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Women's Basketball 2005-06

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2005-06 ND Women's Basketball: Game 18

#21/22 Notre Dame Fighting Irish (12-5 / 3-3 BIG EAST) vs.
#10/9 Rutgers Scarlet Knights (13-3 / 5-0 BIG EAST)

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| ◆ DATE: January 24, 2006 | ◆ RADIO: ESPN Radio 1580 AM |
| ◆ TIME: 7:30 p.m. ET | Sean Stires, p-b-p |
| ◆ AT: Piscataway, N.J. | ◆ TV: CSTV (live) |
| Louis Brown Ath. Ctr. (8,000) | Ann Schatz, p-b-p |
| ◆ SERIES: Rutgers leads 12-9 | Debbie Antonelli, color |
| ◆ 1ST MTG: 11/27/82 (RU 81-74) | ◆ LIVE STATS: www.und.com |
| ◆ LAST MTG: 2/19/05 (RU 59-48) | ◆ TICKETS: (866) 445-4678 |



2005-06 Schedule

12-5 / 3-3 BIG EAST

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|------------|--|----------------|
| N1 | Indianapolis (exhibition) | W, 84-59 |
| N10 | Ferris State (exhibition) | W, 96-45 |
| N18 | (15/16) Michigan | W, 55-45 |
| N20 | (15/16) @ Western Michigan ^{CL} | W, 71-68 |
| N23 | (13/15) @ Indiana | W, 74-61 |
| N27 | (13/15) USC ^{CL} (24/21) | W, 73-62 |
| N29 | (11/12) Iona | W, 74-55 |
| D4 | (11/12) @ Wisconsin | W, 77-72 |
| D7 | (10/10) @ Purdue (24/23) | L, 54-65 |
| D17 | (13/14) vs. Arkansas St. ¹ | W, 77-54 |
| D18 | (13/14) vs. Utah ¹ (22/21) | W, 68-55 |
| D28 | (12/11) Valparaiso | W, 58-50 |
| D31 | (12/11) Tennessee ^{CSTV} (1/1) | L, 51-62 |
| J4 | (12/12) • @ St. John's | L, 63-66 |
| J7 | (12/12) • Seton Hall | L, 61-74 |
| J10 | (20/19) • Marquette | W, 67-65 (OT) |
| J14 | (20/19) • @ Louisville | L, 51-61 |
| J17 | (24/22) • DePaul ^{CSTV} (10/10) | W, 78-75 |
| J21 | (24/22) • @ Georgetown | W, 54-52 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers^{CSTV} | 7:30 ET |
| J28 | • South Florida | Noon ET |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | 7:30 ET |
| F4 | • Providence | 1:00 ET |
| F7 | • Villanova ^{ESPNU} | 6:00 ET |
| F12 | • @ DePaul ^{ESPN2} | 4:40 CT |
| F19 | • Connecticut ^{ESPN2} | 7:00 ET |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | 7:00 ET |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati ^{BETV} | 2:00 ET |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | 7:00 ET |
| M4 | BIG EAST First Round ² | TBD |
| M5 | BIG EAST Quarterfinals ² | TBD |
| M6 | BIG EAST Semifinals ² | 6/8:00 ET |
| M7 | BIG EAST Championship ² | 7:30 ET |
| M18 | NCAA First Round ³ | TBD |
| M19 | | |
| M20 | NCAA Second Round ³ | TBD |
| M21 | | |
| M25 | NCAA Regional Semifinals ⁴ | TBD |
| M26 | | |
| M27 | NCAA Regional Finals ⁴ | TBD |
| M28 | | |
| A2 | NCAA National Semifinals ⁵ | 7/9:30 ET |
| A4 | NCAA Championship Game ⁵ | 8:30 ET |

Storylines

- ◆ Notre Dame will take on its sixth ranked opponent this season, having gone 3-2 vs. Top 25 opponents thus far in 2005-06.
- ◆ The Irish are seeking their first victory over Rutgers at the Louis Brown Athletic Center since Feb. 16, 2002 (a 57-52 win).

After squaring its BIG EAST Conference record and picking up its third win in four games, the road doesn't get any easier for the No. 21/22 Notre Dame women's basketball team as the Irish visit No. 10/9 Rutgers Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. (ET) contest. The game will be broadcast to a nationwide cable audience by College Sports Television (CSTV) as part of the BIG EAST Game of the Week package.

Notre Dame (12-5, 3-3 BIG EAST) earned back-to-back wins for the first time since Dec. 17-18 when it held on for a 54-52 victory at Georgetown on Saturday. The Irish led by as many as 17 points three times in the second half, but let things get interesting down the stretch, as the Hoyas mounted a 19-4 run and had a look at a game-winning three-pointer in the final seconds.

Senior guard **Megan Duffy** led Notre Dame with 16 points and five assists, while sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** matched her career high with 10 rebounds.

Rankings

- ◆ Notre Dame is ranked 21st in this week's Associated Press poll and was 22nd in last week's ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll.
- ◆ Rutgers is ranked 10th in this week's Associated Press poll and was 9th in last week's ESPN/USA Today coaches' poll.

Web Sites

- ◆ Notre Dame: <http://www.und.com>
- ◆ Rutgers: <http://www.scarletknights.com>
- ◆ BIG EAST: <http://www.bigeast.org>

Setting The Standard

Under the guidance of 19th-year head coach **Muffet McGraw**, Notre Dame has evolved into one of the country's leading women's basketball powers. The Irish have appeared in 12 NCAA Tournaments (including the past 10 in a row) and advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 six times in the past nine years. Notre Dame also has reached the NCAA Women's Final Four twice, winning college basketball's ultimate prize with the 2001 national championship.

In its history, Notre Dame has developed eight All-Americans, eight WNBA players (including five draft picks in the past five years) and four USA Basketball veterans (eight medals won). Now in their 29th season in 2005-06, the Irish own an all-time record of **587-259 (.694)**.

Notre Dame Head Coach Muffet McGraw

- Saint Joseph's '77
- ◆ 19th season at Notre Dame
 - 423-160 (.726) at Notre Dame.
 - 511-201 (.718) in 24 years as head coach.

NOTES

- ◆ 2001 consensus National Coach of the Year
- ◆ Four-time Naismith Coach of the Year finalist
- ◆ Four-time conference Coach of the Year
 - BIG EAST Conference (2001)
 - Midwestern Collegiate Conference (1991)
 - North Star Conference (1988)
 - East Coast Conference (@ Lehigh) (1983)

Notre Dame's Probable Starting Lineup

| No | Name | Pos | Ht | Yr | PPG | RPG | Other | Notes |
|----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|---------|---|
| 34 | Crystal Erwin | F | 6-2 | Jr. | 6.1 | 5.6 | 0.9 apg | • 7.8 ppg., 6.0 rpg. in BIG EAST games |
| 33 | Melissa D'Amico | C | 6-5 | So. | 8.4 | 5.5 | 1.4 bpg | • Tied career high with 10 rebs. at GU |
| 1 | Tulyah Gaines | G | 5-7 | So. | 4.5 | 2.3 | 1.1 apg | • 8 pts., including 4 key FT vs. DePaul |
| 13 | Megan Duffy (C) | G | 5-7 | Sr. | 15.9 | 3.9 | 4.3 apg | • Named BE Player of the Week on Monday |
| 24 | Lindsay Schrader | G | 6-0 | Fr. | 8.5 | 6.0 | 1.9 apg | • Has started all but one game as frosh |

Off the Bench For the Irish

| | | | | | | | | |
|----|---------------------|---|------|-----|-----|-----|---------|---|
| 2 | Charel Allen | G | 5-11 | So. | 8.0 | 4.2 | 1.4 apg | • Made first career start vs. DePaul |
| 11 | Amanda Tsipis | G | 5-9 | So. | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 apg | • Solid perimeter threat (3 games played) |
| 21 | Chandrica Smith | F | 6-1 | Fr. | 1.7 | 1.4 | 0.3 spg | • Collected 2 pts., 4 rebs. at Louisville |
| 32 | Breona Gray | G | 5-9 | Jr. | 5.0 | 2.3 | 1.2 apg | • 10 pts. (4-9 FG) in 31 min. vs DePaul |
| 41 | Courtney LaVere (C) | F | 6-3 | Sr. | 7.9 | 4.0 | 1.2 bpg | • Second on team in FG% (.475), blocks |

(c) = indicates team captain

(n) rank in Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls; figure before opponent is ND rank, after is opponent's rank

- = BIG EAST Conference game
- 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- 2 = To be played at Hartford (Conn.) Civic Center
- 3 = Hosted at pre-determined sites
- 4 = Regional sites are: Albuquerque, Bridgeport, Cleveland and San Antonio
- 5 = NCAA Women's Final Four (Boston, Mass.)

ESPN2/ESPNU = Game to be televised on ESPN2/ESPNU
CSTV = Game to be televised on College Sports Television
CL = Game televised on Comcast Local
BETV = Game to be televised on BIG EAST TV package

All times local to site and subject to change





A Quick Look At The Fighting Irish

The 2005-06 season was expected to be a unique one for Notre Dame and it has lived up to that assessment thus far. Despite losing two of their top three scorers and their two primary rebounders from a year ago, the Irish bolted to a 9-1 record, highlighted by two wins over Top 25 teams (USC and Utah) as well as the championship at the Duel in the Desert in Las Vegas.

However, Notre Dame then saw its fortunes reversed, as the Irish dropped four of their next five, including their first three-game losing streak in eight years. Then, as quickly as the misfortune arrived, it disappeared, with Notre Dame winning three of its last four games, including its third win over a ranked opponent this season (78-75 over No. 10 DePaul on Jan. 17).

One of the keys for the Irish this season has been their offensive balance. On 12 occasions, Notre Dame has had at least three players scoring in double figures, and eight separate players have cracked double digits at least twice this year. Additionally, five different players have led the team in scoring at some point.

The Irish also have the benefit of strong leadership in senior All-America point guard and two-year team captain **Megan Duffy**. The 5-foot-7 Dayton, Ohio, native spent last summer as a co-captain and starter on the United States World University Games Team that rolled to the gold medal with a 7-0 record. Duffy herself directed an American offense that averaged 97.4 points per game and set a USA World University Games record with a scoring margin of +43.1 ppg.

Back stateside, Duffy continues to make improvements in her game each night out and

has been a strong all-around contributor and leader for Notre Dame once again this year. The veteran floor general is averaging a team-best 15.9 points, 4.3 assists and 2.2 steals per game, with a 1.70 assist/turnover ratio, ranking among the top 15 in the BIG EAST in all four categories. In addition, she leads the league and is 13th in the nation in foul shooting (.923). She also has led the team in scoring 10 times and in assists 12 times this year. Duffy was named BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week on Monday, following a superb week that saw her average 19.5 points, 7.0 assists and 6.5 rebounds with a .550 field goal percentage in wins over 10th-ranked DePaul and Georgetown. Duffy also has been tapped for the BIG EAST Conference Weekly Honor Roll three times this season, and she earned a spot on the Duel in the Desert All-Tournament Team after averaging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists in piloting the Irish to the tourney title.

Freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** has shown tremendous promise in her first season with the Irish. The former McDonald's All-American already has been named BIG EAST Freshman of the Week once (Nov. 21) after turning in an impressive 10-point, 14-rebound effort in her debut outing against Michigan, becoming just the second player in school history (first since 1979) to record a double-double in her first game. She also averaged 13.5 points per game and shot 80 percent from the field (12-of-15) in wins over Iona and Wisconsin, going 6-of-6 in the latter contest. Those marks earned Schrader a spot on the Dec. 5 BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll, the first freshman to appear on that list this season. She also tacked on her second double-double of the year with 10 points and 10 rebounds in Notre Dame's win over No. 22/21 Utah at the Duel in the Desert, before leading all players with 13 points and seven rebounds against Valparaiso. Schrader is second on the team in scoring (8.5 ppg.) and leads in rebounding (6.0 rpg.).

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** has proven to be a solid complement in the post to the perimeter presence of Duffy and Schrader. D'Amico is third on the team in scoring (8.4 ppg.) and rebounding (5.5 rpg.), while setting the pace in both blocked shots (1.35 bpg., tied-fifth in the BIG EAST) and field goal percentage (.500). Those figures are a far cry from her rookie season, when she logged 1.9 ppg. and 1.4 rpg. with a .438 field goal percentage in 26 games. The pre-Christmas Duel in the Desert was D'Amico's best showing to date, as she averaged 16.0 points and 6.5 rebounds per game with an .824 field goal percentage (14-of-17) en route to tournament Most Valuable Player and BIG EAST Player of the Week honors.

Potent Notables About The Fighting Irish

- Notre Dame's No. 21 ranking in the latest Associated Press poll represents the 30th consecutive appearance for the Irish in that survey, dating back to the start of the 2004-05 season. All told, Notre Dame has appeared in 139 Associated Press polls since the balloting debuted 30 years ago, with their first AP ranking (No. 25) coming on Dec. 31, 1990.
- With its No. 10 AP ranking on Dec. 5, the

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Media Services

The official Notre Dame athletics web site contains schedules, rosters, updated statistics and some historical information from previous seasons. High-resolution color headshots and action photos of Notre Dame players, coaches and staff are available upon request.

Official Notre Dame athletics web site:

- <http://www.und.com>

In-Season Interview Policy

All requests for Notre Dame player, coach or staff interviews must be made through **Chris Masters** and 24 hours' notice is appreciated. Please be aware that student-athletes' academic obligations always take precedence before any interview requests.

Media members also may speak to Irish team personnel before or after practice sessions. While most practices are open to the media, some may be closed at the coaching staff's discretion — contact **Chris Masters** for the latest practice schedule and availability.

On game days, no interviews will be granted with any Notre Dame player or coach prior to competition.

Credentials / Parking

Season credentials will be issued to all media covering the Irish on a regular basis. Please note — any Notre Dame men's basketball season credentials also offer access to all Irish women's basketball games.

For single-game credentials, contact **Chris Masters** no less than 24 hours before tipoff. Credential requests must be submitted via fax on official letterhead. Passes are left at the media will call entrance (Gate 1) of the Joyce Center.

Parking is free for all Irish women's basketball games.

Credentials remain the property of the University of Notre Dame and may be revoked at any time.

Game Notes

Notre Dame's game notes package is completed and made available on-line through the official Irish athletics web site during the season, usually at least one day prior to tipoff. Notre Dame's game notes are in Adobe PDF format and will be distributed via *electronic means only* (e-mail or web). Fax distribution is by request only.

Please contact **Chris Masters** if you wish to be added to the e-mail distribution list for Notre Dame's regular women's basketball release.

Gameday Services

Gameday packages containing game notes, flipcards and other information will be available on press row prior to all home contests. A pre-game meal also is served in the arena level media room (exit court via Gate 8 ramp behind visitors' bench, make first right, enter first door on right) beginning 75 minutes before tipoff.

A bank of statistics monitors is located on press row for the media's convenience. Final statistics books include an official NCAA box score and play-by-play. Telephone, copier and fax services are available on a first-come, first-served basis. The Joyce Center also offers wireless Internet capability — check with **Chris Masters** for access.

Post-Game Press Conferences

Following each Notre Dame home game, Irish head coach Muffet McGraw and selected players, followed by the visiting head coach and selected players, will be available to speak with the media. Post-game press conferences are held in the Joyce Center auditorium, located near Gate 1 on the first floor of the arena (exit floor via Gate 1 ramp to right of press row, go straight and turn right at WBB office).

Media members should submit player requests for post-game interviews to **Chris Masters** at the final media timeout of the second half.

LAST IRISH GAME

#24/22 Notre Dame 54, Georgetown 52
January 21, 2006
McDonough Arena (Washington, D.C.)

Notre Dame (54)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Erwin | 18 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| D'Amico | 27 | 2-8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Gaines | 14 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Duffy | 40 | 5-8 | 2-5 | 4-4 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 16 |
| Schrader | 18 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Allen | 23 | 4-9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Smith | 3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gray | 26 | 1-3 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| LaVere | 31 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 9 |
| Team | | | | | 5 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 22-53 | 2-7 | 8-12 | 35 | 14 | 15 | 54 |

Georgetown (52)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Wheeler | 34 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| Marlow | 30 | 4-10 | 0-0 | 4-4 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Heidloff | 40 | 1-11 | 1-6 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Carlin | 33 | 3-10 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| LeSueur | 38 | 9-17 | 0-1 | 1-4 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| Bozeman | 10 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 1-1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Tyburski | 11 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Whitt | 4 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Team | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 20-58 | 3-15 | 9-13 | 39 | 11 | 14 | 52 |

Notre Dame 32 22 -- 54
Georgetown 18 34 -- 52

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.5, Georgetown 34.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 28.6, Georgetown 20.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, Georgetown 69.2. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 20, Georgetown 19. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7 (LaVere 3), Georgetown 9 (Wheeler 6). **Steals:** Notre Dame 10 (five with 2), Georgetown 9 (Heidloff 3). **Attendance:** 1,103.





Current Standings

Table with columns: BIG EAST (W, L), Overall (W, L). Rows include Connecticut, Rutgers, St. John's, DePaul, Louisville, Marquette, NOTRE DAME, South Florida, West Virginia, Seton Hall, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, Villanova, Georgetown, Providence, Syracuse.

Through games of Jan. 23
(n) Ranking in Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today polls
(AP poll of Jan. 23 // ESPN/USA Today poll of Jan. 17)

Player of the Week

- Nov. 21 Mel Thomas, Connecticut
Nov. 28 Jessica Dickson, South Florida
Dec. 5 Vaida Sipaviciute, Syracuse
Dec. 12 Jessica Dickson, South Florida
Dec. 19 Melissa D'Amico, Notre Dame
Dec. 27 Meg Bulger, West Virginia
Jan. 2 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers
Jan. 9 Khara Smith, DePaul
Jan. 16 Cappie Pondexter, Rutgers
Jan. 23 Megan Duffy, Notre Dame

Freshman of the Week

- Nov. 21 Lindsay Schrader, Notre Dame
Nov. 28 Xenia Stewart, Pittsburgh
Dec. 5 Jenny Eckhart, Syracuse
Dec. 12 Chelsea Marandola, Providence
Dec. 19 Michelle Jones, Cincinnati
Dec. 27 Chelsea Marandola, Providence
Jan. 2 Katrina Wheeler, Georgetown
Jan. 9 Shantel Brown, Seton Hall
Jan. 16 Renee Montgomery, Connecticut
Jan. 23 Krystal Ellis, Marquette

Upcoming BIG EAST Games

Tuesday, Jan. 24

- South Florida at Connecticut 7:00p
• Notre Dame at Rutgers 7:30p

Wednesday, Jan. 25

- Marshall vs. West Virginia (@Charleston, W.Va.) 5:30p
• Louisville at DePaul 6:00p
• Georgetown at Cincinnati 7:00p
• St. John's at Providence 7:00p
• Syracuse at Seton Hall 7:00p
• Marquette at Villanova 7:30p

Saturday, Jan. 28

- South Florida at Notre Dame Noon
• Pittsburgh at Villanova 2:00p
• Syracuse at Providence 2:00p
• Rutgers at Georgetown 3:00p
• Seton Hall at Marquette 6:00p
• Connecticut at DePaul 8:00p

Sunday, Jan. 29

- West Virginia at St. John's Noon

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game
All times Eastern and subject to change

Around the BIG EAST

Irish have appeared in the top 10 of the media balloting at some point in seven of the past 10 years (including three of the past four seasons). Notre Dame has spent a total of 73 weeks in the AP top 10 during the program's 29-year history and owns a 110-21 (.840) record when it's ranked in the top 10.

- The Irish have won 57 of their last 61 non-conference home games, dating back to the 1994-95 season. Three of the losses in that span have come against Big Ten Conference opponents (Wisconsin in 1996, Purdue in 2003, Michigan State in 2004), with the other coming back on Dec. 31 vs. No. 1 Tennessee.
• The Irish defense continues to be its calling card. In each of the past six seasons, Notre Dame has held its opponents to an average of less than 62 points per game, including a 56.8 ppg. mark last year, which ranked as the third-lowest opponent scoring average in school history and second-best of the Muffet McGraw era (55.8 ppg. in 2000-01). Thus far in 2005-06, the Irish are allowing opponents to score 61.3 ppg.

Table: ND Opponent PPG Since 1999-2000. Rows: 2004-05 (56.8), 2003-04 (58.5), 2002-03 (61.2), 2001-02 (57.8), 2000-01 (55.8*), 1999-00 (61.9). 6-year avg. 58.6 ppg. * = McGraw-era record

- The Irish are 3-2 against ranked teams this season and have posted 40 wins over Top 25 opponents in the past eight seasons (1998-99 to present), most recently knocking off No. 10/10 DePaul, 78-75 on Jan. 17 at the Joyce Center. In each of the past two years, Notre Dame has set a school record with seven regular-season wins over ranked opponents. Furthermore, since the start of the 2003-04 season, the Irish are 12-3 (.800) at home against Top 25 competition (2-1 this year).
• Drawing 5,311 fans to its Jan. 17 game vs. DePaul, the Irish now have welcomed crowds of 5,000 or more fans to 73 of their last 75 home games. The only two blemishes on that mark came in the semifinals and finals of last year's Preseason WNIT, because tickets for those games could not be included in the Notre Dame season ticket package and had to be purchased separately.
• The capacity crowd of 11,418 for the Dec. 31 home game vs. top-ranked Tennessee was the third sellout in program history and the 19-day advance sellout was the quickest in the 29-year history of Irish women's basketball. As of Jan. 23, it also was the 23rd-largest crowd in the nation. For the season, Notre Dame ranks ninth in the country in average home attendance with 6,566 fans per game.
• Senior guard Megan Duffy was named a preseason All-American by three sources, has been cited on the preseason watch lists for both the State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy and the John R. Wooden Women's Award, and was tabbed as one of the top five point guards in the nation by ESPN.com. Duffy also was a preseason all-BIG

EAST Conference selection, following up her first-team all-league citation last year.

- With a 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, Irish head coach Muffet McGraw became the 27th coach in NCAA Division I women's basketball history to reach the 500-win mark. She also is the 10th Division I coach to earn her 500th victory prior to age 50. McGraw reached another milestone on Nov. 29 vs. Iona with her 700th career game as a head coach.

A Quick Look At Rutgers

Building upon last season's trip to the NCAA Elite Eight, Rutgers is 13-3 this season and is one of two remaining unbeaten teams in the BIG EAST Conference to this point with a 5-0 record in league play.

The Scarlet Knights are coming off an 80-55 victory over Louisville at home on Saturday. RU used a 27-1 first-half run to seize control of the contest and never let the Cardinals get closer than 14 points the rest of the way.

Senior guard Cappie Pondexter connected on 11-of-17 shots and finished with a game-high 27 points for Rutgers. Freshman center Kia Vaughn was solid off the bench with 13 points, 15 rebounds and four blocks, while sophomore guard Matee Ajavon also produced in a reserve role with 14 points and seven assists.

Pondexter leads the Scarlet Knights and ranks second in the BIG EAST in scoring (22.0 ppg.), while also placing among the league leaders in field goal percentage (.528), three-point percentage (.481) and assists (3.94 apg.). Ajavon is second on the team in scoring (11.0 ppg.) and tops in steals (2.31 spg.), while senior forward Michelle Campbell, last year's BIG EAST Most Improved Player, is logging 9.3 ppg. with a team-best .582 field goal percentage.

C. Vivian Stringer is in her 11th season as the head coach at Rutgers, owning a 216-114 (.655) record with the Scarlet Knights. Stringer is in the 34th season of her legendary coaching career, having made prior stops at Cheyney and Iowa, and piling up a 736-249 (.747) record. She is 9-9 all-time vs. Notre Dame.

The Notre Dame-Rutgers Series

Since Notre Dame and Rutgers joined the BIG EAST Conference in time for the 1995-96 season, their annual matchups have exemplified the rugged and exciting nature of BIG EAST women's basketball. The Scarlet Knights hold a 12-9 edge in the series, including a 7-3 lead in Piscataway, dating back to the formative stages of the rivalry more than two decades ago.

Notre Dame and Rutgers first played early in the 1982-83 season at the Orange Crush Classic in Chicago, with RU coming away with an 81-74 victory. The Scarlet Knights went on to claim the first three series matchups, all of which came prior to the teams entering the BIG EAST.

Following a nine-year layoff, the Irish faced Rutgers in the first-ever BIG EAST game for both schools, and Notre Dame earned a 66-54 win at the Joyce Center. That touched off a stretch that would see the Irish win eight of 13 series games between 1996 and 2002, capped by a 57-52 Notre Dame win at the Louis Brown Athletic Center on Feb. 16, 2002 — the last time





the Irish won a road game in the series.

Since then, Rutgers has had the upper hand against the Irish, winning four of the past five meetings. The two sides split a pair of games last season, with each successfully defending their home court. Notre Dame won 63-47 on Jan. 23, 2005, behind a 23-0 second-half run, before Rutgers logged a 59-48 win on Feb. 19, 2005, to help RU win the BIG EAST regular-season title.

Other Notre Dame-Rutgers Series Tidbits

- Tuesday night's game will mark the 22nd series meeting between Notre Dame and Rutgers, tying Georgetown for the most series games against a BIG EAST opponent in school history. The Irish also have played 21 times vs. Connecticut, as well as 20 times against Syracuse and Villanova. Notre Dame has faced new BIG EAST foes Marquette (31) and DePaul (24) more often than Rutgers and Georgetown, due in part to their regional proximity and former ties in the North Star Conference and/or Midwestern Collegiate Conference.
- The series is evenly split at 9-9 since Notre Dame and Rutgers joined the BIG EAST Conference in 1995-96.
- The Irish will be playing in Piscataway for the fifth time in the past six seasons, with the only time they didn't play at RU coming in 2002-03. However, Notre Dame still visited the Louis Brown Athletic Center for the BIG EAST Conference Championship, splitting two games.
- In three of the past five series meetings, the

Notre Dame In the Polls

Associated Press Poll

| Week | Points | Rank | Weeks Ranked | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| | | | 05-06 | All Time |
| Preseason | 408 | 15 | 1 | 129 |
| Nov. 21, 2005 | 516 | 13 | 2 | 130 |
| Nov. 28, 2005 | 654 | 11 | 3 | 131 |
| Dec. 5, 2005 | 705 | 10 | 4 | 132 |
| Dec. 12, 2005 | 575 | 13 | 5 | 133 |
| Dec. 19, 2005 | 615 | 13 | 6 | 134 |
| Dec. 26, 2005 | 662 | 12 | 7 | 135 |
| Jan. 2, 2006 | 609 | 12 | 8 | 136 |
| Jan. 9, 2006 | 256 | 20 | 9 | 137 |
| Jan. 16, 2005 | 97 | 24 | 10 | 138 |
| Jan. 23, 2006 | 225 | 21 | 11 | 139 |
| SEASON HIGHS | 705 | 10 | | |

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll

| Week | Points | Rank | Weeks Ranked | |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| | | | 05-06 | All Time |
| Preseason | 288 | 15 | 1 | 120 |
| Nov. 15, 2005 | 294 | 16 | 2 | 121 |
| Nov. 22, 2005 | 292 | 15 | 3 | 122 |
| Nov. 29, 2005 | 374 | 12 | 4 | 123 |
| Dec. 6, 2005 | 444 | 10 | 5 | 124 |
| Dec. 13, 2005 | 372 | 14 | 6 | 125 |
| Dec. 20, 2005 | 407 | 12 | 7 | 126 |
| Dec. 27, 2005 | 441 | 11 | 8 | 127 |
| Jan. 3, 2006 | 415 | 12 | 9 | 128 |
| Jan. 10, 2006 | 203 | 19 | 10 | 129 |
| Jan. 17, 2006 | 97 | 22 | 11 | 130 |
| SEASON HIGHS | 444 | 10 | | |

winning team has had to overcome a double-digit deficit; most recently, it was the Irish who pulled off the feat, erasing a 13-point deficit to win, 63-47 on Jan. 23, 2005 at the Joyce Center.

- Both teams are known for their defense, so it should come as no surprise that neither side has cracked 70 points in a regulation game since a 77-57 Rutgers win on Feb. 13, 1999 in Piscataway.
- Nearly half (10) of the 21 series matchups between Notre Dame and Rutgers have been decided by single-digit margins, including two overtime contests (both in 2000).
- Notre Dame senior guard **Megan Duffy** and Rutgers senior guard **Cappie Pondexter** served as co-captains and starting backcourt mates on the 2005 USA World University Games Team that went 7-0 and won the gold medal this past August in Izmir, Turkey.
- Duffy was the BIG EAST Most Improved Player in 2003-04 before handing that award off to Rutgers forward **Michelle Campbell** last season.
- Notre Dame freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** is the reigning Illinois Miss Basketball, an award that Pondexter won in each of her final two seasons (2000 and 2001) at John Marshall High School in Chicago. The award winner between Pondexter and Schrader? Tennessee's **Candace Parker**, who won the honor three times.
- Notre Dame head coach **Muffet McGraw** and Rutgers head coach **C. Vivian Stringer** both are members of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Board of Directors. They were appointed to their posts (McGraw as NCAA Division I Legislative Chair; Stringer as a Division I at-large

Associated Press Poll

• January 23, 2006: Poll #10

| Team | Rec | Pts | LW |
|----------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| 1 ♦Tennessee (36) | 18-0 | 1,140 | 1 |
| 2 Duke (10) | 18-0 | 1,112 | 2 |
| 3 North Carolina | 18-0 | 1,049 | 4 |
| 4 LSU | 16-1 | 985 | 3 |
| 5 ♦Connecticut | 17-2 | 983 | 5 |
| 6 Maryland | 16-2 | 915 | 6 |
| 7 Ohio State | 15-2 | 875 | 7 |
| 8 ♦Purdue | 15-2 | 807 | 11 |
| 9 Baylor | 13-3 | 696 | 8 |
| 10 ♦Rutgers | 13-3 | 685 | 9 |
| 11 Stanford | 13-4 | 643 | 14 |
| 12 ♦DePaul | 17-2 | 621 | 10 |
| 13 Oklahoma | 15-4 | 619 | 17 |
| 14 Minnesota | 13-4 | 572 | 16 |
| 15 Georgia | 13-5 | 531 | 13 |
| 16 Michigan State | 14-6 | 492 | 12 |
| 17 Temple | 14-4 | 342 | 21 |
| 18 New Mexico | 14-4 | 334 | 20 |
| 19 Arizona State | 14-5 | 283 | 15 |
| 20 BYU | 15-1 | 280 | 23 |
| 21 NOTRE DAME | 12-5 | 225 | 24 |
| 22 Vanderbilt | 13-6 | 120 | 19 |
| 23 ♦USC | 13-5 | 116 | — |
| 24 Florida | 15-3 | 105 | — |
| 25 Virginia Tech | 14-3 | 73 | 18 |

Others Receiving Votes: Boston College 56, North Carolina State 51, ♦St. John's 47, Texas A&M 42, ♦Utah 38, George Washington 34, Virginia 23, Washington 10, Indiana State 9, Texas 9, ♦Louisville 7, Missouri 6, California 5, Hartford 2, Iowa State 2, Tulsa 2, Bowling Green 1, Fresno State 1, Louisiana Tech 1.

ESPN/USA Today Coaches' Poll

• January 17, 2006: Poll #10

| Team | Rec | Pts | LW |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 ♦Tennessee (29) | 17-0 | 772 | 1 |
| 2 Duke (2) | 17-0 | 746 | 2 |
| 3 North Carolina | 16-0 | 705 | 4 |
| 4 LSU | 14-1 | 665 | 3 |
| 5 ♦Connecticut | 16-2 | 650 | 7 |
| 6 Maryland | 15-2 | 637 | 6 |
| 7 Ohio State | 13-2 | 559 | 8 |
| 8 Baylor | 12-2 | 556 | 5 |
| 9 ♦Rutgers | 12-2 | 521 | 9 |
| 10 ♦DePaul | 16-1 | 503 | 10 |
| 11 ♦Purdue | 13-2 | 464 | 11 |
| 12 Minnesota | 11-4 | 393 | 14 |
| 13 Arizona State | 14-3 | 384 | 13 |
| 14 Michigan State | 13-5 | 359 | 12 |
| 15 Stanford | 11-4 | 351 | 15 |
| 16 Georgia | 12-4 | 317 | 17 |
| 17 Oklahoma | 13-4 | 297 | 16 |
| 18 New Mexico | 13-4 | 218 | 18 |
| 19 Vanderbilt | 13-4 | 217 | 21 |
| 20 Temple | 12-4 | 126 | 20 |
| 21 Boston College | 12-5 | 122 | 22 |
| 22 NOTRE DAME | 10-5 | 97 | 19 |
| 23 BYU | 13-1 | 72 | — |
| 24 Virginia Tech | 14-2 | 67 | 23 |
| 25 George Washington | 11-4 | 63 | — |

Others Receiving Votes: Florida 38, Washington 37, ♦Louisville 25, Missouri 22, ♦Utah 18, North Carolina State 15, Virginia 12, Louisiana Tech 10, Texas A&M 9, ♦USC 7, Kentucky 5, Mississippi 5, ♦St. John's 4, Kansas 3, Montana 2, Liberty 1, Texas 1.

LW = last week

♦ = 2005-06 Notre Dame opponent

LAST IRISH GAME vs. RUTGERS

#10/10 Rutgers 59, #5/7 Notre Dame 48
February 19, 2005
Louis Brown Athletic Center (Piscataway, N.J.)

Notre Dame (48)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| Battleast | 38 | 3-14 | 0-1 | 8-9 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 14 |
| LaVere | 25 | 3-6 | 0-1 | 2-2 | 6 | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| Borton | 19 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| Duffy | 40 | 4-6 | 2-4 | 4-4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 14 |
| Gray | 34 | 3-7 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| Gaines | 15 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 1 |
| Allen | 15 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Erwin | 14 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| Team | | | | | 3 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 14-42 | 2-8 | 18-21 | 37 | 8 | 21 | 48 |

Rutgers (59)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Campbell | 37 | 5-11 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 10 |
| Richman | 25 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 3-8 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| Jett | 13 | 2-6 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Ajavon | 15 | 2-7 | 0-2 | 0-2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| Newton | 38 | 5-13 | 1-1 | 3-4 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 14 |
| Locke | 16 | 1-2 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Carson | 8 | 1-7 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| Adams | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reed | 1 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Pondexter | 38 | 5-7 | 2-3 | 1-2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 13 |
| Theodoris | 8 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Team | | | | | 3 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 22-56 | 5-11 | 10-23 | 34 | 15 | 20 | 59 |

Notre Dame 20 28 -- 48
Rutgers 32 27 -- 59

FG Pct: Notre Dame 33.3, Rutgers 39.3. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 25.0, Rutgers 45.5. FT Pct: Notre Dame 85.7, Rutgers 43.5. Turnovers: Notre Dame 23, Rutgers 13. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 4, Rutgers 4. Steals: Notre Dame 5, Rutgers 16 (Newton 5). Attendance: 7,725.





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Rutgers Series

Rutgers Leads Series, 12-9

| Date | Site | Result | Score |
|----------|----------------------------|--------|------------|
| 11/27/82 | Chicago ¹ | L | 74-81 |
| 1/9/86 | Piscataway | L | 61-69 |
| 11/29/86 | Notre Dame | L | 50-71 |
| 11/28/95 | Notre Dame | W | 66-54 |
| 2/3/96 | Piscataway | L | 62-73 |
| 1/21/97 | Notre Dame | W | 76-61 |
| 3/2/97 | Storrs, Conn. ² | W | 86-58 |
| 12/3/97 | Piscataway | L | 67-80 |
| 2/24/98 | Notre Dame | W | 71-64 |
| 2/13/99 | Piscataway | L | 57-77 |
| 3/1/99 | Piscataway ² | W | 68-61 |
| 2/19/00 | Piscataway | W | 78-74 (ot) |
| 3/6/00 | Storrs, Conn. ² | L | 72-81 (ot) |
| 1/6/01 | Notre Dame | W | 67-46 |
| 2/17/01 | Piscataway | L | 53-54 |
| 2/16/02 | Piscataway | W | 57-52 |
| 1/18/03 | Notre Dame | L | 61-64 |
| 2/28/04 | Piscataway | L | 55-69 |
| 3/7/04 | Hartford ² | L | 45-51 |
| 1/23/05 | Notre Dame | W | 63-47 |
| 2/19/05 | Piscataway | L | 48-59 |

1 = Orange Crush Classic
2 = BIG EAST Championship

| Series Scoring | Total | Average |
|----------------|-------|---------|
| Notre Dame | 1,337 | 63.7 |
| Rutgers | 1,346 | 64.1 |

Current Win Streak: Rutgers - 1 game
Muffet McGraw vs. Rutgers: 9-9
C. Vivian Stringer vs. Notre Dame: 9-9
McGraw vs. Stringer: Series tied 9-9
ND Biggest Win: 28 (86-58 on 3/2/97)
RU Biggest Win: 21 (71-50 on 11/29/86)
ND Longest Win Streak: 2, twice (1997; 1999-00)
RU Longest Win Streak: 3, twice (1982-86; 2003-04)

THE TALE OF THE TAPE

| | ND | RU |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| Overall/BIG EAST record | 12-5/3-3 | 13-3/5-0 |
| AP/ESPN-USA Today rank* | 21/22 | 10/9 |

SCORING

| | | |
|-------------------------|------|------|
| Points scored per game | 65.1 | 65.6 |
| Points allowed per game | 61.3 | 52.9 |
| Field goal percentage | .424 | .484 |
| Three-point percentage | .322 | .381 |
| Free throw percentage | .662 | .681 |

REBOUNDING

| | | |
|-------------------------|------|------|
| Rebounds per game | 38.2 | 33.6 |
| Opponent rebs. per game | 37.9 | 31.7 |
| Rebounding margin | +0.3 | +1.9 |

OTHER

| | | |
|------------------------|------|------|
| Assists per game | 12.8 | 13.4 |
| Turnovers per game | 15.7 | 15.3 |
| Assist/turnover ratio | 0.82 | 0.88 |
| Blocked shots per game | 3.8 | 4.4 |
| Steals per game | 8.6 | 8.6 |

* = AP poll of Jan. 23; ESPN/USA Today poll of Jan. 17

representative) in June 2005 by new WBCA president (and DePaul head coach) **Doug Bruno**.

The Last Time Notre Dame And Rutgers Met

Chelsea Newton had 14 points and eight assists and No. 10 Rutgers posted its fifth win over a top 10 team this season with a 59-48 victory over No. 5 Notre Dame on Feb. 19, 2005, in Piscataway, N.J., snapping a season-high 10-game Irish winning streak.

Cappie Pondexter added 13 points as the Scarlet Knights (20-5, 11-2 BIG EAST) stayed unbeaten at home (12-0) and moved into first place in the league.

Jacqueline Batteast and **Megan Duffy** had 14 points apiece to lead Notre Dame, which was held to a season-low point total by Rutgers' tenacious and physical defense. The previous low was 50 in a loss to Connecticut and a win over Marquette.

Rutgers forced 23 turnovers, including 10 by Duffy, Notre Dame's usually reliable point guard. The Irish didn't find enough open room to attempt a three-pointer until Duffy launched an NBA-length trey with 4:17 to play.

Still, Notre Dame had a chance. Trailing 32-19 at the half after hitting only five field goals and shooting 25 percent, the Irish opened the second half with an 11-1 spurt. A layup by Courtney LaVere got the Irish to 33-31 with 15:05 to play, and it seemed they would get a chance to tie the game when Rutgers fumbled the ball in the final seconds of the next possession.

However, **Matee Ajavon** managed to pick up the loose ball and threw in an off-balance floater. The basket started a 12-2 run that featured a steal and layup by Ajavon and a basket and three-pointer by Newton, who had 12 points in the second half.

Pondexter was the difference in the first half, hitting all five of her field goals, including two three-pointers, in helping Rutgers jump to an early lead it never lost.

Batteast, the BIG EAST's second-leading scorer, was 3-of-14 from the field. She also was cut above the right eye in the game.

Beasts Of The BIG EAST

Notre Dame is 140-34 (.805) in regular-season competition against the rest of BIG EAST Conference, owning the best conference winning percentage of any current member of the BIG EAST since joining the circuit for the 1995-96 campaign. The Irish also have won 96 of their last 120 regular-season conference games, have finished among the top three in the BIG EAST nine times in their 10-year membership, and claimed a share of their first-ever regular-season conference championship in 2001.

When including postseason competition (BIG EAST and NCAA tournaments), Notre Dame is 154-44 (.778) vs. league opponents — factoring in 23 postseason tilts, the Irish are 78-9 (.897) at home, 62-28 (.689) on the road and 14-7 (.667) at neutral sites all-time vs. BIG EAST foes.

Duffy Named BIG EAST Player Of The Week

Senior All-America guard **Megan Duffy** (Dayton, Ohio/Chaminade-Julienne HS) has been select-

ed as the BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week, the league office announced Monday. It's the first time this season, and the second time in her career, that Duffy has been tapped for the conference's top weekly individual honor, although she has earned a spot on the BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll three times in 2005-06. She previously received the BIG EAST Player of the Week designation on Dec. 8, 2003.

Last week, Duffy averaged 19.5 points, 7.0 assists, 6.5 rebounds and 2.5 steals per game with a .550 field goal percentage (11-of-20) and a perfect 1.000 free throw percentage (13-of-13) as Notre Dame picked up victories over No. 10 DePaul and Georgetown. Against DePaul, Duffy nearly registered the second triple-double in school history (and first in 16 years), finishing with 23 points, nine assists and eight rebounds as the Irish earned their third win over a ranked opponent in five tries this season. Then, at Georgetown, she came back with team highs of 16 points and five assists, along with five rebounds, as Notre Dame carded its third victory in the past four games.

Duffy is the second Irish women's basketball player to be named BIG EAST Player of the Week this year, following the selection of sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** (Manorville, N.Y./William Floyd HS) on Dec. 19. In addition, freshman guard **Lindsay Schrader** (Bartlett, Ill./Bartlett HS) garnered the first BIG EAST Freshman of the Week citation of the season back on Nov. 21.

Finding A Way

Notre Dame is 5-1 this season in games decided by five points or less, following Saturday's 54-52 victory at Georgetown. The only time this year that the Irish didn't win a close game was Jan. 4 at St. John's, when the Red Storm edged Notre Dame, 66-63 in Jamaica, N.Y.

It's Clear As Glass

The Irish are 9-1 this season in games where they win the rebounding battle. The only time Notre Dame has not come away with a win when it outrebounded the opposition was Jan. 4 at St. John's, when the Irish held a 41-21 board edge over the Red Storm, but dropped a 66-63 decision in Jamaica, N.Y.

When The Game Is On The Line...

The Irish have posted a .679 free throw percentage (57-of-84) in the final two minutes and overtime of games this season. Leading the way is senior guard **Megan Duffy**, who has made 28 of her 30 foul shots (.933) in crunch time.

| ND Free Throws In Final 2 Minutes + OT | | |
|--|--------------|-------------|
| Duffy | 28-30 | .933 |
| Gaines | 9-13 | .692 |
| Allen | 5-8 | .625 |
| D'Amico | 3-5 | .600 |
| Gray | 3-5 | .600 |
| LaVere | 2-4 | .500 |
| Schrader | 6-16 | .375 |
| Smith | 1-3 | .333 |
| TOTAL | 57-84 | .679 |

History On The Horizon

Senior All-America guard **Megan Duffy** is two steals away from becoming only the fifth player in school history to record 1,000 points and 200 steals in her career. Duffy has 1,092 points and 198 steals since arriving in South Bend in 2002.

With those two thefts, Duffy would join





Karen Robinson (1987-91), **Krissi Davis** (1987-91), **Katryna Gaither** (1993-97) and **Niele Ivey** (1996-2001) in that elite club.

What's more, Duffy has 449 career assists, putting her just 51 handouts short of pairing with Robinson and Ivey as the only Notre Dame players ever to amass 1,000 points, 500 assists and 200 steals in their careers.

| ND 1,000-Point/ 200-Steal Club | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Karen Robinson (1987-91) | (1,590p ... 228s ... 579a) |
| Krissi Davis (1987-91) | (1,194p ... 226s ... 195a) |
| Katryna Gaither (1993-97) | (2,126p ... 207s ... 99a) |
| Niele Ivey (1996-2001) | (1,430p ... 348s ... 727a) |
| ◆Megan Duffy (2002-present) | (1,092p ... 198s ... 449a) |

Second-Half Sizzle

In eight of their 12 victories this season, Notre Dame has used a significant second-half run to either take control or battle their way back into the contest. Six times, the Irish trailed at some point in the final 11 minutes, but on the strength of their second-half run, rallied to take the win.

| ND Second-Half Runs | |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 17-5 vs. Michigan (Nov. 18) | (trailed 32-38 @ 10:54; W, 55-45) |
| 10-2 @ W. Michigan (Nov. 20) | (led 49-48 @ 11:50; W, 71-68) |
| 27-8 @ Indiana (Nov. 23) | (trailed 47-51 @ 10:42; W, 74-61) |
| 22-8 vs. USC (Nov. 27) | (trailed 51-54 @ 9:22; W, 73-62) |
| 26-9 vs. Iona (Nov. 29) | (led 39-35 @ 18:20; W, 74-55) |
| 16-3 vs. Utah (Dec. 18) | (trailed 38-39 @ 9:54; W, 68-55) |
| 10-3 vs. Marquette (Jan. 10) | (trailed 47-51 @ 3:26; W, 67-65 ot) |
| 20-1 vs. DePaul (Jan. 17) | (trailed 39-51 @ 13:30; W, 78-75) |

Game #17 Recap: Georgetown

Senior guard **Megan Duffy** scored 16 points and No. 24/22 Notre Dame defeated Georgetown, 54-52 on Saturday in Washington, D.C., giving the Irish their first BIG EAST Conference road win of the season.

Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** had 10 rebounds for the Irish (12-5, 3-3 BIG EAST), who scored only one field goal in the last 10 minutes as late-charging Georgetown put together a 19-4 run.

Bethany LeSueur scored 19 points and **Kieraah Marlow** added 12 for the Hoyas (8-9, 1-5). **Kate Carlin's** off-balance three-pointer from the right wing fell short at the buzzer, sending Georgetown to its third straight defeat.

Junior guard **Breona Gray**, who had missed only one foul shot all season, had the chance to seal the game, but she couldn't convert on the front end of a 1-and-1 with 14.9 seconds to play. She got to the line after stealing **Nikki Bozeman's** pass on the previous possession.

The Irish led 32-18 at halftime. They extended the lead to 17 three times, the last coming on sophomore guard **Charel Allen's** layup with 10:07 left.

Notre Dame led 19-6 early as the Hoyas shot 1-of-11 from the floor in the opening six-plus minutes.

Noting The Georgetown Win

- Notre Dame has won three of its last four games since suffering its first three-game losing streak in eight years.

- Notre Dame is 20-2 all-time against Georgetown, including an 8-1 mark in Washington, D.C.
- The Hoyas are the sixth opponent in Irish women's basketball history against whom Notre Dame has registered 20-or-more wins (others are: Marquette - 27, Dayton & Detroit - 22, Loyola (Ill.) & Xavier - 20).
- The Irish have held Georgetown to less than 70 points in 16 of 17 BIG EAST Conference meetings, going 16-0 vs. the Hoyas when they register such a defensive effort.
- Georgetown's 52 points were the fewest it has scored vs. the Irish at McDonough Arena since Jan. 6, 1998 (a 69-44 ND win).
- The 52 points also were the fewest allowed by Notre Dame to a BIG EAST opponent this year (previous: 61 by Louisville on Jan. 14) and the third-fewest by any foe this year (season-best: 45 by Michigan on Nov. 18).
- GU's 18 first-half points tied an Irish opponent season low, originally set by Valparaiso on Dec. 28.
- After shooting a combined .582 (39-67) from the foul line during its three-game losing streak, the Irish have connected at a .697 clip (53-76) in their last four outings.
- Sophomore center **Melissa D'Amico** tied her career high with 10 rebounds, matching the total she had on Nov. 27 vs. No. 24/21 USC.
- Senior forward **Courtney LaVere** grabbed her 500th career rebound in the Georgetown win (she now has 503 all-time caroms).

Duffy Joins Irish 1,000-Point Club...

Senior co-captain and All-America guard **Megan Duffy** became the 21st member of Notre Dame's 1,000-Point Club with her 13-point night at St. John's on Jan. 4. Duffy eclipsed the milestone on an old-fashioned three-point play with 14:01 left in the game.

Duffy now has 1,092 career points, 14 shy of Danielle Green (1995-2000) for 17th on the Irish career scoring chart.

...And LaVere Follows Suit 10 Days Later

Senior co-captain and forward **Courtney LaVere** joined Duffy as a 1,000-point scorer at Notre Dame on Jan. 14 at Louisville, hitting a hook shot in the lane 2:27 into the contest. LaVere now has 1,019 career points, putting her 15 markers behind Mollie Peirick (1994-98) for 20th on the Irish all-time scoring list.

The Duffy-LaVere 1,000-point tandem marks just the fifth time in school history have team-

| ND Career Scoring List | | |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 16. | Krissi Davis (1987-91) | 1,194 |
| 17. | Danielle Green (1995-00) | 1,106 |
| 18. | ◆Megan Duffy (2002-p) | 1,092 |
| 19. | Carrie Bates (1981-85) | 1,060 |
| 20. | Mollie Peirick (1994-98) | 1,034 |
| 21. | ◆Courtney LaVere (2002-p) | 1,019 |
| 22. | Kelley Siemon (1997-01) | 1,006 |

| ND 1,000-Point Teammates | |
|--------------------------|--|
| 05-06 | ◆Megan Duffy/Courtney LaVere (3 gms between 1,000 pts.) |
| 00-01 | Niele Ivey/Kelley Siemon (35 gms) |
| 99-00 | Ruth Riley/Danielle Green (14 gms) |
| 94-95 | Letitia Bowen/Beth Morgan (16 gms) |
| 84-85 | Trena Keys/Mary Beth Schueth (13 gms) |
| | Schueth/Carrie Bates (8 gms) |

2005-06 Honorees

G Melissa D'Amico

| | |
|---------|---|
| Dec. 18 | MVP, Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) |
| Dec. 19 | BIG EAST Player of the Week |

G Megan Duffy

| | |
|-----------|---|
| preseason | State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List |
| preseason | All-American (Wooden Women's Award) |
| preseason | first-team All-American (WBB News Service) |
| preseason | third-team All-American (<i>Lindy's Annual</i>) |
| preseason | "Terrific 10" (<i>Street & Smith's</i>) |
| preseason | top five point guards in nation (ESPN.com) |
| preseason | all-BIG EAST Conference |
| preseason | Senior CLASS Award nominee |
| Nov. 28 | BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll |
| Dec. 5 | BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll |
| Dec. 18 | Duel in the Desert All-Tournament Team |
| Dec. 19 | BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll |

G Lindsay Schrader

| | |
|---------|-------------------------------|
| Nov. 21 | BIG EAST Freshman of the Week |
| Dec. 5 | BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll |

Top Joyce Center Crowds

| Rk. | Date | Opponent | Result | Atten. |
|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| T1. | 12/31/05 | #1 Tennessee | L, 51-62 | 11,418* |
| T1. | 2/24/01 | Georgetown | W, 65-53 | 11,418* |
| T1. | 1/15/01 | #1 Connecticut | W, 92-76 | 11,418* |
| 4. | 2/10/02 | #16 Boston College | W, 60-44 | 9,676 |
| 5. | 3/19/01 | Michigan (NCAA) | W, 88-54 | 9,597 |
| 6. | 1/4/03 | #7 Purdue | L, 54-71 | 9,483 |
| 7. | 1/26/02 | #16 Virginia Tech | W, 64-57 | 8,878 |
| 8. | 2/14/04 | Providence | W, 81-51 | 8,760 |
| 9. | 1/13/04 | #4 Connecticut | W, 66-51 | 8,574 |
| 10. | 1/29/02 | Syracuse | W, 71-46 | 8,571 |
| 11. | 3/17/01 | Alcorn St. (NCAA) | W, 98-49 | 8,553 |
| 12. | 1/20/03 | #3 Connecticut | L, 53-72 | 8,265 |
| 13. | 1/12/92 | #2 Tennessee | L, 82-85 | 8,134 |
| 14. | 11/18/01 | Valparaiso | W, 42-35 | 7,960 |
| 15. | 2/26/05 | West Virginia | W, 82-57 | 7,935 |
| 16. | 1/5/02 | Providence | W, 72-66 | 7,804 |
| 17. | 2/26/02 | Villanova | L, 45-48 | 7,785 |
| 18. | 2/19/02 | West Virginia | W, 72-63 | 7,709 |
| 19. | 1/18/03 | Rutgers | L, 61-64 | 7,697 |
| 20. | 2/13/02 | St. John's | W, 66-31 | 7,677 |

* = indicates capacity crowd // rankings from AP poll
Boldface indicates game played this season





Academics

Graduation Success Rate

Sixteen of 20 athletics programs at the University of Notre Dame compiled graduation rates of 100 percent, and none were below 90 percent, according to a new measurement developed by the NCAA.

The Graduation Success Rate (GSR) was created to more accurately reflect actual graduation rates by including transfer data in the calculation. The methodology used for the past decade by the Department of Education counts all student-athletes who transfer from or leave an institution for any reason as non-graduates from their initial school, even if they leave in good academic standing.

NCAA figures released in December 2005 showed that, among Notre Dame's women's sports, basketball, cross country/track, fencing, golf, lacrosse, softball, swimming, tennis and volleyball achieved 100 percent GSR scores. Soccer scored a 94 percent GSR.

Among the 119 NCAA Division I-A institutions, Notre Dame had the highest percentage of its sports with 100 percent scores, with a .800 figure (16 of 20).

Academic Progress Rate

All 22 athletics programs at the University of Notre Dame exceeded the new academic performance standard introduced in February 2005 by the NCAA, and 13 Irish teams scored a perfect 1,000. The Academic Progress Rate (APR) uses a series of formulas related to student-athlete retention and eligibility to measure the academic performance of all participants who receive a grant-in-aid on every team at every NCAA Division I college and university. It replaces the annual graduation rates report that previously was issued by the NCAA. Beginning in 2005-06, programs that fail to earn an APR score of 925 or better will be barred from replacing a scholarship athlete who leaves the institution while academically ineligible.

Notre Dame registered an overall APR of 979, and among Division I-A schools it had the third highest percentage of teams with perfect scores. The national average for Division I-A institutions was 944.

Notre Dame's overall and individual sport APRs would be substantially higher if the University certified the academic eligibility of student-athletes using the NCAA process rather than its own, more stringent, standard. If Notre Dame certified its student-athletes at mid-year using only the six-hour requirement, the University's overall APR would increase from 979 to better than 990.

Academic All-Americans

Entering the 2005-06 academic year, Notre Dame ranks second in the nation with 158 Academic All-America® selections, including six last year. The Academic All-America® Program is administered by the College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA), whose membership votes on the award winners, and the program is sponsored this year by *ESPN The Magazine*.

The Notre Dame women's basketball program has produced four Academic All-America® honorees in its 29-year history, with those four players winning a total of six citations. In addition, two-time first-team Academic All-America® pick **Ruth Riley** was tapped as the 2001 Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year, as well as the Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year. Riley also is one of only 10 student-athletes in Notre Dame history to earn All-American and Academic All-America® honors twice in her career.

Current senior guard **Megan Duffy** is poised to become the latest Irish women's basketball player to earn Academic All-America® recognition. Duffy was a second-team Academic All-District V selection in 2004-05 and currently holds a 3.555 grade-point average (GPA) as a double major in psychology and computer applications in Notre Dame's College of Arts and Letters. She also has garnered Dean's List honors the past four semesters (spring 2004, fall 2004, spring 2005, fall 2005), the most recent coming after she finished with a 3.821 GPA for the term.

ND Women's Basketball Academic All-Americans

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Maggie Lalay | 1980, 1981 (Second Team) |
| Shari Matvey | 1981 (Second Team) |
| Ruth Riley | 2000, 2001* (First Team) |
| Mary Beth Schueth | 1983 (Second Team) |

* = also Academic All-America® Women's Basketball Team Member of the Year and Academic All-America® Team Member of the Year



mates reached the 1,000-point plateau in the same season, with Niele Ivey and Kelley Siemon the last to do so in 2000-01.

Duffy and LaVere also have recorded the shortest span between hitting the mark (three games). The previous school record was eight games, the term between Mary Beth Schueth and Carrie Bates scoring their 1,000th points in the 1984-85 season.

Give Her Five (Hundred)

With Notre Dame's 55-45 victory over Michigan on Nov. 18, head coach **Muffet McGraw** became the 27th women's basketball coach in NCAA Division I history to reach the 500-win mark. McGraw now has a career record of 511-201 (.718) in 24 years of coaching, including 19 seasons at Notre Dame (423-160, .726).

Here's a closer look at how that milestone victory breaks down for McGraw:

- She is the 10th NCAA Division I women's basketball coach to register her 500th victory before turning 50 (her birthday was Dec. 5).
- McGraw is the fourth active coach in the BIG EAST Conference to reach the career 500-win mark, joining Rutgers' C. Vivian Stringer, Connecticut's Geno Auriemma and Villanova's Harry Perretta.
- She is the third BIG EAST coach in as many seasons to celebrate her 500th win. Auriemma hit the milestone late in the 2002-03 campaign, while Perretta joined the club with his landmark victory midway through last season.

| Division I Coaches With 500 Wins Before Age 50 | |
|--|------------------------|
| 41 | Pat Summitt, Tenn. |
| 44 | Rene Portland, PSU |
| 45 | C. Vivian Stringer, RU |
| 45 | Sylvia Hatchell, UNC |
| 45 | Theresa Greutz, Ill. |
| 46 | Jody Conradt, Texas |
| 47 | Tara VanDerveer, Stan. |
| 49 | Geno Auriemma, UC |
| 49 | Harry Perretta, Nova |
| 49 | ◆Muffet McGraw, ND |

Join The Club

The Irish women's basketball team is one of eight Notre Dame squads this year to be ranked in the top 10 in its respective sport at some point during the season — the cagers joined the party when they earned the No. 10 spot in the Dec. 5 AP poll. The other top-10 Irish teams include (highest rank listed): women's fencin (1st), men's fencing (2nd), women's cross country (3rd), football (5th AP), men's cross country (5th), women's soccer (5th) and volleyball (7th).

In addition, all six of Notre Dame's fall sports teams advanced at least as far as the round of 16 (or its equivalent) in the NCAA Tournament. The Irish cross country teams both finished among the top 10 at the NCAA Championships (men - 3rd; women - 7th), while the women's soccer team advanced to the NCAA quarterfinals (lost at eventual champion Portland), and the men's soccer squad made its first-ever trip to the Sweet 16 before bowing by a 1-0 count at College Cup participant Clemson.

The Irish volleyball team reached the round of 16 for the first time since 1997, falling to Wisconsin in five games down in College Station, Texas.

Meanwhile, the Notre Dame football team advanced to its first Bowl Championship Series game since 2000, dropping a 34-20 decision to No. 4 Ohio State in the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl.

On the strength of their success to date, the Irish were first in the final fall standings for the NACDA/USSA Directors' Cup (released Jan. 10) with 412 points, outpacing Penn State (308.5) and Stanford (282).

This marks the second consecutive year that Notre Dame has ranked atop the final fall standings, and its 412 points are its highest-ever fall total.

Half And Half

During the past six seasons, Notre Dame has been nearly unbeatable when it has the lead at halftime. The Irish are 107-10 (.915) since the start of the 2000-01 campaign when they go into the dressing room with the lead, including wins in 35 of their last 39 such contests. Notre Dame has won 10 games this season when it led at the break (the Irish were tied at halftime of their win over No. 24/21 USC).

The Best Offense Is A Good Defense...

During the past 11 seasons, Notre Dame has discovered that a solid defensive effort can almost certainly guarantee a victory. In fact, since the beginning of the 1995-96 season (Notre Dame's first in the BIG EAST Conference), the Irish have an amazing 156-9 (.945) record when they hold their opponents to less than 60 points in a game. Notre Dame is 6-0 in such games this season.

...But Sometimes You Have To Score If You Want To Win

Not resting solely on its defensive laurels, Notre Dame also seemingly has found the magic mark when it comes to outscoring its opponents. During the past decade (1995-96 to present), the Irish are 91-3 (.968) when they score at least 80 points in a game. The only blemishes on that record are a pair of overtime losses to Texas A&M (88-84) and Michigan State (87-83) in 1995 and a 106-81 loss to Connecticut in 1998.

Sweet Success

Notre Dame is one of only nine schools in the country to have appeared in the NCAA Sweet 16 six times in the past nine seasons (1997-2005). The others are Connecticut and Tennessee (nine times), Duke (eight times), Louisiana Tech (seven times), and Georgia, LSU, North Carolina and Texas Tech (six times).

The Gold Standard

The Irish are one of six teams nationwide to have an active streak of 12 consecutive 20-win seasons. The others in this club are Tennessee (29), Texas Tech (16), Louisiana Tech (14), Old Dominion (14) and Connecticut (12).

Now That's A Home Court Advantage

One of the hallmarks of Notre Dame's success has been its stellar play at home. In fact, the



Irish have been virtually untouchable at home in recent years, winning 133 of their last 146 games (.911) at the 11,418-seat Joyce Center, including winning streaks of 51 and 25 games in that span. Notre Dame also has a 78-9 (.897) record in BIG EAST Conference play at the Joyce Center, sporting a 31-game league winning streak at home before it ended with a 48-45 loss to Villanova in the '02 home finale.

The Irish have been particularly strong when it comes to non-conference games at home, winning 57 of their last 61 non-BIG EAST contests (.934) at the Joyce Center, dating back to the 1994-95 season. The only three losses in that span all came at the hands of Big Ten Conference opponents — Wisconsin in 1996 (81-69), Purdue in 2003 (71-54) and Michigan State in 2004 (82-73 OT). The Purdue loss snapped a 33-game non-conference home winning streak which began after the UW setback.

Since its inaugural season in 1977-78, Notre Dame has played all of its games at the Joyce Center, posting a 283-74 (.793) record at the venerable facility. In three of the previous six seasons (1999-2000, 2000-01 and 2003-04), the Irish were a perfect 15-0 at home, setting a school record for home wins in a season.

Jammin' The Joyce

Beginning with its national championship season of 2000-01, Notre Dame has ranked among the top 20 in the nation in attendance each of the past five years, including a No. 16 rating in 2004-05 (5,830 fans per game). Notre Dame has averaged 6,566 fans in its eight home games this season, and is ninth in the latest unofficial national attendance rankings, released each Monday by the University of Wisconsin Sports Information Office.

What's more, each of the top 20 women's basketball crowds in Joyce Center history have occurred during the 19-year tenure of head coach **Muffet McGraw** (1987-present), with 19 of those 20 occurring in the past six seasons (2000-01 to present). Lastly, the Irish have attracted at least 5,000 fans to 73 of their last 75 home games, including 13 contests with at least 8,000 fans and the first three sellouts in the program's history.

The most recent sellout in Notre Dame women's basketball history took place on Dec 31, when 11,418 fans packed the Joyce Center for the Irish matchup with No. 1 Tennessee, the 23rd-largest crowd in the nation this season (as of Jan. 23). The game sold out 19 days in advance, making its the fastest sellout in the 29-year history of the program.

Oh Captain, My Captain

Notre Dame's two seniors — guard **Megan Duffy** and forward **Courtney LaVere** — are serving as team captains for the 2005-06 season. Duffy is in her second year as a captain (making her the 16th two-time captain in school history, and 12th in the **Muffet McGraw** era), while LaVere is a first-time captain. Both players received the captain's honor following a vote of their teammates prior to the season.

They've Got The Know-How

Notre Dame is one of only two schools in the country that have two or more WNBA veterans on their coaching staffs. Associate head coach **Coquese Washington** played six seasons (1998-2003) in the league with three different clubs, and also served as the first-ever president of the WNBA Players Association. Meanwhile, assistant coach **Angie Potthoff** spent the 2000 season as a starter with the Minnesota Lynx after two years in the now-defunct American Basketball League (ABL) with the two-time league champion Columbus Quest.

Besides Notre Dame, Virginia Commonwealth is the other school with multiple WNBA veterans on its staff. VCU assistant coach **Wendy Palmer-Daniel** currently plays for the San Antonio Silver Stars, while the Rams' head coach is a familiar name to Irish women's basketball fans — **Beth (Morgan) Cunningham**, who played for the WNBA's Washington Mystics in 2000 after an All-American career at Notre Dame from 1993-97.

Special thanks to Virginia Commonwealth women's basketball SID **Chris Kowalczyk** for compiling this information.

Notre Dame On The Small Screen

Notre Dame will have nine of its regular-season games televised during the 2005-06 season. Highlighting this year's television docket are six nationally-televised Irish women's basketball contests, including three consecutive games on the ESPN family of networks during a 12-day span in mid-February.

This year's TV slate continues a recent trend that has seen the Irish become a regular fixture on television. Beginning with the NCAA championship season of 2000-01 (and including games to date this year), Notre Dame has played in 64 televised games, including 39 that were broadcast nationally. Last year, the Irish had 17 games televised, with 10 being national broadcasts.

Notre Dame is 3-1 in televised games this season. The Irish defeated Western Michigan (71-68 on Nov. 20) and No. 24/21 USC (73-62 on Nov. 27) in contests broadcast live to a regional audience by Comcast Local (based in Detroit). Notre Dame's last two TV games both were aired nationally by College Sports Television (CSTV), with the Irish falling to top-ranked Tennessee, 62-51 on Dec. 31, but defeating No. 10 DePaul, 78-75 on Jan. 17.

Four of the remaining five televised games on the '05-06 Notre Dame schedule also are slated for national broadcasts. The last of three Irish appearances on CSTV will be part of the BIG EAST/CSTV Tuesday Game of the Week package, as Notre Dame visits Rutgers Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. (ET) tip. CSTV has aired 10 Notre Dame women's basketball games during the past four seasons (2002-03 to present), with the first being that network's inaugural broadcast of any sport (a Feb. 2003 game at Connecticut).

The Irish then make three consecutive appearances on the ESPN family of networks, beginning with a Feb. 7 home game against Villanova that will be broadcast live on ESPNU.

Fall Signings

Notre Dame head women's basketball coach **Muffet McGraw** announced Nov. 9 that four of the nation's top high school student-athletes have chosen to continue their academic and athletic careers with the Irish, signing national letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2006. **Ashley Barlow**, a 5-9 guard from Indianapolis, Ind. (Pike High School), **Danielle Ben-Tsulun**, a 6-3 forward from Fort Wayne, Ind. (Harding High School), **Melissa Lechlitter**, a 5-7 guard from Mishawaka, Ind. (South Bend St. Joseph's High School) and **Erica Williamson**, a 6-4 center from Charlotte, N.C. (South Mecklenburg High School) all made their official commitments to the Irish during the early signing period, which last from Nov. 9-16. Collectively, this quartet is ranked as the nation's No. 15 recruiting class, according to All-Star Girls Report, marking the 10th consecutive year Notre Dame has had a top-20 recruiting class.

"We're very excited about the potential of this group," McGraw said. "It's an exceptionally-balanced class and addresses many of our needs for the future. Each of these individuals will be tremendous complements to the players already in our program. Without question, this new class is a highly-skilled group, but each player also brings with her several intangibles, including excellent leadership, a strong work ethic and a desire to get better every day. They all have experienced success at the high school and AAU level and we think they will be outstanding fits at Notre Dame."

The three Indiana players are the most Notre Dame has ever had in a single incoming class. Some of the other notable Indiana natives to play for the Irish include All-Americans Beth Morgan (Bloomington; 1993-97), Ruth Riley (Macy; 1997-01) and Jacqueline Batteast (South Bend; 2001-05), as well as the school's leader in career three-pointers, Sheila McMillen (Rochester; 1995-99). Ironically, three of those players (Riley, Batteast and McMillen) and two of the newest Irish signees (Barlow and Lechlitter) grew up along the U.S. Route 31 corridor from South Bend to Indianapolis.

A capsule look at the four newest additions to the Irish women's basketball team follows, with complete bios available on-line at the following web address:

<http://und.collegesports.com/sports/w-baskbl/spec-rel/110905aad.html>

ASHLEY BARLOW, 5-9, G (Indianapolis/Pike)

16.9 ppg., 3.9 rpg., 3.2 apg. in her three-year prep career ... 23.7 ppg., 5.3 rpg., 3.9 spg. last season, ranking as top scorer (all classes) in metro Indianapolis ... ranked 24th in nation by Full Court Press ... ranked 55th in nation (10th among shooting guards) by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... Street & Smith's preseason honorable mention All-American (2006) ... all-state selection (2005) ... preseason candidate for 2006 Indiana Miss Basketball honors.

DANIELLE BEN-TSULUN (BEN-suh-VOO-lun) 6-3, F (Fort Wayne/Harding)

12.1 ppg., 9.3 rpg., 3.2 bpg. last season, leading the Summit Athletic Conference in rebounding and blocked shots ... ranked 11th in conference in scoring ... all-state selection (2005) ... all-city and all-conference choice (2005).

MELISSA LECHLITNER (LEK-light-ner), 5-7, G (Mishawaka, Ind./South Bend St. Joseph's)

14.8 ppg., 4.1 rpg., 5.8 apg., 3.3 spg. with a .359 three-point percentage in her three-year prep career ... 16.3 ppg., 6.3 apg., 3.3 spg. with a .437 three-point percentage last season, leading South Bend St. Joseph's to a 25-1 record and Class 3A state title (first girls' basketball state championship in South Bend history) ... team ranked 23rd in nation in 2005-06 USA Today Super 25 preseason poll ... ranked 27th in nation (eighth among point guards) by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... Street & Smith's preseason honorable mention All-American (2006) ... adidas Top Ten Camp All-Star (Upperclass - 2005; Underclass - 2004) ... three-time all-state selection (2003, 2004, 2005) ... preseason candidate for 2006 Indiana Miss Basketball honors.

ERICA WILLIAMSON, 6-4, C (Charlotte/So. Mecklenburg)

10.0 ppg., 12.5 rpg., 5.3 bpg. last season at Honeoye Falls-Lima High School in Rochester, N.Y. ... helped lead team to a 24-2 record, Class A state championship and runner-up finish in New York Federation Tournament of Champions (all classes) ... transferred to South Mecklenburg High School in Charlotte prior to her senior season (father took new job) — team ranked 12th in national preseason poll by Street & Smith's and ninth in South Region in USA Today Super 25 preseason poll ... ranked 89th in nation by All-Star Girls Report (ASGR) ... all-state selection (2005) ... all-area pick (2005).





2005-06 Trends

Day of the Week

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

Time of Game

| | |
|--|-----|
| Day games (before 6 p.m. local time) | 7-3 |
| Night games (6 p.m. or later local time) | 5-2 |

Location

| | |
|--------------------|-----|
| Home games | 6-2 |
| Road games | 4-3 |
| Neutral site games | 2-0 |

Halftime score

| | |
|----------------------|------|
| Leading at the half | 10-2 |
| Tied at the half | 1-0 |
| Trailing at the half | 1-3 |

Rebounding margin

| | |
|---|-----|
| Grab more rebounds than opponents | 9-1 |
| Grab same number of rebounds as opponents | 0-0 |
| Grab fewer rebounds than opponents | 3-4 |

Field goal shooting

| | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| Higher pct. than opponent | 9-1 |
| Lower pct. than opponent | 3-4 |
| Shoot 45% or better | 6-1 |
| Shoot less than 45% | 6-4 |
| Hold opponent under 40% | 6-2 |

Free throw margin

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Make more free throws | 8-0 |
| Make same number of free throws | 0-0 |
| Make fewer free throws | 4-5 |

Turnovers

| | |
|---------------------------------|-----|
| Commit fewer turnovers | 8-4 |
| Commit same number of turnovers | 0-0 |
| Commit more turnovers | 4-1 |

Miscellaneous

| | |
|---|-----|
| Vs. Top 25 (AP or ESPN/USA Today polls) | 3-2 |
| On television | 3-1 |
| In white jerseys | 8-2 |
| In blue jerseys | 4-3 |
| In green jerseys | 0-0 |
| In overtime games | 1-0 |

Margin of Victory

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

Conference Affiliation

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| BIG EAST | 3-3 |
| Big Ten | 3-1 |
| Metro Atlantic Athletic | 1-0 |
| Mid-American | 1-0 |
| Mid-Continent | 1-0 |
| Mountain West | 1-0 |
| Pac-10 | 1-0 |
| Southeastern | 0-1 |
| Sun Belt | 1-0 |

Month

| | |
|----------|-----|
| November | 6-0 |
| December | 3-2 |
| January | 3-3 |
| February | 0-0 |
| March | 0-0 |

That game will tip off at 6 p.m. (ET), one hour earlier than previously listed on some schedules. The following Sunday (Feb. 12), Notre Dame will travel to DePaul for a 4:40 p.m. CT (5:40 p.m. ET) game that will air on ESPN2 as part of that network's "February Frenzy" split-national coverage designed to preview a similar coverage pattern for the NCAA Tournament. The Irish are back on ESPN2 on Feb. 19, when they play host to Connecticut in a 7 p.m. (ET) prime-time BIG EAST showdown at the Joyce Center. During the past five seasons, Notre Dame has appeared on the ESPN family of networks 24 times, averaging nearly five telecasts per year on "The Worldwide Leader in Sports".

Notre Dame will make its final regular-season television appearance on Feb. 25, when it travels to new conference member Cincinnati for a 2 p.m. (ET) game that will air as part of the BIG EAST-Regional Sports Network (RSN) package. Among the outlets scheduled to televise the game live are WHME-TV (Channel 46 in South Bend), Comcast Chicago, Comcast Local, Comcast Philadelphia and Madison Square Garden Network.

Notre Dame On The Airwaves

Once again this season, every Irish women's basketball game (home and away) will air on the flagship stations of the Artistic Media Partners (AMP) Network — WDND-AM (ESPN Radio 1580) and WNDV-AM (1490) in South Bend. Veteran broadcaster and AMP sports director **Sean Stires** is now in his sixth season handling the play-by-play for Notre Dame. The Irish also can be heard on the Internet at Notre Dame's official athletics web site (www.und.com) by subscribing to Fighting Irish All-Access, which gives listeners full multimedia access to a variety of Irish athletics events for only \$6.95 per month.

Check Out The New Digs

The Notre Dame women's basketball program recently relocated its first-floor offices at the Joyce Center to the west wing of the facility, adjacent to Gate 1. The renovated suites include plasma televisions in each coach's individual office (as well as one in the main conference room), a stand-alone video editing facility and tape library (complete with the latest in video editing technology and software), and spacious meeting facilities. The centerpiece of the offices is the main reception area, which features a hardwood floor comprised entirely of the exact court upon which the Irish won the 2001 NCAA Championship at the Saavis Center in St. Louis.

The new women's basketball offices are part of a series of relocations and renovations of office space within the Joyce Center. The Irish men's basketball program — which previously filled the space where the women now reside — has moved to the opposite corner of the first-floor west wing offices, taking over the Gate 2 area formerly occupied by the Notre Dame football program (which now operates

out of the 95,840-square foot Guglielmino Athletics Complex that opened last summer and is located northeast of the Joyce Center).

Riley Named One Of ESPN.com's Top 25 Players Of The Past 25 Years

Former Notre Dame All-America center and 2001 consensus National Player of the Year **Ruth Riley** has been selected as one of the top 25 women's college basketball players of the past 25 years, according to *ESPN.com*. The list of all-time greats was released Jan. 10 in conjunction with the silver anniversary celebration of the inaugural NCAA women's basketball season in 1981-82.

A native of Macy, Ind., Riley was tapped as one of the legends of the sport in part because of her contributions in the NCAA Tournament, where she led Notre Dame to three NCAA Sweet 16 appearances and the 2001 national championship. In the '01 NCAA title game vs. Purdue, Riley tallied 28 points (on 9-of-13 shooting), 13 rebounds and seven blocks, not to mention the two game-winning free throws with 5.8 seconds remaining which snapped a 66-66 tie. It was an effort that *ESPN.com* termed as "the third-best all-time championship game performance in NCAA history." That outing capped a six-game NCAA tourney stretch in which the 6-foot-5 post averaged 23.2 points and 9.0 rebounds per game while shooting at a .632 clip (48-of-76).

Riley was a two-time first-team Associated Press All-America selection and two-time CoSIDA Academic All-America choice, earning Academic All-America Team Member of the Year honors in 2001. In addition, she was a three-time first team all-BIG EAST selection, earning the league's Player of the Year award in 2001 and the conference Defensive Player of the Year hardware three consecutive years. The only player in school history to amass 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds in her career (2,072 points/1,007 rebounds), Riley also is the Irish all-time leader in seven statistical categories, including blocked shots (370 - fifth in NCAA history) and field goal percentage (.632 - 11th in NCAA history).

Next Game: South Florida

Notre Dame tips off a stretch of three home games in its next four outings when it plays host to BIG EAST Conference newcomer South Florida Saturday at noon (ET) at the Joyce Center. The Irish and Bulls will be playing one another for just the third time ever, with Notre Dame winning the prior two meetings in 1997 and 1998.

USF (13-6, 3-3) has made a seamless transition to the BIG EAST, thanks in part to the play of junior guard **Jessica Dickson**, who leads the nation in scoring at 24.7 points per game. The Bulls have won their last two games, and will pay a visit to fifth-ranked Connecticut Tuesday night before traveling to South Bend for their weekend matinee with the Irish.





Notre Dame on the BIG EAST Conference and NCAA statistical leaderboards

Individual Statistics

| Category | BIG EAST - All Games | | NCAA Division I | | BIG EAST - BIG EAST Games Only | |
|---|----------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Rank | Leader | Rank | Leader | Rank | Leader |
| Scoring (Top 20 BIG EAST / Top 50 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 15.9 | t-9 24.7, Jessica Dickson, USF | — | 25.1, Jessica Dickson, USF | 16.7, 8 | 28.2, Jessica Dickson, USF |
| Assists (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 4.29 | 6 7.06, Carolyn Kieger, MU | — | 8.5, Lyndsey Medders, Iowa State | 4.00, 12 | 7.00, Carolyn Kieger, MU |
| Steals (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 2.18 | 7 2.76, Treasure Humphries, UC | — | 5.1, Sherrill Baker, Georgia | — | 2.83, Angel McCoughtry, UL |
| Free Throw Percentage (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | .923 (72-78) | 1 .923, Megan Duffy, ND | 13 | .981, Adrienne Squire, PSU | .933 (28-30), 1 | .933, Megan Duffy, ND |
| Three-Point Field Goal Percentage (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | .330 (33-100) | — .505, Mel Thomas, UCONN | — | .526, Laura Reeves, W. Ill. | .412 (14-34), 6 | .636, Krystal Ellis, MU |
| Three-Point Field Goals Made (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 1.94 | 7 3.69, Meg Bulger, WVU | — | 3.6, Meg Bulger, WVU | 2.33, t-5 | 4.17, Meg Bulger, WVU |
| Blocked Shots (Top 15 BIG EAST / Top 30 NCAA) | | | | | | |
| Melissa D'Amico | 1.35 | t-5 2.42, Nalini Miller, USF | — | 4.8, Brooke McAfee, IUPUI | 1.00, t-12 | 2.33, Nalini Miller, USF |
| Courtney LaVere | 1.18 | 9 | — | | 1.50, t-4 | |
| Assist/Turnover Ratio (Top 15 BIG EAST) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 1.70 | 11 2.21, Betsy McManus, VU | not kept | | — | 4.00, Betsy McManus, VU |
| Defensive Rebounds (Top 15 BIG EAST) | | | | | | |
| Lindsay Schrader | 4.76 | 14 7.63, Khara Smith, DPU | not kept | | — | 7.67, Khara Smith, DPU |
| Minutes Played (Top 15 BIG EAST) | | | | | | |
| Megan Duffy | 38.18 | 1 38.18, Megan Duffy, ND | not kept | | 39.50, 2 | 40.00, Jessica Dickson, USF |

Conference stats through Jan. 23 // NCAA stats through Jan. 16

324 Division I teams

bold = BIG EAST leader OR NCAA Top 15

Team Statistics

| Category | BIG EAST - All Games | | NCAA Division I | | BIG EAST - BIG EAST Games Only | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| | Rank | Leader | Rank | Leader | Rank | Leader |
| Scoring Offense | 65.1 | 11 81.6, DePaul | 164 | 92.6, Duke | 62.3, 12 | 78.7, Connecticut |
| Scoring Defense | 61.3 | 9 52.9, Rutgers | 91 | 46.9, LSU | 65.5, 6 | 51.4, Rutgers |
| Scoring Margin | +3.8 | 12 +21.9, Connecticut | 108 | +39.4, Duke | (-3.2), 11 | +24.5, Connecticut |
| FT Percentage | .662 (237-358) | 12 .735, Villanova | 209 | .790, Murray State | .653 (77-118), 13 | .802, Syracuse |
| FG Percentage | .424 (407-961) | 10 .490, West Virginia | 95 | .535, Duke | .404 (137-339), 10 | .526, Connecticut |
| FG Pct. Defense | .374 (370-990) | 3 .338, Connecticut | 52 | .320, Duke | .398 (139-349), 5 | .337, Connecticut |
| 3-Point FG Pct. | .322 (55-171) | 9 .392, West Virginia | — | .464, Maryland | .365 (23-63), 6 | .433, Rutgers |
| 3-Point FG Pct. Def. | .354 (108-305) | 16 .246, Marquette | not kept | | .407 (46-113), 15 | .253, Connecticut |
| 3-Point FG Made | 3.24 | 16 7.41, Villanova | 290 | 9.3, Santa Clara | 3.83, 13 | 7.33, Connecticut |
| Rebounding | 38.2 | 11 44.4, DePaul | not kept | | 35.8, 11 | 42.2, DePaul |
| Opponent Rebounding | 37.9 | t-13 30.1, West Virginia | not kept | | 39.7, 13 | 30.0, Rutgers |
| Rebounding Margin | +0.3 | 13 +11.1, DePaul | 154 | +16.9, Maryland | (-3.9), 12 | +9.8, DePaul |
| Offensive Rebounds | 12.82 | 11 17.11, Pittsburgh | not kept | | 12.50, 11 | 16.25, Louisville |
| Defensive Rebounds | 25.41 | 9 27.95, DePaul | not kept | | 23.25, t-9 | 27.50, DePaul |
| Blocked Shots | 3.82 | t-5 5.16, South Florida | 73 | 7.7, Duke | 4.17, 3 | 4.50, Connecticut/Cincinnati |
| Assists | 12.82 | 14 19.05, DePaul | 227 | 23.9, Duke | 12.33, 12 | 18.50, Connecticut |
| Steals | 8.65 | 7 10.89, South Florida | 189 | 14.9, Wofford | 9.00, 2 | 9.83, South Florida |
| Turnover Margin | +2.24 | 6 +6.05, South Florida | not kept | | +1.83, 5 | +7.83, South Florida |
| Turnover Average | 15.71 | not kept | 48 | 11.0, Villanova | not kept | not kept |
| Assist/Turnover Ratio | 0.82 | 12 1.56, Villanova | not kept | | 0.79, 12 | 1.77, Villanova |
| Personal Fouls | 16.18 | not kept | 79 | 10.7, Iowa State | not kept | not kept |

Conference stats through Jan. 20 // NCAA stats through Jan. 16

324 Division I teams

bold = BIG EAST leader OR NCAA Top 15



**2005-06 University of Notre Dame Women's Basketball Results****Overall Record: 12-5 (Home: 6-2, Away: 4-3, Neutral: 2-0); BIG EAST Conference Record: 3-3**

| ----- Notre Dame Highs ----- | | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|-------|--------|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|-----|-------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| Date | ND NR | Opp NR | Opponent | Time/Result | Streak | Record | BEC | Scorer | Rebounder | Assists | Attendance |
| Nov. 18 | 15/16 | | MICHIGAN | W 55-45 | W1 | 1-0 | | Allen-16 | Schrader-14 | Duffy-8 | 6,134 |
| Nov. 20 | 15/16 | | at Western Michigan ^{CL} | W 71-63 | W2 | 2-0 | | Duffy-19 | Duffy-7 | two with 2 | 2,116 |
| Nov. 23 | 13/15 | | at Indiana | W 74-61 | W3 | 3-0 | | Duffy-26 | LaVere-8 | Duffy-5 | 976 |
| Nov. 27 | 13/15 | 24/21 | USC ^{CL} | W 73-62 | W4 | 4-0 | | Duffy-19 | D'Amico-10 | Duffy-6 | 5,895 |
| Nov. 29 | 11/12 | | IONA | W 74-55 | W5 | 5-0 | | Duffy-21 | D'Amico-8 | three with 3 | 5,204 |
| Dec. 4 | 11/12 | | at Wisconsin | W 77-72 | W6 | 6-0 | | Duffy-20 | D'Amico-8 | Duffy-5 | 5,455 |
| Dec. 7 | 10/10 | 24/23 | at Purdue | L 54-65 | L1 | 6-1 | | Duffy-12 | Erwin-11 | Schrader-3 | 7,213 |
| Dec. 17 | 13/14 | | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | W 77-54 | W1 | 7-1 | | D'Amico-20 | Schrader-8 | Duffy-6 | 1,297 |
| Dec. 18 | 13/14 | 22/21 | vs. Utah ¹ | W 68-55 | W2 | 8-1 | | D'Amico-13 | Schrader-10 | Duffy-8 | 1,195 |
| Dec. 28 | 12/11 | | VALPARAISO | W 58-50 | W3 | 9-1 | | Schrader-13 | two with 7 | LaVere-6 | 6,430 |
| Dec. 31 | 12/11 | 1/1 | TENNESSEE ^{CSTV} | L 51-62 | L1 | 9-2 | | Duffy-19 | Erwin-7 | Allen-3 | 11,418 (c) |
| Jan. 4 | 12/12 | | • at St. John's | L 63-66 | L2 | 9-3 | 0-1 | D'Amico-14 | Erwin-12 | five with 2 | 722 |
| Jan. 7 | 12/12 | | • SETON HALL | L 61-74 | L3 | 9-4 | 0-2 | Gaines-12 | Erwin-6 | Gaines-5 | 6,854 |
| Jan. 10 | 20/19 | | • MARQUETTE | W 67-65 (ot) | W1 | 10-4 | 1-2 | Duffy-32 | Schrader-10 | Schrader-4 | 5,281 |
| Jan. 14 | 20/19 | | • at Louisville | L 51-61 | L1 | 10-5 | 1-3 | Allen-10 | D'Amico-6 | Duffy-4 | 3,493 |
| Jan. 17 | 24/22 | 10/10 | • DePAUL ^{CSTV} | W 78-75 | W1 | 11-5 | 2-3 | Duffy-23 | Schrader-9 | Duffy-9 | 5,311 |
| Jan. 21 | 24/22 | | • at Georgetown | W 54-52 | W2 | 12-5 | 3-3 | Duffy-16 | D'Amico-10 | Duffy-5 | 1,103 |
| Jan. 24 | | | • at Rutgers ^{CSTV} | 7:30 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Jan. 28 | | | • SOUTH FLORIDA | Noon ET | | | | | | | |
| Jan. 31 | | | • at Syracuse | 7:30 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 4 | | | • PROVIDENCE | 1 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 7 | | | • VILLANOVA ^{ESPNU} | 6 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 12 | | | • at DePaul ^{ESPN2} | 4:40 p.m. CT | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 19 | | | • CONNECTICUT ^{ESPN2} | 7 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 22 | | | • at West Virginia | 7 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 25 | | | • at Cincinnati ^{BETV} | 2 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |
| Feb. 28 | | | • PITTSBURGH | 7 p.m. ET | | | | | | | |

BIG EAST Championship – Hartford, Conn. (Hartford Civic Center)

| | | |
|---------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| March 4 | First Round | TBD |
| March 5 | Quarterfinals ^{CSTV} | TBD |
| March 6 | Semifinals ^{ESPNU} | 6/8 p.m. ET |
| March 7 | Championship ^{ESPN2} | 7:30 p.m. ET |

NCAA Tournament – First & Second Rounds (Sites: Chicago, Denver, Nashville, Norfolk, Trenton, Tucson, University Park, West Lafayette)

| | | |
|-------------|------------------------------------|-----|
| March 18-19 | First Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2} | TBD |
| March 20-21 | Second Round ^{ESPN/ESPN2} | TBD |

NCAA Tournament – Regionals (Sites: Albuquerque, Bridgeport, Cleveland, San Antonio)

| | | |
|-------------|---|-----|
| March 25-26 | Regional Semifinals ^{ESPN/ESPN2} | TBD |
| March 27-28 | Regional Finals ^{ESPN/ESPN2} | TBD |

NCAA Women's Final Four – Boston, Mass. (TD Banknorth Garden)

| | | |
|---------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| April 2 | National Semifinals ^{ESPN} | 7/9:30 p.m. ET |
| April 4 | National Championship ^{ESPN} | 8:30 p.m. ET |

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game

NR = national ranking (listed as Associated Press/ESPN-USA Today)

(c) = capacity crowd

1 = Duel in the Desert (Cox Pavilion – Las Vegas, Nev.)

ESPNU/ESPN2/ESPN = Game to be televised live on ESPN, ESPN2 or ESPN4

CSTV = Game to be televised live on College Sports Television (CSTV)

CL = Game televised live on Comcast Local

BETV = Game to be televised live as part of BIG EAST regional package (check local listings)

All home games are listed in ALL CAPS and played at Joyce Center (capacity 11,418)

All times shown are local to the site // Dates and times are subject to change

2005-06 ATTENDANCE

| | Totals | Avg. | High |
|-------------------|--------|-------|---------------------|
| All Games: | 76,097 | 4,477 | 11,418 (UT - 12/31) |
| Home: | 52,527 | 6,566 | 11,418 (UT - 12/31) |
| Away: | 21,078 | 3,012 | 7,213 (PUR - 12/7) |
| Neutral: | 2,492 | 1,246 | 1,297 (ASU - 12/17) |





2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — All Games

Overall Record: 12-5 (Home: 6-2, Away: 4-3, Neutral: 2-0)

| Player | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-A | Pct. | 3FG-A | Pct. | FT-A | Pct. | OR | DR | Tot. | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts. | Avg. |
|---------------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Duffy, Megan | 17-17 | 649-38.2 | 83-207 | .401 | 33-100 | .330 | 72-78 | .923 | 9 | 58 | 67 | 3.9 | 28-0 | 73 | 43 | 2 | 37 | 271 | 15.9 |
| Schrader, Lindsay | 17-16 | 457-26.9 | 61-142 | .430 | 2-3 | .667 | 20-51 | .392 | 21 | 81 | 102 | 6.0 | 32-1 | 32 | 34 | 3 | 20 | 144 | 8.5 |
| D'Amico, Melissa | 17-16 | 384-22.6 | 58-116 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 26-48 | .542 | 35 | 58 | 93 | 5.5 | 42-0 | 8 | 33 | 23 | 8 | 142 | 8.4 |
| Allen, Charel | 17-1 | 403-23.7 | 52-138 | .377 | 8-29 | .276 | 24-33 | .727 | 20 | 51 | 71 | 4.2 | 21-0 | 24 | 29 | 6 | 21 | 136 | 8.0 |
| LaVere, Courtney | 17-1 | 389-22.9 | 57-120 | .475 | 2-4 | .500 | 18-28 | .643 | 32 | 36 | 68 | 4.0 | 40-1 | 26 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 134 | 7.9 |
| Erwin, Crystal | 17-17 | 378-22.2 | 38-86 | .442 | 0-1 | .000 | 27-46 | .587 | 37 | 59 | 96 | 5.6 | 50-2 | 15 | 39 | 5 | 13 | 103 | 6.1 |
| Gray, Breona | 17-9 | 386-22.7 | 30-81 | .370 | 10-33 | .303 | 15-17 | .882 | 14 | 25 | 39 | 2.3 | 22-0 | 21 | 24 | 2 | 16 | 85 | 5.0 |
| Gaines, Tulyah | 16-8 | 293-18.3 | 20-54 | .370 | 0-0 | .000 | 32-51 | .627 | 11 | 25 | 36 | 2.3 | 32-0 | 18 | 33 | 2 | 14 | 72 | 4.5 |
| Smith, Chandrica | 11-0 | 74-6.7 | 8-16 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-6 | .500 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 1.4 | 8-0 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 19 | 1.7 |
| Tsipis, Amanda | 3-0 | 9-3.0 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| • Bolden, Brittney | 1-0 | 2-2.0 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| • Trezza, Christine | 1-0 | 1-1.0 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Team | | | | | | | | | 34 | 29 | 63 | 3.7 | | | 5 | | | | |
| Notre Dame | 17 | 3425 | 407-961 | .424 | 55-171 | .322 | 237-358 | .662 | 218 | 432 | 650 | 38.2 | 275-4 | 218 | 267 | 65 | 147 | 1106 | 65.1 |
| Opponents | 17 | 3425 | 370-990 | .374 | 108-305 | .354 | 194-272 | .713 | 239 | 405 | 644 | 37.9 | 324-5 | 230 | 305 | 51 | 128 | 1042 | 61.3 |

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 52, Opponents 27 // • = no longer on team

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | OT | Total |
|------------------|-----|-----|----|--------|
| Notre Dame | 526 | 570 | 10 | — 1106 |
| Opponents | 490 | 544 | 8 | — 1042 |

2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — BIG EAST Games

Overall Record: 3-3 (Home: 2-1, Away: 1-2)

| Player | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-A | Pct. | 3FG-A | Pct. | FT-A | Pct. | OR | DR | Tot. | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts. | Avg. |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Duffy, Megan | 6-6 | 237-39.5 | 29-66 | .439 | 14-34 | .412 | 28-30 | .933 | 3 | 24 | 27 | 4.5 | 12-0 | 24 | 19 | 0 | 10 | 100 | 16.7 |
| Allen, Charel | 6-1 | 155-25.8 | 22-62 | .355 | 4-15 | .267 | 6-6 | 1.000 | 7 | 12 | 19 | 3.2 | 6-0 | 5 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 54 | 9.0 |
| Erwin, Crystal | 6-6 | 146-24.3 | 20-39 | .513 | 0-0 | .000 | 7-15 | .467 | 16 | 20 | 36 | 6.0 | 19-1 | 4 | 17 | 2 | 6 | 47 | 7.8 |
| Schrader, Lindsay | 6-5 | 143-23.8 | 17-47 | .362 | 1-2 | .500 | 7-17 | .412 | 8 | 26 | 34 | 5.7 | 10-0 | 10 | 9 | 1 | 7 | 42 | 7.0 |
| LaVere, Courtney | 6-1 | 137-22.8 | 15-33 | .455 | 0-1 | .000 | 9-16 | .563 | 8 | 14 | 22 | 3.7 | 12-0 | 6 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 39 | 6.5 |
| D'Amico, Melissa | 6-5 | 126-21.0 | 15-39 | .385 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-8 | .375 | 10 | 19 | 29 | 4.8 | 11-0 | 6 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 33 | 5.5 |
| Gaines, Tulyah | 6-5 | 123-20.5 | 8-22 | .364 | 0-0 | .000 | 12-20 | .600 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 1.7 | 15-0 | 11 | 13 | 1 | 5 | 28 | 4.7 |
| Gray, Breona | 6-1 | 127-21.2 | 9-25 | .360 | 4-11 | .364 | 3-4 | .750 | 5 | 6 | 11 | 1.8 | 9-0 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 25 | 4.2 |
| Smith, Chandrica | 5-0 | 31-6.2 | 2-6 | .333 | 0-0 | .000 | 2-2 | 1.000 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 1.2 | 3-0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 1.2 |
| Team | | | | | | | | | 10 | 11 | 21 | 3.5 | | | 1 | | | | |
| Notre Dame | 6 | 1225 | 137-339 | .404 | 23-63 | .365 | 77-118 | .653 | 71 | 144 | 215 | 35.8 | 97-1 | 74 | 94 | 25 | 54 | 374 | 62.3 |
| Opponents | 6 | 1225 | 139-349 | .398 | 46-113 | .407 | 69-93 | .742 | 80 | 158 | 238 | 39.7 | 110-2 | 94 | 105 | 21 | 40 | 393 | 65.5 |

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 14, Opponents 10

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | OT | Total |
|------------------|-----|-----|----|-------|
| Notre Dame | 178 | 186 | 10 | — 374 |
| Opponents | 172 | 213 | 8 | — 393 |

**2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Home Games****Overall Record: 6-2**

| Player | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-A | Pct. | 3FG-A | Pct. | FT-A | Pct. | OR | DR | Tot. | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts. | Avg. |
|---------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Duffy, Megan | 8-8 | 308-38.5 | 40-109 | .367 | 18-55 | .327 | 34-36 | .944 | 4 | 24 | 28 | 3.5 | 10-0 | 34 | 16 | 2 | 19 | 132 | 16.5 |
| Allen, Charel | 8-1 | 200-25.0 | 28-75 | .373 | 4-15 | .267 | 17-22 | .773 | 11 | 23 | 34 | 4.3 | 11-0 | 14 | 12 | 3 | 11 | 77 | 9.6 |
| LaVere, Courtney | 8-0 | 198-24.8 | 31-57 | .544 | 2-4 | .500 | 12-19 | .632 | 14 | 17 | 31 | 3.9 | 20-1 | 18 | 12 | 9 | 6 | 76 | 9.5 |
| Schrader, Lindsay | 8-7 | 218-27.3 | 26-59 | .441 | 0-0 | .000 | 16-37 | .432 | 13 | 42 | 55 | 6.9 | 18-1 | 15 | 17 | 0 | 11 | 68 | 8.5 |
| D'Amico, Melissa | 8-8 | 178-22.3 | 22-55 | .400 | 0-0 | .000 | 11-24 | .458 | 17 | 25 | 42 | 5.3 | 18-0 | 5 | 17 | 7 | 2 | 55 | 6.9 |
| Gaines, Tulyah | 7-4 | 141-20.1 | 10-25 | .400 | 0-0 | .000 | 21-32 | .656 | 6 | 13 | 19 | 2.7 | 14-0 | 7 | 14 | 2 | 8 | 41 | 5.9 |
| Erwin, Crystal | 8-8 | 172-21.5 | 13-35 | .371 | 0-0 | .000 | 10-23 | .435 | 19 | 26 | 45 | 5.6 | 24-1 | 5 | 22 | 1 | 8 | 36 | 4.5 |
| Gray, Breona | 8-4 | 180-22.5 | 8-33 | .242 | 3-13 | .231 | 6-6 | 1.000 | 8 | 14 | 22 | 2.8 | 7-0 | 9 | 11 | 0 | 10 | 25 | 3.1 |
| Smith, Chandrica | 5-0 | 23-4.6 | 3-4 | .750 | 0-0 | .000 | 1-2 | .500 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 1.2 | 1-0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1.4 |
| Tsipis, Amanda | 2-0 | 4-2.0 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| • Bolden, Brittney | 1-0 | 2-2.0 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| • Trezza, Christine | 1-0 | 1-1.0 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Team | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 17 | 39 | 4.9 | | | | 1 | | |
| Notre Dame | 8 | 1625 | 181-453 | .400 | 27-88 | .307 | 128-201 | .637 | 115 | 206 | 321 | 40.1 | 123-3 | 107 | 125 | 24 | 76 | 517 | 64.6 |
| Opponents | 8 | 1625 | 173-466 | .371 | 59-150 | .393 | 83-117 | .709 | 109 | 198 | 307 | 38.4 | 164-2 | 116 | 147 | 19 | 60 | 488 | 61.0 |

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 32, Opponents 12 // • = no longer on team

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | OT | Total |
|------------------|-----|-----|----|-------|
| Notre Dame | 233 | 274 | 10 | — 517 |
| Opponents | 220 | 260 | 8 | — 488 |

2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Statistics — Away Games**Overall Record: 6-3 (Away: 4-3, Neutral: 2-0)**

| Player | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-A | Pct. | 3FG-A | Pct. | FT-A | Pct. | OR | DR | Tot. | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts. | Avg. |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|--------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|
| Duffy, Megan | 9-9 | 341-37.9 | 43-98 | .439 | 15-45 | .333 | 38-42 | .905 | 5 | 34 | 39 | 4.3 | 18-0 | 39 | 27 | 0 | 18 | 139 | 15.4 |
| D'Amico, Melissa | 9-8 | 206-22.9 | 36-61 | .590 | 0-0 | .000 | 15-24 | .625 | 18 | 33 | 51 | 5.7 | 24-0 | 3 | 16 | 16 | 6 | 87 | 9.7 |
| Schrader, Lindsay | 9-9 | 239-26.6 | 35-83 | .422 | 2-3 | .667 | 4-14 | .286 | 8 | 39 | 47 | 5.2 | 14-0 | 17 | 17 | 3 | 9 | 76 | 8.4 |
| Erwin, Crystal | 9-9 | 206-22.9 | 25-51 | .490 | 0-1 | .000 | 17-23 | .739 | 18 | 33 | 51 | 5.7 | 26-1 | 10 | 17 | 4 | 5 | 67 | 7.4 |
| Gray, Breona | 9-5 | 206-22.9 | 22-48 | .458 | 7-20 | .350 | 9-11 | .818 | 6 | 11 | 17 | 1.9 | 15-0 | 12 | 13 | 2 | 6 | 60 | 6.7 |
| Allen, Charel | 9-0 | 203-22.6 | 24-63 | .381 | 4-14 | .286 | 7-11 | .636 | 9 | 28 | 37 | 4.1 | 10-0 | 10 | 17 | 3 | 10 | 59 | 6.6 |
| LaVere, Courtney | 9-1 | 191-21.2 | 26-63 | .413 | 0-0 | .000 | 6-9 | .667 | 18 | 19 | 37 | 4.1 | 20-0 | 8 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 58 | 6.4 |
| Gaines, Tulyah | 9-4 | 152-16.9 | 10-29 | .345 | 0-0 | .000 | 11-19 | .579 | 5 | 12 | 17 | 1.9 | 18-0 | 11 | 19 | 0 | 6 | 31 | 3.4 |
| Smith, Chandrica | 6-0 | 51-8.5 | 5-12 | .417 | 0-0 | .000 | 2-4 | .500 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 1.5 | 7-0 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 12 | 2.0 |
| Tsipis, Amanda | 1-0 | 5-5.0 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Team | | | | | | | | | | 12 | 12 | 24 | 2.7 | | | | 4 | | |
| Notre Dame | 9 | 1800 | 226-508 | .445 | 28-83 | .337 | 109-157 | .694 | 103 | 226 | 329 | 36.6 | 152-1 | 111 | 142 | 41 | 71 | 589 | 65.4 |
| Opponents | 9 | 1800 | 197-524 | .376 | 49-155 | .316 | 111-155 | .716 | 130 | 207 | 337 | 37.4 | 160-3 | 114 | 158 | 32 | 68 | 554 | 61.6 |

Deadball Rebounds: Notre Dame 20, Opponents 15

| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Total |
|------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| Notre Dame | 293 | 296 | — 589 |
| Opponents | 270 | 284 | — 554 |





2005-06 Single Game Highs & Lows

Team Superlatives

| NOTRE DAME HIGH | NOTRE DAME LOW | CATEGORY | OPPONENT HIGH | OPPONENT LOW |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|--|
| 78 vs. DePaul (1/17/06) | 51, twice (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06) | Points/Game | 75 by DePaul (1/17/06) | 45 by Michigan (11/18/05) |
| 45 (1st) vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05) | 14 (1st) vs. Tennessee (12/31/05) | Points/Half | 47 (2nd) by Seton Hall (1/7/06) | 18, twice (MR: 1st by Georgetown, 1/21/06) |
| 32 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05) | 15 vs. Tennessee (12/31/05) | Field Goals Made | 28, twice (MR: by DePaul, 1/17/06) | 14 by Arkansas State (12/17/05) |
| 73 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05) | 46 vs. Utah (12/18/05) | Field Goal Attempts | 72 by USC (11/27/05) | 50 by Valparaiso (12/28/05) |
| .560 at St. John's (1/4/06) | .305 vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | FG Percentage | .438, twice (MR: by DePaul, 1/17/06) | .255 by Arkansas State (12/17/05) |
| 6, twice (MR: vs. Tennessee, 12/31/05) | 0 vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | 3-Point FG Made | 13* by DePaul (1/17/06) | 1 by Indiana (11/23/05) |
| 17 vs. Tennessee (12/31/05) | 4 vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | 3-Point FG Attempts | 29 by DePaul (1/17/06) | 7 by Indiana (11/23/05) |
| .500 vs. DePaul (1/17/06) | .000 vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | 3-Point FG Percentage | .538 by Seton Hall (1/7/06) | .143 by Indiana (11/23/05) |
| 23 vs. Utah (12/18/05) | 4 at St. John's (1/4/06) | Free Throws Made | 23 by Seton Hall (1/7/06) | 3 by Michigan (11/18/05) |
| 37 vs. Utah (12/18/05) | 7, twice (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06) | Free Throw Attempts | 29 by Seton Hall (1/7/06) | 6 by Michigan (11/18/05) |
| .857 at Louisville (1/14/06) | .500 at St. John's (1/4/06) | FT Percentage | .813 by Marquette (1/10/06) | .500 by Michigan (11/18/05) |
| 54 vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | 27 at Indiana (11/23/05) | Rebounds | 55 by Louisville (1/14/06) | 21 by St. John's (1/4/06) |
| 19 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05) | 7 at Western Michigan (11/20/05) | Assists | 19, twice (MR: by Marquette, 1/10/06) | 8 by Utah (12/18/05) |
| 12, twice (MR: vs. Iona, 11/29/05) | 4 vs. Valparaiso (12/28/05) | Steals | 12, twice (MR: by Valparaiso, 12/28/05) | 2 by Seton Hall (1/7/06) |
| 7, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 1/21/06) | 0 vs. DePaul (1/17/06) | Blocked Shots | 9 by Georgetown (1/21/06) | 0, twice (MR: by DePaul, 1/17/06) |
| 24 at St. John's (1/4/06) | 9 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06) | Turnovers | 22 by Louisville (1/14/06) | 11 by St. John's (1/4/06) |
| 24 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06) | 8 vs. Valparaiso (12/28/05) | Fouls | 29 by Utah (12/18/05) | 9 by Valparaiso (12/28/05) |

* = tied Notre Dame opponent and Joyce Center records

Individual Superlatives

| | NOTRE DAME | OPPONENT |
|--|--|--|
| Points Scored | 32 by Megan Duffy vs. Marquette (1/10/06) | 29 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05) |
| Field Goals Made | 10 by Melissa D'Amico vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05) | 10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05) |
| Field Goal Attempts | 20 by Megan Duffy vs. Iona (11/29/05) | 19 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05) |
| Highest FG Percentage (min. 5 made) | 1.000 (6-6) by Lindsay Schrader at Wisconsin (12/4/05) | .833 (5-6), twice (MR: by Amber Harris of Seton Hall, 1/7/06) |
| 3-Point Field Goals Made | 4 by Megan Duffy vs. Marquette (1/10/06) | 7* by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05) |
| 3-Point Field Goal Attempts | 11 by Megan Duffy vs. Iona (11/29/05) | 10 by Casey Rost of Western Michigan (11/20/05) |
| 3-Point FG Percentage (min. 2 made) | .667 (2-3), three times (MR: by Breona Gray vs. DePaul, 1/17/06) | 1.000 (2-2), twice (MR: by Shantel Brown of Seton Hall, 1/7/06) |
| Free Throws Made | 12 by Megan Duffy vs. Marquette (1/10/06) | 7, three times (MR: by Heta Korpivaara of Seton Hall, 1/7/06) |
| Free Throw Attempts | 13 by Megan Duffy vs. Marquette (1/10/06) | 10, twice (MR: by Nicky Anosike of Tennessee, 12/31/05) |
| Free Throw Percentage (min. 3 made) | 1.000 (9-9) by Megan Duffy vs. DePaul (1/17/06) | 1.000 (6-6) by Shantel Brown of Seton Hall (1/7/06) |
| Rebounds | 14 by Lindsay Schrader vs. Michigan (11/18/05) | 14, twice (MR: by Khara Smith of DePaul, 1/17/06) |
| Assists | 9 by Megan Duffy vs. DePaul (1/17/06) | 10 by Carolyn Kieger of Marquette (1/10/06) |
| Steals | 6 by Megan Duffy vs. USC (11/27/05) | 7 by Angel McCoughtry of Louisville (1/14/06) |
| Blocked Shots | 3, three times (MR: by Courtney LaVere at Georgetown, 1/21/06) | 6 by Katrina Wheeler of Georgetown (1/21/06) |
| Turnovers | 8 by Lindsay Schrader vs. USC (11/27/05) | 8 by Martina Weber of Iona (11/29/05) |
| Minutes Played | 44 by Megan Duffy vs. Marquette (1/10/06) | 40, seven times (MR: by Kristin Heidloff of Georgetown, 1/21/06) |

* = tied Notre Dame opponent record



**2005-06 Notre Dame Game-By-Game Team Statistics**

| Opponent (Attendance) | Overall | | 3-Point | | FT-A | Pct. | Rebs. | | PF-DQ | A | TO | B | S | Pts |
|---------------------------------|---------|------|---------|------|-------|------|-------------|------|-------|----|----|----|----|-----|
| | FG-A | Pct. | FG-A | Pct. | | | Off-Def-Tot | | | | | | | |
| NOTRE DAME (6,134) | 18-59 | .305 | 0-4 | .000 | 19-29 | .655 | 22-32-54 | 16-0 | 11 | 19 | 2 | 12 | 55 | |
| vs. Michigan | 18-56 | .321 | 6-16 | .375 | 3-6 | .500 | 9-24-33 | 23-0 | 14 | 21 | 4 | 8 | 45 | |
| NOTRE DAME | 27-65 | .415 | 1-6 | .167 | 16-20 | .800 | 14-25-39 | 16-0 | 7 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 71 | |
| at Western Michigan (2,116) | 25-60 | .417 | 8-19 | .421 | 10-13 | .769 | 11-26-37 | 18-0 | 15 | 18 | 2 | 5 | 68 | |
| NOTRE DAME | 28-51 | .549 | 6-13 | .462 | 12-18 | .667 | 5-22-27 | 18-0 | 15 | 13 | 7 | 8 | 74 | |
| at Indiana (976) | 22-55 | .400 | 1-7 | .143 | 16-23 | .696 | 17-23-40 | 19-0 | 10 | 19 | 1 | 4 | 61 | |
| NOTRE DAME (5,895) | 26-54 | .481 | 4-11 | .364 | 17-28 | .607 | 11-32-43 | 12-0 | 15 | 20 | 3 | 11 | 73 | |
| vs. USC | 23-72 | .319 | 6-24 | .250 | 10-15 | .667 | 21-23-44 | 21-0 | 12 | 17 | 5 | 12 | 62 | |
| NOTRE DAME (5,204) | 29-66 | .439 | 3-14 | .214 | 13-21 | .619 | 15-27-42 | 15-1 | 14 | 13 | 2 | 12 | 74 | |
| vs. Iona | 23-57 | .404 | 5-15 | .333 | 4-7 | .571 | 8-27-35 | 21-0 | 13 | 21 | 1 | 7 | 55 | |
| NOTRE DAME | 27-49 | .551 | 3-9 | .333 | 20-25 | .800 | 12-22-34 | 17-0 | 13 | 20 | 6 | 7 | 77 | |
| at Wisconsin (5,455) | 28-64 | .438 | 7-17 | .412 | 9-13 | .692 | 16-11-27 | 21-2 | 14 | 15 | 2 | 11 | 72 | |
| Notre Dame | 21-58 | .362 | 1-7 | .143 | 11-18 | .611 | 12-22-34 | 18-0 | 11 | 15 | 1 | 9 | 54 | |
| at PURDUE (7,213) | 23-57 | .404 | 4-16 | .250 | 15-20 | .750 | 17-30-47 | 17-0 | 14 | 18 | 8 | 9 | 65 | |
| NOTRE DAME (1,297) | 32-73 | .438 | 4-10 | .400 | 9-12 | .750 | 15-32-47 | 21-1 | 19 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 77 | |
| vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 14-55 | .255 | 6-24 | .250 | 20-27 | .741 | 13-28-41 | 15-0 | 11 | 21 | 2 | 7 | 54 | |
| NOTRE DAME (1,195) | 21-46 | .457 | 3-9 | .333 | 23-37 | .622 | 14-29-43 | 17-0 | 13 | 14 | 3 | 5 | 68 | |
| vs. Utah ¹ | 18-57 | .316 | 5-18 | .278 | 14-19 | .737 | 14-16-30 | 29-1 | 8 | 15 | 1 | 4 | 55 | |
| NOTRE DAME (6,430) | 26-52 | .500 | 1-8 | .125 | 5-7 | .714 | 13-24-37 | 8-0 | 17 | 19 | 3 | 4 | 58 | |
| vs. Valparaiso | 18-50 | .360 | 7-19 | .368 | 7-10 | .700 | 9-13-22 | 9-0 | 12 | 17 | 0 | 12 | 50 | |
| Notre Dame (11,418) | 15-49 | .306 | 6-17 | .353 | 15-25 | .600 | 14-21-35 | 20-1 | 9 | 17 | 5 | 9 | 51 | |
| vs. TENNESSEE | 19-58 | .328 | 7-17 | .412 | 17-26 | .654 | 24-26-50 | 21-0 | 13 | 18 | 4 | 9 | 62 | |
| • Notre Dame | 28-50 | .560 | 3-7 | .429 | 4-8 | .500 | 11-30-41 | 14-0 | 11 | 24 | 5 | 6 | 63 | |
| at ST. JOHN'S (722) | 26-61 | .426 | 9-19 | .474 | 5-8 | .625 | 6-15-21 | 15-0 | 19 | 11 | 2 | 10 | 66 | |
| • Notre Dame (6,854) | 19-53 | .358 | 3-11 | .273 | 20-34 | .588 | 9-21-30 | 24-0 | 13 | 9 | 5 | 9 | 61 | |
| vs. SETON HALL | 22-54 | .407 | 7-13 | .538 | 23-29 | .793 | 15-33-48 | 22-0 | 15 | 16 | 3 | 2 | 74 | |
| • NOTRE DAME (5,281) | 20-60 | .333 | 5-13 | .385 | 22-33 | .667 | 19-24-43 | 16-1 | 12 | 11 | 4 | 8 | 67 | |
| vs. Marquette | 22-55 | .400 | 8-17 | .471 | 13-16 | .813 | 12-28-40 | 25-1 | 19 | 18 | 2 | 4 | 65 | |
| • Notre Dame | 20-63 | .317 | 5-15 | .333 | 6-7 | .857 | 11-18-29 | 16-0 | 8 | 13 | 4 | 10 | 51 | |
| at LOUISVILLE (3,493) | 21-57 | .368 | 6-20 | .300 | 13-19 | .684 | 22-33-55 | 12-0 | 12 | 22 | 5 | 9 | 61 | |
| • NOTRE DAME (5,311) | 28-60 | .467 | 5-10 | .500 | 17-24 | .708 | 12-25-37 | 12-0 | 16 | 17 | 0 | 11 | 78 | |
| vs. DePaul | 28-64 | .438 | 13-29 | .448 | 6-8 | .750 | 11-24-35 | 22-1 | 18 | 19 | 0 | 6 | 75 | |
| • NOTRE DAME | 22-53 | .415 | 2-7 | .286 | 8-12 | .667 | 9-26-35 | 15-0 | 14 | 20 | 7 | 10 | 54 | |
| at Georgetown (1,103) | 20-58 | .345 | 3-15 | .200 | 9-13 | .692 | 14-25-39 | 14-0 | 11 | 19 | 9 | 9 | 52 | |

Winners listed in ALL CAPS // Attendance listed next to home team (where applicable)

• = BIG EAST Conference game

¹ = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)



2005-06 Notre Dame Points-Rebounds-Assists

| Opponent | Gaines | Allen | Tsipis | Duffy | Bolden* | Smith | Trezza* | Schrader | Gray | D'Amico | Erwin | LaVere |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------|---------|----------|--------|---------|---------|--------|
| MICHIGAN | 6-4-0 | 16-5-0 | DNP | 3-4-8 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 10-14-2 | 6-2-1 | 10-7-0 | 0-3-0 | 4-7-0 |
| @ Western Michigan | 6-5-1 | 4-5-1 | DNP | 19-7-2 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 11-5-0 | 6-1-0 | 8-4-1 | 7-5-2 | 10-5-0 |
| @ Indiana | 0-1-0 | 11-4-4 | DNP | 26-1-5 | DNP | 0-0-0 | DNP | 7-4-3 | 14-2-1 | 1-1-0 | 9-4-1 | 6-8-1 |
| USC | DNP | 13-4-2 | DNP | 19-2-6 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 8-4-2 | 2-8-1 | 13-10-0 | 2-7-1 | 16-0-3 |
| IONA | 5-4-0 | 6-5-3 | 0-0-0 | 21-2-3 | 0-0-0 | 3-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 14-3-2 | 0-3-1 | 10-8-0 | 5-3-2 | 10-5-3 |
| @ Wisconsin | 11-1-1 | 5-2-1 | DNP | 20-6-5 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 13-5-0 | 7-3-0 | 11-8-1 | 4-3-2 | 6-4-3 |
| @ Purdue | 3-3-1 | 7-2-0 | DNP | 12-7-2 | DNP | 2-0-0 | DNP | 6-2-3 | 0-0-2 | 7-3-0 | 7-11-1 | 10-3-2 |
| vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 5-1-3 | 4-5-1 | 0-0-0 | 13-5-6 | DNP | 4-4-1 | DNP | 6-8-4 | 12-4-3 | 20-6-0 | 4-5-1 | 9-4-0 |
| vs. Utah ¹ | 2-2-0 | 4-9-1 | DNP | 12-2-8 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 10-10-3 | 11-2-1 | 13-7-0 | 12-7-0 | 4-4-0 |
| VALPARAISO | 2-4-1 | 8-7-3 | 0-0-0 | 7-1-2 | DNP | 4-3-0 | DNP | 13-7-2 | 2-1-3 | 10-4-0 | 2-5-0 | 10-3-6 |
| TENNESSEE | 4-1-0 | 4-4-3 | DNP | 19-3-2 | DNP | 0-0-0 | DNP | 4-6-1 | 0-2-0 | 6-6-0 | 4-7-1 | 10-3-2 |
| • at St. John's | 2-0-2 | 6-5-2 | DNP | 13-5-2 | DNP | 4-1-0 | DNP | 8-3-2 | 3-2-1 | 14-6-0 | 11-12-2 | 2-3-0 |
| • SETON HALL | 12-4-5 | 10-3-1 | DNP | 8-3-3 | DNP | 0-1-0 | DNP | 7-2-1 | 3-0-1 | 2-3-2 | 11-6-0 | 8-3-0 |
| • MARQUETTE | 4-2-1 | 15-3-2 | DNP | 32-5-1 | DNP | DNP | DNP | 3-10-4 | 2-3-0 | 0-3-2 | 2-8-0 | 9-7-2 |
| • at Louisville | 0-2-3 | 10-4-0 | DNP | 8-1-4 | | 2-4-0 | | 9-5-0 | 5-2-0 | 8-6-0 | 7-2-1 | 2-2-0 |
| • DePAUL | 8-0-0 | 5-3-0 | DNP | 23-8-9 | | 0-0-0 | | 9-9-1 | 10-3-2 | 4-1-1 | 10-6-1 | 9-3-2 |
| • at Georgetown | 2-2-0 | 8-1-0 | DNP | 16-5-5 | | 0-0-0 | | 6-5-2 | 2-1-4 | 5-10-1 | 6-2-0 | 9-4-2 |

Home games in ALL CAPS

DNP = did not play

* = no longer on team

• = BIG EAST Conference game

¹ = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)



2005-06 Miscellaneous Statistics

| | ALL GAMES | vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS |
|--|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Most First Half Points Scored | 45 vs. Arkansas State (12/17) | 37, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 1/17) |
| Most First Half Points Allowed | 39, twice (MR: by Purdue, 12/7) | 33 by DePaul (1/17) |
| Most Second Half Points Scored | 42 vs. Utah (12/18) | 41 vs. DePaul (1/17) |
| Most Second Half Points Allowed | 47 by Seton Hall (1/7) | 47 by Seton Hall (1/7) |
| Fewest First Half Points Scored | 14 vs. Tennessee (12/31) | 15 at Louisville (1/14) |
| Fewest First Half Points Allowed | 18, twice (MR: by Georgetown, 1/21) | 18 by Georgetown (1/21) |
| Fewest Second Half Points Scored | 22 at Georgetown (1/21) | 22 at Georgetown (1/21) |
| Fewest Second Half Points Allowed | 25, twice (MR: by Marquette, 1/10) | 25 by Marquette (1/10) |

Largest Leads

Notre Dame: 25, twice — 54-29 (15:30, 2nd) and 71-46 (4:11, 2nd) vs. Arkansas State (ND 77-54), 12/17

Opponent: 25 — 56-31 (6:30, 2nd) by Louisville (UL 61-51), 1/14

Biggest Deficit Overcome in a Win: 12 — 51-39 (13:30, 2nd) vs. DePaul (ND 78-75), 1/17

Biggest Halftime Deficit Overcome in a Win: 7 — 32-25 vs. Marquette (ND 67-65, ot), 1/10

Biggest Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 7, twice — 37-30 (0:32, 1st) at St. John's (SJU 66-63), 1/4; 25-18 (6:09, 1st) vs. Seton Hall (SHU 74-61), 1/7

Biggest Halftime Lead Surrendered in a Loss: 5, twice — 37-32 at St. John's (SJU 66-63), 1/4; 32-27 vs. Seton Hall (SHU 74-61), 1/7

Halftime Leads: ND: 12 (ND Record — 10-2; 2-2 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 4 (ND Record — 1-3; 1-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Rebound Advantage: ND: 10 (ND Record — 9-1; 2-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 7 (ND Record — 3-4; 1-2 vs. BIG EAST)

Bench Scoring Advantage: ND: 11 (ND Record — 8-3; 3-2 vs. BIG EAST) // Opponents: 5 (ND Record — 3-2; 0-1 vs. BIG EAST) // Ties: 1 (ND Record — 1-0; 0-0 vs. BIG EAST)

Notre Dame Margin: +98 points, +5.8 ppg. (ND — 381 pts., 22.4 ppg.; Opponents — 283 pts., 16.6 ppg.)

| Point Differential | 2 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 19 | 23 |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| Notre Dame Wins | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Notre Dame Losses | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

Starting Lineups (F-C-G-G-G) & W-L Marks

| | ALL GAMES | vs. BIG EAST OPPONENTS |
|--|-----------|------------------------|
| Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gray, Schrader..... | 6-3 | 0-1 |
| Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gaines, Schrader..... | 5-1 | 2-1 |
| Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Gaines, Allen..... | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| Erwin, LaVere, Duffy, Gaines, Schrader..... | 0-1 | 0-1 |

Complete Games Played: 7 // Opponents: 5

Most Minutes (Overtime): 44 (Megan Duffy vs. Marquette, 1/10)

Most Minutes (Regulation): 40, seven times (Megan Duffy at Indiana, 11/23; Duffy vs. USC, 11/27; Duffy at Purdue, 12/7; Duffy vs. Utah, 12/18; Duffy vs. Tennessee, 12/31; Duffy at St. John's 1/4; Duffy at Georgetown, 1/21)

Scoring

Double-Figure Games: 49 (Duffy 13, D'Amico 8, Allen 6, LaVere 6, Schrader 6, Erwin 4, Gray 4, Gaines 2) // Opponents: 47

20-29-Point Games: 5 (Duffy 4, D'Amico 1) // Opponents: 4

30-39-Point Games: 1 (Duffy 1) // Opponents: 0

Game-High Honors*: 9 (Duffy 6, Allen 1, D'Amico 1, Schrader 1)

Team-High Honors*: 17 (Duffy 10, D'Amico 3, Allen 2, Gaines 1, Schrader 1)

Rebounding

Double-Figure Games: 7 (Schrader 3, D'Amico 2, Erwin 2) // Opponents: 12

Game-High Honors*: 6 (Schrader 3, Allen 1, D'Amico 1, Erwin 1)

Team-High Honors*: 18 (Schrader 6, D'Amico 5, Erwin 4, Allen 1, Duffy 1, LaVere 1)

Assists

Double-Figure Games: 0 // Opponents: 1

Game-High Honors*: 10 (Duffy 9, LaVere 1)

Team-High Honors*: 24 (Duffy 12, Schrader 4, Allen 3, Erwin 2, Gaines 2, LaVere 1)

Double-Doubles

Points/Rebounds: 4 (Schrader 2 - UM, UTAH; D'Amico 1 - USC; Erwin 1 - SJU) // Opponents: 12

* = totals may not add up to games played due to ties





The Last Time It Happened...

Notre Dame recorded a

30-point win was on 2/25/04 — ND 93, Miami 58 (35 points)*

40-point win was on 11/26/02 — ND 107, Cleveland State 65 (42 points)*

50-point win was on 3/4/01 — ND 89, Georgetown 33 (56 points) (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Storrs, Conn.*)

30-point loss was on 3/17/02 — Tennessee 89, ND 50 (39 points) (*NCAA Midwest Region Second Round at Knoxville, Tenn.*)

Notre Dame shot

60% on FGs was on 12/11/04 — 60.4% (29-48) vs. Washington (ND 72-58)*

65% on FGs was on 2/12/97 — 68.0% (34-50) vs. Boston College (ND 91-64)*

90% on FTs was on 11/30/04 — 100.0% (18-18) at Valparaiso (ND 69-59) (**school record**)

Notre Dame

won 10 games in a row was from 1/16/05 thru 2/15/05 — 10 straight

won 15 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight

won 20 games in a row was from 11/17/00 thru 2/14/01 — 23 straight

lost 5 games in a row was from 3/21/91 thru 11/24/91 — 5 straight (across two seasons)

- lost 5 games in a row (one season) was from 2/16/82 thru 3/6/82 — 5 straight

scored 100 points was on 11/26/02 (ND 107, Cleveland State 65)*

- scored 100 points on the road never

- scored 100 points at a neutral site was on 11/24/89 vs. Liberty (ND 113-35) (*Rotary Classic at Orlando, Fla.*)

- scored 100 points & lost never

allowed 100 points was on 12/8/98 (Connecticut 106, ND 81)*

scored less than 50 points was on 3/1/05 (ND 41, Seton Hall 35)

allowed less than 50 points was on 11/18/05 (ND 55, Michigan 45)*

played an overtime game was on 1/10/06 (ND 67, Marquette 65 - ot)*

- played a multiple-overtime game was on 11/30/97 (ND 93, UCLA 91 - 2ot)

rallied from a double-digit deficit to win was on 1/17/06 — 12 points (39-51, 13:30, 2nd) vs. DePaul (ND 78-75)*

won on a "last second" shot was on 1/10/06 (ND 67, Marquette 65 - ot — Megan Duffy layup at 0:00 in overtime)*

lost on a "last second" shot was on 1/12/02 (Villanova 60, ND 59 — Mimi Riley jumper at 0:00.4)

had five double-figure scorers was on 12/18/05 (ND 68, Utah 55) — Melissa D'Amico 13, Megan Duffy 12, Crystal Erwin 12, Breona Gray 11, Lindsay Schrader 10 (*Duel in the Desert at Las Vegas, Nev.*)

had six double-figure scorers was on 11/12/04 (ND 92, Illinois State 73) — Courtney LaVere 18, Megan Duffy 15, Charel Allen 14, Jacqueline Batteast 13, Teresa Borton 11, Crystal Erwin 10* (*Preseason WNIT First Round at Notre Dame, Ind.*)

had seven double-figure scorers was on 2/6/97 (ND 90, Syracuse 73) — Rosanne Bohman 16, Mollie Peirick 15, Katryna Gaither 14, Kari Hutchinson 11, Sheila McMillen 11, Beth Morgan 11, Jeannine Augustin 10

had no double-figure scorers was on 2/8/04 (Seton Hall 51, ND 45)

had two double-figure rebounders was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Jacqueline Batteast 10, Crystal Erwin 10*

had two players with "double-doubles" was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14 pts., 10 reb.), Megan Duffy (14 pts., 10 asst.) & Jacqueline Batteast (10 pts., 10 reb.)*

had three players with "double-doubles" was on 1/26/05 (ND 72, St. John's 65) — Crystal Erwin (14 pts., 10 reb.), Megan Duffy (14 pts., 10 asst.) & Jacqueline Batteast (10 pts., 10 reb.)*

had two 20-point scorers was on 3/21/05 (Arizona State 70, ND 61) — Megan Duffy 24, Jacqueline Batteast 20 (*NCAA Tempe Region Second Round at Fresno, Calif.*)

had three 20-point scorers was on 1/7/99 (ND 111, West Virginia 90) — Danielle Green 28, Sheila McMillen 26, Ruth Riley 23*

made 10 three-point field goals was on 3/3/02 (Syracuse 84, ND 79) — 10-26 (38.5%) on threes (*BIG EAST Championship Quarterfinal at Piscataway, N.J.*)

committed 10 turnovers or less was on 1/7/06 (Seton Hall 74, ND 61) — 9 turnovers*

committed 25 turnovers or more was on 1/28/04 (ND 59, Miami 50) — 26 turnovers

forced 25 turnovers or more was on 12/9/04 (ND 65, Dayton 39) — 26 turnovers

An Irish player had

25 points was on 1/10/06 — Megan Duffy (32) vs. Marquette (ND 67-65 - ot)*

30 points was on 1/10/06 — Megan Duffy (32) vs. Marquette (ND 67-65 - ot)*

35 points was on 2/22/00 — Ruth Riley (36) vs. Miami (ND 83-68)*

40 points was on 1/30/99 — Ruth Riley (41) at Providence (ND 97-59) (**school record**)

15 rebounds was on 2/23/03 — Jacqueline Batteast (18) at Connecticut (UC 77-59)

20 rebounds was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (20) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)

10 assists was on 2/26/05 — Megan Duffy (10) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*

5 blocks was on 2/26/05 — Teresa Borton (5) vs. West Virginia (ND 82-57)*

5 steals was on 11/27/05 — Megan Duffy (5) vs. USC (ND 73-62)*

a "double-double" was on 1/4/06 — Crystal Erwin (11 pts., 12 reb.) at St. John's (SJU 66-63)

a "triple-double" was on 2/15/90 — Sara Liebscher (17 pts., 12 reb., 10 asst.) vs. Detroit (ND 99-58)* (**only triple-double in school history**)

20 pts & 10 rebs was on 2/9/05 — Jacqueline Batteast (23 pts., 10 reb.) at Providence (ND 75-57)

20 pts & 20 rebs was on 1/20/88 — Heidi Bunek (25 pts., 20 reb.) at DePaul (DPU 80-77)

An opposing player had

25 points was on 1/17/06 — Jenna Rubino (25), DePaul (ND 78-75)*

30 points was on 1/28/98 — Jen Beisel (30), Villanova (VU 70-54)*

35 points was on 1/16/95 — Angela Simpson (37), Northwestern State (La.) (NSU 103-93) (*NWIT Semifinal at Amarillo, Texas*)

10 rebounds was on 1/17/06 — Khara Smith (14), DePaul (ND 78-75)*

15 rebounds was on 12/22/03 — Ebony Hoffman (16), USC (ND 73-62)*

20 rebounds was on 1/8/89 — Wendy Scholtens (20), Vanderbilt (VU 86-64)

10 assists was on 1/10/06 — Carolyn Kieger (10), Marquette (ND 67-65 - ot)*

5 blocks was on 3/1/05 — Monique Blake (5), Seton Hall (ND 41-35)

5 steals was on 1/14/06 — Angel McCoughtry (7), Louisville (UL 61-51)

a "double-double" was on 1/17/06 — Khara Smith (10 pts., 14 reb.), DePaul (ND 78-75)*

a "triple-double" was on 1/24/89 — Diana Vines (23 pts., 11 reb., 12 stl.), DePaul (DPU 83-62)

* = indicates Notre Dame home game



2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 1

#15/16 Notre Dame 55, Michigan 45
November 18, 2005
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Michigan (45)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Jones 9 0-1 0-0 0-0 0 0 1 0
Dierdorf 22 3-8 0-0 0-1 2 1 1 6
Skrba 18 1-2 0-0 0-1 8 0 1 2
Helvey 31 0-6 0-1 0-0 1 3 4 0
Minnfield 28 2-9 1-3 0-0 0 5 2 5
Starling 5 0-1 0-1 0-0 0 1 3 0
Benson 14 2-6 1-3 0-0 1 1 3 5
Clement 17 2-7 2-6 0-0 4 1 3 6
Cooper 19 0-2 0-0 0-0 0 1 2 0
Walker 26 6-10 2-2 2-3 9 1 2 16
Queen 11 2-4 0-0 1-1 2 0 1 5
Team 6
Totals 200 18-56 6-16 3-6 33 14 23 45

Notre Dame (55)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Erwin 17 0-3 0-0 0-0 3 0 2 0
D'Amico 25 4-9 0-0 2-4 7 0 3 10
Gaines 22 1-5 0-0 4-7 4 0 2 6
Duffy 39 0-5 0-0 3-4 4 8 1 3
Schrader 33 4-9 0-0 2-6 14 2 3 10
Allen 28 6-14 0-1 4-4 5 0 3 16
Gray 21 1-7 0-3 4-4 2 1 0 6
LaVere 15 2-7 0-0 0-0 7 0 2 4
Team 8
Totals 200 18-59 0-4 19-29 54 11 16 55

Michigan 20 25 -- 45
Notre Dame 26 29 -- 55

FG Pct: Michigan 32.1, Notre Dame 30.5. 3-PT FG Pct: Michigan 37.5, Notre Dame 0.0. FT Pct: Michigan 50.0, Notre Dame 65.5. Turnovers: Michigan 21, Notre Dame 19. Blocked Shots: Michigan 4 (Skrba 2), Notre Dame 2. Steals: Michigan 8 (Skrba 2), Notre Dame 12 (Duffy 4). Attendance: 6,134.

NOTES: Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw earned her 500th career win, becoming the 27th NCAA Division I coach to reach that milestone, and the 10th to do so before the age of 50 ... the Irish now are 21-8 (.724) all-time in season openers, including a 16-3 (.842) record in the McGraw era, and they have won their last 11 lidlifers, coinciding exactly with the program's membership in the BIG EAST Conference ... Notre Dame takes over the series lead against Michigan, 7-6, and has won six of its seven all-time matchups with the Wolverines at the Joyce Center ... Friday's game also marked the 350th Irish women's basketball game to be played at the Joyce Center (278-72, .794) ... Notre Dame's 54 rebounds were the most for the Irish in a single game since Dec. 12, 2001, when they plucked 56 boards in a win over Western Michigan ... the +21 rebound margin was the largest for Notre Dame since a similar spread (47-26) at Syracuse on Jan. 19, 2005 ... freshman guard Lindsay Schrader became the first Notre Dame rookie to start a season opener since Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton did so against Valparaiso on Nov. 18, 2001 ... Schrader's 14 rebounds are the most for an Irish player since Batteast collected a career-high 18 boards at Connecticut on Feb. 23, 2003 ... Schrader's double-double also is only the second ever for a Notre Dame freshman in her college debut and first since the Irish program elevated to Division I status in 1980-81 (Shari Matvey had 21 points and 14 rebounds vs. Marion on Nov. 30, 1979) ... sophomore guard Charel Allen's 16 points were the most she has scored since she tossed in a career-high 17 points at Syracuse on Jan. 19, 2005 ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico made her first collegiate start against Michigan and responded with 10 points and a career-high seven rebounds ... sophomore guard Tulyah Gaines also got her first college starting assignment vs. the Wolverines ... senior guard Megan Duffy hit three free throws late to avoid her first scoreless outing since March 27, 2004 vs. Penn State (NCAA Sweet 16 game at Hartford, Conn.); still Duffy dished out a game-high eight assists (her 37th career outing with at least five dimes) and ended up with a game-best four steals, just missing her sixth career five-theft performance.

GAME 2

#15/16 Notre Dame 71, Western Michigan 68
November 20, 2005
University Arena (Kalamazoo, Mich.)

Notre Dame (71)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Erwin 28 2-9 0-0 3-4 5 2 2 7
D'Amico 16 4-7 0-0 0-0 4 1 4 8
Gaines 24 2-3 0-0 2-2 5 1 2 6
Duffy 39 5-10 1-4 8-8 7 2 1 19
Schrader 28 5-11 0-0 1-2 5 0 2 11
Allen 18 2-5 0-0 0-2 5 1 0 4
Gray 23 3-7 0-2 0-0 1 0 2 6
LaVere 24 4-13 0-0 2-2 5 0 3 10
Team 2
Totals 200 27-65 1-6 16-20 39 7 16 71

Western Michigan (68)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Brown 30 7-11 0-0 2-2 6 1 4 16
Parker 37 1-7 0-2 2-4 9 0 4 4
DeLaHoussaye 40 4-8 1-3 2-2 3 7 3 11
Rost 40 10-19 7-10 2-2 6 1 2 29
Moore 40 2-12 0-4 0-1 3 5 3 4
Watkins 1 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0
Owens 12 1-3 0-0 2-2 3 1 2 4
Team 7
Totals 200 25-60 8-19 10-13 37 15 18 68

Notre Dame 38 33 -- 71
W. Michigan 30 38 -- 68

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.5, Western Michigan 41.7. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 16.7, Western Michigan 42.1. FT Pct: Notre Dame 80.0, Western Michigan 76.9. Turnovers: Notre Dame 12, Western Michigan 18. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 5 (D'Amico, LaVere 2), Western Michigan 2 (Parker 2). Steals: Notre Dame 6 (Duffy 2), Western Michigan 5 (Rost 3). Attendance: 2,116.

NOTES: Leading for all but the first 1:26 of the contest, Notre Dame won its road opener for the fourth consecutive season and seventh time in the past eight years ... ND started the season 2-0 for the third time in four years and 10th time in the 19-year Muffet McGraw era ... the Irish improve to 8-0 all-time against Western Michigan, including a 3-0 record in Kalamazoo ... the three-point margin was the closest in the eight-game series, topping a 68-62 Notre Dame victory spread on Dec. 8, 1982, also in Kalamazoo ... the Irish have scored 70 points in seven of their eight all-time matchups with the Broncos ... WMU tallied its highest point total ever against Notre Dame, exceeding the 65-point mark it had in a 94-65 loss to the Irish on Dec. 2, 1985, the clubs' most recent contest at University Arena prior to this year; in fact all three of the Broncos' 60-point games vs. Notre Dame have come in Kalamazoo ... the Irish have won 10 consecutive games against Mid-American Conference opponents, a streak that dates back to 1995 ... Notre Dame is 99-8 (.925) during the past six years when leading at halftime, having won 28 of its last 30 such games (2-0 this year) ... Western Michigan guard Casey Rost tied a Notre Dame opponent record by canning seven three-pointers, with Connecticut's Ann Strother the most recent foe to reach that total, doing so on nine attempts in a 65-59 Irish win on Jan. 30, 2005 in Storrs, Conn. ... with two assists at WMU, senior guard Megan Duffy moved past former teammate Le Tania Severe (2000-04) into seventh place on Notre Dame's career assist chart with 386 handouts ... with her next point, senior forward Courtney LaVere will reach the 900-point mark for her career ... LaVere also had two blocked shots against the Broncos and is two away from becoming the eighth player in school history to record 100 career blocks.

GAME 3

#13/15 Notre Dame 74, Indiana 61
November 23, 2005
Assembly Hall (Bloomington, Ind.)

Notre Dame (74)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Erwin 21 3-3 0-0 3-3 4 1 4 9
D'Amico 9 0-1 0-0 1-2 1 0 4 1
Gaines 2 0-1 0-0 0-0 1 0 0 0
Duffy 40 8-15 3-6 7-8 1 5 2 26
Schrader 33 3-7 0-0 1-4 4 3 1 7
Allen 29 5-8 1-2 0-1 4 4 2 11
Smith 3 0-1 0-0 0-0 0 0 1 0
Gray 33 6-11 2-5 0-0 2 1 1 14
LaVere 30 3-4 0-0 0-0 8 1 3 6
Team 2
Totals 200 28-51 6-13 12-18 27 15 18 74

Indiana (74)
Player min fg-a 3fg-a ft-a reb ast pf tp
Thomas 29 4-16 0-0 6-8 12 1 1 14
DeMuth 35 7-13 0-1 6-10 11 2 2 20
Hawkins 10 1-4 0-0 0-0 3 0 4 2
Valentin 26 3-8 0-3 0-0 1 3 3 6
Smith, N. 19 0-2 0-2 0-0 2 1 1 0
Boyd 2 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 0 0
Kullberg 9 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 2 1 0
Enterline 26 2-4 1-1 0-1 3 1 0 5
McKay 4 0-0 0-0 0-0 1 0 0 0
Roberson 3 0-0 0-0 0-0 0 0 2 0
Smith, C. 27 5-6 0-0 4-4 2 0 3 14
Branson 10 0-2 0-0 0-0 1 0 2 0
Team 4
Totals 200 22-55 1-7 16-23 40 10 19 61

Notre Dame 36 38 -- 74
Indiana 32 29 -- 61

FG Pct: Notre Dame 54.9, Indiana 40.0. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 46.2, Indiana 14.3. FT Pct: Notre Dame 66.7, Indiana 69.6. Turnovers: Notre Dame 13, Indiana 19. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 7 (D'Amico 3), Indiana 1. Steals: Notre Dame 8 (Duffy 4), Indiana 4. Attendance: 976.

NOTES: Notre Dame starts the season 3-0 for the second consecutive season and third time in the past four seasons ... the Irish move to 6-3 all-time against Indiana, including a 3-1 record in Bloomington ... Notre Dame has won its last three games at Assembly Hall and has a series-long three-game winning streak ... the 13-point margin of victory represents the first time in the nine-game series between the Irish and Hoosiers that a game was decided by double figures ... Notre Dame registers its second win in as many games against a Big Ten Conference opponent this season (also the second year in a row the Irish have earned two Big Ten wins) ... It's also the first win for Notre Dame on the campus of a Big Ten school since Nov. 22 and 24, 2001, when the Irish downed #19 Wisconsin (83-56) and #6 Georgia (75-73) at UW's Kohl Center to win the Coaches vs. Cancer Challenge ... Notre Dame now is 9-5 (.643) all-time in its final game before Thanksgiving, including a 7-3 (.700) record since 1996, when the Irish regularly began opening their season prior to the holiday ... the Irish have won 29 of their last 31 games when leading at the half and are 100-8 (.926) in such contests during the past six seasons ... Notre Dame's .549 field goal percentage is its best since Feb. 26, 2005, when the Irish connected at a .582 clip (32-of-55) in a Senior Day victory over West Virginia at the Joyce Center ... senior All-America guard Megan Duffy pumped in a career-high 26 points, one more than her previous best of 25, which she set in an 82-64 win over Wisconsin on Dec. 4, 2003 at the Joyce Center ... it's also the most points for an Irish player since Jacqueline Batteast had 27 points at Marquette on Dec. 19, 2004 ... almost lost in the shuffle, Duffy have five assists and no turnovers while playing all 40 minutes, her first turnover-free complete game since Jan. 9, 2005 at Villanova, when she had seven assists and no giveaways in a 59-54 upset loss to the Wildcats ... with her five assists, Duffy eased past Jeannine Augustin into sixth place on Notre Dame's career assist list with 391 (Augustin had 387 from 1994-97) ... junior guard Breona Gray came off the bench to score 14 points, her eighth career double-figure scoring game and highest point production since a career-best 17 points against Syracuse on Jan. 5, 2005 at the Joyce Center ... senior forward Courtney LaVere reached two milestones - her first basket (a jumper with 8:16 left in the first half) pushed her over the 900-point mark for her career (now at 905) ... LaVere also had two blocked shots, giving her an even 100 blocks for her career and making her the eighth player in school history to reach that landmark ... freshman forward Chandrica Smith made her college debut at Indiana, playing three minutes.





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GAME 7 #24/23 Purdue 65, #10/10 Notre Dame 54 December 7, 2005 Mackey Arena (West Lafayette, Ind.)

Notre Dame (54)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, Smith, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Purdue (65)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Traore, Lawless, Bogdanova, Gearlds, Webb, Howell, George, Campbell, Freeman, Wisdom-Hylton, Duncan, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Game 7: Notre Dame 22 32 -- 54, Purdue 39 26 -- 65

FG Pct: Notre Dame 36.2, Purdue 40.4. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 14.3, Purdue 25.0. FT Pct: Notre Dame 61.1, Purdue 75.0. Turnovers: Notre Dame 15, Purdue 18. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 1, Purdue 8 (Campbell 3). Steals: Notre Dame 9 (four with 2), Purdue 9 (four with 2). Attendance: 7,213.

NOTES: The loss snaps Notre Dame's six-game season-opening winning streak ... it was only the third loss for Notre Dame in its last 17 road games ... the Irish are 0-8 all-time at Mackey Arena ... the 11-point margin was the third-smallest in Notre Dame's eight visits to West Lafayette ... a lower-ranked Purdue team has now defeated a higher-ranked Irish squad on three occasions in the series (all three wins have come at Mackey Arena) ... Notre Dame finishes the regular season 3-1 against the Big Ten, setting a school record for Big Ten wins in the regular season ... this marked the first time all season the Irish did not have at least three players scoring in double figures ... Notre Dame also trailed at halftime for the first time this season ... the Irish registered season-lows for points in a half (22) and a game (54) ... junior forward Crystal Erwin collected a career-high 11 rebounds, one more than her previous high of 10 vs. St. John's last season; Erwin also is the fifth different Notre Dame player to lead the team in rebounding this year ... the Irish committed 15 or fewer turnovers for the fourth time in 2005-06.

GAME 8 #13/14 Notre Dame 77, Arkansas State 54 Duel in the Desert - First Round December 17, 2005 Cox Pavilion (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Arkansas State (54)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Davie, Caraway, Sims, Lock, Abraham, Hiles, Starr, Maglaughlin, Anderson, Brown, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (77)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, Tsipis, Smith, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Game 8: Arkansas State 25 29 -- 54, Notre Dame 45 32 -- 77

FG Pct: Arkansas State 25.5, Notre Dame 43.8. 3-PT FG Pct: Arkansas State 25.0, Notre Dame 40.0. FT Pct: Arkansas State 74.1, Notre Dame 75.0. Turnovers: Arkansas State 21, Notre Dame 11. Blocked Shots: Arkansas State 2, Notre Dame 3 (D'Amico 2). Steals: Arkansas State 7 (Caraway, Davie 2), Notre Dame 10 (Gaines 3). Attendance: 1,297.

NOTES: Notre Dame was playing its first-ever game in the state of Nevada ... the 23-point margin of victory was the largest of the year for Notre Dame (previously 19 vs. Iona on Nov. 29) ... Notre Dame is 3-0 all-time against current Sun Belt Conference schools (one win each vs. Arkansas State, Middle Tennessee and Florida International) ... Notre Dame set season bests for points in a half (45; previous was 42 in the 1st half at Wisconsin on Dec. 4), a game (tied - 77; also at Wisconsin on Dec. 4), field goals made (32; previous was 29 vs. Iona on Nov. 29), field goals attempted (73; previous was 66 vs. Iona on Nov. 29), assists (19; previous was 15 on two occasions) and fewest turnovers (11; previous was 12 at Western Michigan on Nov. 20) ... the Irish held Arkansas State to an opponent season-low .255 field goal percentage, the best defensive performance for Notre Dame since Feb. 5, 2005, when the Irish held Pittsburgh to a .250 mark in a 75-47 victory in the Steel City ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico tallied a career-high 20 points on 10-of-12 shooting in just 18 minutes, breaking her previous scoring best of 13 points vs. USC on Nov. 27, 2005 ... D'Amico also became the first Irish player to average at least a point per minute in a single game (min. 10 minutes) since Dec. 21, 2002, when Courtney LaVere had 20 points in 19 minutes against IPFW at the Joyce Center ... returning to her hometown of Las Vegas, junior guard Breona Gray posted her second double-digit game of the year with 12 points (season-high is 14 points at Indiana on Nov. 23) ... freshman forward Chandrica Smith set new season bests with four points and four rebounds in 18 minutes; previous marks were three points and two boards in six minutes vs. Iona on Nov. 29.

GAME 9 #13/14 Notre Dame 68, #22/21 Utah 55 Duel in the Desert - Championship December 18, 2005 Cox Pavilion (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Utah (55)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Smith, Perry, Thorburn, Larsen, Filipe, Carlsen, Brouillard, Warburton, Oakley, Warner, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (68)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, D'Amico, Duffy, Schrader, Gray, Gaines, Allen, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Game 9: Utah 25 30 -- 55, Notre Dame 26 42 -- 68

FG Pct: Utah 31.6, Notre Dame 45.7. 3-PT FG Pct: Utah 27.8, Notre Dame 33.3. FT Pct: Utah 73.7, Notre Dame 62.2. Turnovers: Utah 15, Notre Dame 14. Blocked Shots: Utah 1, Notre Dame 3 (D'Amico 2). Steals: Utah 4 (Smith 2), Notre Dame 5 (Duffy 3). Attendance: 1,195.

NOTES: Notre Dame wins its 12th regular-season tournament game in the past 13 opportunities, dating back to the 1996-97 season; the Irish also earn their fifth tournament title in the past six tries ... the win over Utah is Notre Dame's second in three games vs. a ranked opponent this season, pairing up with a 73-62 win over No. 24/23 USC on Nov. 27 ... Notre Dame is off to an 8-1 start for the second year in a row, fourth time in eight years and fifth time in school history (also 1978-79 as AIAW Division III program, 1998-99, 2000-01 and 2004-05) ... the Irish are 6-2 (.750) all-time against the Mountain West Conference, including a 2-0 series mark vs. Utah ... Notre Dame led or has been tied at halftime in eight of its nine games this year (all wins) ... the Irish had a season-high five players scoring in double figures, the first time they have had that much balance on offense since last year's season opener (five double-figure scorers on Nov. 12, 2004 vs. Illinois State in the Preseason WNIT at the Joyce Center) ... Notre Dame has featured at least three double-digit scorers in eight of nine games this year (all wins), including four with four or more in double figures (No. 24/23 USC, Iona, Wisconsin and No. 22/21 Utah) ... the Irish trailed for a grand total of 15 seconds in their two wins in Las Vegas, falling behind Utah, 39-38 at the 9:54 mark of the second half, but regaining the lead with two free throws by junior forward Crystal Erwin with 9:39 to play (ND never trailed vs. Arkansas State) ... the Notre Dame defense played a key role in its Duel in the Desert Gray Division title, as the Irish held their two opponents to a combined .286 field goal percentage (32-of-112) and an average of 54.5 ppg. ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico was named the Duel in the Desert Gray Division Most Valuable Player after averaging 16.0 points, 6.5 rebounds and 2.0 blocks per game with an astronomical .824 field goal percentage (14-of-17) - it's the first all-tournament honor of D'Amico's career ... senior guard Megan Duffy also earned a spot on the all-tournament team after logging 12.5 points and 7.0 assists per game with just one turnover in 66 minutes of action; Duffy has now been named to three all-tournament teams in her career, also making the squads for the 2004 Preseason WNIT and 2005 BIG EAST Conference Championship ... perhaps lost a bit in the shuffle, junior guard Breona Gray turned in a solid two-day effort in returning to her hometown of Las Vegas, finishing with 11.5 points per game while shooting .538 from the floor (60 percent from the three-point line) ... junior forward Crystal Erwin tallied a season-high 12 points vs. Utah, her first double-digit game since Jan. 26, 2005 vs. St. John's ... freshman guard Lindsay Schrader chalked up her second double-double this season with 10 points and 10 rebounds vs. Utah (also 10p, 14r vs. Michigan on Nov. 18) ... sophomore guard Charel Allen matched her career high with nine rebounds, tying her personal standard set on two other occasions (most recently at Seton Hall on March 1, 2005).





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GAME 13

Seton Hall 74, #12/12 Notre Dame 61
January 7, 2006
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Seton Hall (74)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Harris, Blake, Korpivaara, Brown, Rhodin, Womack, Shutz, Messina, Costello, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (61)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, D'Amico, Gaines, Duffy, Schrader, Allen, Smith, Gray, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Seton Hall and Notre Dame with columns for min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp.

FG Pct: Seton Hall 40.7, Notre Dame 35.8. 3-PT FG Pct: Seton Hall 53.8, Notre Dame 27.3. FT Pct: Seton Hall 79.3, Notre Dame 58.8. Turnovers: Seton Hall 16, Notre Dame 9. Blocked Shots: Seton Hall 3 (Korpivaara 2), Notre Dame 5 (LaVere 3). Steals: Seton Hall 2, Notre Dame 9 (Gaines 4). Attendance: 6,854.

NOTES: Notre Dame suffers its third consecutive loss, the first time the Irish have dropped three in a row since Dec. 3-8, 1997, when Notre Dame fell at Rutgers (80-67), home to No. 3/2 Connecticut (78-59) and at No. 17/19 Wisconsin (89-77) ... that 1997-98 season also is the only other time Notre Dame has opened BIG EAST play with two losses ... the Irish fall at home to an unranked BIG EAST Conference opponent for the first time since Jan. 11, 2003, when Miami won 80-70 at the Joyce Center (also the last time Notre Dame lost its first BIG EAST home game of the year) ... it's the first time a ranked Irish team has lost consecutive games to unranked opponents since Feb. 26 and March 3, 2002, when No. 21/25 Notre Dame lost its regular-season finale at home to Villanova (48-45), then was upset by Syracuse (84-79) in the quarterfinals of the BIG EAST Championship at Piscataway, N.J. ... Seton Hall earns just its fourth win all-time over Notre Dame and second in South Bend (first since a 62-55 decision on Dec. 11, 1993 - the initial matchup in the 18-game series) ... the Pirates scored their second highest point total ever against Notre Dame, topped only in their 88-79 overtime loss to the Irish on Jan. 2, 1996 in South Orange, N.J. ... the 13-point margin is the largest ever for SHU over Notre Dame, exceeding the seven-point spread in the teams' first-ever contest ... the Irish have lost consecutive home games for the first time since Jan. 4-20, 2003, when they endured a program-long four-game home losing streak (vs. Purdue, Miami, Rutgers and Connecticut) ... the minus-18 rebounding margin was the largest of the season for Notre Dame, topping the 15-point deficit vs. No. 1 Tennessee ... SHU set opponent season highs for free throws made, attempted and percentage (23-29, .793) ... Notre Dame had a season-low nine turnovers, three days after its highest giveaway total in two years (24 at St. John's) ... the 47 second-half points scored by the Pirates were the most by a Notre Dame opponent in either half this season (previous high was 39, done most recently by Purdue on Dec. 7) ... sophomore guard Tulyah Gaines earned her fourth career start (all this year) and responded by matching her career best with 12 points (also at Northern Illinois on Dec. 30, 2004), her third career double-digit game and second of the season; Gaines also set new personal standards for assists, steals, free throws made, free throws attempted and minutes played ... sophomore guard Charel Allen came off the bench to score 10 points, her fourth double-figure game of the year and first since Nov. 27 vs. No. 24/21 USC, when she scored 13 points ... junior forward Crystal Erwin scored in double figures for the second consecutive game and third time in the past five outings ... senior guard Megan Duffy now has 1,013 points, moving her past Kelley Siemon into 20th place on the Irish career scoring list (Siemon had 1,006 points from 1997-2001).

GAME 14

#20/19 Notre Dame 67, Marquette 65 (OT)
January 10, 2006
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

Marquette (65)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Kamm, Quayle, McCullough, Kieger, Ellis, Monfre, Johnson, Shirley, Kovalenko, Thrower, Team, and Totals.

Notre Dame (67)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, D'Amico, Gaines, Duffy, Schrader, Allen, Gray, LaVere, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Marquette and Notre Dame with columns for min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp.

FG Pct: Marquette 40.0, Notre Dame 33.3. 3-PT FG Pct: Marquette 47.1, Notre Dame 38.5. FT Pct: Marquette 81.3, Notre Dame 66.7. Turnovers: Marquette 18, Notre Dame 11. Blocked Shots: Marquette 2 (McCullough 2), Notre Dame 4. Steals: Marquette 4 (Ellis 2), Notre Dame 8 (Allen 3). Attendance: 5,281.

NOTES: Notre Dame now leads the all-time series with Marquette, 27-4, including a 16-1 mark at the Joyce Center ... the Irish have won 10 in a row and 26 of the past 27 meetings with the Golden Eagles ... the past four games in the series have been decided by an average of 5.0 points per game, with the last two ending on buzzer-beating shots (three-pointer by Jacqueline Batteast in 2004-05; Megan Duffy's running layup in overtime in 2005-06) ... prior to Batteast's shot last year, the Irish had gone nearly a decade since the last time they won a game on a buzzer-beating shot (Letitia Bowen's putback at Detroit on Jan. 14, 1995) ... Tuesday was the first OT win for the Irish since March 21, 2004, when Notre Dame downed Southwest Missouri State, 69-65 in the opening round of the NCAA Tournament at the Joyce Center ... it was the first regular-season overtime victory for Notre Dame since Feb. 19, 2000, when the Irish won at No. 8/11 Rutgers, 78-74, behind a memorable 7-for-7 three-point shooting night from Alicia Ratay ... Notre Dame's rally from two 11-point first-half deficits was its first double-digit comeback since Feb. 15, 2005, when the Irish climbed out of a pair of 15-point first-half holes at Boston College and wound up winning, 54-47 ... Notre Dame continues to show remarkable resiliency when coming off a double-digit loss - in such a scenario, the Irish are 39-6 (.867) in the past 11 seasons, including a 24-1 (.960) record when that next game is at home ... Notre Dame committed just 11 turnovers vs. Marquette and has only 20 giveaways in its last two games combined following a season-high 24 turnovers at St. John's on Jan. 4 ... senior guard Megan Duffy scored a career-high 32 points, the most by a Notre Dame player since Jacqueline Batteast also had 32 vs. No. 10/9 Ohio State in the Preseason WNIT championship game on Nov. 20, 2004 at the Joyce Center; Duffy's 32 points also tied her for the 10th-highest single-game scoring performance in school history ... Duffy connected on a career-high 12 free throws and tied her personal best with 13 attempts (she went 11-of-13 at St. John's on Feb. 17, 2004) ... sophomore guard Charel Allen posted her second consecutive double-figure scoring game (and fifth of the year) with 15 points off the bench (her season high is 16 in the season opener vs. Michigan on Nov. 18) ... freshman guard Lindsay Schrader registered her third double-digit rebounding night of the season with a team-best 10 boards (the fifth time this year she's led the team in that category) ... junior forward Crystal Erwin had eight rebounds vs. Marquette and is averaging 7.6 rebounds in her last eight games (8.7 rpg. in BIG EAST play).

GAME 15

Louisville 61, #20/19 Notre Dame 51
January 14, 2006
Freedom Hall (Louisville, Ky.)

Notre Dame (51)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Erwin, LaVere, Gaines, Duffy, Schrader, Allen, Smith, Gray, D'Amico, Team, and Totals.

Louisville (61)

Table with columns: Player, min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp. Rows include Covington, Taylor, Huggins, Neal, Olson, Barlow, Tokova, Johnson, McCoughtry, Wright, Team, and Totals.

Summary table for Notre Dame and Louisville with columns for min, fg-a, 3fg-a, ft-a, reb, ast, pf, tp.

FG Pct: Notre Dame 31.7, Louisville 36.8. 3-PT FG Pct: Notre Dame 33.3, Louisville 30.0. FT Pct: Notre Dame 85.7, Louisville 68.4. Turnovers: Notre Dame 13, Louisville 22. Blocked Shots: Notre Dame 4 (Allen, LaVere 2), Louisville 5 (Taylor 2). Steals: Notre Dame 10 (Allen, Duffy, Smith 2), Louisville 9 (McCoughtry 7). Attendance: 3,493.

NOTES: Notre Dame drops its fourth game in the last five outings, its first 1-4 stretch since early in the 2001-02 season, when the Irish won their opener, then lost four of five before rebounding for a 20-10 record and trip to the second round of the NCAA Tournament ... Notre Dame begins conference play 1-3 for the first time since 1986-87, when the Irish also lost three of four to start the North Star Conference season ... Louisville's 55 rebounds were the most by a Notre Dame opponent since Jan. 4, 1993, when Tennessee also had 55 boards in a 79-48 UT win at Knoxville ... the Irish forced the Cardinals into an opponent season-high 22 turnovers ... since shooting a season-high .560 in its Jan. 4 loss at St. John's, Notre Dame has posted a .335 field goal percentage (59-of-176) in the past three contests ... sophomore guard Charel Allen cracked double figures in scoring for the third consecutive game (the first time in her career she has done that) and she is averaging 11.7 ppg. during that stretch ... senior forward Courtney LaVere scored her 1,000th career point on her only field goal of the game vs. Louisville, a hook shot in the lane 2:27 into the contest; LaVere is the 22nd member of Notre Dame's 1,000-point club ... LaVere and senior guard Megan Duffy have become the fifth set of teammates in school history to reach the 1,000-point milestone in the same season; Duffy hit the mark Jan. 4 at St. John's, making the three-game stretch between the milestone games the shortest in school history (Mary Beth Schueth and Carrie Bates scored their 1,000th career point eight games apart in 1984-85).





2005-06 Notre Dame Women's Basketball Box Scores

GAME 16

#24/22 Notre Dame 78, #10/10 DePaul 75
January 17, 2006
Joyce Center (Notre Dame, Ind.)

DePaul (75)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Carney, E. | 18 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 2 |
| Smith, K. | 35 | 3-10 | 0-1 | 4-6 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| Rubino | 33 | 9-15 | 5-9 | 2-2 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 25 |
| Quigley | 37 | 8-17 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 19 |
| Towers | 11 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 |
| Mitidiero | 12 | 0-3 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Carney, R. | 27 | 4-7 | 4-6 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| Johnson | 1 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Morrison | 9 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| Smith, C. | 17 | 2-4 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Team | | | | | 2 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 28-64 | 13-29 | 6-8 | 35 | 18 | 22 | 75 |

Notre Dame (78)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Erwin | 27 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 10 |
| D'Amico | 17 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| Gaines | 21 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 4-7 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| Allen | 18 | 2-6 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Duffy | 39 | 6-12 | 2-6 | 9-9 | 8 | 9 | 1 | 23 |
| Smith | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Schrader | 26 | 4-12 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| Gray | 31 | 4-9 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 10 |
| LaVere | 19 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 9 |
| Team | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 28-60 | 5-10 | 17-24 | 37 | 16 | 12 | 78 |

DePaul 33 42 -- 75
Notre Dame 37 41 -- 78

FG Pct: DePaul 43.8, Notre Dame 46.7. **3-PT FG Pct:** DePaul 44.8, Notre Dame 50.0. **FT Pct:** DePaul 75.0, Notre Dame 70.8. **Turnovers:** DePaul 19, Notre Dame 17. **Blocked Shots:** DePaul 0, Notre Dame 0. **Steals:** DePaul 6 (K. Smith, Quigley 2), Notre Dame 11 (Erwin 4). **Attendance:** 5,311.

NOTES: Notre Dame picks up its third win over a ranked opponent in five tries this season; it's also the first Irish win over a Top 10 opponent since Jan. 30, 2005, when No. 6/7 Notre Dame defeated No. 9/10 Connecticut, 65-59 in Storrs, Conn. ... Tuesday's win is the first for the Irish vs. a higher-ranked opponent since Jan. 23, 2005, when No. 11/10 Notre Dame downed No. 6/7 Rutgers, 63-47 at the Joyce Center ... the Irish are 12-3 in their last 15 home games against ranked opponents, dating back to the start of the 2003-04 season ... Notre Dame continues its remarkable resiliency after a double-digit loss, improving to 40-6 (.870) in so-called "bounce back" games during the past 11 seasons, including a 25-1 (.962) mark at home and a 3-1 record this season ... the Irish rallied from a double-digit deficit to win for the second time in as many home games; the 12-point comeback vs. DePaul was the largest for Notre Dame since Feb. 15, 2005 at Boston College, when the Irish used a pair of 15-point rallies in a 54-47 win over the Eagles ... Notre Dame improves to 10-14 all-time against DePaul, including a 6-5 mark at the Joyce Center, where the Irish have won their last three matchups with the Blue Demons ... the Irish set season highs for points scored and points allowed ... Notre Dame won the battle on the boards with the BIG EAST's top rebounding club, DePaul, by a 37-35 count; the Blue Demons came into the contest averaging 44.7 rebounds per night ... the 18-0 second-half run by the Irish was its largest of the season and the eighth time Notre Dame has used a large run in the second half to preserve a victory ... after allowing 26 points off turnovers at Louisville, Notre Dame scored 24 points off DePaul turnovers ... the Blue Demons tied an Irish opponent record with 13 three-point field goals, matching the standard set by Connecticut on Jan. 15, 2001 at the Joyce Center ... senior All-America guard Megan Duffy came close to pulling off Notre Dame's first triple-double in nearly 16 years; Sara Liebscher is the last Irish player to pull off the feat, doing so on Feb. 15, 1990 against Detroit ... Duffy's eight rebounds tied a career high and her nine assists were a season high ... Duffy's 9-of-9 performance at the free throw line was the best foul shooting night for an Irish player since Jan. 24, 2004, when Jacqueline Batteast went 10-for-10 against Villanova at the Joyce Center ... junior guard Breona Gray and junior forward Crystal Erwin scored in double figures for the fourth time this season and 11th of their careers ... Erwin tied her career high with four steals ... sophomore guard Charel Allen earned her first career start after coming off the bench in each of her first 48 games at Notre Dame.

GAME 17

#24/22 Notre Dame 54, Georgetown 52
January 21, 2006
McDonough Arena (Washington, D.C.)

Notre Dame (54)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Erwin | 18 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| D'Amico | 27 | 2-8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 5 |
| Gaines | 14 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Duffy | 40 | 5-8 | 2-5 | 4-4 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 16 |
| Schrader | 18 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| Allen | 23 | 4-9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Smith | 3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gray | 26 | 1-3 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| LaVere | 31 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 9 |
| Team | | | | | 5 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 22-53 | 2-7 | 8-12 | 35 | 14 | 15 | 54 |

Georgetown (52)

| Player | min | fg-a | 3fg-a | ft-a | reb | ast | pf | tp |
|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Wheeler | 34 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 8 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| Marlow | 30 | 4-10 | 0-0 | 4-4 | 7 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Heidloff | 40 | 1-11 | 1-6 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| Carlin | 33 | 3-10 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 8 |
| LeSueur | 38 | 9-17 | 0-1 | 1-4 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| Bozeman | 10 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 1-1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Tyburski | 11 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Whitt | 4 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Team | | | | | 4 | | | |
| Totals | 200 | 20-58 | 3-15 | 9-13 | 39 | 11 | 14 | 52 |

Notre Dame 32 22 -- 54
Georgetown 18 34 -- 52

FG Pct: Notre Dame 41.5, Georgetown 34.5. **3-PT FG Pct:** Notre Dame 28.6, Georgetown 20.0. **FT Pct:** Notre Dame 66.7, Georgetown 69.2. **Turnovers:** Notre Dame 20, Georgetown 19. **Blocked Shots:** Notre Dame 7 (LaVere 3), Georgetown 9 (Wheeler 6). **Steals:** Notre Dame 10 (five with 2), Georgetown 9 (Heidloff 3). **Attendance:** 1,103.

NOTES: Notre Dame has won three of its last four games since suffering its first three-game losing streak in eight years ... the Irish are 5-1 this season in games decided by five points or less (only loss: 66-63 at St. John's on Jan. 4) ... Notre Dame is 20-2 all-time against Georgetown, including an 8-1 mark in Washington, D.C. ... the Hoyas are the sixth opponent in Irish women's basketball history against whom Notre Dame has registered 20-or-more wins (others are: Marquette - 27, Dayton & Detroit - 22, Loyola (Ill.) & Xavier - 20) ... the Irish have held Georgetown to less than 70 points in 16 of 17 BIG EAST Conference meetings, going 16-0 vs. the Hoyas when they register such a defensive effort ... Georgetown's 52 points were the fewest it has scored vs. the Irish at McDonough Arena since Jan. 6, 1998 (a 69-44 ND win) ... the 52 points also were the fewest allowed by Notre Dame to a BIG EAST opponent this year (previous: 61 by Louisville on Jan. 14) and the third-fewest by any foe this year (season-best: 45 by Michigan on Nov. 18) ... GU's 18 first-half points tied an Irish opponent season low, originally set by Valparaiso on Dec. 28 ... after shooting a combined .582 (39-67) from the foul line during its three-game losing streak, the Irish have connected at a .697 clip (53-76) in their last four outings ... Notre Dame is 10-2 this season when leading at halftime and has won 35 of its last 39 such contests ... since joining the BIG EAST 11 seasons ago, the Irish are 156-9 (.945) when limiting opponents to less than 60 points, including a 6-0 mark this year ... sophomore center Melissa D'Amico tied her career high with 10 rebounds, matching the total she had on Nov. 27 vs. No. 24/21 USC ... senior forward Courtney LaVere grabbed her 500th career rebound in the Georgetown win (she now has 503 all-time caroms).

#1 Tulyah Gaines

Guard • 5-7 • So.-1V • North Las Vegas, Nev. (Cheyenne HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has started eight times this season, the first starting assignments of her career ... averaging 4.5 points and 2.3 rebounds per game.
- ◆ Had six points, four rebounds and three steals in season-opening win vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points and five rebounds in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Suffered injury to right ankle two minutes into game at Indiana ... *did not play vs. USC.*
- ◆ Returned to action vs. Iona, ending up with five points and four rebounds.
- ◆ Scored 11 points (4-5 FG) at Wisconsin, including critical driving layup to beat shot clock with 1:57 left.
- ◆ Had five points, three assists and three steals vs. Arkansas State in Duel in the Desert opener at Las Vegas.
- ◆ Logged four points in 14 minutes against #1 Tennessee.
- ◆ Returned to starting lineup vs. Seton Hall and responded well, setting or tying career marks for points (12), assists (5), steals (4) and minutes played (30).
- ◆ Tossed in eight points against #10 DePaul, including four key free throws in the final 1:34 to help seal victory.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 12, twice (MR: vs. Seton Hall, 1/7/06)

Rebounds

Career.....9 vs. West Virginia (2/26/05)

Assists

Career.....5 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06)

Field Goals

Career.....4, twice (MR: at Wisconsin, 12/4/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career....7 vs. Arkansas State (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career.....8 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....12 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06)

Steals

Career.....4 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06)

Blocked Shots

Career.....1, three times (MR: vs. S. Hall, 1/7/06)

Minutes Played

Career.....30 vs. Seton Hall (1/7/06)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games 2/3
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure assist games..... 0/0
 5-assist games 1/1
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Gaines' Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2004-05 | 29-0 | 398-13.7 | 21-63 | .333 | 0-0 | .000 | 27-42 | .643 | 17 | 40 | 57 | 2.0 | 39-0 | 31 | 56 | 1 | 24 | 69 | 2.4 |
| 2005-06 | 16-8 | 293-18.3 | 20-54 | .370 | 0-0 | .000 | 32-51 | .627 | 11 | 25 | 36 | 2.3 | 32-0 | 18 | 33 | 2 | 14 | 72 | 4.5 |
| TOTALS | 45-8 | 691-15.4 | 41-117 | .350 | 0-0 | .000 | 59-93 | .634 | 28 | 65 | 93 | 2.1 | 71-0 | 49 | 89 | 3 | 38 | 141 | 3.1 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Tulyah Gaines

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan [^] | 22 | 1-5 | 0-0 | 4-7 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan [^] | 24 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| N23 | @ Indiana [^] | 2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC | Did not play — injured | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N29 | Iona | 18 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin | 24 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 3-5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue | 16 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 1-5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 19 | 1-7 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ | 13 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| D28 | Valparaiso | 18 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee | 14 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's | 17 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall [^] | 30 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 8-12 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 12 |
| J10 | • Marquette [^] | 18 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville [^] | 23 | 0-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul [^] | 21 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 4-7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown [^] | 14 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game // [^] = indicates game started
 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)

#2 Charel Allen

Guard • 5-11 • So.-1V • Monessen, Pa. (Monessen HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has come off bench in 49 of 50 career games to date ...averaging 8.0 points and 4.2 rebounds per game this season, primarily as part of solid Irish second unit.
- ◆ Scored game-high 16 points (6-14 FG) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Cracked double figures for second time this season with 11 points and career-high tying four assists at Indiana — six points came in game-changing 27-8 second-half run.
- ◆ Tossed in 13 points (4-7 FG) and hit three key free throws in the final minute to preserve victory over #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Had six points, five rebounds and three assists against Iona.
- ◆ Registered seven points at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Matched career high with nine rebounds vs. #22/21 Utah in helping Irish win Duel in the Desert Gray Division championship.
- ◆ Collected eight points (4-7 FG) and seven rebounds in win over Valparaiso.
- ◆ Picked up four points and four rebounds against #1 Tennessee, and hit three-pointer in second half as part of 26-10 Irish rally.
- ◆ Logged six points and five rebounds in BIG EAST opener at St. John's.
- ◆ Notched first double-digit scoring game since late November (USC) with 10 points against Seton Hall.
- ◆ Dropped in 15 points in career-high 38 minutes vs. Marquette, nailing crucial three-pointer with 2:23 left in regulation that helped propel Irish to overtime win.
- ◆ Had team-best 10 points at Louisville, marking the first time in her career she has had three consecutive double-figure scoring games.
- ◆ Made first career start vs. #10 DePaul, scoring five points and grabbing three rebounds in 18 minutes.
- ◆ Tallied eight points (4-9 FG) and two steals in victory at Georgetown.



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 17 at Syracuse (1/19/05)

Rebounds

Career.....9, three times (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Assists

Career... 4, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/23/05)

Field Goals

Career.. 7, twice (MR: at Pittsburgh, 2/5/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 16 vs. Marquette (1/10/06)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.. 2, three times (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 7 at Louisville (1/14/06)

Free Throws

Career..... 8 at Seton Hall (3/1/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 8, three times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Steals

Career....5 vs. Colorado State (11/22/04)

Blocked Shots

Career.. 2, three times (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06)

Minutes Played

Career..... 38 vs. Marquette (1/10/06)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games 6/15
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/1
(noted in season/career format)

Allen's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|-------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2004-05 | 33-0 | 794-24.1 | 87-199 | .437 | 7-16 | .438 | 72-85 | .847 | 48 | 89 | 137 | 4.2 | 63-1 | 47 | 60 | 11 | 39 | 253 | 7.7 |
| 2005-06 | 17-1 | 403-23.7 | 52-138 | .377 | 8-29 | .276 | 24-33 | .727 | 20 | 51 | 71 | 4.2 | 21-0 | 24 | 29 | 6 | 21 | 136 | 8.0 |
| TOTALS | 50-1 | 1197-23.9 | 139-337 | .412 | 15-45 | .333 | 96-118 | .814 | 68 | 140 | 208 | 4.2 | 84-1 | 71 | 89 | 17 | 60 | 389 | 7.8 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Charel Allen

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|---------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan | 28 | 6-14 | 0-1 | 4-4 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 16 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan | 18 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| N23 | @ Indiana | 29 | 5-8 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC | 22 | 4-7 | 1-2 | 4-8 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| N29 | Iona | 22 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin | 17 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue | 23 | 2-7 | 1-4 | 2-2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 19 | 1-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ | 24 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 7 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| D28 | Valparaiso | 21 | 4-7 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee | 25 | 1-8 | 1-4 | 1-2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's | 28 | 3-8 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall | 26 | 4-10 | 0-2 | 2-2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 |
| J10 | • Marquette | 38 | 5-16 | 1-4 | 4-4 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 15 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville | 22 | 4-13 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 10 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul [^] | 18 | 2-6 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown | 23 | 4-9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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#11 Amanda Tsipis

Guard • 5-9 • So.-1V • Perry, Ohio (Perry HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Made 2005-06 season debut vs. Iona (0-1 3FG in three minutes).
- ◆ Matched career high with five minutes of action vs. Arkansas State (no stats).
- ◆ Played one minute late in victory over Valparaiso.
- ◆ Scored four points in each of Notre Dame's two exhibition games this year.



Career Highs

Points

Career.. 2, three times (MR: vs. WVU, 2/26/05)

Rebounds

Career.....1 at Pittsburgh (2/5/05)

Assists

Career.....1 at Dayton (12/9/04)

Field Goals

Career... 1, twice (MR: vs. WVU, 2/26/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 1, six times (MR: vs. Iona, 11/29/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....1 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Free Throws

Career.....2 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....2 at Northern Illinois (12/30/04)

Steals

Career.....None

Blocked Shots

Career.....None

Minutes Played

Career.....5, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games..... 0/0
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure assist games..... 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Tsipis' Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| 2004-05 | 12-0 | 32-2.7 | 2-5 | .400 | 0-0 | .000 | 2-2 | 1.000 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 | 1-0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.5 |
| 2005-06 | 3-0 | 9-3.0 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-1 | .000 | 0-0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| TOTALS | 15-0 | 41-2.7 | 2-6 | .333 | 0-1 | .000 | 2-2 | 1.000 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.1 | 1-0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0.4 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Amanda Tsipis

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|---------------------------------|-----|--------------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N23 | @ Indiana | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N27 | #24/21 USC | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N29 | Iona | 3 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D28 | Valparaiso | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J4 | • @ St. John's | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J7 | • Seton Hall | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J10 | • Marquette | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J14 | • @ Louisville | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)

#13 Megan Duffy

Guard • 5-7 • Sr.-3V • Dayton, Ohio (Chaminade-Julienne HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week (Jan. 23)
- ◆ BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Nov. 28, Dec. 5, Dec. 19)
- ◆ Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) All-Tournament Team
- ◆ State Farm/WBCA Wade Trophy Watch List
- ◆ John R. Wooden Women's Award Preseason All-American
- ◆ First-team preseason All-American (Women's Basketball News Service)
- ◆ Third-team preseason All-American (*Lindy's College Basketball Annual*)
- ◆ "Terrific 10" (*Street & Smith's*)
- ◆ Top five point guards in the nation (ESPN.com)
- ◆ Preseason all-BIG EAST
- ◆ Senior CLASS Award Nominee

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started all 17 games this year (54 starts in a row and 81 of past 82 games; only non-start came March 2, 2004 vs. Syracuse, after yielding place in lineup for Senior Night).
- ◆ Leads team and ranks among top 15 in BIG EAST in scoring (tie-9th - 15.9 ppg.), free throw percentage (1st - .923; 13th in NCAA), assists (6th - 4.29 apg.), steals (7th - 2.18 spg.) and assist/turnover ratio (11th - 1.70) ... has led team in scoring 10 times this year.
- ◆ Has gone 28-of-30 (.933) at foul line in final two minutes and overtime this season.
- ◆ Tallied team-best 19 points and seven rebounds at Western Michigan; also connected on four free throws in the final 26 seconds to seal victory.
- ◆ Pumped in 26 points (8-15 FG, 3-6 3FG) at Indiana, including 13 in a game-changing 27-8 run late in the second half ... also had five assists and four steals.
- ◆ Finished with game-best 19 points vs. #24/21 USC, with six assists and six steals.
- ◆ Carded 17 of game-high 21 points vs. Iona in second half, going 7-of-10 from the floor (3-6 3FG) in final frame; also picked up 400th career assist (sixth player in school history with 400 assists).
- ◆ Scored game-best 20 points at Wisconsin, including 6-of-6 FT in final 30 seconds.
- ◆ Notched 12 points and eight assists (no turnovers) in 40-minute effort vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Sparked second-half comeback vs. #1 Tennessee, scoring 14 of her game-high 19 points after the break as Irish got within six on her short bank shot with 1:55 left.
- ◆ **Became 21st 1,000-point scorer in program history** with 13 points at St. John's ... reached milestone on old-fashioned three-point play with 14:01 left in game.
- ◆ Erupted for career-high 32 points (8-15 FG, 4-7 3FG, 12-13 FT) against Marquette, including game-winning layup as time expired in OT; also hit tying 3FG with 26 seconds left in OT and nearly won game in regulation on trey with 38 seconds to go.
- ◆ Had 23 points, nine assists and career-high-tying eight rebounds in win over #10 DePaul ... just missed logging program's first triple-double in 16 years (and second in school history).
- ◆ Logged team-high 16 points, five assists and five rebounds in victory at Georgetown.

Duffy In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Second in free throw percentage (.861)
- ◆ Second in minutes per game (32.32)
- ◆ Fifth in three-point field goals made (136)
- ◆ Fifth in three-point field goal attempts (374)
- ◆ Fifth in free throws made (340)
- ◆ Fifth in minutes played (3,685)
- ◆ Sixth in assists (449)
- ◆ Sixth in assists per game (3.94)
- ◆ Eighth (tied) in free throw attempts (395)
- ◆ Ninth in steals per game (1.74)
- ◆ 18th in points (1,092)

Duffy's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-------------|------------|
| 2002-03 | 32-5 | 748-23.4 | 22-91 | .242 | 7-35 | .200 | 45-59 | .763 | 9 | 51 | 60 | 1.9 | 59-1 | 73 | 78 | 1 | 26 | 96 | 3.0 |
| 2003-04 | 32-31 | 1066-33.3 | 93-231 | .403 | 46-114 | .404 | 86-105 | .819 | 11 | 82 | 93 | 2.9 | 56-0 | 125 | 92 | 1 | 45 | 318 | 9.9 |
| 2004-05 | 33-33 | 1222-37.0 | 110-252 | .437 | 50-125 | .400 | 137-153 | .895 | 7 | 94 | 101 | 3.1 | 50-0 | 178 | 103 | 2 | 90 | 407 | 12.3 |
| 2005-06 | 17-17 | 649-38.2 | 83-207 | .401 | 33-100 | .330 | 72-78 | .923 | 9 | 58 | 67 | 3.9 | 28-0 | 73 | 43 | 2 | 37 | 271 | 15.9 |
| TOTALS | 114-86 | 3685-32.3 | 308-781 | .394 | 136-374 | .364 | 340-395 | .861 | 36 | 285 | 321 | 2.8 | 193-1 | 449 | 316 | 6 | 198 | 1092 | 9.6 |



Career Highs

Points

Career..... 32 vs. Marquette (1/10/06)

Rebounds

Career.... 8, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 1/17/06)

Assists

Career..... 11 vs. Rutgers (1/23/05)

Field Goals

Career..... 9 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 20 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 6 vs. Wisconsin (12/4/03)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 11 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Free Throws

Career..... 12 vs. Marquette (1/10/06)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 13, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 1/10/06)

Steals

Career..... 7, three times (MR: at UConn, 1/30/05)

Blocked Shots

Career... 1, six times (MR: vs. Tenn., 12/31/05)

Minutes Played

Career.... 45 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/2
 Double-figure scoring games..... 13/53
 20-point games 5*/10*
 Double-figure assist games..... 0/4
 5-assist games 8/44
 5-steal games..... 1/6

* = includes one 30-point game
 (noted in season/career format)

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Megan Duffy

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|----------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan [^] | 39 | 0-5 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 3 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan [^] | 39 | 5-10 | 1-4 | 8-8 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 19 |
| N23 | @ Indiana [^] | 40 | 8-15 | 3-6 | 7-8 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 26 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC [^] | 40 | 6-16 | 3-8 | 4-4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 19 |
| N29 | Iona [^] | 31 | 9-20 | 3-11 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 21 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin [^] | 39 | 5-14 | 1-5 | 9-10 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 20 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue [^] | 40 | 4-11 | 0-3 | 4-4 | 0 | 7 | 7 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ^{1^} | 26 | 5-11 | 3-8 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 13 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ^{1^} | 40 | 4-10 | 1-5 | 3-4 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 12 |
| D28 | Valparaiso [^] | 38 | 3-11 | 1-6 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee [^] | 40 | 5-18 | 3-10 | 6-6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 19 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's [^] | 40 | 5-9 | 2-3 | 1-2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 13 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall [^] | 37 | 3-12 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| J10 | • Marquette [^] | 44 | 8-15 | 4-7 | 12-13 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 32 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville [^] | 37 | 2-10 | 2-6 | 2-2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 8 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul [^] | 39 | 6-12 | 2-6 | 9-9 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 23 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown [^] | 40 | 5-8 | 2-5 | 4-4 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 16 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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What They're Saying About Megan Duffy ...

- ◆ “Megan Duffy is one of the best I've ever seen. I absolutely love that kid, but hate to play against her.” — *Purdue head coach Kristy Curry*
- ◆ “Notre Dame has one of the best point guards in the country in Megan Duffy.” — *Wisconsin head coach Lisa Stone*
- ◆ “She's the premier point guard in the country.” — *Iona head coach Anthony Bozzella*
- ◆ “If you have a great point guard, you're going to have a great team. She's just a phenomenal point guard.” — *Indiana head coach Sharon Versyp*
- ◆ “She's really unbelievable. You can just tell, diving on the floor and never quitting. She's just special. That's the thing that takes a program to the next level.” — *St. John's head coach Kim Barnes Arico*
- ◆ “Megan is truly a quarterback on the floor. She has great instincts, and is as tough as tough can be. She is the ultimate team player, and really the type of player that you love to coach.” — *Kathy Delaney-Smith, head coach of the 2005 USA World University Games Team*
- ◆ “I hope we never have to play Duffy again. She hit tough shot after tough shot after tough shot.” — *Arizona State head coach Charli Turner Thorne (following 2005 NCAA Tournament second-round game)*
- ◆ “What can you say about Megan? That's the best point guard in America right there.” — *Notre Dame head coach Muffet McGraw (after Duffy's near triple-double vs. #10 DePaul on Jan. 17)*

#21 Chandrica Smith

Forward • 6-1 • Fr.-HS • Stone Mountain, Ga. (Oak Hill Academy (Va.))

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has appeared in 11 games this season, averaging 1.7 points and 1.4 rebounds per game with a .500 field goal percentage (8-of-16).
- ◆ Made college debut at Indiana, playing three minutes (0-1 FG, one foul).
- ◆ Had first collegiate stats vs. Iona, finishing with three points, two rebounds and a steal.
- ◆ Made only field goal attempt (two points) in three minutes at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Set new season highs with four points (2-4 FG) and four rebounds in 18 minutes against Arkansas State.
- ◆ Matched personal best with four points (2-3 FG) and added three rebounds in victory over Valparaiso.
- ◆ Again had four points (1-2, 2-2 FT), this time at St. John's in BIG EAST opener ... also registered her first career blocked shot in contest.
- ◆ Scored two points and tied season high with four rebounds and two steals in a season-best 19 minutes at Louisville.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 4, three times (MR: at St. John's, 1/4/06)

Rebounds

Career... 4, twice (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06)

Assists

Career.... 1 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goals

Career..... 2, twice (MR: vs. Valparaiso, 12/28/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 4 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career..... 2 at St. John's (1/4/06)

Free Throw Attempts

Career... 2, three times (MR: at St. John's, 1/4/06)

Steals

Career..... 2 at Louisville (1/14/06)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 1, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 1/21/06)

Minutes Played

Career..... 19 at Louisville (1/14/06)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/0
 Double-figure scoring games..... 0/0
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 0/0
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Smith's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 2005-06 | 11-0 | 74-6.7 | 8-16 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-6 | .500 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 1.4 | 8-0 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 19 | 1.7 |
| TOTALS | 11-0 | 74-6.7 | 8-16 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 3-6 | .500 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 1.4 | 8-0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 1.7 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Chandrica Smith

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|---------------------------------|-----|--------------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N23 | @ Indiana | 3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N29 | Iona | 6 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue | 3 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 18 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| D28 | Valparaiso | 13 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee | 0+ | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's | 5 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J10 | • Marquette | | Did not play | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J14 | • @ Louisville | 19 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown | 3 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)

#24 Lindsay Schrader

Guard • 6-0 • Fr.-HS • Bartlett, Ill. (Bartlett HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Freshman of the Week (Nov. 21)
- ◆ BIG EAST Weekly Honor Roll (Dec. 5)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started 16 of 17 games this season ... became first Notre Dame freshman to start season opener since Jacqueline Batteast and Teresa Borton vs. Valparaiso on Nov. 18, 2001.
- ◆ Leads team in rebounding (6.0 rpg.), and is second in both scoring (8.5 ppg.) and assists (1.88 apg.).
- ◆ Opened college career with a bang, posting double-double vs. Michigan with 10 points and 14 rebounds ... only second player in school history to register double-double in college debut (Shari Matvey - 21p, 14r vs. Marion on Nov. 30, 1979) ... 14 rebounds also most by Irish player since Batteast's 18 boards at Connecticut on Feb. 23, 2003.
- ◆ Tossed in 11 points and grabbed five rebounds at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Contributed seven points, four rebounds, three assists and two blocks at Indiana.
- ◆ Had eight points, four rebounds in victory over #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Logged season-high 14 points (6-9 FG) in only 22 minutes vs. Iona.
- ◆ Had perfect shooting day at Wisconsin, going 6-of-6 from the floor (including her first three-pointer of the year) and winding up with 13 points ... shooting performance was one made shot away from tying school record for field goal percentage by a freshman.
- ◆ Collected team-high eight rebounds and season-best four assists vs. Arkansas State.
- ◆ Registered second double-double of season with 10 points and game-high 10 rebounds against No. 22/21 Utah in title game of Duel in the Desert (Gray Division).
- ◆ Had game highs of 13 points (6-10 FG) and seven rebounds, along with season-high three steals against Valparaiso.
- ◆ Tallied eight points (4-7 FG) in BIG EAST opener at St. John's.
- ◆ Scored seven points in 19 minutes against Seton Hall.
- ◆ Posted third double-digit rebounding game of season with 10 rebounds vs. Marquette; also matched season high with four assists and 33 minutes of action.
- ◆ Notched nine points and five rebounds at Louisville.
- ◆ Came off the bench for first time this year vs. #10 DePaul, responding with near double-double (nine points, nine rebounds).
- ◆ Was back in lineup at Georgetown, collecting six points and five rebounds.



Career Highs

Points

Career.....14 vs. Iona (11/29/05)

Rebounds

Career.....14 vs. Michigan (11/18/05)

Assists

Career... 4, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 1/10/06)

Field Goals

Career....6, three times (MR: vs. Valpo., 12/28/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 15 at Purdue (12/7/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 1, twice (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career... 1, three times (MR: at Louisville, 1/14/06)

Free Throws

Career... 3, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 1/10/06)

Free Throw Attempts

Career... 7, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 1/10/06)

Steals

Career.....3 vs. Valparaiso (12/28/05)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 2 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Minutes Played

Career..... 33, four times (MR: vs. Marq., 1/10/06)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 2/2
 Double-figure scoring games..... 6/6
 20-point games 0/0
 Double-figure rebound games 3/3
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Schrader's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg. | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg. |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2005-06 | 17-16 | 457-26.9 | 61-142 | .430 | 2-3 | .667 | 20-51 | .392 | 21 | 81 | 102 | 6.0 | 32-1 | 32 | 34 | 3 | 20 | 144 | 8.5 |
| TOTALS | 17-16 | 457-26.9 | 61-142 | .430 | 2-3 | .667 | 20-51 | .392 | 21 | 81 | 102 | 6.0 | 32-1 | 32 | 34 | 3 | 20 | 144 | 8.5 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Lindsay Schrader

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan^ | 33 | 4-9 | 0-0 | 2-6 | 3 | 11 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan^ | 28 | 5-11 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| N23 | @ Indiana^ | 33 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC^ | 27 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 2-7 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| N29 | Iona^ | 22 | 6-9 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 14 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin^ | 28 | 6-6 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 13 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue^ | 26 | 3-15 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ ^ | 26 | 3-8 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 5 | 8 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ ^ | 33 | 4-10 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 1 | 9 | 10 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| D28 | Valparaiso^ | 30 | 6-10 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 13 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee^ | 28 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's^ | 23 | 4-7 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 8 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall^ | 19 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 3-6 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| J10 | • Marquette^ | 33 | 0-6 | 0-0 | 3-7 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville^ | 24 | 4-12 | 1-1 | 0-1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul | 26 | 4-12 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown^ | 18 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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#32 Breona Gray

Guard • 5-9 • Jr.-2V • Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has started nine games this season ... averaging 5.0 points and 2.3 rebounds per game ... also has .882 free throw percentage (15-of-17).
- ◆ Had six points (4-4 FT) in season opener vs. Michigan.
- ◆ Added six points in victory at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Was key factor in win at Indiana, replacing injured Tulyah Gaines early in first half and going on to score 14 points (6-11 FG, 2-5 3FG) ... 10 of her markers came in first half.
- ◆ Made first start of the season vs. #24/21 USC, collecting career-high eight rebounds and matching personal standard with three steals.
- ◆ Had seven points at Wisconsin, including three-pointer that put Irish ahead to stay with 6:03 left, and had critical offensive rebound of missed FT with 21 seconds remaining.
- ◆ Enjoyed successful homecoming at Duel in the Desert in Las Vegas ... scored 12 points in opening-day win over Arkansas State ... came back with 11 points, including two early three-pointers, in Gray Division title game vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Scored five points and grabbed two rebounds at Louisville.
- ◆ Had first double-digit scoring game since Las Vegas trip with 10 points (4-9 FG, 2-3 3FG) in 31 minutes vs. #10 DePaul ... also hit three-pointer to ignite 20-1 second-half run.
- ◆ Tallied two points, four assists and two steals at Georgetown ... the second theft came with 14.9 seconds left with ND leading by two.



Career Highs

Points

Career.....17 vs. Syracuse (1/5/05)

Rebounds

Career.....8 vs. USC (11/27/05)

Assists

Career.....5 vs. Purdue (1/16/05)

Field Goals

Career..6, three times (MR: vs. Ind., 11/23/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.....13 vs. Nebraska (11/14/04)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career....2, three times (MR: vs. DePaul, 1/17/06)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....5 at Indiana (11/23/05)

Free Throws

Career...5, twice (MR: vs. West Va., 3/6/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....7 vs. Syracuse (1/5/05)

Steals

Career.....3, four times (MR: vs. USC, 11/27/05)

Blocked Shots

Career.....2 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Minutes Played

Career..35, twice (MR: at Villanova, 1/9/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles.....0/0
 Double-figure scoring games.....4/11
 20-point games0/0
 Double-figure rebound games0/0
 5-assist games0/1
 5-steal games.....0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Gray's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg |
|---------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2003-04 | 29-0 | 330-11.4 | 24-58 | .414 | 0-10 | .000 | 17-27 | .630 | 13 | 32 | 45 | 1.6 | 25-0 | 8 | 25 | 2 | 13 | 65 | 2.2 |
| 2004-05 | 33-33 | 788-23.9 | 69-188 | .367 | 2-6 | .333 | 40-57 | .702 | 35 | 75 | 110 | 3.3 | 31-0 | 54 | 54 | 2 | 41 | 180 | 5.5 |
| 2005-06 | 17-9 | 386-22.7 | 30-81 | .370 | 10-33 | .303 | 15-17 | .882 | 14 | 25 | 39 | 2.3 | 22-0 | 21 | 24 | 2 | 16 | 85 | 5.0 |
| TOTALS | 79-42 | 1504-19.0 | 123-327 | .376 | 12-49 | .245 | 72-101 | .713 | 62 | 132 | 194 | 2.5 | 78-0 | 83 | 103 | 6 | 70 | 330 | 4.2 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Breona Gray

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan | 21 | 1-7 | 0-3 | 4-4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan | 23 | 3-7 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| N23 | @ Indiana | 33 | 6-11 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 14 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC^ | 30 | 0-3 | 0-1 | 2-2 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| N29 | Iona^ | 23 | 0-3 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin^ | 24 | 3-5 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 7 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue^ | 16 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ ^ | 26 | 4-7 | 1-1 | 3-3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ ^ | 25 | 3-6 | 2-4 | 3-4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 11 |
| D28 | Valparaiso^ | 23 | 1-4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee^ | 15 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's^ | 16 | 1-4 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall | 14 | 1-2 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| J10 | • Marquette | 23 | 1-4 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville | 17 | 1-3 | 0-1 | 3-3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul | 31 | 4-9 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 10 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown | 26 | 1-3 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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#33 Melissa D'Amico

Center • 6-5 • So.-1V • Manorville, N.Y. (William Floyd HS)

2005-06 Awards

- ◆ Duel in the Desert (Gray Division) Most Valuable Player
- ◆ BIG EAST Conference Player of the Week (Dec. 19)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started 16 games this season, the first starting assignments of her career.
- ◆ Leads team and tied for fifth in BIG EAST in blocked shots (1.35 bpg.) ... also tops on squad in field goal percentage (.500) ... third on team in both scoring (8.4 ppg.) and rebounding (5.5 rpg.).
- ◆ Made first career start in season opener vs. Michigan, recording second-ever double-digit scoring night with 10 points and seven rebounds.
- ◆ Turned in first career double-double vs. #24/21 USC, logging 13 points (6-10 FG) and career-high 10 rebounds.
- ◆ Nearly had second consecutive double-double with 10 points and team-high eight rebounds against Iona.
- ◆ Had another solid outing at Wisconsin with 11 points (3-5 FG) and eight rebounds.
- ◆ Registered her best weekend as a collegian, earning Gray Division MVP honors at the Duel in the Desert after averaging 16.0 points and 6.5 rebounds with an .824 field goal percentage (14-of-17) as the Irish won the title.
- ◆ Dropped in career-high 20 points of 10-of-12 shooting in only 18 minutes of action against Arkansas State.
- ◆ Came back with team-high 13 points (4-5 FG) and seven rebounds vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Tallied 10 points (4-7 FG) against Valparaiso.
- ◆ Enjoyed strong performance in homecoming game at St. John's, finishing with team-high 14 points (7-10 FG) and six rebounds.
- ◆ Came off the bench for the first time this season at Louisville, contributing eight points (4-7 FG) and six rebounds in 20 minutes.
- ◆ Collected five points and career-high-tying 10 rebounds in win at Georgetown.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 20 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Rebounds

Career..... 10, twice (MR: at Georgetown, 1/21/06)

Assists

Career... 2, twice (MR: vs. Marquette, 1/10/06)

Field Goals

Career.. 10 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.. 12 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.....None

Free Throws

Career..... 5, twice (MR: vs. Utah, 12/18/05)

Free Throw Attempts

Career..... 10 vs. Utah (12/18/05)

Steals

Career..... 2, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 3, twice (MR: at Indiana, 11/18/05)

Minutes Played

Career.... 32, twice (MR: vs. Ark. St., 12/17/05)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 1/1
 Double-figure scoring games..... 8/9
 20-point games..... 1/1
 Double-figure rebound games..... 2/2
 5-block games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

D'Amico's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2004-05 | 26-0 | 159-6.1 | 21-48 | .438 | 0-0 | .000 | 7-16 | .438 | 15 | 22 | 37 | 1.4 | 34-0 | 4 | 14 | 12 | 3 | 49 | 1.9 |
| 2005-06 | 17-16 | 384-22.6 | 58-116 | .500 | 0-0 | .000 | 26-48 | .542 | 35 | 58 | 93 | 5.5 | 42-0 | 8 | 33 | 23 | 8 | 142 | 8.4 |
| TOTALS | 43-16 | 543-12.6 | 79-164 | .482 | 0-0 | .000 | 33-64 | .516 | 50 | 80 | 130 | 3.0 | 76-0 | 12 | 47 | 35 | 11 | 191 | 4.4 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Melissa D'Amico

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan^ | 25 | 4-9 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan^ | 16 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 8 |
| N23 | @ Indiana^ | 9 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC^ | 32 | 6-10 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 13 |
| N29 | Iona^ | 27 | 4-10 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin^ | 26 | 3-5 | 0-0 | 5-6 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 11 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue^ | 28 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ ^ | 18 | 10-12 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 20 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ ^ | 32 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 5-10 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 13 |
| D28 | Valparaiso^ | 22 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 10 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee^ | 23 | 2-5 | 0-0 | 2-5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's^ | 30 | 7-10 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 14 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall^ | 17 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| J10 | • Marquette^ | 15 | 0-6 | 0-0 | 0-3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville | 20 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul^ | 17 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown^ | 27 | 2-8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 5 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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#34 Crystal Erwin

Forward • 6-2 • Jr.-2V • Rancho Cucamonga, Calif. (St. Paul HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Started every game this season, coming off impressive summer workouts and strong improvement in her all-around game.
- ◆ Second on team in rebounding (5.6 rpg.) ... has opened BIG EAST play in solid fashion (7.8 ppg., 6.0 rpg., .513 FG%).
- ◆ Had quality minutes in win at Western Michigan, finishing with seven points and five rebounds.
- ◆ Registered perfect shooting night at Indiana (3-3 FG, 3-3 FT), ending up with nine points and four rebounds despite picking up fourth foul with 13 minutes to play.
- ◆ Had seven rebounds in 20 minutes vs. #24/21 USC.
- ◆ Collected five points and three rebounds against Iona.
- ◆ Tallied seven points and career-high 11 rebounds at #24/23 Purdue.
- ◆ Posted first double-digit scoring performance of the season with 12 points (4-8 FG), along with seven rebounds in Duel in the Desert title game vs. #22/21 Utah.
- ◆ Turned in blue-collar effort vs. #1 Tennessee with team-high seven rebounds.
- ◆ Notched second career double-double in BIG EAST opener at St. John's, winding up with 11 points (5-7 FG) and a career-best 12 rebounds.
- ◆ Logged 11 points and six rebounds (five offensive) against Seton Hall.
- ◆ Snared eight rebounds in overtime win over Marquette.
- ◆ Carded seven points (3-4 FG) in 18 minutes at Louisville.
- ◆ Offered excellent production in win over #10 DePaul, registering 10 points (4-5 FG), six rebounds and career-high-tying four steals.



Career Highs

Points

Career... 24 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Rebounds

Career..... 12 at St. John's (1/4/06)

Assists

Career.... 3, twice (MR: vs. BC, 2/2/05)

Field Goals

Career.....9, twice (MR: vs. Wash., 12/11/04)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 15 vs. Michigan State (12/2/04)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career.....None

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career.... 1 vs. Arkansas St. (12/17/05)

Free Throws

Career..... 7 vs. Dayton (12/13/03)

Free Throw Attempts

Career....9, twice (MR: vs. St. John's, 1/26/05)

Steals

Career....4, twice (MR: vs. DePaul, 1/17/06)

Blocked Shots

Career..... 2 at Wisconsin (12/4/05)

Minutes Played

Career... 34 vs. Washington (12/11/04)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 1/2
 Double-figure scoring games 4/11
 20-point games 0/2
 Double-figure rebound games 2/3
 5-assist games 0/0
 5-steal games..... 0/0
(noted in season/career format)

Erwin's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg |
|---------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|
| 2003-04 | 32-0 | 353-11.0 | 42-94 | .447 | 0-0 | .000 | 22-42 | .524 | 26 | 41 | 67 | 2.1 | 72-2 | 15 | 45 | 7 | 23 | 106 | 3.3 |
| 2004-05 | 33-17 | 579-17.5 | 67-162 | .414 | 0-0 | .000 | 40-71 | .563 | 51 | 75 | 126 | 3.8 | 82-4 | 29 | 55 | 8 | 18 | 174 | 5.3 |
| 2005-06 | 17-17 | 378-22.2 | 38-86 | .442 | 0-1 | .000 | 27-46 | .587 | 37 | 59 | 96 | 5.6 | 50-2 | 15 | 39 | 5 | 13 | 103 | 6.1 |
| TOTALS | 82-34 | 1310-16.0 | 147-342 | .430 | 0-1 | .000 | 89-159 | .560 | 114 | 175 | 289 | 3.5 | 204-8 | 59 | 139 | 20 | 54 | 383 | 4.7 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Crystal Erwin

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|-----------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan^ | 17 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan^ | 28 | 2-9 | 0-0 | 3-4 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| N23 | @ Indiana^ | 21 | 3-3 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 9 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC^ | 20 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| N29 | Iona^ | 17 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 3-6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin^ | 22 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue^ | 26 | 3-5 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 6 | 5 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ ^ | 21 | 2-6 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 4 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ ^ | 21 | 4-8 | 0-0 | 4-6 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| D28 | Valparaiso^ | 11 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee^ | 28 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-6 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's^ | 31 | 5-7 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 3 | 9 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 11 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall^ | 26 | 5-11 | 0-0 | 1-7 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| J10 | • Marquette^ | 26 | 1-6 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville^ | 18 | 3-4 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 7 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul^ | 27 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown^ | 18 | 2-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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#41 Courtney LaVere

Forward • 6-3 • Sr.-3V • Ventura, Calif. (Buena HS)

2005-06 Highlights

- ◆ Has come off the bench 16 times this year, part of solid second platoon for the Irish.
- ◆ Second on team in blocked shots (1.18 bpg.; 9th in BIG EAST) and field goal percentage (.475), and fifth in scoring (7.9 ppg.).
- ◆ Notched first double-digit game of season with 10 points and five rebounds (four offensive) at Western Michigan.
- ◆ Had solid all-around effort at Indiana with six points (3-4 FG) and eight rebounds, including five critical boards in final seven minutes ... also logged 900th career point and 100th career block vs. the Hoosiers (eighth player in school history with 100 blocks).
- ◆ Sparked Irish past #24/21 USC with season-high 16 points (7-11 FG) in 29 minutes ... made first five shots from the field.
- ◆ Added 10 points (5-8 FG) and five rebounds vs. Iona, connecting on her first four shots of the game.
- ◆ Went 5-of-7 from floor at #24/23 Purdue, finishing with 10 points.
- ◆ Logged 10 points, including career-best 2-of-3 three-pointers, against #1 Tennessee.
- ◆ Collected season-high three blocked shots along with eight points vs. Seton Hall.
- ◆ **Became 22nd 1,000-point scorer in school history** with her only basket at Louisville ... was also her first starting assignment of season.
- ◆ Came on in supporting role vs. #10 DePaul, carding nine points (4-5 FG) in 19 minutes.
- ◆ Had nine points (4-7 FG), four rebounds (including 500th board of her career) and season-high-tying three blocks in victory at Georgetown.

LaVere In The Notre Dame Career Record Books

- ◆ Eighth in blocked shots (116)
- ◆ Ninth in blocks per game (1.06)



Career Highs

Points

Career.....23, twice (MR: vs. Rutgers, 1/18/03)

Rebounds

Career.....13 vs. SMS (3/21/04)

Assists

Career.....6 vs. Valparaiso (12/28/05)

Field Goals

Career... 9, three times (MR: vs. Wis., 12/4/03)

Field Goal Attempts

Career.....16, three times (MR: vs. Wis., 12/4/03)

Three-Point Field Goals

Career..... 2 vs. Tennessee (12/31/05)

Three-Point Field Goal Attempts

Career..... 3 vs. Tennessee (12/31/05)

Free Throws

Career.....12 at Villanova (1/25/03)

Free Throw Attempts

Career.....16 at Villanova (1/25/03)

Steals

Career.....4 vs. USC (12/22/03)

Blocked Shots

Career.....5 at Marquette (12/31/02)

Minutes Played

Career.....36 at Marquette (12/31/02)

Miscellaneous

Double-doubles..... 0/8
 Double-figure scoring games..... 6/49
 20-point games 0/6
 Double-figure rebound games 0/8
 5-block games..... 0/1
(noted in season/career format)

LaVere's Career Statistics

| Season | GP-GS | Min.-Avg. | FG-FGA | Pct. | 3FG-3FGA | Pct. | FT-FTA | Pct. | Off | Def | Tot | Avg | PF-DQ | A | T | B | S | Pts | Avg |
|---------------|---------------|------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------|
| 2002-03 | 32-10 | 723-22.6 | 151-311 | .486 | 1-3 | .333 | 95-136 | .699 | 81 | 99 | 180 | 5.6 | 88-5 | 21 | 80 | 27 | 19 | 398 | 12.4 |
| 2003-04 | 32-17 | 709-22.2 | 113-274 | .412 | 3-10 | .300 | 47-85 | .553 | 61 | 84 | 145 | 4.5 | 87-1 | 30 | 75 | 41 | 36 | 276 | 8.6 |
| 2004-05 | 28-16 | 583-20.8 | 88-190 | .463 | 1-6 | .167 | 34-59 | .576 | 34 | 76 | 110 | 3.9 | 61-2 | 37 | 57 | 28 | 26 | 211 | 7.5 |
| 2005-06 | 17-1 | 389-22.9 | 57-120 | .475 | 2-4 | .500 | 18-28 | .643 | 32 | 36 | 68 | 4.0 | 40-1 | 26 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 134 | 7.9 |
| TOTALS | 109-44 | 2404-22.1 | 409-895 | .457 | 7-23 | .304 | 194-308 | .630 | 208 | 295 | 503 | 4.6 | 276-9 | 114 | 232 | 116 | 96 | 1019 | 9.3 |

2005-06 Game-By-Game Statistics — Courtney LaVere

| Date | Opponent | Min | FG-FGA | 3FG-FGA | FT-FTA | Off | Def | Tot | PF | A | TO | Blk | Stl | Pts |
|------|---------------------------------|-----|--------|---------|--------|-----|-----|-----|----|---|----|-----|-----|-----|
| N18 | Michigan | 15 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| N20 | @ Western Michigan | 24 | 4-13 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 |
| N23 | @ Indiana | 30 | 3-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| N27 | #24/21 USC | 29 | 7-11 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 16 |
| N29 | Iona | 28 | 5-8 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| D4 | @ Wisconsin | 20 | 3-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| D7 | @ #24/23 Purdue | 22 | 5-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 10 |
| D17 | vs. Arkansas State ¹ | 22 | 4-12 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| D18 | vs. #22/21 Utah ¹ | 12 | 1-4 | 0-0 | 2-4 | 4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| D28 | Valparaiso | 23 | 4-6 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 10 |
| D31 | #1/1 Tennessee | 27 | 4-8 | 2-3 | 0-0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 10 |
| J4 | • @ St. John's | 10 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| J7 | • Seton Hall | 29 | 2-8 | 0-1 | 4-4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 8 |
| J10 | • Marquette | 28 | 3-4 | 0-0 | 3-6 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 9 |
| J14 | • @ Louisville [^] | 20 | 1-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| J17 | • #10/10 DePaul | 19 | 4-5 | 0-0 | 1-4 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 9 |
| J21 | • @ Georgetown | 31 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 9 |
| J24 | • @ Rutgers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J28 | • South Florida | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| J31 | • @ Syracuse | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F4 | • Providence | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F7 | • Villanova | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F12 | • @ DePaul | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F19 | • Connecticut | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F22 | • @ West Virginia | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F25 | • @ Cincinnati | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| F28 | • Pittsburgh | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

• = indicates BIG EAST Conference game // ^ = indicates game started
 1 = Duel in the Desert (Las Vegas, Nev.)