boston Coll. (BE)	30-Loyola Chicago	18-S. Carolina	9-Stasiuk (at S. Carolina)	9-twice					
	5G	39-Northern Iowa	26-#2 Nebraska	41-Fresno & Illinois St.	29-Valparaiso	12-Brewster (N. Iowa)	13-Pavan (Neb.) & Tink (UNI)					
TA	3G	151-at Pittsburgh (BE)	101-vs. Syr. & SJU	165-Pittsburgh	110-Georgetown	34-Loomis (Neb.)/Heintz (UC)	) 72-Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh					
	4G	181-at Michigan	142-vs. Michigan State	185-Loyola Chicago	146-S. Carolina	56-Kelbley (at Seton Hall)	64-Nichol Amberg, Loyola Chi.					
	5G	221-Valparaiso	168-#2 Nebraska	220-Northern Iowa	173-BYU	55-Loomis (ISU)/Brew (UNI)	63-Kristen Fenton, Fresno State					
Hit %	3G	.356-vs. St. John's	.039-#2 Nebraska	.305-Boston College	.007-Villanova	.684-Brewster (at Cal Poly)	.722-Sara Albert, Georgetown					
	4G	.339-vs. Boston College (BE)	.146-at S. Carolina	.295-South Carolina .162-Connecticut .1		.714-Tarutis (UConn)	.500-Lauren Ford, South Carolina					
	5G	.244-#2 Nebraska	.165-at BYU	.278-#2 Nebraska	.120-Fresno State	.452-Brewster (#2 NU)	.478-Lindsy Hartsock, BYU					
Asst.	3G	53-vs. Sac. St. & Pittsburgh	29-#2 Nebraska	52-Pittsburgh (BE)	26-Cal Poly	41-Tarutis (Pittsburgh)	39-Azadeh Boroumand, Pitt					
	4G	68-at Seton Hall	46-at South Carolina	79-Michigan	52-3x (MR: BC, BE)	53-Tarutis (vs. B.C., BE)	66-Lisa Gamalski, Michigan					
	5G	74-Northern Iowa	53-at BYU	81-Northern Iowa	65-Fresno State	63-Tarutis (Northern Iowa)	74-Erin Hirsch, Northern Iowa					
Aces	3G	10-at Cal Poly	1-at Pittsburgh (BE)	5-Boston College	0-Syr. & Pitt (BE)	4-Kelbley (CP)/Tarutis(WVU)	2-five times					
	4G	15-at South Carolina	1-vs. Boston Coll. (BE)	11-South Carolina	4-3x (MR: SHU)	6-Brewster (at S. Carolina)	4-twice					
	5G	8-vs. Fresno State & III. St.	1-#2 Nebraska	6-#2 Nebraska	2-Northern Iowa	4-Kelbley (Illinois State)	2-five times (MR: Kabbes, III. St.)					
Serve	3G	12-at Rutgers	2-Pittsburgh	10-#14 Utah	2-St. John's & Pitt	4-twice (MR: Tarutis, RU)	5-Lyndsey Henderson, Utah					
Errors	4G	15-at Seton Hall	5-Loyola Chicago	13-MSU & S. Car.	5-Loyola Chi.	5-Henican (at Seton Hall)	5-Katelyn Panzau, S. Carolina					
	5G	15-Illinois State	5-Northern Iowa	20-BYU	2-Northern Iowa	6-Stasiuk (Illinois State)	5-Sam Fong (FS) & Lott (BYU)					
Digs	3G	80-vs. Sacramento St.	38-at Rutgers	75-Pittsburgh (BE)	30-Rutgers	26-Henican (vs. Sac. St. & VU)	23-Dangerfield (UU) & McGrane (UP)					
	4G	79-Loyola Chicago	53-at South Carolina	80-Loyola & Mich.	53-Michigan St.	37-Henican (at Seton Hall)	22-Allison Anderson, B.C.					
	5G	91-Valparaiso	51-at BYU	102-Valparaiso	68-#2 Nebraska	22-Henican (FS & UNI)	29-Sara Silcox, Valparaiso					
Blocks	3G	16-at Syracuse	8-Boston College	14-Boston College	3-G'town & Pitt (BE)	8-Brewster (Pittsburgh)	9-Shardai Davis, Boston College					
	4G	14.5-Loyola Chicago	6-at South Carolina	14-South Carolina	5-Michigan	7-Brewster (Loyola & Pitt, BE)	7-twice					
	5G	25.5-Illinois State	12-#2 Nebraska & at BYU	J 16-BYU	7-Valpo & Fresno	11-Loom/Stasiuk/Brew (III. St.)	12-Lindsy Hartsock, BYU					
Points	3G	73-vs. Sacramento St.	47-#2 Nebraska	66-#2 Nebraska	39-Cal Poly	20-Brewster (#14 Utah)	24.5-Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh					
	4G	92-at Seton Hall	77-at South Carolina	91-Michigan	69-UConn & Pitt (BE)	27-Kelbley (at Michigan)	26.5-Jennifer Gandolph, Michigan					
	5G	108.5-Illinois State	77-at BYU	103-Northern Iowa	78-Fresno State	32.5-Brewster (N. Iowa)	23-Pavan (Neb.) & Lott (BYU)					
In a Game (fifth games not included in lows)												
Catego	ry	ND High	ND Low	Opp. High	Opp. Low	ND Ind. High	Opp. Ind. High					
Points W	lon	32-Illinois State (2nd)	14-Boston College (1st)	34-Illinois State (2nd)	14-Cal Poly (3rd)	_	_					
Kills		24-Northern Iowa (3rd)	7-#2 Neb. (9/3, 3rd)	23-Michigan (3rd)	7-Cal Poly (3), B.C. (2)	10-Kelb (SAC, 2)/Brew (NI, 3)	9-Amberg, (LUC, 3); Ullery (UP, 2)					
Attack En	rrors	12-West Virginia (2nd)	1-Valparaiso (4th)	13-3 times (MR: VU, 2nd	d) 1-Boston College (1st)	5-Kelbley (twice)	6-Kristen Conway, Syracuse (2nd)					

Category	ND High	ND Low	Opp. High	Opp. Low	ND Ind. High	Opp. Ind. High
Points Won	32-Illinois State (2nd)	14-Boston College (1st)	34-Illinois State (2nd)	14-Cal Poly (3rd)	-	-
Kills	24-Northern Iowa (3rd)	7-#2 Neb. (9/3, 3rd)	23-Michigan (3rd)	7-Cal Poly (3), B.C. (2)	10-Kelb (SAC, 2)/Brew (NI, 3)	9-Amberg, (LUC, 3); Ullery (UP, 2)
Attack Errors	12-West Virginia (2nd)	1-Valparaiso (4th)	13-3 times (MR: VU, 2nd)	1-Boston College (1st)	5-Kelbley (twice)	6-Kristen Conway, Syracuse (2nd)
Attack Attempts	60-vs. Boston Coll. (3rd, BE)	28-3 times (MR: CP 3rd)	60-Pittsburgh (2nd, BE)	28-Boston Coll. (1st)	20-Kelbley (Cal Poly, 2nd)	29-Gini Ullery, Pittsburgh (2nd)
Hitting %	.500-vs. Boston Coll. (2nd, BE	E)054-#2 Neb. (9/3, 3rd)	.464-Boston College (1st)	162-C. Poly (3rd)	1.000-Stasiuk (6k, SJU, 2nd)	1.000-Amber Davis, SHU (8k,2nd)
Assists	24-vs. Boston Coll. (3rd, BE)	5-#2 Nebraska (9/3, 3rd)	23-Michigan (3rd)	5-Cal Poly (3rd)	21-Tarutis (B.C., 3rd, BE)	20-Lisa Gamalski, Michigan (4th)
Aces	6-at South Carolina (3rd)	0-multiple times	5-S. Carolina (3rd)	0-multiple times	4-Brewster (S.C., 3rd)	3-Katie Bruzdzinski, Mich. (2nd)
Serve Errors	6-twice (MR: III. St., 2nd)	0-5 times (MR: UNI-1)	6-#14 Utah (1st)	0-multiple times	2-multiple times	3-Lyndsey Henderson, Utah (1st)
Digs	31-vs. Sac. St. (3rd)	7-vs. Michigan St. (1st)	31-Pittsburgh (2nd, BE)	8-MSU (1)/ WVU (3)	12-Henican (3 times)	12-Connie Dangerfield, Utah (3rd)
Blocks	9-Illinois State (3rd)	0-twice (MR: vs. BC-2)	9-Boston College (2nd)	0-multiple times	5-Brewster (4 times)	5-Hartsock, (BYU-); Davis (BC-2)
Points	31-Illinois State (2nd)	11-Boston College (1st)	26-BYU (4th)/UNI (4th)	9-Cal Poly (3) & VU (3)	11.5-Brewster (vs. BC, BE-2)	11.5-Nichol Amberg, Loyola (3rd)

# In Fifth Games

Category	ND High	ND Low	Opp. High	Opp. Low	ND Ind. High	Opp. Ind. High
Points Won	15-Fresno St. & Illinois St.	10-#2 Nebraska	15-4 times (MR: UNI)	10-Illinois State	_	_
Kills	10-Northern Iowa	6-at BYU	11-Northern Iowa	7-Neb. & FSU	4-Stasiuk (FSU) & Brew (ISU)	) 4-3 times
Attack Errors	6- Nebraska & Valpo	1-Illinois State	6-Illinois State	2-Neb. & Valpo	2-9 times	2-3 times
Attack Attempts	28-Valparaiso & N. Iowa	16-Illinois State	25-Northern Iowa	15-BYU	9-Kelbley (Valpo)/Loomis (NI)	11-Ashley Grubb, Illinois State
Hitting %	.438-Illinois State	.043-#2 Nebraska	.333-BYU	.087-Illinois State	1.000-Brewster (4 K, ISU)	1.000-Lindsy Hartsock, BYU (4 K)
Assists	10-Northern Iowa	4-at BYU	11-Northern Iowa	6-#2 Nebraska	9-Tarutis (Northern Iowa)	10-Erin Hirsch, Northern Iowa
Aces	1-Illinois State	0-5 times	1-BYU	0-5 times	1-Loomis (Illinois State)	1-Chelsea Goodman, BYU
Serve Errors	2-Nebraska & Fresno St.	0-3 times (MR: UNI)	2-3 times (MR: BYU)	0-Illinois St. & UNI	1-4 times	1-7 times
Digs	8-3 times (MR: UNI)	4-BYU	12-Northern Iowa	5-BYU	3-4 times	3-7 times
Blocks	4-Illinois State	0-#2 Nebraska	6-#2 Nebraska	0-3 times (MR: ISU)	2-4 times (MR: Cooper, UNI)	4-Lindsy Hartsock, BYU
Points	13-Illinois State	7-#2 Nebraska & at BYU	14-Northern Iowa	7-Fresno State	5-Brewster (Illinois State)	6-Lindsy Hartsock, BYU

# The Last Time...

#### Team

- ... Notre Dame lost the first game in a win 11/20/04, vs. Boston College (BIG EAST semis/Pittsburgh, PA)
- ... Notre Dame lost the first 2 games in a win 9/5/03, vs. Houston (@ Austin, TX) [lost 8 straight when losing first 2 games]
- ... Notre Dame was down 2-1 in a win 11/7/03, vs. Virginia Tech [lost 4 straight when down 2-1]
- ... Notre Dame won the first game in a loss 10/20/04, at Brigham Young [won 7 straight when winning first game]
- ... Notre Dame won the first 2 games in a loss 9/18/02, at Purdue [won 40 straight when winning first 2 games]
- ... Notre Dame was up 2-1 in a loss 11/16/04, vs. Northern Iowa [won once since then when leading 2-1]
- ... Notre Dame beat a ranked opponent 10/19/04, at #14 Utah (3-0)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-10 opponent 8/29/03, vs. #10 Arizona (3-1)
- ... Notre Dame beat a top-5 opponent 9/25/93, vs. #3 Nebraska (3-1)

#### Kills

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ kills 9/10/04, vs. Fresno State (W, 3-2/San Luis Obispo, CA), Lauren Kelbley (17), Adrianna Stasiuk (15), Lauren Brewster (14), Emily Loomis (12), Ellen Heintzman (10)
- ... 3 Notre Dame players had 15+ kills 11/16/04, vs. Northern Iowa (L, 2-3), Lauren Brewster (27), Emily Loomis (15), Adrianna Stasiuk (15)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills 11/20/04, vs. Boston College (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semis), Lauren Kelbley (20)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills with 0 errors 9/9/03, vs. Valparaiso (W, 3-0), Emily Loomis (24)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ kills 11/7/03, vs. Virginia Tech (W, 3-2), Lauren Kelbley (22), Lauren Brewster (22)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ kills 11/16/04, vs. Northern Iowa (L, 2-3), Lauren Brewster (27)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ kills 10/29/00, at Connecticut (W, 3-2), Christi Girton (31)
- ... no Notre Dame players had 10+ kills 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), leader: Emily Loomis (9)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ kills and 20+ digs 9/21/00, vs. Loyola Marymount (W, 3-1), Kristy Kreher (32 kills, 27 digs)
- ... a Notre Dame player had a triple-double 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (17 kills, 13 digs, 11 blocks) & Adrianna Stasiuk (14 kills, 11 digs, 11 blocks)

#### Digs

- ... 5 Notre Dame players had 10+ digs 10/4/03, at Connecticut (W, 3-1), Meg Henican (20), Jessica Kinder (19), Emily Loomis (17), Danielle Herndon (14), Kristen Kinder (10)
- ... 3 Notre Dame players had 15+ digs 9/7/04, vs. Valparaiso (L, 2-3), Meg Henican (20), Ashley Tarutis (17), Adrianna Stasiuk (15)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 20+ digs 11/21/04, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-0/BIG EAST final), Meg Henican (25)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ digs 12/7/02, vs. Charleston (W, 3-1/NCAA), Meg Henican (23) & Jessica Kinder (21)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 25+ digs 11/21/04, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-0/BIG EAST final), Meg Henican (25)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 30+ digs 10/10/04, at Seton Hall (W, 3-1), Meg Henican (37)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 35+ digs 10/10/04, at Seton Hall (W, 3-1), Meg Henican (37)
- ... Notre Dame had 100+ digs 11/14/01, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 108

#### **Blocks**

- ... a Notre Dame player had 10+ blocks 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (11), Emily Loomis (11), Adrianna Stasiuk (11), & Carolyn Cooper (10)
- ... multiple Notre Dame players had 10+ blocks 10/13/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), Lauren Brewster (11), Emily Loomis (11), Adrianna Stasiuk (11), & Carolyn Cooper (10)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 4+ solo blocks 10/19/04, at #14 Utah (W, 3-0), Carolyn Cooper (4)
- ... Notre Dame had 20+ blocks 10/14/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 25.5
- ... Notre Dame had 25+ blocks 10/14/04, vs. Illinois State (W, 3-2), 25.5
- ... Notre Dame had 30+ blocks 10/13/95, at Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), 32
- ... Notre Dame was outblocked & won 11/23/02, vs. Connecticut (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semifinals @ Pittsburgh), 9-10

#### Aces

- ... a Notre Dame player had 5+ aces 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 6+ aces 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), Lauren Brewster (6)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 7+ aces 10/20/95, vs. Syracuse (W, 3-0), Angie Harris (9)
- ... Notre Dame had 10+ aces 9/19/04, at South Carolina (L, 1-3), 15

#### **Hitting Percentage**

- ... a Notre Dame player hit .500+ (min. 4 attacks/game) 11/20/04, vs. Boston Coll. (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semis), Carolyn Cooper (11-0-21, .524)
- ... a Notre Dame player hit .600+ (min. 4 attacks/game) 10/24/04, vs. St. John's (W, 3-0), Adrianna Stasiuk (11-2-14, .643)
- ... a Notre Dame player hit .700+ (min. 4 attacks/game) 9/28/03, vs. Georgetown (W, 3-0), Lauren Kelbley (12-017, .706)
- ... Notre Dame hit over .400 as a team 10/10/03, vs. Seton Hall (W, 3-0), .436
- ... Notre Dame hit over .500 as a team 11/13/99, vs. Villanova (W, 3-0), .510
- ... Notre Dame hit .500+ as a team in a game 11/20/04, vs. Boston College (W, 3-1/BIG EAST semis @ Pitt), 2nd game (17-2-30, .500)
- ... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .300 as a team 11/7/04, vs. Boston College (L, 0-3), .305 (46-10-118)
- ... a Notre Dame opponent hit over .350 as a team 10/22/02, at #2 Hawai'i (L, 0-3), .373 (64-17-126)
- ... Notre Dame held an opponent under .100 team hitting 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .007 (36-35-148)
- ... Notre Dame held an opponent under .000 team hitting 11/2/03, vs. Syracuse (W, 3-0), -.008
- ... Notre Dame hit less than .200 11/16/04, vs. Northern Iowa (L, 2-3), .179 (78-39-218)
- ... Notre Dame hit less than .100 11/7/04, vs. Boston College (L, 0-3), .080 (41-30-138)
- ... Notre Dame hit less than .200 & won 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .115 (36-21-131)
- ... Notre Dame hit less than .150 & won 10/31/04, at Villanova (W, 3-0), .115 (36-21-131)
- ... Notre Dame outhit the opponent & lost 11/16/03, at Pittsburgh (L, 2-3), .215-.170
- ... Notre Dame was outhit & won 9/13/03, vs. Utah (L, 2-3), .138-.220

# **Assists**

- ... a Notre Dame player had 60+ assists 11/16/04, vs. Northern Iowa (L, 2-3), Ashley Tarutis (63)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 70+ assists 11/24/00, at #3 USC (L, 2-3), Denise Boylan (70)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 80+ assists 10/8/00, at Pittsburgh (W, 3-1), Denise Boylan (86)
- ... a Notre Dame player had 90+ assists 10/13/95, at #25 Georgia Tech (L, 2-3), Carey May (96)
- ... 2 Notre Dame players had 20+ assists 9/1/04, vs. Loyola University Chicago (W, 3-1), Ashley Tarutis (25) & Kelly Burrell (23)

# 2004 Notre Dame Bio Updates

(highs as of 11/22; bios as of 11/17)

# **#1 Emily Loomis**

Sr. • MB/OPP/OH • 6-1 • Ft. Wayne, Ind. \*\*\*Awards Candidate\*\*\* \*\*\*Honorable Mention All-BIG EAST\*\*\*

#### Season Highs

Hitting %:

Kills: 18 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Digs: 12 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16 Total Blocks: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Solo Blocks: 4 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1 Block Assists: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Points: 25 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Assists: 2 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3 Aces: 1 at Michigan & vs. Illinois State AT: 55 vs. Illinois State, 10-13

3G - .391 (11-2-23) at Georgetown, 10-30 4G - .361 (14-1-36) at Seton Hall, 10-10 5G - .333 (13-2-33) at BYU, 10-20 Career Highs

Kills: 24 vs. Valparaiso, 9-9-03 Digs: 18 vs. Virginia Tech, 11-7-03 Total Blocks: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04 Solo Blocks: 4 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1 Block Assists: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04 Points: 26.5 vs. Pepperdine, 9-14-02 Assists: 4 vs. Charleston '02 & Va. Tech '03 Aces: 3 vs. Michigan '02 & Villanova '03 AT: 64 vs. #10 Pepperdine, 9-14-02 Hitting %:

3G - .636 (14-0-22) vs. BC, 11-3-02 4G - .522 (14-2-23) vs. #10 Arizona, 8-29-03 5G - .471 (21-5-34) at Purdue, 9-18-02

Preseason all-BIG EAST selection after being tabbed for all-league honors in both 2002 (first team) and '03 (second team) ... also garnered AVCA all-Northeast Region honors in each of last two seasons and was honorable mention All-America in '03 ... currently ranks seventh on Irish all-time kills list with 1,242 (Christi Girton, at 1286, is sixth) and has a chance to finish in the top five (currently Jessica Fiebelkorn, at 1299) ... the only Notre Dame student-athlete ever to earn all-BIG EAST honors in two distinctly different sports, as she also is a four-time all-league performer in the high jump for the Irish track and field team (including the 2003 outdoor conference champion) ... moved from opposite to middle blocker for final two matches of 2003 and started in that position this season before switching to outside hitter on Oct. 2 (where she played during her first two collegiate campaigns) ... ranks second on Irish in blocks (92/1.06), third in kills (234/2.69), and fourth in points (294.5/3.39), and hitting percentage (.229) ... a big reason Notre Dame leads the league in team blocking and ranked 10th in Division I heading into the week (3.26) ... leads team with 25 solo blocks after having just 20 in all of '03 ... has had nine or more kills 11 times in 14 matches at outside hitter (50 games), averaging 2.98 kills on .261 hitting to go with 1.06 blocks and 3.65 points ... ranks 10th in BIG EAST in blocking ... has had 10+ kills in 12 matches to bring her career total to 69, which ranks fifth in school history ... notched doubledoubles (13th and 14th of career) vs. Notre Dame's two Missouri Valley Conference foes, Illinois State and Northern Iowa ... had top match of the season in five-game win over Redbirds, ending with 18 kills, 11 blocks, and 25 points ... in final contest in the Joyce Center, registered 15 kills, 12 digs, and four blocks for 17 points against the Panthers ... shared team honors with 15 kills on .316 hitting in season opener vs. Loyola University Chicago ... also had eight digs and six blocks (four solo) for a team-high 20 points vs. the Ramblers ... had 12 kills, seven blocks, and four digs for 17 points vs. Fresno State ... started against Sacramento State, but played only briefly in the first game in an attempt to rest her on a day with two matches ... finished with 1.22 block average in the Cal Poly Invitational, which ranked sixth among the tournament leaders, while her four solo blocks were the most by any player in the event ... had 11 kills, six digs, and five blocks against Michigan ... notched 14 kills while only making one error for a .361 attack percentage against Seton Hall ... had 13 kills on team-best .333 hitting in five games against Brigham Young ... notched 10 kills on .304 hitting vs. St. John's and 11 kills on season-best .391 attack percentage at Georgetown ... led Irish in kills (nine), hitting percentage (.250), and points (11) at Villanova ... key part of Notre Dame's sweep of league rival Pittsburgh, ending with 13 kills on .344 hitting ... has started 111 of 115 matches during her career, including each of the last 74 (dating back to Sept. 27, 2002) ... has been a key contributor for the Irish throughout her career, appearing in 97.5% (398 of 408) of the games during her career, which has her on pace to set a Notre Dame record ... has played in all but one of the 114 matches ... also in the Irish career record book in solo blocks (5th, 85), attack attempts (5th, 3241), kill average (9th, 3.12), matches with 20+ kills (T-7th, 6), matches with team-high kills (7th, 35), and total blocks (9th, 375) ... in 37 games (10 matches) as a middle blocker, averaged 2.30 kills on .181 hitting to go with 1.41 digs, 1.05 blocks, and 3.03 points.

#2 Leah Nedderman

Sr. • OH • 5-10 • Grapevine, Texas

#### Career Highs

Kills: 14 vs. Providence, 11-1-02 Digs: 3 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Total Blocks: 2 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Block Assists: 2 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Points: 14 vs. Providence, 11-1-02 Assists: 1 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Aces: 1 vs. Lovola, 9-14-02 AT: 33 vs. Providence, 11-1-02 Hitting %: 3G - .242 (14-6-33) vs. Prov., 11-1-02

4G - NA 5G - NA

Will miss all of 2004 campaign with a stress fracture of her right foot after the injury also precluded her from playing at all in '03.

# #3 Kelly Burrell

Jr. · S · 5-10 · Phoenix, Ariz.

# Season Highs

Assists:

3G - 19 at Rutgers, 10-9

4G - 23 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1

5G - 12 vs. Illinois State, 10-13

Team Hitting % (in matches started): 3G - .039 (33-28-127) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3

4G - .198 (59-25-172) vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1

5G - NA

Kills: 2 vs. Sacramento State, 9-10

Digs: 2, 6 times MR: vs. St. John's

Total Blocks: 3, at BYU & at Villanova

Solo Blocks: 1 vs. Northern Iowa

Block Assists: 3, at BYU & at Villanova

Points: 3 vs. Sacramento State, 9-11

Aces: None

AT: 6 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1

Hitting %:

3G - .667 (2-0-3) vs. Sacramento State, 9-11

4G - .500 (1-0-2) vs. South Carolina, 9-19

5G - .333 (1-0-3) vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16

# Career Highs

Assists:

3G - 39 vs. Loyola College, 9-14-02

4G - 35 vs. Connecticut, 9-27-02

5G - 17 vs. Utah, 9-13-03

Team Hitting % (in matches started):

3G - .374 (49-12-99) vs. Lovola Coll., 9-14-02

4G - .198 (59-25-172) vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1

5G - NA

Kills: 3 vs. Loyola College, 9-14-02

Digs: 12 at Texas, 9-6-03

Total Blocks: 5 vs. Connecticut, 9-27-02 Solo Blocks: 2 vs. Connecticut, 9-27-02 Block Assists: 4 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02

Points: 6.5 vs. Connecticut, 9-27-02

Aces: 3 vs. Utah, 9-13-03

AT: 6 four times, MR: vs. LUC 9-1-04

One of Notre Dame's two regular setters ... started first two matches of season (after starting just twice during the first two years of her collegiate career) and played when the setting spot was in the front row ... since then has rotated in off the bench, typically playing in two frontrow rotations ... has played in every match but one and 82 of 90 games on the year ... ranks second on Irish in assists (209/2.55) ... has taken part in 23 blocks ... a major reason Notre Dame led the BIG EAST in hitting percentage (.254) in league matches ... has had 10+ assists in nine matches ... notched season-high 23 assists in opener vs. Loyola University Chicago, bettering her top mark from the 2003 campaign. when she started the season as a regular in Notre Dame's 6-2 offense ... was in on a pair of blocks vs. the Ramblers ... has had one kill in each of the three matches in which she has played ... shared team honors with 11 assists in first match against #2 Nebraska ... had two kills. 10 assists, two digs, and a pair of blocks in three games against Sacramento State, helping Irish to season-high .311 hitting mark ... finished Cal Poly Invitational with 2.80 assist average that ranked fifth in the tournament leaders ... helped Irish to .289 hitting percentage vs. Michigan State ... recorded 15 assists vs. Michigan ... led ND to .303 hitting mark against Rutgers and .315 vs. Seton Hall ... accounted for 19 assists vs. the Scarlet Knights and 16 against the Pirates ... helped Irish to .356 hitting vs. St. John's and .339 at Georgetown (10 assists) ... posted season-high three blocks vs. BYU and Villanova and had a pair of blocks vs. Northern Iowa, including one of the solo variety.

# #4 Meg Henican

Jr. • L/OH • 5-9 • New Orleans, La.

\*\*\*Awards Candidate\*\*\*

\*\*\*BIG EAST Player of the Week (11/1)\*\*\*

\*\*Captain\*\*

#### Season Highs

Digs: 37 at Seton Hall, 10-10
Kills: 11 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4
Total Blocks: 4 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3
Block Solos: 1 vs. LUC & Nebraska (9-3)
Block Assists: 3 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3
Points: 16 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1
Assists: 5 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4
Aces: 4 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1
AT: 36 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7
Hitting %
3G - -.158 (4-7-19) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3
4G - .160 (7-3-25) at Michigan, 9-28

5G - .233 (11-4-30) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Career Highs

Kills: 13 vs. Providence, 11-1-02
Digs: 37 at Seton Hall, 10-10-04
Total Blocks: 5 vs. Indiana, 9-12-03
Solo Blocks: 1, 9 times MR: vs. Neb., 9-3-04
Block Assists: 4 vs. Indiana, 9-12-03
Points: 16 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1
Assists: 6 vs. Purdue '03 & Syracuse '03
Aces: 4 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1-04
AT: 36 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7-04
Hitting %:

3G - .409 (13-4-22) vs. Prov., 11-1-02 4G - .160 (7-3-25) at Michigan, 9-28-04 5G - .233 (11-4-30) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4-04

One of the top defensive players in school history has been integral to the Irish ... one of only two juniors to serve as Notre Dame's sole captain in the 25-year history of the program ... a top candidate for BIG EAST Libero of the Year, as she has guided the Irish in holding league opponents to a .134 hitting percentage, by fare the best in the conference (Syracuse is second at .174) ... in the midst of perhaps the best defensive season by an individual in school history ... dig average of 4.80 is on pace to shatter the previous Irish record of 4.10 by Christy Peters in 1993 ... also has a shot at the record for total digs in a season (500 by Peters in '93). as she currently stands with 430, the third-highest total in school history ... became just the ninth Irish player ever - and first since 1998 - to register 1,000 career digs on Nov. 14 ... set Notre Dame record for digs in any-length match, with 37 at Seton Hall on Oct. 10 ... has now had 24 or more digs in a three-game match four times this season, after that had been accomplished only twice in the first 24 years of Irish varsity volleyball ... her career dig average of 3.67 is the second-best in Irish history, and she already ranks 1,032 in total digs (1,032) ... averaged 6.00 digs per game (third in league) in conference action, a mark that had never been accomplished by any league player prior to 2004 ... notched 15 or more digs in seven of 10 league matches, including four outputs of 24 or more (three of them coming in just three games) ... became just second libero ever to be named the BIG EAST Player of the Week, earning the distinction on Nov. 1 after helping Notre Dame to a pair of 3-0 road victories in league action and averaging 6.33 digs per game, as opponents hit only .116 ... leads team and ranks fourth in the conference in dig average (4.80) despite not playing libero in five matches ... boasts 5.06 dig average in 19 matches (69 games) as Irish libero ... has been in double digits in digs in every match but one, hitting the 20-dig plateau nine times after doing so just

four times in her first two collegiate seasons ... has led team in digs in 21 of 24 matches ... core of Irish defense that is allowing opponents to hit just .176 on the season ... Notre Dame has held opponents under .200 hitting 14 times and under .100 on five occasions ... opponents have hit over .265 just four times, with two of those instances coming without Henican as the libero ... Irish are allowing opponents to hit .158 with Henican at libero and .236 with anyone else in that position ... key cog in Notre Dame's servereceiving unit that is surrendering just 0.98 aces per game, the second-best mark in history (behind the 2003 team's 0.94, which also was due largely to Henican's skills) ... has committed only 27 reception errors, or one every 3.33 games ... has committed multiple receiving errors in a match just four times in 24 contests ... broke 12-year-old school record for digs in any-length match, with 37 in a 3-1 Irish win over the Pirates ... had four digs in the first game, then 12, 11, and 10 ... set then-career high with 26 digs against Sacramento State, posting the second-highest total ever for an Irish player in a three-game match ... also had 26 digs in three games against Villanova, holding Wildcats to .007 hitting ... averaged 8.17 digs per game in leading Notre Dame to an impressive final weekend of conference action, in which the Irish did not drop a game in beating rival Pittsburgh and West Virginia to claim the regular-season conference title ... helped Irish limit those teams to .119 hitting mark, including .127 by the Panthers, which had been the top offensive team in the league ... had 25 digs vs. Pittsburgh and 24 against WVU ... accounted for more than 40 percent of her squad's digs, as Notre Dame outdug the top digging team in the BIG EAST, West Virginia, by a 58-45 margin ... notched double-double in season opener vs. Loyola University Chicago with 10 kills and 22 digs to go with a career-high four service aces and three blocks ... had another double-double in Notre Dame's five-game loss to #2 Nebraska, finishing with 11 kills and 15 digs to go with five assists ... corralled 20 digs against Valparaiso in final match at outside hitter ... notched 22 digs against Fresno State in first match as Irish libero ... registered 17 digs in three games at Cal Poly, holding Mustangs to .044 hitting ... finished Cal Poly Invitational with 5.91 dig average (65 digs, 11 games), which was by far the best of any player in the tournament (next-best average was 5.27) ... notched 15 digs in each match of Gamecock Invitational (vs. Michigan State, at South Carolina) and also had five service aces (2 vs. MSU, 3 vs. USC) ... had 16 digs in helping Irish limit Syracuse to .017 hitting ... registered 22 digs against Northern Iowa ... started first four matches at outside hitter before

injuries forced her into the libero jersey, where she also played for the final two-thirds of 2003 ... returned to outside hitter vs. Michigan before redonning the gold jersey ... in 21 games (five matches) as an outside hitter, averaged 1.81 kills on .071 hitting to go with team-high 3.86 digs and 2.33 points.

#### #5 Ellen Heintzman

Fr. • OH/OPP • 5-11 • Louisville, Ky.

# Season Highs

Kills: 15 vs. Michigan State, 9-17
Digs: 6, vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16
Total Blocks: 5 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16
Solo Blocks: 1, 3 times (MR: vs. N. Iowa)
Block Assists: 4 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16
Points: 16.5 vs. Michigan State, 9-17
Assists: 1 vs. Loyola Chicago & S. Carolina
Aces: 1 vs. Fresno State & Michigan State
AT: 38 vs. South Carolina, 9-19
Hitting %:

3G - .182 (7-3-22) vs. West Virginia, 11-14 4G - .444 (15-3-27) vs. Michigan State, 9-17

5G - .231 (10-4-26) vs. Fresno State, 9-10

Versatile rookie has been a contributor at various times for Irish, mostly at outside hitter ... has started eight matches in that spot and played in 19 contests (45 games) ... has 85 kills for an average of 1.89 per game ... saw time at both opposite and libero in first week before starting at outside hitter for five matches (9/10-9/19) ... returned to starting lineup in replacing injured Lauren Kelbley three times in November ... op performance of season came against Michigan State in Gamecock Invitational, as she finished with 15 kills on .444 hitting percentage for 16.5 points ... also had nine kills, season-high six digs, and season-best five blocks for 12 points against Northern Iowa ... as a starter (30 games), averaging 2.53 kills on .152 hitting to go with 17 digs (0.57), 12 blocks (0.40), and 2.83 points ... in first career start, had 10 kills on .231 hitting for 11.5 points in Notre Dame's five-game win over Fresno State ... notched 11 kills in final of Gamecock Invitational against South Carolina ... made collegiate debut in season opener vs. Loyola University Chicago, slamming four kills on six errorless swings in two games ... also was in on a pair of digs vs. the Ramblers ... saw spot action in second match against #2 Nebraska ... was Irish libero for first two games of match against Valparaiso, registering four digs ... returned to starting role vs. Boston College, finishing with 11 kills and 12 points ... notched seven kills in start against West Virginia ... fivetime All-American for the Kentucky Indiana

Volleyball Academy (KIVA) also was twice a first-team all-Kentucky selection in prep action for Sacred Heart Academy, helping it to its first-ever state championship.

# #6 Lauren Kelbley

Jr. • OH/MB • 6-1 • Bascom, Ohio
\*\*\*Awards Candidate\*\*\*
\*\*\*All-BIG EAST Second Team\*\*\*

\*\*\*Cal Poly Invitational All-Tournament Team\*\*\*

#### Season Highs

Kills: 25 at Seton Hall, 10-10
Digs: 9 vs. Valparaiso & at #14 Utah
Total Blocks: 7 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7
Block Solos: 2, 3 times (MR: vs. Pitt, 11-12)
Block Assists: 7 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7
Points: 27.5 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7
Assists: 2 vs. Boston College (BE), 11-20
Aces: 4 vs. Cal Poly & Illinois State
AT: 56 at Seton Hall, 10-10
Hitting %:
3G - .474 (12-3-19) at Rutgers, 10-9

4G - .425 (20-3-40) vs. Boston Coll. (BE), 11-20 5G - .365 (22-3-52) vs. Valparaiso, 9-7 Career Highs

Kills: 25 at Seton Hall, 10-10-04
Digs: 9 vs. Valparaiso '04 & at #14 Utah '04
Total Blocks: 12 vs. St. John's, 9-29-02
Solo Blocks: 4 at Villanova, 10-13-02
Block Assists: 11 vs. St. John's, 9-29-02
Points: 28.5 vs. Houston, 9-5-03
Assists: 2 vs. Boston College (BE), 11-20-04
Aces: 4, 3 times (MR: vs. Illinois St., 10-13-04)
AT: 56 at Seton Hall, 10-10-04
Hitting %:

3G - .706 (12-0-17) vs. Georgetown, 9-28-03 4G - .462 (15-3-26) at Illinois State, 10-29-02 5G - .481 (13-0-27) at Miami, 11-15-02

Preseason all-BIG EAST selection is one of only two current Division I juniors who have gained all-region accolades in both of the last two years ... tabbed honorable mention All-America by the AVCA in 2003 ... gained all-conference honors in both 2002 (second team) and '03 (first team) ... named rookie of the year for both the BIG EAST Conference and the AVCA's Northeast Region in '02 ... ranks among top 10 in Irish career record book in hitting percentage (5th, .300), kill average (5th, 3.23), matches with 10+ kills (8th, 57), block average (8th, 1.05), and matches with 20+ kills (T-7th, 6) ... moved to middle blocker to outside hitter for final two matches of last season and has remained there in '04 ... leads Irish in kill average (289/3.66) and service ace-to-error ratio (1.00, 27 SA, 27 SE), and is second in points (349.5/4.42) and aces (0.34), and third in hitting

percentage (.249) ... one of only three players to rank among league leaders in three different categories in both overall and BIG EAST-only action ... in all matches, ranks fifth in service aces, seventh in points, and 10th in kills ... conference-only leaders have her fifth in points (4.77), eighth in hitting percentage (.278), and 10th in kills (3.92) ... has missed three of last four matches due to an injury ... named to Cal Poly Invitational all-tournament team ... led all players in that tournament in both kill average (44/4.00) and ace average (7/0.64) and was third behind teammates Lauren Brewster and Adrianna Stasiuk with a .264 hitting percentage ... has had 10+ kills in 17 of 21 matches in which she has played this season, and 48 of her last 58 ... has had 20+ kills four times, including in back-to-back matches, after doing so just twice in her first two collegiate seasons ... in a race with classmate Lauren Brewster (931) to be the 15th Irish player to register 1,000 career kills, currently standing 61 away at 939 ... has 27 service aces after having just 13 in '03 ... has led Irish in kills in 11 matches and has been tops in aces and points 10 times each and hitting percentage on four occasions ... became first Notre Dame player in nearly four years to have 25 kills in a match when she posted that sum on .304 hitting in four games against Seton Hall ... turned in one of the best matches of her career in five-game contest vs. Valparaiso, matching career best with 22 kills on .365 hitting, while setting a career high with nine digs and adding seven blocks and two service aces for a total of 27.5 points ... had 15 kills and matched then-career high with six digs in season opener against Loyola University Chicago ... was only Irish player with double-figure kills against #2 Nebraska on Sept. 3, finishing with 10 and just two errors for a .381 attack percentage ... registered 15 kills against the Huskers the following night ... led Irish with 17 kills in five-game win over Fresno State ... had 15 kills on .364 hitting in three games against Sacramento State, with 10 of those kills coming in the second game ... notched 12 kills and matched career high with four aces at Cal Poly ... had 12 kills on team-high .273 hitting against South Carolina in final of Gamecock Invitational ... set career high with 24 kills on. 404 hitting at Michigan for a total of 27 points ... had 12 kills on .474 hitting at Rutgers ... notched 20 kills to go with five digs and four service aces (matching career high) in five-game win against Illinois State ... outstanding in Notre Dame's two biggest conference wins ... turned in team-high 16 kills on .387 hitting to go with four digs and four blocks vs. Connecticut despite sitting out first 30 points of a game ... came back from injury for 14 kills, seven digs, and four blocks

against Pittsburgh in contest that eventually determined the league's regular-season champion ... in the matches she has missed due to injury, Irish are 1-2 and hitting just .169, as opposed to a .232 attack percentage and 15-6 record in contests in which she has played ... had played in first 82 matches of her collegiate career before sitting out against Boston College ... also missed matches vs. West Virginia and Northern lowa ... has played in 291 of 312 games (93.3%, which ranks fifth all-time) during her career ... had started 58 matches in a row before the BC tilt.

# **#7 Kelly Corbett**

Sr. • DS/L • 5-10 • Mountain View, Calif.

Season Highs

Digs: 6 at Rutgers, 10-9 Assists: 1 at Villanova, 10-31 AT: 2 at Rutgers, 10-9

Career Highs

Kills: 5 vs. Providence ('02) & Loyola ('02) Digs: 6 vs. Valparaiso '03 & Rutgers '04 Total Blocks: 6 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Solo Blocks: 1 at Loyola Marymount, 9-6-02

Block Assists: 6 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Points: 9 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02 Assists: 2 vs. Providence, 11-1-02 Aces: 3 vs. Providence, 11-1-02 AT: 11 vs. Loyola, 9-14-02

Hitting %:

3G - .500 (5-0-10) vs. Prov., 11-1-02

4G - NA 5G - NA

Converted middle blocker has made the switch to the back row ... has played in 16 matches and 25 games as a defensive specialist, accumulating 29 digs (1.16 per game) ... matched career high with six digs at Rutgers ... also had five at Syracuse and three vs. Seton Hall ... notched three digs vs. Seton Hall and Villanova ... made second career start on senior night against Northern lowa, playing two games and gathering two digs ... also had a pair of digs against Connecticut.

# **#8 Ashley Tarutis**

Fr. • S • 5-8 • Long Beach, Calif.

\*\*\*Gamecock Invitational All-Tournament Team\*\*\*

#### Season Highs

Assists:

3G - 41 vs. Pittsburgh, 11-12

4G - 53 vs. Boston College (BE), 11-20

5G - 63 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16

Team Hitting % (in matches started):

3G - .356 (49-13-101) vs. St. John's, 10-24 4G - .339 (74-16-171) vs. B.C. (BE), 11-20 5G - .244 (67-26-168) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Kills: 6 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Digs: 18 vs. Fresno State, 9-10 Blocks: 3, 3 times (MR: vs. N. Iowa, 11-16) Solo Blocks: 1, 3 times (MR: vs. Pitt, 11-12) Block Assists: 3 vs. Fresno St. & N. Iowa Points: 6.5 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16 Aces: 4 vs. West Virginia, 11-14 AT: 14 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Hitting %:

3G - .667 (2-0-3) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-3 4G - .714 (5-0-7) vs. Connecticut, 11-5 5G - .400 (2-0-5) at BYU, 10-20

Notre Dame's starting setter ... major reason the Irish led the BIG EAST in hitting percentage in league play (.254) ... leads team in assists (889/9.88) and is third in digs (211/2.34) ... has rotated with Kelly Burrell as setter in every match but one, typically exiting for two front-row rotations ... has team hitting .224 for the season ... already ranks ninth in Irish record book in career assists ... as a starter, she is averaging 10.28 assists, and the Irish are hitting .232 with 15.34 kills per game after ND had 13.14 kills on .130 hitting in first two matches of season ... strong defensive player has had 10 double-doubles ... ranks eighth in BIG EAST in assists, due largely to continuing to split time ... in league action only, ranks 10th at 10.56 per game ... has led ND to 31 games above .300 hitting, including 11 performances over .400 ... has been tops on team in assists in every match in '04 ... nearly led Irish to their biggest win in school history (in terms of national rankings) in first career start, as ND took #2 Nebraska to five games before falling ... finished with 51 assists, the most by an Irish freshman since Denise Boylan had 73 in the round of 16 of the 1997 NCAA tournament ... also converted six kills on .357 hitting, marking the most by a Notre Dame freshman setter since Shannon Tuttle had as many against Bowling Green in 1992 ... 20 assists came in the second game ... added 14 digs vs. the Huskers ... had team-high 25 assists and 14 digs vs. Loyola University Chicago in collegiate debut ... ended up with 47 assists as well as 17 digs against Valparaiso ... led Irish to Cal Poly Invitational title, winning nine of 11 games and leading the field in hitting percentage (.253), kills (16.00), and assists (14.45) ... earned first victory as a starter in fivegame match against Fresno State, in which she had 49 assists and 18 digs in helping Notre Dame to three hitting marks over .275 ... orchestrated top Irish offensive performance of the season, as ND hit .311 in three-game win over Sacramento State in which she had 37

assists and 10 digs ... ranked third in assist average (115/10.45) and second in service ace average (6/0.55) in the Cal Poly tournament ... had 44 assists in helping ND to .289 hitting mark (two games at .310+) in leading Irish to first win over Michigan State since 1994 and their highest attack percentage in a match longer than three games since Nov. 7, 2003 ... had 36 assists vs. South Carolina, setting Irish to 21 kills on .409 hitting in game two ... had 39 assists against Michigan, helping Irish to .405 hitting mark in third game ... led Irish to .303 hitting mark at Rutgers and then season-high .315 mark against Seton Hall ... had 17+ kills in all four games vs. the Pirates, and helped Irish hit .340+ in three of the four games ... led Notre Dame to outstanding hitting effort (8 kills, 1 error, .438) in fifth game en route to victory against Illinois State ... helped Irish to 21 kills and only four errors for .347 hitting mark in first game vs. Redbirds ... led consistent Notre Dame attack that upset #14 Utah in three games on the Utes' home floor to snap their school-record 12-match winning streak and become the first visiting team to win there in more than a year ... orchestrated outstanding performance against St. John's, in which Notre Dame hit over .330 in every game and seasonhigh .356 for the match ... in following match, led Irish to .339 hitting mark, including 19 kills and just two errors for .425 percentage in opening game ... set Irish to .345+ hitting in three games against UConn, including .419 mark in second game, en route to .299 hitting mark ... also had 11 digs vs. Huskies ... had double-double vs. BC (25 assists, 10 digs) ... averaged 13.33 assists (despite sharing time) in final weekend of league action, leading ND to 3-0 wins against rival Pittsburgh and West Virginia to clinch the regular-season BIG EAST championship ... had 41 assists and 10 digs in helping team to a pair of .310+ games against the Panthers ... turned in 39 assists and seasonhigh four service aces vs. West Virginia, as Irish had 18 kills on .424 hitting in third game ... became first Irish setter in more than a year to hit the 60-assist plateau, ending with 63 against Northern Iowa ... also had four kills, 12 digs, and season-high three blocks vs. Panthers ... has committed just nine ball-handling errors for an average of one every 99 assists ... has not committed a ball-handling error in 19 of 24 contests ... is just the fifth player to be ND's top setter as a freshman, joining Taryn Collins (1986), Julie Bremner (1988), Janelle Karlan (1990), and Denise Boylan (1997) ... two-time All-American for the Golden West Volleyball Club also helped Los Alamitos High School to its first-ever California state title as a senior.

# #9 Carolyn Cooper

Jr. • MB/OPP • 6-1 • Houston, Texas

Season Highs

Kills: 14 vs. West Virginia, 11-14 Digs: 4 at Pittsburgh (BE), 11-21 Total Blocks: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Solo Blocks: 4 at #14 Utah, 10-19 Block Assists: 7 vs. Illinois St. & N. Iowa Points: 18.5 vs. West Virginia, 11-14 Assists: 1, 4 times (MR: vs. Pitt, 11-12) Aces: 1 at Rutgers, 10-9

AT: 24 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16

Hitting %:

3G - .455 (14-4-22) vs. West Virginia, 11-12 4G - .524 (11-0-21) vs. Boston Coll. (BE), 11-20 5G - .500 (1-0-2) vs. Valparaiso, 9-7

Career Highs

Kills: 14 vs. West Virginia, 11-14-04 Digs: 5 vs. West Virginia, 10-27-02 Total Blocks: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13-04 Solo Blocks: 4 at #14 Utah, 10-19-04 Block Assists: 8 vs. Lovola, 9-14-02 Points: 18.5 vs. West Virginia, 11-14 Assists: 3 at Valparaiso, 9-10-02 Aces: 2 vs. Valparaiso, 9-9-03 AT: 24 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16

Hitting %:

3G - .455 (14-4-22) vs. West Virginia, 11-12-04 4G - .524 (11-0-21) vs. B.C. (BE), 11-20-04 5G - .500 (1-0-2) vs. Valparaiso, 9-7-04

Moved into starting lineup at middle blocker on Oct. 2 after being a key reserve over the past two seasons ... has provided a boost to Irish blocking, as team is averaging 3.63 per game since then (after averaging 2.86 in first 10 matches), and she is contributing 1.40 ... in 14 matches since becoming a regular (50 games), averaging 1.74 kills on .221 hitting to go with 2.62 points ... has played in 72 games on the season, but many times entered for only a single point at a time during the early portion of the season ... has registered seven or more kills in each of last five matches after having done that just twice previously in her career ... has notched four or more blocks in 10 of 14 matches since becoming a starter ... turned in top offensive performance of career against West Virginia, leading team with career-high 14 kills on team-best .455 hitting to go with seven blocks for match-high 18.5 points ... posted career-high 10 blocks (including career-best three solo blocks) against Illinois State after having seven against Syracuse in first start of season and second of career ... also had 10 points and season-high three digs against the Redbirds ... notched five kills on .333 hitting at Rutgers ... registered five kills and team-high

five blocks vs. Seton Hall ... key contributor in Notre Dame's 3-0 upset at #14 Utah, ending with seven kills on .353 hitting to go with six blocks ... did not start at BYU, as Irish started with her position in the back row ... posted eight kills on .429 hitting to go with four blocks for 10.5 points at Georgetown ... registered seven kills on .316 hitting vs. Connecticut ... played nearly the entire match off the bench against Sacramento State, ending up with three kills, one dig, one block, and an assist ... also saw extensive action as a reserve against South Carolina in the final of the Gamecock Invitational, ending up with three kills and a block.

#### #10 Adrianna Stasiuk

Fr. • OPP/OH • 5-10 • Park Ridge, III. \*\*\*Awards Candidate\*\*\* \*\*\*BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (10/11)\*\*\* \*\*\*BIG EAST Rookie of the Week (10/18)\*\*\* \*\*\*Leads BIG EAST in Service Aces (0.40)\*\*\*

Season Highs

Kills: 16 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7 Digs: 18 vs. Connecticut, 11-5 Total Blocks: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Solo Blocks: 2 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7 Block Assists: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Points: 21.5 vs. Valparaiso & Illinois State

Assists: 9 vs. Valparaiso, 9-7 Aces: 5 vs. Loyola Chicago, 9-1 AT: 42 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Hitting %:

3G - .643 (11-2-14) vs. St. John's, 10-24

4G - .344 (15-4-32) at Seton Hall, 10-10 5G - .342 (16-3-38) vs. Valparaiso, 9-7

One of Notre Dame's best all-around players has been an immediate contributor ... two-time rookie of the week has positioned herself as a top contender to be BIG EAST Rookie of the Year ... has started every match at opposite and ranks among top four on team in six statistical categories: tied for first in service aces (36/0.40), second in digs (270/3.00), third in points (304.5/3.38) and assists (60/0.67), and fourth in kills (228/2.53) and blocks (76/0.84) ... leads BIG EAST in service aces and finished second in aces in conference play (0.44) ... won the league's weekly rookie honor twice in a row. on Oct. 11 and 18 ... the latter came after a breakout performance in Notre Dame's 3-2 win over Illinois State ... clinched a triple-double against ISU (first for an ND player since 1998) in just three games, finishing with 14 kills, 11 digs, and 11 blocks ... more than doubled previous season high in blocks (five) ... notched two aces vs. the Redbirds, as well, including one to end marathon second game (34-32) ... initial BIG EAST award came after helping Irish to road wins at Rutgers and Seton Hall, averaging 3.43 kills per game on a .302 hitting mark, while contributing 3.29 digs to an Irish defense that held its opponents to an attack percentage of only .166 ... has had 11+ digs on 15 occasions ... has registered seven double-doubles ... serves as Notre Dame's secondary setter and occasionally as its primary setter for one or two points at a time ... a major reason Notre Dame finished first in BIG EAST play in opponent hitting percentage (.134) by a large margin (Syracuse was next at .174) ... was just one assist shy of a triple-double vs. Valparaiso, ending up with 16 kills on .342 hitting, as well as 15 digs and nine assists ... also had five blocks and a pair of service aces ... used jump serve for five aces in collegiate debut vs. Lovola University Chicago, becoming the first ND player since 2001 to notch five or more aces in a match ... also had 14 digs, four kills, and four assists against the Ramblers ... finished with eight kills on .294 hitting and team-best 12 digs in first match vs. #2 Nebraska ... had 15 kills on team-high .286 hitting to go with 11 digs for 17 points in five-game win over Fresno State ... notched 14 kills on collegiate-high .458 hitting and had season-best 17 digs against Sacramento State ... among Cal Poly Invitational leaders, ranked second in hitting percentage (.300, behind teammate Lauren Brewster), sixth in kills (3.36), and seventh in assists (0.91) ... notched 12 kills and three aces against Michigan State in Gamecock Invitational ... notched 16 digs at Michigan and had 12 in three games at Syracuse ... also had five blocks in both of those matches ... registered 15 kills on .344 hitting to go with 14 digs for 18.5 points at Seton Hall ... had 13 kills, 13 digs, and three aces at BYU ... challenged school record for match hitting percentage against St. John's, ending second game with 11 kills and no errors on 12 swings (.917) before committing two errors in final game to end with a .643 mark ... had 11 kills on .348 hitting at Georgetown ... notched 13 kills and seasonhigh 18 ddigs vs. Connecticut ... turned in 16 digs to help Irish outdig top digging team in BIG EAST, West Virginia ... ended with 15 kills against Northern Iowa ... four-time All-American helped the Sports Performance Volleyball Club to six national championships ... "Fab 50" selection by Volleyball magazine and ranked 42nd in the PrepVolleyball.com Senior Aces rankings ... was Maine South High School's first-ever allstate volleyball player.

#11 Danielle Herndon

So. • DS/L • 5-7 • Plant City, Fla.

#### Season Highs

Digs: 12 vs. Michigan State & Northern Iowa

Points: 2 at South Carolina, 9-19

Assists: 1, 6 times (MR: vs. Northern Iowa)

Aces: 2 vs. South Carolina, 9-19

AT: 2 at Georgetown & at Pittsburgh (BE)

Career Highs

Digs: 20 vs. South Carolina, 9-14-03 Points: 3 vs. Virginia Tech, 11-7-03

Assists: 2 vs. Va. Tech ('03) & #10 Ariz. ('03)

Aces: 3 vs. Virginia Tech, 11-7-03 AT: 3 at North Carolina, 10-21-03

Back-row player who started season at libero, but now fills defensive specialist role ... has played in 81 of 90 games, registering 127 digs (1.57) ... has been one of Notre Dame's most consistent servers, leading Irish in serve percentage (261-268, .974) and ranking third in service service ace-to-error ratio (0.86, 6 SA, 5 SE) ... notched season-high 12 digs against Michigan State and matched that total vs. Northern Iowa ... served as Irish libero in 15 of first 17 games of season ... missed first two games vs. Valparaiso, but then registered six digs off the bench in final three games ... also had an ace against the Crusaders ... finished with nine digs and an assist and an ace as a DS vs. Fresno State ... had eight digs against Sacramento State ... had season-best two service aces vs. South Carolina ... did not play at Rutgers ... returned to action with five digs in three games against Seton Hall ... notched seven digs against Illinos State ... had nine digs and an ace against Connecticut ... notched eight digs vs. St. John's and Villanov.

#### #12 Lauren Brewster

Jr. • MB • 6-3 • Brentwood, Tenn.

- \*\*\*BIG EAST Champ. Most Outstanding Player\*\*\*
- \*\*\*All-BIG EAST First Team\*\*\*
- \*\*\*Awards Candidate\*\*\*
- \*\*\*BIG EAST Player of the Week (9/13)\*\*\*
- \*\*\*BIG EAST Player of the Week (10/25)\*\*\*
- \*\*\*BIG EAST Player of the Week (11/15)\*\*\*
- \*\*\*Cal Poly Invitational MVP\*\*\*
- \*\*\*Gamecock Invitational All-Tournament Team\*\*\*
- \*\*\*3-Time BIG EAST Blocking Champ (1.66)\*\*\*

# Season Highs

Kills: 27 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16

Digs: 13, 3 times (MR: vs. Illinois State, 10-13)

Blocks: 11 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Solo Blocks: 4 vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Block Assists: 10 vs. Illinois State, 10-13 Points: 32.5 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16 Assists: 2, 4 times (MR: vs. B.C., 11-7) Aces: 6 vs. South Carolina, 9-19 AT: 55 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16 Hitting %:

3G - .684 (13-0-19) vs. Cal Poly, 9-11 4G - .500 (17-2-30) vs. Michigan State, 9-17 5G - .452 (18-4-31) vs. #2 Nebraska, 9-4 Career Highs

Kills: 27 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16-04 Digs: 13, 3 times (MR: vs. Illinois St., 10-13-04) Total Blocks: 13 vs. Utah '03 & Purdue '03 Solo Blocks: 4 vs. B.C. '03 & Nebraska '04 Block Assists: 12 vs. Miami (BE), 11-24-02 Points: 32.5 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16-04

Assists: 2 on eight occasions Aces: 6 vs. South Carolina, 9-19-04 AT: 55 vs. Northern Iowa, 11-16-04 Hitting % -

3G - .684 (13-0-19) vs. Seton Hall, 10-10-03 4G - .593 (17-1-27) at UConn, 10-5-03 5G - .476 (13-3-21) vs. Houston, 9-5-03

Preseason all-BIG EAST selection is the defending NCAA Division I blocking champion (1.78) who also helped the Irish lead the nation in team blocking in '03 (3.72) ... tabbed firstteam all-BIG EAST, AVCA all-Northeast Region, and honorable mention All-America last year ... three-time conference player of the week is one of the top contenders for BIG EAST Player of the Year ... has established herself as perhaps the best all-around defensive player in the conference, as she is the only player -- at any position -- to be averaging over 1.00 blocks (leagueleading 1.48) and 1.00 digs (2.16, by far tops among middle blockers) ... one of only three middles in Division I (along with Texas A&M's Melissa Munsch and Nevada's Salaia Salave'a) to average over 1.00 blocks and 2.00 digs ... ranks second in Irish record book in career block average (1.65) and hitting percentage (.316) ... led BIG EAST in blocking in league matches for third consecutive year, with average of 1.66 ... it was her sixth BIG EAST statistical championship (also blocking in both league and overall matches in 2002 and '03 and hitting percentage in conference action last season), the most in program history ... also leads league in overall blocking and is a major reason the Irish are tops in the conference and 10th in Division I in the category (3.26) ... also a big factor in Irish leading league in opponent hitting percentage in conference action (.134) ... one of only three players to be among the BIG EAST leaders in three categories in both overall and conference action ... in all matches, ranks first in blocking, fourth in points (4.69), and sixth in hitting percentage (.315) ... in league play, is first in blocks, second in hitting percentage (.326), and sixth in points (4.75) ... on other Irish career lists, ranks fifth in total

blocks (493) and eighth in kill average (3.12) ... leads the Irish in blocking (133/1.48) for third consecutive season and is also tops in kills (328/3.64), points (431/4.79), and attack percentage (.312) ... ranks second in service aceto-error ratio (0.93, 25 SA, 27 SE), tied for third in service aces (0.28), and fourth in digs (133/2.16) ... has had 10 or more kills in 21 of 24 matches and also has seven double-doubles ... had 11+ kills in 15 consecutive matches from Sept. 4-Oct. 24, the fourth-longest streak of double-digit kills in school history ... has led team in blocks in 19 matches this season, while also being tops in kills and points 12 times each, hitting percentage on 10 occasions, and in aces nine times ... posted first triple-double by an Irish player since 1998, ending with 17 kills, 13 digs (matching career high), and 11 blocks against Illinois State ... largely responsible for Irish winning the fifth game of that match, when she had four kills on four attempts to go woth two digs and two blocks in the decisive frame ... in a race with classmate Lauren Kelbley (939) to be the 15th Irish player to register 1,000 career kills, currently standing 69 away at 931 ... easily the top defensive middle blocker/hitter in the BIG EAST, boasting a combined block and dig average of 3.64 (no one else is above 2.29) ... has been tabbed league player of the week six times during her career. the most in Irish history ... comes into the BIG EAST Championship on a hot streak, as she was named BIG EAST Player of the Week on Nov. 15 after leading Notre Dame to 3-0 wins against Pittsburgh and West Virginia in the final weekend of league play to hand the Irish their ninth regular-season league title ... averaged 4.17 kills on .469 hitting (just two attack errors) to go with 3.17 digs and 2.17 blocks in the two matches ... earned second BIG EAST Playerof-the-Week award on Oct. 25 after leading Irish to 3-0 road upset of #14 Utah, which snapped Utes' school-record 12-match winning streak and dealt them their first home defeat in more than a year ... notched 18 kills on .567 hitting to go with seven digs in that contest ... in three matches during that week, converted half of her attack attempts for kills, ending with 44 (4.00 per game) on a .409 hitting percentage ... added 22 digs (2.00) 10 blocks to go with 52.5 points (4.77) ... named BIG EAST Player of the Week on Sept. 13 after helping the Irish win the Cal Poly Invitational (16 G, 60/3.75 K, .336 hitting, 3 BS/23 BA/1.62 TB, 41/2.56 D, 78.5/4.91 pts.) ... tabbed Cal Poly Invitational MVP after leading all players in hitting percentage (.372) and finishing second in blocks (18/1.64), fourth in kills (42/3.82), and fifth in service aces (4/0.36) ... tabbed to all-tournament team in Gamecock Invitational after averaging 3.75 kills

on .365 hitting to go with 1.25 service aces. 2.62 digs, 0.88 blocks, and 5.44 points per game ... picked up slack for the injured Lauren Kelbley against Northern Iowa, leading all players with a career-high 27 kills, while just missing a triple-double (nine digs, eight blocks) ... led all players in five statistical categories -- kills (17), hitting percentage (.500), service aces (4), blocks (4), and points (23) -- in helping ND to first win over Michigan State since 1994 ... turned in the top serving performance for an Irish player since 1995 by notching career-high six aces -- including four on a single rotation in game three -- against South Carolina ... had 10 kills and then-career-high eight digs to go with seven blocks in season opener vs. Loyola University Chicago ... reset career high with nine digs in just three games in first match against #2 Nebraska ... registered 18 kills in back-to-back matches, doing it first on .452 hitting in Notre Dame's five-game near-upset of the Cornhuskers ... duplicated the feat against Valparaiso, while adding eight blocks and 13 digs to reestablish her career high in the latter category for the third time in four matches ... had 14 kills, 13 digs, and seven blocks against Fresno State before notching 15 kills on .323 hitting to go with 11 digs vs. Sacramento State ... matched career high with .684 hitting percentage at Cal Poly, notching 13 kills on 19 errorless swings ... had five blocks in the third game of match against the Mustangs ... had 13 kills and 12 digs against South Carolina ... finished Gamecock Invitational with 10 aces and only one service error in 47 times serving ... had 13 kills on .500 hitting at Rutgers ... had 14 kills and 11 digs at Brigham Young ... notched 12 kills on .435 hitting ... had nine kills on .320 hitting in 3-0 win at Georgetown in bid to extend streak of matches with 10+ kills to 16 ... carried Irish to 3-0 win vs. league rival Pittsburgh, with 12 kills an no errors for .545 attack percentage, to go with 12 digs and eight blocks ... had 13 kills on .407 hitting vs. West Virginia ... set Irish record for block assists (161) in 2002 and established freshman records for total blocks (175) and block average (1.68, ranked 4th in Division I) ... has played in all 86 matches during her career, starting 83 of them, including 49 in a row before yielding her spot to Kelly Corbett on Senior Night, when the Irish started with Brewster's position in the back row ... has played in 298 of 312 games for a 95.5% mark that stands third-best all-time.

Kills: 1 vs. St. John's, 10-24 Digs: 3 vs. St. John's, 10-24 Total Blocks: 1 at Cal Poly, 9-11 Solo Blocks: 1 at Cal Poly, 9-11 Points: 1 at Cal Poly & vs. St. John's Assists: 1 vs. St. John's, 10-24

Made her collegiate debut against Cal Poly, registering a solo block ... played final nine points of match vs. St. John's, accounting for a kill, three digs, and an assist ... also played vs. Connecticut ... honorable mention all-Illinois honoree for York Community High School set its

# #16 Julie McElroy

AT: 3 at Cal Poly, 9-11

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school record for career kills (1,154).

#### Season Highs

Kills: 2 vs. Connecticut, 11-5 Points: 2 vs. Connecticut, 11-5 TA: 7 vs. Connecticut, 11-5

Joined Irish as a walk-on last spring ... made collegiate debut against Cal Poly ... started and played first 20 points of third game vs. Connecticut, ending with a pair of kills ... notched first career kill vs. St. John's ... also played at Syracuse and Rutgers ... two-time all-lowa selection for Ames High School set its school record for season hitting percentage (.426).

# #13 Laura Bresnahan

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