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2002 University of Notre Dame Softball

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Notre Dame vs. Indiana State (DH), Wednesday, April 17, 4 p.m.

Notre Dame vs. Bowling Green, Thursday, April 18, 3 p.m.

*note: Notre Dame and Bowling Green

will only be playing one game on Thursday

2002 SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

FEBRUARY

Arizona Pepsi Classic • Tucson, Ariz.

15	Fri.	at #1 Arizona	L, 0-3
15	Fri.	vs. Auburn	W, 3-2 (10)
16	Sat.	vs. Louisville	L, 3-4
16	Sat.	vs. New Mexico St.	W, 9-7 (8)
17	Sun.	vs. #25 South Florida	W, 5-3

NFCA Leadoff Classic • Columbus, Ga.

22	Fri.	vs. #11 Oregon State	L, 0-4
22	Fri.	vs. S. Mississippi	W, 6-0
23	Sat.	vs. Texas A&M	L, 2-1
23	Sat.	vs. #8 Arizona St.	L, 2-3
24	Sun.	vs. #4 Oklahoma	L, 2-3

MARCH

Aggie Invitational II • College Station, Texas

1	Fri.	vs. #19 La.-Lafayette	L, 3-6
1	Fri.	vs. Illinois State	W, 1-0
10	Sun.	vs. Oregon (1 g)	W, 9-3
10	Sun.	at UNLV (1 g)	L, 1-2
13	Wed.	at Long Beach St. (1 g)	W, 3-2

Kia Klassic • Fullerton, Calif.

14	Thurs.	vs. #2 Arizona	L, 0-7
14	Thurs.	vs. Cal St. Northridge	L, 0-3
15	Fri.	vs. Texas Tech	W, 2-1
16	Sat.	vs. #10 Fresno State	L, 2-3
16	Sat.	vs. New Mexico	L, 4-5
26	Tues.	at Western Michigan	cancelled
30	Sat.	*at Pittsburgh	W, 13-1 (6), W, 9-2

APRIL

1	Mon.	at Loyola-Chicago (1g)	W, 8-0 (5)
4	Thurs.	Illinois-Chicago (1g)	W, 11-6
6	Sat.	*at St. John's	W, 4-0, W, 8-0
7	Sun.	*at Seton Hall	W, 8-1, W, 7-1
9	Tues.	Valparaiso	W, 4-0, W, 8-0 (5)
11	Thurs.	Purdue (1g)	W, 4-2
12	Fri.	*Connecticut	W, 1-0 (8), W, 8-0 (6)
14	Sun.	*Syracuse	W, 3-1, L, 0-3
17	Wed.	Indiana State	4 p.m.
18	Thurs.	Bowling Green (1g)	3 p.m.
20	Sat.	*Virginia Tech	11 a.m.
23	Tues.	at #4 Nebraska	3 p.m.
25	Thurs.	IU-Fort Wayne (1g)	3 p.m.
27	Sat.	*at Boston College	12 p.m.
28	Sun.	*at Providence	11 a.m.
30	Tues.	Oakland (1g)	3 p.m.

MAY

2	Thurs.	#16 DePaul	3 p.m.
3	Fri.	*Rutgers	1 p.m.
5	Sun.	*Villanova	11 a.m.
9	Thurs.	BIG EAST Championship	TBA
15	Wed.	NCAA Regionals	TBA
22	Wed.	College World Series	TBA

* - indicates BIG EAST game, all home games in bold

Irish look to rebound after first loss in 14 games with two non-conference matchups this week: The University of Notre Dame softball team (22-13, 9-1) returns to action on Wednesday and Thursday in non-conference action against Indiana State and Bowling Green. The Irish are looking to bounce back from their first loss in 14 games, a 3-0 decision to Syracuse in the second game of a doubleheader on Sunday, April 14.

Notre Dame student radio set to cover first game of the Indiana State doubleheader: The University of Notre Dame student radio station, WVFI, will be covering their second game of the season on Wednesday, as play by play and color commentary will be available for the first matchup between Notre Dame and Indiana State at 4 p.m.

WVFI is available only on the world wide web at: www.nd.edu/~wvfi

Notre Dame vs. Indiana State series history and team analysis: The doubleheader on Tuesday will be the 20th and 21st meetings between Notre Dame and Indiana State. The Sycamores defeated the Irish in the second game of a doubleheader on April 18, 2000, a game that, until Notre Dame's loss to Syracuse on Sunday, was the last loss the Irish had suffered at Ivy Field (a streak of 27 games). The Irish lead the all-time series 11-7-1.

Indiana State is 11-25 this season and 2-14 in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Sycamores bring a 12-game losing streak into Wednesday's matchups. Sarah Lemond is leading the team in hitting with a .404 batting average (three triples, two home runs, 12 RBI).

In the pitching circle, Notre Dame will see Emily Germer (3.03 ERA, 5-11) and Cassie Reeser (5.79 ERA, 6-12).

Notre Dame is 7-4-1 against Indiana State at Ivy Field.

Notre Dame vs. Bowling Green series history and analysis: Notre Dame and Bowling Green will meet for the 14th time on Thursday, with the Irish holding a 7-6 advantage in the series. Notre Dame swept a doubleheader 4-3 and 2-1 the last time the two teams played each other in 1999.

The Falcons are 14-20-1 this season and 5-9 in the Mid-American Conference. Short stop Libby Voshell sits atop the offensive statistics, hitting .330 with 13 doubles and 18 RBI.

Jessie Milosek and McKenna Houle have seen the most pitching time for Bowling Green. Milosek is 7-4 with a 2.33 ERA, while Houle is 4-10 with a 2.84 ERA.

Stenglein receives recognition for her pitching efforts with first BIG EAST weekly pitching award of her young career: Freshman pitcher Steffany Stenglein was named co-BIG EAST Pitcher of the Week on Monday, April 15, after helping the Irish to a 6-1 record. Stenglein went 3-1 last week with a 0.89 ERA and 27 strikeouts in 25 innings.

The rookie righthander has steadily improved throughout the entire season, even while battling a stubborn groin pull. Since the Irish returned from spring break with an 8-12 record, Stenglein has lost just one game while lowering her ERA to 1.96. She has given up more than four hits just once (vs. UIC on April 4) while going 7-1 in her last eight decisions.

Mattison earns first BIG EAST weekly award of her career: Junior

2002 University of Notre Dame Softball Roster

No.	Name	Year	Pos.	Ht.	B/T	Birthdate	Hometown (High School)
1	Steffany Stenglein	Fr.	RHP	5-10	R/R	8-5-82	Irvine, CA (Marina)
4	Carrie Wisen	Fr.	RHP	5-7	R/R	10-27-83	Fullerton, CA (Sonora)
5	Kas Hoag***(C)	Sr.	UT/DP	5-5	L/R	6-13-80	Wallingford, CT (Lyman Hall)
7	Jessica Sharron	Jr.	RHP	5-8	R/R	10-12-81	Agoura Hills, CA (Thousand Oaks)
8	Liz Hartmann	Fr.	IF/OF	5-9	R/R	1-8-83	Novato, CA (San Marin)
9	Chantal DeAlcuaz	So.	C	5-9	R/R	4-29-82	Modesto, CA (Central Catholic)
10	Alexis Madrid**	Jr.	2B	5-1	L/R	10-17-81	Temecula, CA (Temecula)
11	Jenny Kriech***(C)	Sr.	OF	5-7	L/L	9-8-80	Indianapolis, IN (Perry Meridian)
14	Nicole deFau*	So.	IF/OF	5-9	R/R	10-5-82	Southington, CT (Southington)
18	Andria Bledsoe**	Jr.	SS	5-7	R/R	8-4-81	Higley, AZ (Highland)
21	Megan Ciolli	Fr.	OF	5-9	L/R	5-13-83	Terre Haute, IN (North Vigo)
22	Jarrah Myers***(C)	Sr.	C	5-9	R/R	4-22-80	Carbondale, KS (Santa Fe Trail)
23	Annie Dell'Aria	Fr.	C	5-9	R/R	8-6-83	Fairfax, VA (Bishop O'Connell)
25	Lisa Mattison**	Jr.	1B/DP	5-10	R/R	4-26-81	Granger, IN (Penn)
33	Andrea Loman**	Jr.	3B	5-10	R/R	11-25-81	Riverside, CA (Poly)

* - indicates monograms won

C - 2002 team captain

Staff:

Head Coach: Deanna Gumpf (Nebraska '91)

First season as head coach at Notre Dame

Assistant Coach: Charmelle Green (Utah '92)

Assistant Coach: Kris McCleary (Notre Dame '99)

Volunteer Assistant Coach: Bill Roggeman (Ball State '81)

Team Senior Manager: Sean Coary (Notre Dame '02)

Team Trainer: Chantal Porter (Iowa State '94)

Strength and Conditioning Coach: Heather Mason (Cincinnati '95)

Sports Information Director: Alan Wasielewski (Notre Dame '00)

Lisa Mattison was named the BIG EAST Conference player of the week on Monday, April 8, after helping the University of Notre Dame softball team to a 6-0 record and assume first place in the league with doubleheader sweep at St. John's and Seton Hall over the weekend.

In six games last week, Mattison finished 10 for 18 (.556) with two doubles, two runs and a team-high nine RBI. She was also perfect in the field, recording 40 putouts and two assists in 42 chances. This is the first conference weekly award Mattison has earned, though she was a first-team all-BIG EAST selection in 2001 as a designated player.

Irish among the top teams in the NCAA east region: The NCAA Division I Women's Softball Committee updated its Division I women's softball biweekly regional poll on April 11. The ranking is alphabetical only,

while the next poll (April 25) will include the teams' rankings from 1-10.

Only teams with a record over .500 can be included in the regional rankings.

EAST REGION

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NOTRE DAME

Seton Hall

Syracuse

Villanova

Virginia Tech

Irish appear prominently on BIG EAST Conference statistical rankings:

Several Notre Dame players appear on the BIG EAST Conference statistical rankings, released on April 15, for all league games.

Junior Lisa Mattison, who was named BIG EAST Player of the Week on April 8, leads all conference hitters with a .444 average (12 for 27). Teammate Andria Bledsoe is right behind Mattison with a .438 average

2002 USA TODAY/NFCA

TOP 25 (APRIL 10)

School	2002 Record	Pts.	LW
1. Arizona (22)	35-5	670	2
2. UCLA (5)	34-6	651	1
3. Stanford	33-5	623	3
4. Nebraska	34-7	582	4
5. LSU	32-8	568	5
6. Arizona State	33-9	522	8
7. CS Fullerton	38-9	520	7
8. California	37-12	497	6
9. Oklahoma	34-8	454	9
10. Washington	32-12	413	10
11. Florida Atlantic	44-7	410	11
12. Fresno State	32-13	357	12
Michigan	27-7	357	13
14. Oregon State	31-11	320	14
15. Alabama	33-13	288	15
16. DePaul	21-6	259	16
17. Pacific	28-12	228	18
18. Texas	34-10	206	20
19. La.-Lafayette	29-10	201	17
20. Iowa	23-12	188	19
21. Florida State	34-13	103	21
22. Baylor	35-10	96	24
23. Georgia	37-8	90	23
24. Texas A&M	28-8	82	21
25. Ohio State	34-9	28	NR

Others Receiving Votes: South Carolina (21), Minnesota (11), Virginia (4), Georgia Tech (3), **Long Beach State** (3), Stetson (3). Seven other teams (totaling 17 points) were listed on only one ballot.

bold indicates 2002 ND opponent.

**NOTRE DAME
PROBABLE STARTERS**

C: Jarrah Myers, Sr., R/R
 1B: Lisa Mattison, Jr., R/R
 2B: Alexis Madrid, Jr., L/R
 SS: Andria Bledsoe, Jr., R/R
 3B: Andrea Loman, Jr., R/R
 RF: Megan Ciolli, Fr., L/R
 CF: Jenny Kriech, Sr., L/L
 LF: Liz Hartmann, Fr. R/R
 DP: Kas Hoag, Sr., L/R
 or Nicole deFau, So., R/R
 P: Steffany Stenglein, Fr., R/R
 or Carrie Wisen, Fr., R/R

**2002 PRESEASON
ALL-BIG EAST TEAM**

P - Barb Cook, Jr., Connecticut
 P - Theresa Hornick, Jr., Villanova
 C - Jarrah Myers, Sr., Notre Dame
 IF - Andria Bledsoe, Jr., Notre Dame
 IF - Lisa Girolamo, Sr., Connecticut
 IF - Kim Jackson, Sr., Seton Hall
 IF - Andrea Loman, Jr., Notre Dame
 OF - Christina Holowich, Jr., Syracuse
 OF - Jenny Kriech, Sr., Notre Dame
 OF - McKenzie Richards, So., Seton Hall
 OF - Mary Carroll Smith, So., Seton Hall
 UT - Sara Carlson, Jr., Villanova
 DP - Lisa Mattison, Jr., Notre Dame

**NOTRE DAME
SPORTS INFORMATION**

Publicity for Notre Dame softball is coordinated by sports information publicity assistant Alan Wasielewski.

Photographs, statistics and feature ideas are available by contacting Wasielewski at (219) 631-7516 or via e-mail at Wasielewski.3@nd.edu.

Requests to interview student-athletes and coaches must be arranged through the SID office and should be made at least 24 hours in advance. Credentials for home games can be obtained by calling Wasielewski.

Statistics, results and weekly releases (typically released on Wednesday of each week of the season) also are readily available on Notre Dame's official athletic site, www.und.com.

(14 for 32).

Notre Dame's pitching staff is well represented, with both Steffany Stenglein (0.89) and Carrie Wisen (0.38) among the top six in ERA.

In the different statistical categories, Bledsoe leads the league in hits (14) and runs scored (11), Megan Ciolli is first in triples (2) and stolen bases (5) and Lisa Mattison is first in on-base percentage (.559).

Bledsoe's defense prowess enhanced by her red-hot bat: Junior short stop Andria Bledsoe, who has been extremely solid defensively this season, has stepped up her offensive production over the last 10 games.

Beginning with the second game at St. John's on April 6, Bledsoe hit safely in nine straight games, pounding out 15 hits, three doubles and 12 RBIs.

Her batting average sky rocketed from .280 to .330 during the streak and she took over the team lead in RBI with 23 this season.

Bledsoe's defense has been a great story for the team this season as well. Her steady hands in the left side hole have committed just two errors in 129 chances (.985 fielding percentage).

Early-season schedule among the toughest in school history: Notre Dame's early-season schedule, which has included #1/#2 Arizona (twice), #25 South Florida, #11 Oregon State, #8 Arizona State, #4 Oklahoma, #19 Louisiana-Lafayette and #10 Fresno State (all rankings reflect position at the time of the game), is among the toughest in school history. The Irish have battled each opponent to the end, including three one-run losses to Arizona State, Oklahoma and Fresno State by identical 3-2 scores.

Myers invited to USA Softball World Championship selection camp: Senior Jarrah Myers, a 2002 All-American and member of the U.S. National Team during the summer of '02, has been invited to the participate in a team camp from May 30 - June 3, in Chula Vista, Calif.

The 20 players on the list that includes Myers will combine with the 22 players selected in January to com-

pete for spots on the teams that will represent the U.S. in international competition this summer. An additional 10-18 players will be added to the camp during the first week of May.

Two teams will be selected following the camp in May/June. One will represent the USA at the U.S. Cup in Honolulu, Hawaii, (July 4-7), the Canada Cup in Surrey, B.C., Canada (July 16-21) and the ISF Women's World Championship in Saskatoon, Canada (July 25-August 4).

The second team will be called the USA Softball Elite Team and it will help prepare the World Championship team for international events by competing in scrimmages and exhibition games prior to these events. The Elite Team also will compete in the Canada Cup.

Deanna Gumpf continues her first season as head softball coach at the University of Notre Dame: One of the top young coaches in the nation, Deanna Gumpf has taken over the Notre Dame softball program this season after four years as the top aide to Liz Miller - who retired at the end of the 2001 season.

In the four seasons Gumpf served as the Irish pitching and assistant coach, the team lowered its ERA and raised the team batting average each season, while also setting team records for strikeouts and home runs.

Gumpf's staff includes new assistant coaches Charmelle Green (formerly at Syracuse) and Kris McCleary (former Irish catcher - Class of '99 - who served as an assistant at UNLV), along with volunteer assistant coach Bill Roggeman.

Gumpf earned her first career victory with a 3-2, 10-inning victory over Auburn in the Pepsi Arizona Classic.

Having an all-star caliber season: Irish third basemen Andrea Loman has developed into Notre Dame's top offensive and defensive player this season. Loman is hitting a team-high .347 this season and has cracked four home runs, including a legendary shot to put the Irish ahead 2-0 over Long Beach State.

Loman's 14 career home runs put her fifth on the all-time list.

Even though Loman has been one of the most consistent offensive threats for the Irish this season, her defensive play has been nothing short of spectacular.

Loman eliminates the sacrifice bunt, as she has shown time and time again she can get to the ball and throw the advancing runner out at the appropriate base. In 126 defensive chances this season, Loman has made just five errors.

Loman will be playing over the next few weeks with a broken index finger on her right hand, suffered when she was hit by a pitch in a Seton Hall game. She played the rest of the doubleheader (actually hitting a home run in one of her at bats), but was affected on defense (committing two of her five errors on the season).

Held out of the Valparaiso doubleheader, Loman returned to the lineup against Purdue on April 11th, showing no ill effects from the injury.

New career home run leader?: Jarrah Myers continues her climb up the career home run leader chart. Her three-run blast off the scoreboard at St. John's (the first opponent home run hit at the Red Storm's new field) was her fifth of the season and 28th of her career.

Her 28 round trippers place Myers second on the career list at Notre Dame, just behind Melanie Alkire's 30 home runs from 1998-2001.

Can the Irish challenge the home run record? A burst of home runs in the doubleheader against Pittsburgh indicates that the 2002 edition of the Notre Dame softball team could set a new school record for team home runs in a season. The team total stands at 22 as of April 16.

With at least 19 games remaining this season, the Irish could challenge the school record for team home runs (36 hit in 2000). Nine different players have hit home runs for the team this season, including first career round trippers from Megan Ciolli, Annie Dell'Aria, Nicole deFau and

Lisa Mattison.

Power up and down the Irish lineup:

The 2002 University of Notre Dame softball team has already set a new record. With Carrie Wisen's home run against Seton Hall on April 7, nine different players on the Irish roster have hit home runs this season.

That breaks the previous team-best of seven different hitters 'going yard' in 2000 and 2001.

In Notre Dame's regular lineup, only Alexis Madrid and Liz Hartmann have not launched a home run.

Kriech threatening more career records: Senior centerfielder and 2001 All-American Jenny Kriech already has possession of the school record for career triples (19), but the Irish leadoff hitter is threatening various other marks as well.

Her seven walks this season give her 58 for her career, which is third on the all-time list and trails Sara Hayes (1992-95) with 66. Kriech also might be able to reach the career record for steals, as she currently has 51. Katie Marten (1994-97) holds that record with 58.

2002 schedule could develop into the strongest in school history: The Irish enter this weekend's action with an 22-13 record and eight of those losses have come to teams ranked higher than Notre Dame in the *USA Today/NFCA* Top 25.

As of April 15, the Irish schedule reflects 12 ranked opponents (eight already played, plus future double headers against #4 Nebraska and #16 DePaul). Notre Dame has been close to knocking off its top-ranked foes as well. The Irish dropped hard-fought 3-2 decisions to #8 Arizona State, #4 Oklahoma and #10 Fresno State in the first month of the season.

The record for ranked opponents faced is 13 from the 1998 and 2001 seasons. Post-season play at the end of the 2002 campaign could push the Irish schedule this season into the record books.

Notre Dame softball standout Jarrah Myers named the 2001-02 BIG EAST/Aéropostale Female Scholar-Ath-

NOTRE DAME STATISTICAL LEADERS

<u>Batting Average</u>	
Andrea Loman .....	.347
Lisa Mattison .....	.337
Jarrah Myers .....	.330
<u>Hits</u>	
Jenny Kriech	37
Megan Ciolli	36
Andrea Loman	34
<u>Doubles</u>	
Jarrah Myers	6
Jenny Kriech	6
Andria Bledsoe	5
<u>Triples</u>	
Megan Ciolli	2
Three with	1
<u>Home Runs</u>	
Jarrah Myers	5
Andria Bledsoe	5
Andrea Loman	4
<u>RBI</u>	
Andria Bledsoe	23
Jarrah Myers	22
Liz Hartmann	17
<u>Slugging Percentage</u>	
Jarrah Myers .....	.582
Andria Bledsoe .....	.534
Andrea Loman .....	.510
<u>On Base Percentage</u>	
Jarrah Myers .....	.479
Andrea Loman .....	.434
Lisa Mattison .....	.411
<u>Stolen Bases</u>	
Jarrah Myers	9
Andrea Loman	9
Megan Ciolli	7
PITCHING	
<u>ERA</u>	
Steffany Stenglein	1.96
Carrie Wisen	2.07
Jessica Sharron	2.33
<u>Strikeouts</u>	
Steffany Stenglein	146
Carrie Wisen	64
Jessica Sharron	4
<u>Appearances</u>	
Steffany Stenglein	32
Carrie Wisen	24
Jessica Sharron	6
<u>Innings Pitched</u>	
Steffany Stenglein	142.2
Carrie Wisen	88.0
Jessica Sharron	6.0

NOTRE DAME GAME HIGHS

Runs
Jarrah Myers 4 vs. NMS (2-16)

Hits
Jenny Kriech 4 vs. SHU (g1) (4-7)

RBI
Lisa Mattison 4 vs. UIC (4-4)

Doubles
Jarrah Myers 2 vs. NMS (2-16)

Jarrah Myers 2 vs. Loyola (4-1)

Home Runs
1 21 times

Total Bases
6 five times

Stolen Bases
2 five times

Innings Pitched
7.0 four times

Strikeouts
Steff. Stenglein 10 vs. CSUN (3-14)

Steff. Stenglein 10 vs. SHU (4-7)

TEAM GAME HIGHS

Runs
13 vs. Pittsburgh (game 1) (3-30)

Hits
13 vs. Pittsburgh (game 2) (3-30)

13 vs. Seton Hall (game 2) (4-7)

RBI
12 vs. Pittsburgh (game 1) (3-30)

Doubles
3 vs. New Mexico St. (2-16)

3 vs. Loyola Chicago (4-1)

Home Runs
3 vs. Pittsburgh (game 1) (3-30)

3 vs. Pittsburgh (game 2) (3-30)

Total Bases
22 vs. Pittsburgh (game 1) (3-30)

22 vs. Pittsburgh (game 2) (3-30)

Stolen Bases
6 vs. Valparaiso (game 2) (4-9)

Innings Pitched
10.0 vs. Auburn (2-15)

Strikeouts
11 vs. New Mexico (3-16)

BIG EAST STANDINGS (AS OF APRIL 15)

<u>Team</u>	<u>BE Record</u>	<u>Pts.</u>	<u>Overall</u>	<u>Pct.</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Streak</u>
Notre Dame	9-1	18	22-13	.629	7-1	8-2	Lost 1
Seton Hall	8-4	16	21-11	.656	2-3	12-3	Won 2
Villanova	7-3	14	31-7	.816	14-2	7-3	Won 3
Boston College	7-3	14	18-19	.486	5-1	9-12	Won 3
Syracuse	5-1	10	17-11	.607	4-0	3-3	Won 1
Virginia Tech	5-5	10	28-13	.683	12-3	8-2	Lost 3
Rutgers	5-5	10	14-18	.438	8-4	5-6	Won 1
St. John's	5-7	10	17-23-1	.427	6-5-1	4-8	Lost 2
Pittsburgh	4-8	8	18-26	.409	6-7	3-6	Won 1
Connecticut	2-10	4	8-25	.216	2-8	3-7	Lost 1
Providence	1-11	2	11-31	.262	4-10	3-7	Lost 5

Note: As voted by the head softball coaches, the BIG EAST softball standings will now be determined by a 2/1 points system. Two points will be awarded for a conference win, one point for a tie and no points for a loss. Conference competition begins the weekend of March 23-24.

Player of the Week Awards:

Feb. 25

Kathleen Jones, Fr., Virginia Tech
Cara Blumfield, Jr., Boston College

March 4

Barb Cook, Jr., Connecticut

March 11

Ricci Lugo, So., Villanova

March 18

Cheryl Julicher, So., Syracuse
Cara Blumfield, Jr., Boston College

March 24

Kim Jackson, Sr., Seton Hall

April 1

Jarrah Myers, Sr., Notre Dame

April 8

Lisa Mattison, Jr., Notre Dame

April 15

Sara Carlson, Jr., Villanova

Pitcher of the Week Awards:

Feb. 25

Ashlee Dobbe, Sr., Virginia Tech

March 4

Christina Shanko, Jr., Seton Hall

March 11

Nikki Gasti, Jr., Pittsburgh

March 18

Nikki Gasti, Jr., Pittsburgh
Nicole Bartholomew, Fr., Providence

March 24

Leah Black, Jr., Rutgers
Clarisa Crowell, Sr., Virginia Tech

April 1

Nicole Bartholomew, Fr., Providence

April 8

Tekae Malandris, So., Boston College

April 15

Steffany Stenglein, Fr., Notre Dame
Kim Ryan, Jr., Boston College

2002 Game Results - Winning RBI/Hit - Winning Run

Date	Opposing Team	Score	Outcome	R/H/E - R/H/E	Pitcher of Record	GW H/RBI	GW Run
2-15-02	at #1 Arizona	0-3	L	0/3/0 - 3/5/0	Stenglein (L 0-1)	-	-
2-15-02	vs. Auburn	3-2	W	3/9/0 - 2/7/0	Stenglein (W 1-1)	Ciolti	Madrid
2-16-02	vs. Louisville	3-4	L	3/4/0 - 4/7/4	Stenglein (L 1-2)	-	-
2-16-02	vs. N. Mex. St.	9-7	W	9/12/0 - 7/13/5	Wisn (W 1-0)	Myers	Loman
2-17-02	vs. #25 S. Florida	5-3	W	5/9/2 - 3/6/3	Stenglein (W 2-2)	Madrid	Hoag
2-22-02	vs. #11 Oregon St.	0-4	L	0/4/1 - 4/7/1	Wisn (L 1-1)	-	-
2-22-02	vs. S. Mississippi	6-0	W	6/6/1 - 0/5/1	Stenglein (W 3-2)	Ciolti	Ciolti
2-23-02	vs. Texas A&M	1-2	L	1/7/1 - 2/5/0	Stenglein (L 3-3)	-	-
2-23-02	vs. #8 Arizona St.	2-3	L	2/5/2 - 3/7/1	Stenglein (L 3-4)	-	-
2-24-02	vs. #7 Oklahoma	2-3	L	2/9/0 - 3/8/0	Stenglein (L 3-5)	-	-
3-1-02	vs. #19 La.-Lafay.	3-6	L	3/3/3 - 6/5/4	Stenglein (L 3-6)	-	-
3-1-02	vs. Illinois State	1-0	W	1/7/1 - 0/5/2	Stenglein (W 4-6)	Ciolti	Kriech
3-10-02	vs. Oregon	9-3	W	9/10/1 - 3/6/6	Stenglein (W 5-6)	Myers	Myers
3-10-02	at UNLV	1-2	L	1/3/1 - 2/3/2	Wisn (L 1-2)	-	-
3-13-02	at Long Beach St.	3-2	W	3/7/0 - 2/11/0	Stenglein (W 6-6)	Ciolti	Ciolti
3-14-02	vs. #2 Arizona	0-7	L	0/0/0 - 7/7/0	Wisn (L 1-3)	-	-
3-14-02	vs. CS Northridge	0-3	L	0/3/0 - 3/3/0	Stenglein (L 6-7)	-	-
3-15-02	vs. Texas Tech	2-1	W	2/8/1 - 1/3/0	Stenglein (W 7-7)	deFau	deFau
3-16-02	vs. #10 Fresno St.	2-3	L	2/6/2 - 3/5/1	Stenglein (L 7-8)	-	-
3-16-02	vs. New Mexico	4-5	L	4/12/1 - 5/7/0	Wisn (L 1-4)	-	-
3-30-02	at Pittsburgh*	13-1	W	13/12/0 - 1/5/1	Stenglein (W 8-8)	Kriech	Kriech
3-30-02	at Pittsburgh*	9-2	W	9/13/1 - 2/7/8	Wisn (W 2-4)	Loman	Ciolti
4-1-02	at Loyola Chicago	8-0	W	8/11/0 - 0/1/2	Wisn (W 3-4)	Kriech	deFau
4-6-02	at St. John's*	4-0	W	4/5/0 - 0/3/0	Wisn (4-4)	Myers	Ciolti
4-6-02	at St. John's*	8-0	W	8/10/1 - 0/3/0	Stenglein (W 10-8)	Mattison	Loman
4-7-02	at Seton Hall*	8-1	W	8/12/1 - 1/2/1	Wisn (W 5-4)	Wisn	Wisn
4-7-02	at Seton Hall*	7-1	W	7/13/1 - 1/3/2	Stenglein (W 11-8)	Bledsoe	Loman
4-9-02	Valparaiso	4-0	W	4/11/0 - 0/0/2	Wisn (W 6-4)	Bledsoe	Kriech
4-9-02	Valparaiso	8-0 (5)	W	8/7/1 - 0/1/3	Wisn (W 7-4)	Myers	Ciolti
4-11-02	Purdue	4-2	W	4/9/1 - 2/7/4	Wisn (W 8-4)	Hartmann	Bledsoe
4-12-02	Connecticut*	1-0 (8)	W	1/7/1 - 0/4/0	Stenglein (W 12-8)	Loman	Ciolti
4-12-02	Connecticut*	8-0	W	8/7/0 - 0/4/1	Stenglein (W 12-8)	Mattison	Bledsoe
4-14-02	Syracuse*	3-1	W	3/4/1 - 1/3/0	Stenglein (W 14-8)	Kriech	deFau
4-14-02	Syracuse*	0-3	L	0/4/1 - 3/4/1	Stenglein (L 14-9)	-	-

lete of the Year: She will receive a \$4,000 stipend which will be applied to graduate studies. The winner is determined by the league's Academic Awards Committee.

Aéropostale Stores is the official apparel of BIG EAST Championships and is the sponsor of the Conference's Post Graduate Student-Athlete Scholarship Program. This year Aéropostale will award 31 scholarships to Conference student-athletes to assist in their pursuit of graduate or professional studies. The Men's and Women's Basketball Scholar-Athletes will be announced in conjunction with the BIG

EAST Men's & Women's Basketball Championships on March 1 and 5.

Aéropostale is a popular clothing and accessories retailer that has over 275 stores in 37 states throughout the United States. Named after the Compagnie Generale Aéropostale, the pioneer French airmail company, the merchandise continues to embody the spirit and adventure of its name. The company also operates a web site at www.aeropostale.com.

Myers, a senior catcher from Carbondale, Kan., is the fourth Notre Dame female to win the award. She was chosen for the Scholar-Athlete of

the Year award from a pool of 15 candidates which may encompass athletes from any of the 12 BIG EAST women's sports.

Myers, an environmental science major in the Notre Dame honors program, earned National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA)/Louisville Slugger All-America Third Team honors as a junior in 2001 and was a member of the U.S. National Team last year. Prior to the 2002 season, she was named to the Preseason All-BIG EAST Team. Myers was named to the All-BIG EAST Second Team as a junior in 2001 and the first team in 2000.

Last season she led the Irish in batting (.380), RBI (41) and home runs (7). Myers ranks among the top five on the ND career lists for triples, home runs and RBI.

As a Dean's List student, Myers earned Verizon/CoSIDA Academic All-America First Team honors as a junior and third team accolades as a sophomore. She will graduate as a four-time BIG EAST Academic All-Star and plans to pursue a master's degree in forensic science. Myers does extra research in the organic chemistry department and volunteers on a bi-monthly basis at an elderly assistance home.

The conference also announced the '01-02 BIG EAST/Aéropostale Female Scholar-Athlete Award winners, who will each receive \$2,000 toward graduate studies.

Notre Dame and Villanova picked as co-favorites in the BIG EAST: Notre Dame and Villanova ended up tied in the 2002 BIG EAST Softball Pre-season Poll, as both teams earned 94 points.

Notre Dame is coming off a 20-0 regular season record in conference competition last season, while Villanova wrapped up league play with a 15-5 record. The Irish received six first-place votes, while the Wildcats earned four. Seton Hall (third), Virginia Tech (fourth) and Connecticut (fifth) rounded out the top five in the preseason poll.

Notre Dame will continue conference competition this weekend at St. John's (Saturday) and Seton Hall (Sunday).

California girls: The 2002 Notre Dame roster is loaded with talent from the Golden State, as seven Irish players call California home. The 2002 freshman class brings three players from the West Coast (Liz Hartmann - Novato, Steffany Stenglein - Irvine, Carrie Wisen - Fullerton), while the returning Irish from California are Chantal DeAlcuaz (Modesto), Andrea Loman (Riverside), Alexis Madrid (Temecula) and Jessica Sharron (Agoura Hills).

How to get information on the 2002

Notre Dame softball team: In addition to weekly releases and game recaps on www.und.com, media members may be added to the sports information e-mail release list by contacting Alan Wasielewski at:

Wasielewski.3@nd.edu

Notre Dame home softball games will be available via live statistics on www.und.com.

Keep up with the Irish via the sports

hotline: The Notre Dame sports information hotline has modified its menu offerings for the 2002 winter and spring sports seasons.

Here's how the hotline now is aligned (as of Dec. 28, 2001):

* Dial (219) 631-3000

* Select any of the following sub-groups:

(1) Upcoming schedule and recent results of ALL varsity sports currently in action (select cells 3-9 for the most updated results for specific sports).

(2) Upcoming football schedules for the 2002-05 seasons.

(3) Baseball information.

(4) Softball information.

(5) Men's lacrosse information (press 1) and women's lacrosse information (press 2).

(6) Men's and women's outdoor track and field information

(7) Women's rowing information.

(8) Tennis information (then press 1 for men's tennis and 2 for women's tennis).

(9) Information for men's and women's fencing (press 1), men's golf (press 2) and women's golf (press 3).

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

Here is a quick breakdown of Notre Dame's hitting streaks from this season (min. five games):

10 - Lisa Mattison (3-30 - current)

10 - Jenny Kriech (3-30 - current)

8 - Jarrah Myers (3-15 - 4-7)

6 - Andrea Loman (3-16 - 4-6)

5 - Megan Ciolli (4-6 - current)

5 - Andria Bledsoe (4-6 - current)

Multiple Hit Games

11 - Jenny Kriech

11 - Megan Ciolli

9 - Andria Bledsoe

9 - Jarrah Myers

8 - Lisa Mattison

8 - Andrea Loman

Multiple RBI Games

7 - Andria Bledsoe

6 - Liz Hartmann

4 - Jarrah Myers

3 - Lisa Mattison

3 - Andrea Loman

Situational batting leaders:

vs. lefthanders	Bledsoe	.....	.750
vs. righthanders	Loman	.....	.353
bases empty	Mattison	.....	.452
w/runners on	Loman	.....	.377
bases loaded	Hartmann	....	.667
w/two outs	Mattison	.....	.370
in scoring pos.	Hartmann	....	.400
leadoff	Mattison	.....	.571
RBI w/ runners on and less than two outs	Hartmann	..	1.000